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One Run Margins Win Coast Circuit Games

By United Press

One-run margins decided every game in the Pacific Coast league last night and the similarity was made even more striking by the fact that three of the engagements ended in 6-5 decisions.

This was the count by which San Diego defeated San Francisco, Portland humbled Oakland and Los Angeles nosed out Sacramento. In the other game, Hollywood nipped Seattle, 4 to 3.

Portland stretched its league lead to two full games by winning while second-place Seattle was bowing to Hollywood. San Diego took undisputed possession of third place by downing San Francisco.

Extra Frames Needed

The best duel of the evening was the San Diego-San Francisco affair which went 13 innings and was decided when Dick Gyselman, Tony Criscola and Lou Vezelich clouted singles off Frank Seward, fifth Seal pitcher. Valle Eaven, who relieved Carl Dummer in the seventh, was the winning moundman. The game just did beat the curfew.

Oakland's Acorns beat themselves at Portland, committing four errors. Roy Helser was on the hill for the Beavers and staggered through despite an Oakland uprising in the ninth. Helser helped his own cause with three hits in four trips.

Manager Buck Fausett led the improved Hollywood Stars to their win over Seattle. Fausett scored three runs, including the tally in the eighth when he walked and finally came in on Richardson's single.

Charley Brewster, Los Angeles shortstop, blasted out a single with the bases loaded in the 10th to defeat Sacramento. Bud Merkle, fourth Angel twirler, received credit for the victory. Jim McCarthy went the route for the Solons and also hit a homer in the third inning.

Coopers' Salary Dispute Is New Czar's First Case

CHICAGO, April 27 (UP)—The Motion and Walker Cooper salary dispute will be the first case upon which Sen. Albert B. Chandler, D., Ky., will have to pass judgment as baseball's new commissioner.

Leslie M. O'Connor, chairman of the advisory council of baseball, said today that as soon as the case is ready for decision he will "ask Mr. Chandler what he wants to do with it."

Walker Cooper, the Cardinals' captain and star catcher, is scheduled to be inducted into the armed forces Monday.

WASHINGTON, April 27 (UP)—Senator A. B. (Happy) Chandler, new high commissioner of baseball, made plans today to visit a number of major league cities to get the "feel" of the duties of his new office.

Chandler held a long conference here last night with Ford Frick, National league president, and Frank J. Shaughnessy, head of the International league. The new "czar," without giving details, said the discussions were confined to "general problems" of the game and the commissioner's office.

ARMY AIR FORCE

Army air force pilots have destroyed more than 27,000 enemy planes since Pearl Harbor, at a cost of little more than 7,700 American planes destroyed in combat and 400 on the ground.

TODAY'S SPORT PARADE

By LEO H. PETERSEN

NEW YORK, April 27 (UP)—A parade of champions is going to start soon the most ambitious summer boxing program in the nation's history.

Whether it be outdoors or indoors, Promoter Mike Jacobs will stage a fight every Friday night as soon as the circus vacates Madison Square Garden. So far he has lined up two fights for the Polo Grounds and is negotiating for several other outdoor bouts, one of which will involve two of the leading civilian heavyweights.

The parade of champions actually won't start with the first bout May 25—which is almost a month before summer begins—but which is close enough in boxing parlance—but the winner of that fight will figure in the parade. Rocky Graziano and Al Davis are booked for that first match and the winner is going to get a shot at Welterweight Champion Freddie (Red) Cochran in an outdoor go June 29.

But Cochran's title will not be at stake. Neither will the crowns of the other champions. In between those two bouts, like Williams, the new NBA lightweight champion, will meet Willie Joyce of Gary, Ind., in an indoor bout June 8. Williams won the title from Juan Zurita of Mexico in a fight at Mexico City last Wednesday.

Following that fight, Jacobs has Ray Robinson, the uncrowned king of the welterweights, booked to battle Jimmy McDaniels at the Polo grounds June 15. That fight may not go through as the army has accepted Robinson for re-induction and he may be called before then.

But whether the army takes him before that or after, there seems little chance that Cochran and Robinson will get together in a title match. The June 29th bout will be Cochran's first since he was discharged from the navy and the New Jersey red-head is planning a series of tune-up bouts before putting his championship on the line. And there seems to be a general feeling in boxing circles that Cochran wants no part of Robinson.

Although there aren't going to be any million dollar gates or anything close to them, it's a safe bet that boxing's gate receipts in 1945 are going to be the highest of any year in the sports' history.

Rehabilitation of Alcoholics Proposed

SACRAMENTO, April 27 (UP)—The assembly public morals recommended passage of a measure to use part of state liquor license receipts for the rehabilitation of chronic drunks.

The committee also favored a bill to repeal an abatement law which classified as public nuisances places where liquor is sold unlawfully.

Portland Fielder Is Sold to Seattle

PORTLAND, April 27 (UP)—Cash sale of John Wesley Gill, veteran outfielder for the Portland Beavers to the Seattle club, was announced by William Klepper, general manager of the Beavers.

Klepper said Gill will leave immediately for Seattle. He pointed out that Portland could spare an outfielder, having Frank Shone, Ted Gullic and Frank Demaree playing in the cornfield with Charley Peterson available for tight spots.

Women's Bowling Standings Snarled In Final Games

	W. L. Pts.
Big Bear Market	27 12 36
Country Club	22 17 30
Farm Supply	19 20 27
Coca-Cola	19 20 24
Odorless Cleaners	19 20 24
Glass Drugs	18 21 23
Rosina Shop	17 22 23
Falk's	15 24 21

Final games of the women's bowling league last night resulted in three point victories for the Country Club and Odorless Cleaners of the Coca-Colas and Glass Drugs, respectively, and threw the Cleaners and Coca-Colas into a tie for fourth place in the league standing and the Glass Drug and Rosina teams in a tie for sixth position.

