

Indians Sweep Doubleheader From Red Sox 8-7, 5-2; Orioles Lose 2-0

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Could be that trader Frank Lane not the bargain basement buy of the season in Johnny Klippstein.

For "slightly more than" the \$20,000 waiver price, Lane bought the Cleveland Indians the type of relief pitcher who is indispensable to a pennant drive.

Compared to some of Frankie Franke's more flamboyant big-name player trades, the Klippstein deal didn't attract much notice this spring. But the way he's been pitching, the 32-year-old right-hander has done a lot to maintain Lane's reputation as a shrewd flesh-peddler.

Klippstein, who knocked around the National League for 10 years before Lane bought him from the Los Angeles Dodgers, turned in another glittering relief job Wednesday as the Indians swept a doubleheader from the Boston Red Sox, 8-7 and 5-2, and took over first place in the American League.

Summoned from the bullpen for the 12th time this season when young Jim Perry faltered in the first game, Klippstein retired nine men in a row to protect the one-run lead. He now has allowed only two earned runs in his last 19 1/3 relief innings.

Baker's Debut Ruined
The double triumph, which ruined Del Baker's fill-in managerial debut for the Red Sox, put the Indians in first place by 10 percentage points ahead of the Baltimore Orioles, who lost to the Detroit Tigers, 2-0. In other American League night games, the New York Yankees defeated the Chicago White Sox, 6-0, and the Washington Senators beat the Kansas City Athletics, 8-6.

In the National League, the Pittsburgh Pirates maintained a one-game lead with a 5-3 victory over the Chicago Cubs while the second-place San Francisco Giants edged the Cincinnati Reds, 2-1, on Eddie Bressoud's ninth-inning two-run single. Both were day games.

At night, Duke Snider hit the 361st home run of his career to help the Dodgers rally for a 4-1 victory over the Milwaukee Braves and the Philadelphia Phillies topped the St. Louis Cardinals, 5-4, on rookie Tony Curry's pinch eighth-inning, bases-loaded double.

Charley Maxwell's two-run ninth-inning single broke up what had been a scoreless pitching duel between Frank Lary of Detroit and Jack Fisher of Baltimore. Each pitcher allowed only three hits.

Mickey Mantle hit two home runs and Bob Turley yielded only three hits in the Yankees' victory over the White Sox.

Julio Becquer's two-run single was the key hit in Washington's three-run eighth-inning rally. Bob Allison drove in three Senators' runs with a homer and a double.

In the National, Elroy Face stroled in from the bullpen and retired Ernie Banks and Ed Bouchée with the bases loaded to help Pittsburgh break a three-game losing streak and remain in first place. Bob Skinner and Dick Stuart hit home runs to stake Vinegar Bend Mizell to an early 5-0 lead.

Bressoud's game-winning hit for San Francisco with two out in the ninth ruined a three-hitter by young Jim O'Toole of the Reds. Giants starter Mike McCormick pitched a no-hitter for 7 1/2 innings. Sam Jones was the winner in relief.

Snider's homer tied him with Joe DiMaggio for eighth place on the all-time homer-hitting list. Wally Moon had hit a two-run homer off reliever Don McMahon earlier in that same eighth inning to put the Dodgers ahead. Stan Williams, who pitched a three-hitter before he was lifted in the eighth, boosted his record to 4-0. Curry's double off the Cards' Lindy McDaniel followed singles by Ken Walters and Al Dark and an intentional walk that loaded the bases. John Buzhardt pitched a seven-hitter for the win.

Herb Elliott Files For Suit Dismissal

HONOLULU (UPI)—Australian miler Herb Elliott has filed a motion for dismissal of a one million dollar breach of contract suit against him.

Promoter Leo Leavitt charges that Elliott agreed to turn professional under his management. Elliott Monday told Circuit Court Judge John Dyer that he met with Leavitt three times in Australia in the fall of 1958. He said Leavitt offered him \$250,000 to appear in meets and exhibitions at Leavitt's direction.

Under the agreement, Leavitt was to have received all income from media rights and the track meets, according to Elliott. But Elliott said he considered the offer during a hunting trip and decided to remain an amateur. He said he was unable to reach Leavitt on his return from the hunting trip and announced his decision in Australian newspapers.

Seattle Crushes Salt Lake 22-12; Solons Slip Past Portland 3-2

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The hitters brought along their power but the pitchers apparently left their curve balls at home when Seattle and Salt Lake City tangled in a Pacific Coast League "hitathon" Wednesday night. The two squads got a total of 42 basehits—six were homers—and 34 runs between them. However, the Rainiers showed the most talent for setting the runners across the plate, winning 22-12 in the highest scoring PCL game of the year.

