

Today's Sports Parade

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NEW YORK (AP)— Sports are designed for happy moments but they have their sad ones, too, and the past week brought more than its share of sorrow to the sports world.

Four of the men who dedicated their lives to athletics took the long count within a span of almost that many days. Two of them, Dan Morgan and Jerry Hoyt, made the headlines and the other two, Arch Ward and Harold Burr, wrote them.

They'll be missed, along with the unusually large number of others who preceded them this year.

"Dum Dan" Morgan may be the best known of them because he was around the longest and spoke more words, probably, than all the rest of them put together. His nickname was one of those characteristic misnomers of the fight game because the glib little octogenarian could talk faster than his horses ever ran and better than any of his fighters ever fought.

Hoyt Had "Class"

Hoyt was only 26, a race driver with a brilliant future as auto racing futures go. As they say in the pits, he had "class," until he wrapped his car around him at Oklahoma City the other day.

Ward was one of the best known sports editors in the country. I was his imagination which produced the All-Star baseball and football games which annually are highlights of the year. When he died of a heart ailment at 56 the Chicago Tribune wasn't the only loser.

Burr, who succumbed at 71, still outlasted his paper. That was the now defunct Brooklyn Eagle, for which he was a leading baseball authority. As he explained just recently, "Seeing the Eagle go took something out of me."

The names of those four greatly lengthened the tragic list for 1955. Already it included such names as those of Harry Agganis of the Boston Red Sox, former lightweight champion Ad Wolgast, writer Hy Turkin, speedboat driver Lloyd Maddock and race drivers Bill Vukovich, Mannie Ayulo, Mike Nazaruk and Larry Crockett.

Auto Racing Tragedies

Auto racing is having one of its worst years. Nazaaruk and Crockett were killed at Langhorne, Pa.; Ayulo in a practice run for the Indianapolis 500 and Vukovich during the running of that race — a day after receiving a letter from his daughter telling him to "put your foot through it, daddy, I need some new dresses."

Wolgast long had been a patient in a mental hospital. The man who won the lightweight crown from Battling Nelson succumbed at 67.

One of the most sudden tragedies of the year was the death of Agganis, the "Golden Greek" of football fame who had been a rising young star with the Boston Red Sox. Only 25, Agganis died of a pulmonary embolism while apparently recovering from a chest ailment.

Turkin, of the New York Daily News, was the author of the "Encyclopedia of Baseball." Maddock was killed in a regatta at Detroit and racing had another fatality when Margaret Pritchard, a woman driver, was killed a San Diego.

Some were more noted than others, but all of them will be missed.

National League May Rule All-Star Game

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (AP)— Thanks to one sweet swing by Stan The Man Musial, who wasn't even invited to the party, the National League stood at last today with a sight of its long-cherished goal — rule of the All-Star game.

The dramatic 6-5 triumph produced by Musial's mighty wallop in the 12th inning of the "dream game" at County Stadium Tuesday now has cut the American League's lead in this annual series to just 13 games to nine.

That's a far cry from just six years ago when the Americans led by 12-4 and a National League comeback seemed a mighty dismal hope indeed.

Now Musial's dramatic blast into the right-field stands, on a "too high" pitch by Frank Sullivan of the Boston Red Sox, has extended the National League surge to five victories in the last six games and given "senior" circuit officials hope they will even the series in the years just ahead.

But come what may in the future, the 1955 All-Star classic goes into the history books as "Stan's Game."

Passed Up By Fans

Passed up by the fans, who voted Ted Kluszewski of Cincinnati into the role of starting first baseman for the National League instead of Stan, the St. Louis Cardinal star was rushed into the game as a substitute outfielder and wound up by smashing three big All-Star records.

For one, he became the first player to appear in 12 All-Star games.

For another his homer was his fourth breaking the All-Star record of three he had shared with Ted Williams.

And finally his game-winning blast also was his 14th All-Star hit another mark.

Musial's smash on Sullivan's first pitch in the last half of the 12th inning, struck like the crack of doom for an American League team that had blown a five-run lead. Sullivan, who said he tried to throw a fast ball "low and tight," admitted the pitch came in "too high." Musial said he was sure it was a homer "as soon as I hit it."

Second Overtime Game It was the second extra-inning

Major League Standings

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Table with columns: National League, W, L, Pct. Rows: Brooklyn, Milwaukee, Chicago, New York, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh.

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CHICAGO (AP)—De Paul University will sponsor a holiday basketball tournament featuring San Francisco, Duquesne, Marquette and De Paul in the Chicago Stadium Dec. 16-17.

game in All-Star history. Oddly enough the first — a 14-inning affair in 1950 — was broken up by a homer by Red Schoendienst Musial's roommate on the Cardinals.

