



HAPPY CHAMP—Doug Ford beams as he grips the winner's cup after beating Cary Middlecoff, four up, for the PGA title at Northville, Mich. At right is Harry Moffitt, PGA president.

# Chicago White Sox Optimistic After Tripping Yanks 7-4

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United Press Sports Writer  
The cocky White Sox gave the Yankees less than 24 hours to get out of first place today and warned them beforehand that they have every intention of moving in themselves.

Marty Marion's optimistic Chicagoans could take over the American league lead by beating the Yankees today and hearing the White Sox talk after beating the league leaders, 7-4, Wednesday, they were all in a mood, "I can feel it in my bones," declared a jubilant Marion, "we are gonna lasso 'em and I think they know it. Tomorrow at this time those American league standings may be scrambled up quite a bit."

White Sox outfielder Bob Nieman, mindful that only three games separate the Yankees, Indians, White Sox and Red Sox, put it this way: "Somebody is going to catch those Yankees soon and it might as well be us. If we stop here to rest, Boston and Cleveland will climb over us before we have a chance to turn around."

The White Sox had a minimum of difficulty cutting the Yankees' lead to a single game and a mere eight percentage points Wednesday. They routed an old nemesis, veteran Ed Lopat, with a three-run burst in the second inning, then hammered three more runs in the fourth. Ex-Yankee Harry Byrd gained his third victory although he needed relief in the eighth when the Yanks picked up their final three runs. Minnie Minoso and Walt Dropo each banged out three hits in Chicago's 13-hit attack.

Like the White Sox, the red-hot Red Sox also put together a pair of three-run clusters to defeat the Indians, 6-2, and climb within three games of the top. Jim Piersall blasted a three-run homer in the fourth inning off Art Houtteman and he drove in his fourth run of the contest in another three-run burst during the fifth inning. Tom Brewer scattered six hits for his eighth triumph as the Red Sox made it 37 wins in their last 48 starts. Vic Wertz homered for Cleveland.

# 'Jacks Bounce Back To Subdue Studs 10-8; Clubs Vie Tonight

Manager Curly Leininger has indicated that Jack Henkel, ex-Eugene high school athlete, will be the starting pitcher tonight for the Coos Bay-North Bend Lumberjacks in the second game of a two-game stand here with the Medford Cheney Studs. Studs' Skipper Jack Cooney was less certain but said his choice could be Jim Kelly. The hassle begins at 8 p.m. at the fairgrounds.

If Medford's Cheney Studs push ahead of the Coos Bay-North Bend Lumberjacks here this evening in a big effort to split a non-league series with the coast area powerhouse, they'll need either a wider margin or better fortune in hanging on to the bulge than they had last night.

The Lumberjacks erased a six-run 2 to 8 deficit with splurges in the sixth and seventh innings last night and collected another pair of counters in the eighth panel to overcome the Studs 10 to 8 at the fairgrounds baseball diamond here.

The loss was Medford's first in seven games. Coos Bay-North Bend jumped to the opportunity when Medford's opening twirler, Marv Scherpf, began to tire. It continued the assault when reliever Jim Kelly couldn't get going on the hill. Second relief tosser Derald Wooton couldn't stem the tide until the damage was done and errors hurt the Medford cause.

Meanwhile, the 'Jacks got a superb relief pitching job from Ward Rockey and they played some spectacular errorless ball behind him to virtually handcuff the Medfordites.

Five In Fifth  
The Studs packed all their runs into two frames. Singles by Jack Cooney and Larry Bigham, a rousing triple to left field by Bob Selsor, a sacrifice by Terry Maddox and a base on balls to Dick Wooton got three runs in the fourth inning.

Ed McCullough, Jack Fassett, Maddox, Dick Wooton and Selsor all socked safeties in the fifth inning. Medford combined those with three 'Jacks misplays and a fielder's option to ring up five markers and that's where the home club gained its six-run lead.

A hit by Roy Nicely, two bases on balls, a sacrifice flyout by Bob Hayes and a fielder's choice got two runs back for the visitors in the sixth frame.

Kelly replaced Scherpf for the start of the seventh inning but he yielded raps to John Kovenz and Jay Ragni and two bases on balls to allow in two runs and put two other eventual

scores on base. Wooton, going to the mound from third base gave a single to Hayes and a twin-baser to Irv Roth for the two more runs which tied up the score.

Winning Runs Cross  
A lone hit by Ray Stratton, two walks, two misplays and a fielder's option let in the winning tallies in the eighth canto. One run crossed after the throw in from the outfield on Stratton's wallop got through McCullough at third base. Stratton went to second on the play and on to third on an overthrow to second base by Catcher Dick Wooton. After Nicely had walked Ragni hit into a force play at second but Stratton crossed the plate.

