

Sports

Homer Records Are Likely To Be Surpassed

New York, May 11.—(UP)—Things don't always come off as advertised, but it is quite possible that the home run smashing in the big series starting today between the Indians and Yankees will be terrific even in the house that Babe Ruth built.

The Babe, it seems, doesn't have the exclusive patent on home runs any more. And if things keep going as they have to date, it could be that his historic mark of 60 homers in a season, plus a lot of others in the books, will be surpassed.

Cleveland, pacing the American league race with 11 victories in 15 games, has collected 28 homers in that span, which is seven ahead of the 1947 record-setting pace of the New York Giants. The Giants marked up an all-time major league team record of 221 homers for the season, but in their first 15 games last year they connected for 21 homers.

And the Yankees, swinging for the fences as they did in that olden, golden era featuring Ruth & Co., rank next in the majors with 23 homers in 17 games, also ahead of the 1947 Giants who didn't get their 23rd homer until their 15th game.

The Indians, swinging for the fences as usual, swept their three-game series at Boston yesterday with a 12 to 7 win, their fifth in a row, and they also came up with a triple play. Homers by Larry Doby and Joe Gordon provided the offensive spark against Dave Ferris and Lou Boudreau started the "rally killer" at shortstop in the eighth, snagging a line drive by Bill Goodman and doubling Wally Moses at second, after which Gordon caught Birdie Teltz at first. Stan Spence got a three run homer for Boston.

The Yankees won their fifth game in six starts at New York as Joe DiMaggio, Billy Johnson and George Stinewiss hit homers bringing the club total to seven in two days in the 9 to 3 drubbing of the White Sox. Taff Wright and Dave Philley hit Chicago homers and Tommy Henrich, who fell into the grandstand trying to make an "out of the world" catch of

Wright's blow, came out with a bruised knee cap which may sideline him for some time. Charley (Red) Embree won his first start as a Yankee, giving up six hits.

Ralph Kiner smacked his sixth homer of the season last night at Pittsburgh, and it gave the Pirates a 4 to 2 victory over the Dodgers, hoisting the Bucs to a tie with New York for second place in the standings. Kiner hit his 425-footer over the left field wall with one on in the third and the score tied at 1 to 1. It was his third bonanza belt in two days.

In the other two night games, Early Wynn's two runs-batted-in and five-hit pitching gave Washington a 6 to 2 win over St. Louis at Washington in the American and Johnny Sain hurled the Braves to a 6 to 0 decision over the Cardinals at St. Louis in the National. The shutout was the first of the season for the Redbirds and snapped their win streak at five games.

The Giants were rained out at Chicago in the National.

Yesterday's star—Larry Doby of the Indians, who hit a homer, double, and two singles, batting in two runs in a 12 to 7 victory over the Red Sox.

Open War Rages In National Net Loops

Chicago, May 11.—(UP)—Open war raged today between the national basketball league and the basketball association of America, the nation's two top professional hardwood circuits.

The B. A. A. started the scrap, whisking four teams—Minneapolis, Indianapolis, Rochester and Fort Wayne—from the 12-year-old rival loop.

In retaliation, the national league broke off the year-old joint draft of college players and claimed it would retain title to the players of the four deserting teams.

It was possible that some legal actions would result from the split. The national league's contention that it retains rights to the players on the shifting teams could be the basis for injunction suits against the players and possibly the teams.

When the ill-fated professional basketball league of America organized around the Chicago Gears, a former national league member last year, injunction suits were filed. But most were never decided because the new league collapsed first. One suit, however, was decided in favor of the national league.

The B. A. A. which accepted the applications for franchises from the four national league clubs less than an hour after they resigned from the N. B. L., ignored the policy statement, held its own draft meeting and then adjourned. Earlier Maurice Podoloff, organizer of the circuit was re-elected president for two years.

At the same time, the national league accepted the resignations of commissioner Ward "Piggy" Lambert, effective next fall, and Tom Carnegie, publicity advisor.

National league spokesmen denied that the flood of resignations would damage the league. "We intend to continue operating," Lon Darling, owner of the Oshkosh team, said. Seven other clubs also expected to remain in the circuit. They were Sheboygan, Tri-Cities, Anderson, Flint, Mich., Chicago, Syracuse and Toledo.

