

# Today's Sports Parade

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GOSHEN, N. Y. (UP) — Harness racing ranks today among the major industries of sports but its most storied event — the Hambletonian — still retains its country flavor.

The corn tassel classic will be held in this horsey hamlet, nestled sleepily in the rolling farmlands of Orange County, on Aug. 4. Goshen's preparations are amazingly simple.

On the whole they simply sit back and await the influx of some 20,000 city slickers.

## Not Fully Commercialized

This is one of the few big events in sports which is not fully commercialized. Some residents park cars on their lawns. And the ladies aid society throws its usual home cooked chicken dinner. But most of the townspeople, along with the visitors, are much too interested in the race.

It was over Orange County's dusty roads that Hambletonian, a nondescript trotter, did his running exactly 100 years ago. He wasn't fast, even for that era, but he did become a spectacular sire. And home folks will be watching right along with the sports from the city to see how his descendants do in the race named after the immortal stud.

## A Good Race

It figures, even now, to be a good one. And the favorites form the age-old triangle of two gals and one man. The horse they'll have to beat in the best two out of three one-mile heats is Newport Dream, a bay colt which stepped a 2:01.2 mile in winning 20 of 22 starts last year to set a two-year-old money winning record of \$94,933.

But shooting for the winner's share of the \$115,000 stake and regarded highly are two fast-stepping fillies, Stenographer, owned by Max Hempf of Camp Hall, Pa., and Princess Rodney, from the Walnut Hall stud at Lexington, Ky. They are the cream of some 85 crack 3-year-olds still eligible.

## Kentucky Derby Of Trotting

And almost any one of those sent to the post could win this Kentucky Derby of trotting, which first captured the public imagination when the great gray ghost called Greyhound won in 1935.

That much has been proved conclusively in the last three years as "outsiders" rambled home on top. Newport Star, a brother to this year's favorite, was a "sure thing" last year but lost to Helicopter. Sharp Note fooled 'em in 1952 and Mainliner steamed out of nowhere to 1951 victory.

Yet it is a sure thing to the sulky spectator that he'll taste the old-time flavor and excitement when they score next month at kite-shaped Good Time track. Changes are few and far between at Goshen.

BIRKDALE, Eng. UP — Veteran American professionals Jimmy Demaret and Jim Turnesa were only three strokes away from the lead today at the beginning of the British Open Golf championship's most grueling day with both third and fourth rounds scheduled. The surprise pacesetter as the reduced field of 50 headed into the last 36 holes over the Royal Birkdale course was 42-year old Tom Spence of Britain with a two-round total of 141.

# Major League Standings

By UNITED PRESS  
American League

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Cleveland	56	23	.709
New York	53	28	.654
Chicago	50	31	.617
Detroit	33	49	.404
Washington	32	44	.421
Philadelphia	29	46	.387
Baltimore	20	49	.289
Boston	28	47	.373

Thursday's Results

Cleveland 4 Baltimore 1  
Detroit 2 Chicago 0

Only games scheduled

Saturday's Games

Cleveland at Chicago  
Baltimore at Detroit  
New York at Washington night  
Boston at Philadelphia

National League

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	55	25	.688
Brooklyn	48	31	.609
Philadelphia	39	34	.534
Milwaukee	40	38	.513
Cincinnati	38	41	.481
St. Louis	38	41	.481
Chicago	28	48	.368
Pittsburgh	25	53	.321

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Chicago 9 Milwaukee 8, 14 inn.  
St. Louis 2 Cincinnati 1

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# SPORTS SHORTS

**BROOKLYN UP** — The big ballpark was emptied of both hooting crowd and horrifying Willie Mays, but Walter Alston grimly drove his dispirited Brooklyn Dodgers through an unprecedented post-game batting practice. "The practice will last until we run out of batting practice pitchers," said the taut-lipped Alston as he sent the fading National League champions back onto the turf of Ebbets Field less than a half-hour after their sixth straight beating by the Giants yesterday.

**MEMPHIS, Tenn. UP** — Dale Morey today led a field of 32 into first round match play in the Colonial Country Club golf tournament. The Martinsville, Ind., pro turned amateur stroked his way around the course in a three-under-par 67 yesterday to go with his earlier one-under-par 69 and a total 136 to capture medalist honors.

The Jacksonville Braves were back down to earth today and sadly aware that they might run into South Atlantic All-Stars just about any night. The Braves, fresh from giving the Sally All-Stars a good run for the money, last night returned to regular competition and

# Atlanta After An Important Win Tonight

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ATLANTA (UP) — The Atlanta Crackers today were looking for their most important victory of the season, the Little Rock Travelers for a new manager and the New Orleans Pelicans for a small miracle that could put the Southern Association All-Star battle in New Orleans.

Atlanta last night an but invited the All-Stars to town as the Crackers topped Birmingham 6-3 and pulled within one victory of clinching the host spot for the July 15 star battle.

Another win over Birmingham before Sunday, or a New Orleans setback, will do the trick for the Crackers. Atlanta prey Earl Mann is already making plans for the annual classic.

Bill George, the present "stopper" on the Atlanta mound staff, did the work for the Georgians as he dropped Birmingham on eleven scattered hits to kill the Barons' last mathematical chance of hosting their first All-Star game.

**MORE THAN ENOUGH** — The Barons got to George for three runs in the first three innings, but the Crackers also furnished three to keep the count even. Then George wound up tossing scoreless more tallies in the seventh and ball while Atlanta added three eighth innings.