CB-NB picked up its first run of the evening on an error and a double by Ragni in the second stanza. Jerry Tully was hit by a pitched ball in the fifth inning and Hersey tripled him home.

Medford collected 10 hits in 4 1/3 innings off Jerry Tully but off Rockey in 4 2/3 panels could smash only one. Rockey retired 13 Medford batters in order before Cooney caught him for a three-base clout to right field in the ninth. The 'Jack finisher whiffed five and issued no bases on balls.

In support of Rockey Centerfielder Hayes made a long running over-the-shoulder catch of a deeply hit fly by Jack Fassett. The snag was spectacular here but commonplace to bay fans. Nicely made a high jumping catch of a screaming liner by Cooney.

Cooney Hits 9th Straight  
On the bright side of the picture for Medford was Cooney's three for five hitting. His first two swats of the tussle gave him nine straight hits in nine official trips to the plate in the last three Studs games.

The spell was broken when the manager hit into a potential force play in the fifth inning. All hands were safe on a throwing muff. Cooney's full record for the three games is nine for 13.

Ragni hit three for four for the Lumberjacks last night. Kovenz was credited with four for six and Hersey two for four. Selsor and Bigham were two for four hitters for Medford.

LINESCORE:  
Lumberjacks 10 0 12 4-10 13 4  
Studs 8 0 0 3-8 11 6  
Tully, Rockey (5) and Roth, Scherpf, Kelly (7), Derald Wooton (7) and Dick Wooton.

## Standings

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

W.	L.	Pct.	GB
Seattle	20	.48	393
San Diego	28	.32	567 3/4
Hollywood	33	.24	538 6 1/2
Portland	37	.17	504 10
Los Angeles	37	.17	479 13
Sacramento	32	.26	441 18
Oakland	32	.26	441 18
San Francisco	31	.26	436 18 1/2

Wednesday's Results

Oakland 3, Los Angeles 2 (16 innings)  
Sacramento 4, Seattle 3 (17 innings)  
San Diego 2-2, Portland 1-3  
Hollywood 11, San Francisco 4

How Series Stand

Oakland 3, Los Angeles 0  
San Diego 2, Portland 2  
Hollywood 3, San Francisco 0  
Sacramento 2, Seattle 1

NORTHWEST LEAGUE

W.	L.	Pct.
Lewiston	14	.665
Eugene	15	.625
Tri-City	12	.545
Salem	11	.500
Yakima	10	.455
Spokane	4	.182
Wenatchee	2	.091

Wednesday's Results

Salem 1, Wenatchee 0  
Tri-City 5-0, Eugene 4-2  
Lewiston 8-1, Spokane 2-4

AMERICAN LEAGUE

W.	L.	Pct.	GB
New York	60	.38	612
Chicago	58	.38	604 1
Cleveland	50	.31	592 2
Boston	47	.29	582 3
Detroit	44	.27	574 4
Kansas City	41	.25	566 5
Washington	34	.21	547 26
Baltimore	29	.18	532 30

Wednesday's Results

Boston 6, Cleveland 2  
Chicago 7, New York 4  
K. City 6, Wash. 4 (1st. twilight, 11 innings)  
Detroit 8, Baltimore 4 (1st. twilight)  
Baltimore 8, Detroit 7 (2nd night)

Friday's Games

Chicago at Washington (night)  
Kansas City at New York (night)  
Detroit at Boston (night)  
Cleveland at Baltimore (night)

NATIONAL LEAGUE

W.	L.	Pct.	GB
Brooklyn	67	.32	577
Milwaukee	54	.26	551 12 1/2
New York	52	.25	550 13
Philadelphia	51	.25	500 17 1/2
Chicago	48	.23	473 20
St. Louis	41	.19	463 24
Cincinnati	42	.20	433 24
Pittsburgh	38	.18	380 29 1/2

Wednesday's Results

Chicago 4, New York 2 (1st)  
Chicago 9, New York 2 (2nd)  
Milwaukee 2, Philadelphia 1 (night)  
Cincinnati 4, Brooklyn 3 (10 innings, night)  
St. Louis 6, Pittsburgh 1 (night)

Thursday's Probable Pitchers

Brooklyn at Cincinnati (night)  
Craig (2-0) or Bessent (3-0) vs. Fowler (5-6)  
Pittsburgh at St. Louis (night)  
Friend (7-5) vs. Jackson (5-7)

Friday's Games

Pittsburgh at Cincinnati (night)  
New York at Milwaukee (night)  
Philadelphia at Chicago (night)  
Brooklyn at St. Louis

League Leaders

NATIONAL LEAGUE  
Player & Club G AB R H Pct.  
Snider, Bklyn., .96 347 83 114 .329  
Ashburn, Phil., .91 334 88 118 .333  
Campbell, Bklyn., 73 275 59 90 .327  
Kisicki, Cinc., .96 379 69 120 .317  
Fox, Cinc., .97 385 69 120 .312

