

LAYTON PROVES POOR STOOGES FOR SCHAEFER MAGIC

**Beats Balk Line King, 50
to 25, in Cue Meet.**

Johnny Layton, a ten time champion, crushed the three cushion title hopes of Jake Schaefer, the balkline master, at Mussey's yesterday. Layton, a disappointment thus far, trounced Schaefer, 50 to 25, in 50 innings.

Otto Reisel of Philadelphia took the undisputed possession of first place by winning from Len Kenney of Chicago in the first night game and was assured of the leadership when Arthur Thurnblad, defending titleholder, dropped the second night game to Allen Hall, also of Chicago.

Hall Stops Champ.

Reisel triumphed over Kenney by 50 to 32 in 45 innings. Reisel now has won five and lost one and leads Augie Kieckhefer of Chicago, who has won four and lost one. Kenney fell to eighth place with three victories and four defeats.

Thurnblad bowed to Hall, 50 to 26 in 50 innings, and went to third place with four games won and two lost. He defeated Hall in the final game for the championship last year, 50 to 42. Hall moved into a tie with Tiff Denton for eleventh place with two won and five lost.

Layton in his match against Schaefer played with the same defensive skill and unerring accuracy that checked Willie Hoppe in two title finals here four years ago. Schaefer played well, but was completely "locked up," as cue men express it, and it was seldom that he had a natural shot.

Jake Has One Chance.

Schaefer's only chance to display his skill was in the 25th inning, when he made six, his high run of the game, starting off a safety and making four shots that seemed virtually impossible. It was the great Schaefer stroke at its best.

Layton won because he played to make points when the shots were on, and when the outlook was not so bright he played safe. Schaefer, a 3 to 1 favorite and anxious to make points, went out to score and when he missed, he invariably left a shot for Layton, which went to demonstrate clearly that a balk line wonder could be a three cushion novice.

Layton and Schaefer now are tied with three games won and three lost and have only an outside chance to remain in the championship fight. If they win their remaining five games they may gain a tie for the title.

Layton Opens Fast.

Layton opened at a terrific pace, scoring 13 points to Schaefer's two in the first ten innings. In the next ten Layton increased this margin to 19 to 6. At the end of 30 innings, Layton showed the way at 27 to 16. At the end of the 40th inning Layton's

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margin was 39 to 17. He had his high run of 8 in the 35th. He ended the game with a run of 3 in the 50th inning.

Jay Bozeman, the sensational Californian, suffered a setback in the first afternoon game when he was beaten by Bud Westhus of St. Louis, 50 to 33, in 48 innings. This was the first time in eight games that Bozeman failed to count at least 40 points. Westhus and Bozeman were even at the end of ten innings with 11 points each. Westhus later had two runs of six which served to check Bozeman's march.

Bozeman now has lost five out of eight games while Westhus has won three and lost six, with only two games left.

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		0	1	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	0
		0	0	6	1	0	0	1	0	3	0	0
BOZEMAN	-	2	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	3	2	
		0	0	0	1	0	2	1	1	0	0	1
		1	2	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	3
		0	0	0	1	0	0	3	3	3		
SCHAEFER	-	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
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LAYTON	-	1	2	0	2	1	2	3	2	0	0	1
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KENNEY	-	1	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
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		3	1	0	3	2						
HALL	-	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	1
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THURNBLAD	-	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	
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		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
		1	0	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0