

Dodgers Take Two From NY Mets; Winning String Now 10 Straight

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The Los Angeles Dodgers needed only one look at the Polo Grounds to make a happy liar out of manager Walt Alton. "We don't knock down any fences—we just rely on singles, steals and sacrifices," Alton said Wednesday when the Brooklyn expatriates showed up at the historic horseshoe ballpark for the first time since 1957.

A crowd of 55,704—the largest Polo Grounds turnout in 20 years—then watched the Dodgers hit seven home runs in sweeping their holiday doubleheader over the New York Mets, 13-6 and 6-5. The twin victories increased the Dodgers' latest winning streak to 10 straight and left Casey Stengel's Mets staggering with 10 consecutive defeats.

Willie Davis, Maury Wills and Ron Fairly each hit a pair of homers and Frank Howard added one for Alton's men. Davis' second clout of the day provided the Dodgers with their winning run in the ninth inning of the nightcap after Sandy Koufax coasted to victory behind a 19-hit attack in the opener.

The infant Mets also provided their fans with a chance to cheer when they pulled off a triple play in the sixth inning of the second game.

Gil Hodges, playing against his former Dodger teammates, also rocked the old park to its foundation by hitting three homers to tie Ralph Kiner for 10th place on the all-time home run list with a career total of 369.

Giants Hold Lead

The Giants remained 1½ games ahead of the second place Dodgers in the National league race by downing the Philadelphia Phillies twice, 4-3 in 12 innings and 5-2. The Cincinnati Reds outlasted the Milwaukee Braves, 4-3, in 16 innings after dropping the opener of their twinbill by the same score, the Pittsburgh Pirates downed the St. Louis Cardinals, 3-1, and the Houston Colts edged the Chicago Cubs, 8-6, in 14 innings.

In the American league, the Cleveland Indians clung to their ½ game lead over the New York Yankees by splitting their doubleheader with the Baltimore Orioles by identical 7-0 scores. The Yankees dropped an 11-inning, 5-4 verdict to the Minnesota Twins at night after winning their morning opener, 10-1.

The Chicago White Sox also split with the Detroit Tigers, winning the nightcap, 6-3, after suffering a 7-3 setback in the opener; the Kansas City Athletics bounced back from an 8-0 defeat to clip the Washington Senators, 5-2, and the Los Angeles Angels beat the Boston Red Sox twice, 10-5 and 4-0.

Jose Pagan singled home the Giants' winning run in the 12th inning of the opener to give Stu Miller his third victory of the season. Miller also relieved in the ninth and retired the Phils with the help of a double play. The Giants collected 27 hits in the twinbill.

Single Brings Split

Don Blasingame's run-scoring single in the 16th inning earned the Reds their split with the Braves. Milwaukee had tied the score at 3-3 in the ninth inning when Hank Aaron scored on Gus Bell's sacrifice fly. The Braves won the opener when Aaron singled home his brother, Tommie, in the ninth inning. A two-run homer by Dick Stuart in the first inning set up the Pirates' victory over the Cardinals. Robert Clement collected three of the Bucks' nine hits, including a fourth-inning triple.

The Colts ended their 4½-hour marathon against the Cubs when Roman Mejias walked and scored the winning run on Carl Warwick's double. Rookie Dave Giusti earned his first major league victory by pitching nine innings of scoreless relief.

Pedro Ramos hit two home runs, including a grand slammer, and twirled a three-hitter for the Indians, but the Orioles won the second game

First Inning Runs Stand for Spokane

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Sometimes it pays to play your aces early—and hold out through the rest of the game.

The Pacific Coast league-trailing Spokane Indians cashed in for five runs in the first inning and coasted for eight innings to defeat the Vancouver Mounties, 5-1, Wednesday night.

The Indians scored on successive doubles by Nate Oliver, Bobby Prescott and pitcher Jim Ward. Ward had trouble only in the eighth inning when the Mounties scored their run on a double by Joe Taylor and a single by Lamas Jacobs.

The game at Spokane was the only single match of the Memorial day holiday. In doubleheaders, the San Diego Padres swept the Portland Beavers, 5-3 and 3-0. Tacoma split with Salt Lake City, 0-8 and 5-4 and Hawaii split with Seattle, 1-2 and 6-2.

At Portland former Cincinnati Reds pitcher Joe Nuxhall held the Beavers to three hits in the second game of the twinbill. Rog Alvarez drove in two runs for San Diego in the opener and homered in the nightcap.

The Beavers' Gerry Mason and the Padres' Hal Bevan slammed homers in the opener at Portland.

when Skinny Brown and Hoyt Wilhelm limited Cleveland to five hits.

Vic Powers' 11th-inning home run carried the Twins to victory after the Yankees won the opener with a 16-hit attack. Roger Maris became the first player to hit a ball over the right-center field scoreboard at the Twins' stadium, his blast in the second game carrying 460 feet.

Horien Stops Tigers

Jake Wood, Rocky Colavito and Norm Cash homered for the Tigers in their opening game victory. However, the White Sox bounced back to win the nightcap behind Joe Horien's six-hit pitching.

The Athletics, blanked by Claude Osteen in their opener, snapped a 22-inning scoreless famine with a three-run upsurge in the seventh inning of the second game, highlighted by Norm Sibern's two-run single. Ken Retzer hit a three-run homer for the Senators in the first game.

Leon Wagner drove in four runs with a 430-foot homer and a double in the opener for the Angels, then Ryne Duren and Art Fowler combined for a three-hit shutout in the second game. The Angels now have won eight in a row over the Red Sox.

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