

# Braves Take Over Lead in National; Best Punch Landed by Ted Williams

By MILTON RICHMAN  
United Press Sports Writer  
Milwaukee bounced into first place in the National league today with fists flying and the Yankees literally fought their way to within four games of the American league lead. But Ted Williams got in the best "punch" of all with a record-smashing home run spree.

The Braves moved a half game ahead of the NL pack by beating the Dodgers, 8-5, in a contest that featured a fist fight between Milwaukee's Johnny Logan and Brooklyn's Don Drysdale, while the Yankees defeated the White Sox, 4-3, after both clubs had engaged in a 29-minute free-for-all.

Williams, who didn't have to resort to his fists, became the first American league player ever to hit three home runs in a single game twice in the same season when he led the Red Sox to a 9-3 victory over the Indians. Sawalski, Bruen Homer.

In Thursday's other AL games, Detroit edged Baltimore, 2-1, and rookie Jack Urban pitched Kansas City to a 6-2 victory over Washington in his first major league game.

The Pirates registered their ninth victory in 13 starts by licking the Redlegs, 3-2; the Giants beat the Cubs, 7-4; and the Phils snapped the Cardinals' eight-game winning streak, 8-1, in other N.L. contests.

Reserve catcher Carl Sawalski drove in four runs for Milwaukee with two doubles and a homer in a victory that was credited to Bob Trowbridge. Bill Bruton hit two homers for the Braves and Gino Cimoli connected for Brooklyn.

The fight between Logan and Drysdale erupted in the second inning after the Brooklyn pitcher hit the Milwaukee shortstop in the back with a pitch. First the two players exchanged words, then traded punches as players from both clubs rushed out onto the field.

There was even more action in the Yankees-White Sox game. Urban's debut with Kansas City was a dandy. Called up from the American association last week end, the young right hander allowed only five hits and struck out four. Bob Cerv, Harry Simpson, Doc Lopez and Joe DeMaestri homered for A's.

## Loop Presidents Expected To Crack Down Sternly As Result of Thursday Fights

By FRED DOWN  
United Press Sports Writer  
League president Will Harbridge and Warren Giles are expected today to crack down hard on fist-swinging hot heads in an effort to prevent "rowdyism" on major league baseball fields.

White Sox engaged in a 28-minute free-for-all in Chicago and the Dodgers and Braves staged an impromptu fist fight at Brooklyn's Ebbets field. Only last Sunday the Yankees and Tigers had a near free-for-all in Detroit and two members of the Yankees and White Sox threatened each other Wednesday night after a game won by the White Sox, 7-6.

In all cases, the "duster" touched off the swinging. The "duster" is a pitch thrown near enough to a batter to drive him out of the batters' box but is not designed to hit him. It is a device the pitchers use against almost all long-ball hitters and it is a matter of course for it to be thrown to any batter who follows a teammate who has hit a home run.

Pitcher Art Ditmar of the Yankees and outfielder Larry Doby of the White Sox squared off in Chicago Thursday after a "duster" while pitcher Don Drysdale of the Dodgers and shortstop Johnny Logan of the Braves battled in Brooklyn over a similar pitch.

The game, already beset with congressional attack and franchise-switching troubles, has been smattered with more poor publicity this year than in the last 20 years. The first incident was Ted Williams' blast at the Marine Corps. former President Harry Truman and the late Sen. Robert A. Taft during spring training. That has been followed by the now-famous Copacabana incident involving the world champion Yankees and the assorted free-for-alls.

Doby, Walt Dropp, Enos Slaughter and Billy Martin all were ejected from the Chicago game while both Drysdale and Logan were kicked out of the Brooklyn game.

Friday's probable pitchers: Philadelphia, Bob Alexander, 3-6 at Seattle; Charlie Ruffe, 3-4, at Hollywood; Hugh Pepper, 6-1, at San Diego; Harry Dorish, 7-4, at Sacramento; Rogers Osenbaugh, 3-7, at Los Angeles; Bob Darnell, 4-5, at San Diego; Brockowski, 1-1.

Thursday's Results: Philadelphia 8, Brooklyn 5; New York 7, Chicago 2; Pittsburgh 3, Cincinnati 2; Philadelphia 6, St. Louis 1 (night).

