

Yanks Shade White Sox

Brooklyn Retains First Spot

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The major leagues moved into the middle third of the campaign today with the pre-season experts still on shaky ground.

The experts, of course, picked Brooklyn and the New York Yankees to repeat as champions with Milwaukee and Cleveland runners-up, just like last year.

Brooklyn was dodged in and out of first place all spring, holding the top rung at the moment by one game over the New York Giants. But the Yankees haven't found the consistency they need to take charge.

They moved within three games of the top by shading the Chicago White Sox 3-2 last night. The White Sox lead Cleveland by half a game with New York third. The Yankees haven't been in first place, even for a day, so far.

At the moment the experts are right on the nose with 6 of their 16 pre-season placings. In the American League they look good on Cleveland, picked for second, and Washington, picked for third. In the National League, sixth place Cincinnati, seventh place Chicago and last place Pittsburgh are behaving as predicted.

This is the way they picked them, with the current standings in brackets:

American League—New York (3), Cleveland (2), Chicago (1), Boston (6), Washington (5), Detroit (4), Philadelphia (8), Baltimore (7).

National League—Brooklyn (1), Milwaukee (4), St. Louis (5), New York (3), Philadelphia (2), Cincinnati (6), Chicago (7), Pittsburgh (8).

Brooklyn regained sole possession of first place last night by thumping Cincinnati 10-8 after the Giants had bowed to the Cubs 5-4 in a 10-inning day game decided by Eddie Mays' first homer of the season. Pittsburgh defeated St. Louis 8-5 and Milwaukee edged Philadelphia 1-0, breaking a five-game losing streak.

Cleveland moved within half a game of the White Sox by beating Boston 6-2. Washington outlasted Baltimore 8-8 and Detroit split a pair with Philadelphia, winning 16-5 and losing 2-1.

The White Sox ran into their one-run rinx against the Yankees. The teams have met five times with every game decided by a single run and with New York winning four of them. Irv Noren singled home Phil Rizzuto, breaking a 2-2 tie with two out in the eighth.

Home runs were in vogue last night.

Cleveland's Larry Doby hit a three-run home run before the first out was made at Boston. George Strickland and Wally Westlake gave Art Houtteman added insurance with homers in the fourth and eighth.

Ray Boone, who tied a major league record with four grand slam home runs last season, hit his first of 1954 in the Detroit victory at Philadelphia. Boone hit two other homers in the twin bill. Al Kaline also hit a grand slam in the first game when the Tigers totalled six home runs.

Washington jumped on Bob Charles for five runs in the first inning, then withstood a 16 hit Oriole assault that fell a run short. Eddie Yost homered inside the park for the Senators.

The Giants, who had won eight out of nine on the road, fell apart in Chicago. They committed six errors and lost in the 10th as Mikis drilled the first pitch into the left field barrier.

The Pittsburgh Pirates battered St. Louis pitching for 19 hits, their heaviest attack of the season. The barrage included the first major league home runs for Gene Roberts and pitcher Vernon Law.

Brooklyn gained the nod at Cincinnati despite a late home run assault by the Redlegs. They hit three in the seventh and a total of five.



TWO OF THE OUTSTANDING drivers and cars on the Gem Speedway oval are shown being untangled after a mixup on the south turn of the speedway track. Russ Newell, in K-15 and Rusty Philips in C-2, climbing out of the back of his car, are being separated by track officials and the driver's pitmen.

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Ez Charles Has Bored Look For Ring Writers

By GAYLE TALBOT
MONTICELLO, N.Y. (AP)—It probably would be wrong to say that Ezard Charles is sad-looking as he lounges on the terrace outside his living quarters and makes an effort to answer the questions flung at him by a large group of boxing writers, including a couple newly arrived from London. Maybe it would be more accurate to say that the challenger looks bored, as though he had been through it all so many times before.

There seldom is a flicker of animation in Ez's face. Where Rocky Marciano, whom he will try to knock loose from the heavyweight title next Thursday night, bubbles all through his waking hours and plainly would rather be exactly what he is than anything else in the world, Charles gives the impression that he feels he's bucking the universe.

