

SHUT OUT COPS RICH BELMONT STAKES



Sports Hodge-Podge BY CARLE HODGE

Now that hot weather is here, we wonder how many of the dyed-in-the-wool 'coon hunters are pining away for ol' Jack's resounding bay as he trails the little animal through the swamps.

There are the discomforts of falling into an icy stream of water about midnight . . . of snagging a leg or arm on a farmer's barbed wire fence . . . of climbing a tree to find that the coon has found another place of refuge. It's still a lot of fun.

A nocturnal sport for the average fan, coon hunting still holds a great attraction for the outdoorsman . . . oh well, it didn't hurt to have a pipe dream. Six months until Jack starts yelping again won't be so long.

Maybe it's the heat.

And while autumn is in the air above the Star-News sports desk, there's something else. A premature question on the lips of millions of fans is "What about football?"

Stanley Woodward of the New York Herald-Tribune decided to probe that question and thus sent 50 questionnaires to grid coaches of major colleges. His discoveries:

Gas rationing may slash attendance and force moving of game sites and the draft may take a few players, but elevens of the bigger schools will be out on the field as usual this fall.

Toughest and most colorful squads are due from the service training bases—like the Navy pre-flight school at UNC—which will draw the pick of top-notch gridders in the armed forces.

Since some schools—Texas A. & M. and Notre Dame, for instance—have ROTC units and may keep those students working toward a commission, they may still boast strong teams.

Wilmington and Wilmingtonians in the sports news—Tom Cobb, New Hanover High student, is the only local boy entered for the Carolina Junior golf tournament this week. He went to Greensboro Saturday to start practice for the qualifying rounds . . . Red-haired Aggie Morton, who had been rated a strong contender in the girls' meet, will not play because of previous plans for the same dates.

Fresh from the Winston-Salem event yesterday, Wilmington's horse show people will enter the Sedgefield contests at Greensboro next week.

Just off the press, the New Hanover Fishing club's attractive new prize list and annual announces the organization will furnish club emblems for the license plates of their cars—an excellent method of advertising angling in this area . . . Fishermen, by the way, believe the gas shortage may eventually mean much less fishing.

It'll be the restaurant men's night at Thalian hall Friday again when popular Jim London, the Golden Greek, wrestles on Bert Causey's card . . . Trainer Plunk Morning expects to see a lot of local boxers Monday night at Thalian when work-outs for the Shipyard athletic association's ring shows begin.

Hugh Griffith, hard-hitting shortstop of the Star-News softball team, went to the hospital Saturday for an emergency appendectomy. Doctor says no more ball for him this season . . . His father Mack, a veteran in diamond circles here, was able to return home last week after several months of trouble from a chemical in one of his lungs.

Softball Commissioner Bert Moore leaves today for a week vacation in his native Chicago.

Sports Carbon: Says Buddy Atkinson of the Louisville Times: "If labor has got to work or fight, then boxers should be made to fight or work."

New York Yanks Bow Cleveland Nine, 3-0

Red Ruffin Reaches 250 Mark By Hurling Four-Hit Shutout Against Indians

NEW YORK, June 6.—(AP)—Charley (Red) Ruffin, dean of the New York Yankee pitching staff and winner of more games than any other major league hurler, reached the 250 mark today when he tossed a fancy four-hitter at the Cleveland Indians for a 3-0 shutout.

Joe Gordon helped the Yankee righthander become the first active pitcher to win 250 games and boosted his own hitting streak to 22 consecutive contests by driving in all the runs on a first inning double with the bases loaded.

The victory was the sixth of the year against two defeats for Ruffin, who had won 244 games and lost 210 in 18 previous seasons with the Yankees and the Boston Red Sox.

Ruffin also leads the major league pitchers in shutouts and today's whitewashing was his second on the season and the 39th of his

Sewell Harls Pirates To Win Over Phillies

PITTSBURGH, June 6.—(AP)—Rip Sewell held Philadelphia to three hits today to pitch Pittsburgh to a 3 to 1 victory, giving the Pirates two in a row, their longest winning streak since May 3, over a stretch of the last 30 games.

Nick Etten's home run robbed Sewell of a shutout as he hung up his fifth triumph of the year. Etten also beat out an infield single, taking down two of the three Quaker hits.

Score by innings: R H E
PHILADELPHIA 000 100 0—1 3 1
PITTSBURGH 000 210 0—3 8 0
Runs batted in—Etten, Elliott, DiMaggio, Barrett. Two base hits—Bragan, Elliott, Anderson. Home run—Etten. Sacrifice—Elliott. Double plays—Bragan and Etten; Bragan and Etten. Left on base—Philadelphia 4. Pittsburgh 6. Bases on balls—Off Hughes 2; off Sewell 2; off Podgajny 1. Struck out—By Hughes 2; by Sewell 3. Hits—Off Hughes 8 in 7 innings; off Podgajny 0 in 1. Losing pitcher—Hughes. Umpires—Barr, Ewell and Ballanant. Time—1:31. Attendance—2,184.

