

Cards Steal Way Back Into Contention

Base Running Returns

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The St. Louis Cardinals are stealing their way back into the National League pennant picture. Running bases with an abandon no Redbird team has shown since the last St. Louis flag winner in 1946. Manager Eddie Stanky's club has moved from dead last at the start to within a game of the top.

In 12 games the Cards have swiped 12 bases. They need only half a dozen more to equal their total for the entire 1953 season.

Winning Cardinal teams almost always have been running teams. One of the greatest was the 1931 aggregation. That was the year Frankie Fritsch of the Fordham Flash led the club with 26 steals, and Pepper Martin virtually stole the World Series away from the Philadelphia Athletics with his head-first belly slides.

LEAN YEARS
The 1931 Cardinals stole 114 bases. The 1946 pennant winners, last National League team to win the World Series, stole 58. But look at the totals for some of the lean years — 28 in 1947, 24 in 1948, only 17 in 1949, 23 in 1950, 30 in 1951 and 33 in 1952. In every instance these figures placed St. Louis last or next to last in the league in bases stolen.

Stanky claims there is no radical difference between the base-running tactics of the 1954 outfit and last year's club.

"We're just trying a few things and they're working," he said.

Nevertheless, the figures are doubly interesting in that 10 different players on the team have stolen bases, including one pitcher — Harvey Haddix.

DIRECTLY
A steal figured directly in the result of yesterday's Cardinal game when the Redbirds edged Brooklyn 6-5 in 10 innings. Bonus baby Dick Schofield, running for Ray Jablonski, who had walked with two out, stole second on pitcher Jim Hughes and rode home on Steve Bilko's single, the second hit of the season for the massive first baseman.

The defeat, Brooklyn's second in a row in St. Louis, dumped the Dodgers into a third-place tie. They went West over the weekend in first place. The Cincinnati Redlegs, who replaced the Dodgers at the top on Tuesday, stayed there with an 8-4 verdict over the Pittsburgh Pirates, and the New York Giants moved into a tie with Brooklyn by nipping Milwaukee 3-1.

BAD WEATHER
Rain and bad weather caused the other five scheduled games to be postponed.

Spectacular relief pitching by little Jackie Collum preserved the Cincinnati victory after the Reds rallied for five runs in the third inning to gain a 7-4 lead. Collum stopped the Pirates on one hit through the last 6 1-3 innings after they had battered starter Fred Baczewski for nine in the first 2 2-3.

Ruben Gomez pitched six shut-out innings and drove in the first New York run at Milwaukee before leaving the game with a wrenched back after running the bases in the seventh. Al Dark doubled with the bases loaded, also in the seventh, for the other two New York runs. Gomez' injury was not considered serious.

BATTING — Stan Musial, St. Louis Cardinals — Collected two singles and a double, driving in two runs, as he raised his average to .356 in the St. Louis victory over Brooklyn 6-5 in 10 innings.



CASEY AND HIS FELLAS — Manager Casey Stengel tries to remember the names of the three first basemen, who started the season in Yankee livery. Left to right are Bill Skowron, Joe Collins and Eddie Robinson.

Determine Has Good Chance In Derby Run

By HARRY GRAYSON
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LOUISVILLE — (NEA) — When Turn - to bowed a tendon and Porterhouse bruised a hoof, the 80th running of the Kentucky Derby was left as wide open as the Pennsylvania Turnpike.

Anything on four legs can win. The trick seems to be for some hide to get around the first turn alive.

Unless Andrew J. Crevolin's Determine lives up to his California press clippings, they're all on the mediocre side, which is why 16 or 17 are expected to start. What owner wouldn't gamble the \$1000 starting fee for a crack at the winners share of the \$100,000 added prize money? The lucky owner of the colt getting his nose down in front collects \$83,000, so the price is better than 9 to 1.

Largely because Determine makes it a three - way parlay—the son of Alibhai has already copped two Derbies, the Santa Anita and Bay Meadows — would make the more exciting story, we're stringing along with the plucky little guy to make it seven stakes victories in a row.

