

SPORTS

TRIBE QUIETS TALK ABOUT NY RUNAWAY

By UNITED PRESS
 Manager Al Lopez professed surprise today that his Cleveland Indians were being credited with preventing the New York Yankees from making a runaway of the American League pennant race.

"I never had the feeling the Yankees were going to make a runaway of the race and I certainly don't have it now," Lopez said Thursday's 7-2 victory that gave the Indians a 2-1 edge in the season's first series between the two top contenders. "Frankly, I can't imagine how all that talk started."

Lopez was more impressed with the fact that the Indians are opening a 13-day home stand against the Kansas City Athletics tonight and pointed out that "We really haven't been home since March 1" due to a quirk in the AL schedule. The Indians have played only four home games so far this season.

Home Looks Good
 "Home's sure going to look good to us all," Lopez said. "We had a tough time starting out because we played so many road games early in the season but we've come through all right and we figure to get better."

The experts began to talk of a runaway race when the Yankees beat the Indians in the series opener to give them a season's record of 14-5 and a 7-1 mark against the Tribe, Chicago White Sox and Boston Red Sox. The talk quieted down a bit when the Indians beat the Yankees, 6-5, Wednesday and it died out completely as the Tribe made it two in a row Thursday.

Instead, the talk was mostly about Bob Lemon, the 35-year-old veteran who pitched his first complete game against the Yankees since Sept. 20, 1954 in defeating them Thursday. Lemon had an 18-10 record last season but pitched only five complete games. He's pitched four so far this season.

No Bad Pitches
 "Bob pitched a really fine

game—he didn't make a bad pitch," Lopez said. "He's a far different pitcher this year than he was last year. He pitched well last year but he couldn't finish his games. But now it looks like he's going to have a wonderful season."

Lemon limited the Yankees to eight hits, including homers by Mickey Mantle and Yogi Berra, walked only two batters and struck out five. The Indians supported him with an eight-hit attack that routed Mickey McDermott in five frames.

The victory left the second-place Indians only two games behind the Yankees, they would have been six behind if the Yankees swept the series and also held the Boston Red Sox and Chicago White Sox close to the field. The White Sox beat the Red Sox, 2-1, on George Kell's homer in the only other major league game played Thursday.

LINESCORES:
 American League
 Chicago 100 000 100-2 8 0
 Boston 100 000 000-1 9 1
 Johnson, Keegan (1) and Lollar, Parnell (1-1) and White. Winner—Keegan (1-0).

Prep Diamonders Hope Weather Permits Fracas
 Medford high diamonders hoped to get their baseball game with Grants Pass in today, either on their own field or at the fairgrounds park.

If more heavy rain fell today or the two fields proved to be too wet, plans were to play the tussle here on Saturday afternoon.

Rain throughout the day yesterday forced postponement until next Tuesday of a game at Grants Pass which had been contemplated.

STANDINGS

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE
 (By United Press)

W.	L.	Pct.	GB
Los Angeles	18 10	.643	
Sacramento	18 10	.615	1
Seattle	18 12	.600	1
San Francisco	16 14	.533	3
San Diego	15 15	.500	4
Portland	13 16	.448	5 1/2
Vancouver	9 20	.310	9 1/2

Thursday's Results
 Los Angeles 8, Seattle 5
 Portland 2, Vancouver 1
 San Francisco 3, San Diego 1

How Series Ended
 Hollywood 1, Sacramento 0
 Seattle 2, Los Angeles 1
 Portland 2, Vancouver 1
 San Diego 3, San Francisco 1

Friday's Probable Pitchers
AMERICAN LEAGUE

W.	L.	Pct.	GB
New York	14 7	.667	
Cleveland	11 7	.610	2 1/2
Boston	10 8	.556	2 1/2
Chicago	7 8	.467	4 1/2
Kansas City	7 10	.412	4 1/2
Washington	6 12	.333	5 1/2
Detroit	6 12	.333	5 1/2

Thursday's Results
 Cleveland 7, New York 2
 Chicago 2, Boston 1
 Detroit at Washington p.p.d., rain.
 (Only games scheduled.)

Friday's Probable Pitchers
 Baltimore at New York (night)—Palca (1-0) vs. Ford (4-0)
 Boston at Washington (night)—DeLoach (0-1) vs. Stobbs (2-1)
 Chicago at Detroit (night)—Harshman (1-1) vs. Hoelt (2-0)
 Kansas City at Cleveland (night)—Kretlow (1-2) vs. Garcia (1-2).

Saturday's Games
 Cleveland at Detroit
 Kansas City at Cleveland
 Baltimore at New York
 Boston at Washington, night

NATIONAL LEAGUE

W.	L.	Pct.	GB
Milwaukee	8 3	.727	
St. Louis	13 6	.684	
Cincinnati	7 8	.469	2 1/2
Brooklyn	9 9	.500	2 1/2
New York	9 10	.474	3
Pittsburgh	8 10	.444	3 1/2
Philadelphia	5 12	.294	6 1/2
Chicago	4 11	.267	6

Thursday's Results
 Brooklyn at Chicago, p.p.d., rain
 St. Louis at Milwaukee p.p.d., rain
 (Only games scheduled.)

Friday's Probable Pitchers
 New York at Brooklyn (night)—Dixon (0-3) vs. Law (1-2)
 Philadelphia at Pittsburgh (night)—Milwaukee at Cincinnati (night)—Burdette (1-1) vs. Klippstein (2-1).
 (Only games scheduled.)

