

TALKING IT OVER
WITH JOE WILLIAMS

NEW YORK, June 27.—They tell you one generally can tell who's going to be in the world series by studying the standing of the teams when the Fourth of July rolls around. This is one of those legends of the game the old-timers swear by. It's something more than a legend because statistics back it up more or less in a convincing way.

With July less than a mumble shot away, it is reasonably evident that the two leaders will be the Yankees and the Cardinals, and if the legend runs true to form these are the two teams who will yield new winter top coats for the ticket scalpers.

Of course, there have been exceptions. It seems to me once read where a team called the Braves came up from last place in July to beat the Athletics four straight in the world series of 1914.

But this is one of those rarities—like meeting a fellow that doesn't know a Scotch story. More than 80 per cent of the July leaders manage to stay there until the last hot mustard is mustard.

THE betting men are beginning to switch to the Cardinals, too. They have made them the odds on choice to win at 5 to 4. This is the first time since the race started there has been an odds-on choice in the National League. It has been that kind of a race. One contender looked about as formidable as the other.

Now the Cardinals seem to be gradually drawing away. At least they are showing more consistency than the Giants or the Cubs while the Reds, after a desperate struggle, have finally struck their true stride, which happens to be closer to a .500 gain than a .700 gain.

Still, it may take more than a legend to bring the July leader across the wire first in October. The race is still closer than the Sphinx's lips, with only six games separating the Cardinals in first place and the Brooklyns in third.

Also, there is the odd record of the Brooklyns to consider. They react with extraordinary sprightliness to the influence of presidential campaigns. They won with Wilson in 1916, repeated with Harding in 1920, came within a whisker of doing it again with Coolidge in 1924, and have no objections to an independent success with either Smith or Hoover this year.

ONCE you have disposed of Uncle Wilbert Robinson and his presidential connections the lower levels of the National League become merely a yawn. The Pirates continue to give daily evidences of a desire to be left alone, and the Phillies are just two other fellas with tin cans and lead pencils.

Big League Stuff

By United Press

Taitt, Boston Red Sox right fielder, hit safely five times out of as many trips to the plate Wednesday. The Red Sox celebrated their return home by winning a double header from the Washington Senators, 4 to 1 and 11 to 4.

The New York Yankees increased their American League lead to eleven full games by defeating the Philadelphia Athletics, 7 to 4.

The only National League game Wednesday saw the New York Giants beat the Phillies for the fourth straight time, 11 to 8.

Quarter Final Round Reached in National Collegiate Net Tourney

Seeded Stars Eliminated by Two Eastern Tennis Players; Other Favorites Win Easily.

By United Press
HAVERFORD, Pa., June 28.—Two Eastern tennis players went into the quarter-finals of the singles play in the national Intercollegiate tennis tournament today at the Merion Cricket Club by eliminating seeded favorites. The six other seeded players won their matches with little difficulty.

Kenneth B. Appell of Princeton defeated Gairie Lavine, Penn tennis star and seeded player, 6-3, 6-3, while Emmett Pace, Georgetown, won from Ralph McElhenney, one of Leland Stanford's two seeded players, 6-3, 6-3.

John Van Ryn and Appell of

Keystones Play Highways Twice

Lincoln Highways, strong local Negro team, will meet the Indianapolis Keystones in a double header at Washington Park, Sunday, first game at 2 o'clock (D. S. T.). The Highways have arranged to use the park on Sundays when the Indians are on the road.

On July 8, the Louisville (Ky.) White Sox will meet the Highways in a twin bill here and on July 15 the Bloomington Commercials will come for a double header.

Meldons vs. Grammer

Indianapolis Meldons Club will meet the Grammer Cays at Grammer, Ind., Sunday. Meldons have won five and lost three games in State competition this season.

Meldons have a few open dates in August and strong State clubs are requested to call or wire R. J. Stehlin, 918 Olive St.