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ALSAB SECOND AS EKKY'S SON ADDS TO WINS

Chicago Hope Trails Three Lengths As Derby Winner Upsets Dope

By SID FEDER
NEW YORK, June 6.—(AP)—Equipoise's Chocolate Baby, stretch-running Shut Out, put a strangle-hold on the championship of the three-year olds today by adding the ancient Belmont stakes to his Kentucky Derby triumph—and once more making Alsab "holer uncle."

Topping off a Belmont Park program from which war relief benefited by an estimated \$125,000, Ekky's sturdy son poked his way in front a half a mile from home and let Sabath's Chicago hope chase him all the way to the judges by three lengths.

It was Shut Out's second "big one" this spring in races in which his great daddy never had a chance to run. Equipoise took sick the eve of his derby in 1931 and never ran for the big money in the Blue Grass classic or Belmont's mile-and-a-half grind of which today's was the 74th running. He died more than a year ago, and this spring his last son went out to represent the old man.

He did it smartly in the derby. And he had even more fun today under a smashing, heady ride by wise Eddie Arcaro, because Alsab was a 2 to 5 shot in this one and all but a few of the crowd of 29,812 customers figured "the Sab" had it at his mercy.

But Shut Out and Arcaro not only won—they did it Alsab's way. When Alsab started to move up, they went right along. At the mile mark, Arcaro got Ekky's kid on top, and holding Alsab safe all the way, just romped in by open daylight Mrs. Payne Whitney's colt was caught in the good time of only four-fifths off the track record in picking up a \$44,520 pay-check for this third "jewel" of the triple crown and, with his derby "salary," Shut Out boosted his bankroll for a year-and-a-half of racing to \$136,197.50.

Although the crowd was slightly under the hoped-for turn-out, the track's proceeds from the betting handle of nearly \$2,000,000, plus the "breakage," admission fees and all other intake, and minus only purses to horsemen, made it appear the war effort would benefit considerably.

State Racing Commission Chairman Herbert Bayard Swope estimated Army and Navy relief and the United Service Organization would get \$125,000 out of it. Since nearby Jamaica race track had pledged to match Belmont's contribution, it looked like quite a "bundle."

Except for Alsab and Shut Out, any resemblance between the others in the Belmont field and top-flight stake horses was purely incidental. J. M. Roebing's Lochinar came up third, five lengths back of Alsab and eight in front of William Woodward's Triarcher. The latter was trailed home by Walter Chrysler's Ramillies, H. L. Lunger's half crown and Mrs. F. Ambrose Clark's top milk.

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Score by innings: R H E
DETROIT 000 011 021—9 16 1
WASHINGTON 000 100 003—4 1
Runs batted in—York 2, Bloodworth 2, Estalella 2, Higgins, Cramer 2, Chartak. Two base hits—Franklin 2, Vernon, Estalella, Detroit 7. Washington 8. Sacrifices—Zuber 2, and Wilson 2. Struck out—By Bridges 1; off Hudson 1; by Wilson 2. Hits—Off Zuber 6 in 6. Off Wilson 10 in 6. Balk—Zuber. Umpires—Summers, Passarella and Piggrass. Time—2:04. Attendance—4,000.

Score by innings: R H E
DETROIT 010 002 000—3 8 4
WASHINGTON 010 132 40x—11 12 0
Errors—Franklin 1, Bloodworth 1, Parsons. Runs batted in—Bloodworth, Potahel, Repass 3, Vernon, Campbell, Estalella, Harris, Higgins, Hudson 2, Speer. Two base hits—Vernon, Repass, Evans, Stolen bases—Case. Double plays—Potahel, Repass and Vernon. Left on base—Detroit 7. Washington 8. Bases on balls—Off Zuber 2; off Hudson 1; off Hudson 1; by Hudson 3. Hits—Off Zuber 4 in 3-2-3; off Hudson 9 in 6. Winning pitcher—Cramer; losing pitcher—Newhouse. Umpires—Resor, off Piper 2; and Wilson 2. Time—2:10. Attendance—4,000.

Grove Pitches Chicago To 3-1 Win Over Bosox

BOSTON, June 6.—(AP)—Dom DiMaggio, the first man Orval Grove faced, banged a home run today, but after that the 22-year-old Chicago righthander had things pretty much his own way as the White Sox beat the Boston Red Sox 3 to 1.

It was Chicago's second victory in the east this season, the other being on May 1 at Philadelphia.

Grove was found for only four hits and had comparatively good control, walking only three men. The Red Sox made a "team cycle," single, double, triple and home run—but they couldn't bunch them.

Cincinnati Outpowers Boston Braves, 8 To 2

CINCINNATI, June 6.—(AP)—The Cincinnati Reds put on one of their occasional power demonstrations today to defeat the Boston Braves with home runs—three of them. The score was 8 to 2.

The victory was the Reds' third straight over the Braves in the current six-game series and Bucky Walters' sixth consecutive win after a bad start.

Greg Rice Shatters American Three-Mile Mark At Metropolitan

PELHAM MANOR, N. Y., June 6.—(AP)—Greg Rice, the world's premier distance runner, set a new American three-mile record of 14 minutes flat today at the Metropolitan A. A. U. championship track meet on Travers Island. He shattered the 14:10 mark established by Taisto Maki, of Finland, at New Orleans in 1939, and lowered his own best outdoor time of 14:13.

