

## 51,144 WATCH AT MILWAUKEE

# Record Crowd Sees Twins Win

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MILWAUKEE, Wis. — A record 51,144 persons watched the Twins beat the Chicago White Sox 2-1 in an exhibition game in County Stadium Monday.

The crowd was the largest ever for a Milwaukee baseball game and another 5,000 were turned away. More than 3,000 spectators watched the game from the outfield where they were roped in.

"An impressive sight," said baseball commissioner William Eckert.

White Sox vice president

Ed Short said, "I've always thought Milwaukee was a good baseball town. This crowd only re-affirms my belief.

"But," Short continued, "there is no assurance Kansas City owner Charles Finley will ask to move his franchise to Milwaukee, nor is baseball ready for immediate expansion."

American League president Joe Cronin called the crowd a great tribute to the game of baseball but refused to comment on Milwaukee as a future site for expansion.

Twin president Cal Griffith

did, however, comment when asked if baseball can ignore Milwaukee's response:

"Hell, no. I thought 20,000 to 25,000 would be a hell of a crowd."

But Griffith admitted that expansion is unlikely. Milwaukee's only hope, he said, would be a franchise shift.

Judge Robert Cannon, one of the leaders in Milwaukee's attempt to obtain a major league franchise, said, "This crowd is a tribute to Milwaukee baseball fans. But it just wouldn't be like this city to

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