

SPORTS

Indians Beat Orioles, Take Second Place

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Since the start of the season, New York Yankee scouts have been whispering "watch the Orioles" into Casey Stengel's elephant-sized ears.

But Ole Case and the rest of the Yankees had better start worrying about the Cleveland Indians. For while the Orioles are showing signs of skidding, the Indians are flying.

The Tribe, behind the six-hit pitching of rookie southpaw Dick Stigman, bounced back into second place in the American League race Wednesday night by handing Baltimore its third straight defeat, 5-3. The loss dropped the Orioles into third place by a single percentage point.

Cleveland now has won seven of its last nine games but over that period Manager Joe Gordon has gotten only two route-going jobs from his prized pitching staff. And both of those efforts were turned in by Stigman, who stopped the Yankees with a four-hitter last week.

In his latest outing against the Orioles, Stigman was bothered by wildness, walking six while fanning five. But he permitted only one hit over the last three innings

and was aided by three double plays.

Helps Own Cause
Stigman, who earned a promotion to the Indians this year although he lost 17 games at San Diego in 1959, helped his own cause in the fourth inning with a key two-run single off loser Jerry Walker.

Two home runs by Roger Maris helped the Yankees to a 10-0 victory over the Kansas City Athletics and Ted Williams unloaded a 430-foot, two-run homer to give the Boston Red Sox a 4-2 triumph over the Detroit Tigers in other AL action. Rain washed out the Chicago at Washington night game.

In the National League, the Milwaukee Braves downed the Chicago Cubs, 3-1, after dropping the opener of their doubleheader, 3-2; the Los Angeles Dodgers swept a twilight-night doubleheader at Philadelphia, 6-3 and 5-2, and the St. Louis Cardinals whopped the Cincinnati Reds, 5-2. The San Francisco at Pittsburgh night game was rained out.

Both of Maris' homers against the Athletics came with a man on base and raised his major league-leading total to 24. Jim Coates allowed only three singles in scoring his ninth consecutive victory of the season and his 13th in a row over two seasons.

Williams Blasts Homer
Williams' homer at Boston was his 12th of the season and the 52nd of his career, leaving him only seven behind Mel Ott's lifetime total. Russ Nixon also hit a two-run homer for the Red Sox, who broke a five-game losing streak.

A pair of homers by Joe Adcock featured Milwaukee's second game victory over the Cubs, who won the opener on Bob Wills' pinch single in the ninth inning. Dick Ellsworth went the route for Chicago in the first game, allowing only five hits. Joey Jay halted the Cubs on seven hits in the nightcap.

Two major league strikeout records were equalled during the Dodgers-Phila twinbill at Philadelphia. Dodger pitchers fanned 24 men in the two games to equal one mark and the combined total of 34 strikeouts for both clubs matched another major league high.

Hitting Streak Ends
Larry Sherry won the opener in relief of Don Drysdale when the Dodgers broke a 3-3 tie with two runs in the eighth inning. Sandy Koufax stopped the Phils on three hits in the nightcap but needed relief help from Ed Roebuck in the eighth. The Dodger pitchers also combined to stop Frank Herrera's 20-game hitting streak, fanning the Phils' first sacker for four times.

Stan Musial knocked in two runs with a double and single for the Cardinals, who raked three Cincinnati pitchers for 11 hits. Ray Sadecki stopped the Reds with three hits over the first eight innings but was relieved by Lindy McDaniel when Wally Post opened the ninth with a home run. McDaniel then retired the next three batters to save the game for Sadecki.

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knockouts against Basilio's record of 54—victories, 15 defeats and seven draws.

Adams Central Band In Festival Parade

The Adams Central high school band, directed by Don Gerig, will march in the Mermaid festival parade at North Webster Saturday afternoon. The school's senior band will rehearse at 7 o'clock this evening at the school, and the junior band at 8 o'clock. The intermediate band met this afternoon.

Gene Fullmer Whips Basilio In 12 Rounds

SALT LAKE CITY (UPI)—Gene Fullmer, two-time-kayo conqueror of Carmen Basilio, will defend his NBA version of the middleweight crown against Sugar Ray Robinson in an October "rubber match" if Robinson will accept reasonable terms.

That's what Fullmer said today while accepting congratulations for his impressive second technical knockout victory over ex-champion Basilio in their return bout Wednesday night after an estimated 10,500 spectators at Derks Field.

The gate was estimated at \$88,000.

Has Score to Settle

"I've got something I want to settle with Robinson, said the bathe-scared champion from nearby West Jordan, Utah. "He's the only man who ever knocked me out. I want to return the favor."

Bull-shouldered Gene won the undisputed 160-pound title from Robinson on a decision at New York, Jan. 2, 1957; but Sugar Ray recaptured it from Gene on a fifth round knockout at Chicago four months later. A third meeting next October would be the decisive rubber match.

Manager Mary Jenson said:

"Yes, the Robinson fight is the one we want in October if Sugar Ray will remember that he was beaten in his last two fights by Paul Pender and accept reasonable terms."

Fight in West

Jenson and Fullmer agreed the fight with Robinson should be staged in the West—perhaps at Salt Lake City, Logan, Utah, or Missoula, Mont.

