



By Eddie Ash

Cubs Are Kings at Home; Flop on Road

Hilde-Johnson Feud May Flare Again

WITHOUT mentioning that little matter of world's series play last fall, when Babe Ruth took charge of the show for the Yankees, there's hardly a doubt that Chollie Grimm's Chicago Cubs are an over-match for anybody in their own back yard. Good old Wrigley field. The Bruins are entitled to be kings of all they survey, if you eliminate road trips. Home cheers make the Cubs get up and go, but put them in enemy camps and they do an about face.

Fact is, they play like different teams at home and abroad. This year Grimm's pastimers have won 38 games and lost 13 at Wrigley field and on the road the record reads 18 won and 33 lost. Maybe it's the change of water that weakens the boys when they leave Chicago.

KEEP that Oral Hildebrand-Walter Johnson feud in mind. It mayflare up at any time in the opinion of this column, despite reports out of Cleveland saying a truce has been established and that Hoosier Hilde will rejoin his club immediately. His suspension will be lifted when he dons a uniform again, but so far nothing has been said about the \$100 fine that Manager Johnson tacked on the young pitcher when he sent him to his Hoosier home from St. Louis, Tuesday. Hildebrand was extremely bitter over Johnson's action when interviewed by The Times, Wednesday, and he is not likely to cool off permanently. A young ball player usually receives the worst of it when quarreling with a veteran manager, but Hildebrand is of the type that demands a square deal and he doesn't think he got it under Johnson. Watch for more fireworks.

HILDEBRAND was advised to return to his team, confer with Johnson and "start all over again." The advice came from Bill Evans, general manager of the Cleveland club who bought the youthful star from Indianapolis. The peace pact may hold, and again it may not. Oral confessed he told his manager: "You can take all my money but you can't take my arm," at the time Johnson levied the \$100 fine. During one conversation in Cleveland, when interviewed by the Cleveland Press, Hilde was quoted as saying: "If I've got to continue to pitch for Johnson, I don't know what the future will hold. I don't believe I can pitch for him and get best results, not after what has happened lately."

ATR, during the same interview, Hildebrand blamed George (Potsy) Clark, Indianapolis, former athletic director at Butler university and now coach of the Portsmouth (O) pro football team, for starting the story that he was temperamental. Hilde said of Clark: "I never got along with him, although all my coaches were okeh with me and I was okeh with them. Clark made it his business to start rumors that I was a bad fellow, and he got these rumors around to major league clubs which were trying to sign me while I was still in college. That stuff didn't do me any good, either."

THE Miller nine of Dave Bancroft is one team the hometown Indians have managed to gain an edge over and in fifteen clashes with the 1932 champs this year the Tribesmen have copped eight times. The clubs will tangle at Perry stadium tonight in the opener of a short series that will end Saturday night, the last 1933 visit of the Millers to Indianapolis. Yes, the visitors have their artillery along, led by Joe (Howitzer) Hauser, expert smacker of home runs. Howitzer Joe fairly mashes the sphere when he connects, but in the past the local walls, high and far away, have given him a mess of trouble. Maybe the Tribe hurlers can keep him tamed. You never can tell, though. The big fellow is after a record and will be swinging "from his toes."

HOOISER high school basketball teams reaching the state finals have it tough, playing through a violent two-day stand, but how about Alice Marble, the tennis lass? Only 20, she was compelled to play four matches in one day, the last against Betty Nuttall, British ace, in the recent Maidstone tournament, one of the important annual events. She was in distress in the title match, which she lost, but anybody who knows anything about the speed of top flight tennis competition will understand it was a task that at least requires an indignation meeting against that kind of programs. Miss Marble is not likely to last long filling assignments of a nature that are against all rules of physical welfare.

Yankee Women Netters Open Cup Defense Against British

By United Press

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—Mrs. Helen Wills Moody has withdrawn from play in today's opening matches of the Wightman cup competition. Mrs. Moody consulted a physician this morning and he advised against competition because she is suffering from a lame back.

Sarah Palfrey, recent winner of the Seabright bowl, will play in Mrs. Moody's stead today.

FOREST HILLS, N. Y., Aug. 4.—America's women tennis players today opened their defense of the Wightman cup in a two-day series with Great Britain's team at the West Side Club stadium.

The well-balanced American team, captained by Mrs. Helen Wills Moody, was favored to gain its third straight victory over England and prevent the British forces from

making a clean sweep of this year's international tennis competition.

A triumph this year by the United States would mark the first time that either team has captured the cup three years in a row since the series was begun in 1923. America has won the trophy six times and Great Britain four.

Three of the series of seven matches were slated for today, with Helen Jacobs, national champion, pitted against Dorothy Round, brilliant little Sunday school teacher, in the opening singles encounter.

Mrs. Moody will oppose Peggy Scriven, and today's program will be completed with a doubles match in which Miss Jacobs and Sarah Palfrey, recent winners of the Seabright bowl, oppose Miss Round and Mary Heeley, No. 1 British player.

Saturday's play will open with a meeting between Alice Marble, San Francisco, and Betty Nuttall, youthful British veteran internationalist, followed by the feature match of the series, Mrs. Moody vs. Miss Round, who started the tennis world by winning a set from "Queen Helen" in the recent final at Wimbledon.

The singles match between Miss Jacobs and Miss Scriven, and a doubles match pitting Mrs. Moody and Miss Marble against Freda James and Miss Nuttall will close the series.

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Three jockeys strolled around taking a vacation, two of them since the first day when Finner and Hoffman drew five days' sentences for roughing it up on the back stretch. Let us hope the Cincinnati Jockey Club officials maintain their present practices throughout the meeting.

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Grant, Parker Face Veterans

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SOUTHAMPTON, N. Y., Aug. 4.—Two brilliant tennis youngsters, Bryan M. Grant and Frankie Parker, today pitted their youth and stamina against the courtcraft of two former international stars, Frank Shields and Sidney B. Wood, in the semi-final singles of the Meadow Club's invitation tournament.

Grant, the diminutive Atlantan who provided the tourney with its major upset Thursday, was expected to give Shields stiff opposition, but was not expected to repeat his quarter-final triumph over Gregory S. Mangin of Newark, in-door singles champion.

Wood, defending champion, was favored to down Parker, 17-year-old holder of the national clay courts title.

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This will probably be the last year under the law that she can compete, but she will be back next spring when the old law is lifted and I think the could be the old boy's front feet together and he would get around there some way or other. There is no question about it, horse for horse there is no comparison. A little racing luck could change the complexion of things but when better record is made, it will be hard to be against Ebb. If he isn't as good as Man O' War, he certainly has him tied and some of the wise boys will tell you he is even better than the greatest of them.

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