

Miracle Finish Now Required To Catch Braves in National

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The National League's chances of heading off Milwaukee's pennant express rested today on the forlorn hope that one of the Braves' bedraggled pursuers can catch the 1951 Giants' "miracle finish."

The Braves just about completed "operation wrapup" Thursday night when they crushed the Cincinnati Reds, 8-1, to run their winning streak to 10 games and their first-place lead to 8½. Hank Aaron drove in five runs with his 33rd and 34th homers and Warren Spahn spun an eight-hitter as the Braves whipped the Reds for the 14th time in 16 meetings.

That 8½-game lead with only 41 games to play places the Braves in almost exactly the same position as were the 1951 Brooklyn Dodgers. The Dodgers led by nine games with 41 to play that year only to have the Giants win 30 of their last 36 games and then win the resulting playoff on Bobby Thomson's famous home run.

Contenders Collapsing
The major difference in the corresponding positions of the '57 Braves and '51 Dodgers is that the "miracle Giants" had already begun to make their move while all the current "contenders" are in a state of virtual collapse. The St. Louis Cardinals have lost 9 in a row, the Dodgers have dropped 7 of their last 10,

Williams Gains Five on Mantle

Washington — Ted Williams gained five big points on Mickey Mantle in their "man-to-man" three-day duel in Boston and will carry a 393 average into tonight's game with the Washington Senators.

The Boston Red Sox slugger hit a double and a single in three official tries yesterday to give him five hits in eight trips, a .625 mark for the series with the Yankees. Mantle, meanwhile, went hitless in two trips yesterday and walked three times.

League Leaders

By UNITED PRESS									
NATIONAL LEAGUE									
Player	Team	G	AB	R	H	E	Pct.	Runs	Score
Aaron	Braves	110	449	91	130	334			
Player	Team	G	AB	R	H	E	Pct.	Runs	Score
Musial	Braves	112	436	67	145	333			
Mays	Braves	114	436	67	145	333			
Groat	Pg.	86	347	41	114	329			
Robinson	Cin.	109	443	77	145	327			

AMERICAN LEAGUE									
Player	Team	G	AB	R	H	E	Pct.	Runs	Score
Williams	Braves	107	354	79	139	393			
Mantle	N. Y.	113	376	101	143	393			
Boyd	Balt.	107	382	57	116	320			
Woodie	Cle.	98	308	53	98	315			
Fox	Chi.	113	445	77	141	317			

Home Runs									
Player	Team	G	AB	R	H	E	Pct.	Runs	Score
Snider	Dodgers	29	Crowe	28	Musial	23	Mays	26	Musial
Cardinals	25	Banks	Cubs	25	American League	— Mantle, Yankees	32	Williams	Red Sox
Senators	30	Wertz	Indians	20	Colavito	Indians	20	Zernial	Athletics

Runs Batted In									
Player	Team	G	AB	R	H	E	Pct.	Runs	Score
National League	— Aaron, Braves	93	Musial	88	Crowe	Red Sox	77	Mays	74
Dodgers	77	Sanford	Phil	15-4	Grims	Yankees	10-3	Turley	Yankee

Thursday's Results									
San Francisco	13	Portland	6	Hollywood	3	Vancouver	1	Los Angeles	3
San Diego	2	Seattle	2	Sacramento	0	San Francisco	13	Portland	6

NATIONAL LEAGUE									
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB	Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Milwaukee	71	42	.628		St. Louis	50	53	.488	8½
Brooklyn	68	44	.607		Cincinnati	61	52	.539	8½
Philadelphia	59	53	.527	11½	New York	52	63	.452	20
Chicago	42	69	.378	29½	Pittsburgh	41	71	.366	29½

Thursday's Results									
New York	9	Brooklyn	4	Chicago	4	St. Louis	1	Milwaukee	8
Cincinnati	1	(Only games scheduled)							

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

AMERICAN LEAGUE									
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB	Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	74	39	.655		Chicago	40	67	.515	5½
Boston	61	52	.540	13	Baltimore	55	58	.487	18
Detroit	55	58	.487	18	Cleveland	54	60	.474	20½
Kansas City	43	71	.377	31½	Washington	42	72	.366	32½

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

NORTHWEST LEAGUE									
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB	Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Wenatchee	32	13	.681		Eugene	26	21	.556	4
Salem	26	21	.556	4	Yakima	20	25	.444	11
Lewiston	19	29	.396	13½	Tri-City	15	31	.326	16½

Thursday's Results									
Tri-City	4	Wenatchee	3	Yakima	3	Salem	2	Eugene	3
Lewiston	12	Eugene	7	(2nd game)					

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE									
Buffalo	9	Richmond	3	Toronto	3	Havana	3	Montreal	6
Miami	5	Columbus	3	Rochester	1				

The Redlegs have lost 8 of their last 12 and the Philadelphia Phillies 10 of their last 13.