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Kaline, Detroit, .97 391 89 139 .355  
Kuenn, Detroit, .83 372 64 121 .325  
Kell, Chicago, .83 374 61 90 .317  
Fox, Chicago, .96 390 61 122 .313  
Power, K. City, .93 371 57 116 .313

Home Runs—Snider, Dodgers 35; Mays, Giants 32; Klipszewski, Redlegs 32; Banks, Cubs 29; Post, Redlegs 25. Runs Batted In—Snider, Dodgers 104; Ennis, Phillies 79; Kaline, Tigers 57; Boone, Tigers 76; Jensen, Red Sox 76. Hits—Kaline, Tigers 89; Snider, Dodgers 85; Mantle, Yankees 81; Smith, Indians 75; Bruton, Braves 74. Pitches—Kaline, Tigers 139; Aaron, Braves 124; Smith, Indians 123; Fox, White Sox 122; Kuenn, Tigers 121; Bruton, Braves 121. Pitching—Newcombe, Dodgers 17-1; Byrne, Yankees 9-2; Loes, Dodgers 3-3; Donovan, White Sox 13-4; Hoelt, Tigers 10-4.

## Driver's Headed By Hunter, Hall

Ashland — Crock Hunter in Class B with 303 and Monty Hall in Class A with 86 are leaders for point honors as another night of hardtop auto racing approaches at Ashland Speedway.

The romp is slated Saturday, July 30, with drivers from northern California as well as southern Oregon. Added money has been put up by Bryant's Shell service, Selby Chevrolet, Ideal markets, Groceria meats, Ken Taylor's 99 wreckers and Tally Ho dining room.

Time trials are set for 7 p.m. with races at 8 p.m. At close of the regular racing season a special race is planned and trophies will go to high point drivers for the two classes of cars.

Point Standings: B Class—1. Crock Hunter (A-15) 303; 2. Wally Cannon (A-7) 229; 3. Joe Ellison (A-24) 162; 4. LeRoy Keeney (A-50) 151; 5. Jim Shippy (P-3) 149.

A Class — 1. Monty Hall (M-3) 86; 2. Bob Wilcox (M-4) 83; 3. Lou Kurz (M-7) 80; 4. Wayne Lemley (A-57) 68; 5. Al Root (M-88) 58.

Northwest Loop Play-Off Slated  
Yakima—(U.P.)—Winners of the first and second halves of the Northwest League's split 1955 baseball season will meet in a playoff series for the league championship. O. E. Babe Hollingberry, president, said today. The playoffs would start about Sept. 8.

Hollingberry said league directors had voted against a four-team playoff. The league president also announced that game attendance for the second half of the season was running 50 per cent above attendance at first-half games.



LANDING SOLID left to chest, Sugar Ray Robinson (left) jolts Rocky Castellani in fight in San Francisco's Cow Palace. Though Robinson, a 2 to 1 underdog, is floored for nine count in sixth round, he gets up to win decision on split verdict. (International)

# MEDFORD TRIBUNE SPORTS

## Shrine Football Tickets on Sale At Barker's Here

Tickets for 50 choice seats in Multnomah stadium for the annual Shrine-sponsored State versus Metropolitan high school all-star football game are now on sale at Barker's Men's store here.

There is considerable Medford interest in this year in the August 20 tangle in Portland. Three members of the 1954 Medford high school grid club will be participants for the state. They are Mike DeVore, center; Paul Eckel, guard, and Alton (Rocky) Stone, halfback.

Fred Spiegelberg, head football coach at Medford high, will be one of the coaches of the state squad. Only one other Southern Oregon Conference school will be represented on the state team. Elvis Mitchell, end on the crew, will represent Klamath Falls.

The teams will begin practice two weeks ahead of the game date.

## Women's Western Am Enters Quarter-Finals

Chicago — (U.P.) — Wiffi Smith and Carol Diringer defied the medalist jinx today as they led the way into the quarterfinals of the 53rd Women's Western Amateur Golf tournament.

Miss Smith, a freckle-faced 18-year-old player from St. Clair, Mich., breezed by Barbara McIntire, Toledo, O., 4 and 3 yesterday while Miss Diringer, 29, Tiffin, O., trimmed Charlene Cross, Winchester, Ky., 5 and 4.

Miss Smith faced Anne Quast, 17, junior champion from Everett, Wash., today. Miss Quast took a 5 and 4 decision over Eileen Stulb, Augusta, Ga. Miss Diringer collided against Mrs. Mae Murray Jones.

BECK REJOINS GIANTS  
Salem, Ore. — (U.P.) — Veteran guard Ray Beck is back with the New York pro football squad today but he probably will not see action for a couple of days. Beck, who is still recovering from a bout with the flu, was a rookie standout for the Giants in 1952 before entering the Army.

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