

Tom Seats Hurls Double Shutout Over Sacramento

(By the Associated Press) Veteran left-hander Tom Seats carved himself a niche in the Pacific Coast league hall of fame yesterday by pitching San Francisco to a double shutout over Sacramento, 6-0 and 3-0. The feat is a league "first" and clinaxes Seats' best year in the eight-club circuit.

While the former big leaguer was racking up his 19th and 20th victories against eight losses to equal his 1943 record, two other top division clubs were winning both ends of their doubleheaders. First place Los Angeles disposed of Portland, 5-4 and 13-2, and Hollywood edged San Diego, 5-4 and 3-1.

Seattle, a lower division nine, completed the day's sweeps by defeating Oakland, 3-0 and 7-6. Seats pitched 16 runless innings, allowing only eight hits, in accomplishing his fifth shutout in six starts. In July he ran up a runless 27-inning streak in three 24 games.

Primarily registered his 16th victory of the year as Los Angeles downed hapless Portland behind his 7th pitching. Six errors aided the Angels in scoring 12 runs. The first game was a 10-inning affair.

The longest game of the day was Seattle's 7-6 win over Oakland in 12 frames. Catcher Edmonson dropped the ball when Matheson charged the plate with the winning run on a squeeze bunt by Dobbins.

Team Standings:

	W	L	Pct.
Los Angeles	68	54	.557
San Francisco	65	57	.533
Hollywood	63	62	.512
Oakland	61	62	.496
Sacramento	59	63	.484
Portland	59	63	.484
Seattle	60	64	.484
San Diego	56	68	.452

American Juggernaut Roaring Toward Paris

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lay down their arms.

The Americans were last reported two miles from the center of St. Malo, which is connected with the mainland by a causeway. Besieged many times in ancient days, St. Malo never has been taken by storm.

The garrison at Lorient on the south coast already had offered to surrender, not awaiting the arrival of the Americans who took the famous city of Auray, 18 miles west of Vannes and 18 miles east of Lorient.

At Brest, the French naval base at Brittany's tip, Americans were last reported in the outlying streets. No recent news had come from that sector. The last official announcement said the Americans had taken Huelgoat, 32 miles east of Brest and nine miles northwest of Carhaix.

Yanks In St. Nazaire
Lt. Gen. Bradley's armor also has been reported in the outlying streets of St. Nazaire, the big shipbuilding center and U-boat base at the mouth of the Loire, and driving the last 15 miles toward Nantes, city of 195,000 a few miles up the river.

But there were no late reports either from St. Nazaire or Nantes.

Shoving 31 miles northwest of Dinan, the Americans also captured St. Brieg on Brittany's north coast, field dispatches reported.

The Yankee offensive in Brittany already had netted 13,300 prisoners and 3,400 Nazi dead, a sizable addition to the divisions destroyed in the Normandy debacle.

Air Force Gives Aid
American Marauder bombers, maintaining pressure to seal in whatever Germans are left on the Breton peninsula, made direct bomb hits on two enemy freighters in the harbor of Brest before noon. Other mediums bombed Seine river railway bridge 30 miles south of Paris at Corbeil and at Corbie near Vernon.

While British bombers rained explosives on the enemy's important north-south supply routes last night, Mosquitoes ranged over Germany and a wide area of France hammering targets near the battle zone and 100 miles beyond.

Most of the Mosquito attacks were slanted at rail transport in continuation of efforts to block movement of German forces withdrawing rapidly from the western front.

Drier Site Bought By Oregon Nut Growers
GRESHAM, Ore., Aug. 7 (AP)—Purchase of a site upon which he said a 100-ton capacity nut drier will be built was announced today by F. J. Becker, secretary of Oregon Nut Growers, Inc.

Construction is being delayed, he said, until approval of a priorities application by the War Production board.

Three Forfeit Bail On Charge of Intoxication
Gus Halen, Frank Bray and Thor E. Vandergarden, all charged with intoxication, forfeited bail of \$10 each, A. J. Gaddes, city recorder, stated today. Jake Luteran paid a fine of \$15 after pleading guilty to the charge of intoxication. Delos Green, who is being held on the same charge, has not yet appeared before the court, Mr. Gaddes reported.

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Russian Fliers in Alaska Liberal Spenders, Interested Sport, Theater Patrons, Gentlemanly in Conduct

By JACK SULLIVAN
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FAIRBANKS, Alaska, Aug. 7.—(AP)—A young pistol-toting officer, his pockets bulging with the large-sized pre-war American dollar bills, is a familiar sight on Fairbanks streets today. Citizens are beyond the eyebrow-raising stare because they've seen similarly-dressed men come and go for the last two years.

