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Phillips, Crandall Lead Braves To 5-1 Victory Over Redlegs

Rookie Wins on 7-Hitter

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 13 (UP).—Milwaukee Braves catcher Del Crandall batted in three runs, two of them with a home run in the sixth inning, to help young battery mate Taylor Phillips to a 5-1 victory over the Cincinnati Redlegs tonight before 38,580.

Phillips allowed seven hits in notching his third victory without a loss. It was Milwaukee's third triumph in the four-game series with the third-place Redlegs, who fell four games behind the first-place Braves.

HOMER SNAPS TIE

The 21-year-old Phillips, in his rookie year in the National League, was locked in a 1-1 duel with Johnny Klippstein until the sixth when Crandall whacked his 13th homer, scoring Bobby Thomson ahead of him.

Klippstein, who gave up only four hits in the six innings he worked, was lifted for a pinch hitter in the seventh.

The Redlegs' only run came in the first when Frank Robinson homered over the left field screen. Robinson was the most troublesome Redleg, getting four hits off Phillips.

ONE BAD INNING

Phillips had only one other bad inning, the fifth. Three Redlegs reached base but one was thrown out trying to steal. With runners on first and second Phillips got dangerous Gus Bell to tap weakly to the mound.

Crandall tied the game in the second with his long fly to center which scored Joe Adcock from third. Second baseman Danny O'Connell made Phillips' victory seem certain when he singled through the box with the bases loaded, scoring two runs. It was the ninth straight game in which O'Connell was his safety.

The crowd set a four-game series home attendance record for the Braves of 162,380.

Milwaukee				Cincinnati			
O'Connell,2b	3	0	0	0	Temple,2b	4	0	1	0
Logan,ss	4	0	0	0	Robinson,rf	4	1	2	1
Aaron,rf	4	0	1	0	Post,rf	0	0	0	0
Adcock,1b	3	1	1	0	Temple,2b	4	0	0	0
Mathews,3b	4	0	0	0	Bell,1b	4	0	0	0
a-Mantilla	0	0	0	0	Kluszewski,1b	0	0	0	0
Torre,lf	3	0	1	0	Klippstein,p	2	0	0	0
Thomson,lf	1	0	0	0	Dickson,ph	1	0	0	0
Burdette,p	2	0	0	0	Edwards,p	0	0	0	0
Crandall,c	4	1	2	3	Hurley,p	0	0	0	0
Phillips,p	3	0	2	0	Acker,p	0	0	0	0
					Tornay,c	3	0	1	0
					Jeffcoat,p	0	0	0	0
					b-Gilliam	1	0	0	0
Totals	30	5	7	27	12	Totals	33	1	7	247

a-Pinched for Klippstein in 7th.
b-Flied out for Jeffcoat in 9th.

Cincinnati	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0—1
Milwaukee	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	1	x—5

E—McMillan, Mathews, Crandall, 2. O'Connell 2. 2B—Robinson, Adcock. 3B—Crandall. HR—Robinson (13), Crandall (13). SB—Klippstein 2, Gross 1, Phillips 2. SH—Klippstein 2, Temple 1. DP—Cincinnati 1 (Temple to Bell); Milwaukee 1 (O'Connell to Logan to Adcock). LOB—Cincinnati 7, Milwaukee 7. 2B—Klippstein (1-0), Phillips (3-0). L—Klippstein (11-7). U—Dascoli, Conlan, Jackowski, Landes. T—2:22. A—38,580.

Excellent Chief Scores

YONKERS, N. Y., Aug. 13 (AP).—Excellent Chief, owned by Two Gals Farm, Indianapolis, held off a strong rush by Elsa Gaines to-night to take the Thornwood Pace before 12,841 at Yonkers Raceway. Excellent Chief, scoring his first victory of the year, returned $12.20.