Three More Performances Before League Leaders Hit Road

Veteran Golf Star Favored to Cop Title

Jimmy Manion Regarded Best Bet for Trans-Mississippi Crown.

By United Press
DES MOINES, Ia., June 28.—With Johnny Goodman of Omaha, Neb., last year's champion, eliminated from the trans-Mississippi golf tournament, Jimmy Manion, St. Louis veteran, was favored today to win the 1928 title.

Manion, also a former champion, defeated E. J. Rogers of Oklahoma City, 6 and 5, in Wednesday's round.

The defeat of Goodman, and Paul Jackson, 18-year-old Kansas City youth, left Manion the only titleholder in the race.

Goodman lost to Arthur M. Beder, Ottumwa amateur, 3 and 1, and Jackson was defeated by Don Beder, St. Louis, 5 and 4.

The other survivors were R. S. Juran, Minneapolis; J. K. Weatherby, Minneapolis; W. Webster, Omaha; Robert McCrary, Des Moines, and O. B. Winter, St. Louis.

BASEBALL CALENDAR

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

INDIANAPOLIS ... Won ... Lost ... Pet. ...
St. Paul ... 39 ... 32 ... 349
Kansas City ... 39 ... 33 ... 342
Milwaukee ... 38 ... 34 ... 344
Toledo ... 37 ... 35 ... 314
Minneapolis ... 36 ... 25967
Columbus ... 24 ... 46343

AMERICAN LEAGUE

N. York 47 15 .558 Cleve. ... 30 35 .455
St. Louis 35 21 .578 Boston ... 26 32 .441
Wash. 31 25 .565 Chicago ... 38 36 .505
St. Louis ... 30 35 .452 Detroit ... 25 41 .379

NATIONAL LEAGUE

W. L. Pet. ... W. L. Pet. ...
St. Louis 43 24 .642 Cinc. ... 31 31 .543
For. 24 12 .654 Boston ... 20 41 .328
Chicago 38 33 .551 Phila. ... 17 42 .288

Games Today

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
Toledo at Indianapolis.
Columbus at Louisville.
Kansas City at St. Paul.
Milwaukee at Minneapolis.

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Chicago at Cincinnati.
St. Louis at New York.
Philadelphia at Boston. (two games).

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Chicago at Cincinnati.
Philadelphia at New York.
St. Louis at Louisville. (Only games scheduled.)

Wednesday's Results

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

Kansas City ... 100 100 000-1 7 1
St. Paul ... 111 310 000-3 5 1
Sheehan and Peters; Heimach and Gaston.

Milwaukee ... 202 220 000-1 12 3
Milwaukee ... 100 100 012-15 12 3
Benton, Liska and McMullen; Benten, Liska and McMullen.

Columbus at Louisville, postponed, account exhibition at Louisville.

(Exhibition—Twelve Innings)

Chicago (N. L.) ... 001 000 000 200-4 18 5
Louisville (A. A.) ... 001 001 000 200-4 18 5
Holley, Weinert and Hartnett; Gonzales; Moore, Cason, Austin and Meyer; Thomas.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York ... 300 000 040-7 10 2
Philadelphia ... 100 300 000-4 5 2
Johnson and Collins; Grove, Orwell and Cochran.

(First Game)

Washington ... 001 000 000-1 4 0
Boston ... 000 150 000-1 0 1
Burke, Lisenbee and Ruel; Ruffing and one assist.

(Second Game)

Washington ... 202 000 000-4 7 1
Boston ... 201 223 012-11 19 0
Zachary, Lisenbee and Kenna; Morris and Berry.

(Only game scheduled.)

NATIONAL LEAGUE

New York ... 200 200 040-8 10 3
Miller, Willoughby, Sweetland, McGraw and Schulte; Loran, Aldridge, Faulkner, Benton and O'Farrell.

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Scotland First in Feature Race

By Times Special

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Princeton came from behind to defeat Berkeley Bell and Howard Key, Texas, 6-3, 6-4, 6-3, in the doubles. Quarter-final pairings for the three were:

John Van Ryn, Princeton, vs. Alan Herrington, Leland Stanford.

