

Buhl, Thomson Spur Braves' 7-1 Verdict Over Phils; Brooks Lose

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Bob Buhl and Bobby Thomson were key figures in Milwaukee's big let-down last year but they're making it all up to the spurring Braves now with the type of performance that bode no good for Brooklyn.

Between them, Buhl and Thomson helped fashion a 7-1 victory over the Phillies Thursday night that marked the Braves' seventh triumph in the last eight games and pulled them within 10½ games of the pace-setting Dodgers, who lost to the Cardinals, 6-1, for their third loss in a row.

Buhl, who won only two games all last season, registered his seventh victory in spectacular style against the Phils. The 27-year-old right-hander struck out 12 batters, more than any other Milwaukee pitcher has fanned this year, and gave up only five hits, including Andy Seminick's ninth-inning homer which robbed him of a shutout.

Thomson, who was sidelined with a broken ankle and hit only .232 when he did return to action, put the Braves in front to stay when he homered over the left field roof off starter Herman Wehmeier in the second inning. Thomson also contributed a single in Milwaukee's three-run fourth and now has boosted his batting average from .217 to .277 in the past six weeks.

Along with Thomson's marked improvement at the plate and the recent strong pitching by Buhl, the Braves have started to move back toward the top after having trailed Brooklyn by 15 games less than a month ago. Rookie righthander Larry Jackson of the Cards stopped the Dodgers on four hits in handing them their fifth loss in eight games. Stan Musial, hero of Tuesday's All-Star game, hit his 20th home run off loser Johnny Podres in the second inning and Wally Moon hit his 12th homer with one on off reliever Jim

Hughes in the seventh.

Giants Edge Cubs

The Giants beat Big Bob Rush of the Cubs, 3-2, after he had defeated them three times previously this season. Playing heads-up ball, the Giants stole four bases, two of which figured in their final two runs. Don Mueller's second inning homer gave New York its first run. Rookie Jim King's two-run homer in the sixth produced Chicago's only runs off Ruben Gomez.

Cincinnati collected 21 hits, including five by second baseman Johnny Temple to crush Pittsburgh, 19-1. Little Jackie Collum limited the Pirates to six hits and was backed by an attack that included two homers by Wally Post and one by Smokey Burgess. Frank Thomas homered for Pittsburgh.

Cleveland cut New York's American League lead to four games by beating the Yankees, 5-4, with a two-run rally in the eighth inning and a fine combined relief job by Don Mossi and Ray Narleski, who have not allowed a run in their last 23 2/3 innings of duel pitching. Narleski relieved Mossi in the seventh and gained his fifth victory against no defeats.

Indians Come From Behind

The Indians were forced to come from behind in notching their victory in 13 games with the Yankees after the league leaders had taken a 4-2 lead off Cleveland starter Bob Lemon. Al Rosen's homer off Jim Konstanty tied the score at 4-4 in the eighth and the Tribe added the winning run on singles by Hal Naragon, Narleski and Al Smith. Larry Doby also homered.

The Red Sox divided a twin-night twin-bill with the Tigers, taking the second game, 7-3, after Detroit won the opener, 6-0, on Frank Lary's six-hit pitching. Successive home runs by Ted Williams and Jackie Jensen in the seventh inning of the

nightcap helped rookie George Susce Jr. to his fourth victory.

Chicago climbed to within 4½ games of first place by whipping Washington twice, 13-4 and 5-2. A three-run rally in the eighth inning, featured by Sherm Lollar's homer, gave Dick Donovan his 11th triumph in the nightcap while a seven-run rally in the fourth inning of the opener turned that contest into a rout.

Baltimore won its first double-header of the year, beating Kansas City twice, 10-7 and 6-4. Two homers by Gus Triandos and one by Hal Smith helped the Orioles win the opener while Dave Philley's two-run homer high-lighted a five-run rally in the eighth inning of the finale.

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Crecent City tonight is expected to give the Studs stiff competition. The club is in second place alone in its Redwood loop. Jim Barrett is the probable starting pitcher for the Californians.

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SPORTS

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—ELEVEN

Alexander Hangs Rare Shutout on Padres; Portland Winner 4-3

By PETER HAYES
United Press Sports Writer

San Diego's four closest rivals for the Pacific Coast League pennant are a length closer to the all-too-rare Padre shutout defeat.

Portland's Bob Alexander blanked the Pads on six hits for a 3-0 victory in San Diego last night. It was the first nine-inning shutout defeat hung on the Padres in their 105 games this season. Rookie Lowell Creighton of San Francisco beat San Diego, 1-0, in a seven-inning game July 3.

Alexander yesterday was purchased by Portland from Baltimore of the American League. The big right-hander had been in the season and then recalled "on paper" last week when the Orioles asked waivers on him. He had remained with the Beavers but was ineligible to pitch during the waiver period.

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Drews, Ferrarese (6) Beamon (8), Borland (9) and Neal; Elston (10-4) and Tappe.

Dead line Sunday Classified in at noon Saturday; 10 a.m. Monday for Monday; other days 5:30 previous day.

Herm Lewis Splurges in Bear Victory

By UNITED PRESS

Herman Lewis of Yakima has been belting Northwest League pitching all year and last night he really went on a splurge.

Lewis cracked two homers and a bases-loaded double to drive in eight runs as Yakima trampled Wenatchee 18-5. His first homer came in the fourth with two on and the other in the seventh with one aboard.

Lee Maye of Yakima also homered twice. Dave Hammermeister and Maley Cruss contributed solo homers to the Bears' attack.

Lewiston got three runs in the eighth to take Tri-City 6-4. Eugene Manager Cliff Dapper once again called on the right relief pitcher, this time Sam Williams, as Eugene topped Spokane 4-3 in 12 innings.

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