

SMASH CARDS CHANCES OF NAT. LEAGUE PENNANT

Divide Doubleheader With Pirates; Dodgers Picked To Take Flag

(By Duke Moran)
(Associated Press Sport Writer)
PITTSBURGH, Sept. 23 (AP)—St. Louis Cardinals' chances for the National League pennant went tottering into the limbo of fortune today as they divided a doubleheader with Pittsburgh Pirates.

The Buccaneers have been cousins for the Cards all season, but they disowned the relationship by capturing a 4-0 shutout in the first game and St. Louis' furious 9-0 conquest in the nightcap was not enough to undo the damage.

The split left St. Louis still a game and a half behind Brooklyn Dodgers, who were idle today, but it made a dramatic change in their outlook for the future.

Each team has four games left and even if the Cardinals win all of theirs and Brooklyn is beaten the pennant by half a game. This prospect would be desolate enough for the Redbirds, even if the opposition were equal. But while St. Louis is tackling the tough Pirates and Chicago Cubs twice each, the Dodgers will be parting with the seventh-place Boston Braves and last-place Phillies.

Pittsburgh's victory in the first game was at the expense of Mort Cooper, the Cardinals' young right-

hander. The Pirates pelted him off the hill with three runs in the first inning and then coasted home on the strong southpaw slants of Ken Heintzelman.

The setback apparently shocked St. Louis into action in the second game and the Pirates returned to their familiar role as the stooges who had lost 14 out of 18 to the Cards before today.

Lefty Max Lanier pitched steady if not spectacular eight-hit ball, choking off repeated Pittsburgh threats and the Pirates bolstered the Cards' eight-hit attack with four errors.

Two of the St. Louis hits were home runs and each came with men on base.

At Cincinnati, taking advantage of jittery defence that committed four errors, Chicago Cubs routed Johnny Vander Meer in a four-run, second inning and went on to defeat Reds 5-1 behind Bill Lee's eight hit hurling.

The game postponed until another day the one victory needed to clinch third place in the league for 1940's world champions.

At Philadelphia New York Giant's and Phillies split a bargain bill with the league tail-enders taking the first game 8-2 and New York retaliating in the nightcap 8-6.

Keystone Combine Gives The Yankees Infield Advantage

(By Judson Bailey)
(Associated Press Sport Writer)
NEW YORK, Sept. 23 (AP)—The biggest advantage New York Yankees will have as they roll into the world series next week will be their infield.

There isn't a keystone combination in baseball that compares with second baseman Joe Gordon and shortstop Phil Rizzuto of the American League champions.

Both Brooklyn Dodgers and St. Louis Cardinals have good, workmanlike inner patrols. The Dodgers' Reiser, first baseman, Dolph Camilli, and a fine second baseman, Billy Herman. The Cards are strongest at second, Frank Crespi, and at third, Jim Brown.

Neither of the National League rivals can match the balance and smoothness of the Yankees.

This is all the more interesting because at the start of the season the infield was the Yank's most prenable weakness. They opened with Gordon, first, and Rizzuto paired with his rookie sidekick, Gerry Priddy at second. It didn't take long to show that this was not a championship combination and manager Joe McCarthy shook up his inner cordon in mid-May. From that time the Yanks gained momentum.

The shuffle that moved Gordon back to second instilled Johnny Sturm, a rookie from Kansas City, at first base. He is only a 244 hitter and a far cry from Lou Gehrig—and some think, far from being even a Babe Dahlgren. He has not let his hitting failure affect his

fielding and first base, therefore, is no weakness in the New York setup.

Third base might be Red Rolfe who will be 33 next month, played a great game there this year, but developed intestinal disorder last month and spent a couple of weeks in hospital. He is back with the team, though not playing, and McCarthy is counting on him in the series. As a veteran of four previous seasons, his presence would be valuable. If Rolfe can't go, little Frank Crosetti probably will be the choice with Priddy also in line. Crosetti is a fine fielding shortstop and has looked adequate at third.

The kingpin of Brooklyn's infield — of the entire team, in fact — is Camilli.

Harold (Peewee) Reese, who came into the National League a year ago with great fanfare, is the Dodgers' shortstop and in the last few weeks has developed into the sore spot of Brooklyn's infield. He is a game kid but the pressure has been heavy and his errors at crucial points have been costly. He is a 226 hitter.

The Dodgers also have a problem at third base, where Harry (Cookie) Lavagetto and Lew Egges have been dividing the work. Lavagetto, batting 281, plays against southpaw pitchers and Egges, batting 298, goes into the lineup against right-handers. Neither has been a stand-out either in the field or at bat.

