

Giants, Milwaukee Win

Padres Favored To Win PCL Flag

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The feeling is growing in Pacific Coast League circles that Hollywood's dynasty is crumbling and that the Stars won't be able to run up their third straight championship bunting after the 1954 campaign.

Jerry Priddy, manager of the Seattle Rainiers, won only one game in the last Hollywood series but he left for San Diego convinced that San Diego would win the pennant, and the Padres did nothing to disillusion him.

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there are 16 to go," Bragan contends. "If we had only three or four, we might have cause for worry. San Diego has the power all right. It's just a question whether our pitching won't fare better the rest of the way than their hitting. I think it will."

The PCL was idle Monday night but resumes again Tuesday night. San Diego lines up against Seattle and Hollywood against San Francisco. Los Angeles plays a double-header against Oakland and Portland faces Sacramento.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	94	36	.723	
New York	89	40	.690	4 1/2
Chicago	85	47	.644	10
Detroit	57	72	.442	36 1/2
Boston	56	72	.438	37
Washington	52	76	.406	41
Baltimore	43	83	.328	51 1/2
Philadelphia	42	87	.325	51 1/2

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	81	47	.633	
Brooklyn	79	50	.612	2 1/2
Milwaukee	73	54	.575	7 1/2
Cincinnati	64	66	.492	18
St. Louis	60	69	.465	21 1/2
Philadelphia	58	69	.457	22 1/2
Chicago	53	76	.411	28 1/2
Pittsburgh	46	83	.357	35 1/2

Monday's Results
Cleveland 5, Boston 4
Baltimore 3, Washington 1
Only games scheduled

Western International League				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Lewiston	39	24	.619	
Yakima	36	24	.600	1 1/2
Salem	33	22	.600	2
Vancouver	30	21	.588	3
Edmonton	27	30	.474	9
Tri-City	20	38	.345	16 1/2
Wenatchee	18	36	.333	18 1/2

Monday's Results
Lewiston 6, Edmonton 2
Salem 9, Wenatchee 7
Yakima at Vancouver, postponed

PCL standings unchanged from Monday morning. No games Monday night.

Diamond Fans Focus Eyes On NY Series

By GAYLE TALBOT

NEW YORK (AP)—For the next three nights and days the eyes of the baseball world will be centered largely on Yankee Stadium, and at the end of that period we may know with some degree of certainty whether the Cleveland Indians are destined to snap the Yankees' string of five straight world championships.

If Al Lopez's vastly improved club should exceed even its most delirious prospect and sweep the three-game set behind its "big" three, then General Manager Hank Greenberg will be safe in cracking open the customary keg of champagne when the Tribe boards the cars out of here on Thursday night for Chicago. The Bombers' chances of recovering from such a blow would be substantially nil.

If they take two out of three, the Indians will establish themselves as strong favorites to go on virtually unopposed to the wire. Even a single victory would send them back West still in a very advantageous position. The only thing they have seriously to fear is a complete collapse and the loss of three straight to their hard-driving pursuers.

In other words, this is the showdown on whether the 1954 edition of the Indians is, as its admirers insist, an entirely different proposition from the Cleveland clubs which have run second for the past three seasons. They say there is no choke in this outfit, and that is what we are about to find out for certain.

A vast majority of American League fans will be pulling for the Tribe to survive the test brilliantly. There is no question that the succession of Yankee pennants has long since begun to pall on the public, much as everyone was glad to see Casey Stengel win belated recognition as a great manager. But, until they actually see it happen, the Yankeeaters will remain highly nervous.

The champions, rolling smoothly behind a six-game winning streak, go into the series benefited by a day's rest and with their top pitchers—Bob Grim, Ed Lopat and Whitey Ford—ready and eager.

Other results in men's singles Monday:
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Tony Trabert, the defending champion meets Lorne Main, little Canadian Davis Cupper with a two-fisted grip, in a featured third round match Tuesday. Other matches complete the second round.

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By BEN PHLEGAR
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No matter what happens now, the New York Giants still will be in first place when they collide head on with the Brooklyn Dodgers in their three-game showdown series starting Friday in the Polo Grounds.

The margin might be as small as two percentage points. It could be as much as 2 1/2 games. But big or small it will be the Giants on top with the Dodgers trying to climb. Any small boy with experience on a greased pole can tell you that going up is the hardest.

The Dodgers, who had been burning up the West like a prairie fire, ran afoul of an old Brooklyn killer from several seasons back last night and dropped a 7-5 decision in Milwaukee.

The Giants whipped St. Louis 4-1 with Johnny Antonelli becoming the first National League pitcher to win 20 games. New York is now 2 1/2 games ahead of Brooklyn.

Bobby Thomson, the No. 1 public enemy in Brooklyn since his dramatic homer in the 1951 playoffs between the Giants and Dodgers, showed up in a Milwaukee uniform and smashed a three-run homer in the seventh inning for the winning runs.

