

'Subway Series' Seems Certain; Fights Wage for Third Positions

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The race for final positions in the major league standings appears to be all over in both circuits except to find out who's going to finish third.

Although there are still five weeks to play it's mostly just a question of waiting for the World Series—for Brooklyn and the New York Yankees—and for next year.

The third place races, however, are close in both leagues. Cleveland holds third in the American league by only half a game over the Boston Red Sox. St. Louis has a game edge on Philadelphia in the National.

To an individual player it is worth about twice as much to be a member of a third place finisher instead of with a fourth place club. The players on the first four clubs share in World Series receipts.

Except for the third place battle, at least six games separate the clubs in their present positions in the National League. Only seven games divide the last place St. Louis Browns from the sixth place Athletics in the American League

with Detroit sandwiched in between. But none of these clubs has shown any indication that it will improve greatly or collapse between now and the end of the season.

LEAGUE LEADERS

The league leading Dodgers and Yankees each have a nine game edge. Brooklyn has 38 games to play, New York 35.

In yesterday's curtailed activity the Dodgers thumped the New York Giants 10-0; St. Louis defeated the Chicago Cubs 5-3 and Pittsburgh beat Philadelphia 5-2 in the National League. The Yankees whipped Washington 7-0 and Cleveland bounced Detroit 13-7 in the American.

Carl Erskine, Brooklyn's biggest winner, posted his 15th victory of the season and his second straight four-hit shutout over the stumbling Giants. One of the league's best pitchers when he has his control, Erskine didn't walk a man and struck out six. Junior Gilliam, Jackie Robinson and Bobby Morgan hit home runs.

Robin Roberts fell victim to

Philadelphia's sieve-like defense as he failed for the second time to win his 21st game. The Phillies committed four errors and four of the Pirates' five runs were unearned. The loss was Roberts' 10th.

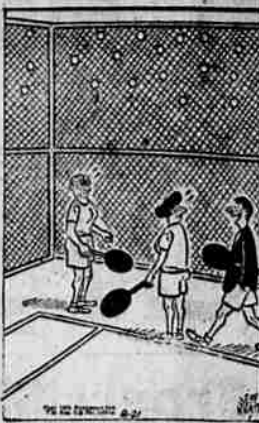
WINNING RUNS

Wilmer (Vinegar Bend) Mizell doubled home the winning runs in a sixth inning rally as he hung up his 11th victory for St. Louis. He gave up seven Chicago hits but needed help from Gerry Staley to get the last out in the ninth.

The Yankees bombarded Bob Porterfield, the league's shutout leader, for seven runs in the fourth inning and broke his five game winning streak. Porterfield, who once tolled for the New Yorkers, has been beaten 10 times this season, five times by the Yankees. Eddie Lopat, won his 11th straight against Washington dating back to June 20, 1951.

Cleveland broke its four game losing streak with an 18 hit attack at Detroit including home runs by Harry Simpson and Jim Hegan.

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Yanks May Have Answer in Jim McDonald

BY GAYLE TALBOT

NEW YORK (AP)—In case you have not been following the so-called flag races with too great interest lately, what with a report by an Indians professor and other distractions, a young right-handed pitcher named Jim McDonald has just notched his eighth victory for the New York Yankees, giving him a 5-1 record since July 4.

die Lopat, in the National League park.

That would have made it necessary, the long-range experts forecast, for Case to hold out his two veteran righthanders, Alie Reynolds and Vic Raschi, at the start of the series and depend upon them to carry the burden in the third, fourth and fifth games scheduled at Ebbets Field. As Reynolds and Raschi are, respectively, 35 and 34 years old, and Reynolds has not been himself lately, this looked like a fair-sized chunk in the Yankee armor.

And then, of course, along came McDonald. It already is being freely predicted that he will play an important role in the series, perhaps even a major one. His almost perfect control and his sharp sinker ball, which is extremely difficult to knock over the infield, are seen as making him a natural against the Dodgers in their band-box arena.

It could happen only to the Yanks. This is the same Jim McDonald who was a flop last season, his first with the champions, and

whom they tried hard to unload on somebody all winter and right up to the trading deadline this summer. No club wanted him at any price, and so there was nothing left for Stengel to do but pitch him regularly and see if he might develop.

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