

Johnny Podres Hurls Dodgers To Fourth Straight Victory

By MILTON RICHMAN
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Leave it to a carload of left-handers like Johnny Podres, Mike McCormick and Bill Henry to cause a three-way traffic jam that now has the National league race all marred up.

These three southpaws have produced a real fender-bender up front where the league-leading San Francisco Giants, second-place Los Angeles Dodgers and third-place Cincinnati Reds find themselves bumper to bumper only 1 1/2 games apart.

Let's take Podres first because he looks like the ring-leader with a 5-0 record. Fourth Straight Victory

He pitched the Dodgers to their fourth straight victory Wednesday night with a five-hitter that beat the Philadelphia Phillies, 8-0. Ron Fairly also helped send the Phils down to their ninth straight defeat by driving in four runs with a homer and a triple.

McCormick did his share, too. He pitched a three-hitter for San Francisco, struck out 10 and rapped loser Bob Friend for a two-run single in a 3-0 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates. McCormick, now 3-1, thus kept the Giants a game in front of the menacing Dodgers.

Unlike Podres and McCormick, Henry wasn't the winning pitcher in Cincinnati's 3-2 decision over St. Louis, but he certainly nailed down the Reds' ninth straight victory in style by entering the game in the ninth inning and striking out the side.

Joey Jay Wins
The victory went to right-hander Joey Jay, who yielded all six of the Cardinals' hits during the seven innings he worked. Marshall Bridges held the Cards hitless in the eighth and then Henry did his bit in the ninth. Vada Pinson hit a two-run homer off loser Curt Simmons and Chico Cardenas singled home the decisive run in the third inning.

Milwaukee capitalized on Don Zimmer's ninth inning error with the bases full to hand Chicago its sixth straight

loss, 3-2. Lew Burdette pitched a four-hitter for his second victory while Don Elston suffered his first loss after four wins. Shortstop Roy McMillan committed three errors but also collected three of the Braves' eight hits, including a home run.

The Detroit Tigers stayed three games ahead in the American league with a 7-1 triumph over the Washington Senators, and the second-place New York Yankees defeated the Kansas City Athletics, 9-4. Cleveland climbed into a third place tie with an 8-2 win over Chicago in 11 innings; Boston downed Los Angeles, 3-2, and Minnesota beat Baltimore 10-6.

Pitches Five-Hitter
Jim Bunning led the Tigers to their 18th victory in 24 games with a five-hitter against the Senators. Loser Ed Hobaugh was routed in the second inning when Detroit clinched the outcome with a four-run rally. Bunning struck out seven in bringing his record to 2-2.

The Yankees hammered loser Bud Daley and two relievers for five runs in the eighth inning to break a 4-4 tie with the A's. Tex Clevenger 3-1 picked up his first victory for the Yankees, who obtained him from the Angels on Monday. He relieved Ralph Terry in the sixth and yielded one hit the rest of the way. Elston Howard and

Morris Signs Viking Contract
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Two former Oregon college football players signed contracts with professional grid teams Wednesday.

Jack Morris, ex-University of Oregon star, inked a pact with the new Minnesota Vikings of the National Football league and Dainard Paulson, former Oregon State ace, signed a contract with the New York Titans of the American Football league.

Both players are defensive halfbacks. Morris was traded to Minnesota from the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Bill Skowron each collected three hits. Norm Siebern homered for Kansas City. Home runs by Chuck Essegian and Bubba Phillips featured a six-run rally in the 11th inning that gave the Indians their victory over the staggering White Sox. Vic Power and Roy Sievers also hit homers earlier in the game. Gary Bell went the distance for the Tribe, gave up seven hits and won his first game after four losses. Reliever Frank Baumann was the loser.

Weird Game
The game between the Red Sox and Angels was a weird one. Boston won it with a three-run rally in the sixth that was highlighted by Carl Yastrzemski's two-run homer off loser Ron Moeller. But the three Los Angeles pitchers struck out a total of 17 batters—Moeller nine, Tom Morgan three and Ryne Duran, making his first appearance since coming from the Yankees, five. Tom Brewer 3-2 was the winner.

Minnesota jumped on Baltimore starter Dick Hall and reliever Wes Stock for nine runs in the second inning. Home runs by Billy Gardner, Zolfo Versailles and Harmon Killebrew contributed to the big inning which enabled Jack Kralick to win his third game. Jerry Adair hit two homers for the Orioles.

LINESCORES:
American League
Washington 10 000 000-1 5 3
Detroit 040 100 02X-7 10 1
Hobson, Woodchick (2), Klipsch (8) and Green, Bunning (2-2) and Brown.

Baltimore 010 010 020-8 11 1
Minnesota 061 000 00X-10 10 2
Hall, Stock (2), West (4), Jones (8) and Triandis, Kralick, Moore (9) and Adair, Winner-Kralick (3-1). Loser—Hall (1-1). HRs—Adair 2, Gardner, Versailles, Killebrew.

(11 innings)
Cleveland 010 100 000 08-15 2 2
Chicago 040 100 00X-7 10 1
Bell (1-4) and Romano, Shaw, Baumann (9) and Lollar, Loser—Baumann (1-2). HRs—Power, Sievers, Essegian, Phillips.

New York 000 001 000-9 13 0
Kansas City 011 002 000-4 8 0
Terry, Clevenger (6) and Howard, Daley, Wickersham (3-2), Loser—Clevenger (3-1). Loser—Daley (3-4). HR—Siebern.

