

Tigers Hit Snag In Flag Race, Lose To

Clubs Hot And Cold In Big Free-For-All

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Detroit's march to the American League flag appears to have hit a snag in the east where the injury-ridden Tigers have won only three of nine and dropped back toward the pack.

The distance from the leading Bengals to the sixth-place defending Champion St. Louis Browns is only 5 1-2 games today and it's shrinking every day in what may be the greatest free-for-all in the history of the circuit.

Inconsistency continues to be the only consistent factor in the pennant race with each club taking turns blowing hot and cold. After dropping two doubleheaders in succession, the Washington Senators turned on Detroit last night and dumped the twice.

Cleveland, which has been showing signs of life before hitting Philadelphia, was bumped off in both games of a two-night double by the Athletics, while the Browns, struggling all year to stay even with the 500 mark, turned Yankee killers and beat New York two games.

Washington's twin pitching stars, Dutch Leonard and Roger Wolf, made life miserable for the Tigers, who have been hitting anemic 210 on the current jaunt. Leonard made a one-run lead stand up from the fourth inning, 4-3, with the help of a fine relay throw to the plate by Gil Torres, cutting off the tying run. Wolf was in control all the way, allowing only four singles in a 3-1 triumph.

St. Louis gave the Yanks a taste of their own medicine—the home run—in winning 4-3 and 3-2. Slim Jakucki and Boris Martin each hit one into the stands with a man on in the opener off Al Gettel, and Milt Byrnes clouted one to help Al Hollingsworth shade Floyd Bevens in the second.

Bobo Newsom continued to go ahead as fast as he traveled backward when he lost 12 straight as he reeled off his third successive success in beating Cleveland, 3-2, on a four-hitter. Earlier Jesse Flores, with the relief help of Joe Berry, trimmed the Tribe, 8-3.

The Chicago White Sox took advantage of Clem Hausmann's wildness in the third inning to start a five-run rally and go on to a 6-3 nod over the Boston Red Sox behind Ed Lopat.

Brooklyn thinks it knocked off the first place Chicago Cubs in the National but the Dodgers won't know for sure until Sept. 15 when they play the ninth inning of a game "suspended" yesterday at the end of the eighth with the Brooks leading 10-4. The Dodgers had to catch a train.

Bill Voiselle blew a five-run lead and was batted off the hill as Pittsburgh swamped the New York Giants, 13-5, giving Walter (Boom Boom) Beck his first victory in a Pirate uniform.

The Phil-Cardinal game was played Thursday in a doubleheader but the Boston at Cincinnati tilt was put off until later to permit the Braves to make connections for Pittsburgh.

Kiefer In Swim Meet At Tarboro

TARBORO, July 21.—(AP)—Swimmer Adolph Kiefer returned today to the scene of some of his former triumphs to try for new marks.

Now with the Bainbridge, Md., Naval Training Station, he tops the list of individual stars entered in the Carolinas annual national AAU junior and open swimming meet.

Kiefer has smashed several meet and pool records here and also broke the world's backstroke record formerly held by Johnny Weismuller.

"Commando" Kelly Is Leaving Army

ATLANTA, July 21.—(AP)—The "Commando"—a married man now—is leaving the Army.

Today Charles Kelly of Pittsburgh, leaves Ft. Benning for Ft. McPherson to get a special honorable discharge.

Kelly will be discharged from service under a special provision which allows winners of the Congressional Medal of Honor, save regular army officers, to resign from the service.

The commando was actually eligible for discharge in May, but he volunteered to remain in uniform until "Here's Your Infantry" ended its tour.

The bond-selling show, trained at the infantry school at Ft. Benning, was sent throughout the nation in the Seventh War Bond drive.

Wade Hendricks, Jr., Home From England
L.A. (AP) Wade Hendricks, Jr. arrived here today to spend a leave with his wife, the former Miss Paty Short, after 17 months of service with the Navy in England. He will also spend some time with his parents in Statesville before reporting for reassignment.

