

A's Whip NY Again Cardinals Tip Braves, 7-4

ChiSox, Tigers Both Win

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Quit cryin' in your beer, pal. The rest of the American League ain't dead after all.
Nobody is seriously challenging those New York Yankees yet, but it looks as though the Chicago White Sox and Detroit Tigers are through playing patsy, and Kansas City and Cleveland are serious about escaping the second division.

The A's, though 7 1/2 games behind New York, padded their second-place cushion to a full game yesterday—and they did it the hard way, coming from three runs back for a 4-3 victory over the Yankees. It was their first series sweep against New York since getting up shop in Kansas City in 1955.
Kansas City now has won four in a row, two over New York. The A's are 2-1 vs. the Yankees so far, after losing 19 of 22 to them last year.
The Indians moved into third with a 5-2 victory over the Baltimore Orioles, who have lost seven straight. The White Sox hammered Washington 13-3 behind Jim Wilson's three-hit pitching. The Tigers, who had lost nine in a row, won their fifth straight, beating Boston 4-2.
In the National League, the San Francisco Giants regained a two-game lead with three runs in the ninth that beat Philadelphia 7-6 as St. Louis defeated second-place Milwaukee 7-4 in 12 innings. The Chicago Cubs beat Cincinnati 6-4, and Los Angeles trimmed Pittsburgh 7-1.

A's 4, Yankees 3

The A's scored two in the fifth and bagged it with two in the sixth against Tom Sturdivant, out since April 22 with arm trouble. Joe DeMaestri's infield single counted the clincher. The Yanks got theirs off Ray Herbert, who gave up a leadoff homer to Hank Bauer. Duke Maas put them down on one hit while facing only 16 men in five relief innings for the victory.
New York 200 010 000—3 6 1
Kansas City 000 022 00x—4 9 0
Sturdivant (Kucks 16), Maglie (7) and Berra, Herbert, Maas (5) and Chili. Winner - Maas (2-4). Loser - Sturdivant (1-2). HR-Bauer.

Tribe 5, Birds 2

Rocky Colavito and Minnie Minoso belted two-run homers for the Indians with Minoso driving in three runs. Oriole ace Jack Harshman (5-3) lost his third in a row. Right-hander Cal McLish was the winner.
Baltimore 000 101 000—2 6 0
Cleveland 020 020 10x—5 9 1
Harshman (5-3) and Triandos. McLish (2-1) and Brown. HRs-Colavito, Minoso.

Tigers 4, Sox 2

A pinch-hit two-run homer by Gall Harris won it in the ninth for the Tigers and Frank Lary (5-4) who gave 10 hits but blanked the Red Sox after Lou Berberet's first homer in the second inning. Willard Nixon lost his fifth. The Tigers tied it on Billy Martin's two-run single in the fifth.
Boston 110 000 000—2 10 1
Detroit 000 020 002—4 8 0
Nixon (1-5) and Berberet. Lary (5-4) and Wilson. HRs-Berberet, Harris.

ChiSox 13, Nats 3

Tito Francona drove in five runs with his first homer, a triple and a double for the Sox, who hit their highest run total since beating Cleveland 14-4 last July 5. The Sox, winning six of their last seven, chased loser Chuck Stobbs with five in the first, then scored five more in the second, three on Walt Dropo's home run.
Washington 000 000 210—3 1 1
Chicago 550 000 03x—13 1 1
Stobbs, Cleveland (1), Griggs (2), Luventi (2), Beverly (2) and Courtney, Wilson (5-3) and Lollar, Batten (6). Loser - Stobbs (1-4). HRs-Dropo, Francona.

Vic Michelson is in his ninth year as coach of the Syracuse University freshman crew.



WILLIE KIRKLAND ... pays off for Giants

Scanlon Cuts Class, Nabs Ring Triumph

CHICAGO (AP)—Lightweight Bobby Scanlon, who cut classes at City College of San Francisco to score a unanimous 10-round decision over Chicago's Bobby Rogers last night, is a bit uncertain about his plans for the ring.
"The only plans I have right now," said Scanlon, who remains undefeated in 29 fights, "are to visit my friends in my home town in Buffalo. Then, I'm going into the California National Guard at Camp Roberts for several weeks."
Scanlon, 22, a freshman student in physical education, made his national television debut in his lightweight bout with Rogers, also 22.
The young West Coast sensation now has scored 18 decisions and 10 knockouts. There is one draw on his record.
Rogers, who stayed on fairly even terms with Scanlon until the ninth round, said of his opponent: "He's a very, very good fighter. He is very fast, but not too impressive as a puncher. However, I think he can go a long way in the lightweight division. He is quick and smart."
Scanlon's manager Art Benjamin, a Maritime Union business agent, said: "After Bobby is in the National Guard we'll start dickering for another national TV shot. But, we don't know who he's going to fight next."
Neither Scanlon nor Rogers landed any telling blows until the ninth. Then Scanlon staggered Rogers with his right and pummeled him almost at will.
Scanlon weighed 133 1/2 to Rogers' 134.