Aaron, who had hit only .271 in the previous 15 games with the Redlegs, sent the Braves off winging with a three-run homer off Hal Jeffcoat in the first inning and then blasted a two-run homer off Don Gross in the seventh. Aaron, shooting for the NL's first triple crown since 1937, now leads the majors with 34 homers and 91 runs batted in and holds a one-point lead over Stan Musial, 334 to 333, in the league batting race.

Spain, beating the Redlegs for the fifth straight time this season and the 4th time in his career yielded an unearned run in the second inning on Don Hoak's double, an error by Aaron and Johnny Temple's single. Ed Mathews and rookie Bob Hazle also homered for the Braves, who have scored Cincinnati pitching for a 304-team batting average in the 16 games.

Cards Keep Loosing
Moe Drabowsky pitched a six-hitter for the Chicago Cubs, whose 4-1 victory extended the Cardinals' losing streak to their longest since 1947. Dale Long and Chuck Tanner homered before Drabowsky, who struck out seven while notching his ninth win. Sam Jones was tagged with his seventh defeat and his third during the Cardinals' losing skid.

Light-hitting catcher Valmy Thomas knocked in four runs with a homer and triple to lead the Giants to a 9-4 conquest of the Dodgers. Ramon Montant received credit for his first win although Red Worthington held the Dodgers hitless over the last three innings. Don Drysdale suffered his 7th loss compared to 10 victories. Philadelphia and Pittsburgh were not scheduled.

The New York Yankees regained a 5½-game lead in the American league when they beat the Boston Red Sox, 6-3, and the Cleveland Indians defeated the Chicago White Sox, 5-4. The Kansas City Athletics downed the Detroit Tigers, 7-2, in the other game.

McDougal's two-run eighth-inning homer was the big blow for the Yankees as Bob Turley won his 10th game with relief aid from Bob Grim. Ted Williams had two of the Red Sox' nine hits to raise his average to .393 while Mantle went hitless in two tries and dropped to .380.

Chico Fernandez' grand-slam homer in the sixth inning enabled the Indians to snap their six-game losing streak and Chicago's three-game winning skid. Don Mossi went all the way to win his ninth game while Jack Harshman suffered his seventh defeat.

Billy Hunter had a single, double and triple and Billy Martin and Woody Held each homered to spark an 11-hit Kansas City attack that tagged 14-game winner Jim Bunning with his fifth loss. Johnny Groh and Harvey Kuenn each had two hits for Detroit.

Australian Pursuit Race
On Saturday Hardtop Slate
An Australian pursuit race will be the added attraction Saturday night when hardtop auto races resume at Valley View track two miles this side of Ashland.

In the race the faster cars will start at the rear. When a car is passed it is out of the race.

The regular program of racing is also slated with the usual heats, trophy dashes, main and semi-main. Time trials are at 7 p.m. with the first race at 8 p.m.

At least three cars are expected from Klamath Falls. Lemley Leads
Wayne Lemley A-57, continues to lead the chase for the point championship of the 1957 season. His count is up 337. Crook Hunter 15-X, still is second with 307 and Asher, C-1, has 260. Bob McGilvray, C-50, and Bob Wilcox, M-3, are knotted for fourth with 233 apiece.

Others in the top 12 are Lou Kurz, M-7, with 210, Bob Jenkins, M-4, with 207, Elmer Sismore, M-43, with 204; Wally Cannon, A-20, and John Jones, M-5, each with 187, Lee Davis, M-14, with 138, and Jack Keck, M-44, with 127. It is Keck's

first time in the top 12 this season.

Plans for a destruction race have been delayed until enough cars are rounded up. It may be staged next week end.