FESTIVAL CANCELLED
SOUTH BOSTON, Va., June 6.—(AP)—The National Tobacco festival will not be held this year because of the war, sponsors announced today. The festival executive committee said that it hoped to resume staging the event in 1943.

Shipbuilders To Play Kingers Here Today

PARTEE LEADING PIEDMONT AT BAT

Portsmouth Catcher Adds 13 Points For A .403 Percentage In Week

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HALE AMERICA TRIALS BEGIN

Qualifying Rounds For National Open Are Started 'With 600 Entered

NEW YORK, June 6.—(AP)—From the veteran Robert T. Jones to a 22-year-old steelworker at Buffalo, N. Y., approximately 600 golfers pitched and putted their way around 11 courses today in the second stage of qualifying for the Hale America National Open.

Jones, the grand slammer of a decade ago, was exempt from the trials but accompanied the field over the East Lake course at Atlanta and whacked out a three-under-par 67 for the medal.

Brownie May, the steelworker, also was three-under-par with a 69 at Buffalo and shunted Sam Parks, the 1935 open king, to a tie for second with a 71.

The golfers, first test 10 days ago, must play 54 holes to determine the 80 who will go to Chicago for the finals of the Hale America, war time successor to the National Open, on June 18 to 21. Twenty-three others go there automatically.

Profits from the two stages of the qualifying and of the final at the Ridgemoor Country club in Chicago will go to the Naval Relief society and to USO.

The qualifying was completed today at Chicago, Kansas and Bloomfield, N. J., and the Boston test was condensed into a one-day, 36-hole affair yesterday.

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SIRENS ORDERED GREENSBORO, June 6.—(AP)—Order for 13 two-horse power federal electric sirens to be used as an air raid alarm system for the city was placed today by Defense Coordinator Charles G. Yates with a Chicago manufacturer.

YOUTH DROWNS BELMONT, June 6.—(AP)—Glenn Barker, 15, of near Belmont, drowned in South Fork river near McAdenville late today.

Masonboro And Tigers Play At Belleamy Today

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Major League Standings

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS
National League
Pittsburgh 3; Philadelphia 1.
Cincinnati 8; Boston 2.
Brooklyn 2; Chicago 0.
New York at St. Louis, postponed.
American League
Detroit 9-3; Washington 3-11.
Chicago 3; Boston 1.
New York 3; Cleveland 0.
Philadelphia 6; St. Louis 5.

THE STANDINGS
National League
Won Lost Pct.
Brooklyn 35 14 .714
St. Louis 27 20 .574
Boston 24 23 .511
Cincinnati 23 24 .510
Boston 27 26 .509
Chicago 23 28 .451
Philadelphia 21 28 .429
Philadelphia 16 34 .320

American League
Won Lost Pct.
New York 35 11 .761
Detroit 29 25 .537
Cleveland 26 23 .531
Boston 24 23 .511
St. Louis 26 26 .500
Washington 20 30 .400
Chicago 19 29 .396
Philadelphia 21 33 .389

TODAY'S GAMES:
Probable pitchers for today's Major league doubleheaders (won-lost records in parentheses):
National League
New York at St. Louis—Hubbell (1-4) and Carpenter (5-2) or Sunkel (2-1) and Pollet (3-2) and Cooper (5-3) or Beazley (5-3).
Cincinnati at Cincinnati—Hutchings (1-0) and Erickson (2-1) or Riddle (1-6) and Thompson (2-3) or Starr (7-2).
Brooklyn at Chicago—Higbe (4-4) and Allen (3-4) or Rowe (0-0) vs. Olsen (0-3) and Schmitz (1-2).
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh—Johnson (4-4) and Melton (5-3) vs. Butcher (4-5) and Gornicki (0-1).
American League
Cleveland at New York—Milnar (2-3) and Harder (4-3) vs. Bonham (8-0) and Chandler (6-1).
Detroit at Boston—Lyons (3-4) and Dietrich (4-5) vs. Newsome (4-3) and Wagner (4-5).
Detroit at Washington—Henshaw (0-1) and Trucks (0-2) vs. Wynn (5-3) and Hudson (4-5).
St. Louis at Philadelphia—Galehouse (3-5) and Trotter (0-1).

BASEBALL'S BIG SIX:
Batting (three leaders in each league)
Player, Club G AB R H Pct.
Phelps, Pirates 31 83 10 31 .373
Doerr, Red Sox 40 161 19 59 .366
Dickey, Yankees 28 100 10 36 .369
Reiser, Dodgers 40 158 35 54 .348
Owen, Dodgers 34 98 17 33 .337

HOME RUNS:
American League
Williams, Red Sox 15
York, Tigers 13
J. DiMaggio, Yankees 10

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Marshall, Giants 8
Camilli, Dodgers 8
F. McCormick, Reds 8

RUNS BATTED IN:
American League
Williams, Red Sox 57
J. DiMaggio, Yankees 42
York, Tigers 42

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Mize, Giants 40
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Medwick, Dodgers 35

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