Men who have been close to Charles say this didn't set in until back in 1950, when Ez gave his old idol, Joe Louis, a terrible 15-round beating to win undisputed possession of the championship. They say that Ez's own people, instead of hailing his victory, turned against him for having put the slug on the old Brown Bomber. He's never, they say, recovered completely from this wound to a sensitive nature.

Also, his intimates say, Charles was dealt a sickening blow last summer when his obvious claim to a shot at the title was passed over in favor of that of Roland LaStarza. They declare that he lost all interest in fighting for the time being and was pretty terrible as he dropped decisions to Nino Valdes and Harold Johnson within weeks of a month.

The implication is that there is a fighter man who has had it. But, his associates hasten to add, don't let that throw you off if you're thinking of Ez's chances against Marciano. His lack of animation, they say, masks a seething determination to be the first heavyweight champion in history to return to the top.

"When you get to doing your picking, just remember this," urges Harry Mendel, camp delegate for the promoting IBC. "This fellow can fight. He can punch. If he hadn't run into that lucky punch thrown by Jersey Joe Walcott out in Pittsburgh three years ago, he'd probably still be holding the title and everybody would be saying what a great champion he's been."

Bill's Edges Suburban 2-1

Bill's Place edged Suburban last night in the Men's Softball League action at Conger Field, but it took nine innings, and a steal of home plate to turn in the 2-1 win.

Cal Bonney of Bill's and Gus Guckvaug of Suburban's pitcher locked into a tight pitching duel for the first seven innings and with the game all tied up, had to go two more extra innings before Bonney and his teammates pushed across the winning run.

In the ninth inning, Leroy Coleman opened the inning when he was safe on an error, and then was chased to third by Bonney's single.

With men on first and third Coleman stole home for the winning tally of the important ballgame. Both teams were leading the league up to last night's ballgame.

Bill's scored one run in the first inning and Suburban tied the score on Rex Young's home run in the fifth inning, which set the stage for the extra inning game.

BOWLING

MOOSE MIXED DOUBLES		SECOND SHIFT	
W	L	W	L
C. & P. Beard	8-2	Y. Rostertella & C. Booth	7-1
M. & C. Brown	6-2	A. & G. Thomas	6-2
V. & B. Grems	5-3	G. M. Robinson	4-2
H. Ketch & H. Clough	4-4	M. & P. Sheehy	4-2
J. & E. Pastore	3-5	E. Pickrell & P. Victorine	3-3
I. & M. Douglas	3-3	G. & E. Carr	3-3
V. & H. Kenaston	3-3	G. & T. Bingham	3-3
H. Dixon & C. Hooper	3-3	H. & O. Evans	3-3
J. & L. Bern	2-4	B. & B. Victorine	1-2
L. Trux & S. Moss	2-4		

Clara and Frank Beard waxed hot last night and took both the team scoring honors in the first shift of the Moose Mixed Doubles league last night at Lucky Lanes.

In team high game action, the Beards posted a 425 score, while in the three line total scoring column they had a 1163 margin. Second spots went to the Dixon-Hooper team in game scoring with their 412, and a 1154 pin total gave the Dixon-Hooper combination runner-up spot in team series scoring.

Individual action was led by Helen Ketch for the women's high game with a 191 and Frank Beard for the men with an even 200 game. V. Kenaston had high series for women keglers with her 485 and Bud Grems led the men with a 549 pin score.

Special Bonus Offered

With another rainstorm threatening tomorrow night's hardtop racing program at Gem Speedway, Track Manager Sam Neslin has offered a bonus of prize money for the winner of the main event, with provisions.

If any of the four drivers that have won a main event so far this year can cross the finish line tomorrow night in first place, he will get an extra \$20, besides his prize money.

Neslin made this offer after last Sunday night's program when Bob Crawley in K-66 won the A-main making it four different drivers to win the top prize of the program in four weeks.

Other drivers besides Crawley to win the main include Cecil James and Bernie Miller from Medford and another local driver, Wes Owens.

In the point scoring system this year Crawley and Russ Newell seem to have gotten the jump on the rest of the drivers by compiling 69 points to far this season placing them in a tie for top spot.

The other top drivers include Johnny Hiltson with 60 points, Wes Owens with 59, Jerry Johnson with a total of 53 points and Al Rossi in the number six spot with his point total of 42.