Harry Markson, managing director of the Madison Square Garden Boxing Club, proposed to manager and fighter today that Gene meet Sugar Ray in a nationally televised fight in New York in October. They did not remind Markson's offer, but they recognized him Fullmer is not recognized as world champion by the New York State Athletic Commission.

The New York Commission, not a member of the National Boxing Association, recognizes Paul Pender of Brookline, Mass., as titleholder.

How About Pender?

"Because Pender won't fight any place outside of Boston," replied pilot Marv, "and we certainly wouldn't go into his home ballroom for a fight. If Pender wants to challenge Gene in Salt Lake City or in some neutral city in NBA territory, the match might be made."

Fullmer not only out-punched Basilio Wednesday night but he actually out-boxed him, and gave perhaps the most impressive performance in his career of 57 fights as he registered his 52nd victory and his 23rd knockout.

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Ted Williams Hits 504th Career Homer

BOSTON (UPI)—Ted Williams, just two months short of his 42nd birthday, was a lucky seven away from Mel Ott's home run record today.

Ted made it 504 lifetime home runs Wednesday, facing into a Jim Bunning fast ball for his 12th of the season. The hit, a 430-foot poke into the center field bleachers at Fenway Park, got Boston started on a 4-2 win over the Detroit Tigers and halted a five-game Red Sox losing streak.

The venerable outfielder's 500th major league home run came at Cleveland two weeks ago against Indians rookie Wynn Hawkins. Williams now needs seven more homers to tie the third-ranking Ott who hit 511 while with the New York Giants.

Babe Ruth leads all home run hitters with 714, while Jimmy Foxx hit 534 for the Philadelphia Athletics and the Red Sox.

Convicted Of Bribe Offer To Pitcher

PHILADELPHIA (UPI)—A former night club manager convicted of offering Philadelphia Phillies pitcher Humberto Robinson \$1,500 to throw a game last season was free in \$15,000 bail today pending action on his plea for a new trial.

A jury of seven men and five women found Harold Friedman, 43, guilty in less than 30 minutes of deliberation in his one-day trial. Judge Ethan Allen Doty, deferring sentence, set hearing Aug. 1 on Friedman's motion.

Doty said after the verdict that "we cannot have people tampering with our athletes. Philadelphia has always been known for clean athletics and we propose to keep it so."

Robinson, a slim righthander, testified Friedman attempted to bribe him in Robinson's hotel room on the day he pitched and won the second game of a twin-night doubleheader with the Cincinnati Reds here last Sept. 22. Robinson was lifted for a pinch-hitter in the seventh.

Friedman, testifying in his own defense, said he merely offered to lend Robinson money after he learned that the pitcher had been robbed.

Major League Leaders

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National League

Player & Club G. AB R. H. Pet.

Larker, L.A. 54 157 24 55 350

Mays, S.F. 67 256 56 89 348

Groat, Pgh. 66 288 44 98 340

Clinte, Pgh. 64 264 41 89 337

Ashburn, Phila. 65 245 48 79 322

Walters, Phila. 60 211 27 68 322

White, St. L. 67 262 37 84 321

Kirkland, S.F. 67 242 33 76 314

Skinner, Pgh. 65 256 49 79 309

Kasko, Cinc. 67 263 40 81 308

Adcock, Mil. 52 195 24 60 308

American League

Runnels, Bsn. 64 253 40 84 332

Minoso, Chi. 67 257 41 85 331

Maris, N.Y. 62 323 48 76 328

Gentile, Balt. 64 159 29 52 327

Smith, Chi. 66 251 36 81 323

Kuenn, Cleve. 60 232 37 73 315

Skowron, N.Y. 58 224 19 70 313

Lopez, N.Y. 50 159 25 48 302

Gardiner, Wash. 63 266 38 78 293

Piersall, Cleve. 60 212 36 62 292

Runs Batted In

National League—Banks, Cubs 62; Mays, Giants 54; Cepeda, Giants 52; Aaron, Braves 52; Clemente, Pirates 51.

American League—Maris, Yankees 62; Gentile, Orioles 49; Hanrahan, Orioles 47; Minoso, White Sox 47; Skowron, Yankees 45.

Home Runs

National League—Banks, Cubs 21; Boyer, Cards 19; Aaron, Braves 18; Mathews, Braves 16; Cepeda, Giants 15.

American League—Maris, Yankees 24; Lemon, Santors 17; Mantle, Yankees 17; Held, Indians 13; Maxwell, Tigers 12.

Pitching

National League—Law, Pirates 11-3; McCormick, Giants 9-3; Williams, Dodgers 6-2; Burdette, Braves 8-3; Buhl, Braves 8-3.

American League—Coates, Yankees 9-9; Brown, Orioles 6-2; Perry, Indians 8-3; Estrada, Orioles 8-3; Daley, Athletics 10-4; Grant, Indians 5-2; Stobbs, Senators 5-2.

MAJOR League Results

National League W. L. Pct. GB

Pittsburgh 41 24 .631 —

Milwaukee 38 26 .594 2½

San Francisco 36 31 .537 6

St. Louis 33 35 .485 9½

Cincinnati 32 35 .478 10

Los Angeles 32 35 .478 10

Philadelphia 28 41 .406 15

Chicago 26 39 .400 15

American League W. L. Pct. GB