

Today's Sports Parade

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RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — A trio of traveling salesmen and a college boy from Tennessee cut it up today on the rolling green acres of the James River course in the 36-hole semi-finals of the U. S. Amateur golf championship. They are four distinctly different types.

One is Harvie Ward, a charming, handsome 29-year-old to whom life is just a bowl of golf balls.

Another is Billy Hyndman, a pleasant but withdrawing tournament veteran from the ritzy Philadelphia Main Line.

He will meet thin, dark-featured Hillman Robbins, a silent shot-maker from Memphis.

And facing Ward is Billy Booe, who doesn't believe any of it, anyhow, as he walks dazedly through a dream world.

WARD TOP FAVORITE

Ward is the big favorite to add this one to the British Amateur crown he copped in 1952. A fairway hot-shot since his teens, the young man from Tarboro, N. C., now sells automobiles in San Francisco.

Harvey has been terrific off the tees for a long time. Playing in the Masters as long as seven years ago, he was getting ready for a practice round when Jimmy Demare told Ben Hogan and Byron Nelson:

"I don't like the partners you've been dredging up for me. I'll take this kid."

Harvey shot a 31 on the front nine and the pros almost fell over.

Hyndman, a 39-year-old insurance, was a semi-finalist in 1953. He has been playing for years and is a tough competitor the few times he hits the circuit, winning such as the 1954 North-South Amateur.

ROBBINS CARY'S PROTEGE

Robbins, 23, won the 1954 intercollegiate championship for Memphis State, where he is finishing up this year. He led the nation's qualifiers with a 66-66-132 and played the hottest golf of the tournament as he knocked off Ed Hopkins of Abilene, Texas, with a three under par 67. He is, more or less, a protege of Cary Middlecoff, the cup-filling Memphis dentist.

In the league, Booe admits he just doesn't belong. "I don't care whether I lose or not," said the lingerie salesman as he went out for his sixth round Thursday. "I've gone much farther than I should have already."

His 42-40-82 for a 1 up win over Charley Kunkle of Johnstown, Pa., seemed to bear him out. But he was even par in the morning round.

So, whether you believe it or not, almost anything can happen today. That's the way it's been so far.

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Major League Standings

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National League

	W.	L.	Pct.
Brooklyn	93	52	.641
Milwaukee	81	65	.555
New York	74	70	.514
Philadelphia	73	73	.500
Cincinnati	69	77	.486
Chicago	69	77	.473
St. Louis	63	82	.434
Pittsburgh	57	87	.396

Thursday's Results
St. Louis 3 Brooklyn 2 12 inn.
Only game scheduled.

Friday's Probable Pitchers
New York at Brooklyn night — Monzant 3-7 vs Loes 10-4.

Pittsburgh at Philadelphia night — Law 10-9 vs Roberts 22-12.

St. Louis at Milwaukee night — Lawrence 3-7 vs Burdette 11-8 or Nichols 9-6.

Only games scheduled.

Saturday's Games
New York at Brooklyn
St. Louis at Milwaukee
Cincinnati at Chicago

Only games scheduled.

American League

	W.	L.	Pct.
Cleveland	90	56	.616
Boston	82	62	.569
New York	88	56	.611
Detroit	72	73	.497
Chicago	86	60	.589
Kansas City	61	84	.421
Washington	51	91	.359
Baltimore	47	95	.331

Thursday's Results
No games scheduled.

Friday's Probable Pitchers
Washington at Baltimore 2 games, twilight — Abernathy 5-7 and Clarke 0-0 vs Gray 1-2 and Brown 1-4.

Boston at New York night — Sullivan 18-12 vs Ford 17-7.

Detroit at Cleveland night — Hoelt 16-7 vs Wynn 16-10.

Chicago at Kansas City night — Johnson 7-3 or Keegan 2-5 vs Kellner 10-8.

SATURDAY'S GAMES
Chicago at Kansas City, night.
Boston at New York
Detroit at Cleveland
Washington at Baltimore

CHICAGO (AP) — Gene Fulmer of Ogden, Utah, fifth - ranking middleweight contender, will meet Illinois middleweight champion Bobby Boyd in a nationally-televised bout at Chicago Stadium on Wednesday, Sept. 28, the International Boxing Club announced today.

NEW YORK (AP) — Three players recalled from Louisville of the American Association were expected to join the Boston Red Sox today in time for tonight's game against the New York Yankees.