There was no hint of such a wind-up as the game began with the underdog American Leaguers ripping into starting pitcher Robin Roberts of the Phillies for four runs in the first inning. Harvey Kuenn and Nellie Fox rapped Roberts for singles and Kuenn scooped home on a wild pitch by control artist Roberts. Then Manly followed with what seemed the "crusher," a three-run homer over the 402-foot centerfield fence.

The American League boosted the margin to 5-0 with a sixth inning run off Harvey Haddix on Yogi Berra's single and Al Kaline's double. It looked like the Americans were home free instead they were washed up.

Conley Gets Win Don Newcombe of Brooklyn one inning, Sam Jones of Chicago one Joe Nuxhall of Cincinnati three and Gene Conley of Milwaukee one shut out the American League. The rest of the way, Conley, last year's losing pitcher, got the win this time for striking out the side in the 11th inning.

Meanwhile, the National League struck back to tie the score with two runs in the seventh and three in the eighth all off Whitey Ford of the Yankees.

Wille Mays of the Giants touched off both rallies with singles. In the seventh, he moved to second on Hank Aaron's walk and scored on Johnny Logan's single. When Chico Carrasquel booted Stan Lopata's grounder, Aaron scored, too, to make it, 5-2. In the eighth, Kluszewski, Ransom Jackson, and Aaron singled behind Mays. Jackson took third on Aaron's blow and scored the tying run when outfielder Al Kaline's throw went through third-baseman Al Rosen.

That set the stage for "Stan The Man."

Musial, named to the squad as a sub by Manager Leo Durocher of the Giants, was sent into the game by Durocher in the fourth inning in left field. Under All-Star rules, which require the starter to play at least three innings, that was the soonest Stan could appear.

Durocher couldn't have made a smarter move.

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SPORTS SHORTS

NEW YORK (AP)—Ben Agajanian, 36-year-old placement kicking specialist and the National Football League's fifth highest point scorer last season, has signed his 1955 contract with the New York Giants.

PITTSBURGH (AP)—David Wickert, a 19-year-old righthanded pitcher from East Springfield, Pa., has been signed by the Pittsburgh Pirates along with Gary James Wete, a 19-year-old outfielder from Windsor, Canada.

BALTIMORE (AP)—Malcolm Warren, 18-year-old righthanded pitcher from Dayton, Ohio where he compiled a high school record of 23.5, has been signed by the Baltimore Orioles and will report to Aberdeen, S. D. club next year.

CHICAGO (AP)—Boxer Paul Andrews battle ex-heavyweight champion Ezzard Charles in the Chicago Stadium tonight with recognition as a heavyweight prospect his major possible prize.

Charles, who lost the crown to Jersey Joe Walcott and then lost three times in attempts to regain it against Walcott and the current title holder, Rocky Marciano, was a 1-5 choice to win the 10 round television spectacle.

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (AP)—Stan Musial's personal "great moments" had an added kicker today, his 12th inning home run which gave the National League a 6-5 victory over the American League in the 22nd annual All-Star game Tuesday.

"It was one of my biggest thrills," he said. "And I'd rank it along with my five home runs against the New York Giants in St. Louis last year and my first World Series appearance with the Cardinals in 1942."

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (AP)—Before expenses were deducted the 22nd major league All-Star game grossed \$273,254.02, with most of it headed for the players' pension fund.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. (AP)—Defending champion Gene Andrews, 42, and Bud Bradley, who is 24 years

Fight Results

FIGHT RESULTS By United Press DETROIT: Gene Linscott, 157-1/2, Pontiac, Mich., outpointed Gene Fowler, 152 1/2, Chicago 10.

MIAMI BEACH, Fla.: Kenny Lane, 138 1/2, Muskegon, Mich., outpointed Jimmy Ford, 142, Miami 10.

RICHMOND, Calif.: Stan Bryant 164, Oakland, outpointed Billy Lanzy, 165, Sacramento, 8.

WITHDRAWALS NAME WASHINGTON (AP)— President Eisenhower today formally withdrew Allen Whitfield's nomination to the Atomic Energy Commission. He took the action in a message to the Senate ending a controversy that had centered around the Des Moines, Ia., attorney since his nomination, April 1.

younger, teed off today in the feature survival match in the third round of the 30th annual National Public Links golf tourney.

ATLANTA (AP)—Top-ranked Tony Trabert and little veteran Bryan Bitz Grant were to resume their sentiment-packed match today as the weeklong National Clay Courts tennis championships neared the halfway mark.

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