The officer, a Russian pilot and war hero, most likely is shopping for silk stockings, canned meats, jewelry and toys and other "luxuries" to fly back to his family and friends in Russia on his next trip in a lend-lease United States-built fighter or bomber.

"Most of them can't speak English, but they can usually get across what they want," one storekeeper told me on a recent visit to the city, just 116 miles south of the Arctic circle. "They don't buy things one at a time; they'll empty the shelves if possible."

Last Christmas the stores had a tough time holding some of their supply of toys for the local trade. The soviet fliers tried to buy it all.

Behavior Exemplary
Charlie McLean, proprietor of a night club situated 13 miles west of the city, says most of the Russians he has seen "are here for a holiday."

"The majority, in Alaska on furlough from the fighting fronts carry the one-star and two-star decorations on their tunics, which usually means they've shot down 10 to 20 planes. They get a star for each 10 planes down."

"They are free spenders. Their behavior is exemplary and they are always the perfect gentlemen. I think they're tops."

"They represent nearly all walks of life, just like our own boys. They never talk about their homes or the war. These boys have seen lots of the war and are here to relax. The job of ferrying planes to Russia is just a breather for them after all they've been through."

Good Patrons of Sports
A "Mickey Mouse" cartoon showing at one of the city's two theatres is a sure bet to draw a large Russian audience. Walt Disney's creation appears to be their favorite, although they sit the full performance out even if they can't understand all that is spoken.

Baseball, a thriving sport in this land of the midnight sun, is a "must" on some Russians' entertainment list. Many were in the stands at the June 21 mid-night game between a club from Ladd field, adjoining air base of the air transport command, U. S. army air forces base, and an Edmonton team.

One American officer, with three in tow, explained the plays as the game progressed. Such expressions as "a fly ball," "sacrifice hit," "a walk," "a ground ball" or "a stolen base" didn't mean much to his pupils. "They really wanted to learn the game," the American said, "and it was tough. I worked harder than the players."

Taxicab drivers beam at the sight of the soviet officers. A \$1 tip for a \$2 fare is not unusual. "Brother, we love 'em," was one driver's comment.

and three great-grandchildren. The body has been removed to the Roseburg Undertaking company parlors. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

Smith River Timber Stand to Be Cruised
J. J. Holmes, county timber cruiser, left today for Gardiner to start the task of cruising timber on approximately 30,000 acres of land in the Smith river watershed. The timber recently was purchased from Douglas county by O. H. Hinsdale on a long term contract. The property is being placed on sustained yield operation and is soon to be dedicated as a "tree farm." The sale was based upon stumpage values to be determined by cruise.

Oregon Income Tax Cut Reduction Predicted
SALEM, Aug. 7. Oregon income tax payers who this year enjoyed a discount of 75 per cent, in the tax levy can not expect more than a 30 per cent reduction on their taxes due in 1945, it was indicated by employees of the tax commission.

Determination of the 1945 levy, however, is held up by the delay in the annual state tax levy which in turn is being delayed by the failure of one Oregon assessor to file his county's valuations with the tax commission.

Vital Statistics
BORN
HART—Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hart of Oakland, August 7, at Mercy hospital, a daughter, Elaine Vera; weight 5 pounds and 10 ounces.

MARRIAGE LICENSES
WAGNER-ALLEN—George W. Wagner, Lookingglass, and Emma Irene Allen, Pullman, Wash.

DIVORCE COMPLAINTS
STANLEY—George versus Pearl Stanley; married at Roseburg, December 31, 1943; cruelty.

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Robert H. Williams of Melrose Passes Away
Robert Harrison Williams, 85, died Saturday night at his home in Melrose, following a six months illness. Born September 4, 1858 at Martindale, Ind., he had made his home at Melrose for the past 26 years.

Surviving are the widow, Sarah Williams, and one son, Hubert O. Williams, Melrose, Calif. He also leaves three granddaughters.

Next Few Weeks May Settle Fate Of Adolf Hitler
By DEWITT MACKENZIE
(Associated Press War Analyst)
The most fascinating spectacle of the flaming battle-fronts to day—and a key situation to watch—is that loose left wing of Hitler's Normandy line which is flying wild like a pennant in a hurricane.

It was the tearing away of this Nazi flank from its coastal anchor which let the American armored forces loose to rampage through Brittany. Now it's being swung back like a turnpike toll-gate to open the route to Paris, as witness the glad news that Yankee columns achieved the crossing of the Mayenne river barrier in five places and are roaring on towards the French capital in the favorable open country between the Seine and the Loire rivers.

