

WILLARD ENTERS RING WITH UMBRELLA, YET DEMPSEY'S RAIN OF BLOWS STRIKE BIG FELLOW

GAVVY AND PECK TOP RESPECTIVE LEAGUES, WELDING BLUDGEONS

Cravath Loses 32 Points, but Holds Pace—Meusel Bats Safely in Eleven Games—Burns Wallops Ball Hard for A's

GAVVY CRAVATH is the leading batsman with a percentage of .376; Fry Olson scored the most runs, 38, and also punched out the most hits, seventy-seven; Carson Higbee stole the most bases, nineteen; Dubur Mitchell and Bailey are in a tie for the leading pitcher; each has three wins and many a loss.

The Pirates, living up to their name, were the first major club to steal 100 bases this year; they pilfered their century on July 2 off the Cards.

Irish Meusel went on a batting spree that endures eleven games. In a game until July 2, when he ran off Hugh McQuillen and quit. During his streak Meusel poled seventeen hits in forty-three trials for a mark of .395 and tallied eight runs.

ROGER PECKINPAUGH, of the Yankees, tops the hitters with an average of .382; Peck also leads in most runs scored with 46 tallies; Sam Rice, of the Senators, batted out the most hits to date, 75, while Doc Johnson of the Indians stole the most bases, 18; Eddie Cicotte leads the hurlers with a percentage of .765.

When Roger reached Jim Shaw for a base hit on July 2, it made the 21st consecutive game that Roger has gotten one or more base hits in; in so doing Peck created a new record for this season on the big time, besting by one game Babe Ruth's 20-game record, which stood as the best to this time.

This equals the 1916 record held by Tris Speaker, also last year's mark held by Eddie Foster. Ty Cobb topped the heap in 1917 by hitting safely for 25 straight contests during his stretch of hitting Peck banged out 32 hits in 76 attempts for a mark of .421 and tallied 23 runs, boosting his average from .320 to his present mark of .381, a net gain of 61 percentage points.

George Burns fairly murdered all sorts of pitching for seven games in succession, when George was stopped, on June 28, by Jim Shaw. He got a dozen hits in 22 tries for the enormous average of .545.

The averages including games played July 2 follow:

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Advertisement for Kelly's Champion Dibble. Text: 'KELLY WINS FROM CHAMPION DIBBLE. Philadelphia Sculler Defeats Canadian, Who Lacks Condition, in Singles. ARGONAUT FOUR FIRST IN THE SPOTLIGHT—By GRANTLAND RICE. The Day After (With Apologies to Mr. A. O. Milne) Now that the final word is spoken...'

Advertisement for Sloan's Liniment. Text: 'Sloan's Liniment for sore muscles keep it handy. Baker Equals Own Mark. New York, July 5.—(Special to the Ledger.) Sloan's Liniment was the 1916th automobile derby at Sheepshead Bay, Brooklyn, N. Y., today, to raise the distance with the time of 24 minutes and 17.4 seconds. The record made by Louis Chevrolet in this track, 20 1/2 miles, was 20 minutes and 29 1/2 seconds. Howard Wilson finished second and Duke Lewis third.'

Advertisement for Commercial Stationery. Text: 'COMMERCIAL STATIONERY. MANN'S Loose Leaf Ledgers, Binders, Holders, Leaves in stock and made to order. Merion Easy Cricket Victor. Club Batting. Tilden Looses in Title Match. Buffalo, N. Y., July 5.—(Special to the Ledger.) The Tilden Club of Philadelphia, Pa., today lost the Tilden title to the Buffalo Club of Buffalo, N. Y., in a match played at the Tilden Club in Philadelphia. The Buffalo Club won the match by a score of 2-1. The leading run-getters of the afternoon were C. M. Graham and F. A. Greene. Tilden's all-time accounting for fourteen runs before being retired.'

PHILS VERSATILE; CAN LOSE ANY TIME

Coombsmen Proved Ability to Drop Game in Morning as Well as Afternoon; Two for Giants. A'S EQUAL THE FEAT. By EDWIN J. POLLOCK. THE Phils came back to us yesterday for a long stay on the native beach and proved their versatility by losing in the morning as well as the afternoon.

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YESTERDAY'S RESULTS. NATIONAL LEAGUE. New York, 3; Philadelphia, 1. Brooklyn, 2; Pittsburgh, 3. Cincinnati, 4; St. Louis, 5. American League. Boston, 2; Washington, 3. Chicago, 4; St. Louis, 4. Philadelphia, 5. Cleveland, 6. Detroit, 7. St. Louis, 8. Cleveland, 11; St. Louis, 12.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE. NATIONAL LEAGUE. Boston at Brooklyn—Clear. New York at Philadelphia—Clear. Pittsburgh at Cleveland—Clear. St. Louis at Cincinnati—Clear. American League. Washington at New York—Clear. Athletics at Detroit—Clear. Detroit at Chicago—Cloudy. Cleveland at St. Louis—Clear.

Red Shannon started a rally that didn't end until the Barrow bunch had gathered five runs. The Bostonians fell on Wally Kinnear, their former teammate, early in the morning and hit him consistently and hard. The morning affair was a ragged one and chances were thrown away like so many scraps of paper.

Twenty-six Giant Hits were the only fireworks of the holiday. The McGraw clan made the same number of hits in the p. m. as in the pre-lunch engagement, but there was more power behind the blows in the afternoon. The McGraw clan made the same number of hits in the p. m. as in the pre-lunch engagement, but there was more power behind the blows in the afternoon.

Terry Turner is Released. Cleveland, July 5.—Terry Turner, dean of the American League baseball players, has been given ten days' notice of unconditional release by the Cleveland club. He had been a member of the local team for fifteen years.

U. S. R. R. Administration Rapped by Tex Rickard. Toledo, July 5.—Tex Rickard, promoter of the Willard-Dempsey heavyweight championship battle here was bitter today in criticism of the United States railroad administration, which he said kept 20,000 persons from the huge arena he had built in Bayview Park.

A's Drop Two, Too. THE Phils were not alone in their double-losing feat. The same stunt was performed by the A's up in Boston. The Red Sox took the morning game by a 3 to 2 and copied the afternoon affair by 3 to 0. Eighteen runs were the strength of the Muck pitching department.

Another feature of last night's races was a five-mile professional bike grind. This race was won by Willis Spencer, of Toronto, in 39:42.5. The grind was a hair-raising one throughout, and ended in a hairline finish, with Alfred Goulet less than two inches behind. Many of the spectators believed that Goulet won.

Four professional bike matches and two amateur numbers are on the program for tonight, in addition to the Chapman-Cruman return race.

Chapman will go out on the track tonight fresh from a ten-mile victory over Freddie Webber and Peter Drobach, held last evening at the Point Breeze Drome. Chapman took the lead at the sound of the pistol shot and for the entire distance he never was from 1. Several times he was threatened to pass by Webber, but each time the New York youngster, riding behind Jimmy Hunter, put on an additional burst of speed, which enabled him to stay out in front.

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