

Redbirds Halt Pirates; Harshman Blanks Tigers

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Cleveland Indians dropped a 2-1 decision to Boston Red Sox Thursday afternoon and immediately announced that manager Bobby Bragan had been fired. He will be succeeded today by former New York Yankee and Indian second baseman, Joe Gordon, 43, who has been selling insurance in Sacramento, Calif. General manager Frank Lane expressed hope that Gordon's presence will improve the team which is mired in a seventh-place tie with Baltimore Orioles in the American League.

In other day games, the Yankees edged Chicago White Sox 4-3; Baltimore's Jack Harshman blanked Detroit 2-0; and in the National League, St. Louis Cardinals won their sixth straight, a 6-2 verdict over Pittsburgh.

Gordon will take over management of some of his former playing mates — Bob Avila, Larry Doby, Mickey Vernon and Bob Lemon. He retired from the Indian roster in 1950, and became a minor league manager. Last year his San Francisco Seals won the Pacific Coast League pennant.

He refused to go to Minneapolis when the team was shifted there this year in the big shuffle of western franchises.

Thursday, Boston's Ike Delock bested Cleveland's Cal McLish. Dick Gernert's home run tied up the game in the seventh and Ted Williams won it with a round-tripper in the ninth. Delock fanned 12 in winning his fifth against no losses.

Norm Siebern's solo homer was the victory margin for the Yankees, as Johnny Kucks scored his sixth victory against three defeats. The New Yorkers got only one hit off White Sox loser Dick Donovan until they unlimbered their bats in the sixth for three runs.

At Detroit Jack Harshman was

in rare form as he held the Tigers to five hits. He had last six straight since May 10. Billy Hoist was the loser. Bob Boyd's homer in the sixth provided an insurance tally for the Orioles.

At Pittsburgh the Pirates made three errors as they lost their sixth straight. The Cardinals' Lindy McDaniel earned his fourth victory against seven losses, but wasn't around at the finish.

CINCINNATI (AP) — Orlando Cepeda's 15th homer of the season, a three-run blast in the eighth inning, provided the big punch in a four-run San Francisco Giant uprising that sank Cincinnati's Redlegs 5-1 Thursday night. Johnny Antonelli went all day, doling out seven hits for the victory.

The crafty veteran left-hander struck out six Redlegs and didn't take a man in taking his eighth victory in 13 decisions. Antonelli got the uprising started with a single and after Willie Mays was walked on purpose, shortstop Daryl Spencer belted a run-making double.

Then came Cepeda's big blast over the centre field wall. Joe Nuxhall took over the mound, but the Reds could not recoup.

Probable Pitchers

NEW YORK (AP) — Probable pitchers for today's major league games. (Won and lost records in brackets):

- American League
 - New York at Kansas City (N) — Maas (4-6) vs Herbert (3-2)
 - Boston at Detroit (N) — B. (3-6) vs Lay (8-5)
 - Washington at Chicago (N) — Stobbs (2-6) vs Pierce (6-5)
 - Baltimore at Cleveland (N) — O'Dell (8-7) vs Narleski (9-5)
- National League
 - Los Angeles at Milwaukee (N) — Koufax (5-3) vs Jay (1-1)
 - St. Louis at Philadelphia (N) — Brosnan (7-5) vs Roberts (5-8)
 - San Francisco at Cincinnati (N) — Games (5-1) vs Nuxhall (3-3) or Lawrence (5-3)
 - Chicago at Pittsburgh (N) — Drabowsky (5-7) vs Friend (9-7)

Favorites Move Along In Tourney

WIMBLEDON, England (CP) — Australia's high-ranking Mal Anderson and Neale Fraser, Sweden's Sven Davidson and Denmark's Kurt Nielsen all had easy victories Thursday as the Wimbledon Tennis Championships moved into the third round.

Christine Truman, Britain's great hope for the ladies singles title, used her strapping six feet height and tremendous reach to defeat Jill Rook, a fellow Briton, 6-3, 6-1.

United States representation was cut to four men and four women, although Althea Gibson, 30-year-old defending champion from New York, finally got clicking to oust Mexico's Yolande Ramirez 6-7, 6-2, and advance to the fourth round.

