

Cards' Knuckle' Down To Move Into Tie

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The only fact more fantastic than that the St. Louis Cardinals are tied for the National League lead today is the role played by a 38-year-old pitcher named Barney Schultz.

A journeyman knuckleballer who has been with 15 different minor league teams and two previous big league clubs in a checkered career dating back to 1944, Schultz has turned out to be the "lifesaver" for the Cardinals in their madcap dash for their first pennant since 1946.

Brought up from Jacksonville of the International League on July 31, Schultz has only a 1-3 won-lost record but in 28 games and 48 innings he has yielded just nine earned runs for a glittering 1.69 earned run average. What's more, he's relieved in the Cardinals' last five games — all victories — and

in 9 1/3 innings of the toughest sort of clutch relief pitching since Sept. 22 hasn't allowed a run.

Preserves Victory
The 6-foot, 2-inch, 190-pound righthander wrote another chapter in his remarkable story Tuesday night when he pitched shutout ball for the final 2 1/3 innings of the Cardinals' 4-2 victory over the Philadelphia Phillies. The Cardinals' seventh straight win put them in a flat-footed first-place tie with the Cincinnati Reds, who suffered a 2-0 loss to the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Both the Cardinals and Reds have four games left to play while the Phillies, 1 1/2 games out of the lead, have only three.

Schultz' only previous claim to fame was in 1963 when he tied the major league record by relieving in nine consecutive games for the Chicago Cubs.

Schultz' close-out relief Tuesday night preserved Ray Sadecki's 20th win after the young lefthander had yielded seven hits and two runs in 6 2/3 innings. Doubles by Dick Groat and Julian Javier and a homer by Bill White were the big blows in a 10-hit Cardinal attack that dealt the Phillies their ninth consecutive defeat.

Friend Wins 13th
Bob Friend was tagged for 11 hits but left 11 Red baserunners stranded and was rewarded with his 13th victory when Bill Mazeroski singled with the bases filled in the top of the ninth. Bob Bailey's single, Roberto Clemente's double and an intentional walk set the stage for Mazeroski, whose blow sent Bill McCool to his fourth loss against six wins. The loss ended the Reds' nine-game winning streak.

The San Francisco Giants remained technically in the race with a 5-4 win over the Houston Colts, the Milwaukee Braves tripped the New York Mets 7-6 and the Chicago Cubs edged out the Los Angeles Dodgers 4-3 in other NL action.

Matty Alou hit his first home run in exactly two years to give the Giants their 11th-inning victory and Japanese pitcher Masanori Murakami his first big league win. Murakami pitched one-hit shutout ball over the last three innings to close out a game in which Tom Haller also homered for the Giants and Jim Beaupre and Rusty Staub homered for the Colts.

Rico Carty's 21st homer and doubles by Lee Maye, Hank Aaron and Denis Menke led a 10-hit Milwaukee attack that

gave Wade Blasingame his ninth victory of the season and sixth this month. Jim Hickman homered for the Mets.

Bob Buhl squared his record at 14-14 for the Cubs when Jim Stewart doubled home the winning run off Bill Singer in the

Major Leagues

By United Press International American League			
W.	L.	Pct.	GB
New York	91	.613	
Chicago	94	.64	.595 2 1/2
Baltimore	93	.64	.592 3
Detroit	88	.73	.532 12 1/2
Los Angeles	80	.79	.504 17
Minnesota	76	.80	.487 19 1/2
Cleveland	69	.88	.439 21
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