

# Braves Top Bums 2 to 1; Yanks, Sox Meet for Two

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There was a familiar folding sound in Milwaukee today but this time it was the beaten Dodgers, who were merely folding their tents and getting ready to go home.

Quickly dispelling any notions of a collapse such as they experienced last year, the Braves beat Brooklyn, 2-1, Thursday night to take a five-game lead in the National League race and all but knock the Dodgers out of it.

Milwaukee, with 15 games remaining, now needs only 11 more victories to clinch the pennant. Brooklyn, eight games back, is just about ready to trot out the old slogan, "Wait until next year."

The second-place Cardinals are five games off the pace and even though manager Fred Hutchinson hopefully keeps talking up his club's chances, they are anything but bright.

**Get Only Four Hits**

The Braves collected only four hits off southpaw Danny McDevitt Thursday night but they used two of them in the ninth inning to score the winning run.

The Pittsburgh-Chicago doubleheader, only other NL action scheduled, was postponed because of rain.

In the American League, the White Sox downed the Red Sox, 7-1, cutting the Yankees' lead to five games and setting the stage for their final "showdown series" with the Bronx Bombers.

Al Lopez' Chicago hopefuls meet the Yanks for the last time this season in a two-game series that will start today with southpaw Billy Pierce (19-10) of the White Sox facing left-hander Whitey Ford (9-4).

## STANDINGS

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AMERICAN LEAGUE	W.	L.	Pct.	GB
New York	88	52	.629	5
Chicago	82	56	.594	5
Boston	75	64	.540	12 1/2
Detroit	72	67	.518	15 1/2
Cleveland	67	71	.486	20
Baltimore	66	72	.478	21
Kansas City	52	85	.380	34 1/2
Washington	52	87	.374	35 1/2

**Thursday's Results**  
Chicago 7, Boston 1  
Detroit 8, Washington 5 (night)  
Kansas City at Baltimore, night, p.p.d.  
Only games scheduled.

**Friday's Probable Pitchers**  
Chicago at New York—Pierce (19-10) vs. Ford (9-4)  
Kansas City at Washington, night—Urban (5-3) or Kellner (6-5) vs. Kemmerer (7-10)  
Detroit at Baltimore, night—Foytack (13-10) vs. Johnson (13-9)  
Cleveland at Boston, night—Garcia (10-8) vs. Sisler (7-8)

**Saturday's Games**  
Kansas City at Washington  
Detroit at Baltimore  
Chicago at New York  
Cleveland at Boston

NATIONAL LEAGUE	W.	L.	Pct.	GB
Milwaukee	83	54	.604	8
St. Louis	80	59	.576	8
Brooklyn	78	63	.553	8
Cincinnati	71	68	.511	14
Philadelphia	70	71	.498	18
New York	67	75	.472	19 1/2
Pittsburgh	53	85	.383	30 1/2
Chicago	53	84	.387	31

**Thursday's Results**  
Milwaukee 2, Brooklyn 1 (night)  
Pittsburgh at Chicago 2, p.p.d., rain  
Only games scheduled.

**Friday's Probable Pitchers**  
Pittsburgh at Chicago (2)—Friend (11-17) and G. Smith (1-3) vs. Elston (3-6) and Hillman (5-11)  
Philadelphia at Cincinnati, night—Santford (17-8) vs. Nuxhall (9-10)  
Brooklyn at Milwaukee, night—Drysdale (14-9) vs. Conley (8-8)  
New York at St. Louis, night—Gomez (14-12) vs. Jackson (14-8)

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

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE	W.	L.	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	99	65	.604	3
Vancouver	96	68	.585	3
Hollywood	91	73	.555	8
Seattle	85	79	.518	14
San Diego	83	79	.518	14
Los Angeles	80	84	.488	19
Sacramento	61	103	.372	38
Portland	59	105	.360	40

