

Beavers' League Lead Cut by Loss To Solons, 6 to 1

(By the Associated Press)
San Francisco's Seals and Oakland's A's, battling to break the northwest's top-spot monopoly in the Pacific Coast league, were a notch closer today to the loop-leading Portland Beavers, whose 6-1 loss to the Sacramento Solons last night reduced their margin over the Seattle Rainiers to four games.

The third place Seals moved within 7½ games of the Beavers as they nosed out the Los Angeles Angels 3-2 for the second night in a row. Oakland also made it two straight in defeating Hollywood's Stars 5-2 to remain in fourth place one tilt behind San Francisco.

Seattle gained a full game on the pacemakers by beating San Diego's Padres, 4-1.

Seattle's Fischer hung up his 10th win of the year in downing San Diego 4-1, as the two teams opened their series in the California city.

Jittery Japan Sets Up Special Defense System

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campaign — 114,851 Japanese killed and captured; 46,319 Americans killed, wounded or missing. New American figures were exclusively naval — 4,907 killed and missing, 4,824 wounded.

Another Carrier Smashed
These included nearly 1,000 casualties on the carrier Franklin Hill. Damage to the Bunker Hill May 11 was announced last night while she was still undergoing repairs at the Puget sound navy yard, Bremerton, Wash.

Two kamikaze (suicide) planes hit her May 11 off Okinawa, turning the ship into an exploding, blazing furnace. At the time, she was Adm. Mitscher's flagship and had been in operation for 58 consecutive days. She was the most heavily damaged ship ever to go to Bremerton for repairs.

Mitscher was in flag plot when the attack came and escaped unhurt, although three officers and 11 men of his staff were killed and about 20 officers and men were wounded or overcome by the smoke.

Adm. Mitscher transferred his flag to another carrier after the ship was saved in a 4-hour battle. Fire destroyed all of the admiral's clothing except what he wore. Damage to the destroyer Halsey Powell, 90 miles off southern Japan by a suicide plane March 20, was also announced last night. She suffered 41 casualties and fought three days to escape sinking. She is now undergoing repairs at Long Beach, Calif.

Of the 1,400 American ships involved in the Okinawa operation, 33 were sunk and 60 damaged. Gains in China, Borneo
Chinese troops reported they had captured part of the former U. S. air base at Liuchow in south-east China, and a railway station in western Liuchow. Thirteen hundred Japanese were reportedly killed in a ten-day battle.

Australian troops, spreading up and down the west coast of Borneo, captured the railway terminus of Beaufort, north Brunei bay, and occupied the oil river port of Kuala Belait to the south.

A Japanese news report said Balikpapan, on the opposite coast, was virtually destroyed in a 20-day air bombardment during which naval forces shelled the town every third day.

More Ruin Dealt Japan
Two platoons of American Negro troops reconnoitered six small islands in the northern Marianas as possible crash spots for crippled Superforts returning from Japan raids. Three strikes in the last ten days, headquarters said, demolished 3.45 square miles of industrial area and knocked out from 25 to 100 per cent of four aircraft factories, a total of 115 square miles of factory and urban areas have been leveled.

Tokyo reported 32 B-29s flew three midnight mine-laying missions over scattered spots of Japan's home waters.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek of China predicted it would take at least 18 months to beat Japan

Reunited With First Husband



(NEA Telephoto)
Lt. Harry W. Goad, who was reported missing for more than a year after an air crash in Burma, is reunited with his wife, Helen, at Portsmouth, O., home of her parents. Mrs. Goad, of Long Beach, Calif., married a Navy lieutenant after Goad was reported missing but, after marriage mixup was straightened out, returned to her first husband.

Connally Asks Speedy O. K. of Peace Charter

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the purposes and the desires of the peoples and nations of the world."
5-Power Unity Imperative
Sketching a broad outline of the developing organization, he devoted particular attention to the widely discussed veto power vested in the Big Five nations, permanent members of the 11-nation security council.

"The basic thesis of the rule of unanimity of the five permanent members of the security council is that as long as the great powers remain united, they shall be able to preserve the peace of the world," Connally said.

"If the great powers should be divided—if discord should arise—they could not successfully preserve international peace."
The complex charter, embodying 30 nations' agreements for co-operation in almost every sector of international relations, just begins what its supporters hope will be a short and successful journey to senate ratification. Unless the senate ratifies and Great Britain, Russia, China and France also accept, the organization will not come into being. Acceptance by a majority of the 50 nations also is required.

Barracks Fire Forces Wacs to Leap for Life

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, June 28.—(AP)—The Ladd field Wac barracks near here was destroyed by fire Tuesday.
Several of the 150 Wacs in the building were forced to jump from second floor windows to save themselves.

There were no serious injuries but most of the girls' personal effects were lost and they are temporarily being supplied with clothes from men's stocks.

Margarine, Canned Fish Point Values Increased

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ing distribution."
The two-point a pound increase for margarine is necessary, OPA said, because of decreased supply and to improve distribution.
Spoilage Prevention Sought
The reduction in cheese point values was ordered because the War Food administration has suspended production restrictions for the month to July 15, and lower point values are necessary to prevent spoilage.

Such varieties as cheddar cheese are being reduced to eight points a pound, down four, while a number of others, including cream, neufchatel, limburger and camembert, go from six to four points a pound. The new value for such kinds as buttermilk and bakers cheese is two point a pound, down from four.

Explaining the point value hike

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for canned fish, OPA said the civilian supply for the year beginning July 1 is estimated at 197,900,000 pounds, a 34.6 per cent reduction from the amount available in the last 12 months.

These are examples of the point increases:
Mackerel and sardines, four to six points a pound; salmon, shrimp, tuna, six to nine; oysters, two to four.

Byrnes Regarded Likely Successor to Stettinius

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cept at this time—that another place also may be found for Undersecretary Joseph C. Grew, former ambassador to Japan.

The assistant secretaries include Nelson A. Rockefeller, in charge of Latin American affairs; and Archibald Macleish, former librarian of congress now in charge of public and cultural relations.

Mr. Truman's choice of Byrnes for the state portfolio could be expected to be received favorably in the senate. There is some opposition to him there, however, from those who don't like his labor record.

Rumors persist here that Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau soon will be replaced, possibly by Senator George (D-Ga.) for the sixth cabinet change since Mr. Truman became president.

At Kansas City yesterday, Mr. Truman told correspondents that the new job Stettinius will undertake is the most important within the gift of his government, and

he gave to Stettinius the assignment of piloting the peace charter through to senate ratification.

Any announcement of Stettinius' successor as state secretary, he was reported to have reasoned, might detract from the importance the president, who lauded the diplomat for his work at the San Francisco security conference, attaches to the peace league.

He told a wildly-cheering 12,000 last night at Independence that he shall devote all his time from now on, at the White House, and in the Berlin conference of the Big Three, to winning the war and winning the peace.

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