

## Jo Jo White To Play Outfield For Hollywood Stars

HOLLYWOOD, July 19.—(P)—Joey White has signed up to play ball with the Hollywood Stars, after quitting under fire last week from a rival Pacific Coast league club, the Seattle Rainiers.

Forty-year-old White had managed the Rainiers for two full seasons and parts of two others. He may start at left field for the Stars tonight in a series opener with the Los Angeles Angels.

Manager Fred Haney said last night he plans to alternate Jo Jo in left field with Frankie Keller, "at least until Keller gets out of his batting slump, and also use him for pinch-hitting and running."

This is White's 22nd year in pro ball. Supposedly he retired as an active player last year. He started his career with minor leagues in the south, moved to the American League's Detroit Tigers, playing with them seven seasons and through two world series.

He played with Philadelphia of the same circuit two seasons and with Cincinnati of the national loop for one season. He moved to Sacramento of the Pacific Coast circuit, going to Seattle in mid-1946.

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## Coaches, Visitors Send Thanks For Swim Meet

Letters of thanks from coaches and visitors attending the recent Jaycee-Sponsored Southern Oregon Invitational swimming meet were read at a business meeting of the civic group Monday night.

Jack Pobochenko, Multnomah Athletic club coach; Leo Harris, director of athletics, University of Oregon; George McPaul, Oregon AAU vice-president; and Mrs. H. B. Hackworth, mother of two meet participants, were unanimous in stating the meet was "one of the best" they had seen.

Mrs. Hackworth praised participants extended parents and participants of the meet by Roseburg townspeople.

All wrote they looked forward to attending next year's Southern Oregon Invitational meet.

## Expected Light On Hush-Hush Huddle Fizzles

WASHINGTON, July 19.—(P)—The Senate-House atomic committee Monday called off a meeting in which members were due to get a report on the hush-hush atomic conference at Blair House.

There was no immediate explanation for the cancellation of the session.

The meeting was primarily for the purpose of examining security evidence in the charges of "incredible mismanagement" which Senator Hickenlooper (R-Iowa) has made against the Atomic Energy commission.

But chairman McMahon (D-Conn) told reporters he probably would give the committee a fill-in on what took place at the mysterious conference.

President Truman called the meeting last Thursday night. High military, atomic, diplomatic and congressional leaders attended. Fewer than half the members of the atomic committee.

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## Texas Town To Take Action On Misleading Sign

DECATUR, Texas, July 19.—(P)—All over the world dice players have been crying "eighter from Decatur," the county seat of Wise.

Now the Decatur city council has taken it up.

The council will decide whether it wants to put its official stamp of approval on this fame the north Texas town has among craps-shooters looking for a point of eight.

"Mainly, we're going to decide about that sign," Mayor Syl Hardwick of Decatur said.

He was referring to a fading big signboard near the railroad station which proclaims:

"Eighter from Decatur, the county seat of Wise."

Tourists stop by the sign and have their pictures made in craps-shooting poses. This sort of tomfoolery doesn't please some of the people of the town.

But others—filling stations and restaurant men particularly—say the sign means more business.

Cliff D. Gates, author of "The Pioneer History of Wise County," supplied the historical background on how Decatur became famous among dice players.

Some years ago a Negro girl in Decatur was named Ada.

"She was a favorite of Negro cowboys at the Waggoner Ranch," Gates said. "These boys started yelling, 'Ada from Decatur, county seat of Wise when they were trying to roll an eight.'"

White gamblers misunderstood. They changed the phrase to "Eighter" instead of "Ada."

### B. & O. R. R. Abolishes 1,100 Clerical Jobs

BALTIMORE, July 19.—(P)—The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad announced that it is abolishing about 1,100 clerical jobs July 23.

The many workers—a fifth of company's clerical force—were furloughed June 24. At that time the B & O said the action was taken because of "a decline in traffic and a resulting substantial decrease in revenues."

### Stockman Offers Bill For Forest Lands' Payment

PENDLETON, July 19.—(P)—Congressman Lowell Stockman has introduced a bill to pay annually 2 percent of the fair value of national forest lands to the states for distribution to the counties in which the lands are located.

In speaking Stockman said, "The national forest lands of the United States are generally estimated to be worth about \$800 million and they are lands on which no taxes are collected by the counties. While the federal government pays to the states for distribution to the counties, 25 percent of all national forest receipts, there has been criticism of this plan, due to the inadequacy of the funds and also because the contributions are apt to be the least when prices are depressed and the need of the counties is the greatest."

The congressman further added: "I believe the bill I am introducing would establish a larger measure of both stability and equity of contribution to the counties. Each county would know at the beginning of each decade approximately the sum it would receive during the ensuing ten years from the then existing national forest lands. Long-term county budgets or financial programs thus could be formulated with a far greater degree of assurance than is possible under the present 25 percent plan."

tee, however, were among those on hand.

LONDON, July 19.—(P)—The British foreign office reluctantly admitted Monday it is in touch with the United States "over general atomic subjects."

A spokesman refused to say any more than that when reporters at a daily news conference pelted him with questions about the state of British-American relations on atomic affairs.

He refused to confirm or deny that Britain has made any direct or indirect request for access to atomic secrets.

The questions were prompted by American reports of what went on at a Washington conference last Thursday night between President Truman and his highest political, defense and atomic advisers.

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## Graziano KO's Agnosta At Cost Of Gashed Eye

WEST SPRINGFIELD, Mass., July 19.—(P)—Rocky Graziano's 50th victory today appeared to be one of the most costly in his seven-year boxing career.

The former middleweight champion registered his 38th knockout in 64 starts by stopping Joe Agnosta, another New Yorker. In the second round of their scheduled 10-round feature bout here last night.

But while so doing, Graziano suffered a deep gash over his left eye that, his management said, would sideline him "from three to four weeks."

Graziano suffered the wound early in the first session from what appeared to be an unintentional butt.

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The thief first phoned the warehouse watchman and told him the police were taking over and for him to go to the constable's home for orders. Then he entered the warehouse, stripped the in-

slides from the machines and left only the useless covers.

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