Sports Results

Independent

BASEBALL

SALEM COUNTY LEAGUE
Pedrickton 3 ..... Penton 2
Salem 7 ..... Pennsgrove 6
Penns Grove 3 ..... Carneys Point 2
CHESTER-DELAWARE BASE BALL LEAGUE
Northwest Dept. of Recreation League
Pat Wee Division
Schaffer 8
Fabian Tool 4 ..... Central Penn 3
(Fidelity wins best-of-3 series, 2-1)
SANDY SPOON JUNIOR
Championship Round
Northeast Cards 13 ..... Northeast Vol AC 3
(Cedar Conference)
Northeast AC "A" 11 ..... Northeast AC "B" 1
Oxford Circle 2 ..... L. Southampton 1
(Bucks County Conference)
St. Joan of Arc 4 ..... Ardsley Inds 3
(Montgomery County League)
Northeast SC 3 ..... Berkshire SO 2
(Reading Suburban League)
Somerville 4 ..... (1st Game) ..... Trenton AC 2
N. S. Valley 5 ..... (2nd Game) ..... Trenton AC 1
(Valley Conference)
(Northeast League)
Forest Hill 11 ..... Northeast 2 F & J 2
Huntingdon Valley 3 ..... Northeast Pets 0
(Northeast League)
Northeast SC 7 (7 innings) Somerville 2
(Mideast Conference)
(Northeast League)
Kensington 5, New York 2 ..... Wissahickon Park 3
Northeast AC 11 ..... Northeast Pets 1
(Northeast League)
Fox Sub 7 ..... Huntingdon Valley 1
(Valley League)
SOFTBALL
NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER SOUTH LEAGUE
Panthers 3 ..... South Side 2
PHILA. TAVERN LEAGUE
(Finals)
Bailey's 7 ..... John's U-Bar 1
ASA TOURNAMENT
Women's Division
Olney Knotwood (Pittsburgh) Roadettes 4
(Texas tied in double elimination tournament)

Professional

BASEBALL
AMERICAN LEAGUE GAMES
Minneapolis (AA) 3 ..... Cleveland 2
Chicago (AL) 4 ..... Chicago (NL) 1

Baseball Facts

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

Last Night's Results
Milwaukee, 5; Cincinnati, 1.
Brooklyn at New York, postponed, rain.
Only games scheduled.

Standings

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
Milwaukee	66	42	.611	
Brooklyn	64	44	.593	2
Cincinnati	63	47	.573	4
St. Louis	55	54	.505	11½
PHILLIES	52	55	.468	13½
Pittsburgh	47	63	.427	19
Chicago	44	63	.411	21
New York	39	66	.371	25½

G.B.—Games Behind.

Today's Schedule
Probable Pitchers & Their Records
PHILLIES vs. Pittsburgh (2, twi-night), Connie Mack Stadium, 6 P. M.—Haddix (10-2) and Simmons (9-6) vs. Friend (12-11) and Munger (3-5).
New York at Brooklyn (night)—Hearn (4-11) vs. Maglie (5-4).
Cincinnati at Chicago—Nuxhall (7-8) vs. Kaiser (5-5).
Milwaukee at St. Louis (night)—Nichol (14-5) or Conley (6-7) vs. ——— (5-7).

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Yesterday's Results
No games scheduled.

Standings

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
New York	73	38	.658	
Cleveland	62	45	.583	8½
Boston	62	47	.569	10
Chicago	56	50	.528	14½
Detroit	52	56	.471	20½
Baltimore	48	63	.436	24½
Washington	45	64	.413	27
Kansas City	37	72	.340	35

G.B.—Games Behind.

Today's Schedule
Probable Pitchers & Their Records
Chicago at Kansas City (night)—Harshman (9-7) vs. Ditmar (9-12).
Detroit at Cleveland (night)—Feyrack (9-9) vs. Wynn (13-6).
Washington at Baltimore (night)—Stobbs (9-9) vs. Johnson (4-7).
Boston at New York (night)—Parnell (6-2) vs. Kucks (15-6).

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The Day before the Night after finds Richie Ashburn, Phillies center fielder who will be honored tonight at Connie Mack Stadium, scoring a hit at home (on the left) with his 6-week-old daughter Sue Ann and wife Herberta. On right, Richie gets his 2-year-old daughter Jan in the swing of things. The Ashburns have a third girl, Jean, 5. The two "older" girls will attend the ceremonies.

Fans Will Honor Ashburn In Phils' Twin Bill Tonight

BY ART MORROW

Richie Ashburn, the low-headed speedboy of the Philadelphia outfield, reported yesterday on how a man goes about winning—or retaining—a batting championship. "He doesn't have to hit in 56 straight games, like Joe DiMaggio," Richie said. "I don't see how even DiMaggio did that.