Pal Recalls Days With Babe Ruth
Philadelphia — Sentimental old Benny Bengough turned the clock back 30 years today to reminisce about his bygone buddy, Babe Ruth, on the ninth anniversary of the Babe's death.

Bennie, now a coach with the Philadelphia Phillies, was one of Ruth's closest baseball pals. They never roomed together but the Babe and Bengough were inseparable on and off the field.

"I used to warm up the Babe before each game," Bengough recalls. "As soon as the players started to throw to one another on the sidelines, he'd bellow, 'Where's Barney Google?' That was his nickname for me."

"You know we rarely called him Babe. Our favorite nickname for the guy was 'Jidge.' I don't know why we decided on this but it stuck with the Babe for the eight years I spent with the Yankees from 1923 to 1930. Great Clubhouse Joker."

"The guy was a great joker in the clubhouse but dead serious on the field. I recall the day he spit tobacco juice all over and in Wilkey Moore's undersocks. But the next day, he showed up with a dozen undersocks which he had bought for Moore."

"Then Babe would wait until players taped their pants legs to their stockings and as they turned their backs to him, preparing to pull up their pants, the Babe would cut off the back part of the tape with scissors."

"The big guy had a heart of gold. When the Yanks played at the Polo Grounds, they used to give a pair of shoes to everyone who hit a homer. Well, Babe would take the shoes and we'd deliver them to orphanages."

"I also recall many visits we made together to hospitals to see crippled and ailing kids. We would get to a town and pretty soon the phone would ring in my room and the Babe would say, 'Let's go, Barney. I have a call or two to make.' So off we would go with an autographed baseball, a glove, a bat or some gift to a hospitalized kid."

Pitched Exhibition Games
"My greatest thrill in those years with the Yanks was being Babe's battery mate. Yeah, I caught him in the exhibition games he used to pitch against Boston when we went there to play the Braves."

"Perhaps the funniest incident of all was the year Babe fell into a batting slump. He was a superstitious guy and a joker like I said. He decided to put Jimmy Reese in a locker and keep him there until the club was ready to go onto the field."

"The first time Babe did this, he got two hits. So it became a ritual with him to lock Reese in the locker daily. Well, one day we went on the field and along about the fifth or sixth inning, Miller Huggins looked around for Reese to pinch-hit. But Jimmy wasn't to be found. The Babe had forgot to unlock the locker."

"Yeah, ole Jidge was quite a guy. He had a great sense of humor. He was the butt of some jokes but almost always he held the upper hand. He was sincere and a terrific competitor. He was always giving the rookies words of advice. He liked kids."

SPORTS

Upper Rogue Fish Report Challenged

Reports that fishing is not good on the upper Rogue river have been challenged by a number of resident along the stream.

Fish are being taken from the river, it was asserted. Some nice steelhead have been landed and limit catches of good sized trout have been reported.

Good catches have been made on flies.

Will Mays Only Attraction at NY Polo Grounds

New York — Willie Mays says he'll "follow the crowd" to San Francisco but it's obvious his heart still lies in the Polo Grounds, where he is the only attraction pulling in the last remaining die-hards today.

"I'll miss this place," said the Giant center fielder, gesturing toward the familiar Polo Grounds' landscape. "I'll miss it more'n anybody knows. The fans have been great to me here. I feel like this is my home and these are all my friends."

"But I go where the team goes. If it's San Francisco, that's it. I've been there a couple' times. Exhibition games, you know. It seemed okay to me. Struck me as a real big city, with a lot of people, just like this one."

Only 7,587 fans turned out to watch the Giants beat the Dodgers, 9-4, Thursday, and there was little doubt from their pre-game comments that a substantial number of them plunked down the admission price merely to see Mays.

Althea Faces Girls Champ

Manchester, Mass. — Wimbledon Champion Althea Gibson met young Mimi Arnold of Redwood City, Calif., today in the second half of the quarterfinals of the Essex County club's 30th Women's Invitational Tennis tournament.

The 17-year-old Miss Arnold, who is national girls champion, moved into today's match with a hard fought victory over veteran Margaret Varner of El Paso, Tex., Wednesday.

Miss Gibson has had little trouble thus far in the tournament, winning both previous matches in two sets. She has lost only six of 30 games.