## Yanks May Be Fisticuff Champions

Even if the Yankees and Braves don't win pennants this season, they'll probably wind up as the boxing champions of the major leagues.

Including Thursday's brawl, the Yankees have been involved in four skirmishes this season and the Braves twice have resorted to fisticuffs.

Here in chronological order are baseball's main bouts this season, including the principals involved.

April 28: Bill Skowron, Yankees, vs. Jimmy Piersall, Red Sox. Much shoving and angry words exchanged, but no punches thrown.

## Standings

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	36	24	.600	1 1/2
Vancouver	36	27	.571	3
Hollywood	31	32	.492	8 1/2
Seattle	32	32	.500	7 1/2
Portland	22	34	.393	13 1/2
Sacramento	17	42	.288	20 1/2

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Milwaukee	30	21	.588	
Cincinnati	29	21	.579	1 1/2
Brooklyn	29	22	.569	1 1/2
New York	28	22	.560	1 1/2
Pittsburgh	20	32	.385	10 1/2
Chicago	14	32	.304	13 1/2

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	30	19	.612	
Philadelphia	29	20	.596	1 1/2
St. Louis	28	20	.583	1 1/2
Brooklyn	27	24	.529	4 1/2
Baltimore	23	29	.441	11 1/2
Washington	19	37	.339	17 1/2

## Richmond Gains Four-Game Edge

By UNITED PRESS  
The red-hot Richmond Virginians, taking a cue from the parent New York Yankees, are winning the "big" games in their effort to run away with the International league pennant.

Richmond downed third-place Buffalo, 3-2, in 14 innings Thursday night to increase its lead to four full games over idle Toronto.

Monkeys, with one exception, are found only in regions where furnaces and furs are unnecessary. The exception is a large langur, the "monkey of the snows," found in the cold evergreen forests of the Himalayan foothills.

Among those who have limited recently are a number of guests from Stayton. George F. and Jack Adams, Fred Albus, Eddie Kritzer, Ed Allen and Wayne Schaffer, Ockers have been Stanley C. Masten, Klameath Falls, and K. H. Muehsam, Ray Hall, Greg Small and Bob Harris, Portland.

## Collegiate Trackmen Contending at Austin

By ED FITE  
Austin, Tex. — The 36th annual national collegiate track championships begin tonight with almost as many notables missing from the field as there are contending for the 14 individual titles and the team crown.

Defending champion UCLA and perennial champion Southern California are among a number of schools which will miss the meet because they are under NCAA probation of one sort or another.

May 15: Yankee brawl at the Copacabana. Hank Bauer allegedly flattened a delicatessen owner.

May 27: Johnny Logan, Braves, vs. Hal Jeffcoat, Redlegs. Both players were ejected for fighting. Ed Mathews, Braves, was spiked during battle.

## Williams Leader in All-Star Poll

New York — Ted Williams of the Boston Red Sox, although unpopular in some baseball circles because of his popoffs and antics, was the No. 1 choice of the fans today in the first cumulative vote totals for the 1957 major league All-Star game.

Commissioner Ford C. Frick's statisticians announced that Williams has attracted a total of 15,255 votes for the left field berth on the American league team, Mickey Mantle of the New York Yankees, with 14,755 votes for center field, was runner-up.

San Musial of the St. Louis Cardinals led the early National league voting announced Thursday. Musial's total was 12,485 votes.

Fans throughout the nation are voting for the eight starting positions on each league All-Star team. Newspapers and radio and television stations are collecting the ballots and forwarding them to Frick's office for tabulation. Voting closes midnight June 27.

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# SPORTS

## Reports Made On Diamond Lake Trout Angling

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Fishermen from Los Angeles at the lake were John Campbell and Sy Tweedie. Campbell said that fishing was improving with trolling good and fish responding also to flies.

### Four Catch 32

The Bill Pedgetts Sr. and Jr., Medford, and Stephen Malones Sr. and Jr., San Jose, Calif., recently took 32 trout among them. A Portland family reportedly has had some good luck with a four-year-old youngster taking probably the largest trout for the lake this season. It measured 23 1/2 inches. Charles E. Gould, Medford, landed a four-pounder.

R. W. Downing, Lebanon, and F. W. Fehrman, Pendleton, caught 16 fish between them with Downing using a No. 5 green flatfish.

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