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#### Games of Thursday, October 2 BOUSTON AT SAN FRANCISCO (N)

Leadoff borner by Doran in 10th inning enabled Astros to overcome Giants, 21 Clark's double in seventh ended Scott's bid for secood straught no-hitter. Scott had eight strikeouts in seven-toning stint, increasing season total to 306. He joins Koufax, Cariton and Richard as only National League pitchers to record 300 strikeouts in season.

## **OBITUARIES**

Vincent P. (Vince) DiMaggio, the eldest of the three baseballplaying brothers, who spent a decade playing the outfield for various National League teams while his more famous brothers were performing in the American League. died at his home in North Hollywood, Calif., October 3 DiMaggio. who was 74, had been suffering from stomach cancer.

The free-swinging righthanded hitter led the N.L. in strikeouts six times and set a record by whiffing 134 times while playing with the Boston Braves in 1938. DiMaggio had a career batting average of .249, but hit 125 homers and drove in 584 runs.

He had a tryout with the San 1 Francisco Seals of the Pacific Coast League in 1932, but it was five seasons, most of them in the PCL, before Vince moved to the majors with Boston in 1937. Joe Di-Maggio, two years younger, broke in with the Seals the same year ,:932), but was already a regular with the New York Yankees by 1936. The third brother, Dominic, was to join the Boston Red Sox in 1940.

"Sure, Joe overshadowed me," Vince said many years later after his retirement, "but he overshadowed everybody. You still had to produce to play in the major leagues, no matter what your name was."

Vince's most productive year was 1941 when, in his first full season with Pittsburgh, he hit 21 homers and drove in 100 runs. But that was the same summer that Joe compiled his record 56-game hitting streak and drove in 125 runs.

New York Giants before his major. league career ended after the 1946 season. He went back to the PCL in 1947, and spent a couple of seasons playing the outfield for Oakland. where his manager was Cases Stengel Vince's last association with baseball was in 1951 when he managed a team in the California League

He had worked in a variety of jobs after retiring from basebali. He was a bartender, drove a milk truck, was a liquor salesman and a Fuller brush man. He also worked in the brothers' restaurant on Fisherman's Wharf in San Francisco.

The DiMaggio brothers made their last public appearance together last May 17 at an old-timer game at Fenway Park in Boston.

Arthur J. (Artie) Gore, a former National League umpire whose unexpected dismissal after the 1956 season helped lay the early groundwork for the establishment of a major league umpires' union, diea September 29 at a hospital in Wolfeboro, N.H., following a brief illness. He was 78.

A 10-year N.L. veteran who had worked in two World Series and the 1949 and '56 All-Star games, Gore was notified by telephone in early December 1956 that he was being released to make room for younger umpires and because he "didn't fit the pattern." He had turned 49 the previous month.

Gore wrote to the N.L. seeking confirmation of his dismissal, and got it in the form of a letter from the office of N.L. President Warren Giles. Later, a phone caller informed Gore that an upcoming press release would state that he had decided to retire. When that Vince DiMaggio also played for announcement was made Decem-Cincinnati, Philadelphia and the ber 20, Gore was quick to tell the

press that he had been fired

For the next several years he campaigned in the press for what he called the umpires' bill of rights. citing insufficient travel and expense allowances, the lack of an ampire in chief (in the NL) little or no job security and, above all. the absence of someone in author-Hy to whom umpires could take grievances without the fear of the prisals "I couldn't have done it if I had still neen umpiring," Gore said later. "I would have been fired, and with good reason "

But he saw no reason for his abrupt dismissal and, indeed, Giles' office offered none other than his age, at a time when umpires 10 years Gore's senior were active in the N.L. "My ability was never questioned," Gore insisted.

A basketbail and football official during the fall and winter months. Gore once worked four New Hampshire state high school tours. nament games in one day without leaving the court, then drove to Massachusetts and officiated a fifth game that night.

Gore had a brief career as a shortstop in the Boston Red Sox chain at Portland, Nashua and Lowell in the New England League in the late 1920s and early '30s. His first umpiring assignment was in the Canadian-American League in 1937, and he was named umpire in chief of the loop the following spring

He moved up to the Eastern League in 1940, then to the International League in 1943. The N.L. bought his contract following the 1946 season, and Gore worked his first major league game on openhouse at the Polo Grounds in New York.

