

Lodgers Win Pennant as Giants Lose 2d Game to Braves—Ruth Adds Two More Homers

Homer in Ninth Shatters Last Hope of Locals

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Boeckel's home-run drive into the left-field bleachers in the ninth inning of the second game of a double header between the Giants and the Boston Braves at the Polo Grounds yesterday afternoon clinched the National League pennant for Wilbert Robinson. Although they did not play yesterday they clinched the pennant as a result of the Giants' defeat by the Braves. If the Dodgers lose their four remaining games they will finish the season with ninety games won and sixty-two lost, for a percentage of .584.

As a result of this setback it is now mathematically impossible for the Giants to overtake the Dodgers. The first contest was a tight pitching duel between Arlie Nehf and Leo Townsend. The latter yielded only four hits, but two of these came in the fourth inning, when the Giants showed their two runs across. After that Townsend held his opponents hitless for the remainder of the game. A home run by Frisch was the only run scored by the Braves in the seventh, but he kept them well scattered except in the seventh, when the Braves scored their lone run.

Boeckel's drive in the eighth inning with a two-bagger to left, Young rolled one down to Maranville, who threw to Boeckel, but Frisch was held on third. On an attempted double steal O'Neill pulled a fake throw to second and Frisch was caught flatfooted off third. The Braves threatened to even the count in the seventh, but a fast double play put an abrupt end to their uprising. Ford opened the inning with a double to left and then took third on Townsend's sacrifice. Powell, the single over Bancroft's head, which sent Ford across, but Nehf converted Mann's bonder into a double killing.

Bill Ryan, formerly of Holy Cross College, pitched the first game for the Giants in the second game, but he weakened toward the end. The visitors got off to a one run lead in the very first inning, a double by Sullivan and Holke's single.

The Giants paired two hits off Pierotti, the Braves' recruit twirler, in the fourth and tied the score on Doyle's two-bagger and Smith's single. The Braves again went into the lead in the fifth as the result of another double and a single.

Frisch's Homer Ties A marvelous running bare hand catch by John L. Sullivan of a long fly off Ryan in the fifth inning prevented the Giants from shoving another run across. Frisch again put the teams on even terms in the eighth, when he connected with one of Pierotti's shots and drove it to the fence in right center for a home run.

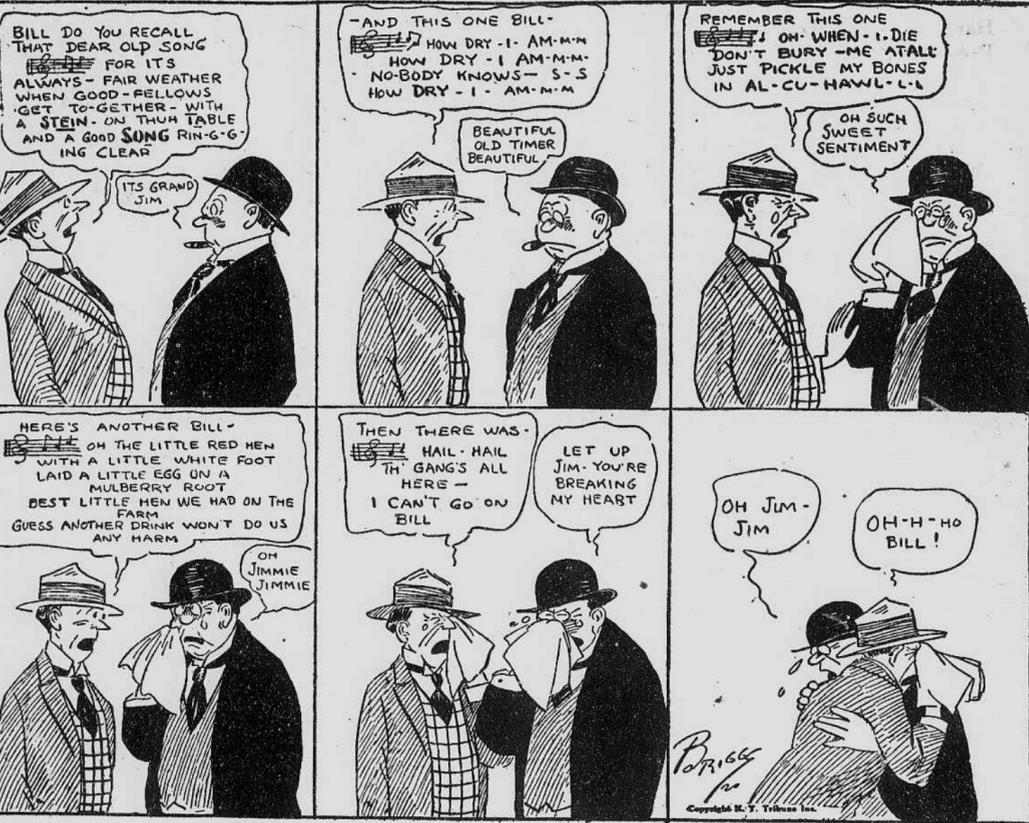
The score did not remain tied for very long, however, as Boeckel, the first baseman, pitched the last game. Ryan's pitches into the left field bleachers, just inside the foul line.