Third base is the real strength of the Cards' infield. Brown not only is a 311 hitter, a perfect leadoff man, and a dependable fielder, but he is a dynamo who keeps the other players keyed up to their best efforts.

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Mayor Holman Declares new Alleys open

The Charlottetown Holy Name Bowling Alleys in co-operation with the Knights of Columbus Army Hut was declared officially opened by His Worship Mayor E. Roy Holman in a short but impressive ceremony last night. A large crowd of spectators were present to witness the important event.

The honour of rolling the first ball down the new alleys went to 90-year-old Peter McGonnell who in his younger days was a familiar figure about the alleys. Although not as active in the game as he used to be, he made a good job of sending the first ball rolling down towards the pins.

Rev. L. J. Ayers presided at the opening and introduced Mayor Holman. Present were: His Excellency, Bishop J. A. O'Sullivan, Group Captain E. A. Blake, O.B.E., M.M., R.A.F., Lt.-Col. F. I. Andrew, M.M., No. 62 O.A.B.T.C., Lieut. K. Birwistle, R.C.N.V.R., and Mr. John Leightner, representing the Canadian Legion.

Mayor Holman, in a few brief remarks before declaring the Alleys open, emphasized the importance of "clean, healthful recreation for young and old." He commended those responsible for the renovation of the Alleys and pointed out that it meant a great deal to the city to have a place where young people, especially the mem-

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Montreal takes Final game 4-3

NEWARK, N. J., Sept. 23 (CP)—Montreal defeated Newark 4-3 here tonight in the final game of the International League playoffs and earned the right to represent the league in the Little World Series against the American Association representative. Montreal won the best-of-seven-series and the Governor's Cup four games to three.

NEW YORK, Sept. 23 (AP)—The Little World Series between Montreal Royals, winners of the International League's playoffs, and Columbus Redbirds, winners of the American Association playoffs, will begin at Montreal Friday night, it was announced tonight from International League headquarters.

Two more games will be played at Montreal before the best-of-seven series is transferred to Columbus for completion.

REMEMBER WHEN

(By The Canadian Press)

Frank (King) Clancy for more than a decade one of the National Hockey's outstanding defencemen, was appointed coach of Montreal Maroons four years ago today. Clancy, who played with Ottawa Senators and Toronto Maple Leafs, less than half the season with the luckless Maroons. He now is a retiree in the league.

Big Goodwill Race Program Begins Today

The Garden of the Gulf Goodwill Races inaugurating the first fall program of harness horse racing at the Charlottetown Driving Club track since 1928 commences this afternoon at 2 p.m. Daylight Saving Time.

Prior to 1928 the Provincial Exhibition was usually held the third week in September and in the earlier history of the Fair the first week in October. The change to August meant the season for harness racing was practically completed with its conclusion. This year the Prince Edward Island Harness Racing Club and similar other organizations in other provinces advocated the fall meeting here and today's and tomorrow's races are the result.

Over 50 horses from all over the Maritimes are stabled here for the two days sport and 26 starters will compete in four races this afternoon. Men well versed in the sport say that the racing should be of the best because the horses are so evenly matched in each class.

In the 218 trot and pace, there is a new comer, Oliver Gratton, 212 1-4 recently brought from Ontario and a winner at Chatham, N. B., Labor Day. The pole horse is Silent Joe, 211 winner of the last three starts at New Glasgow, Northam and Amherst, driven by Joe O'Brien on each occasion who will handle the ribbons today. Number two is Oakhurst Queen, 211 a frequent winner for Billie Hood, No. 3 is Bonnie Scott 210 1-4 a winner for Willard Kelly at Old Home Week. No. 4 is Oliver Gratton, No. 5 is Bebe McElwain, 210 1-4 who has won several races this year and No. 6 Gratton Queen 212 1-4 winner of the 222 pace Old Home Week.

2 is Pat Worthy that was timed in 2:14 1-2 at Charlottetown Old Home Week. No. 3 is Hilda Budlong 2:20-1-4. She has paced in about the same notch. No. 4 is Jippy K, a green pacer who has shown well over the ice. No. 5 is Peter Reamore 2:13 record taken at Northam two weeks ago in a hotly contested race. Bonny Budlong 2:17, is a mighty nifty little pacer that will be right in with the best of them at the finish. Jack Clyde, 2:24 1-2 is a handsome three-year-old from Calumet Budlong. He hasn't had the racing or training of the others but will go a good race. Grace Abbey, formerly a member of the Ben White Stable where she was considered a good prospect on the trot. She was tried out in the Maritimes but showed an inclination to pace and is now racing at that gait. Today will be her first start. No. 9 is Margaret Jean 2:16 a mare with a lot of speed and one that will catch your eye.