Following his dismissal by the N.L. Gore was employed as a deputy sheriff in Middlesex County. Mass

Wilson Faumuina, 32, a former defensive lineman for the Atlanta Falcons, was found dead in bed September 26 at the home of a sister in San Francisco, apparently as the result of a heart attack

The native of American Samoa moved to the United States at the age of 8. After playing at San Jose State, he was the second player selected by Atlanta in the 1977 coliege draft. The Falcons envisioned him as a designated pass rusher. but Faumuina never realized his potential

Atlanta tried him at defensive tackle, defensive end, nose guard and, for a brief period during training camp in 1981, at offensive tackle. He reported to camp in 1982 weighing 308 pounds, suffered a knee injury that required surgery and was released early that September.

Faumuina had several unsuccessful tryouts with other professional football teams. He had been staying at the homes of relatives in California recently.

Charles J. Sheerin, a utility inhelder for the 1936 Philadelphia Phillies who was a member of the Fordham University hall of fame, died in a Long Island hospital September 27. The resident of Valley Stream, N.Y., was 75

Sheerin, a Brooklyn native, was signed out of Fordham by the Dodgers, but was acquired by the Phillies in a minor league trade. He batted 264 during his brief stay in ing day in 1947 before a packed—the big leagues. His minor league stops included Atlanta, Tulsa and Toronto

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#### **NEW YORK** AT MONTREAL (N)

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#### AN OUTFIELDER RETURNS AS A PITCHER

Byron Bancroft Johnson, a newspaperman with a vision, the man who created the American League and nursed it into a tremendous force in our American life, was a sage as well as a promoter.

"Never despair for the drama of baseball," Johnson once said, as things took a desultory turn in one of those early American League seasons.

Johnson's aphorism came to mind when Ben Chapman, who had gone back into the minor leagues as an outfielder, charged back

into the majors, with Brooklyn, as a pitcher. The history of baseball presents many cases of the drama of

flychaser turned hurler, and vice versa. But for a man to go back into the minors, remain there for years, and then emerge as a pitcher of major league skill is one of those developments sui generis, one of those grand theater circumstances which stress the game's many thrilling facets.

It will be recalled that Joe Bowman, now with the Red Sox, was an outfielder before he went to pitching. Bucky Walters was a third baseman when Jimmie Wilson converted him into a pitcher.

Babe Ruth was a pitcher when Ed Barrow decided to take advantage of his hitting, and shifted him to right field.

But you will search in vain for a parallel to the Chapman case. His progress will be watched with all the keener interest.

Chapman's conversion into a pitcher was nothing that happened of a sudden. He had hurling aspirations away back in the days when he was chasing flies for the Yankees. This ambition grew when Ben was traded by Joe McCarthy to the Senators, for Jake Powell. "Let me become a pitcher," Ben pleaded with Bucky Harris,

then managing the Washington club. But Harris thought the idea fantastic. Back in the minors, Chapman was at last the master of his own

decisions, and turned to the mound. As he kept winning for Richmond this year, he pleaded with Clark Griffith to buy him, and prove that he could win in the American League.

Griffith was intrigued by the idea, but before he could make up his mind, Branch Rickey beat him to it and Ben showed up with Brooklyn, to win his first start, against the Braves.

It is recalled that Chapman failed as an infielder with the Yankees, because even then he was a pitcher.

Ben threw curve balls to first base. "That guy pitches as good

a sinker as Cy Moore," said the baffled Lou Gehrig, who had his troubles with the errant relays from the Birmingham Flier.

Now Ben is doing just what he long wanted to do, and Brooklyn fans find in him a relief from the sad story they read in the daily standing of the clubs.

"Never despair for the drama of baseball," said Johnson.

## ROLLIE HEMSLEY GOES INTO SERVICE

When Rollie Hemsley came to bat for the first time for the Yankees against the Indians, August 17, the Stadium crowd arose and gave the veteran catcher an ovation.