That lashing pennant is symbolic of Hitler's whole position at this critical moment—both in the fighting zones and on the home front. Just as he is trying frantically to stabilize that Normandy line, and also keep it from being torn away from its right anchor at Caen, where the allies are attacking again today, so he is straining every nerve to reorganize his civilian war effort in face of the recent revolt organized by the Prussian generals.

Hitler Faces Doom
One of General Montgomery's senior staff officers yesterday declared that "the next two or three weeks may be the most critical of any time of the war for Germany."

That's true not only in the military sense but as regards the crisis within the reich. Hitler himself acknowledged this in his statement to Nazi party leaders last Friday when he said: "I am not afraid to wage battle against outside enemies. But I must have certainty that in the rear there is absolute security, loyal confidence and faithful cooperation."

The Fuehrer is facing the monumental task not only of repairing the shaken morale of his troops but of his people. He must do this at a moment when both his eastern and western fronts

Reich Oil Plants, Air Fields Lashed by Bombers

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Berlin radio said planes from the south also were hitting at German targets.

Mosquitoes continued the assault on Germany's shrinking oil supply by bombing a synthetic oil plant at Castrop-Rauxel, near the eastern end of the Ruhr, and still others returned with two-ton blockbusters to the off-battered city of Cologne.

More than 2,000 American bombers hit Berlin and other German industrial centers yesterday.

Offensive sweeps were carried out Sunday over the Ploesti and Bucharest areas in Romania.

Allied losses in all operations yesterday and last night were 42 planes, while 43 German planes were shot down.

The RAF announced its bombers scored direct hits on the submarine pens at Lorient in a dusk attack.

Philadelphia Strike Is Ended; Others Hanging On
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and provincial government of compromise proposals. The transportation tieup continued.

Elsewhere in the nation about 11,000 workers were idle in 19 other labor disagreements. In all, about 19,500 were idle today as compared with 34,000 last Saturday.

Disputes Widespread
A work stoppage at the St. Louis Car company, which manufactures amphibious navy tanks, kept 1,200 workers idle and the same number were out in a dispute at the Chicago Screw company. In a strike at the Carbonade, Ill., ordnance plant 1,200 re-

are being riddled with holes, and there's no question that the disaffection had deep roots.

The next three weeks may indeed vastly clarify the war picture. We already know Hitler is beaten—and he knows it—but we don't know how long he may be able to hang on. His every move indicates his determination to fight to the last ditch if he can get his army and home front to support him. Three weeks may disclose his prospects.

11 Jap Ships Sunk, 30 Others Damaged in Bonins
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less than 900 miles north of Saipan, most advanced American base in the Marianas, where air strips are under construction.

Tokyo radio today said two allied planes appeared over Davao, principal city of the southern Philippines, and that one of them dropped "three small bombs which landed harmlessly in the sea." There was no allied confirmation. If the report were true, the raid was the first reported return of MacArthur's airmen to the islands he was forced to abandon in 1942.

Strongly indicating that B-29 Superfortresses will be based on Saipan, Brig. Gen. Robert W. Douglas, Jr., commander of the Seventh army air force, disclosed that American engineers in the Marianas, "accomplishing a miracle of construction," were building big air bases "that threaten the very gates of Tokyo."

Guam Mop-Up Proceeds
On Guam, 130 miles south of Saipan, American soldiers and marines forced Japanese defenders deeper into the northern quarter of the island.

Marines began operating fighter planes off the Orate peninsula airstrip on Guam, cleared of the wreckage of 76 Japanese planes. Guam's civilians continued to surrender by the hundreds; 22,000 already have taken refuge behind American lines.

Jap Troops In Muddle
American Sixth army troops who landed at Sansapor, Dutch New Guinea, 600 miles southeast of the Philippines, last week, have cut enemy coastal communications and driven the Japanese

back into the jungle "in a state bordering on demoralization."

Gen. MacArthur emphasized "the confusion and dislocation in rear areas of the second Japanese army."

Americans made another landing at Korim bay on Blak Island, off Dutch New Guinea, Thursday, to cut off the escape of Japanese units fleeing from the American-occupied Mokmer air-drome area.

In the Wewak-Altape area of British New Guinea, 700 miles east of Sansapor, Americans buried 967 more enemy dead, bringing Japanese fatalities in that area, since renewal of activity last July 12, to 5,935.

