

2ND TEST, LORDS

ENGLAND'S GALLANT FIGHT

7. Lord's on the fourth day of the Second Test with Hassett already dismissed for a cheap three runs on Saturday and Morris and Miller continuing the Australian's second innings at 96 for one.

Arthur Morris produced ~~some of his brightest strokes~~ to pile up his highest total of the tour, scoring freely and easily, until, with 89 to his credit, he mistimed a hook off Compton and Statham brought off a brilliant catch ~~carrying the ball with his safety as he fell~~

39. ... then Wardle clean bowled Miller at 109 - his first century against England in this country.

52. Hele got himself l.b.w. to Freddy Brown with the score at 235 and with only thirteen more added, Ring fell into the same trap.

74. Lindwall punished the bowlers unmercifully, claiming two sixes and six fours in an innings not without chances. He lost his partner Lengley in the meantime, to Brown, and then went on to advance his score to fifty in as many minutes, until Bedser neatly nailed him at the half century mark and the Australian innings closed with 368 runs on the board.

122.

Watson and Bailey were the heroes of England's second innings after the first four wickets had fallen, two men who withstood all that Australia could do in a sustained effort to separate them. Their batting was a prolonged show of defiance, and the two hours before lunch produced 96 runs and afterwards brought the score from mere double figures to 179 for four.

162.

Bailey soon passed his half-way mark with a fast four, and then Watson went on to put up his Century, <sup>Century</sup> only to be caught by Hole off Ring at

~~109~~

<sup>109</sup> <sup>197</sup> Bailey too went to a catch by Benaud off the same bowler, but their partnership had yielded an invaluable 163 runs.

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216

Brown and Evans had the last half now to face, Brown hitting a bright 22 and Evans <sup>227</sup> holding his ground like a true wicket keeper until <sup>230</sup> Brown was caught off Benaud.

*finally the redoubt*

242

249.

The last ball of the match, Benaud to Wardle, with Evans still in brought this unforgettable weathercock of a Test Match to an end with honours even.