When Hemsley appeared at the plate for the last time, in the eighth inning, there was a farewell salve for him that would have done credit to Bill Dickey or Joe DiMaggio

For with that game, Rollie Hemsley closed his season in professional baseball. It may be that the Yankees, the major leagues, will see the veteran no more even after the war, for he is tired and his farm near Vienna, Mo., will need his attention.

It was only out of great loyalty to the New York club that Hemsley changed his decision of last winter, to retire from basebali, and

rejoined the Bombers in Boston on April 18. Because of that loyalty, Hemsley, who had been rated 2-A on the farm, was reclassified 1-A. Despite the fact that he was close

to the draft age limit, Rollie was taken. On the surface, Hemsley is just another major league player called to the colors, just another star on the American League flag,

just another service designation on the escutcheon of the Yankees. But, for many reasons, Hemsley deserves the rich accolade. He deserves it for what he made of himself after he had wandered for a long time down the path of jollity, which leads back into the bushes, and down the chute to defeat and despair.

Hemsley caught himself in time. He joined Alcoholics Anonymous. He reformed, fought himself back into working shape, and with the Yankees achieved a new stature as a catcher and hitter he had not boasted in the palmiest days of his pre-reformation years.

With the Yankees this season, Hemsley caught in 81 games, drove in 26 runs, hit .269, got two homers and finished with a batting streak of five straight games.

For a stretch of two weeks, Hemsley caught despite a fractured finger. It was a week after his accident before he discovered he was suffering from a break. But even when he knew of the injury, he did not stop. "This club needs me," he said, "and I am going to catch until I can catch no more, or Joe McCarthy throws me out."

He caught-and now, insofar as the Yankees are concerned, he can catch no more, for Rollie now works for Uncle Sam. And both are fortunate in their choices.

### WHAT! NO ICEBOX IN THE CLUBHOUSE?

You can keep a ball player up past midnight-but you can't keep him from having an appetite for a snack or a steak after a night | Clark Griffith never took his Cuban game. His stomach demands satiating, even unto a fourth mealand Vince DiMaggio looms as another leader of athletes into new benefits.

Major league clubs allow their athletes from \$4 to \$6 a day for meals, when the team is on the road, and the players are not expected western swing. The Lip banned clubto starve themselves, in order to chisel part of the dough, nor to go beyond that limit of eating expense. However, the figures were set on a basis of three meals a day-breakfast, light lunch and a hearty repast in the evening. This was all right by the husky pitchers and every evening. . . . Barney McCosky and outfielders until changed conditions brought a majority of night games. The players were hungry when it was time to go to bed. an League game with their fists, the There are few table d'hote cases open at midnight under wartime embroglio resulting from the ex-Tiger's conditions, and the swank a la carte foode shoppes mostly stick on dislike for the close proximity of some extra charges for entertainment and the privilege of dancing.

So it seems not unreasonable that a player needs another dollar | The Vienna, Mo., draft board gave Rolor so to enable him to take care of the swollen check for his midnight lie Hemsley a two months' deferment, snack, when playing towns where night ball is served up as a regular diet, for, as DiMaggio pointed out in a row with his Pittsburgh | souri Selective Service director squashemployers, a fellow has to eat.

BETS OFF ON CALDINALS



The rampaging Cardinals have one distinction the Yankees never owned when they were the invincible team in their league. The Redbirds were pulled off the board (no bets) in Washington, when a listing of 4 to 1 against the opposing club

failed to get any nibbles. In other words, no one would fall for the sucker bait of putting up five smackers to win 20 if the Birds lost. One could always get a bet down when the Bombers were in their heyday, and 2 to 1 was a big price against their foes, too. . . . Frank G. Menke's new Encyclopedia of Sports was a sellout before it hit the stands. A second printing of 6,000 copies was ordered by the publisher (A. S. Barnes & Company) after the original 7,500, expected to last eight months, was exhausted. It is said that this is probably the first time a sports book pulled such an early sale. . . . Release of Fred Lieb's book on the Cardinals (G. P. Putnam's Sons, \$2.75) will be marked by personal presentations by the author to Pirate Frankie Frisch, old Gas House pilot, and all the Redbirds at Sportsman's Park on August 25.

