

Reds Hammer Milwaukee; Bums Post Win Over Bucs

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Manager Birdie Tebbetts, an off-season insurance agent who knows all about life-expectancy tables, figures his Cincinnati Redlegs "can go all the way—now."

"Our whole mental outlook rested on that four-game series in Milwaukee," said Birdie. "It was the psychological (He also has touched the sciences in post-graduate work) turning point. Now that we've come this far, our guys figure 'why stop now?'"

All the happy talk followed a startling, three-game sweep by second place Cincy after losing the opener to the Braves. The homer happy Redlegs switched to singles and pounded Milwaukee and southpaw Warren Spahn 12-2 in the series windup yesterday, cutting the Braves' National League lead to 1½ games.

The three-game kick also has put Manager Fred Haney to thinking about a shakeup in the Braves' lineup. Milwaukee now has only a two-game edge over Cincinnati and Brooklyn in the "lost" column with 21 games left. The Redlegs have 20 games remaining, Brooklyn 21.

BUMS CLIMB

The sweep also kept Brooklyn's third place world champs in the race. Struggling through an eight-game schedule in six days, the Dodgers climbed to within 2 games of the lead by slipping past Pittsburgh 4-3 last night — their fifth victory in the eight-game nightmare.

St. Louis defeated the Chicago Cubs 2-1 in 11 innings and New York's Giants trimmed Philadelphia 5-4 in 10 in the other NL games.

In the American, the New York Yankees built their lead to 9½ games by breaking Willard Nixon's jinx with a 5-3 decision over Boston. Washington defeated Baltimore 2-0. Second place Cleveland, Chicago, Detroit and Kansas City were not scheduled.

Rookie Frank Robinson and Roy McMillan each drove in two runs as the Redlegs scored five times on five hits in the second off Spahn, who sought his 200th career victory. Buster Freeman hustled in to relieve Tom Acker after Joe Adcock's 35th home run, with one on, in the fourth and gave one hit over 4-13 innings to nail his 13th victory — second in two days. Four unearned runs in the fifth, with Freeman's double — his first 1956 hit — scoring two, packed it away for the Redlegs, who now have won 10 of their last 12. They had 15 hits against five pitchers.

WILD PITCH

The Dodgers, with just five hits off loser Ron Kline and Elroy Face, made it on Jackie Robinson's squeeze bunt in the sixth. A wild pitch set it up. Duke Snider reclaimed the NL homer lead, breaking a tie with Redleg Robinson, with his 38th, a two-run poke. Gil Hodges hit his 26th. It was Snider's first in nine games. Hodges' first in 19.

Sal Maglie won his ninth, but the Bucs, who haven't beaten him since April 21, 1953, chased him with a run in the ninth. Don Besant came on to fan Jack Shepard for the final out — nailing Maglie's 26th victory in 30 lifetime decisions with Pittsburgh.

Al Dark, with three of St. Louis's six hits off Bob Rush, drove in both runs and broke it up with a single. Herm Wehmeier, tagged for Walt Moryn's 21st homer that tied it in the seventh, won his ninth.

BONUS KID

A pinch single by Hank Thompson won for the Giants, who started \$65,000 bonus kid Mike McCormick. The 17-year-old southpaw proved wild and failed to last two innings.

Yesterday's Stars

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HITTING
Alexa Grammas, Redlegs — Drove in four runs with three hits in three trips in 12-2 breeze past Braves that cut Milwaukee's lead to 1½ games.

PITCHING

Chuck Stobbs, Senators — Became first Washington pitcher to throw a shutout since Sept. 11, 1955, cutting down Orioles 2-0 on four hits, allowing only one hit over last six innings for his 13th victory.

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Bill Skowron's two-run single in

the ninth iced it for the Yankees and Whitey Ford, who won his 16th. Yogi Berra hit his 26th homer to break a 2-all tie in the eighth — putting him two shy of Gabby Hartnett's 236 career record for catchers and breaking a string of 27 2-3 innings in which the Yanks hadn't scored an earned run against Nixon.

Mickey Mantle, homerless now

is two back of Babe Ruth's record-60 pace in 1927—totaling 47 with 20 games to go.

Chuck Stobbs, winning his 13th and fifth straight with a four hit-ter, becomes the first Senator pitcher to toss a shutout since last Sept. 11. Pete Runnels' two-run single broke up Connie Johnson's scoreless spell in the eighth.

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Los Angeles Whips Mounts; Bevos Win

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Steve Bilko hit a long, long out Wednesday night but got no closer to the Pacific Coast League home run record as his champion Los Angeles Angels drubbed last place Vancouver, 9-1.

Bilko, seven round trips shy of the 60 mark set in 1925 by Tony Lazzeri, has only 12 more games. He collected his 200th and 201st hits but his longest effort was a 415-foot drive that was caught in center field.

Los Angeles totaled 14 blows, including homers by Piper Davis and Don Lauters.

Portland, Hollywood and Sacramento maintained their positions with victories. Third place Portland trimmed Seattle, 9-0; fourth place Hollywood thumped San Diego, 7-0 and fifth spot Sacramento downed San Francisco, 6-3. There is only a two-game spread between third and fifth places.

Portland's Rene Valdes marked up his 21st pitching victory, giving up just four blows. The Beavers scored three times in the first inning as Tom Saffell singled, Jack Littrell doubled and Frank Carswell homered. There were four more scores the next inning when Sam Calderone, Valdes, and Littrell singled and Luis Marquez homered.

Joe Trimble had a no-hitter going for Hollywood until the eighth when Clarence Moore singled. There were two more San Diego hits.

Jim Baumer hit a homer for Hollywood. The Stars executed their 100th double play of the year. Al Heist's 410-foot homer produced the winning run for Sacramento against the Seals. The Seals ran up three runs in the fifth with Harry Bright doubling home a pair.

Milo Candini turned in a nifty relief job against the Seals. He came in to protect a two-run lead with two men on and none out.

Standings

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Milwaukee	81	52	.609	—
Cincinnati	80	54	.597	1½
Brooklyn	79	54	.594	2
St. Louis	65	68	.489	16
Philadelphia	61	70	.466	19
Pittsburgh	50	76	.393	29
New York	55	77	.417	25½
Chicago	52	80	.394	28½

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	86	48	.642	—
Cleveland	75	56	.573	9½
Chicago	73	58	.557	11½
Boston	72	60	.545	13
Detroit	65	67	.492	20
Baltimore	58	73	.443	26½
Washington	55	77	.417	30
Kansas City	43	88	.328	41½

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Los Angeles	102	54	.654	—
Seattle	85	70	.548	16½
Portland	79	76	.510	22½
Hollywood	78	78	.500	24
Sacramento	78	79	.497	24½
San Francisco	70	85	.452	31½
San Diego	69	87	.442	33
Vancouver	62	94	.397	40

NORTHWEST LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Yakima	36	22	.621	—
Salem	39	27	.591	1
Lewiston	34	39	.464	4½
Spokane	30	31	.492	7½
Wenatchee	29	31	.483	8
Eugene	25	39	.390	13½
Tri-City	22	37	.373	14½

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