The Scoreboard

CLUB STANDINGS NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
Chicago	50	31	.617
St. Louis	48	36	.571
New York	47	37	.560
Pittsburgh	43	41	.512
New York	45	43	.511
Boston	40	42	.488
Cincinnati	38	20	.487
Philadelphia	24	65	.270

x—Does not include suspended Chicago-Brooklyn game to be finished Sept. 15.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
Detroit	46	34	.575
Washington	42	36	.539
New York	41	38	.519
Boston	42	39	.519
Chicago	42	40	.512
St. Louis	39	38	.506
Cleveland	37	41	.474
Philadelphia	28	51	.354

GAME RESULTS AMERICAN LEAGUE

St. Louis 4-3; New York 3-2.
Chicago 6; Boston 3.
Detroit 3-1; Washington 4-3.
Cleveland 2-3; Philadelphia 3-8.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

New York 5; Pittsburgh 13.
Boston at Cincinnati (will be played at later date).
Brooklyn 10; Chicago 4 (unfinished game, will be completed Sept. 15).
Philadelphia at St. Louis (played as part of double header July 19).

TODAY'S BASEBALL (Eastern War Time)

NATIONAL LEAGUE

New York at Cincinnati, 3:30 p.m.
Brooklyn at St. Louis, 9:30 p.m.
Boston at Pittsburgh (2), 1:45 p.m. and 3:45 p.m.
Philadelphia at Chicago, 2:30 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Chicago at New York, 2:30 p.m.
St. Louis at Boston, 2:00 p.m.
Detroit at Philadelphia, 3:00 p.m.
Cleveland at Washington, 3:00 p.m.

TOMORROW'S SCHEDULE NATIONAL LEAGUE

Philadelphia at Chicago (2).
Boston at Pittsburgh (2).
New York at Cincinnati (2).
Brooklyn at St. Louis (2).

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Detroit at Philadelphia (2).
Chicago at New York (2).
St. Louis at Boston (2).
Cleveland at Washington (2).

Lippy Leo Gets Fined For Too Much Lipping

CHICAGO, July 21.—(AP)—An argument Manager Leo Durocher of the Brooklyn Dodgers had with Umpire Ziggy Sears at the Dodgers-Chicago game Wednesday brought a \$50 fine from President Ford C. Frick of the National League. Durocher, who was banished from the game by Sears after the argument, said Frick had advised him here yesterday of the fine.

NEWS MENTION OF PATTERSON

PATTERSON SPRINGS.—Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Jones and daughters, Sue and Van Dulla, visited Sgt. and Mrs. Edgar Sisk on Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. A. L. Neal returned to their home last week after spending several days with her son, Robert Neal, and Mrs. Neal of Fayetteville.

Sgt. Edwin Camp returned last week to his base at Tampa, Fla., after spending an 18-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rollins Camp.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jenkins recently entertained members of the men's Bible class of the Baptist church at their home here Friday evening with a lawn party. Robert Green and Clyde Loyd rendered string music for the occasion. After a number of games and contests, the hostesses served iced drinks, sandwiches, cake and salted nuts. They were assisted in serving by Mrs. J. R. Dover and Mrs. Jesse Blacklock.

Miss Dorothy Thrift of Cliffside spent the week with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Green.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Goodman and children and Mrs. Anita and Judith Frazer returned to their home from Durham last week after spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Lowery.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Harbison and daughter, Alice Rose, of Durham, recently visited in this community. Austine Ellis recently entertained the Intermediate girls of the Baptist church with a picnic at her home.

PAVOT GIVEN ANOTHER TRY AT JAMAICA

NEW YORK, July 20.—(AP)—W. M. Jefford's Pavot, a badly beaten taller in last Saturday's rich Dwyer, gets a chance to redeem himself today as he gets 11 other classy three-year olds in the \$50,000 added Empire City handicap at Jamaica.

Trainer Oscar White says the Belmont stakes winner didn't like the deep going at Aqueduct and apparently the handicappers agree. The son of Case Ace has been assigned topweight of 126 pounds and is figured to be the 2 to 1 choice.

But the brown-coated colt will have to be at the top of his form to capture the mile and three-sixteenths race. Upsets have been the rule rather than the exception for most of the top eastern stakes lately and another easily could occur today with such strong contenders as Gallorette, Esteem, Darby Dieppe and Coincidence in the field.

