

Indians Return to First Place as Feller Subdues Yanks

CLEVELAND'S ACE TAKES NO. 11 BY 7-5

Feller Survives Pair of Home Runs by Henrich to Record Sixth Straight Triumph

INDIANS BOMBARD RUSSO

Heath Hits for Circuit After Keltner Triples—Yankees Rally Vainly in Eighth

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CLEVELAND, June 2.—Rapid Robert Feller was just a fellow named Joe to Tommy Henrich today as the Yankees concluded their second visit of the campaign at League Park. To Joe DiMaggio, the lower farm boy was the same symbol of mediocrity. But to the rest of the Yankees, Feller was pitching perfection.

Because this was so, the Indians are back at the head of the American League tonight. They beat the Yanks, 7 to 5, before about 8,000 fans.

Henrich belted Feller for two homers over the right-field wall, driving in three runs. DiMaggio smacked the Cleveland ace for a single and a double, scoring each time. Nevertheless, Rapid Robert notched his sixth straight triumph, his eleventh of the campaign, and Russ Russo, young Yankee south paw, is still striving to regain the victory path after four outings in which he dropped three decisions and tied one.

Roy Weatherly's single with one down in the eighth opened a ten-hit assault on Russo. After Joe Gordon booted Ken Keltner's grounder and Russo threw out Jeff Heath, Gee Walker singled to score Weatherly and Keltner with an unearned pair.

Early Tie Broken

On DiMaggio's single, a pass to Henrich, Buddy Rosar's single and Frankie Crosetti's long fly, the Yanks drew even in the second. But presently Rolie Hemslay walked, Feller singled, Lou Bourdeau doubled and the Indians had a one-run margin.

Henrich opened the fourth with his sixth homer of the year, but in the fifth, Russo went to pieces. Heath singled, and when Ray Mack walked and Hemslay scratched a hit, the bases were filled, with two outs. Russo walked, Russo and Bourdeau to force in Heath and Mack.

Opening the sixth, Keltner tripled off the right-field wall and Heath hit his tenth homer over the right-field barrier, chased Russo and sealing the game. DiMaggio's double and Henrich's No. 7 homer of the season, with two gone in the eighth, were futile gestures.

Charley Stancou came to Russo's rescue in the ninth, but he was Cleveland drive. Spud Chandler pitched the last two frames, facing six batters and striking out two.

Scoreless Streak Ends

Whatever consolation there was for the Yanks came in the fact that they started this second invasion of Detroit with a win. The Yanks of first series and stopped a scoreless streak for Feller. The runs the Yanks scored off Rapid Robert in the second were the first he had yielded in thirty-one innings. He had pitched three shut-outs in a row.

Henrich became the first player to smack Feller for two homers in a game since the Detroit days of Roy Cullenbine.

Henrich and DiMaggio robbed Feller and Keltner of extra-base clouts with sparkling catches.

Steve Peek will face Dizzy Trout in the series opener tomorrow at Detroit.

A tumbling catch by Walker in left robbed Gordon of his best chance for a homer and the Yanks a chance to check Feller's winning streak.

DiMaggio, incidentally, has hit safely in nineteen straight games.

The box score:

NEW YORK (A.)	CLEVELAND (H.)
1. Stump, 1b, 3-0-10	2. Bourdeau, 3-0-13-10
2. Feller, 2b, 4-0-10	3. Waverly, 4-1-10
3. Walker, 3b, 1-0-0	4. Russo, 3b, 2-2-0
4. DiMaggio, 4-2-2-0	5. Hemslay, 1b, 2-2-0
5. Rosar, 2b, 1-0-0	6. Truok, 1b, 4-0-4-10
6. Gordon, 2b, 1-0-0	7. Mack, 2b, 1-1-1-10
7. Keltner, 3b, 1-0-0	8. Henrich, 3b, 1-1-1-10
8. Russo, 2b, 1-0-0	9. Feller, 2b, 1-1-1-10
9. Keltner, 3b, 1-0-0	10. Stancou, 1b, 1-0-0
10. Chandler, 2b, 1-0-0	11. Pipp, 1b, 1-0-0
11. Usher, 1b, 1-0-0	12. Pipp, 1b, 1-0-0

Bellis Gains 4th Title in Row
PHILADELPHIA, June 2.—(AP)—Izzy Bellis won his fourth straight Philadelphia and district clay court tennis championship today by beating his Philadelphia rival, Vic Seixas, 6-2, 4-6, 6-4, 6-4 at the Cynwyd Club. The match lasted nearly two hours.

