

Grant Stops Pelicans In Opener

Cleveland Takes Twin Bill From Yankees; Flag Near

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It would be ridiculous to accuse the five-time world champion New York Yankees of "choking up."

It must be gratifying to the long-suffering Cleveland faithful, however, today to check back during the past few days and discover that it was the proud Yankees, and not the maligned Indians, who lost seven of their last 10 clutch games.

And in the same period, the Indians lost only two out of 10 to pick up five big games on the weary world champions.

If ever there had been any doubts about Cleveland's intestinal fortitude, the American League leaders dispelled them yesterday with a glorious double triumph over New York that all but ended the long Yankee dynasty. The 4-1 and 3-2 victories before 86,563 spectators, the largest crowd ever to watch a baseball game, stretched Cleveland's first place margin over the Yankees to 8 1/2 lengths. That is almost an insurmountable hurdle for Casey Stengel's crew. With only 10 games left, the Indians can clinch their first flag since 1948 by merely winning three, even if the Yankees win all their remaining 11.

All was not rosy for the Cleveland's springtime sparring partners, the New York Giants, however. Continuing the lack-lustre play that has marked their recent performances, the Giants were beaten 4-3 by St. Louis and had their National League lead trimmed to three games with the rebounding Brooklyn Dodgers came through with a 4-2 and 4-3 doubleheader sweep over the Chicago Cubs.

BRAVES SPLIT

Milwaukee's Braves, still in the running despite two recent losses to the Dodgers, drew to within 4 1/2 games of the top by earning a split with the Phillies in Philadelphia.

Lew Burdette outpitched Robin Roberts for a 2-1 Braves' victory after the Phillies had snapped Warren Spahn's 11-game victory string, 5-2. Cincinnati's Redlegs climbed into fourth place, doubling the Pittsburgh Pirates twice 11-5 and 13-2 as Ted Kluszewski drove in nine runs and smashed homers Nos. 47 and 48.

The Chicago White Sox, paced by Nellie Fox and Minnie Minoso, vanquished the Boston Red Sox twice 5-3 and 7-5 to reach, and pass, the 90 victory mark for the first time since 1920. Fox produced three hits including a two-run double. He also stole three bases, including home, to help Bob Keanan post his 10th triumph in the opener. Minoso, ejected from the first game came back to drive in four runs in the nightcap with a home run and double.

TROUNCED

Cleveland's 86,563 fans, with \$4,587 paid, cheered themselves hoarse over the Indians' double win that gave them a season split of 11-11 against the Yankees. Al Rosen's two-run double in the seventh off Allie Reynolds broke up a 1-1 deadlock in the opener as Bob Lemon went on to register his 22nd victory.

OUTPITCHED

Early Wynn struck out 12 Yankees including Enos Slaughter, Mickey Mantle and Yogi Berra in the ninth as he outpitched Tommy Byrne for his 12th triumph. Wynn allowed three hits including Ber-

nie's first lining homer with a man on base.

Stan Musial and Harvey Haddix combined to beat the Giants. Musial batted in three runs with a single and his 35th homer. Haddix gained his 17th victory although he needed help in the ninth. The Giants had the tying run on base and one out in the ninth when Brooks Lawrence came in and retired the side by fanning Alvin Dark and disposing of Hank Thompson on an infield grounder.

Carl Furillo drove in the winning runs in both Brooklyn victories. He broke up the second game with a base-loaded, two-out single off Warren Hacker in the 14th inning.

Cochran Pond's Grant High Generals made the Klamath Union High School Pelicans' season opener at Modoc Field a very dismal affair last Saturday night as the Portland prepsters whipped the home standing gridders by a 26-6 score.

The invading Generals wasted no time in making it a known fact that they were loaded with power as they worked the ball from their own 47 yard line, where they recovered a Klamath fumble, to their first of four touchdowns.

Larry Hoffman, who sparked the Generals' running attack all night, led the Portland team down field as he picked up several big chunks of yardage through the Pelicans' forward wall, while Bob Clark, the Grant quarterback, kept mixing the Generals' plays very well.

With the ball resting on the Pelican 12 yard marker, Clark handed off to Hoffman, who broke off tackle and scored, giving the Grant squad a 6-0 lead. Jack Beaudoin kicked the extra point giving the Generals a seven point margin.

Grant got another break later in the first period but couldn't capitalize as the Pelis took advantage of a good goal line stand and a fumble on the part of Grant.

BAD PASS

On the kickoff from the Generals, Klamath was held on downs, and a bad pass from center over Dave Peppel's head as the Pelicans attempted to punt set the Klamath team deep in a hole.

Grant recovered the ball on the Klamath 27 yard line, and they worked the ball down to the eight yard strip as the first quarter came to an end.