The Crackers' nickel John Wingo for eleven hits. Pete Whisenant drove in the tie-breaking run in the seventh with a sacrifice fly and Jack Parks and Billy Porter added some insurance with homers in the eighth.

New Orleans dropped Melbie 4-1 in a five-inning game halted by rain, to keep alive a slim hope of winning the bid for the All-Star game. Lenny Yochim scattered five Bear hits over the five innings to grab the win. The Pel veteran would have had a shutout except for a homer by Lyle Olsen.

**NORMAN QUITS TRAYS** — Little Rock had an off day along with the other teams in the loop, but the skidding Trays continued to have trouble. Manager Bill Norman resigned his post at the helm of the Trays.

The 43-year-old Norman was immediately assigned by parent Detroit Tigers as a scout, and the Little Rock club started looking for a replacement.

The Trays have lost nine of their last ten games and lost only 2-4 games out of the cellar.

The Standings

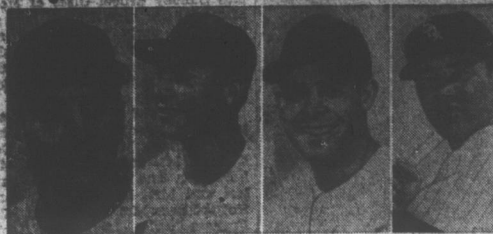
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Atlanta	32	35	.596
New Orleans	31	39	.567
Birmingham	30	39	.562
Chattanooga	28	41	.530
Memphis	20	47	.460
Mobile	18	49	.440
Little Rock	17	53	.516
Nashville	24	50	.466

went down 10-4 before a heavy-hitting Columbus team.

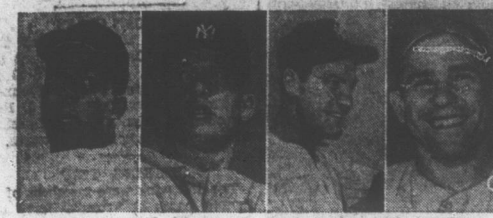
**PHILADELPHIA UP** — A Save-the-A's drive to get 25,000 more customers for the Philadelphia Athletics this season was off to a fast start today with a new store chain's pledge to buy 50,000 worth of tickets. The pledge was made by Harry Syk, president of the chain, at a city hall meeting of 50 civic and business leaders called into session by Mayor Joseph Clark Thursday to give the money-shy Athletics a life or lose them to another city. Syk plans to distribute the tickets among customers under a merchandising plan the final week of this month.

**BLOOMINGTON, Ind. UP** — After months of searching applicants, Indiana University is the closer to finding a new athletic director. What's more, university

# American's All-Star Varsity



Al Rosen, 1b Cleveland; Bobby Ayala, 2b Cleveland; Ray Boone, 3b Detroit; C. Carrasquel, ss Chicago



O. Minoso, lf Chicago; M. Mantle, cf New York; Hank Bauer, rf New York; Larry Berra, c New York

HERE are the eight players named in a poll of baseball fans to take the field for the American league in the 1954 All-Star Game which will be played in Cleveland, Tuesday, July 13. (International)

# Girls To Open Softball Season

The Dunn Girls' Softball team will open their 1954 season Monday night against Johnson-Lambe Sporting Goods Co. of Raleigh in the Dunn ball park.

The Local girls had one of the best girls teams in the eastern section of North Carolina last year. In the invitational girls softball tournament in Smithfield they were the runner-up champions last year. Henry Hutaff said that he thought that the girls would be just as strong this year as they

**DALLAS, Tex. UP** — Money talks, so the plimen who want to make Texans of an unnamed baseball team dug today for the kind of cash that might talk in the major leagues. A spokesman for the group said "we should know by the end of the week" whether Dallas' big league ambitions will be backed by silver dollars. The goal was \$5-million cash.

The Asheville Tourists today looked their wounds after taking their worst beating of the season. The Hi-Toms scored seven runs in the first inning last night and went on to beat the Patriots 17-8. Three of Greensboro's eight runs came on a fourth-inning home run by new catcher Eddie Irons.

The Asheville Tourists today were making a new attack on the Tri-State lead, an attack featuring light-hitting and timely rainstorms. The second-spot Tourists last night used the new attack to beat loop-leading Spartanburg 3-0, and move a full game closer to the Peaches.

Recent Visitor  
George Rogers of Pittsboro a recent weekend visitor in Lillington where she visited Mrs. Harrington. Mrs. Rogers is a mer resident of Lillington.

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**Meaneat Thief**  
PROVIDENCE, R. I. (UP) — A theft, the like of which hadn't been heard of in years, was reported to local police. The proprietor of Louis' Tap said someone stole his swinging doors.

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# RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Harnett County that the following budget, for the fiscal year 1954-1955, be and the same is hereby adopted and the tax levy for the said fiscal year is hereby appropriated:

General, Poor and Health	\$ 355,668.00
Old Age Assistance	270,780.00
Aid to Dependent Children	212,680.00
<b>SCHOOL FUND</b>	
Current Expense	\$287,350.00
Capital Outlay	164,400.00
Debt Service	78,800.00
Township Road Fund	19,750.00
	<b>\$1,389,428.00</b>
Special District No. 2	
Averasboro Township	21,000.00
	<b>\$1,410,428.00</b>
Approved July 5, 1954.	

L. A. TART,  
Chairman, Board of County Commissioners.

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