Determine would be the first gray and smallest (only 850 lbs) and shortest thoroughbred ever to win the Run for the Roses.

Determine, which gets his color from his dam, Koubis, a daughter of Mahmoud, was flown to Churchill Downs smack dab off another remarkable performance, carrying 126 pounds over the mile and an eighth of the Bay Meadows Derby and winning in a common gallop in 1:49 1-5, just a fraction off the track record set by memorable Seabiscuit in 1938.

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Wildcats Dump Trojans 5-3

By LARRY BARLEEN

Grabbing another win, their fourth straight this season, the KU Wildcats downed the Sacred Heart Trojans 5-3, behind the three hit pitching of Earl Tichenor, on Wright Field, Wednesday.

The Wildcats had to capitalize while they had a chance, because Trojan pitcher, Dino Reginato pitched a tight five hitter for the losers.

The Cats bunched them enough for their five runs, which started crossing the plate in the initial inning.

Jerry Bramwell was safe on an error in the first frame, and Don Taucher followed with a single placing men on first and third. Bob Harshberger drove them both across when Sacred Heart fielders bobbled the ball for an error.

The Trojans opened their first inning with a single by Phil Collins and a double by Reginato for one run, but the Wildcats' two runs placed them on the short end of the score.

Bob Harshberger's ground rule double, that landed in the canal, accounted for two more Wildcat runs in the third inning.

Sacred Heart garnered another run in the fifth on a rash of Wildcat errors, and then scored their last counter in the seventh on a single by Collins, a fielder's choice, two base on balls and a hit batsman off Tichenor, before Darrell Rush came in to put out the fire.

The Cat's last two runs came in the fifth on Bramwell's long triple to left center, and Taucher was safe on an error that permitted Bramwell to score.

Collins led the Trojans at the

ABC Masters Tourney Gets Started Today

SEATTLE — There were 48 survivors in the American Bowling Congress Masters Tournament Thursday out among those missing from the original list of 64 were some top-bracket performers who had been expected to make a better showing.

One who went down in a clatter of pins was Rudy Habetler, defending champion from Chicago. His downfall came at the hands of Pvt. Dick Hoover, former Akron, Ohio, bowler who now works for Uncle Sam at Ft. Lewis.

Hoover defeated his older and more experienced opponent, 817-808.

Two other "name" bowlers dropped into the losers' bracket of the double-elimination tournament being run in conjunction with the 51st annual American Bowling Congress championships.

They were Lee Jouglaard of Detroit, an ex-champ who lost to Bill Blanks, Seattle, 785-755, and Steve Nagy, Cleveland, downed by Ken Bailor, San Francisco, 793-770.

Willard Taylor, 1952 champion

from Charleston, W. Va., established himself in the "man to beat" category with a 817-708 win over Sam Botek of Toledo, Ohio. Taylor's score was high for Masters play thus far this tournament.

In the losers' bracket, Don Carter of Detroit, match game champion and "Bowler of the Year", was eliminated by Stan Gifford of Portland, Ore., 808-752.

Joe Norris of Chicago, Nelson Burton of St. Louis and Lou Farkas of Toledo, ABC ten-year-average leaders, each won their 1st round action in the losers bracket to stay in contention.

Norris eliminated Lee Look of Tacoma, 782-755; Burton beat John Artoe of Tacoma, 823-808, and Farkas beat Ted Folk of Seattle, 800-709.

The Masters meet was shoved slightly in the background by one development in the ABC championships as a new leader was crowned in the all-events standings.

The new kingpin is Brad Lewis of Ashland, Ohio, who rolled a 1985 score for undisputed possession of the No. 1 rung on the ladder. He displaced Frank Tassara of Eureka, Calif., who now occupies second.

plate collecting two hits in three trips. Art Lapsley registered two hits in four times at bat for the Wildcats.

Boxscore:	
Sacred Heart	3 3 4
Wildcats	5 5 3
Reginato and Collins; Tichenor, Rush and Tippels.	

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