On the second play of the second period, Pelican Leon Brown fell on a Grant fumble on the Klamath 16 yard line to stop a General threat, but after a series of downs, the Pelis had to kick.

Grant then marched from the Pelicans' 36 yard line down to pay dirt with Beaudoin, last year's city scoring leader in Portland, leading the way and setting the stage for the second General score.

FAKE KICK

The Grant team was set back on the eight yard line when Miller, reserve Grant fullback, faked a field goal try from the 15 yard strip and ran around end for the touchdown. Beaudoin's kick was no good in making the score 13-0 in favor of the visiting Grant High squad.

In the early minutes of the third period, Vern Titus of Grant broke through the Pelican line to block Peppel's punt, and Grant took over the ball on the Klamath 16 yard line.

A penalty against Klamath set the ball on the one yard line and after Bob Bolles lost a yard, Beaudoin scored on a line lunge from the two yard mark with four minutes gone in the third quarter to give Grant a 19-0 lead. Again Beaudoin's kick was no good.

Klamath's big break and only score came with 10 and a half minutes gone as Bob Harsbarger broke through the Generals forward

wall to block Beaudoin's attempted punt.

LOOSE BALL

As the loose ball bounced around Denny "Little Moose" Todd gathered up the free pigskin and rambled 15 yards into the end zone for six points and a Pelican score, making the score stand at 19-6 Grant's favor.

Following the kickoff from the Pelis to Grant, Hoffman took off on another off tackle sprint from his own 25 through the Pelican secondary and looked as if he was away for a touchdown, but Guy Munsell, big Pelican end, came from behind to stop the Grant halfback on the Klamath 2 yard line on a last minute desperation tackle that stopped a run of 72 yards.

The Grant threat was again stopped temporarily as Peppel intercepted one of Clark's passes and the Pelis moved the ball out to the one yard line where Peppel kicked to the Grant 45 yard line.

Hoffman on the first down spun to the 36 yard line, where Bolles,

Beaudoin and Dick Van Saun took turns in moving the pigskin down to the Klamath 17 yard line, where Bolles circled right end for a touchdown. Beaudoin's conversion was good making the score stand at 26-6, with better than five minutes gone in the final quarter.

FINAL BUZZER

As the game was drawing to a close the Pelis, with Larry Yarnell at the helm, moved up to the 47 yard line on a 11 yard run by Dave Leeling and then Chuck Gupill picked up another gain of 23 yards as the final buzzer sounded.

Hoffman was the leading round garner of the General attack as he piled up 147 yards in nine tries, while Beaudoin ran for 57 yards in 15 tries.

Several of Grant's scoring drives were hampered very seriously by offside penalties, especially in the first two periods of play. The General grid machine was called for offside, 12 times for 60 yards and three other tries for major infractions of 15 yards each.



HARDCHARGING JACK THUR, a product of Daly City, California, is making a strong bid for a starting position on the Oregon Tech Owls football squad. The big 215 pound tackle is one of the best prospects that coach Bob Smith has had to work with in his coaching stay at the Mile High Campus. The Owl's first game of the season will be this Saturday against Boise Junior College at Boise.

Owls Preparing For Boise Game

Oregon Technical Institute's 1954 football team will open their season this Saturday night against an always tough Boise Junior College team in Boise, in what should prove to be a tough opener of a 10 game schedule.

All three of the Owl coaches have been working their small, determined turnout of gridders hard for the coming 10 game slate, which includes four home games, since practice opened September 7.

Head Coach Rex Hunsaker has expressed satisfaction in the way his squad has begun to work together as a unit, and the high team spirit seems to help things along, according to the head grid boss.

Bob Smith the Owl's line coach, has been working with five lettermen linemen to round out a solid and rugged line in preparation for the Boise game this Saturday.

Women's Amateur Golf Tournament Underway Today

SEWICKLEY, Pa. (AP) — The U. S. Women's Amateur Golf Championship opened Monday at the Allegheny Country Club.

Twenty-one players, selected from one of the strongest international fields ever assembled for the event, were "distributed" evenly through eight sections of the draw.

The "distributed" players—the U.S. Golf Assn. fronts on the word "seeded"—included the 10 members of the United States and British Walker Cup teams, one former U.S. champion who wasn't among that group, Grace Lenczyk of Newington, Conn., Belgium champion Arlette Jacquet, Mexican open champion Maria Fret (Wiffi) Smith of Guadalajara; Canadian champion Marlene Stewart of Ponthill, Ont., and Mickey Wright of La Jolla, Calif., low amateur in this year's women's open championship.

Three Pacific Northwest entries were in the second round of 18-hole matches today. They are Ruth Jensen, Kenmore, Wash.; Patricia Lesser, Seattle, and Mrs. Robert Blankfeldt, Seattle.

