

Los Angeles Holds Top Spot; Beavers Drop to 3rd Place

(By the Associated Press)
The Los Angeles Angels alone among the Pacific Coast League clubs had an easy time winning last night to hold their first place spot.

All the other games were close battles decided in the ninth inning. San Diego climbed over Portland into second place, a game behind the Angels.

Los Angeles, behind the five-

hit pitching of Chambers, went on a hitting spree with 16 blows to wallop Seattle, 11 to 3. Seattle's losing pitcher, Posedel, went to the showers in the midst of a first-inning onslaught.

San Diego won a slugfest from Hollywood, 10 to 3, but not until the last inning when the Stars pitcher, Caster, walked in West with the winning score. Hollywood was leading 9 to 7 going into the last of the ninth.

Portland succumbed to the San Francisco Seals, 2 to 1, when White's ninth inning double scored Sanders. Chesnes was the winning pitcher.

Portland's game-tying run in the first of the ninth came when Smith, batting for the starting

pitcher, Dibiasi, doubled, went to third on an infield out and scored on Joe Dobbins' double and a pinch single by Vince Dimaggio.

Baseball Standings

(By the Associated Press)

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	W	L	Pct.
Brooklyn	8	3	.727
Chicago	8	5	.615
Pittsburgh	8	5	.615
Boston	7	5	.583
Cincinnati	7	8	.467
Philadelphia	6	8	.429
New York	4	7	.364
St. Louis	2	9	.182
AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	W	L	Pct.
Chicago	6	4	.600
New York	7	5	.583
Detroit	6	5	.500
Boston	6	6	.500
Cleveland	5	5	.500
St. Louis	5	6	.455
Washington	4	5	.444
Philadelphia	4	6	.400
PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE			
	W	L	Pct.
Los Angeles	18	12	.600
San Diego	16	12	.571
Portland	15	13	.536
Sacramento	16	14	.533
San Francisco	16	14	.533
Oakland	14	16	.467
Hollywood	12	18	.400
Seattle	11	19	.367

April's Weather Tragic in Results

(By the Associated Press)

Taking more than 150 lives, April's weather this year leaves one of its worst scars in history.

In one tragic night, April 9, one of the most devastating tornadoes of record struck Woodward, Okla., and Higgins and Glazier, Tex., killing more than 130 persons, injuring hundreds of others and causing property damage counted in millions of dollars.

And as the month ended, two Arkansas communities, and the small town of Worth, Mo., were reeling from the fury of twisters which claimed at least 21 lives.

California reported a deficiency in rainfalls and above normal temperatures throughout the state.

The Washington Weather Bureau reported frost as far south as Western North Carolina on April 28, but damage was slight.

In the Chicago area, April was recorded as the wettest in the 76 years since the Chicago fire.

In Montana, snow, frost and rain in the first half killed some fruit.

In the Southwest the weather was unusually cool and damp.

In the Pacific Northwest, temperatures were well above normal. California reported April was deficient in rainfall.

Controlled temperatures the year round favor the increase of insect pests in the home, food plants, warehouses and retail stores.

Top Southpaws Of Majors Unable To Post Triumphs

By JOE REICHLER
Associated Press Sports Writer

One of the enigmas of the young baseball campaign has been the poor pitching form displayed by Newhouse and Pollet the premier southpaws of the major leagues.

Newhouse, Detroit's star hurler, who is generally rated as the best left-hander in the American League since Bob Grove, has lost his last three starts after opening the season for the Tigers with an auspicious shutout against the St. Louis Browns.

twirler, who led all National League pitchers in games won and earned runs last year, in each of his three starts this season, has been belted out of the box and charged with the defeat.

Yesterday was the third straight time that Newhouse failed to go the route as the Boston Red Sox finished him off in the ninth inning to whip the Tigers 7-1.

The skidding Cards took their seventh successive defeat, a 4-3 loss to the New York Giants at the Polo Grounds. The situation is so serious in St. Louis that President Breardon announced he was flying to New York to see for himself just what is wrong.

Dodgers' Streak Malted
The Chicago Cubs, behind the four-hit pitching of Rookie Doyle Lade, snapped the Dodgers' six-game winning streak 3-1. The defeat was Brooklyn's first in nine starts at Ebbets Field and narrowed its first place lead over the Cubs and Pittsburgh Pirates to one game. The Dodgers' Jackie Robinson went hitless four times at bat, stretching his "Lilless" streak to 20.

The Pirates swamped the Phils in Philadelphia 11-4.

The Boston Braves, behind Sain, toppled the Cincinnati Reds, 10-3. Sain fanned 10 batters and was helped by Bob Elliott, who got three hits and Earl Torgeson, who powered a homer and triple.

The New York Yankees' western invasion started in reverse as the Browns licked them, 15-5, in St. Louis.

The Chicago White Sox climbed into first place in the American League past the Yankees by defeating the Washington Senators 5-2.

The Philadelphia Athletics and Indians in Cleveland were rained out.

Data Requested of Ex-'Devil Dogs'
Former "devil dogs" of the famous Second Marine Division are asked to give their whereabouts and other information in connection with a history to be published covering events of this fighting unit in the late war, George E. Sandy, director of the Oregon Department of Veterans Affairs, discloses.

A letter to the Oregon veterans' department from Marine Corps headquarters in Washington said the history will be distributed free to all personnel who were

members of the division between January 4, 1942, and September 2, 1945.

All such former members were asked to submit to the Second Marine Division History Board, Room 2120, Headquarters, U. S. Marine Corps, Washington 25, D. C., the following information: Name, rank and serial number; present address; inclusive dates of their service with the division; unit within the division to which they were attached; and specific incidents or actions which they believe should be included in the history when published.

D. M. Shoun, colonel, U. S. Marine Corps, is president of the board compiling the history.

House Fly War With DDT May Spread Over U. S.

MOSCOW, Idaho, May 1.—(AP)—The "common" house fly may become something of a rarity as the "no flies in Idaho" campaign spreads across the nation.

University of Idaho entomologists believe they have demonstrated that the war-born insecticide, DDT, could virtually wipe out the country's fly population.

Dr. H. C. Manis, head of the University Entomology Department, said today that Iowa will conduct a fly hunt this year patterned after the program Idaho pioneered last year. State-wide campaigns also are developing, he said, in Missouri, New York, Pennsylvania, Mississippi and Arkansas.

The Idaho drive was conceived four years ago when Dr. W. E. Shull, then head of the entomology department, tried out some DDT at University barns. Flies died by the millions and housewives all over the city of Moscow commented that "the flies don't seem so bad this year."

By the time DDT was freed of military restrictions, Dr. Shull was ready with plans for a state-wide control program. He taught commercial operators, of the veterans, how to use power sprayers and liked the prospects of the

new business so well that he resigned his university job and became a professional fly killer himself.

Some 50 to 100 Idaho communities solved their fly problems with DDT last year, and more

are joining the parade this season. R. Manis is convinced that the whole country eventually will wipe out its flies with DDT.

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