The Giants are not scheduled to play again until Thursday, when they will play a three game series with the new champions of the league.

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Mails Wins Again And Keeps Indians In First Position

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 27.—Cleveland continued its drive for the American League pennant to-day, defeating St. Louis, 8 to 4, and retaining the half game lead on Chicago in the face of the latter's victory over Detroit.

Walter "Duster" Mails held the Browns at his mercy with the exception of two innings, when seven hits were bunched for four runs. It was his sixth straight win.

After working at top speed for four innings, Dixie Davis faltered, finally being removed from the box in the sixth inning, when he allowed two hits and gave three bases on balls, forcing in the run that put Cleveland ahead. Boehler, succeeding him, also was wild and lacked just an arm's length to reach the rest of the way. DeBerry went and was reached for three runs in the sixth, when Jamieson hit into the right field stands for a home run with O'Neill and Mails on base.

Slater drove in three runs and scored the other for St. Louis, his three hits bringing his season's total to 248 to tie the American League record made by Cy Cobb in 1911.

Manager Speaker was presented with a floral horseshoe by local admirers on his first home at bat.

ST. LOUIS (A. L.) CLEVELAND (A. L.)

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Change of Pace How many students who follow the spoor of sport have ever appreciated or dissected the full value of change of pace? The general belief seems to be that change of pace applies only to pitching, whereas it is a vital feature in numerous competitive enterprises.

Killing Speed It is no great trick for ball players to kill sheer speed that has no slow ball interpolation—unless it be the blinding speed of Walter Johnson in his prime.

Tilden's Success "There is this difference between Tilden on the one side and Johnston and Williams," remarked a well known tournament player recently. "I have played against all three and have studied their tactics. You very often tell pretty well just what you are to get from Johnston and Williams. You know at about what speed the ball is coming back. But Tilden is another matter. He'll kill one and cut another. One comes over the net at a mile a minute and the next may be chopped over with a lot of spin, but with little speed. This change of pace has the tendency to keep you guessing and in that way completely wreck your mental pose.

In Football You may recall the tactics Yale used against Harvard last fall. The Blue presented a fine combination of driving power and sheer, raw gameness, but there was no change of pace—or change of tactics.

Approaching Relief Across the fairway soon the snow Will seek its tryst; And there will be no putts to blow, Nor mashes missed; And we shall no more stand and swing In some deep trap, And say, "Oh death, where is thy sting—Or handicap?"

Connie Mack has now about completed the sixth installment of his great serial—begun in 1915—"The Cellar King." No official date has been set for the concluding chapter.

Managerial Influence A manager's entire job isn't wholly a matter of selecting pitchers or directing tactics. Men such as Robinson, Speaker and Gleason have the inspiration of personal leadership—the ability to keep their players turning out 100 per cent of what they have to give.

Stark's Team Wins Flag GRANDMERE, Quebec, Sept. 27.—The Laurentide baseball team won the League here to-day by defeating the St. Maurice nine in the deciding contest, by a score of 3 to 0. Johnson, formerly of Leigh University, pitched the laurel wreath, which is managed by "Dolly" Stark, a New York boy and a former member of the Dodgers.

American Association ST. PAUL, Minn., Sept. 27.—

White Sox Annex Tenth Victory in Last Eleven Games

CHICAGO, Sept. 27.—With little Dick Kerr pitching masterly ball, the White Sox continued their victorious march in the American League pennant race to-day, defeating Detroit by 2 to 0 in the final game of the season here. The victory was Chicago's tenth in the last eleven games.

Kerr pitched a remarkable game, not allowing a man to reach third base. Dausa also pitched splendid ball, allowing one hit up to the sixth inning. After hitting Weaver in this session, however, Eddie Collins and Joe Jackson knocked out long singles, which, coupled with a poor return by Cobb, gave Chicago's only runs.

Ayers relieved Dausa in the eighth. Outside of the sixth inning, only one Chicago player reached third base, Weaver singling in the eighth and advancing to third when Al Smith threw wild in attempting to catch him stealing second.

Cardinals Slaughter Three Cub Pitchers CHICAGO, Sept. 27.—St. Louis concluded its season's work here by trouncing Chicago in decisive fashion to-day, 16 to 1. The visitors hammered three local pitchers for twenty-five hits, totaling thirty-five bases. Chicago fielded poorly and could do nothing, except despite seven bases on balls off the latter.