WORST GAG OF THE WEEK: "See where Rickey landed a (Art) Herring with a (Frank) Wurm (southpaw sent to St. Paul)."

#### INDIANS COOLED A'S DEAL

Indian chiefs, not Connie Mack, as reported, called off a proposed Cleveland - A's double waiver deal, which would have involved Jeff Heath, Mickey Rocco and Vernon Kennedy of the Tribe and Joyner White, Dick Siebert and Don Black



Vernon Kennedy

of the Athletics in July. . . . At Pittsburgh, August 13, Frank Colman batted in three runs without getting a hit. He knocked in a run with an infield out in the first and sent home a pair by hitting into a force-out at second in the seventh. . . . Coming out of the Yankee Stadium last week, Catcher Vince Castino of the White Sox was beseiged- by youthful autograph hunters. "Aw, come on, Crosetti," one urchin pleaded. Whereupon another piped up: "That ain't Crosetti, you jerk. Crosetti ain't got no hair." ... It's now Major Henry Greenberg of the Army Air Forces in India.

Following the skidding Senators' double win over the Indians, August 13, the Washington Post, in a six-column banner, said: "Nats Beat Tribe Twice, 2-1, 4-1-Honest!"

#### FOHL CHEERS FOR BROWNS



Rollie Hemsley

e n t h u siastic Brownie rooter is Lee Fohl, who piloted the 1922 St. Louis entry which was eased out of the pennant by a single game. Lee, now 67, is a sergeant of guards at the National Aluminum Cylinder Head Company.

Cleveland's most

He gave up his gas station, which he operated for nine and one-half years, when rationing became effective. . . . players off the payroll during their absence caused by a Selective Service ultimatum. . . . New disciplinary rules were in effect on the Dodgers' latest house rhummy sessions and enforced his midnight curfew, with Johnny Griffin, assistant trainer, checking the boys in Hugh Casey enlivened a recent Hawaii-

of the former Dodger's pitches. . . on the appeal of his wife, but the Mised it, according to reports.

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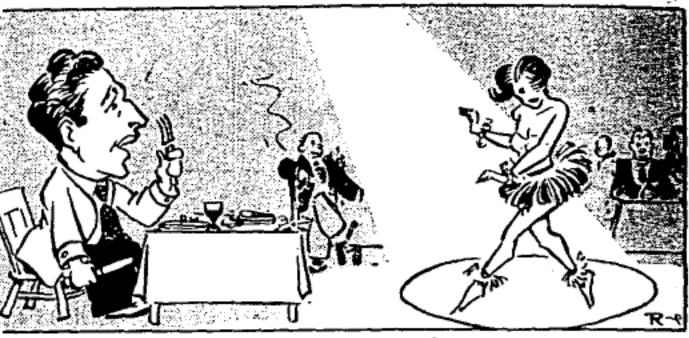
## Eating Deluxe, With Truffles!

NEW YORK, N. Y.

Not in years have major league baseball circles been stirred over matters concerning nourishment as they have been by the Incident Vince DiMaggio. The Pittsburgh outfielder recently got in dutch with the Pirate management for having piled up a dining room check of \$9.60 after a night game in Cincinnati.

Arguments about things to eat, how much and how little, and the type, of course, are not exactly new. John J. McGraw and Shanty Hogan, his 250-pound catcher, were in constant disagreement on that subject. Miller Huggins and one Sam Vick, who may have been the best eater in all Yankee history, were not exactly in accord on the general subject of food intake,

Why, there even was a debate on the topic of breakfast in bed. It came to the ears of the highly irascible and not always unjust Phil Ball, then owner of



It's 20 per cent extra, but a guy's gotta eat somewhere after a night game.

the Browns, that one Gene Robertson, a third baseman, was in the habit of eating his breakfast before he climbed off his couch. On the road, there were items of service charges for this luxury.

"Where I eat is nobody's business," shouted Robertson. "Where you eat is my business no longer," yelled Ball, as the infielder was waived to the Yanks. It is a general rule among major league clubs to allow each player \$4 worth of food a day on the road. Nearly all the clubs ask their men to sign checks in the dining room. There are some isolated cases where clubs give the players cash, and let them eat wherever they like.

