



WORLD SERIES SPECIAL!



Baseball Gazette & Dope Sheet

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BOSOX CRUSH HUBBELL & GIANTS 9-2 IN GAME 7, WIN FIRST WORLD SERIES IN 20 YEARS!

By Calvin J. Butterworth
Gazette Editor-in-Chief

I've been covering base ball since the early 1920s, and this was the first seven-game World Series I can recall that only had one thrilling game.

Following Boston's narrow 5-4 victory in the opener, every succeeding contest was decided by at least six runs. It was almost as if each team was too weary or sissy-minded to respond after falling behind. Hank Greenberg, his attractive European beau Lilah, and the *Gazette's* own Penelope Dylan were kind enough to join me in the press row for the final tilt...

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Have you ever seen such back-and-forth bruising by two teams, Hank?

HANK: Certainly not in a World Series. The Tigers had lots of games this year where we were scoring as much as our opponent, but something like this is rare. I mean, when Foxx hit the 3-run homer off Hubbell four batters in, this game was over.

PENELOPE: Actually at that point, Boston had a 78% chance of winning according to Crankgraphs Incorporated.

LILAH: It looked like to me that Mr. Ott of the Giants had not enough sleep.

He certainly played that way. Zero-for-4 with two strike outs after lighting up the stadium yesterday. I have to say, Miss Edelstein, that your degree of base ball knowledge has surprised and delighted me.

LILAH. Thank you. Hank has also been a big of a help. I just wish my family could have immigrated to America with me.

Well, I'm sure the trouble over in Germany will resolve itself pretty soon. Hank, I imagine your pal Jimmie Foxx winning the Most Valuable Player of the league and World Series came as no shock to you at all.

HANK: It sure didn't, Cal. Not when he slugged three homers and reached base 16 out of 23 times in the seven games. I hit a few more out of the park than he did this year, but it's pretty clear pitchers were more afraid of *him*.

PENELOPE: Like everyone I had picked the Yankees to win, and they had a far better season statistically than any team in the National League. But Boston's run scoring and SPOB just lapped everyone else in the field and made up for their fielding and pitching deficiencies.

LILAH: Yes. The Red Sox had very bad asses.

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Jimmie Foxx
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— is another famous Big League hitter who uses a Louisville Slugger exclusively. Foxx says: — "I've never seen a great hitter who didn't use a good bat. I started as a rookie with a 34-inch Louisville Slugger — and I've never yet found a bat that could equal a Louisville Slugger . . . The Old-timers thought so too — Honus Wagner, Ty Cobb, Babe Ruth and a hundred others."

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<i>AL</i>		<i>AL</i>		<i>AL</i>		<i>AL</i>	
Boston	930/913	New York	198	New York	3.77	Boston	49-28/50-27
New York	926/680	Detroit	151	Boston	3.92	New York	49-28/48-29
Cleveland	818/735	Cleveland	122	Chicago	4.01	Cleveland	42-35/43-34
Detroit	804/900	Boston	118	Cleveland	4.04	Detroit	41-36/40-37
Washington	768/754	St. Louis	110	Washington	4.40	Washington	38-39/37-40
Philadelphia	706/861	Philadelphia	98	Philadelphia	4.77	Chicago	38-39/35-42
Chicago	704/719	Washington	82	Detroit	5.23	Philadelphia	32-45/27-50
St. Louis	643/937	Chicago	70	St. Louis	5.31	St. Louis	27-50/20-57
<i>NL</i>		<i>NL</i>		<i>NL</i>		<i>NL</i>	
St. Louis	802/646	New York	147	Cincinnati	3.19	New York	49-28/43-34
New York	756/617	Cincinnati	122	Chicago	3.27	St. Louis	48-29/43-34
Brooklyn	659/697	St. Louis	112	Boston	3.37	Cincinnati	43-34/41-36
Cincinnati	652/581	Chicago	73	Pittsburgh	3.49	Chicago	42-35/42-35
Pittsburgh	651/637	Boston	64	New York	3.53	Brooklyn	38-39/36-41
Chicago	646/583	Pittsburgh	60	St. Louis	3.54	Pittsburgh	41-36/28-49
Philadelphia	551/873	Brooklyn	56	Brooklyn	3.93	Boston	33-44/35-42
Boston	520/603	Philadelphia	43	Philadelphia	4.79	Philadelphia	31-46/23-54

“Dear Hank” Author Posts Final Dispatch Today, Vows to Return

By Oliver Brackinridge
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CULVER CITY, CA—Jeff Polman, noted baseball “fictionalizer”, coffee-drinking liberal-socialist sympathizer, electrical newspaper journalist and ex-motion picture scenario creator, has capped his pen on his *Dear Hank* serial drama as of today.

“It was a quick six months, but a bushel of fun,” said Polman over a telephone from his Southern California bungalow home yesterday. “With the Tigers out of the running early on, it was easier to concentrate on Greenberg’s season-long fictional predicament. I’m pretty satisfied with the way things turned out for him and his ‘little friend’.”

Polman also praised the expert contributions of statistical engineer Paul “P.” Dylan, who replayed all 1,232 regular season games on his amazing electrical computing machine and provided the author with the weekly statisticals you’ve been reading in the *Gazette and Dope Sheet*.

“Seriously, if I didn’t have Mr. Dylan’s help with

this endeavor, I would have been found somewhere in a West Los Angeles alley, out of my mind on reefer, Doctor Grinko’s Celery and Liver Tonic and lord knows what else, babbling incoherently about Bobo Newsom. Paul was nothing but swell.”

Polman also thanked all the loyal readers and visitors to the “Hank” saga, as well as the unflinching bravery of the *Gazette’s* own Penelope Dylan (no relation), who he called “a talented and fearless lady columnist in a forest of uncaring brutes.”

Polman has a couple of other literary projects on the near horizon, including a book version of his “Play That Funky Baseball” electrical computing machine story retitled *Ball Nuts*, that is scheduled to publish in the next few months. He is also drafting a proposal for an original base ball book he cannot discuss yet, and may co-write a dramatic base ball play with a noted scribe he also cannot mention.

“Finally, thanks to Hank, Markie, Lilah, Uncle Zeb, Harry Eisenstat, Marjorie Nash, Cal, Ollie, and anyone whose actual life was touched by the world-changing events in Europe. Peace and play ball.”