Cut Five Seconds Off Record ANNAPOLIS, Md., Sept. 27.—Returning in advance of the Naval Academy crew to resume his duties as an athletic instructor, Richard J. Glendon, son of Richard A. Glendon, coach of the midshipmen crew, brings the news that the Navy eight broke the world's record for the mile and a quarter by five seconds, instead of two, as published. The record stood at five minutes and ten seconds, made four years before at Stockholm by the Leaders. The time of the Navy crew was five minutes five seconds.

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Babe's Clouts Earn Victory For Mays by 3-0

Rommel Makes Mistake of Pitching to the Master Mauler; Total Now Is 53

From a Special Correspondent PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 27.—Edward Rommel, the rising young star of the Athletics' pitching staff, made two mistakes, or rather made the same mistake twice, this afternoon, and the Yankees won a ball game in consequence. In the first inning, and again in the sixth, the youthful Mr. Rommel tried to sneak a good one past Babe Ruth and the ball was batted out of the park each time. Three runs resulted, all that were scored by either club, in a game which was played in one hour and six minutes.

The Babe's first homer of the day—and his fifty-second of the season—was achieved in the opening round. Aaron Ward was hit in the side and Rommel pitched ball at the start and was forced on Pipp's easy roller to Griffin. Ruth then leaned against the first ball pitched to him and smothered it over the right field wall, Pipp trotting home ahead of him.

Following Pratt's demise, Lewis walked and sprinted around to third on Becking's single to center. The runner made a spectacular pick-up on Sammy Vick's drive and clamped on the crusher with a fine throw to first.

Repeats Mistake in Sixth Rommel then settled down and there was no further scoring until the Babe came to bat again in the sixth. The time Rommel pitched to the Master Mauler with the utmost caution. He was so very cautious, indeed, that all of his first three deliveries were wild. With the count three and none against him Rommel bet a sharp breaking curve across the plate.

Encouraged by his success in getting the Babe out, Rommel pitched to center to repeat. The Babe, however, had figured he would do that very little thing and was ready for him. One tremendous swing and the ball was lost to view in the dim and hazy twilight beyond the right-field wall.

These three runs were all the Yankees made off Rommel, but with Carl Mays pitching shutout ball thereafter, they were not sufficient. Except in the fourth, when a triple to center put Cy Perkins on third with only one out, Mays was never in serious trouble. Only six hits were made off his delivery.

There has been some talk of having Ruth play a different position in every inning of the closing engagement of the season on Wednesday, but Manager Miller Huggins has not yet given his consent to the plan.

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West Awarded First 3 Games In Big Series

American League Wins Toss and Rival Champions Will Start Play Oct. 5

CHICAGO, Sept. 27.—The American League won the toss at the meeting of the National Commission to-day and the first world's series game will be played October 5 in the American League city winning the pennant. The first three games will be played in the same city, October 5, 6 and 7. On October 8 and on the 9th will travel and on the 9th will open a four-game series in the National League city (Brooklyn). On October 13 they will travel again, if necessary, to play the eighth game in the American League city on October 14. If a ninth game is necessary it will be played in Brooklyn, October 16.

The question of the ninth game was decided upon through the toss of a coin, in which the National League won, with the call of "tails." Two newspaper men were called in to the meeting, which was an executive session, to act as witnesses of this one to make the toss and the other to read the coin after it fell.

For the first time in fifteen years a newspaper man was missing from the familiar face was missing from the meeting, August ("Garry") Herrmann, president of the Cincinnati "Reds," for years chairman of the National Commission, was not present, having resigned the position last fall. He is said to be in Cleveland, and President John E. Bruce, secretary of the commission, acted as chairman, with President B. E. Johnson representing the American League and President John Heydler the National League.

This schedule, it was decided, may later have to be moved back in event of Cleveland and Chicago breaking a tie in the season in a tie. In that case the commission decided that a three-game series would be played to decide the pennant, one in Chicago and one in Cleveland, and the third, if necessary, on neutral grounds.

The commission held secret conferences this afternoon and adjourned until to-morrow.

Sewell Not Eligible A precedent may be established in the series this year in the event that Cleveland wins the American League pennant. This may be the playing of a ball player whose name had not been pronounced before the expiring time, August 30. The player in question is Shortstop Sewell, who joined the Indians recently, and is playing the position of Ray Chapman.

Heydler declared that if the Cleveland officials, or B. B. Johnson, president of the American League, obtained the consent of the National League, pennant winner, after giving a satisfactory explanation of the situation in the big series, he would raise no objection himself.

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