Maxine Smith of the Glass Drug team rolled high game and series with respective tallies of 132 and 445.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Ttl.
Players				
M. Smith	167	132	96	445
R. Knight	95	106	143	404
M. King	109	126	82	317
I. Renick	115	125	144	384
E. Jones	148	142	136	426
Handicap	52	52	52	156

Totals	696	793	653	2142
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	1st	2nd	3rd	Ttl.
Odorless Cleaners				
P. Reid	119	164	137	420
M. Sperling	133	113	129	375
N. Hesse	113	106	125	344
J. Chadwick	119	131	137	387
L. Winburn	155	140	138	433
Handicap	67	67	67	201

Totals	706	721	733	2160
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	1st	2nd	3rd	Ttl.
Coca-Cola				
L. Zecha	146	150	116	414
H. Cross	107	99	96	302
M. Williams	113	127	105	345
B. Jones	148	164	96	408
L. Hamilton	126	92	122	340
Handicap	51	51	51	153

Totals	693	683	586	1962
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	1st	2nd	3rd	Ttl.
Country Club				
E. Donnelly	123	106	121	350
G. Blake	131	124	129	384
B. Hall	89			89
M. Spaeth	153	158	311	
E. Trimble	129	125	129	383
M. Graham	121	167	144	432
Handicap	20	21	21	62

Totals	613	698	702	2013
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Stick Work of Pitchers Wins For Browns, Giants

NEW YORK, April 27 (UP)—In the major league season, already brimming over with baseball oddities, the ninth spot in the batting order no longer is a long-shot liability for a manager who needs a hit and doesn't want to remove the pitcher for a pinch-hitter.

The evidence was mounting today that this is going to be a year for the pitchers not only on the hurling hill but at the plate as well.

Potter Wins Own Game But take Nelson Potter, the 34-year-old right hander for the Browns. With the score tied 3-3 in the ninth at Cleveland, Potter hit a single which scored Len Schulte from second with the winning run. Potter turned in a seven-hit job to give the Browns their first victory since the season opener.

Harry Feldman of the New York Giants was just as impressive. He shut out the visiting Philadelphia Phillies, 2 to 0, on five hits and scored what proved to be the winning run in the third on Manager Mel Ott's double after he had singled. Feldman, who won his second game yesterday, hit a homer in his first winning effort.

At Washington, 40-year-old John Niggeling, got a double and single to pace his team at bat in a 4 to 1 victory over the Boston Red Sox, who haven't won a game to date and have lost seven. The Philadelphia Athletics scored all their runs in the fourth inning, wiping out a 5 to 0 deficit to upset the visiting New York Yankees, 7 to 5. The Yankees had made all their runs and pitcher Walt Dubiel appeared to be coasting to victory when the A's teed off on him, getting three singles, three walks and a double to score four runs.

All other major league games were postponed yesterday because of rain or cold weather.

Youths Escape from Lane County Jail

EUGENE, Ore., April 27 (UP)—Lane county officers today were seeking two 18-year-old youths who Thursday escaped from the county jail by sliding down a rope made of blanket strips. The fugitives are Richard Dale Waddell of Springfield and Thomas Colver of Monroe.

Farmers, Millers Benefit From Freight Rate Slash

Grain farmers and millers of the Pacific northwest this week were informed from Washington of an 11 cent cut by the interstate commerce commission in freight rates on grain and flour from the Pacific northwest to the southwest, a decision received this week by public utilities commissioner George H. Flagg, who two years ago was asked by the eastern Oregon farmers to assist them in getting reduced railroad rates on grain into the south, a reduction especially vital at this time to the farmers of the Pacific northwest due to their inability to ship by water through the Panama canal.

The commission also announced a 4 1/2-cent average reduction in the water rates from gulf and south Atlantic ports into the interior of the south, which will allow the farmers from the Pacific northwest to ship grain and flour into the interior of the south from gulf and south Atlantic ports on rates within the southern states similar to those now enjoyed by producers in the middle west. This provision, while it is not of immediate importance due to lack of water shipping, will go a long way to restore water shipments to the south whenever intercoastal shipping is available, Flagg said.

The commission suggested that the north coast carriers "liberalize their present rules governing transit" to permit mills at the ports to compete with interior mills on more direct rail routes. This latter suggestion of the commission is of especial importance in insuring a reasonable adjustment as between coast and interior mills in Oregon and Washington to the south, both by rail and water, he said.

The decision also permits reduced rates from the Pacific northwest on "through overhead rates" direct to the south, instead of on the higher "rate break" based on Kansas City and Memphis.

Another point especially stressed by the Oregon public utilities commissioner in briefs, and approved by the commission, was that western Oregon and Washington should be continued in the same origin rate group as Eastern Washington, Oregon, northern Idaho and the western tip of

Two Are Killed as Transport Crashes

WASHINGTON, April 27 (UP)—A chartered transport plane en route from Miami, Fla., to Rochester, N. Y., careened off the end of a runway into a ditch at Washington national airport today and was destroyed by flames.

Two of the 15 occupants were burned to death and the other 11 were seriously injured. Three were in critical condition.

The dead were identified as Mrs. J. Wellman, New York, and Ralph Weisman, Forest Hills, L. I.



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