From now on through the season the starting positions in all of the races will be determined by the point system. The lower in the point column the driver is means that he will start nearer the front of the pack. In other words, Crawley and Newell will be placed near the tail end of each race with their point totals, as long as they are on the top.

Word from Yreka indicates that George Mercier and Mark Dunn, two of the officials for the racing programs, are coming along fine, and Dunn was to be released from the Siskiyou General Hospital in Yreka, yesterday or today.

Mercier's condition is quite a bit better than it was at the first of the week, but he will be retained in the hospital for some time yet.

Both of the men were injured in a car accident on their way home from the Sunday night races when their car went out of control after Dunn, who was driving, tried to miss a deer on the roadway.

Time trials will start at 6:45 tomorrow evening, and the nine event racing program will follow at 7:15, according to Neslin.

O'Brien Sets New World Shot Record

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Parry O'Brien stole the show from a pair of the world's greatest milers last night when he threw the 16-pound shot a record 60 feet 10 inches.

In the featured mile, Wes Santee of Kansas ran away from Olympic champion Josy Barthel of Luxembourg in the final 200 yards to win in 4:06.7, a tenth of a second slower than he ran last week but still the third best on record.

Even that couldn't eclipse the mighty efforts of O'Brien, the former University of Southern California star, in the district AAU meet at the Coliseum.

Last year O'Brien, the 1952 Olympic champion, set the accepted world mark of 59-2 1/2, and three times this year he had passed 60 feet — his best previous effort 60-5 1/2.

Last night after a couple of warmup throws, he tossed in succession, 60-5 1/2, 60 feet 1-2 inch, 60-6 and then the 60-10.

Monmouth Park racetrack has a six-story clubhouse this season. Two high-speed elevators service all floors.

Merchants, Malin In Softball Wins

Merchants and Malin opened the Women's Softball Association 1954 league last night with wins on the Conger Field diamond.

The Merchants won the opener from the Big Y team by a 23-6 score, and Malin outscored the Midland girls ball club by a 17-6 count. Darlene Gordon helped the Malin cause by pounding out a long home run.

The second round of the league's schedule will be played Monday night at Conger Field. The games and time will be announced in Monday's Herald and News.

Kennedy Winner

SPOKANE (AP)—Aggressive Curt Kennedy of Spokane punched out a unanimous eight-round decision over Seattle's Ruben Smith in the main event on a fight card here Friday night. Kennedy weighed 191, Smith 189.

Giardello Wins Close Decision

By JACK HAND
NEW YORK (AP)—"The fight they couldn't fix" turned out to be a victory for Joey Giardello, anyhow.

Hobby Jones, who spurned an alleged \$15,000 bribe offer from heavyweight Clarence Henry last Friday, fought a brilliant battle against the 9 to 5 favorite but lost the votes of all three officials.

It was a close call for the high-ranking Giardello, who hopes to fight Bobo Olson for the middleweight title Oct. 22. Referee Al Berl and Judges Art Aidala and Frank Forbes all had it 5-4-1, for Joey. So did the Associated Press. The ringside working press was split with five for Giardello, three for Jones and two calling it a draw.

Giardello started with a rush, ran out of gas in the fifth round, got his second wind in the eighth but withered again in the tenth under Jones' closing bid.

"I thought I won it 6-4," said Giardello.

"I thought I won it 6-4," said Jones, the 28-year-old veteran of 60 fights from Oakland, Calif., who twice fought Olson.

Asked what he thought of Giardello's chances against Olson, Jones had the perfect answer. "I you don't beat me, and I don't think he did, you don't beat Olson."

Many of the crowd of 3,000 paying \$8,250 to see the Madison Square Garden bout agreed with Jones. They booed the verdict.

Giardello at 159 1/2 was sharper than he had been at 160 1/2 in losing to Pierre Langlois, May 21. Jones at 157 a bit heavier than usual obviously was ready for a rugged battle with a heavier, favored opponent.

H'wood Has Top Pitchers

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Indicative of how the Hollywood Stars are breezing along in quest of their third straight Pacific Coast League pennant, they have three pitchers who are nurturing impressive winning streaks.

The ace of the Hollywood staff, Mel Queen, has won 12 in a row. Red Munger won his eighth straight this week, and Friday night Roger Bowman, the cork-screw southpaw, notched his seventh straight. Bowman checked Los Angeles, 4-2, and had a shut-out until the ninth inning, when John Pramesa, giant Los Angeles catcher, tagged him for a homer with one aboard.

