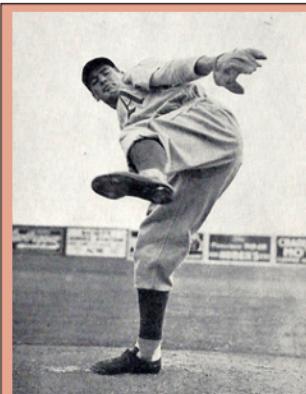


September 24, 1940

"Ug!"

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

In the first game of a doubleheader with the Boston Red Sox, 32-year-old Philadelphia Athletics pitcher George "Ug" Caster ties an American League record allowing six home runs in 2 1/3 innings of relief in a 16-8 loss to the Bosox.



George Caster
Philadelphia Athletics

Caster will go 4-19 for the A's in 1940 with a 6.56 ERA ... he will lead the American League in losses in 1940 and in 1938 with 20.

Relieving starter Ed Heusser in the top of the fourth inning, Caster yields his first two home runs to a pair of Hall of Famers in Ted Williams and Bobby Doerr.

In the sixth inning, Red Sox first baseman Jimmy Foxx becomes the second player in major league history to hit 500 home runs when he homers in the middle of three-straight home runs by Williams, Foxx and Joe Cronin ... Bobby Doerr hits a triple before Jim Tabor follows with the fourth home run of the inning.

Caster's six home run performance is the second-straight less-than-sterling effort by the 6-foot-1 right hander ... in his previous start against the Detroit Tigers six days earlier (September 18), Caster picks up his 11th complete game of the year, but walks four and allows 17 hits en route to a 14-0 loss.

Over the last eight games of the 1940 season, Caster is 0-4 with a 11.17 ERA, allowing 48 earned runs on 66 hits and 19 walks in only 38 2/3 innings.

Primarily a sinker ball pitcher, Caster spends 12 years in the majors with the Philadelphia Athletics (1934-35; 37-40), St. Louis Browns (1941-45) and the Detroit Tigers (1945-46) finishing 76-100 with 62 complete games, 39 saves and a 4.54 ERA ... the Colton, California, native losses 20 games in 1938 and 19 games in 1937 and 1940.

Converted to a reliever midway through the 1941 season, Caster leads the American League in saves with 12 in 1944.

Foxx Hits 500th Homer as Boston Beats A's Twice

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Sept. 24 (AP)—Jimmy Foxx hit his 500th homer of his career Tuesday as the Boston Red Sox clouted three round-trippers in succession to tie a major league record in beating the Athletics in both ends of a twin bill, 16 to 8 and 4 to 3.

The three homers in a row came in the sixth of the opener against George Caster. Ted Williams, Foxx and Joe Cronin slammed the ball out of the lot. Bobby Doerr then poked a mighty triple and was stopped at third, although observers thought he could have got home. Jim Tabor followed with the fourth round-tripper of the inning one less than the major league mark set by the New York Giants June 6, 1939.

Altogether the Sox got six homers, three triples, five two-baggers and nine singles in the opener.

The A's led in the second game until the eighth when the Sox got three runs on singles by Foxx and doubles by Cronin and Doerr.

FIRST GAME.

BOSTON	PHILADELPHIA									
ab	h	po	a	ab	h	po	a			
Di Maggio	6	2	0	1	Miles	cf	5	5	2	0
Cramer	6	2	1	0	Valo	lf	5	3	4	0
Williams	6	3	1	0	Moses	r	5	3	1	0
Foxx	5	2	13	2	Wagner	c	4	3	7	0
Lupien	1	1	2	1	Siebert	l	5	1	6	1
Cronin	5	4	0	2	McCoy	2	5	0	2	1
Carey	1	0	2	1	Gantman	3	4	1	0	1
Doerr	6	3	0	4	Kallasea	s	3	1	3	4
Tabor	4	2	2	2	Heusser	p	0	0	1	0
Gelbert	3	0	0	1	Caster	p	1	0	1	0
Peacock	6	3	4	0	McCrabb	p	2	0	0	1
Heving	3	1	2	3	Lillard	1	0	0	0	0
Total	45	23	27	17	Total	41	15	27	8	

Lillard batted for Heusser in third. Boston 023 217 001—16 Philadelphia 003 000 050—8 Runs—Di Maggio, Cramer 3, Williams 2, Foxx 2, Cronin 3, Doerr 3, Tabor, Peacock, Miles, Valo 2, Moses 2, Wagner, McCoy, Gantman. Errors—Foxx, Miles, Moses, Siebert. Runs batted in—Peacock, Heving, Cronin 3, Tabor 3, Wagner 3, Williams 3, Cramer, Foxx, Di Maggio, Siebert, Gantman 2, Miles, Lupien. Two-base hits—Cramer, Tabor, Di Maggio, Cronin, Peacock. Three-base hits—Miles, Wagner, Di Maggio, Doerr, Lupien. Home runs—Williams 2, Cronin 2, Foxx, Tabor. Sacrifice—Heving. Double plays—Wallaces to McCoy to Siebert; Carey to Lupien. Left on bases—Boston 8, Philadelphia 7. Bases on balls—Off Heusser 1, Caster 1, Struck out—By Heving 3, Caster 1, McCrabb 4. Hits—Off Heusser 7 in 3 innnings; Caster 10 in 2 1-3; McCrabb 6 in 3 2-3. Hit by pitcher—By Heving (Wagner). Losing pitcher—Heusser. Umpires—Grieve, Geisel and Quinn. Time of game—1 hour and 55 minutes. Attendance—2,500 (estimated).