**Thursday's Results**  
Los Angeles 3, San Francisco 2  
Portland 8, Vancouver 4  
Sacramento 6, San Diego 3  
Hollywood 20, Seattle 2

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

**Friday's Probable Pitchers**  
San Diego (Bill Werle, 8-8) at Los Angeles (John Janicek, 9-11)  
Sacramento (Earl Harriet, 5-12) at San Francisco (Bob Chakailes, 5-2) or R. W. Smith (12-10)  
Seattle (Gene Hayden, 3-6) at Vancouver (Mel Held, 10-8)  
Hollywood (Huch Pepper, 5-8) at Portland (Vern Kindsfater, 0-1)

## League Leaders

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AMERICAN LEAGUE	Player & Club	G.	AB	R.	H.	Pct.
	Williams, Bos.	121	402	87	151	.374
	Mantle, N. Y.	133	447	71	165	.369
	Fox, Chi.	139	531	99	176	.319
	Woodling, Cle.	121	386	69	141	.311
	Boyd, Bal.	132	434	67	141	.311

NATIONAL LEAGUE	Player & Club	G.	AB	R.	H.	Pct.
	Musial, St. L.	123	470	75	160	.340
	Mays, N. Y.	140	536	103	178	.332
	Robinson, Cin.	135	554	90	181	.327
	Great, Phn.	113	434	56	132	.319
	Fondy, Phn.	101	366	45	117	.322

**Home Runs**  
American League—Slevers, Senators 26; Mantle, Yanks 24; Williams, Red Sox 23; Colavito, Indians 23; Wertz, Indians 23; Maxwell, Tigers 23.  
National League—Aaron, Braves 40; Banks, Cubs 37; Snider, Dodgers 37; Mays, Giants 32; Mathews, Braves 31.

**Runs Batted In**  
American League—Slevers, Senators 102; Jensen, Red Sox 94; Mantle, Yanks 91; Minoso, White Sox 90; Skowron, Yanks 86.  
National League—Aaron, Braves 120; Musial, Cards 87; Ennis, Cards 94; Banks, Cubs 92; Hodges, Dodgers 92; Mays, Giants 92.

**Pitching**  
Donovan, White Sox 15-5; Sanford, Phils 17-5; Buhl, Braves 16-6; Buning, Tigers 18-7; Sturdivant, Yanks 14-6.

Right-hander Jim Wilson became the first American Leaguer to beat Boston five times this season when he scattered nine hits in gaining his 14th victory Thursday for the White Sox. Nellie Fox led Chicago's 14-hit attack with three hits while Sherm Lollar drove in three runs. Luis Aparicio homered off loser Frank Sullivan.

Detroit cashed in on errors by Herb Plews and Neil Chrissy for six unearned runs and an 8-5 victory over Washington. Senator starter Chuck Stobbs was the victim of both miscues as he suffered his 19th defeat. Ray Boone and Frank Bolling homered for Detroit to help Duke Maas to his 10th win.

Rain cancelled the only other game scheduled between Baltimore and Kansas City.

## Dodgers Hiding Diamond On Silversox Farm Club

By HAL WOOD  
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San Francisco — Out among the roulette wheels and crap tables in Reno, the Brooklyn Dodgers are hiding a potential diamond in the rough by the name of Fran Boniar.

Boniar, a 23-year-old outfielder with the Reno Silversox, hit a resounding .436 in the good Class C California League during the past season and now, say his backers, is ready for a big step up in class.

It is probable that the Dodgers will give the kid a whirl with their Montreal farm club in 1953—or if they decide not to bring him up, scouts from the other clubs are ready to pounce on Fran in a moment. He has been playing in the minors three years and is subject to the draft.

"This boy is a good hitter and he can run like the dickens," says Charley Wallgren, scout for the Boston Red Sox. "He'll hit in the better leagues, too. He's ready to step up."

**Second Trip**

This isn't the first time that Boniar has hit in the 400 circle. Back in 1955, when he was first breaking into organized baseball, he hit .435 while playing for Hornell, N.Y., in the Pony League.