Bubba Church, former Philadelphia "wild kid" who worked for Los Angeles, fanned 10 Stars but was solved for nine hits and walked four.

The Stars and Angels attracted 12,141 Friday night, making it 27,491 for two nights and 40,897 for the four games in the series.

San Diego collected 12 hits off Sacramento pitching while Cliff Fannin was holding the Sacs to three hits, yet Fannin had to go 10 innings before he notched a 5-2 decision.

Fannin struck out eight batters but the Padres were not able to bunch their blows effectively until they got beyond the ninth. Milo Candini, who came on in relief in the ninth, was charged with the defeat. He was relieved in the tenth by Herm Besse, who was supported by Charley Schanz.

Oakland pulled out of a 13-inning struggle with a 5-4 victory over San Francisco, the fourth straight win from the Seals.

The Seals took a 2-0 lead in the second inning but Oakland manufactured four runs in the fourth and then there were eight scoreless innings until the top of the 15th. Rommie Sanford homered for the winning run.

The Seattle-Portland game was halted by rain.

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
AMERICAN LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct.	G.B.
Chicago	35	17	.673	
Cleveland	34	17	.667	1/2
New York	33	21	.611	3
Detroit	25	26	.490	9 1/2
Washington	22	29	.431	12 1/2
Boston	19	29	.396	14
Baltimore	20	33	.377	15 1/2
Philadelphia	18	34	.346	17

Friday's Results
New York 3, Chicago 2
Cleveland 6, Boston 2
Washington 9, Baltimore 8
Detroit 18-1, Philadelphia 5-2

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct.	G.B.
Brooklyn	32	20	.615	
New York	31	21	.596	1
Philadelphia	28	22	.560	3
Milwaukee	26	24	.520	5
St. Louis	26	27	.491	6 1/2
Cincinnati	25	26	.490	6 1/2
Chicago	22	29	.431	9 1/2
Pittsburgh	17	38	.309	16 1/2

Friday's Results
Milwaukee 1, Philadelphia 0
Chicago 5, New York 4 (10 innings)
Brooklyn 10, Cincinnati 8
Pittsburgh 8, St. Louis 5

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct.	G.B.
Hollywood	42	25	.627	
Oakland	37	32	.536	6
Seattle	33	31	.516	7 1/2
San Francisco	33	33	.500	7 1/2
San Diego	34	33	.507	8
Sacramento	32	35	.476	10
Los Angeles	28	37	.433	13
Portland	25	40	.385	16

Friday's Results
Hollywood 4, Los Angeles 2
San Diego 5, Sacramento 2 (10 innings)
Oakland 5, San Francisco 4 (13 innings)
Seattle at Portland, rain.

Western International League

Team	W	L	Pct.	G.B.
Vancouver	27	16	.628	
Yakima	24	20	.545	3 1/2
Wenatchee	25	21	.543	3 1/2
Edmonton	19	16	.543	3 1/2
Spokane	22	22	.500	5 1/2
Leviston	21	22	.488	6
Victoria	19	22	.463	7
Tri-City	20	25	.444	8
Salem	20	26	.435	8 1/2
Calgary	15	22	.406	9

Friday's Results
Edmonton at Calgary, doubleheader, postponed, rain
Vancouver 5-11, Wenatchee 4-9
Yakima 14, Victoria 5
Salem 9, Spokane 1
Leviston 10, Tri-City 2

MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct.	G.B.
Toronto 9	13	13	.500	
Syracuse 5	12	12	.500	
Rochester 1	11	11	.500	
Havana 7	10	10	.500	

Only games scheduled.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
Charleston 5, St. Paul 4 (12 innings)
Columbus 8, Minneapolis 7
Kansas City 6, Louisville 1
Indianapolis 2-3, Toledo 0-4

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION
Atlanta 6, Little Rock 4
Memphis 15, Birmingham 3
Nashville 7, Mobile 2
Chattanooga 14, New Orleans 9

TEXAS LEAGUE
Beaumont 3, Dallas 1
Houston 12, Oklahoma City 3
Tulsa 5, San Antonio 4
Shreveport 14, Fort Worth 1

PIONEER LEAGUE
Salt Lake City 7, Magic Valley 1
Billings 4, Idaho Falls 0
Great Falls 10-10, Pocatello 9-3



ADDING PLENTY OF POWER to the Lumberjacks batting department and supplying lots of infield ability is Don Dexter, the Eldorado third baseman. Dexter and his teammates will meet a tough test tomorrow afternoon when the Bend Loggers, and Paul Gehrman, an ex-major league pitcher, meet the Eldorado ball club at Recreation Park. Game time is 1:30.