The lettermen, who are working on the first unit at this time are, end, Ken Sloan, guard Dennis Johnson, center Lyle Loffer and two tackles Greene Huid and Don Pierce, while three freshmen prospects are working for the other two starting positions. John Alford is seeking the remaining end position, while Jack Thur and Spike Carter are battling for the number two guard slot in the Owl's line.

In the backfield, Coach Art Kirkland, is fairly well set with a starting four, but several others are still in the position to gain a starting nod by the time the Boise game rolls around.

At quarterback, the Owls have one of the finest passing backs from the state of California, Ray Rosa, while at one half back spot Kirkland is using Willie Stinson, chosen the outstanding back in the West Virginia-Ohio allstar game last month.

In the other two positions, Odie Canada, a letterman from last year's team, will be at the halfback slot while the fullback position is still wide open.

The three fellows who are making it tough on the probable first line starters include Lyle Fleet, wood, a letterman from last year and Lineas Allen at the halfback positions, while Dave Thomas the reserve quarterback has been looking better as the season advances, according to Kirkland.

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San Diego, Stars End In Deadlock

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Pacific Coast-League's 1954 season is over—except for deciding who gets the pennant.

That little matter will be ironed out Monday night by Hollywood and San Diego in one sudden-death game. The two clubs wound up the long haul Sunday tied at the top of the heap with 101 wins and 67 setbacks.

The grand finale will be played at San Diego. The local was selected by the loss of a coin.

Manager Letty O'Doul of San Diego chose Theophilus Smith (3-2) for the crucial test. Hollywood Manager Bobby Bragan will go with either Red Munger (17-7) or George O'Donnell (3-1). The Stars are trying for their third straight pennant.

This is only the second time in league history when there was a tie for first place. In 1947 Los Angeles won in a playoff with San Francisco, 5-0. O'Doul was the Seal's manager then.

All the teams split in the season's final doubleheaders Sunday. Los Angeles beat San Diego 3-2 in 11 innings, then the Padres won 7-2. Portland blanked Hollywood 1-0 but the Stars turned around to thrash the Beavers 10-0. Oakland won from Sacramento 5-0, then the Solons won 3-0. Seattle whipped San Francisco 10-3 but the Seals ended the season with a 5-2 victory.

Final highlights: Hollywood's Roger Bowman pitched a perfect, seven-inning no-hit game in the nightcap. He faced 21 batters, fanned eight, Bragan got successful homers, plus a double and a single.

Portland's Eddie Basinski got his 14th home run for the first game, which Portland won. Beaver hurler Dick Weibel yielded only five hits and didn't permit a Star beyond first base.

Angel Vic Marasco doubled in the 11th to score Tom Brown for the first game victory. San Diego scored five times in the third of the nightcap as Buddy Peterson whaled his only bases-loaded homer of the season.

As the Oaks and Sacramento traded shutouts, Acorn Al Gettel won his 17th in the opener, giving only five singles. In the nightcap Solon pitcher Bud Daley, after two singles in the second, beat out a punt and went to third on Art Cuitti's wild throw, permitting two runs to score. Daley then scored on Len Altty's hit. Seattle Manager Gerry Priddy, starting pitcher in the second game, took the loss, giving way to Bill Evans in the fourth. Tony Ponce started for San Francisco in the first game and was relieved by Bob Munciel, who started the second game and was relieved by Ponce.

The PCL Baseball Writers Assn. chose infielder Jack Phillips of Hollywood as the league's most valuable player. Phillips, who batted .305 and appeared at first, third and short, has been sold to the Chicago White Sox.

After the champion in chosen Monday night, the post-season playoffs are scheduled to start Tuesday, with third-place Oakland at the champion's park and fourth-place San Francisco at the field of the runnerup.

BOWLING MEN'S LEAGUE

George Thomas, secretary of the City Bowling Association, reminded all men bowlers in the different winter leagues, that league action starts this week.

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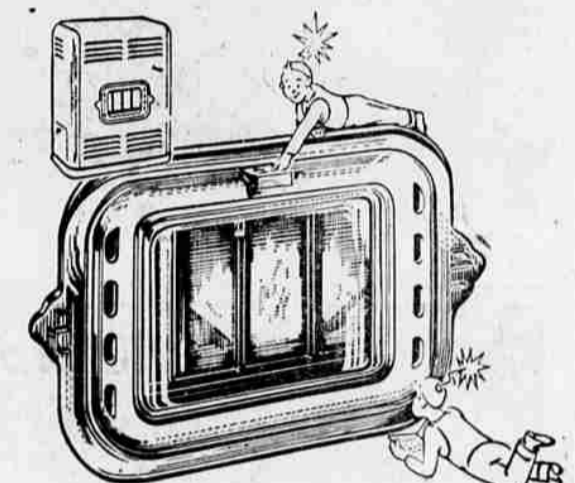
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