Taking advantage of the sunny skies, 23,300 spectators turned out to watch proceedings at Wimbledon's plush green acres. DECISIVE AUSSIE WINS — Anderson's win was one of several decisive victories for the Aussies. Starting badly, the Australian cow-puncher picked up form and conquered Britain's John Barry 3-6, 6-0, 6-2, 6-3. Fraser didn't meet much op-

position from Foo Mei of Communist China and handily beat him 6-1, 6-1, 6-1.

Davidson had some trouble settling down but when he did he easily defeated Jy Pimental of Venezuela 6-3, 3-6, 6-1, 6-4. Denmark's Nielsen played steadily in winning 6-1, 6-4, 6-2 over Ilija Pantajotovic of Yugoslavia.

Jaroslav Drobny, Wimbledon champion in 1954 and self-exiled Czech who now is an Egyptian citizen, beat Andzej Licis of Poland, 6-4, 8-6, 6-4 to advance to the third round.

ALTHEA OFF FORM — Miss Gibson was way off form early in her singles match. Mexico's Miss Ramirez broke Althea's hard service twice running in the first set.

Karel Pajotovic of Miami caused a stir Thursday when she showed up wearing an aboved gold pants. She camouflaged them with white lace and got away with it — becoming the first player ever to wear any color other than white at Wimbledon.

Miss Fageros also played good tennis, defeating Italy's Dilvano Lazzarino 6-1, 7-5.

Palmer Leading In L. I. Tourney

EAST NORWICH, N.Y. (AP) — Arnold Palmer, winner of \$26,260.83 on the pro tour, took a big step toward adding another \$9,000 to his total when he shot a record 66 in the first round of the \$50,000 Long Island open tournament Thursday.

The 28-year-old Masters champion from Latrobe, Pa. had a 20-foot putt hang out on the 18th green. But his 34-32-66 bettered the Pine Hollow course mark by one stroke and gave him a two-stroke lead on the field of 148. Par is 71.

Deadlocked in second place with 68s were veteran E. J. (Dutch) Harrison, playing out of St. Louis, and unsung George Bernardini, a 29-year-old from Miami Springs, Fla.

Sixteen players bettered par. Stan Leonard of Vancouver and Lachute, Que., and Al Baiding of Toronto posted 73s, two over par. Jerry Magee of Toronto had 39-40-79 and Bill Ezinnicki, the former National Hockey League star from Winnipeg who now is a golf pro at Stoneham, Mass., had 44-36-80.

GOLFER SCORES HOLE-IN-ONE

MONCTON (CP) — Charlie Rideout, a golfer for 20 years, scored the first hole-in-one of his career here Wednesday.

Rideout needed only one stroke on the 220-yard, sixth hole.

2-Day Meet Starts Today

ST. LAMBERT, Que. (CP) — The sixth annual track and field meet staged by the Caradian Legion branch of this bustling Montreal suburb gets off to its two-day start today with upwards of 300 competitors.

The meet carries official sanction for Eastern Canada championships in men's middle, juvenile and senior classes. There are open events for senior men and women and for the girls' bantam class.

The meet will provide something of a send-off for Canada's track and field contingent to the British Empire games. A number of those bound for the games in Cardiff, Wales, are expected to compete.

The big meet embraces 91 finals. The first session will be run off today starting at 4 p.m. EDT, with 36 finals. The Saturday session, starting at 10 a.m., has 55 finals scheduled.

Official ceremonies will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday.

Mueller-Fullmer Bout Cancelled

WEST JORDAN, Utah (AP) — German middleweight Peter Mueller failed to appear for a required pre-fight medical examination Thursday and his bout with Gene Fullmer Monday was cancelled.

Fullmer's manager Marv Jensen said young Jim Hegerle of St. Paul, Minn., who beat Tiger Jones May 17 at Albuquerque, N.M., has been signed to replace Mueller. That fight will be staged here July 7.

Mueller flew home to Germany to see his wife last week after beating Phil Meyer of Portland, Ore. When he didn't show up here, the West Jordan Athletic Commission began drafting a replacement for a world wide suspension against him. Mueller was suspended for life once before for hitting a referee.

Long Shot Wins Free-For-All At Sydney Tuesday

SYDNEY (CP) — M. C. Counsel upset the free-for-allers at the Sport Centre here Tuesday night to pay \$111.70 across the board. It was the biggest payoff here this season.

