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YANKS SMASH MACKS, AGAIN LEAD LEAGUE

Crushing Blow Hits Hopes of Athletics; Defeated 5-0 and 7-3.

MEUSEL IS HOMER HERO

Philadelphia Faces Huge Task in Beating Back to Top of Heap.

By United Press
NEW YORK, Sept. 10.—The New York Yankees are back in first place today with a game and a half lead over the Philadelphia Athletics and Connie Mack's great baseball machine again faces the gigantic task of overtaking the world champions. The team which slouched off on a thirteen and one-half game lead in the last two months came back with a vengeance yesterday and defeated the Athletics twice, 5 to 0 and 7 to 3, in the most important double-header in the recent history of baseball.

Bob Meusel, with one swing of his yellow bat, struck the blow that may mean the pennant for the Yanks.

Lazy, lanky Bob came to bat in the eighth inning of the second game with the score tied 3-3. The bases filled and none down.

Meusel Clears Bases

With the count three and two, Meusel hit a home run into the left field bleachers. Koenig, Gehrig and Ruth scored ahead of Meusel. Ruth stopped at the plate and put a headlock around Bashful Bob's head. Meusel broke it and ran to the dugout.

Ten thousand and more straw hats, cushions, newspapers, paper airplanes and scorecards sailed onto the field. The game was held up for six minutes.

The double defeat was a crushing blow to the Athletics and the Mackmen may not be able to gather their forces out of the wreckage to stage another pennant drive.

The long, hard haul up the American League ladder in the last two months has taken a toll from the A's, and they may not have the heart to recover from yesterday's bitter dose.

Connie Mack used up four of his pitching aces in an attempt to stop the Yanks, and all failed. John Pius Quinn started the first game and blew up after pitching five scoreless innings. Rubie Walberg collapsed in the second game, after holding the Yanks to one hit for six innings.

Relief Hurters Flop

Ossie Orwoll was rapped for four hits and two runs in one inning of relief hurling in the first game. Ed Rommel was raked for three hits and four runs in one and one-third inning of relief pitching in the second game.

Today was an off day for both teams, but the series will be resumed Tuesday and completed Wednesday, after which both teams head west to end the season on the road.

Mack must choose from Grove, Eashaw, and Ehmke as his pitching choices for the other two games unless he wants to turn to Orwoll or Rommel again.

Grove has won twenty-two games and lost only six this season, but the Yankees have beat him five times. The lean southpaw has won his last 14 games, but the Yankees appear to have the Indian sign on him and many baseball men believe it would be suicide to start him.

Hoyt and Johnson Left

On the other hand, Miller Huggins had Waite Hoyt as his ace in the hole. Hoyt, who pitched two innings of the second game, allowing one hit, is highly favored to win his game. Hoyt received credit for the victory, he went to the mound with the score tied.

Henry Johnson, who was beaten the A's four times, probably will pitch the last game of the series.

The Yankees have their old confidence back and may end the American League race by crushing the A's in the two remaining games of the present series. If the Yanks win Tuesday and Wednesday, they will go West with a three and one-half game lead, which at this stage of the race virtually should clinch the pennant.

The return of Tony Lazzeri, who has been out of the lineup with an ailing shoulder, has helped to strengthen the Yanks for the final push. Lazzeri drove out three hits in the first game yesterday, and accounted for two runs.

Pippas in Great Form

The pitching of George Pippas and the hitting of Gehrig and Lazzeri won the first game. Pippas allowed only nine hits, and fanned Jimmy Foxx in the eighth with the bases filled and two out. Gehrig broke up the scoreless tie with a tremendous whack in the sixth inning.

The A's seemingly had the second game won when Al Simmons drove home three runs in the sixth and seventh innings. Simmons hit a home run in the sixth with Cochran on base and his single in the next frame accounted for the other run.

Air Derby Planes to Goal Today

Earl Rowland Keeps Lead in Class A Dash at San Diego.

By United Press

Three groups of planes in the trans-continental air derby pointed their motors westward at various points across the Nation today and continued their races from New York to Los Angeles.

Out in front in elapsed time Earl Rowland of Wichita, Kan., in his Cessna monoplane, seemed a certain winner in the Class A race. Rowland led the planes' arrival at San Diego. Officials at Mines field, Los Angeles, awaited the finish of the 3,000-mile race with Rowland starting from Yuma, Ariz., in quest of the \$5,000 first prize.

First into Ft. Worth, Texas, on the Class B flight from Oklahoma City was E. E. Ballough of Chicago, in a Laird biplane.

Ballough gained 15 minutes on John Livingston of Monmouth, Ill., who leads the Class B entrants.

Robert Cantwell of Duncan, Okla., left Oklahoma City in his Lockheed Vega monoplane, holding an unofficial lead of one hour and 22 minutes over his two rivals in Class C.

CHOOSE 11 FOR SKEEN JURY

Expect to Fill Murder Panel Today.

Watch Is Clew

Phayer has been identified partially as one of the six or eight men who held up 150 guests at Broadmoor the night of May 30. He was captured last Wednesday morning with another underworld character, Ben Borat. Phayer had in the waistband of his trousers a \$350 watch taken by the Broadmoor robbers from E. W. Fisher, 1840 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis. The St. Louis police traced this watch and notified Indianapolis authorities.

Phayer contends he got the watch in a dice game he and seven others operated in East St. Louis several weeks ago.

Phayer attempted to employ Simeon Bass, the leading criminal lawyer of St. Louis, but Bass declined the case after conferring with St. Louis police. Phayer got another good lawyer, and this attorney put up a strenuous fight against extradition. He contended the partial identification of Phayer by four victims of the Broadmoor holdup was insufficient grounds for his removal.