Allied bombers, attacking a small Japanese convoy off Ambina west of New Guinea Saturday, sank a 1,000-ton freighter and damaged two others. Two 1,000-ton enemy freighters were set afire 100 miles east of Palau, in the Carolines, Friday. Other bombers hit Wake Island, Palau, Ponape and Yap, and enemy bases in the Marshall Islands.

At Pearl Harbor Lt. Gen. Robert Richardson, Jr., army commander for the central Pacific, was made commanding general of the Pacific ocean areas, a new post.

Bean Pickers Wanted
PORTLAND, Aug. 7.—(AP)—A call for 1500 adults to aid children picker platoons in harvesting 600 acres of beans in the Columbia slough area near here, was issued today.

Oregon State college extension service is expected to recruit the additional labor needed from Aug. 10 to 20.

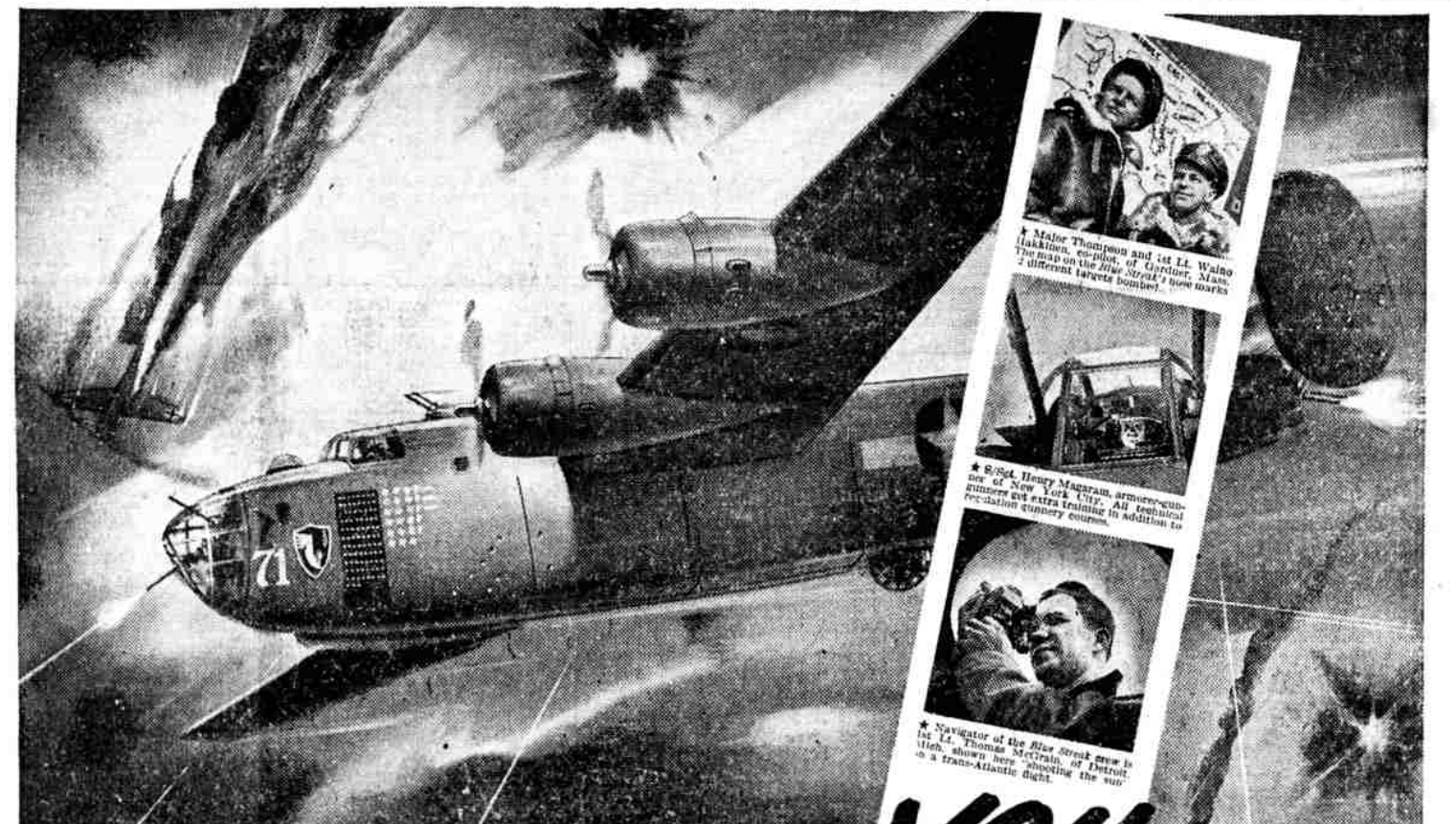
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