In the other match today third seeded Dorothy Knode of Forest Hills, N. Y., faced Shirley Bloomer of Great Britain, the top-seeded foreign entry.

Second-seeded Louise Brough of Beverly Hills, Calif., defeated Janet Hopps of Seattle, Wash., 6-3, 6-2, to move into the semifinals of the tournament Thursday.

Beaverton Beats Drain

Portland — Drain suffered its first defeat in the state AABC tournament Thursday night, dropping a 5-3 decision to Showboat of Beaverton. This leaves Showboat and Archer Blower & Pipe the only unbeaten teams in the double-elimination tournament.

Chain Saw Gains Knot For Second

M and W Chain Saw regained a second place knot in the Jackson County Softball association last night by defeating National Guard 4 to 3 at Camp White.

Twenty-Three club nipped Morse Motors 17 to 16 in a wide open game which put Morse back into the cellar.

Chain Sawmen overcame an 0 to 3 deficit with all their markers in the sixth inning. Owen Bristlin, Larry Sessler and Dick Meister socked singles in the frame. Lou Schell tripled and scored on Willard Barnum's sacrifice flyout.

Morse, trailing 7 to 13, scored eight runs in the sixth to go in front 15 to 13. However, 20-30 got four counters in the seventh inning to one by Morse.

SHORT SCORES:			
M-W Chain Saw	Nat'l Guard	Morse Motors	Barnum
4	3	17	16
5	3	16	12
3	4	16	12
0	0	16	12

20-30 Club			
Morse Motors	Romine and Reeves	Morgan and Smith	
17	11	4	
16	12	4	

All-Comer Track Meet Saturday

Portland — Another all-comers track and field meet will be held here on Saturday, Aug. 17. Location is the Jefferson high track. Junior and girls events will begin at 3 p.m. and high school and open divisions at 8 p.m.

The meet is sponsored by the Portland Track and Field club and has AAU sanction. Bill Sorsby and Doug Basham are directors.

VFW Rifle Shoot To Be on Sunday

CFW Rifle and Pistol club of Medford will have its last regular big bore rifle shoot of the season Sunday, Aug. 18, at the Camp White range.

The range will open at 6:30 a.m. and members are asked to be on hand early since targets may have to be pasted.

Club policy of accepting new members at the range is still in force. Information on the club may be obtained by telephoning Secretary William O. Burnette (SP 2-8421).

Detroit — Amid the recent heavy rains, the Tyre drive-in theater displayed the current movie: "Many Rivers to Cross."

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—ELEVEN

September 18 Deadline for Elk Applications

Portland — At this time of year it is a difficult job to get nimrods thinking about the hunting seasons to come. Warm, balmy summer days seem to hold the hunter's enthusiasm dormant. With most hunters it takes a few frosty nights and nippy mornings before the hunting urge can be generated. But once the autumn air turns crisp it's time for action, and hunters are then hard to hold.

A word of warning though. The hunting seasons are creeping up. Hunters who don't want to get caught short had better shake off that summer lethargy, especially if they want to participate in the special and controlled hunts.

There are lots of shoots to choose from, 12 for elk and eight for deer. There is no extra fee for the elk hunts except an applicant must have a general elk tag. A \$5 fee is charged for all of the special deer hunts, which could provide a bonus deer for those participating. In other words, a hunter may take a deer on his regular deer tag and an additional one on the \$5 tag. That is, he can if he's lucky.

Deadline for submitting elk applications is Sept. 18 at 5 p.m. These applications must be in the game commission's Portland office on that date. This means that upstate hunters must submit applications several days in advance of this date in order for them to reach Portland by the closing date. Closing date for deer applications has been set for 5 p.m. on Sept. 10.

A total of 2000 permits will be issued for the 12 unit elk hunts which will allow the holder to take an animal of either sex from the area for which he holds a permit. Deer hunters will have a chance to draw for 4,300 tags in the eight controlled deer areas. In five of the areas antlerless deer must be taken, while in the other three a deer of either sex is allowed.

Dairy Maids Play Ashland Team

Camp White — Rogue Valley Dairy Maids will meet an Ashland YMCA men's team this evening at Memorial field here. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

The Maids were recent participants in the women's state softball tourney at Eugene. They won the sportsmanship award and Shortstop Bernice Bigham was named to the all-state team as a utility infield