

Cardinals Blank Cubs 4-0 To Open NLDS

ST. LOUIS (AP) — John Lackey lived up to his reputation as a pitcher who craves the ball in October, helping the St. Louis Cardinals cool off the upstart Chicago Cubs.

Lackey outpitched old teammate Jon Lester, allowing two hits into the eighth inning, and rookies Tommy Pham and Stephen Piscotty each homered late for the Cardinals in a 4-0 victory Friday night in the opener of their NL Division Series.

“Tonight was special, for sure,” Lackey said. “The atmosphere was outstanding, the crowd was really into it, and I knew I’d have to pitch well.”

He did it in front of a standing room only crowd of 47,830 — the second-largest at 10-year-old Busch Stadium — with thousands of Cubs

faithful mixed into the red throng for the first postseason game between the two long-time rivals.

“Incredible. I thought his fastball was about as good as we’ve seen. Period,” manager Mike Matheny said. “Anything you wanted to do, he pretty much had it.”

Yadier Molina did his part behind the plate, too, wearing a splint to protect a strained left thumb ligament that sidelined him since Sept. 20. He was 0 for 3 but seemingly had no issues.

“You can tell he’s been anxious to get in there,” Matheny said. “The way he moved behind the plate, the way he and John were working, he is so valuable to our club in so many ways.”

Lackey protected a 1-0 lead by

holding the Cubs hitless for five innings, getting help from Kris Bryant’s double-play ball by to end the fourth. Addison Russell ended the suspense with a solid single up the middle to open the sixth and Kyle Schwarber’s bunt hit leading off the seventh was the only other hit allowed by Lackey in 7 1-3 innings.

Kevin Siegrist struck out two to end the eighth, when it was still a one-run game. Trevor Rosenthal gave up a single and a walk but fanned three in finishing the three-hitter.

Game 2 of the best-of-five series is Saturday. The Cardinals turn to lefty Jaime Garcia (10-6), who made 20 starts coming off risky thoracic surgery. Kyle Hendricks (8-7) makes his postseason debut for the NL wild-card winners.

Matt Holliday had an RBI single in the first, giving St. Louis a lead after just three at-bats. Pinch-hitting, Pham homered off Lester with one out in the eighth to snap a string of 13 straight outs for the lefty. Piscotty had a two-run shot off Pedro Strop in the eighth.

The 36-year-old Lackey outdid Lester, with whom he formed a potent 1-2 punch on the 2013 Red Sox, the team that knocked off the Cardinals in the World Series.

“Lester did his thing as well,” Lackey said. “A really fun game, and fun to be a part of.”

Lackey is 3-0 with an 0.93 ERA in four starts against Chicago overall. Lester is 1-4, but he has a 2.79 ERA against St. Louis.

Including their wild-card victory

at Pittsburgh, the Cubs had won nine in a row. They haven’t scored since the fifth inning of that 4-0 victory, however.

Manager Joe Maddon interrupted the game briefly in the sixth, but said he’d just asked plate umpire Phil Cuzzi to have the ball replaced because it had been in the dirt.

“We could not get anything generated,” Maddon said. “They’ve pitched really well all season, that’s a big reason they won 100 games.”

Lester, the Cubs’ big offseason free-agent pickup, settled in for an impressive night after the first. Piscotty doubled with one out and scored on Holliday’s single. Lester struck out nine and gave up three runs on five hits in 7 1-3 innings.

Football

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and Menno-Marion visits Canistota.

Sioux Valley 20, Beresford 14

VOLGA – Sioux Valley narrowly defeated the Beresford Watchdogs 20-14 o Friday night in Volga.

Brock Swartos led Sioux Valley with 125 rushing yards on 26 carries and a touchdown. Matt Larson had 11 tackles and ran for 92 yards and a touchdown.

For Beresford, Joseph Lane had an 80-yard touchdown run in the first quarter to open up the scoring. Lane also threw for 56 yards, and Tristan Lutter recorded a team-high 11 tackles for Beresford.

Sioux Valley will travel to McCook Central/Montrose next Friday, while Beresford will play host to Flandreau on Friday.

BERESFORD (3-4)	.....7	0	0	7	-14
SIoux VALLEY (4-2)	.....0	7	7	6	-20

S.F. Christian 44, Vermillion 8

SIoux FALLS – Sioux Falls Christian scored plenty of points Friday night and were able to get past Vermillion 44-8.

Sioux Falls Christian jumped out to a 16-0 lead in the first quarter. One of the plays included a 35 yard touchdown pass from Sawyer Prins to Spencer Koelewyn.

Jackson Olson had a 31 yard touchdown run in the third quarter and Sioux Falls Christian lead 38-0 at the end of the third quarter.