Minor Leagues

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INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE
Miami 1, Rochester 0 (10 innings)
Havana 6, Buffalo 5
Toronto 6, Columbus 0
Richmond at Montreal, postponed
AMERICAN ASSN.
Louisville 2, Indianapolis 1
Denver 10, St. Paul 4
Omaha 8, Minneapolis 7
Wichita 7, Charleston 2
SOUTHERN ASSN.
Little Rock 6, Nashville 5 (10 innings)
Memphis 4, Chattanooga 2
Other games postponed
TEXAS LEAGUE
Tulsa 4, Fort Worth 3
Houston 4, Victoria 2
San Antonio 5, Corpus Christi 3
Austin 9, Dallas 4
CALIFORNIA LEAGUE
Fresno 9, Reno 4 (to be played over, league president's ruling)
Salinas 5, Modesto 4 (12 innings)
Bakersfield 11, Visalia 2
Stockton 12, Las Vegas 6

Yesterday's Stars

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
PITCHING
Duke Maas, Athletics—Blanked Yankees on but one hit, facing only 16 men in almost perfect five-inning relief job that saved a 4-3 victory.
HITTING
Tito Francona, White Sox—Drove in five runs with home run, triple and double in 3-3 victory over the Senators.



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Phillies Bow, 7-6 To Giants

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
They may have the best pitching in the league, but the failure to find a replacement for sore-armed Bob Buhl has been one reason the Milwaukee Braves haven't been able to take charge of that National League pennant race.
Another reason is the San Francisco Giants.
But the Giants wouldn't have much more than a percentage-point edge if Manager Fred Haney could find another starter who could get the job done.
He tried Gene Conley again last night, had to hoist the big right-hander in a comeback rally and finally wound up with a 7-4 defeat in 12 innings by the St. Louis Cardinals.

That plunked the Braves two games behind San Francisco again as the Giants scored three in the ninth for a 7-6 victory at Philadelphia. The Chicago Cubs rapped Cincinnati 6-4 with Ernie Banks cracking a pair of home runs. Los Angeles trimmed Pittsburgh 7-1.
In the American League, second-place Kansas City gained its first series sweep over New York, beating the first-place Yankees 4-3. Detroit won its fifth in a row, beating Boston 4-2. Cleveland took third place, defeating Baltimore 5-2. The Chicago White Sox belted Washington 13-3 behind Jim Wilson's three-hit pitching.

Cards 7, Braves 4

The Braves, who left Buhl behind as they took off on a 16-game road trip today, were blanked after scoring three in the sixth for a 4-3 lead. The Cards tied it in the ninth on a walk and Don Blasingame's triple. Pinch hitter Hobie Landrith started the scoring in the three-run 12th with an RBI single with the bases loaded off Humberto Robinson. Milwaukee's fourth and losing hurler, Gene Green's fly ball and the Braves' third error got the other two runs across.
Billy Muffett won his first in relief of Larry Jackson.
St. Louis 001 101 001 003—7 11 2
Milw. 000 103 000 000—4 11 3
Jackson, Muffett (9), Paine (12) and Smith, Kart (9) Landrith (12), Conley, McMahon (7), Johnson (11), Robinson (12), Trotter (12) and Crandall. Winner - Muffett (1-0). Loser - Robinson (0-1). HR-Boyer (5th).

Giants 7, Phils 6

A two-run homer by rookie Willie Kirkland capped the Giants' ninth-inning spurt after Ray Jackson's 13th.
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KF Netter Wins UO Frosh Award

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene (Special)—Five members of both the Oregon varsity and freshman tennis teams were recommended for 1958 awards, it was announced here recently by Coach Dick Williams.
Marvin Woods of Ashland and Phil Lowthian of Grinda, California were both name winners of their third varsity letters and will receive varsity blankets in addition to the regular letterman sweaters. Wayne Henniger of Roseburg and Larry Otis of Grants Pass were both recommended for second year awards and Phil Northcote of Arcadia, California earned his sophomore letter.
The five freshmen, named by coach Williams include John Day of Portland, Jim Gordon of Medford, Dave Griffin of Eugene, Wayne Pounds of Klamath Falls and Bob Smith of Springfield.

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CALIFORNIA THREAT Bob Benefield, a Red Bluff hardtopper shown with his No. 97, will lead a contingent of California drivers who will invade Klamath Speedway on Memorial Day as the Klamath Racing Association sanctions a 10 event, "unlimited" hardtop racing program. Approximately 35 racers from all over Southern Oregon and Northern California are scheduled to appear in the season opener. Time trials will begin at 4:30 p.m.