Boston 000 003 000-3 8 1
Los Angeles 000 010 010-2 7 1
Brewer, Nichols (9) and Pagliaroni, Moeller, Morgan (6), Duren (8) and Averill, Wickersham (3-2), Loser—Moeller (0-3). HRs—Yastrzemski, Hunt.

National League
St. Louis 000 000 000-2 6 0
Cincinnati 000 000 000-0 5 1
Simmons, Gibson (4), McDaniels (7) and Smith, Sawatski (7), Jay, Bridges (6), Henry (9) and Schmidt, Zimmerman (9). Winner—Jay (3-3). Loser—Simmons (1-2). HR—Pinson.

San Fran. 000 030 000-3 3 1
Pittsburgh 000 000 000-0 3 2
McCormick (3-1) and Bailey, Friend, Shantz (7), Face (6) and Smith, Loser—Friend (4-2).

Los Angeles 030 000 300-8 8 1
Philadelphia 000 000 000-0 5 1
Podres (5-0) and Roseboro, Sullivan, Ferrarese (7), Baldschun (9) and Newman, Loser—Sullivan (1-3). HR—Fairly.

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Pacific Coast league pitchers went on a four-hit binge Wednesday night and one of them snuffed out a 10-game winning streak for the league-leading Seattle Rainiers.

It was tossed by Tom Baker of Hawaii as the Islanders blanked Seattle 2-0 in the opener of a twin bill. Bob Heffner returned the favor in the second game with another four-hitter and a 3-1 Seattle victory.

Salt Lake City downed Spokane 7-1 and Tacoma took Portland 3-1 in the other games. Both, naturally, were four-hitters. The double-header at Vancouver between San Diego and the Mounties was rained out.

Baker had all he could handle in Earl Wilson who had a no-hitter working for six innings. The Islanders got a run in that inning, however, on a two-base throwing error on Rae Slider's grounder and two wild pitches. The Islanders added another in the seventh on singles by Ray Jablonski and Jim McManus and Bobby Prescott's sacrifice fly.

Heffner allowed but four singles in the second game and the Islanders' lone run came in the fourth on two singles and two walks.

Seattle got two in the third and added its final run on the sixth on Bob Tillman's solo homer.

Bill Dailey was the fourth man for Salt Lake and only back-to-back doubles by Curt Roberts and Tim Harkness in the ninth robbed him of the shutout.

Salt Lake got three in the fifth and added four more in the eighth on a pair of two-run, singles by Max Alvis and Dailey. Dailey, now 3-2, at one point retired 18 men in a row.

The four-hit specialist at Tacoma was Ron Herbel and the only run off him was an

unearned tally in the first frame.

Tacoma got that back in the same inning on a double by Tony Frullo and a single by catcher John Orsino.

The Giants went ahead in the second on a run-scoring single by Frullo and Ralph Alomar added the final tally with a solo homer in the third over the right field fence.

LINESCORES:
Portland 100 000 000-1 4 0
Tacoma 111 000 00X-3 6 1
Hughes, Anderson (8) and Katt; Herbel and Orsino. WP—Herbel. LP—Hughes.

Salt Lake 000 030 040-7 13 1
Spokane 000 000 001-4 2 2
Hawaii 000 000 000-0 0 0
Baker and Parks; Wilson and Tillman. WP—Baker. LP—Wilson.

(2nd game 9 innings)
Hawaii 000 100 000-1 4 4
Seattle 002 001 00X-3 7 0
Segui, Giffie (7) and Parks; Heffner and Tillman. WP—Heffner. LP—Segui.

Portland Trades Rookie Goalie
Portland—UPI—Don Head, star rookie goalie of the Portland Buckaroos of the Western Hockey league, has been traded to the Boston Bruins of the National Hockey league.

Buckaroo General Manager Harry Glickman said Portland will receive two players plus the loan of a goalie for next season.

Head, 27-year-old former Canadian Olympic goalie, was named rookie of the year in the WHL and also was runner-up for the most valuable player award.

Glickman said he traded Head because he learned he was going to be drafted by an NHL club.

He said "we are getting Jack Bionda who played for Portland on loan this season plus a player to be named at the NHL meeting in June."

Maids Play Shamrocks

Rogue Valley Dairy Maids open their softball season on Saturday, meeting the defending state champion Salem Shamrocks at the Veterans Administration domiciliary field at White City.

The Dairy Maid scuffle with the S and W Floor Covering team, which had been set for this evening, at the VA field has been called off because of the muddy condition of the diamond.

A change in plans for the Maid-Shamrock series in the Northwest Women's Major

loop has been announced. The games both will be on Saturday, one at 2 p.m. and the other at 8 p.m.

It had previously been planned to play one mix on Sunday. However, the Shamrocks have been asked to participate in the softball opening at Portland on Sunday. The opening was set for last week end but rained out.

Pearl Pinion, formerly with the Erv Lind Florists, and Marge Hurley are expected to do the pitching for Salem.

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Jones, 38, came to the end of the trail with Cincinnati after 14 seasons in the majors during which time he served with the Phillies and Indians as well as the Reds. The veteran infielder hit a total of 190 homers in the majors and had a lifetime batting average of .260.

Fish Research Center Planned
Washington—UPI—The U.S. Fish and Wildlife service plans to establish a Pacific Coast marine game fish research center on San Francisco Bay, two California congressmen said Wednesday.

The center will be set up at the Naval Net Depot at Tiburon, Repts. George P. Miller and Clem Miller, Democrats, announced.

They said the center would be part of a stepped-up joint effort by the federal government and Pacific Coast states to improve fisheries resources.

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