"But he has to have a series of hot streaks. By that, I mean not just getting a hit in a stretch of games, but knocking out two or three at a clip in several or most of them. Golly, I'd like to string together some streaks like that."

NO BETTER TIME

There would be no better time than tonight for the 1950 National League batting champion to start. The Phillies meet the Pittsburgh Pirates in a doubleheader, starting at 6 o'clock, and it's "Richie Ashburn Night" at Connie Mack Stadium.

Between games Richie will be trapped with "A-a-h-h-h" when air-conditioner, a TV console, a freezer and a long list of other presents from friends and admirers. Upon being introduced by sportscaster Gene Kelly, Warren Hull, of screen and TV fame, will serve as master of ceremonies, and Reilly's Raiders will demonstrate why they hold 64 national, VFW and American Legion drum-and-bugle corps championships.

Fifteen thousand general admission tickets will be on sale at the ball park, club officials announced.

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Prophecy a Fizzle

Richie's Still Hot

IN 1948, the Phillies had a rookie outfielder named Johnny Blatnik, a vicious line-drive hitter who, for a time, threatened to tear open the National League. Until the pitchers caught up with him, sometime in June, he was a terror and a loast.

On the way up, he had weakened the fences at Harrisburg in the Inter-State League and on a Phils' off day, he was invited back to a testimonial luncheon. There, he spoke freely of life in the big leagues and the Phils chances and the play of a fellow rookie, Richie Ashburn.

"The kid's plenty good," Blatnik said with admiration. "But," he added with honest concern, "I'm afraid he's going to burn himself out quickly."

It would take some digging to discover what eventually happened to Blatnik but Ashburn can be found more readily, still bubbling, with the limitless vitality of Vesuvius, in the Phillies' clubhouse.

He was hot when he came up, all the way from Class A ball, and through his seasons he's been powered by the fire that baseball men, for want of a better word—and it's doubtful if there is a better one—call hustle.

Richie has been burning ever since. He's lost a mite of of his great physical speed—the speed that used to turn slow taps to the pitcher into base hits—but there hasn't been any slowup in the spirit of the 1948 National League Rookie of the Year.

That year, a Phillies coach said, "I know it sounds silly, but Richie's the nearest thing to Ty Cobb on the bases I've ever seen."

Sound silly? Nobody claims Ashburn is the spike-up slashing base stealer Cobb was. But it's claimed he's just as fast. In other ways, too, the bomb-triggered blond is reminiful of Cobb.

In these days of the home runs rabbit, Ashburn is a hare of a different type.

Short on homers, he's a throwback to the "singles" hitters grandpa loved. With a .315 lifetime average, second among active National Leaguers—Stan Musial's is 342—he's the old-fashioned kind that concentrates on getting on base.

He pulls, he slashes, he bunts away, he drags, he walks. He makes getting to first his big job. From there he's ready to steal, or maybe to score on a nubbed single. He consistently takes the extra base, as casually as if it were his natural due.

He's a past. Watch him at bat. The National League adopted the foul strike rule in 1901. Here's Ashburn today, still fouling off the good ones—sometimes as many as a dozen—until he sees that good pitch, which will allow him to reach first, by either hitting the ball or walking.

He's an old-fashioned nuisance, right off the Cobb—a burning competitor who gives no promise of burning out.

Phils Deny Offering Roberts to Dodgers

The Phillies emphatically denied last night that they offered to trade their great righthanded pitcher, Robin Roberts, to the Brooklyn Dodgers last June for five top minor league ball players.

Robert R. M. Carpenter, Jr., the Phils' president, said, "I've never heard of such a thing. We have not approached Brooklyn with any offer in the last two years."

The report had the Phillies sending their perennial 20-game winner to the Dodgers in exchange for outfielder Don Demeter, third baseman Dick Gray and pitcher Ralph Mauriello, all with the Brooks' Fort Worth (Texas League) team; pitcher Fred Kipp, lefthanded knuckleballer from Montreal (International League), and shortstop Chico Fernandez, now with the Dodgers but then playing for Montreal.

General manager Roy Hamey, back from the West Coast, was supposed to have broached the deal shortly before the June 15 trading deadline. Hamey has said in the past that the Phils would trade the 29-year-old Roberts if they could help the team by so doing but that any deal would have to give the Phils two or three outstanding stars. He has always added that he doubted that any team would be willing to give up that much in exchange for the six-time 20-game winner.