Today's Sport Parade Drivers Await Nerve Race

By OSCAR FRALEY
United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI)—Thirty-three men with a pocket-full of drams and a body-full of nagging nerves waited impatiently today for a 500-mile run to the end of the racing mile.
They are the qualifiers for the Indianapolis 500 Friday and despite the dangerous, grueling ride in front of them these are the worst hours of all. The late Wilbur Shaw, a three-time winner, summed it up best when he thought of the hours just before the man with the flag announced: "Gentlemen, start your engines."
Shaw was the first man to win it, three times—and had it won a fourth when he piled into the wall. Yet, even to him, it was always the same in those last waiting hours.
"It never changed," he said. "My stomach got full of butterflies. My heart was in my throat. Every organ in my body acted in some strange manner and every nerve was screaming 'Let's go.'"
TENSION DISAPPEARS
Only when they barrel into that first turn, one of the most heart-stopping moments in sports, does the tension fall away and the men in the coffin-like cockpits become, as Wilbur put it, "extremely exhilarated."
"To me," he would smile, "it was a world series, a heavy-weight championship fight, a National Open, a Rose Bowl game and a Kentucky Derby all rolled into one."
It is worse, actually, than all of them on a waiting competitor.

Because so many things can go wrong in this one—and fatally. Shaw was an example, although he escaped from the motorized merry-go-round only to die in an airplane crash four years ago. Wilbur won it three times and in 1941 made pitstopping preparations to win a fourth time. He even went so far as to balance his own tires with microscopic attention.
USED WRONG TIRE
Wilbur was leading comfortably the next day when he stopped for a precautionary tire change. By a quirk of fate, an unbalanced tire — from which the warning chalk mark had been washed — was the first one grabbed in the hasty action in the pits. Shortly thereafter the tire folded under the strain and Wilbur crashed into the wall. He was paralyzed for six months and never raced again.
Other winners of recent years have had disastrously strange luck.
Lee Wallard, the 1951 victor, was burned so badly in his very next race that he never drove again. Bill Vukovich, shoving for a triple in 1955, died in a fatal crash while leading.
Bob Sweikert went on to win that one—and was killed later in another race. So, too, was lean Jack McGrath.

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Hardtop Season To Open Friday

Klamath Basin fans will get their full share of traditional Memorial Day automobile racing as the Klamath Racing Association inaugurates its 1958 hardtop season with a big, 10-event program that will see upwards of 35 cars from all over Southern Oregon and Northern California go to the starting line at 4:30 p.m. for the trials.

The twilight program was deliberately scheduled to give enthusiasts an opportunity to hear the complete wrap-up of the 500 mile classic at Indianapolis.
Drivers and cars from Red Bluff, Redding, Alturas, Yreka, Weed, Canby, Lakeview, Ashland and Medford will join from 20-25 local favorites in a card that will allow each outside entrant to run under his own association's specifications. No restrictions will be placed on engine-size, running gear or other deviations from stock; it will be necessary, however, that all necessary safety precautions be taken, according to Buff Runnels, KRA prexy.

Runnels, when questioned about the drop of the specifications ban, said: "It is not known at this time whether we shall continue this practice for future races—it is a cinch, however, that fans will see plenty of action with a number of speed marks being set in this our first race. The California and Medford cars have always had less strict modifying rules than we and consequently have been awfully tough to beat when we have awfully fought with them in past seasons. I don't mean that our boys can't make their cars 'run' just as hot—many of them have gone to full race equipment, at least for this card."

In addition to the regular slate of events 10 cars and drivers of the Klamath Junior Racing Association, a high school organization sponsored by the senior racing group, will compete in a separate trophy dash, a heat race and a 12-lap main event.
The main program will consist of an A and B trophy dash; three 10-car heat races; a final heat in which first and second place finishers in the preceding heats will compete; a 15-lap Class B main event and a 25-lap A Main. Inverted starts, the fastest cars starting at the rear, will be used.
Handling the signal flags will be ex-driver John Hittson, while the official timer-scorer positions will be filled by Mel Heath and Hal Berry. Pit Stewards Don Harris and Lige Chambers will assure the smoothest possible running-off of each event.

Runnels, an ex-driver, and Ray Braekman, last year's number two point-collector, will handle the microphone chores.
Among local drivers to have either changed to new cars or have completely rebuilt their old ones are Bud Cook, who has moved from Hudson to Ford, Jack Bonham and Wes Bishop. A brand new machine to appear among the local contenders is K-9, which will be driven by Mel Lancaster.
New admission prices will be placed into effect for Friday's race: 90 cents for adults, 50 cents for students, with children under 12 free when accompanied by parents.

U.S. WINS
NICE, France (UPI)—The United States advanced in the International Military basketball tournament here by trouncing Spain, 83-40, in the tourney's opening game Wednesday. The Americans, dominating play throughout the contest, held a 37-12 halftime lead.

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