

*This season marks the 25<sup>th</sup> and 50<sup>th</sup> anniversaries of the memorable 1984 Cubs and 1959 White Sox teams, respectively. Each week the Chicago Baseball Museum chronicles the significant events that took place at a similar time in their dramatic seasons.*

### **Luckless Astros take bait, Trout, Cubs catch big one**

CHICAGO, Aug. 20 – Cubs southpaw Steve Trout is known to be a bit left of center, so maybe his latest success should come as no surprise.

Trout walked seven batters, uncorked two wild pitches and failed to record a strikeout against the Houston Astros on Monday afternoon, but he breezed to a 6-1 victory in front of 26,967 customers nonetheless.

Trout posted his 11<sup>th</sup> victory of the season to match his career high, which he established with the White Sox five years earlier. He retired the side in order only in the sixth inning but had the benefit of three double plays behind him.

Ron Cey and Keith Moreland paced a 14-hit attack with three RBI apiece.

The North Siders jumped on Astros starter Bob Knepper (12-9) for six runs in the first three innings.

Trout got all the runs that he would need in the first inning. Moreland delivered a two-run single that scored Bob Dernier (walk) and Ryne Sandberg (single, stolen base).

The Cubs routed Knepper with three runs in the fourth inning. Cey capped the onslaught with a three-run home run, his 21st of the season.

National League East standings: 1. Cubs 73-51 --; 2. New York 68-54 4; 3. Philadelphia 66-56 6; 4. Montreal Expos 62-60 10; 5. St. Louis 62-61 10.5; 6. Pittsburgh 52-73 21.5.

### **Shaw pitches White Sox to split, Yankees all but left for dead**

CHICAGO, Aug. 23 – And then there were two.

After the White Sox split a doubleheader against the New York Yankees in front of a full house at Comiskey Park on Sunday afternoon, it appeared that only the Cleveland Indians stood between them and their first pennant in 40 years.

The Yankees won the opener, 7-1, but the White Sox responded with a 5-0 victory behind pitcher Bob Shaw in the nightcap. As a result, the South Siders moved back to 12 ½ games ahead of the defending World Series champions with only five weeks left in the regular season.

Shaw (13-4) and Yankees starter Ralph Terry (4-9) were locked in a tense duel in the seventh inning, when the White Sox erupted for five runs to snap a scoreless deadlock.

Sherm Lollar brought the 44,520 fans to their feet with a home run (19<sup>th</sup>) to lead off the inning. Before the smoke cleared, eight more batters went to the plate.

Shaw went the distance on a six-hitter for his second career shutout. The right-hander retired the first nine batters before Bobby Richardson reached base on an infield single to open the fourth inning.

Yankees starter Art Ditmar (9-8) limited the home team to three hits in the opener, as Early Wynn (16-8) lost for only the third time in his last 10 decisions.

American League standings: 1. White Sox 73-48 --; 2. Cleveland 73-51 1.5; 3. New York 62-62 12.5; 4. Detroit 61-63 13.5; 5. Baltimore 59-62 14; 6. Kansas City 58-66 16.5; 7. Boston 57-67 17.5; 8. Washington 50-74 24.5.