



Bellingham's Alex Morales tormented the Ems on the base paths once again tonight, reaching the bag before infielder Randy Hodges could lay on the tag.

Seven runs in fourth end skid

■ **BASEBALL:** Emeralds break losing streak with hits galore

By J. Daniel Pearson
Freelance Reporter

Hitting is contagious, and the Emeralds caught the bug.

Eugene overcame a five-run deficit, scoring seven runs on seven hits in the fourth inning, and picked up its first victory in eight tries by defeating the Bellingham Giants 11-7 in a Northwest League game at Civic Stadium last night.

The Ems sent 12 batters to the plate in that fateful inning, scoring six of the seven runs with two outs.

"We just kept on rolling," said Eugene designated hitter Glenn Williams. "It seems like we've been hitting the ball right at people for the last week. It's about time the ball started dropping in."

At first, it looked like the Giants' pitching had Eugene's number again last night. Bellingham's starter, Manuel Bernudez,

began the game confusing Ems' batters by painting the corners with his breaking ball, and keeping his fastball down and in. But somewhere in the middle of the fourth, he fell apart, and surrendered the seven runs.

Before it was all over, five different Ems collected RBIs, and Bernudez was sent to the showers.

"It was a tough outing for him," said Giants manager Glenn Tufts. "But it was a valuable learning experience."

Roosevelt Brown was the star of the night. The Ems' right fielder broke an 0-for-6 slump, going 4-for-5 with two doubles and two RBI.

Maybe the turn-around in hitting had something to do with the new moon.

"No, it's nothing like that," said Brown. "We haven't hit the ball like that in over a month. It was our time — we were ready."

With the victory, the Ems improved their record to 18-22 on the season, while Bellingham fell to 24-16.

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Ems players Joe Trippy, Jason Shy and George Lombard displayed the Ems' "Turn Back the Clock" uniforms on Tuesday.

Let the good times roll

By Mark McTyre
Sports Editor

No, the Eugene Emeralds have not changed their team name or their logo, they're just getting ready for the Aug. 26 Turn-back-the-Clock showdown against the visiting Portland Rockies at Civic Stadium.

On Tuesday, Ems players Joe Trippy, George Lombard and Jason Shy displayed the replica 1950 Eugene Larks uniforms during "Turn Back the Clock Night." In the event, the Portland team will be appearing in replica uniforms of the Portland Beavers from

1945.

The special occasion is not only limited to the uniforms; prices will also be turned back to those of the era. Cracker Jacks, peanuts, popcorn, snowcones and eight-ounce Pepsis will all be 25 cents. To go along with the food and the game, 1950s automobiles and Big Band music will be part of the festivities.

"Turn Back the Clock Night" is our way of celebrating the great history and pageantry of the game," Ems Director of Media Relations Chris Metz said. "It's a good time for the players, fans and everybody involved."

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