Major League Leaders

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
Player	AB	R	PC
Reiser, Brooklyn	31	115	24
Black, Chicago	34	115	24
Smoot, St. Louis	49	175	31
Mize, St. Louis	39	141	21
Fadgate, St. Louis	31	103	24

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
Player	AB	R	PC
Williams, Boston	33	132	36
Heath, Cleveland	34	113	24
Gordon, Boston	40	148	34
Cullinane, St. Louis	38	113	24
Heath, Cleveland	46	171	26

HOME-RUN HITTERS			
Player	Team	Runs	PC
Ott, New York	12	Nicholson, Chi.	10
Camilli, Eby, N.Y.	10	Johnson, Phila.	10
Heath, Cleve.	10		

BATTING AVERAGES			
Player	Team	AB	PC
Nicholson, Chi.	41	Moore, St. Louis	32
Ott, New York	38		
Keller, New York	35		

GEHRIG AS A PLAYER AND AFTER HE RETIRED FROM BASEBALL



A pose at the bag while he was still the Yankees' first baseman

GEHRIG, 'IRON MAN' OF BASEBALL, DIES

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out winning the batting crown—373, 374. But baseball has had other great hitters before and other great all-around players. It was the durability of Gehrig combined with his other qualities that lifted him above the ordinary players and in a class all his own.

An odd little incident gave Gehrig his start and an even stranger disease, one almost totally unknown for a robust athlete, brought it to an end. Columbia Lou's string of consecutive games began in a remarkably enough, when the late Miller Huggins sent him up to bat for Pee-wee Wanninger on June 1, 1925. The husky 22-year-old promptly singled.

Huggins was impressed by the way Gehrig had delivered, but according to the tale that is told he had no notion of using him as a first baseman. The Yankees had a star at the initial sack in those days, Wally Pipp. But Pipp was troubled with frequent headaches. On June 2 he was bothered by pains in his head.

"Has any one an aspirin tablet?" asked Pipp.

Huggins overheard him and, on a sheer hunch, decided to use the "kid"—Gehrig—at first base. He never left the line-up again until his voluntary resignation fourteen years later. Perhaps that story is not cut from the whole cloth. Gehrig has denied it, but Pipp insists that he was the one who suggested Gehrig at first base. At any rate, it is an interesting sidelight on how a spectacular career was begun.

Slipped in 1938

The beginning of the Gehrig playing days was abrupt but the ending was a much slower process. In 1937 the Iron Horse batted .351, his twelfth successive season over the .300 mark. But in 1938 the Yankee captain slipped to .295, the same figure he had established in his 1925 campaign.

Not only his hitting but his fielding had lost much of its crispness. Batted balls that the Gehrig of old had gobbled up easily skidded past him for base hits. In fact, the situation had developed to such an extent that there was continual talk in spring training in 1939 that the end of his career was approaching its completion.

This became even more obvious in the early games of the campaign. Yankee followers were amazed to see how badly Gehrig had fallen from the peak. He was anchored firmly near first base and only the fielding wizardry of Joe Gordon to his right saved Gehrig from looking very bad. The second sacker over-shifted to cover the hole between him and his catcher. Lou couldn't go to his right any more.

At bat Gehrig was not even a pale shadow of his former self. Once he had the outfielders backing up to the fences when he stepped to the plate. He was anchored firmly near first base and only the fielding wizardry of Joe Gordon to his right saved Gehrig from looking very bad. The second sacker over-shifted to cover the hole between him and his catcher. Lou couldn't go to his right any more.

Last Game Against Senators

That day he saw the handwriting on the wall. And on April 30, 1939, he played his last big league game against the Washington Senators. The Bombers lost and Gehrig realized that he was a detriment to his team. When the Yanks took to the field again in Detroit on May 2, Gehrig—his batting average down to .143—withdrew from the line-up, his first missed game after 2,130 straight.

He acted as nonplaying captain from that point on. On June 12, when the Yankees engaged in an exhibition game in Kansas City, Lou played the last three innings, did nothing and promptly left for the Mayo Clinic. He was there a week, determined to discover just what was the matter with him. That something was wrong he was certain.

On June 21 the diagnosis was made. It was that he had a mild attack of paralysis. His career thus was brought to an abrupt conclusion. And an amazing career it had been.

Tribute by \$1,808 at Retirement

The public's reaction to Gehrig's swift retirement gave rise to one of the most inspiring and dramatic episodes in sport when on July 4, in ceremonies preceding the afternoon's holiday double-header, a crowd of 61,808 joined in the Lou Gehrig Appreciation Day exercises at the Yankee Stadium and thundered a "hail and farewell" to baseball's stricken Iron Horse.