Well do we recollect an outbreak of food poisoning among the Dodgers during their spring training at Jacksonville, Fla., back in 1919, because Charley Ebbets was giving each man \$2,50 per day in cash, and the boys were making \$1.50 do at the Greasy Spoon, Branch No. 7 of Acropolis De Luxe Foods, Inc.

## Vince Gorged, Joe Got Stomachache

At tremendous expense, the writer has obtained a transcript of the hearing which Francois Frisch held on glimpsing the \$9.60 check which Vincenzo Di-Maggio rolled up in that Cincinnati hostel.

It is of interest to note that while Vince did the eating of this Gargantuan repast-around midnight, it would seem-his brother Joe, in the Pacific, got the stomach ache. This bears out a most interesting medical theory. Even now, Joe is in a hospital out in Hawaii, actually suffering from the effects of his brother's regal blowout. Well, here is what happened, as we got it by the Ivy Vine, when the Pilot called the Eater:

FRISCH-Vince, here is a check which seems to be signed by you. Just routine checkup, because the hotel seems to have made a mistake. The chit says you ate \$9.60 worth of vitamines and such after the game last night. Now, no player ever ran up a check like that, and I want you to take it up with the management and ram it down their throats.

VINCE-Mr. Frisch, there is no use in ramming it down anybody's throat I done it—that is, I did it. I et it. That is, I ate it. I signed it.

FRISCH-Now, you don't mean to tell me that at midnight, just before going to bed, on a club which is giving its very lifeblood to finish in second place, you gorged yourself, packed yourself, and otherwise jammed food down your gizzard to the extent, to wit, as herein stated, pretty near ten bucks. To get ten bucks at Crosley Field last night, we had to draw about 50 people. If all the players gobbled ten bucks worth of nourishment after every night game, we would have to stop playing nights. In fact, we would have to stop playing. Now, I was a teammate of one Shanty Hogan. But this check makes Hogan look

## Those Truffles Pull It Up!

like a shrinking violet with lockjaw and stomach ulcers.

VINCE-Mr. Frisch, we are allowed four bucks and one-half a day. Many is the day I only eat \$3,95.

FRISCH-I know. Mr. Watters will give you a check for the difference when the season is over.

VINCE-Last night, after the game, there is no place to eat in the hotel except the joint where they run the night club, with the 20 per cent tax.

FRISCH-Okeh, leave us deduct the 20 per cent. That still leaves you with the all-time record for the major leagues. I heard a lot about Jim Weaver eating, but that guy was six foot seven long. You don't seem to have any physical peculiarities-except this check for \$9.60. Casting aside the issue, I would appreciate some information. How did you do it?

VINCE-Mr. Frisch, actually it ain't tough to do. I don't want too much credit for this trick, because if you know how, the rest is easy. It's the truffles that count.

FRISCH-Truffles? Wotinell are truffles? I have been eating on the road, man and boy, since 1919, and when I am with the Giants I am in hotels which never before take ball clubs. I never run into truffles.

VINCE-Well, truffles is a sort of underground mushrooms which comes from France and is dug up by pigs.

FRISCH-I could say something here, but let it go. Keep explaining. VINCE-Well, the pigs have masks on their snouts, so they can't eat the truffles. That's what makes them so expensive.

FRISCH-I could say something again, but I won't. Do you eat truffles at home?

VINCE-No. Mr. Frisch. I will tell you for why. When I am home. I do not play night baseball in Cincinnati. See? And when I don't play night ball in Cincinnati, I don't go for truffles. See? That's how come!

## How to Cook Spaghetti a la Vince

FRISCH-Well, truffles is truffles, and personally I do not care about them. But what else did you guzzle? VINCE-The main item is spaghetti.

FRISCH-Listen, DiMaggio, there ain't a man living who can carry two bucks worth of spaghetti, let alone eat that much,

VINCE-It's not the quantity, boss. It's the quality. It's done to order. Spaghetti a la Vince, from a recipe which is in our family since the days of Garibaldı. FRISCH-What's Garibaldi got to do with this? He is in the Coast league.

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