VERMILLION (1-6)	.....0	0	0	8	-8
SIoux FALLS CHRISTIAN (6-1)	.....16	15	7	7	-44



JEREMY HOECK/P&D

Gayville-Volin quarterback Grant Race, left with ball, looks for running room during Friday night’s game in Scotland.

Matt Ouellette scored the only touchdown for Vermillion.

In the win for Sioux Falls Christian, Jackson Olsen had three touchdowns including two rushing and one passing. On the defensive side, Connor Huisken had six tackles.

In the loss for Vermillion, Noah Walker had 53 yards on 14 attempts.

Vermillion’s next game is against Elk Point Jefferson and Sioux Falls Christian next game is against Lennox.

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Winner 43, Parkston 0

WINNER – Winner finished with 472 yards of total offense on its way to a 43-0 victory over the Parkston Trojans on Friday night in Winner.

PARKSTON (4-3)	.....0	0	0	0	-0
WINNER (6-0)	.....10	13	14	6	-43

Kayler Brozik led the ground attack for Winner, as he finished with 154 yards and two touchdowns. Riley Frazier added 119 yards on the ground and added two touchdowns, and Cemeron Kuil ran eight times for 111 yards and a touchdown.

Winner was able to hold Parkston to just 56 yards of total offense. Josh Rands threw for 75 yards, and Dillan Thuringer caught six passes for 44 yards. Defenseivley, the Trojans were led by Luke Beitz, who totaled a team-high six tackles.

Parkston will have a bye next week and will host Groton Area on Oct. 22. Winner will have a road game next Friday against Redfield/Doland.

PARKSTON (4-3)	.....0	0	0	0	-0
WINNER (6-0)	.....10	13	14	6	-43

Miller 50, Platte-Geddes 0

PLATTE – Tate Ketelhut caught two touchdown passes as Miller got a quick start on the way to a 50-0 victory Friday night at Platte-Geddes.

Miller scored four touchdowns in the first quarter, on runs by Jarret Krause, Carter Canham and Colin Weidenbach, and then a pass from Devon Gnat to Nathan Kolda. Ketelhut then caught the two touchdown passes from Trevor Brueggeman in the second quarter.

No other stats were reported.

Miller (5-2) is off next week and Platte-Geddes (1-5) visits Bon Homme.

MVP 51, Hanson 14

MOUNT VERNON –

Hayden Schmidt rushed for 104 yards and three touchdowns to help lead Mount Vernon-Plankinton to a 51-14 victory over Hanson on Friday in Mount Vernon.

Devin Rihanek also made a solid contribution to the Titans ground attack, rushing for 105 yards and two touchdowns. Tate Deinert added 54 yards rushing and a touchdown, while Tanner Risseuw recorded eight tackles and two tackles for a loss.

Wyatt Kaiser led the way for Hanson, as he finished with 124 rushing yards on 22 carries and two touchdowns. Landon Sapp added 41 yards, whileNathan Stewart totaled 111 tackles for Hansen.

MVP will travel to Howard next Friday, while Hansen will take on Centerville.

HANSON (2-4)	.....0	14	0	0	-14
MOUNT VERNON-PLANKINTON (4-2)	.....20	16	8	7	-51

SCWWS 40, Kimball-White Lake 14

KIMBALL – Sanborn Central-Woonsocket-Wessington Springs continued their undefeated season with a 40-14 win over Kimball-White Lake on Friday night.

SCWWS rushed for 139 total yards on 28 carries and they passed for 230 yards on eight completed passes. There are no individual stats available for SCWWS.

For Kimball-White Lake, Corbin Heath completed 25 carries for 124 total rushing yards. Seth Kirsch rushed 146 yards on 10 carries.

Kimball-White Lake will travel to Gregory next week and SCWWS will host Wolsey-Wessington.