The Braves went into the seventh trailing 5-4. After one out Bill Bruton beat out an infield single. A sacrifice put him on second. Joe Adcock walked and Thomson drilled one of Carl Erskine's offerings over the left field fence, 400 feet away.

There were some home runs earlier too. Duke Snider hit his 34th with the bases empty in the first. Jack Dittmer gave the Braves a brief 4-3 lead with a two-run drive in the fourth.

Antonelli, the first Giant left-hander to win 20 since Carl Hubbell did it 17 years ago, pitched one of his best games. He held the Cards to four singles, walked three and struck out five. The Giants didn't pull ahead until the seventh when a pair of singles wrapped around a fumble produced the tie-breaking run.

Dusty Rhodes drove home the other pair in the ninth with a bases-loaded single.

The Cleveland Indians, who put their 41-game American League lead on the line against New York in a three-game series starting in Yankee Stadium tonight, wound up the Boston end of their season yesterday with their 11th victory in 11 starts against the Red Sox at Fenway Park.

They came from four runs behind to nip the Sox 5-4 with a five-run rally in the seventh. Baltimore won its third straight from Washington 3-1 and Cincinnati made it five in a row with a 5-1 triumph over Philadelphia in the only other major league action.

Aging Heinie Majeski, slashed a three-run homer during the Cleveland uprising. Five of Cleveland's 10 pitchers saw action, starting with rookie Ray Narleski and ending with Mike Garcia.

Bob Turley of the Orioles had a no-hitter working until Jim Busby bunted safely in the sixth, but he had to strike out pinch hitter Maury McDermott with the bases loaded in the ninth to preserve his 11th triumph.

Another one of those three-run homers that figured prominently in yesterday's games came in the Cincinnati victory over the Phils. Jim Greengrass hit this one during a four-run Redleg rally in the sixth.

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ND Schools Open Fall Grid Season

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Newsmen and cameramen called the signals Tuesday as four of the five Northern Division, Pacific Coast Conference, schools opened fall football practice.

Turnouts at Oregon State College were set for Wednesday. Opening day ceremonies elsewhere were devoted almost entirely to picture-taking.

At Eugene nearly 50 University of Oregon players, including 18 lettermen, greeted Coach Len Casanova. There were eight veterans or alternates from the Ducks' strong 1953 squad, among them versatile quarterback George Shaw, end Hal Reeve, guard Jack Peters and All-Coaster Ron Pleister at center.

Idaho had the smallest turnout and the biggest headache. The Vandals' were told that fullback Flip Kleffner, top offensive star and leading punter, would be unable to play because of an aggravated shoulder injury. Only 30 some players were on hand as Skip Stahley started his first year as head coach of the Moscow school. Seventeen letter winners were among those checking out uniforms.

A young, but strong 55-man squad reported to coach Al Kircher at Washington State College. Only six seniors were among the 23 letter winners on hand. Kircher said he expects this year's edition of the Cougars to be "two deep" at every position. Marine veteran Frank Sarno is the top quarterback prospect of the team which numbers among its foes two top intercollegiate powers in Michigan State and Texas.

One of the coast's finest backfields was on hand for opening day ceremonies at the University of Washington. But whether or not the Husky line can develop enough bite to hold opponents at bay was Coach Johnny Cherberg's top concern. Seven backs were among the 27 lettermen reporting, including southpaw quarterback Sandy Lederman and the much-heralded fullback Mike McVey. In the line, only end Jim Houston and guard Earl Monlux would boast of an appreciable amount of combat duty.

Greer, Towns Lead Tacoma Golf Tourney

TACOMA (AP) — Joe Greer of Yakima and Ken Towns of Fort Lewis, two familiar faces on the Pacific Northwest golf circuit, were leading the pack by a stroke Tuesday as the Tacoma Open headed into its 36-hole final.

Greer toured the Fircrest Golf Club layout in 69 Monday, giving the Yakima pro a 139 for the first 36 holes of the 72-hole medal play affair. Towns had a 71 Monday to add to his first round score of 68.

Ailing Chuck Congdon of Tacoma, who hopped back on the tournament trail for the first time in some two months Sunday and took the early lead with a four-under-par 67, sagged to a 76 Monday to wind up in a tie for seven place at 143.

Congdon, a surprise starter in the \$2,500 tournament, has been laid up by a back ailment that required major surgery. Up until he took to the course Sunday he had played only 27 holes since he was sidelined.

One stroke behind Greer and Towns was Dick Haskell of Seattle, who toured Monday's 18 holes in 71 to wind up with a grand total of 141 for the first 36.

Three men, two pros and an amateur, were knotted at the 142 mark. They were Bob Duden of Portland, Lloyd Nordstrom of Seattle and Jack Baty of Tacoma, the simon-pure. All carded 71s Monday.



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