Saturday's Games
 New York at Brooklyn
 Philadelphia at Pittsburgh
 Milwaukee at Cincinnati
 St. Louis at Chicago

NORTHWEST LEAGUE

W.	L.	Pct.
Vakima	7 2	.778
Eugene	6 3	.667
Leviston	6 3	.667
Tri-City	5 4	.556
Salem	5 8	.385
Wenatchee	5 9	.357
Spokane	2 7	.222

Yesterday's Results
 Leviston 12, Tri-City 9
 Wenatchee 7, Salem 1
 Eugene-Spokane postponed, rain

Archeologists recently found at Paestum, Italy, eight vases full of honey in a perfect state of preservation from the year 8000 B.C.

Sam Snead Has Lead in Greenbrier

By FRED FERRIS
 White Sulphur Springs, Va.—(U.P.)—Sammy Snead was out in front in his "private" golf tournament today and, if any rivals are hoping the old Slammer will beat himself, they can stop dreaming now.

Playing his home course in a safe-and-sane manner on every hole, Snead clipped five strokes off par with a 65 in Thursday's opening round to take a one-stroke lead in the Greenbrier Open Golf Tournament—which he has won three times before.

Mike Fetchick of New York settled for second place at 66 when he missed a 12-foot putt on the 18th green that would have given him a tie.

Jack Isaacs of Hampton, Va., was right behind at 67 and then came six players at 69 and then more at 70. After that the invitation blue-ribbon field trailed down to Craig Wood of Mamaroneck, N. Y., in last place at 77.

Down Middle
 Snead played 'em straight down the middle all through the first round and just played for two-putt greens. The strategy paid off, because he never strayed over par and enough of the longer putts dropped to give him five birdies. He got two of those birdies on the last two holes and needed them, because Fetchick was staying at par or better, too. Snead dropped a 20-foot birdie putt on the 18th.

Snead, who had 31 putts in the round, first claimed his putting was "nothing to shout about," and then admitted "Those short ones that don't go in were falling for me." Sammy lamented an approach shot that stopped six inches short of the cup on the 356-yard 14th hole, missing an eagle by that much.

Fetchick wasn't making any extravagant claims after his opening round, just grinning and replying, "I can't complain" to queries about his first round. Tied at 69 were Gil Cavanaugh of Cedarhurst, N. Y., Vic Ghezzi of Inwood, N. Y., Ed Porky Oliver of Wilmington, Del., Skee Riegel of Ithaca, Pa., Henry Cotton of London, and James Farree of Winston-Salem, N. C.

THREE WINNERS
 Camden, N. J.—(U.P.)—Jockey Walter Blum piloted three winners and finished in the money with three other mounts Thursday at Garden State Park.

Oregon Has Favored Role in ND Conflict

Eugene —(U.P.)—Coach Bill Bowerman's Oregon track team, led by miller Jim Bailey, was favored today to win the North-ern Division track and field championship here tomorrow.

The defending champion Ducks are undefeated so far in dual meet competition.

Bailey will run the mile without opposition from Bill Dellinger, his teammate, according to present plans. Dellinger will stick to the two-mile. A large crowd is expected for the mile because of Bailey's sensational 3:58.6 performance in defeating John Landy last week in Los Angeles. The mile race starts at 2 p.m.

Dellinger Eyes Mark
 Dellinger is considered to have a good chance to crack the meet mark in the two mile. It is 9:11.3 set last year by Ken Reiser of Oregon. Dellinger has done a 9:03.1 this season.

Larry Pulford of Washington is given a chance to erase the

League Leaders

(By United Press)
AMERICAN LEAGUE

Player & Club	G.	AB	R.	H.	Pct.
Mantle, N.Y.	21	77	24	34	.442
Boyd, Baltimore	21	44	6	17	.386
Maxwell, Det.	15	53	12	20	.377
Slaughter, K.C.	14	42	9	15	.357
Kell, Chicago	11	42	5	15	.357

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Player & Club	G.	AB	R.	H.	Pct.
Bruton, Milw.	11	37	12	17	.459
Bailey, Cin.	11	44	9	19	.432
Repuski, St. L.	15	45	13	19	.422
Boyer, St. L.	19	72	14	29	.403
Moon, St. L.	19	72	14	28	.389

Home Runs—Mantle, Yankees 11; Berra, Yankees 10; Post, Redlegs 9; Thomas, Pirates 8; Bauer, Yankees 7; Runs Batted In—Mantle, Yanks 25; Berra, Yanks 24; Lemon, Senators 19; Musial, Cardinals 18; Boyer, Cardinals 18.

Runs—Mantle, Yankees 24; Berra, Yankees 19; Bauer, Yankees 18; Yost, Senators 18; Post, Redlegs 18. Hits—Mantle, Yankees 34; Boyer, Cardinals 29; Berra, Yankees 28; Long, Pirates 28; Moon, Cardinals 28; Dark, Giants 28. Pitching—Ford, Yankees 4-0; Lawrence, Redlegs 3-0; Freeman, Redlegs 3-0; Pohlolsky, Cardinals 3-0.

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Skull Fracture Kills Basebatter

Marshalltown, Iowa —(U.P.)—Jack Baker, 14, died Thursday of a skull fracture suffered when he was hit by a thrown ball while trying to steal from third base to home plate in a high school baseball game.

The ball was thrown by the catcher of the Laurel Newburg team in a game with Marshall at Laurel, Iowa, Wednesday.

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