Improvement Is Seen For State Gridders

RALEIGH (AP) — General improvement for 1955 is forecast hopefully in almost every college football camp of the upper South.

But all this is overshadowed by the awesome might of Maryland's Terrapins — bidding for a national championship.

Except for Maryland's role as a powerhouse, there has not been better balance in the two major conferences of the section — The Atlantic Coast and the Southern in years.

A favored few — Maryland, Duke and West Virginia — Promise to continue domination. But the challengers will be stronger.

In the two previous years of the ACC's existence, neither Maryland nor Duke has lost a game to a conference rival. Maryland was led by Wake Forest for a blemish that deprived the Terrapins of another Orange Bowl bid last season. The same two teams apparently will be leading contenders for the Miami trip this year — and again, they do not play each other.

Maryland Against Missouri
Jim Tatum's declaration of the might at Maryland — "perhaps my best team" — had a crashing effect. The Terrapins open their quest for the national title Saturday against Missouri — the team they slaughtered on national TV last Thanksgiving, 74-13.

By Oct. 1, the Terrapins will have met the toughest rivals on their schedule — UCLA and Baylor. Duke, despite the loss of quarter-

back Jerry Barger, has a dangerous team. The Blue Devil backfield is particularly explosive, with halfbacks Bob Pascal and Bunny Blaney, and fullback Bryant Aldridge returning.

Duke will make its bid for prominence by playing a schedule that includes the champions of every major bowl game last year's — except the Orange Bowl where the Blue Devils beat Nebraska. Th schedule includes Ohio State, Georgia Tech and Navy.

OUT FOR NO. 3
West Virginia's massive Mountaineers have won two consecutive Southern Conference titles. With quarterback Fred Wyatt and tackle Bruce Bosley heading the cast, Coach Art Lewis' monsters bid to make it three. Virginia Tech, unbeaten in 1954, will be the chief challenger.

Among the most improved teams, on the basis of pre-season indications, are Clemson and North Carolina State. Better balance, speed and more depth is available at North Carolina and Virginia, but both the Tar Heels and Cavaliers face tougher schedules.

South Carolina and Wake Forest have outstanding individual performers, but graduation losses and a lack of reserves will slow their rise.

North Carolina, which plays one of the nation's toughest schedules — opening with Oklahoma, meeting Notre Dame and Maryland on the way, and fishing with Duke — will be improved.

American League Continue

By FRED DOWN
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The American League's uncer-

producing flag chase resumes tonight with the front-running Cleveland Indians facing the league's hottest pitcher in Detroit's Billy Hoelt and the New York Yankees jousting with the circuit's most dangerous hitter in Boston's Ted Williams.

Rater 3-2 favorites to win the pennant on the basis of their current one-game margin and an easier schedule in the final week of the campaign, the Indians nevertheless could drop out of first place in they lose tonight.

The Yankees could then go ahead by beating the Red Sox with a .614 percentage compared to the Indians' .612 mark.

WYNN AGAINST HOEFT
Manager Al Lopez selected Early Wynn, a 35-year old righthander with a 16-10 record to face the brilliant Hoelt, a 23-year-old southpaw. Hoelt has a 16-7 record and leads the majors with seven shutouts.

Manager Casey Stengel, who thinks his Yankees can win all 10 of their remaining games, chose 17-game winner Whitey Ford to face Williams & Co. Ford will be opposed by Frank Sullivan, an 18-game winner.

The Yankees' big worry as they enter the series is controlling the great Williams. It's a job they've accomplished fairly well so far — he's hitting .333 against them but has driven in only three runs and hit just one homer in six games.

Following this three-game series with Detroit, the Indians play the White Sox twice and then wind up the campaign against the Tigers at Detroit. The Yankees have three games with the Washington Senators and four at Boston with the Red Sox left after the sequence beginning tonight.

It was only in the last two weeks that the Sox and Red Sox buckled in the face of twin drives by Cleveland and New York — a .765 spurt, 13-4, by the Indians and a .714 pace, 10-4, by the Yankees. The White Sox, who play the Kansas City Athletics tonight, still have a faint mathematical chance in the event of a total collapse by the two leaders but the Red Sox are definitely out of it.

In the National League, meanwhile, the champion Brooklyn Dodgers returned to New York for a "homecoming parade" today feeling anything but invincible.

They completed their final Western swing of the year Thursday by dropping their fifth in a row — a 3-2 loss to the St. Louis Cardinals in 12 innings in the only game played in the majors.