Eddie Arcaro, who rode Pavot last week, will be up on the Greentree Stable's Coincidence which won the Elmsford purse Tuesday. Arcaro is the contract rider for Greentree so Albert Snider will pilot Pavot.

The Maryland-bred Gallorette, rated among the top four fillies of the season, never has been out of the money and finished a close second to Wildfire in the Dwyer. Teddy Atkinson who brought home the Dwyer winner will ride the filly.

Chozen Breaks 20-Year Hit Record

NASHVILLE, TENN., July 21.—(AP)—Harry Chozen, Mobile catcher, tied a 20-year-old southern record last night.

Against Nashville he went hitless his first two times at bat but got a single to centerfield on the third try.

That gave him hits in 46 consecutive games, a record unequalled since Johnny Bates of Nashville ended such a hitting streak two decades ago.

After his record hit, he went to bat three more times, getting another single and a double.

Lt. Patty Berg In Tam O'Shanter

CHICAGO, July 21.—(AP)—Lt. Patty Berg of the Marine Corps, Women's Reserve, who won the all-American women's open golf title in 1943, will compete in the event at Tam O'Shanter next week. Lt. Berg, winner of the women's national women's amateur golf championship in 1938, is stationed in Philadelphia. The women's open is part of the \$60,233 all-American open and the all-American amateur at the Tam O'Shanter course all next week.

SEEK RENT CONTROL

CHAPEL HILL.—(AP)—Mayor R. W. Madry today was considering asking the Durham area rent control office of the OPA to establish rent ceilings here. The board of aldermen has received complaints that "exorbitant demands" for rent are being made here, he said. An investigation of the complaints is being made.

FARMERS URGED TO RELY ON NEW SOURCES OF INCOME AFTER WAR

North Carolina farmers can grow any crop that can be produced between northern Florida and Canada and grow it better, according to Jesse Bridges, of the Union Trust Company. Cleveland county's key banker and member of the ABA and State Association committees. "We can make that boast with assurance as the result of more than 20 years experimentation in which our farmers have turned up with experts from their local and state schools and with their home town bankers and business men," he added.

This 20 years of agricultural development has been supported actively by leading bankers of the state, who long ago saw the necessity of freeing farmers from the disastrous results of depending almost wholly on tobacco and cotton for income and from erosion and depletion of fertility of large areas of land.

North Carolina farmers don't fear a depression which some experts believe will come when the demand for tobacco and cotton grows less after the war. Although land prices have reached levels above the 1920 boom peak, the farmers have been able to lay up financial reserves from profits from flue cured tobacco, and stand a recession. They don't expect the recession to be so severe as it was after World War I, and with reason.

About 20 years ago 35 banks in North Carolina became concerned over conditions existing in their home neighborhoods. They found that land was going out of production because of erosion and depletion of the soil, and the loss of that income affected the whole community. Those bankers decided to do something about it, and today the state has a sturdy anchor against adversity in the 11,000 boys and girls enrolled in the Future Farmers of America, who are learning modern agriculture in the schools, and the 27,000 adults in practical farming classes right in their home communities.

QUIZ FOR AMERICANS

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Sports Roundup

NEW YORK, July 21.—(AP)—Elmer Caffrey, a returned war veteran who is playing for the Albany Senators in the Eastern league, broke into the lineup the other night just in time to get into that 19-18 game Scranton won from Albany. Caffrey went to the plate three times against three different pitchers in one inning, when the Senators scored 14 runs, and drew a walk and two hits. By that time he probably wished he was back in the front lines. From Calcutta "Majah" Bob Neyland, former Tennessee grid coach, comments that he probably is the only football coach who hasn't had an offer to work in one of the new pro leagues. Just give them time. Lloyd Brazil turned up for grid practice at Central Michigan college the other day, and Coach Ron Finch is sorry to say he is no relation to the U. of Detroit athletic director.

MORE AND MOORE
For three years of competition in the Panama Canal zone Mickey Harris, former Red Sox fliker, never succeeded in fanning ex-Cardinal Terry Moore. Recently Mickey pitched for Balboa, champions of the Canal Zone league, in a 16-inning tussle against an all-star squad that included Moore—and he whiffed Terry three times while chalking up some 20 strikeouts to win 1-0.