Players, officials, writers and employees at the park showered Lou with gifts, the climax of the spectacle coming when the Yankees themselves paraded on the field their world championship team of 1927. From far and wide these dia-



At his desk in the Parole Commission offices here when he assumed new duties as a member of the board in January, 1940.

mond stalwarts had returned to join in the tribute to their former team-mate, who had managed to carry on long after their own retirement from the game.

The group included such Yankee immortals as Babe Ruth, White Ford, Bob Meusel, Herb Pennock, Joe Dugan, Tony Lazzeri, Mark Koenig, Benny Bengough, Wally Schang, Everett Scott, Wally Pipp, George Pipgras and Bob Shawkey.

Overcome by this spontaneous reception, Gehrig finally mastered his emotions and, in perhaps the most remarkable valedictory ever delivered in a sport arena, literally poured his heart out to his great throng of listeners, thanking them for their appreciation and assuring them, with characteristic pluck, that he still considered himself "the luckiest fellow on earth, with much to live for."

From then until the end of the season Gehrig stuck by his guns as retired field captain, and spent every day on the bench. He accompanied the club on all its road trips, and at the finish sat through all four of the 1939 world series games in which his colleagues crushed another National League rival.

With the close of the campaign, Lou retired himself within a small circle of close friends, spent much time in fishing, a sport second only to baseball in its fascination for him, and on Oct. 11 figured in another surprise move when Mayor La Guardia announced his appointment to a ten-year term as a member of the three-man Municipal Civil Service Commission at a salary of \$20,000 a year. He tackled with considerable enthusiasm this newest job that was to launch him upon a new chapter in his astounding career.

In Spotlight Again

Although anxious to go quietly about his new task and remain as much as possible in complete retirement, Gehrig was catapulted prominently into the spotlight again in mid-August of the 1940 pennant campaign when a New York newspaper, in a featured article, intimated that the extraordinary collapse of the four-time world champion Yankees might be attributable to the possibility that some of the players may have become infected with Gehrig's disease.

The story brought vehement protests from the Yankee players, who insisted they were suffering from no physical ailments and then, as if in final rebuttal to the charge, the Yanks, within a few days after publication of the article, launched their spectacular drive which was to lift them from fifth place into the thick of the flag race throughout the month of September.

In the meantime, Gehrig had papers served for a \$1,000,000 libel action, while the publication printed an apology to Gehrig, stating that the investigation revealed that Lou's ailment was not communicable. No legal action was taken after this.

Gehrig was born in New York on June 19, 1903.

His career began unobtrusively enough when, as a husky youngster, he reported to the High School of Commerce nine in New York. He was tried in the outfield, where he was no Joe DiMaggio at catching fly balls. He was tried as pitcher but was as wild. He was tried as a first baseman and clicked. In later years Lou explained that, with his ever ready grin, by saying "We

La Guardia and Baseball Chiefs Pay Tribute to Gehrig's Memory

Mayor Praises Civic Contributions of Former Ball Player—Yankees Stunned by Passing of Ex-Team-Mate

Civic officials joined with baseball executives and players last night in extolling the memory of Lou Gehrig. Mayor La Guardia, who appointed the ailing ball player to the New York City Parole Commission after his retirement from baseball, was among those to pay tribute to him. Messages of condolence poured in from many parts of the country. Gehrig's last baseball manager, Joe McCarthy, and his former team-mates with the Yankees were stunned when they received news of his death on their arrival in Detroit last night.

The tributes follow:

Mayor LA GUARDIA—"The death of Lou Gehrig is a shock to me. He had taken such an interest in his work. He was a fine, useful public official. His death is a loss to me and to the entire country."

EDWARD G. BARROW, President of the Yankees—"The news of such a shock to me there is very little that I can say. I have lost a very dear friend and I believe Lou was equally fond of me. Although his death was expected it has come as a terrific shock."

GEORGE RUTHERFORD, vice president of the Yankees—"Lou Gehrig was one of the outstanding figures of baseball. He was one of the finest characters who ever participated in the game."

JOE MCCARTHY, Manager of the Yankees—"What can I say? I'm a lot for words to express the sympathy I feel. Baseball has lost one of its greatest characters and the world loses a great man. My heartfelt sympathy goes out to his widow."

BILL DICKEY—"The news of Gehrig's death hits me like the loss of one of my own family. He was my best friend. A wise counselor, a real pal and a wonderful character."

CHARLEY RUFFING—"I really don't know what to say. We all know he was sick, but we thought he might pull through. He was a grand guy."

ARTHUR FLETCHER, Yankee Coach—"I can't find words to say what I feel. I just want myself to great shock."

EARLE COMBS, Yankee Coach—"One of the grandest characters in baseball and one of the game's greatest players came to the last inning when Lou passed out. We will miss him. Ball players like Lou don't come along every day."