M. C. Counsel won both his dashes on the heavy track with times of 2:14 and 2:13 3/5. Frances Gallon, three-year-old filly, won her third and fourth straight dashes and lowered her mark to 2:16 4/5. Jollity Jim and Lois Brady also posted double victories.

Standings

National League			
	W	L	Pct. GBL
Milwaukee	35	27	.565
St. Louis	34	29	.540 1/2
San Francisco	36	31	.537 1/2
Cincinnati	30	31	.492 4/5
Chicago	32	35	.478 5/11
Pittsburgh	32	35	.478 5/11
Philadelphia	28	33	.459 6/11
Los Angeles	30	36	.455 7/11

International League			
	W	L	Pct. GBL
Montreal	42	27	.609 —
Toronto	40	29	.580 2/11
Rochester	40	30	.571 2/11
Columbus	38	34	.518 5/11
Richmond	33	39	.458 10/11
Havana	32	38	.457 10/11
Miami	35	41	.453 11/11
Buffalo	24	46	.352 13/11

OLD CAPITAL			
	W	L	Pct. GBL
Asuncion, capital of the republic of Paraguay, was founded on the date of the Feast of the Assumption in 1537.			

Shamrocks Face Juniors Tonight

City Softball League action this evening finds Junior Baseball Club entertaining the B.I.S. Shamrocks at 6 o'clock at Victoria Park's old diamond.

The Juniors want this game to give them undisputed possession of first place and Shamrocks need it badly if they are to keep their playoff hopes alive.

This is the only City Softball League game on tap for this evening. Umpire will be Red MacFayden and Donnie MacLean will work the bases.

Durrelle Prepares For Title Bout

MONCTON, (CP) — Yvon Durrelle was down to 174 pounds Thursday in preparation for the defence of his British Empire light heavyweight title July 16 against South Africa's Mike Holt in Montreal. Durrelle began his training Monday. He weighed at 175 at under for the title scrap.

Trainer Paddy Colavito said the rugged Bale Ste. Anne slugger went "four good rounds" with his light heavyweight sparring mate, Ted Poole. Durrelle will continue road and glove work until they leave for Montreal near the end of the first week in July.

Colavito said the Canadian and British Empire King has been on the road for an average of "about three miles per day" since training opened.



LET'S HAVE IT

Willie Dunn, Barry's Lions catcher gives his signal to the pitcher Art Ballam in Tuesday night's City Softball League game with B.I.S. Shamrocks. Gene Ward, who does the receiving for the Shamrocks, stands at the plate hoping to get a crack at one of Ballam's pitches. Umpire Frank Bell leans over Dunn's shoulder to call the pitch.

N.Y. Yanks Were Blanked Four Times In Nine Days

NEW YORK (CP) — This may be the easiest of all American league pennants won by New York Yankees during Casey Stengel's reign but the club could be the most shut out team since the grizzled manager took over in 1949.

Despite their four blankings within a nine-day period recently, the Yankees still have ways to go to equal their 10-year high of 12 in 1953. They've been held runless in five games so far.

The last number of times a Yankee team has been blanked in Stengel's time was two in 1949 and in 1957. In all, the Yankees have been shut out 57 times since Stengel became boss.

SPORTS FRONT

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

When Detroit's Frank Lary held the Yankees scoreless for the second time this season, he became the 10th pitcher to do the trick. Mel Parnell, the Boston Red Sox stopgap, did it four times in 1953, a feat accomplished by only one other hurler, the immortal Walter Johnson, in 1908.

NO OTHER EFFORT — No other hurler has been able to shut out any of Stengel's Yankee teams three times in one season, although five pitchers were able to do it in the pre-Stengel era. They were Addie Joss, Cleveland; Joe Wood, Boston; Chief Bender, Philadelphia; Schoolboy Rowe, Detroit; and Johnson (Twice), Washington.

Junior Basilica Youth Club, Rollaway Aces and Barry's Lions are surely making a great race of it in the City Softball League. Going into this evening's action all three are tied with 18 points.

Every since the league got underway on May 26, these three teams have been battling each other for the top rung, and there seems every likelihood that they'll keep it up until the 32-game schedule has been run off.