The above completes the starters for the first day's racing this afternoon. It will get underway at sharp 2 o'clock and be carried forward without any delays. In a performance against time the 2-year-old Abbe Jackson by Abbe Worthy 2:04 1-4, will endeavor to beat 2:30-1-4 trotting. She is owned by Wellington McNeill.

Junior Free-For-All

Pole horse is that good pacer. Dudv Patch, 2:06 1-2. He likes this track—he took his record here and will be driven by Jack MacMillan. No. 2 is USCita Britton, 2:09, she has perhaps slept more miles in the Maritimes this season and must not be overlooked. She will be driven by Tyndall Semple. San Ton, 2:08 who broke the track record at Amherst one month ago and is favored by many to win. He will be driven by Johnnie Conroy. Sully, 2:08 1-4 has won at least two races since the first of the season. Signal Senator, 2:08 1-2 is in a tough spot but races well always. Sixth horse is Joe Direct 2:07 and he was just beaten by an eyelash in 2:08 1-2 a short time ago.

Tomorrow's Races

Tomorrow's races will consist of the 215 Trot and Pace with five starters; the Free-For-All Trot and Pace with Tracy Hanover 2:53, Rainey G. Henley 2:06, Aaron L. 2:07, Bedford Gratton, 2:08, Jane Azooff, 1:59 1/2 and Tom Gratton, 2:05; the Classified Trot with Darky Kalmuck 2:14, Scotty Watson 2:15 1-2, George Mac 2:15, Ruby Volo, Beaverdale 2:13, Little Fox 2:14; the 222 pace will have Dina G. 2:14, Brian Yorkie 2:13 1-4, Silent Mac 2:15 1-2, Peter at Court 2:12 1-4, Emily Gratton 2:15, Skippydale 2:14 1-2, Raymond Budlong 2:13 and Tony Harvester 2:09 1-4.

Free-For-All Trot

Playdale has the pole. His best performance this year was when he won a heat in Charlottetown Old Home Week in 2:13. No. 2 is Millie Kalmuck, 2:09 1-2. Millie raced in wonderful form all summer and won from good fields in two classes at Old Home Week. She was injured recently on the way to Northam but is expected to be O.K. for today. Hal Britton, 2:09 3-4 can really turn it on over Charlottetown track. He took his record here last year. He is good and will be driven by Jack MacMillan. Watchim, 2:11 lowered the track record for that notch at New Glasgow two weeks ago. He has as much speed as any trotter in Canada and may be the winner of the event. June Evans, 2:10 1-4 has not shown the form this season she did last, but reports that she has done better lately. She is owned by George B. Gay of Moncton and it is rumored that Joe O'Brien the driver that was so successful with her last year will race her today.

Sport shots From Britain

By Foster Barclay
Canadian Press Staff Writer

LONDON, Sept. 22 (CP)—Sport shots from Britain: Steve Donoghue, Britain's famed jockey, may return to the saddle before the flat racing season ends in November. The 56-year-old former jockey, still wiry and muscular, said he had been considering proposals to don silks again because of a shortage of riders.

Robert (Bobby) Peel, famous Yorkshire left-hand bowler who played for England in 20 test matches against Australia, died at the age of 84. Two other well-known British sportsmen, W. G. Millar, secretary of the Scottish section of the British board of boxing control and William Tottenham, 54-year-old manager of Aintree race track, also died recently.

German authorities have granted the international Red Cross at Geneva permission to send sport news to British prisoners of war in Germany. A correspondent in Switzerland writes a fortnightly newspaper which is distributed to all prison camps.

Kid Tanner, British Guinea lightweight champion, pounded out a popular 10-round decision over Tucker Smith in the main bout of a boxing card at Nottingham. Both scaled 122 pounds.

Big Wrestling Show at the Sporting Club

Jackie Nichols meets "Dynamite" Al Korman here tonight at the Sporting Club in the main event of the wrestling show. Nichols, a popular and well-liked boy, will be watched closely in his bout against the new holder of the Junior Heavy weight title of Canada—a crown which he won last week against Paul Lortie.

In the semi-final "Cowboy" Len Hughes meets Paul Lortie. Lortie, a rugged wrestler all the way, always gives the fans their money's worth.