The Phillies were reported to have been particularly anxious to land Demeter and Gray, both of whom were named to the Texas League all-star team and are labbed by scouts as top prospects.

It was said that Brooklyn officials, sorely in need of pitching help at the time, were more than sorely tempted but decided that the young players the Phils insisted upon would figure prominently in the Dodgers' own future plans.

The trade talks about Roberts with Brooklyn were not the first time his name had been mentioned in a deal.

Last winter, the Cardinals inquired about Roberts' availability and even tossed Stan Musial's name in the ring but any deal that might have been made was supposedly scotched when the Phils insisted that Al (Red) Schoendienst be thrown in also.

Splendored 1st On Stretch Run In $97,470 Race

Wins Princess Pat In Photo; Favored Lealiah (1-5) Is 4th

CHICAGO, Aug. 13 (UP).—Donald McKellar's Splendored, a mud-loving daughter of Double Jay, put on a flashy stretch run today to upset the 1-5 favorite, Lealiah, with a photo finish victory in the $97,470 Princess Pat Stakes for 2-year-old fillies at Washington Park.

Splendored, ridden by Jockey John Heckmann, was an 8-1 choice, but carrying 112 pounds she stayed in the thick of the pack for the first five-eighths of a mile and then rolled unhampered down the rail on the muddy track to edge Reverie Knoll Farm's Romanita, a 7-2 choice ridden by Willie Shoemaker, by a head.

Lealiah, owned by Charlton Clay, was undefeated in five starts, including three stake victories.

Race results, charts on Page 30.

and had earned $82,815 going into the run today. But Lealiah, piloted by Eddie Arcaro under top weight of 119 pounds, faded in the heavy going in the stretch and finished fourth behind Hasty House Farms' Blushility, a 76-1 choice, to win fourth money of $6000.

Heavy show betting on the race accounted for the show prices exceeding the place payments in all three money positions.

Splendored returned $18, $6 and $3, while Romanita paid $4 and $7.40 while Blushility paid $21.

3D IN SIX STARTS

Splendored, scoring her third win in six starts, earned $58,300 with the triumph to make her total earnings $94,455, close behind the $99,815 posted by Lealiah. Despite Splendored's record, her biggest previous single payment was $20,400 for finishing second to Lealiah in the Arlington Oaks, badly beaten by five lengths.

Today, Splendored was clocked at 1:12 2/5, good time considering the condition of the track. Last year the race was won in 1.10 2/5 while the best time ever posted was 1:08 4/5 by Whirlabout in 1952.

"She ran the same kind of race she's run her last three outs," Heckman said, "and she runs her best when she comes from out of the pack. We had all of the luck today, and saved ground all through the stretch, although I actually didn't think we were going to make it until the last four or five jumps."

DIDN'T LIKE MUD

Shoemaker said Romanita, which held the lead briefly in the stretch, was running easily, but "35 yards past the prices her ears and started to pull herself up, otherwise she looked like a winner to me."

Arcaro said Lealiah's only excuse was "she just didn't like the mud. There's no doubt about it, I know what this filly can do on a fast track."

Eight horses began the dash and Frank's Flower finished fifth, Nantua sixth, and then came Jetabugle corps championships.

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M'Ginnto Referee Olympic Trials

Ed McGinn, the Middle Atlantic AAU boxing chairman, has been named chief of referees at the Eastern Regional Olympic trials, to be held in Albany, N. Y., Aug. 22-25.

McGinn, an AAU referee for the past 26 years, has also been invited to officiate district amateur boxing finals in Louisville, Ky., Sept. 5-6.

Phil Figures Up to Date

BATTING

Player	G.	AB.	H.	HR.	Pct.
Burgess	3	3	1	0	.333
Ashburn	132	444	132	3	.297
Amoros	3	3	1	0	.333
Bauta	3	3	1	0	.333
Hamner	3	3	1	0	.333
Lopata	132	447	132	20	.295
Ennis	104	393	116	20	.295
Jones	104	337	99	12	.294
Valo	104	337	99	12	.294
Seminick	104	337	99	12	.294
Brewer	104	337	99	12	.294
Simpson	141	28	4	33	.254
Morgan	141	28	4	33	.254
Hoak	104	337	99	12	.294
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