

Dodgers Within Half-Game of League Lead

LA Records 11th Straight Triumph; Philadelphians Step SF Giants' Streak

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Gentlemen, we've reached the millennium!

Walt Alston, that hide-bound conservative, has finally come around to admitting he's "a bit optimistic" about his Los Angeles Dodgers' pennant chances.

Never one for making rash statements, Alston looked like he could hardly help himself after his streaking Dodgers won their 11th straight and climbed within a half-game of the National League lead by polishing off the New York Mets, 6-3, Thursday night.

"I'm rather slow at becoming optimistic," he said, in what certainly has to be the understatement of the month, "but if our kids keep playing the way they have been, I think we may have a chance."

Figure in Win

Three of the "kids" Alston had in mind figured prominently in Thursday night's triumph at the Polo Grounds.

Larry Burdette, a 24-year-old rookie, produced a two-run triple that broke a 2-1 tie in the sixth inning; 23-year-old Tommy Davis collected three of the Dodgers' 10 hits and drove in two runs, and Ron Fairly, another 23-year-old, slugged his third homer in as many games.

Two Dodger veterans also had a hand in dealing the Mets their 11th straight setback.

Right-hander Ed Roebuck, still one of the better relievers around at the ripe "old" age of 30, allowed only one hit

over five innings to win his third straight without a loss, and 29-year-old Maury Wills stole three bases in addition to getting three hits.

Phils Beat Giants

The Philadelphia Phillies ended the San Francisco Giants' seven-game winning streak and a seven-game losing streak of their own with a 2-1 victory, the Pittsburgh Pirates shaded the St. Louis Cardinals, 5-4, the revitalized Cincinnati Reds knocked off the Milwaukee Braves, 7-4, and the Houston Colts downed the Chicago Cubs, 10-6.

Cleveland moved one full game in front in the American League by beating Baltimore, 4-3, the Detroit Tigers crushed the Chicago White Sox, 13-5, and the Kansas City A's squeezed past the Washington Senators, 1-0, in the only other game scheduled.

Art Mahaffey won his fifth game for the Phillies with a six-hitter although he had to threaten a ninth-inning rally in which the Giants had the tying run on first. The Phils scored both their runs in the first inning off loser Billy O'Dell.

Aids Own Cause

Bob Friend of the Pirates broke a personal five-game losing streak although he needed help when the Cardinals rallied in the ninth. Friend aided his own cause with a two-run single off loser Curt Simmons, and Bill Mazeroski contributed a homer. The Pirates have won all six

SPORTS

Tacomans Defeat Salt Lake In PCL

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The Tacoma Giants rounded up the Salt Lake City Bees and managed to put handcuffs on the league-leading Bees' chief ring leader.

Tacoma downed Salt Lake 8-2 Thursday night and handed pitcher Al Lary his first defeat after six straight wins since he came west from the Chicago Cubs. The win wasn't as resounding as Spokane's 16-12 smash over the Bees 10 days ago, but Tacoma stayed ahead through all nine innings and kept Salt Lake scoreless until the last frame.

Former San Francisco Giants pitcher Dick Lemay took the win for Tacoma. He was backed up by a six-run eighth inning which featured a three-run homer by Billy Halin.

Thursday night's win gave Tacoma a 3-1 record in their series with the Bees in Utah.

In other Pacific Coast League games Thursday night, Vancouver downed the Indians, 4-2, at Spokane and San Diego edged the Beavers, 4-3, at Portland.

SM Sports Banquet on Saturday

Athletes in all sports and members of the rally squad will be honored Saturday night, June 2, at St. Mary's High school athletic banquet.

Special athletic awards will be presented.

Ted Ogdahl, Willamette university head football and track coach, will be guest speaker. Paul Haviland, Medford attorney, will serve as master of ceremonies. St. Mary's Boosters club is sponsor of the dinner, which will be at 7 p.m.

Ogdahl has a colorful background. His football teams have won four titles and tied for another in the Northwest conference in his 10 years as coach. He came to Willamette from Grant high of Portland where he produced state grid champs in 1949 and 1950 and a co-champ in 1951.

The Bearcat mentor has been a devoted student of football since his playing days. Playing for Franklin high of Portland, he was all-city guard one year and an all-city halfback the next. As a sophomore halfback at Willamette university, he was named Little All-American.

After serving in the Marine corps, in which he attained the rank of captain, he was graduated from Willamette as a political science major. On his return to the university, he taught political science when the regular professor was serving in state office.