Julius Seligson, Leigh, vs. Harry Coggeshall, Grinnell.

Berkeley Bell, Texas, vs. Emmett Pace, Georgetown.

Ben Gorchakoff, Occidental, vs. Kenneth B. Appell, Princeton.

ONE STROKE IN LEAD

By United Press

CHICAGO, June 28.—Mrs. Lee Mida of Chicago, held a one-stroke lead over Mrs. Austin Pardue of Hibbing, Minn., today as the women's Western medal play champion ship entered its final eighteen-holes round.

Mrs. Mida, winner of two previous championships, duplicated her first 37 Wednesday for a total of 174. While Mrs. Pardue took one stroke more. Mrs. Melvin Jones of Chicago was third with 178.

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Indians Protect Advantage on Top at Expense of Toledo Hens.

TRIBESMEN SLAM BALL

Brame Baffles Visitors After Early Innings Wednesday.

By Eddie Ash

Attendance showed improvement at Washington Park Wednesday for the Hen-Tribe series opener and about 1,500 fans saw the Indians take another fall out of Toledo for the ninth consecutive victory scored over Casey Stengel's 1927 A. A. pennant winners this season. Several brilliant fielding plays were turned in by both sides and six double plays were executed, three by each club.

With Braves still clinging to the lead in the free-for-all flag chase, it would be fine encouragement to the hustling athletes and club bosses if more fans would turn out for the remainder of the current series. The locals are in front of the second-place Saints by a margin of two and one-half games.

Road Trip Next Week

Tribesmen and Hens end their round of battles Saturday and then the Indians hit the road for a long stretch, with the exception of next Monday, when they engage Owie Bush's Pittsburgh Pirates here in an exhibition tilt. Three conflicts remain in the Hen series, one today, one Friday and the finale Saturday.

Erwin Brame, erratic at the start Wednesday, "got going" during the second half of the skirmish and had the Stengels eating out of his hand. He gave up only seven hits, only two Hen safeties being made after the fourth stanza. That's rare pitching.

Tribe Poles 14 Hits

And what's more, Wednesday customers saw the Indians in a bating mood and McNameara, Toledo flinger, was touched for fourteen blows.

The defensive work of Warstler and Connolly was superb, the key-stone performers accepting nineteen chances between them without a miss.

Herman Layne led the Tribe attack with two doubles and a single and made a clean steal. Two brilliant outfield plays occurred on a long running catch by H. Mueller of the visitors and the other the catch of a low line drive by Adam Comorosky.

The contest was worth the money, for the Betzelites had to come behind to capture it.

Walter Mueller, Tribe sub outfielder, had given his release with a string attached, and asked the manager to make a deal for himself. He asked the manager to go home and try a job in the city, and when he was not known, Mueller believed he will start hitting his stride when he finds a berth with that team. His services were not required by the Indians with all regulars going good and Red Russell always available.

Utility Player Ralph Miller, with the Tribe last season, was placed back on the club roster today and he will be carried in place of Miller.

Roy Spencer, the perpetual catcher, blemished himself to two hits. His batting average slowly was advancing. He nailed two Hens stealing.

Brame's momentary wildness in the ninth accounted for a Toledo run, otherwise he would have knocked 'em off with a single. The Indians won the game on a double and two out. Brame purposedly walked O'Neill to fill the bases and get at McNameara, who had been on first. Mueller then drove in the runner and forced H. Mueller over the plate. Thereupon Brame tightened his belt and fanned McNameara on three pitches.

Johnny Rawlings had a busy day at second for the Hens.

Warstler and Connolly hit into double plays on tough luck line drives, batted hits, but winding up in the gloves of the enemy.

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Catcher Spencer was struck on the back by a foul off O'Neill's bat in the sixth. The sphere escaped Roy's glove, hit Umpire Brown's chest protector and on the rebound the Tribe receiver was socked between the shoulder blades.

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