SHORTS AND SHELLS
Carol Preese, youthful Portland, Ore., golfer who was one of the sensations of the Chicago victory tournament, never had been on a train until she went east for that event. Chances are she won't try it again soon. Wally Roetger, U. of Illinois baseball coach, argues that the Majors might as well let players go through college before signing them because they won't reach their peak, anyway, until after they pass college age. Wally doubts if any Major league pitcher can be a regular before he's 25—in normal times, of course. St. John's U. basketball coach, is handing out cigars for the arrival of his third child. George Kerr, guard on Frank Leahy's Sugar Bowl grid team of 1941, recently was ordained to the priesthood.

SERVICE DEPT.
Navy Lt. Mel Jones, the Dodgery's former secretary who still is keeping tabs on "them Bums" in the Pacific, went into Okinawa six days before the big invasion. When his plane took off for Hawaii 32 days later, it was in the middle of an air raid. Mel, who served through the Larry MacPhail regime, still thinks Okinawa was rather rugged.

Hampden-Sydney Grid Coach At Chapel Hill

CHAPEL HILL, July 21.—(AP)—The new athletic director at the Navy Pre-Flight school here is Lt. Comdr. Herman E. Smith, former Hampden-Sydney college football coach. He succeeds Lt. Comdr. Burton A. Ingwersen, detached last month for duty with a unit of the Naval Air Technical Training command, Chicago.

Tony Gets Prestige Even Though Beaten

NEW YORK, July 21.—(AP)—Tony Janiro doesn't have to take a back seat to anyone in the welterweight boxing division.

The 19-year-old Youngstown lad was beaten by Montreal's Johnny Greco at Madison Square Garden last night, but he waged a furious battle against his more experienced opponent and gained prestige in defeat.

The bout, watched by 14,971 who paid \$69,175, was so close that both Referee Benny Leonard and Judge Jim Hagan gave Janiro and Greco four rounds apiece. They awarded the fight to Greco, the 8 to 5 favorite, because he finished stronger and won his rounds by wider margin. Judge Bill Healy and the Associated Press scored it 5-3 for Greco. The fight went only eight rounds because Janiro's age prevented the usual 10 stanzas.

Service Men Eager For Baseball Tour

MANILA, July 21.—(AP)—This sports-hungry Army headquarters hopefully welcomed Navy Secretary Forrestal's request for a world champion baseball tour, and Army officials said the series could be staged here.

Athletic officers of the base command said Rizal Stadium would be in top condition. The stadium, which Babe Ruth and other touring big leaguers inaugurated in 1935, now is used for service baseball, softball, football and soccer.

Officers said if the baseball champions do visit Manila, every effort will be made to insure opportunities for men in all branches of the service to see the games.

Several former major and minor league players and numerous semi-pros now are playing in Manila league games, and a strong All-Star team could be formed to oppose the champions.

Legion

Shelby	30	0	0
Washburn, ss	5	1	0
Bowen, cf	5	1	0
Cheek, 1b	5	0	0
Hutchins, 3b	2	0	0
Webber, rf	2	1	1
Paige, lf	3	1	1
Meggison, 2b	4	1	2
Weaver, c	4	0	0
Wilson, p	3	0	0
Cooke, p	3	0	0
Totals	32	5	6

Two base hits: Stewart, Ryan. Stolen bases: Bowen, Queer, Stewart. Sacrifice: Queer. Bases on balls: off Wilson 2, off Cooke 1, off Torrence 2. Strike-outs, Wilson 3, by Cooke 1, by Torrence 2. Hit by pitcher, by Wilson Wild pitch: Wilson 1. Winn pitcher: Torrence. Losing pitcher: Wilson.

Four Teams Enter Non-Pro Tourney

WICHITA, KAS., July 21.—(AP)—The National Baseball congress today certified four 1945 state non-professional baseball championship teams.

Two are army nines—Chant Field, Ill., and overseas replacement depot, Greensboro, N. C. and two are civilian teams—Maukewee, Wis., Allen-Bradleys a Middleboro (Ky.) Lions.

President Ray Dumont said the clubs, winners of sanctioned state tournaments, would be eligible to compete in the national tournament here August 10. Sherman Field Flyers of Ft. Leavenworth, Kas., are the defending champions.

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