SANBORN CENTRAL-WOONSOCKET-WESSINGTON SPRINGS (6-0)	.....0	22	12	6	-40
KIMBALL-WHITE LAKE (1-5)	.....0	0	0	14	-14

Madison 41, Canton 14

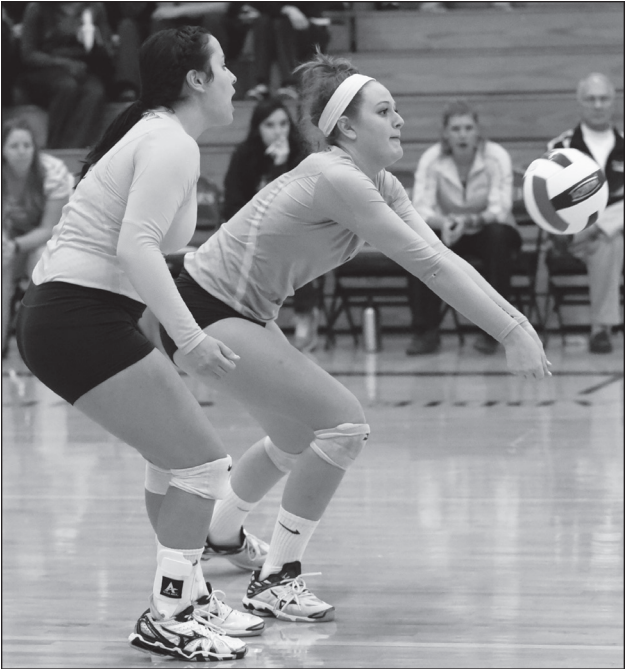
CANTON – A strong performance by the Madison Bulldogs saw them defeat Canton 41-14 to continue their undefeated season. Madison is now 7-0.

Brodie Frederiksen led Madison in rushing with 170 yards on 30 carries and ended with three touchdowns. Mitch Hansen passed for 312 yards on nine completed passes.

Logan Ranschau rushed for 56 yards on 17 carries for Canton. Jake Peterson and Andrew Oliver had the only touchdowns for Canton.

Madison will travel to Tea next week and Canton will travel to Wagner.

MADISON (7-0)	.....7	0	21	20	-41
CANTON (3-4)	.....14	0	0	0	-14



JAMES D. CIMBUREK/P&D

Mount Marty’s Laura Lysne passes the ball as teammate BreAnne Thege looks on during their matchup with Mayville State in the MMC volleyball Classic on Friday at Laddie E. Cimpl Arena.

Lancers

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“There wasn’t one of us that didn’t play with a lot of heart on the court.

“We hurt a slump in the third set and we couldn’t get around their blocks, but we played hard and we came close in that third set , but we just couldn’t finish it.”

During the third set, Mount Marty was down 17-7 and was able to claw their way back into the match before losing the set 25-21.

In the win for Mayville St, Meagan Ghinter had 26 digs and two kills. Remington Werner had 17 kills and 1 dig. Megan Kolness had seven kills and 10 digs.

Mount Marty (8-16) will play two matches today (Sat-

urday), Grace University at 10:30 a.m. and Presentation College at 5:30 p.m.

In Friday’s other varsity match, Mayville State swept Grace 25-21, 25-17, 25-17.

For Mayville State (9-16), Werner had 12 kills, and Jen Puncoschar and Joely Christiansen had 11 kills each to lead a balanced attack. Kolness had 37 assists, Ghinter had 18 digs and Gretchen Freed added 10 digs for the Comets.

Taylor Thompson led Grace (9-15) with 11 kills. Amber Carlson posted 29 assists. Chloe Corbett added 10 digs.

In junior varsity action, Mount Marty beat Mayville State 26-24, 19-25, 16-14; and Mayville State beat Grace 25-14, 23-15, 19-17.

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Mariners Fire McClendon After Two Seasons

SEATTLE (AP) — Given the opportunity that he didn’t get in his previous stop as a general manager, Jerry Dipoto decided the best move for the Seattle Mariners was to bring in his own field boss from the start.

That was reasoning behind Dipoto’s decision to fire manager Lloyd McClendon on Friday after two seasons. Instead of moving forward with someone who had differing baseball views, Dipoto will start his tenure in Seattle with someone he chooses.

“Everything we do is as a group,” Dipoto said. “This isn’t an indictment of Lloyd. This is a representation of what we would like to build

going forward. That is what we’ll do.”

McClendon’s firing was far from a surprise and came less than a week after the Mariners concluded a disappointing 76-86 season. Seattle started the year with expectations of contending in the AL West and reaching the postseason, but instead finished in fourth place in the division.

Dipoto was hired during the final week of the regular season to replace Jack Zduriencik and said he would take his time evaluating whether McClendon would return. McClendon was under contract for the 2016 season.

Dipoto said he has great

respect for McClendon but realized in meetings this week and last that their baseball philosophies would not be the best match going forward.

“This was an opportunity to come into an organization and create a vision and I feel like this is the best way to do that,” Dipoto said.

Dipoto came to Seattle after leaving behind a rocky relationship with the Angels and manager Mike Scioscia over the summer. Scioscia was already entrenched when Dipoto was hired in Los Angeles.

Rather than try to force a relationship in Seattle, Dipoto will now be able to bring in

someone he wants to work with, although he said the situation with the Angels didn’t play heavily into his decision with McClendon.

“I thought through all the different angles, the way the clubhouse would be affected, the way the organization would be affected,” Dipoto said. “I incorporated a number of people in making the decision and I’m comfortable with it.”

Dipoto said he wants a manager who is energetic, a good teacher and has experience in a major league clubhouse but previous coaching or managing experience isn’t necessary. And he has a list in mind.

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