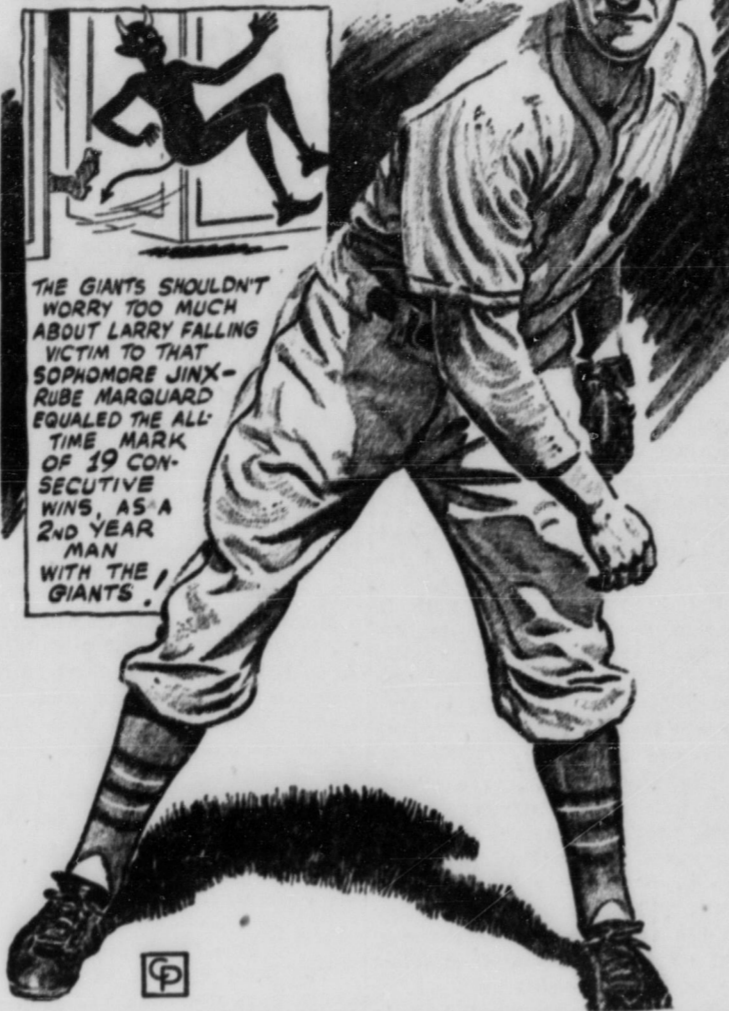
The Chicago franchise was granted to Edward McNulty yesterday and six other cities also have applied for entry. They were listed as Denver, Des Moines, Louisville, St. Paul.

The national league was to examine individual applications at today's meeting. It also planned to hold its player draft today.

Under the new organization the B. A. A. divisions will be Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Providence, Washington and Baltimore in the east and the four national

HE FACES THAT SOPHOMORE JINX

LARRY JANSEN,
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THE GIANTS SHOULDN'T WORRY TOO MUCH ABOUT LARRY FALLING VICTIM TO THAT SOPHOMORE JINX—RUBE MARQUARD EQUALED THE ALL-TIME MARK OF 19 CONSECUTIVE WINS, AS A 2ND YEAR MAN WITH THE GIANTS.

Today's Sport Parade

By Oscar Fraley
(Reg. U. S. Pat. Off.)

New York, May 11.—(UP)—Two-headed Jack Kramer, who brought the Davis cup back to the United States and then kept it here, took time out today from counting some \$50,000 in professional cash to predict that Australia may recapture the cherished silver mug.

Big Jake just has returned from a tour in which he belted the melholes out of Bobby Riggs in 44 states and Canada. The score now is 59 to 19 and the battered Bobby is looking forward eagerly to the finale at Pittsburgh May 27.

Kramer is a modest young man. He spends difficult minutes explaining away his proficiency and trying to uphold Riggs' morale and the expedition's box office. But when that theme runs dry, in a track record for Death Valley, Kramer turns again to the amateur game where he made his reputation. And he sees real trouble ahead for the United States when it gets around to defending the Davis cup against its challenger, undoubtedly Australia.

"Jack Bromwich is playing real well and he probably could win two points, particularly if he gets a lift by winning at Wimbledon," the Los Angeles lad figured. "And don't laugh off Adrian Quist, just because he's getting along. He might be able to get the clincher."

But after this year, Kramer believes, nobody will be able to touch the United States for a few years. "We have too many fine young players coming up," he said. "They just might not be ready this year, but they'll be along. Guys like Tom Brown, Vic Seixas, Jim Brink, Dick Gonzales, Earl Cochell and Eddie Moylan."

Rated by the reeling Riggs as the greatest player of them all, Kramer admitted he liked to play in the all-far-glory amateur affairs, but added succinctly: "Money's money."

And Big Jake is doing pretty well

league teams, Chicago and St. Louis in the west.

There was no report on how the national league would divide until action was taken today on new franchises.