Ogdahl was with the Willamette football squad in Honolulu, Hawaii, when the Japanese attacked on Dec. 7, 1941. While on guard duty there, Ogdahl enlisted in the Marines.

He is a deacon of the First Presbyterian church of Salem.

Standings

United Press International NATIONAL LEAGUE			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
San Francisco	25	15	.625
Los Angeles	24	15	.615
Cincinnati	23	17	.576
Pittsburgh	22	18	.556
St. Louis	21	21	.500
Milwaukee	21	22	.489
Houston	19	23	.452
Philadelphia	17	28	.378
Chicago	15	32	.319
New York	12	30	.286

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Cleveland	24	17	.588
New York	23	18	.563
Milwaukee	22	21	.512
Detroit	21	20	.512
Los Angeles	20	20	.500
Baltimore	20	21	.485
Chicago	19	23	.452
Kansas City	18	26	.409
Boston	18	26	.409
Washington	12	31	.283

Ward Picks Mixed Tag Team Bout To Head Wrestling Card

Up \$125,015 From Race

Indianapolis, Ind. (UPI) - Roger Ward, the sixth man in history to win two Memorial Day 500-mile auto races, was atop the Speedway's all-time money winning list today with a chance to add more to his winnings next year.

Ward, the 1959 winner who repeated in Wednesday's speed classic, picked up \$125,015 to share with the crew of the first-place car owned by Bob Wilke, Milwaukee, Wis., at Thursday night's traditional victory dinner.

Len Sutton, who finished second in another Wilke-owned car, collected \$44,566 from the record jackpot of \$426,702. The previous record payoff was last year when winner A. J. Foyt collected \$117,975 from a total purse of \$400,000.

Wilke indicated at the dinner that he would have two, and possibly four, new roadsters here next year. He said Ward and Sutton probably would be given an opportunity to drive two of them.

Speedway newcomer Jim McElreath, Arlington, Tex., who finished sixth in his first "500" attempt, and collected \$10,366, was the unanimous choice for "Rookie of the Year" honors.

All 33 starters in the race shared in the pot, which included \$320,428 from the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Corp., \$30,000 in lap prizes and \$76,274 in accessory prizes.

Ward's earnings, which he collected with the help of a judge who refused earlier in the day a request from Ward's estranged wife for a restraining order to prevent the Speedway from paying him, made the all-time money winner with total winnings of almost \$255,000 in 12 Speedway races.

Open Led By Brewer

Memphis, Tenn. (UPI) - A star-studded field of 140 top golfers teed off today in pursuit of Gay Brewer, who fashioned a sizzling six-under-par 64 Thursday to take the first-round lead in the \$40,000 Memphis Open golf tournament.

The 30-year-old shotmaker from Crystal River, Fla., bagged six birdies and a spectacular 80-foot chip shot that trickled into the cup on 14 during his hot round.

Arnold Palmer, the tour's leading money winner with \$59,308, started slowly with a 71 which placed him well back in the race for first place cash of \$6,400.

Brewer, 23rd on the current money list with \$11,131, snatched the early lead away from South African Gary Player, Don January and Billy Maxwell, who won the inaugural Memphis Open in 1958. They carded 65.

Omaha Dodgers Keep Pace With Leader

United Press International

Omaha kept pace with American Association front-runner Indianapolis Thursday night, defeating Dallas-Ft. Worth, 7-3, while the Indians stopped Denver, 5-3.

Louisville southpaw Denny Lemaster struck out 13 at Oklahoma City, blanking the host club, 1-0.

Jack Smith won his third game for Omaha in three days to boost his record to 7-2.

OSU Starts NCCAA Bid

Santa Clara, Calif. (UPI) - The Oregon State Beavers open their bid for the NCAA district 8 baseball title here tonight.

The Beavers will take on the Santa Clara Broncos in the first game of a best-of-three series for the title.

Little Cecil Ira, a junior left-hander, is scheduled to pitch for Oregon State against Bob Garibaldi of Santa Clara. Ira has an 11-1 record for the year and Garibaldi has a 7-1 mark for the season.

Mary Faulk Defender

Beaumont, Tex. (UPI) - Mary Lena Faulk opened defense of her Babe Zaharias Women's Open golf tournament crown today, happy that she won't be plagued by gusty winds that have marked the last two stops on the tour.

There are so many trees on the Beaumont Country club course and they so closely line the 6,200 yards of fairways that even if the winds do rise along the flat coastal country the gusts are not apt to bother flights of the ball

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