UCLA Picked To Win Tonite

By TIM MORIARTY
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UCLA, the nation's No. 1 college football team last year and a contender for the same title again this year, inaugurates the Country's 1955 gridiron season tonight by meeting upset-minded Texas A & M under the lights at Los Angeles' Memorial Coliseum.

Several other smaller games also will be played tonight and then the pigskin really starts bouncing Saturday with almost a full schedule of games.

UCLA, sparked by All-America candidate Bob Davenport at full back, heads into its opening game a 14-point favorite to score its 14th straight victory. The Bruins won all nine of their games last year and the Pacific Coast Conference championship, but weren't eligible to go to the Rose Bowl.

CHICAGO (AP) — Pepper Martin one-time base-stealing star of the St. Louis Cardinals' "Gas House Gang," will be a coach on the Chicago Cubs next season.

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NEW YORK (AP) — Six outstanding foreign distance runners have been invited to compete in the United States' indoor track season this winter, the National Amateur Athletic Union announced today.

The six are four-minute miler Chris Chataway and Brian Hewson of Britain, record-breaking Sandor Iharos of Hungary, Vladimir Kuts of Russia, Roger Moens of Belgium, and Jerzy Chromich of Poland. The AAU said it did not know whether any of the six would accept the invitation.

DETROIT (AP) — Frankie Ruff, who boasts he can beat any lightweight in the world, ruled as a 9 to 5 favorite today over Joey Lopez for tonight's 10-round nationally televised bout at Olympia.

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Doug Higgins, a trim Texan riding the tournament-trail for the first year had the money gleam in his eyes today as he sported a two-stroke lead in the Philadelphia Daily News \$20,000 Open Golf Tournament after a sizzling 64 on opening day.

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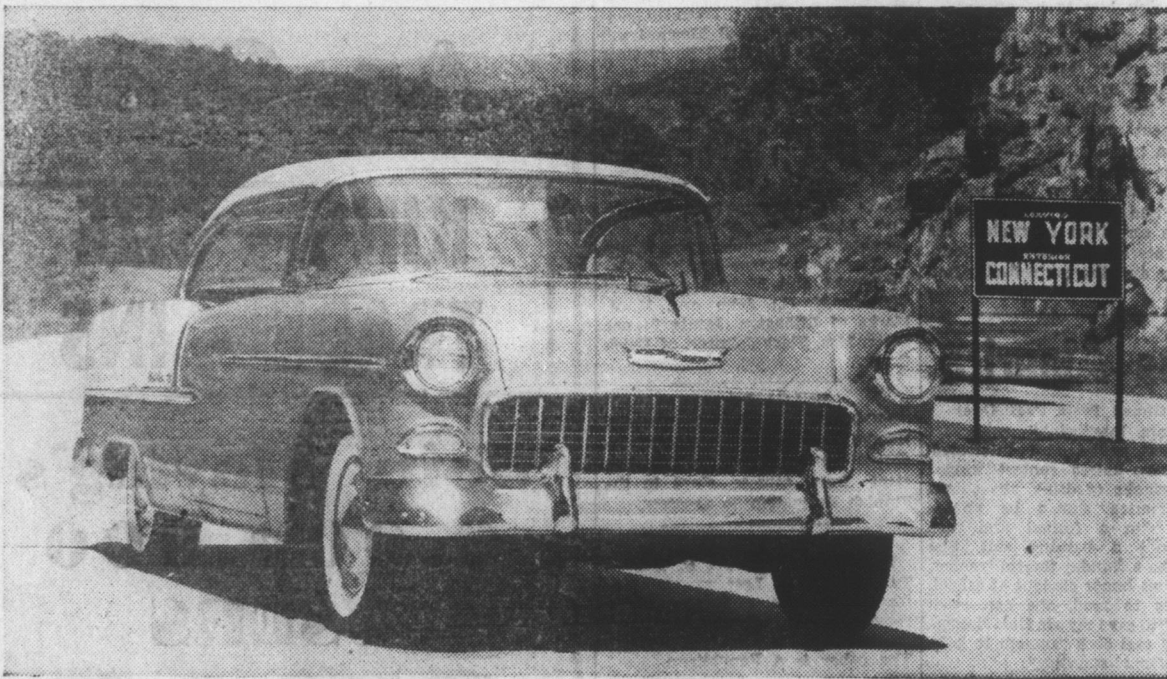
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