MAJOR League Results

AMERICAN LEAGUE	W	L	Pct.	G.B.
Cleveland	11	4	.733	
Philadelphia	12	5	.706	
New York	11	6	.647	1
Washington	9	9	.500	3½
St. Louis	6	8	.429	4½
Detroit	8	12	.400	5½
Boston	7	11	.389	5½
Chicago	3	12	.200	8

NATIONAL LEAGUE	W	L	Pct.	G.B.
St. Louis	10	6	.625	
New York	11	7	.611	
Pittsburgh	11	7	.611	
Brooklyn	9	10	.474	2½
Philadelphia	9	10	.474	2½
Boston	9	10	.474	2½
Chicago	7	10	.412	3½
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Sectional Track Meet On Friday

The Decatur Yellow Jackets are the only Adams county track team in the Fort Wayne sectional meet, which will be held at North Side field Friday afternoon, with trials opening at 2 p.m.

Only 11 teams are entered. In addition to Decatur and the five Fort Wayne schools, entrants are Arcola, Elmhurst, Auburn, Garrett and Butler.

Raphael's Madonnas are but the shadows of a mother's love fixed in permanent outline forever.

MINOR League Results

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION	W	L	Pct.	G.B.
St. Paul	17	8	.680	
Indianapolis	16	9	.640	1
Milwaukee	14	9	.609	2
Minneapolis	15	10	.600	2
Columbus	10	10	.500	4½
Louisville	9	17	.346	8½
Kansas City	8	17	.320	9
Toledo	8	17	.320	9

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YESTERDAY'S RESULTS				
St. Paul	9,	Kansas City	8.	
Milwaukee	at	Minneapolis,	col	
weather.				
(Only games scheduled)				

BOWLING SCORES

Classic League	West End won three and total from Mies Recreation; Smith Insurance won two and total from Super Service; Ebonites won two and total from Swearingen.
Standing	W L Pts.
Ebonites	17 19 107
Swearingen	66 30 89
West End	57 39 79
Super Service	32 64 40
Mies	29 67 36
Smith	27 69 33

High series: H. Murphy 606 (193-190-223).

High games: Stump 200, Hoagland 215, Bayles 224, E. Reinking 218, Bleeke 213, W. Gallmeyer 215, Lankenau 202, Petrie 210, Appelman 222.

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Fraternal League
(G. E. Alleys)

Moose II won three from G. E.
Club; K. of C. won three from K. of

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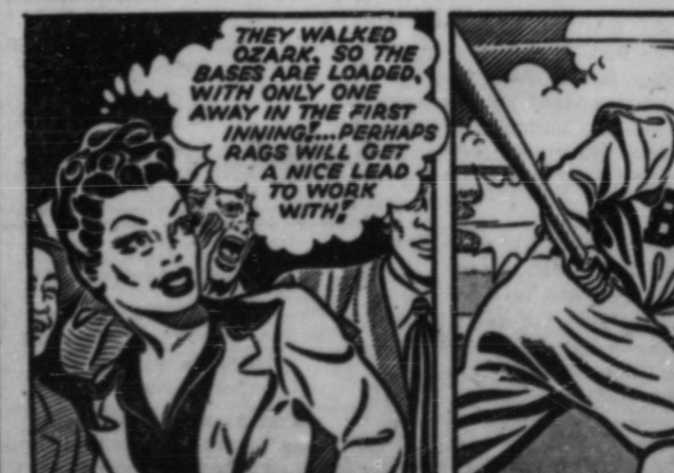
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High games: Laurent 203-202, H. Murphy 217, Hoffman 206, Ohlor 201.

Decatur Cub Scouts Plan Track And Field Meet Here On May 20

Decatur Cub Scouts will hold a track and field meet at Worthman field Thursday afternoon, May 20, at 4 o'clock. It was announced today by Cub officials and leaders.

Awards will be made to individual winners in each event, and a grand award will be presented to the winning den.

Events which will be held in the Cub meet are as follows: 50-yard dash; 100-yard dash; 220-yard dash; 440-yard dash; backwards race; strap race; potato race; running broad jump; running high jump; and shot put.

Following the track and field meet, a picnic supper will be held at the field for all contestants.

Lions Club Honors Net Teams Tonight

Members of the 1947-48 Yellow Jacket and Commodore basketball teams will be feted this evening in the weekly dinner meeting of the Decatur Lions club at the Knights of Pythias home. Coaches and principals of the two schools will also be in attendance.

Two members of the Zollner Piston softball team and two from the basketball team will speak during the meeting and conduct a forum about the program. Bernie Kampenschmidt, manager, and Leo Luken, ace hurler, will be the representatives of the softball team. It is not

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