PONTIAC NINE HALTS LOCALS

Merchants' 4-Game Winning Streak Snapped Sunday By Fisher Body

Upsetting the victorious march of the local Merchants, the Fisher Body nine of Pontiac turned back the home club, 9 to 8, Sunday afternoon in a slugfest at Springdale Park, Despite the brilliant hurling of Seth Cox, who whiffed 15 opponents, and the fine relief chunking of Kelly, who fanned three of the six batters to face him, the Birmingham boys failed to hit in the pinches and also were guilty of five costly errors.

Robertroy, Fisher Body pitcher, held the locals scoreless during the first four innings, giving up but two hits. He weakened, however, in the fifth frame when Moore crashed a long three base wallop into rightfield to score Diemer and Jewell, who had previously walked. Those two markers put the Merchants within striking distance of their opponents who had tallied twice in the opening round on a brace of singles and a costly error, and then added two more markers in the third frame and another in the fifth as a result of loose fielding by the home team.

The visitors won the ball game in the sixth inning when four runs crossed the plate on three hits, a walk and another fumble, making the score 9 to 2 in their favor. But the Merchants refused to quit fighting, driving two more tallies over the platter in the seventh, another in the eighth and three in the last frame, Robertroy retiring the side in the ninth with the tying run perched on third base. In this inning the home club had the Pontiac pitcher hanging on by his shoe strings. Kelly, who had relieved Cox in the seventh, opened the frame with a line single to left. McClellan, batting for Forester, punched a safety into right field and the bases were loaded when Fisher Body's third sacker took Zagar's slow roller and threw late to second in an attempt to nip McClellan. Schaack struck out but Deimer pulled a fast ball into left for the third hit of the inning and both Kelly and McClellan scampered across the rubber. On the throw to the plate Zagar went all the way to third, Diemer taking second. Jewell tapped to the infield, Zagar scoring with the eighth run for Birmingham and Diemer going to third. Moore ended the game when he socked a line drive straight to the third baseman.

The Merchants collected 11 hits to their opponents nine but their five miscues discounted this advantage. Zagar, with two doubles and Moore, with a triple, led the local swatters, while Beasly, Pontiac catcher, proved the hitting star for the visitors, collecting a two-bagger, triple and single in four trips to the platter.

The defeat gave the locals a .500 average for the season with five won and the same number lost. Sunday the club will tackle the D and D Cleaners of Pontiac in an effort to get back in the winning column. The contest will be played at Springdale Park with game time slated for 3 o'clock.

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Around The Circuit
— AMERICAN LEAGUE —

Only seven members of the Chicago White Sox cannot be considered castoffs and yet the team is a contender for second place in the American League. The seven are Pitchers Lyons, Whitehead, Stratton, Chelini and Evans, Shortstop Appling and Outfielder Rosenthal. None of this septet ever has been with any other major league club. Of the seven, however, Stratton has been on the voluntary retired list for many weeks, Evans merely has been used as a relief pitcher a few times and Cicelini has started only five or six games. Consequently, you might say that only four of the regulars are exempt from being termed discards.

Cleveland figured Catcher Luke Sewell was through and traded him to Washington for Roy Spencer. Washington kept him two years and was willing to sell him, believing an injury had handicapped him. Catcher Grube was canned by both Chicago and St. Louis but has caught good ball for the Sox this year. Catcher Shea whose 1936 duties have been confined largely to the coacher's box, was released or traded by several big league clubs.

Pitchers Cain, Dietrich, Shores and Kennedy were let out by Connie Mac. Clint Brown was not wanted by Cleveland and Ray Phelps, of little use this year, once pitched for Brooklyn.

First baseman Bonura was tried out by Cleveland, two National league clubs let Tony Piet go while Washington had no place for Jack Hayes. Manager Jimmy Dykes, still going strong at third base, was sold by Connie Mack when the latter figured he had a better and younger player in Frank Higgins. Connie also let Outfielder Mule Haas come to the Sox as he though Roger Cramer would more than fill George's shoes. Mike Kreevich once had a trial with the Cubs, Dixie Walker was the property of the Yankees for several years and Ray Radcliff not only was turned back by Connie Mack but by the White Sox also when he thought he was a first sacker.

Lloyd Brown, veteran southpaw of the Cleveland Indians is the most whitewashed pitcher in the American league as Cleveland has been shut out four times when Brown was pitching. Charley Ruffing of the Yankees turned the trick twice, Bridges and Rhodes each once. Mel Harder, also of the Indians, has seen his club fail to score a run for him three times, Bob Grove, Schoolboy Rowe and Lee Ross wielding the brush. Ross, also, has been blanked three times, by Cain, Bridges and Hadley.