The all-time shutout record against the Yankees? Johnson, of course. The Big Train blanked the Yanks 21 times over a period of 20 years, 1908 through 1927. Runners-up to Johnson are Eddie Plank, a left-hander, and Stan Coveleski, a right-hander. They did it nine times each.

Probably the greatest individual effort put forth this season by any player has come from Junior B.Y.C. hurler John Hughes. To date the Juniors have won nine games and the boy from Cornwall has chalked up six of those victories. He has yet to taste defeat and if he keeps tossing them in the way he has done so far this season, it will be a while yet before he'll be charged with his first defeat. John can also hit that ball with real authority, making him indeed a most valuable asset to the Danny McCormack coached outfit.

Summerside Airmen who have surprised everyone with their show start this season will be in Charlottetown Saturday afternoon for a doubleheader. Before they tackle the Juniors in the nightcap, they will be entertained by Lorne Israel's Lions. Anyone who thinks the Airmen have a pleasant afternoon facing them had better think again. Airmen could surprise and come up with a double victory but if they do they'll play a lot better ball than they have shown so this season. Monday night the Airmen are back here for a tussle with Willie Hennessy's Rollaway Aces and that should be another tough one for the Flyers.

Local softball fans have a real weekend coming up. One game tonight, two Saturday afternoon and another pair on Monday evening.

Take them all in. The boys are showing a pretty fair brand of softball this season.

Hats off to Cecil 'Bobby' Dowling on his winning the Nova Scotia Open Golf Championship on Wednesday.

'Bobby' wasn't too hard pressed to chalk up his win as Pete Kelly, who trailed by only one stroke after 54 holes blew sky high in the final 18 to register an 82. Moncton's Alan Ogilvie was runner-up, five strokes behind the Charlottetown pro.

Those persons who would be predicting that Walter Alston would be replaced as Los Angeles Dodgers' manager in 1958 had better be careful not to wager any money on such an event happening.

Los Angeles president Walter O'Malley strongly indicated recently that Alston would be back at the helm come next season. And to show what a really good boss he is, he gave the team a vote of confidence despite its embarrassing position in the National League basement.

O'Malley expanded in this fashion: "If I could purchase a policy of insurance for the next ten years that would guarantee us we'd be within eight games of first place by July 4, I'd buy that policy. And I'd be willing to wager that we'd win more pennants than we'd lose."

The Dodgers' boss said he discussed Alston's status with his general manager Buzze Bavasi, and they agreed the club's poor showing was not Alston's fault.

O'Malley's conclusion should make Alston feel pretty good. It went like this: "It has always been our policy to hold off announcements of this kind until after the season, but so far I have seen nothing to cause us to make any managerial change in 1958. We can't blame Alston for what has happened. The move to the coast, the makeshift park, the uncertainty of the election, these things created an emotional turmoil that affected everybody."

It looks like Mr. Alston will stay.

Milwaukee Braves may sign a well known figure if reports out of Milwaukee are right.

Word has it that former heavyweight champion of the world, Rocky Marciano, may ink a Brave contract for public relations. The Braves are champion-conscious after last year's world series and they may want to add another champion to their roster. They believe some punch is needed in their public relations and they figure Rocky is just the fellow and Louis Perini, chairman of the Milwaukee club, discussed the possibility of Marciano going to work for the Braves at a recent meeting in Boston. Lou said he thought Marciano could help the Braves both in attracting young talent and in handling public relations assignments and arranged another meeting when both are in Boston.

Marciano was a catcher in his home town of Brockton, Mass., and had baseball ambitions before he turned to boxing.

Chicago Cubs sure are home run happy this season. Fellowies like Banks, Walls, Moryn, Thomson and Long have been hitting the long one with pretty fair regularity. They have been hitting for the circuit off anybody but they have found Milwaukee Braves pitching especially appetizing.

In the first 67 games played by the Chicago club this season, 108 Scheffing boys have clouted a total of 79 homers, which ranks second to only the San Francisco Giants.

But here's the part that is anything but music to the ears of the Braves. Twenty-four of those homers came off Milwaukee pitching.

Wow, those Cubs can be mighty rough.

REMEMBER WHEN. — Chuck Campbell, former Canadian and United States amateur single sculls champion, qualified 22 years ago today to represent Canada at the Olympics in Berlin. But in the Olympics final, won by G. Schaefer of Germany, the Canadian placed fourth.

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