

On This Date

October 5, 1908

Chicago White Sox pitcher [Ed Walsh](#) becomes the second, and last, pitcher in the 20th century to win 40 games in a season when he pitches a four-hit 6-1 complete game victory over the visiting Detroit Tigers.



The 27-year-old right-hander from Plains, Pennsylvania, allows only four hits and strikes out nine in securing his 40th win of the year on the second-to-last day of the season.

The win moves Chicago to within a half-a-game behind the front running Tigers with one game left to play. Detroit rebounds the following day clinching their second-straight American League title with a 7-0 win.

The only other pitcher to win 40-or-more games in a season since 1900 is New York Highlander [Jack Chesbro](#) with 41 victories in 1904.

The 27-year-old Walsh also leads the AL in starts (49), complete games (42), shutouts (11), strikeouts (269), and innings pitched (464). Walsh wins 195 games and posts a sterling 1.82 career ERA in 14 major league seasons with the White Sox (1904-1916) and Boston Braves (1917).

Chicago	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Hahn, rf.	1	2	0	0	0
Jones, cf.	1	1	1	0	0
Isbell, 1b.	0	0	10	0	0
Dougherty, lf.	0	1	3	0	0
Davis, 2b.	2	2	1	6	0
Parent, ss.	1	2	2	3	1
Sullivan, c.	1	2	10	0	0
Tannehill, 3b.	0	1	0	2	0
Walsh, p.	0	0	0	1	0

Totals	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Totals	6	11	27	12	1
Detroit	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
McIntyre, lf.	0	2	2	1	0
Bush, ss.	0	0	1	4	0
Crawford, cf.	0	0	2	0	1
Cobb, rf.	0	1	0	1	0
Rossman, 1b.	0	0	12	0	0
Schaeffer, 3b.	0	0	1	2	0
Schmidt, c.	0	0	6	3	0
Downs, 2b.	1	1	1	5	0
Summers, p.	0	0	0	1	0
Mullin, p.	0	0	0	0	0

Totals	1	4	24	17	1
Chicago	0	1	0	3	1
Detroit	0	0	0	0	0
Summary—Two-base hit, Parent; struck out, by Walsh 9, by Mullin 2; umpires, Sheridan and Connolly.					