Tonight's show once again promises to be action filled every minute the boys are in the ring and another bumper crowd is expected to be on hand.

Bargain Colt Tumbles record

NEW YORK, Sept. 23 (AP)—A 21-year-old track record tumbled today when Alsab, the bargain colt from Chicago, soundly whipped Requested, Texas-owned pride of the East, and staked a strong claim to the two-year-old turf championship in their winner-take-all match race at Belmont Park.

The son of Good Goods reeled off the 6 1/2 furlongs in 1:16 flat, 1 1/5 seconds faster than the track mark hung up by Audacious in 1920 under 119 pounds. Alsab and Requested both carried 122 today.

The time was only 1-5 second off Snark's world record of 1:15 4-5.

Baseball results NATIONAL LEAGUE

First Game—
St. Louis 9 0 0 0 0 0—0 6 5
Pittsburgh 3 0 0 1 0 0—4 5 0
M. Cooper, Shoun, Hutchinson and Mancuso; W. Cooper; Heintzelman and Lopez.

Second Game—
St. Louis 100 320 300—9 8 0
Pittsburgh 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 8 4
Lanier and Mancuso; Sewell, Sullivan, Gee and Smith.
Chicago 0 4 0 0 1 0—5 9 0
Cincinnati 0 0 0 0 1 0—1 8 4
Lee and Scheffing; Vander Meer, Turner, Egges and Lombardi.

First Game—
New York 0 0 2 0 0 0—2 7 1
Philadelphia 4 0 0 2 0 2—8 13 1
Melton, Bowman, Wittig and Harrett; Blumire; Masterson and L. Livingston.

Second Game—
New York 2 2 0 2 0 1 0—8 11 1
Philadelphia 0 0 3 0 0 0 1—6 11 3
East, Adams and O'Dea; Jones, Harman and Livingston.

Ruffing charged With 6th defeat As Athletics win

NEW YORK, Sept. 23 (AP)—Charley (Red) Ruffing set out for a triumphant tuneup today for the world series and instead was knocked out of the box and charged with his sixth defeat as Philadelphia Athletics scored twice in the ninth to beat New York Yankees 9-8.

Ruffing hit his second homer of the year to start the scoring in the third inning and Joe DiMaggio smacked his 28th round-tripper in the fourth.

At St. Louis, Detroit Tigers staged a three run rally in the 10th inning to defeat Browns 4-1, and move into first division in the league one half game ahead of the idle Cleveland Indians.

The loss, meantime, buried the Browns a full notch deeper in seventh place.

At Washington a two-run uprising in the ninth inning brought Senators a 4-3 decision over Boston for the Senator's sixth straight victory.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Philadelphia 0 0 1 0 1 5 2—9 11 2
New York 0 0 1 1 2 1 1 0—3 13 4
Vaughn, Bess and Wagner; Ruffing, Branch and Dickey; Rosar.

Detroit 0 0 0 1 0 0 3—4 11 1
St. Louis 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—1 5 0
Trot and Tebbetts; Muncie and Ferral.

Boston 0 1 0 2 0 0 0—3 10 1
Washington 0 0 2 0 0 0 2—4 7 1
H. Newsome, Dobson, Wilson and Pyltak; Hudson and Eary.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE PLAYOFFS

Montreal 0 0 0 2 0 0 2—4 8 1
Newark 2 1 0 0 0 0 0—3 6 1
Kehn, Wicker (2), Mungo (8) and Howell; Byrne, Lindell (9) and Padon.
(Montreal wins series and Governor's Cup 4-3.)

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION PLAYOFFS

Columbus 1 2 1 3 0 1 0—8 12 0
Louisville 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—1 0 0
Grodzicki, Poland; Wood, Sayles, Butland, Fleming and Glenn (Columbus wins final playoff, 4 games to 1).

SCORE 11 TO 1

MELBOURNE—(CP)—Australian airmen destroyed seven enemy planes for a very one they lost in the Middle East campaign, Air Minister John McEwan says.

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- FREE FOR ALL TROT AND PACE
- CLASSIFIED TROT
- 2.22 PACE

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2:27 Trot and Pace

There will be nine starters in this class which means they will have to be sent away in two tiers. Lady Hal, owned by Bell, Clarke, and McNeill has the pole and she is very highly regarded having been timed in 2:14 1-2 at Northam. No.

RATION TRANSPORT

KRUGERSDORP, S. A.—(CP)—Railways Minister P. C. Sturrock has announced wartime conditions in South Africa may compel rationing of transport fuel. Rates and some roads will be raised.