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The detectives also are working to discover possible connection between Phayer's gang and the group arrested here Aug. 21 in the investigation of the machine gun murder of Edward Eckerle, alias Shannon, near Clinton, Ind. Elmer Wright and James Walker, both with St. Louis connections, are held. Wright was a friend of Edward Traugott, part owner of the explosion-wrecked Traugott clothing store.

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Probe Auto Thefts

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CITY WINS IN FIGHT TO GET PHAYER HERE

Missouri Governor Grants Extradition of Suspect in Club Robbery.

GUARD AGAINST ESCAPE

Seek Possible Link With Gang Held Here in Machine Gun Murder.

The powerful influence of the St. Louis underworld today were beaten by Indianapolis detectives who won the fight to have Charles Phayer, 40, charged with complicity in the \$100,000 Broadmoor Country Club robbery, ordered here for trial.

A United Press dispatch flashed the word that Governor Sam A. Baker of Missouri in a hearing at Jefferson City, Mo., had granted extradition of Phayer from St. Louis to Indianapolis. Detective Donald Tooley, who represented the city, was expected to start for St. Louis to get the prisoner at once. He might be able to reach the city with Phayer Friday.

St. Louis police, regarding Phayer as a dangerous man with dangerous connections, were prepared to take extraordinary precautions to prevent Phayer's associates from attempting to free him while he is being transported to Indianapolis. Tooley was to be prepared for emergencies.

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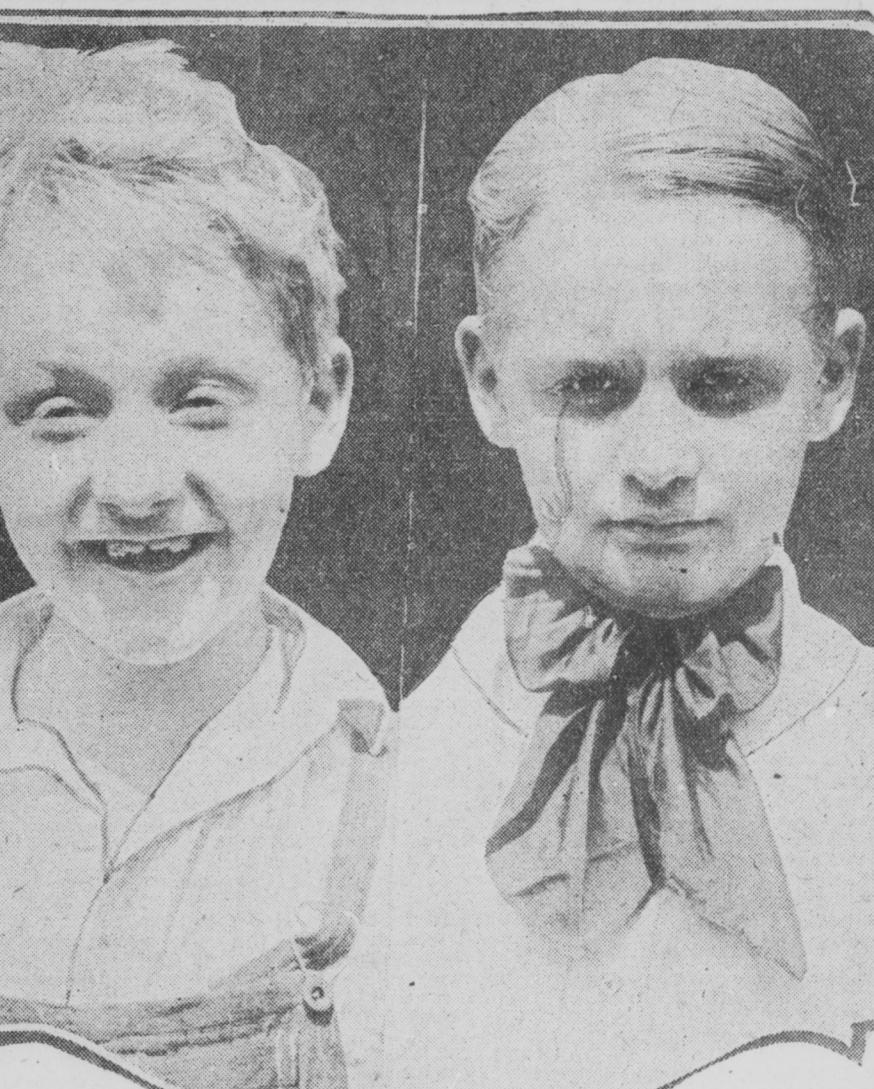
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School Means 'Willie' to Billy



Billy Beanning (left), son of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Beanning, 3820 Kenwood Ave., as he wound up vacation days Saturday and the self-same Billy Beanning (right), as he trudged to Public School 43, Capitol Ave. and Forty-first St., today.

'FIRST DAY' MEMORIES STIRRED

City Greats Recall Their Schoolroom Debuts

"I HAD on a wide collar and I didn't like it."

This is the recollection Dr. Herman Grover Morgan, city health board secretary, has of his first day of school.

It was a hot September day in 1891 when Dr. Morgan began his study of the alphabet in a small schoolhouse at Brooklyn, Ind.

"I remember quite clearly that my mother dressed me up in a wide white collar, putting it on the outside of my coat," Dr. Morgan said.

"As I approached the schoolhouse the boys made fun of me. Soon I put it inside. When I returned home for lunch mother wondered why the collar was inside. I had three fights before I got it inside and intended to keep it there. From that day I have had wide collars for life."

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