Elsewhere Wednesday night, the scores were most respectable. League leading Sacramento edged Portland, 3-2, in 11 innings. Spokane downed San Diego, 3-3, and Vancouver swept a double feature from Tacoma, 4-1 and 3-1.

It would be hard to pick a hero in the Rainiers romp over Salt Lake. Everybody helped as the Suds got their eighth straight win. Geray Coleman hit a grand slam homer and drove in two other runs with a single. Joe Taylor chipped in with two solo circuit clouts and Lou Skizas cleared the fences with one man on.

R. C. Stevens hit a bases full blast for the Bees and Hank Mitchell found the range with one mate on the sacks.

It medals were to be handed out, however, they'd have to go to the pitchers. Seven appeared in the game—five for Salt Lake—but none were effective. They all spent the night dodging line drives.

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Raiders Score
La Grande scored first and the Raiders maintained their margin until the top of the fifth when The Dalles pushed across two runs to go ahead. They scored two more runs in the top of the sixth and victory seemed assured for the visitors.

The Raiders started to move to the bottom of the sixth; then Gerry walked, John DeBoie doubled, sending Gerry to third. Raider catch Don Graham singled, bringing in Gerry and DeBoie to narrow the score to 4-3.

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Tacoma leser Marshal Renfree gave up only four bingles but the stouties got three of them in the second when they scored all their runs. Steve Jankowski led off the rally with a homer. Successive doums by Howie Gos Mike Baxes and a Giant throw error accounted for the other two.

Final Scores:
Seattle 036 000 341-22 13
Salt Lake 001 042 050-12 18 2
Stenhouse, Schmidt (6), and Beyer; Witt, Rowe (3), Dial (7), Jimenez (7), Pepper (8) and Silvera.

11 Innings:
Portland 001 000 100 00-2 7 1
S'mento 100 000 100 01-3 8 0
Mickelson and Westerfeld; Hickman, Fox (1) and Barragan.

Spokane: 000 310 004-8 9 3
San Diego: 000 002 100-3 7 5
Rakow, Churn (7) and Brumley; McBride, Wade (8) and Carreon.

1st game:
Vancouver 001 200 1-4 10 1
Tacoma 100 000 0-1 4 6
Navarro and Wilson; Choate, Monzant (4), Jones (6) and Haller.

2nd game:
Vancouver 030 000 000-3 4 2
Tacoma 001 000 000-1 5 2
Bamberger and White; Renfree, Zanni (9), and Reveira.

YANK CATCHERS DEPLETED
NEW YORK (UPI)—The New York Yankees' backstopping woes mounted today when it was announced that reserve catcher John Blanchard would be sidelined following a hemorrhoid operation. Elston Howard, who shares most of the catching duties with Yogi Berra, sprained his left ankle in Tuesday's game against Chicago.

SUMMER CAMP PLANNED
MONTICELLO, N.Y.—Six veterans St. Louis Hawks players and nine newcomers will attend a summer camp in the Catskill Mountains, June 12 through 19, General Manager Ed Macauley announced today.

Graham came through with the two clutch singles which provided the winning edge for the Raiders.

In the second game The Dalles scored two runs in the top of the first inning. La Grande came right back to score in the bottom of the first frame. The score was tied 4-4 at the end of the regulation seven innings of play.

Dave Smith pitched tough ball for seven innings before he was relieved by Blackman again. The stocky little starter reliever set The Dalles down in order in the eighth and ninth frames.

La Grande tied the score in the bottom of the seventh on two singles and a wild pitch by The Dalles pitcher.

Graham Singles
Graham led off the inning with a single. Feik was given a free ride to first and Blackman singled. Graham was cut down at the plate and Feik went down to third. On the next pitch the ball got away from the catcher and Feik crossed the plate with the tying run.

In the ninth, Gerry was hit by The Dalles pitcher. DeBoie drilled a long fly to center and the centerfielder committed a throwing error trying to get Gerry who went to third.

Once again Don Graham came to the plate with the winning run on third and hit a sacrifice fly bringing in Gerry with the winning run.

Smith pitched well but it was the relief work of Greg Blackman in both games that aided the Raider cause.

La Grande's next game is Saturday at Pendleton and they will play here on Sunday. The Raiders will play their next league games at the Eastern Oregon College field against Milton-Freewater. The first game will start at 1:30 p.m.

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HITS IN CLUTCH

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