Elden Auker of the Detroit Tigers has been on the scoreless end of three games, being victimized by Grove, Caldwell and Buck Newsom. Wes Ferrell of Boston has been shut out twice, once by Sorrell, once by Ruffing. Others to be blanked twice are Fink of the Athletics, by Grove and Allen, Bob Grove by Newsom and Appleton, both of Washington, Paul Andrews of the Browns, by Ferrell and Auker, Buck Newsom of Washington, by Broaca and Blackholder, Marcum of Boston, by Whitehead and Dietrich, both of Chicago and Broaca of New York, by Bridges and Lyons.

Pitchers to lose at least one shutout contest prior to August 10, are Lyons ,Stratton, Cain, Whitehead and Kennedy of Chicago, Bridges and Rowe of Detroit, Gomez, Malone and Ruffing of New York, Kelley and Wilshere and Rhodes of Philadelphia and DeShong of Washington.

Cleveland has taken part in the four longest games played in the American league this season, beating Detroit, 9 to 7 in fifteen innings, downing St. Louis in sixteen rounds, losing to New York in sixteen chapters and playing a sixteen-inning 4 to 1 tie with the Yankees. Sixty-two innings to win two games and lose one.

Leon Goslin, the great left handed batsman who wound up the world series in 1935, certainly must have a great liking for the 28th day of the month. On April 28, he hit a home run off Limke of Washington. On May 28, he smacked one off Kennedy of the White Sox with the bases filled. On June 28, he grabbed a four-sacker off Kelley of the Athletics with two on while on July 28, he made the circuit on a drive off Murphy of the Yankees. On those four days, he batted 418, scored seven runs and drove in eight additional tallies.

The St. Louis Browns seem to have a habit of upsetting the apple cart. Way back when, they defeated Walter Johnson after the latter had won sixteen straight. Five years ago, they treated Bob Grove in the same rude fashion while last week they stopped Vernon Kennedy of the White Sox when the latter was enjoying a winning streak of ten straight.

Bob Rolfe, Yankee third sacker, had played 275 consecutive games when forced out of the line-up because of a side wrenched by swinging at a pitched ball.

When Bob Grove lost to New York last week, it was the 5th time the Yankees had defeated him since June 1934.

American League pitchers have been finding it difficult to win their fifteenth victory of the season. Ruffing turned the trick, August 4 while Kennedy of the White Sox registered on August 8, scoring a victory over Mel Harder of the Indians who had lost four in a row trying to win his fifteenth. Wes Ferrell won his fourteenth, July 26 and since has dropped two games. Bob Grove won his thirteenth on July 31 and since has been beaten twice. Monte Pearson was ineffective in July and that slump prevented him from being the first to win fifteen.

Schoolboy Rowe was working on a string of five straight victories up to last Saturday when the Browns beat him for the second time this year.

When Bump Hadley blanked the Athletics, Aug. 8, it was his tenth victory in a row. Johnny Allen, by the way, won his eighth straight on August 9.

Where Pete Appleton of Washington won his fourth straight, August 8, Buck Newsom lost his fifth in a row the following day.

Ray Pepper of the Browns is the third American league pinch hitter to make two hits in an inning, this season.

Girl Log-Roller Challenges Men

Log-rolling long has been termed a rough-and-tumble vocation—at least until word came out of Seattle that Miss Lydia Passos had challenged male log-rollers to a contest. This picture, showing young Miss Passos practicing for gentle art, testifies plainly enough that her opponents will have trouble concentrating on their business and, with that advantage, lovely Lydia may come off victor.

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Citizens of the United States, 21 years old, who have resided in the State of Michigan six months and in the City of Birmingham twenty days at the time of voting are eligible.

TO REGISTER, call at the City Clerk's office in the Municipal Building on or before Saturday, September 5th, during business hours. The City Clerk's office will be open WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26th, from 8 A. M. until 8 P. M. Eastern Standard Time.

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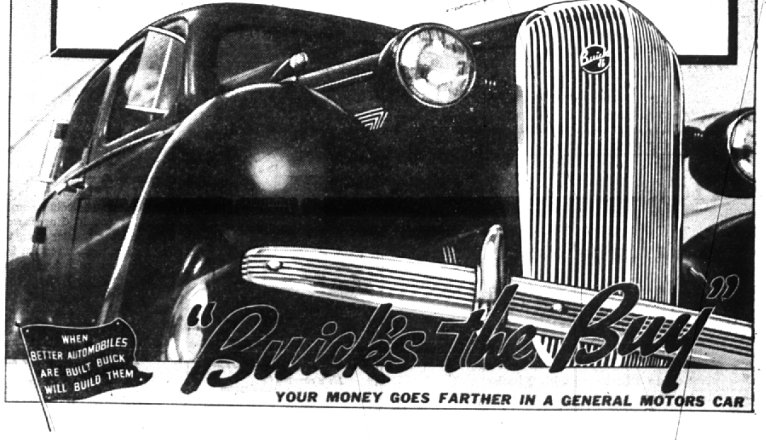

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