Ex-Major Leaguer To Face Lumberjacks

Paul Gehrman, an ex-Cincinnati Red pitcher in the National League, will take the mound against the Eldorado Lumberjacks in tomorrow afternoon's Oregon-California League Contest, as the Bend Loggers invade Recreation Park.

Last weekend both ball clubs posted victories in league action. Bend took the measure of Lakeview 6-1, as Gehrman scattered six hits, and Eldorado whipped the Alturas ball club by a 9-7 score.

Bend is a new club to the league this year, as they took Burns' place in the four team circuit. Burns was originally entered in the league this season, but due to trouble had to withdraw.

Manager Hi Hatfield is in the process of juggling his lineup to fill some of the holes left by three ballplayers, who have left town for the summer, one of whom was Ron Wright a lefthanded pitcher.

The Lumberjacks will probably send Fran Miller, the old reliable workhorse of the team, to the mound against the invading Loggers in tomorrow's encounter, and Dick Lundsten will be held in relief in case Hatfield needs his help to put out any Bend rallies that might get away from Miller.

The Eldorado infield will find Art Raymond covering first base and Don Dexter, the hard hitting infielder working the hot corner at third base. The keystone combination will probably be held down by Ken Young at second and Leroy Coleman at shortstop.

Gary Dawes, Irv Whit and Hatfield will see duty in the Lumberjack outfield, with Lundsten ready to fill in here also, as Hatfield needs any help.

Handling the catching chores for the 'Jacks will be Ron Owings, who has worked behind the plate for the Eldorado ballclub all season.

Game time is 1:30 and the price of admission is just 50 cents for adults, with children under 12 admitted free, according to Hatfield.

Putt Helps Golfer Turn In Good Round

By ROBERT MOORE
VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. (AP)—Wally Ulrich of Maplewood, N.J., today credited an eight-foot putt on his "mental lift" that sent him on his way yesterday to carving one of the greatest golf rounds in the history of the Professional Golfers Assn.

The chunky, 30-year-old Ulrich became one of four golfers in PGA annals to fire a 60. His magnificent performance came in the second round of the \$15,000 Virginia Beach Open tournament being played over the par 69 Cavalier Yacht and Country Club course.

"I really didn't know what I was doing until I started down the back nine," said Ulrich, a native of Austin, Minn. "It was just one of those days when everything went right. I got a mental lift on the second hole by sinking an eight-foot putt for a birdie 3.

"After that, it was easy."

Only other golfers credited in PGA record books with having toured a course in 60 strokes are Ted Kroil, Al Brooch and Bill Nary.

Despite his sensational round, Ulrich, a former National Intercollegiate champion who once fired a 59 in the Western Intercollegiate, found himself tied only for third place as the tournament moved into the third round today.

His opening round 71 left him with a 36-hole total of 131—and tied with Pete Cooper of Branford, Fla., and George Fazio of Clementon, N.J.

Ulrich, Cooper and Fazio were five strokes off the blistering pace being set by Tommy Bolt of Houston, Tex. Bolt tied the PGA's 36-hole record with a 126 total.

Ball School To Start Next Monday

Monday afternoon will be the opening session of the fourth annual City Recreation Department baseball school for all youngsters of the Klamath Basin.

Jack Kennitzer, summer recreation and sports director, is in charge of the week-long affair, which will give instructions on both baseball and softball.

Several local men will be on hand to help Kennitzer with the instruction periods during the week. Included on the staff of teachers will be Cal Bonney and Jim Palmer, both of whom will handle softball. Hal Shider, Ernie Bishop and Earl Brooks who will handle the largest share of the baseball instruction.

The school is open to anyone, especially those who are planning to play in any of the summer leagues, which will get under way next week and will finish each day about 4:30 in the afternoon.

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