VERNON GOMEZ—"The news of Gehrig's death really has me dumfounded. I don't know what to say. He was a wonderful ball

never caught him until the Babe's last year as a Yankee. Only when the King was on the decline did the Crown Prince win the home-run championship of the league, 49 in 1934.

For one thing, Gehrig did not have the flamboyant Ruth personality. They were team-mates but far apart, one quiet, reserved and efficient and the other boisterous, ebullient and full of life. It can be deduced that the Iron Horse was not of the friendly type. He was pleasant at all times, but unlike Ruth he never considered the world at large as his particular province. There would be no great all and sundry with a booming "Hiya, kid?" Lou's was a more personalized welcome.

They were sharp contrasts, those two, both hulking men but as far as the world was concerned, Gehrig's boyhood idol, and with the passing years Lou never lost that respect for the Home Run King. And in spite of his own tremendous record, Gehrig was always subordinated to Ruth.

When they made at the plate, coming up to bat in order! Each was likely to drive the ball out of the park. Frequently either or both did just that. In fact, one of the many records that Lou set was that of hitting the most home runs with the bases filled, a startling twenty-three. Another was of four homers in one game.

The Ruthian association affected Gehrig's salary in two respects. In one way the heavy blow that Ruth struck at the payroll kept Lou from getting a compensation as close to the Babe's as their relative batting averages would indicate. Yet, on the other hand, the Babe's presence on the scale so high that Gehrig probably received more than he would have had there been no Ruth to blaze the trail.

Made Fortune in Game

Like most payrolls, the Yankee one is not open to the public gaze, but is more public property than an ordinary business. So the amount of money that Gehrig received each season is part guess and part accurate knowledge, especially in the case of Gehrig, whose Federal income tax rolls ceased being secret.

The general estimate is that the Iron Horse received a total of \$361,500 in salary from the Yankees. Since he participated in seven world series where the share always was heavy his total income from baseball is estimated at \$400,000.

Gehrig received \$3,750 in his first season, \$6,500 in his second year. This advanced \$1,000 in 1927 and then the Iron Horse moved into the big-money class. He never dropped out of five figures for the rest of his career.

For the next five years he received \$25,000 and then he dropped to \$23,000 for 1933 and 1934, after which he received \$31,000 in 1935 and 1936, \$36,750 in 1937, \$39,000 in 1938 and \$35,000 for 1939, a campaign in which he played only eight games. Gehrig's contracts are peculiar things, strictly one way. The club has the upper hand at all times and can sever any contract at will. Had they so desired the Yanks could have dropped Gehrig the day the report from the Mayo Clinic arrived. But he was kept on full salary for the remainder of the year.

So firm was his place in the Yankee scheme of things that Manager Joe McCarthy refused to break the Gehrig string even when there was a clamor to the effect that the Iron Horse himself would benefit from it. Marse Joe shook his head to that. "Gehrig plays as long as he wants to play," he said. "Not many ball players would be granted such a privilege."

But in this respect McCarthy knew his man and knew him well. He realized that once Lou dis-

Ruth at Gehrig Home

Babe Ruth, accompanied by his wife, arrived at the home of Lou Gehrig at 1 o'clock this morning to express his sympathy to the family. The former home-run champion expressed deep regret at the passing of his one-time team-mate.

"I had known Lou since 1924, when he first came to the Yankees," said Ruth. "Our long friendship of more than fifteen years began when he returned to the club in 1925. His death is a great loss to baseball and a great personal shock. 'Lou was a clean ball player. He would never quit and was always in there fighting for the team to win. He was a great hustler, but maybe he hustled a little too much."

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JOE DIMAGGIO—"Like the rest of the fellows, I don't know what to say. He was a wonderful ball player and a great individual. He was a good influence on us young ball players, to whom he was an inspiration."

MARK ROTH, Road Secretary of the Yankees—"The news of Gehrig's death is a terrific shock to me. I know it is to every baseball fan in America and in the far corners of the world where Lou helped to introduce the sport. I saw him come up to the big leagues as a raw recruit and develop into one of the game's greatest stars. I feel a deep sense of personal loss."

WILLIAM HARRIDGE, President of the American League—"The passing of Lou Gehrig has removed from baseball one of its most beloved and outstanding players. His conduct and sportsmanship on and off the playing field will remain an everlasting monument to his memory. We in the American League are shocked at his untimely death."

EDDIE BRANNICK, Secretary of the Giants—"He always played the game to win and gave his best at all times. Gehrig was a great example to the young of America and they and baseball have suffered a great loss."

JIMMY DYKES, White Sox Manager—"I am awfully sorry to hear

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