In 1956 the young man from Uniontown, Pa., was given a shot at advancement when he was with Wichita Falls (.287) in the Western League and Cedar Rapids (.266) in the Three-I League.

But Fran was having back trouble that year and shortly after this season started he was still having the same trouble and was sent to Reno to see if he could hit in another Class C loop. The first stop he made was a visit to a chiropractor. The gentleman snapped some bones together in Boniar's back—and then he went on the dankest hit bingle on record.

On Aug. 1, he was hitting



**ARCHER GETS BIG BUCK**—A. R. Dubs, 1901 Stratford way, is shown with the big mule deer he shot with bow and arrow at Hart mountain. Most interesting about the animal was the 34 1/2-inch spread of its antlers. It weighed 200 pounds, Dubs reported, and was one of the largest taken during the four day season. It was one of 28 killed by 438 archers who entered the area. Dubs shot the four-point buck through the back from about 45 yards. He and his wife and Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Barnes, 1817 Oregon ave., formed the hunting party.

## MEDFORD TRIBUNE SPORTS

"only" 401. During the last month he clouted the ball at better than a .500 clip to boost his average to .436.

"Tony Robello, scout for the New York Yankees, isn't as high on Boniar as some of the other ivory hunters.

**Thrives on Mistakes**

"I think Boniar is a good low-er classification ball player," says Robello. "But he is an outside hitter. He can't pull the ball. He feasts off the mistakes some of the young pitchers in a Class C League make. However, he might fool a lot of us."

President Eddie Mulligan of the California League is sold on the youngster.

"He is a good baseball player," says Eddie. "He can run, throw and hit. What more can you ask?"

In addition to his great hitting mark, Boniar also led the league in runs-batted-in with 138. He had 11 homers, 15 triples and 33 doubles.

No matter what the critics think of Boniar, none of them can laugh off the fact that he has been the top hitter in all baseball for two of the three seasons he has played.

In fact, Bill Weiss, baseball statistician, points out that the .436 mark this year was the fourth highest record ever compiled in the history of baseball.

P.S.: His .435 also is fifth highest!

## Sport Parade

By OSCAR FRALEY  
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Brookline, Mass. — If you have a toothache and you live in Pomona, Calif., be a patient patient just a bit longer.

Dr. Frank Bud Taylor is about through with the golfing wars and he'll be home soon—to stay.

Taylor, a 40-year-old molar mender, is the old war-horse survivor who meet today in the semi-finals of the U.S. Amateur golf championship. The other three are comparative kids.

And Dr. Bud has just about "had it."

Tournament golf, he insisted as he went wearily out for a 36-hole bout with 23-year-old Mason Rudolph of Clarksville, Tenn., is just too much work.

"I've been playing serious golf for about five years because I wanted to play in the Masters, the Open, the Amateur and make the Walker Cup team," he explained. "I've done all those things and, in the process, almost lost my love for golf and neglected my dental practice."

**Too Much Work**

"This kind of golf," he added "requires constant practice. It's just too much work and I don't intend to keep at it. From now on, my golf is strictly for laughs."

Taylor is on the edge of exhaustion because of the nervous and physical energy consumed by six rounds in four days to reach the semi-finals. So after this one the 145-pound former Southern California shortstop is going back to casual golf and give himself time for the duck and pheasant hunting and the skeet shooting he has ignored "too long."

But the slender Californian,



ters this year only two players broke 70 on the final round; winner Doug Ford with a 66 and Taylor with a 69.

So, while bone-tired, his hopes are high that he will be able to beat Rudolph and then in the finals take on the winner of the match between 25-year-old Hillman Robbins of Memphis and 21-year-old Rex Baxter of Amarillo. After that, he and his wife, Shirley, will head for home to stay.

"She's been patient," Taylor laughed, "and so have my patients. We're all aching for me to get home."

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