

Sport Sparks

By RON GEMMELL

Our (slugging???) Senators slunk home from the most disastrous road trip since Napoleon's with a magnificent team batting average of .211 and a team fielding average that, in view of the 15 errors committed in seven games, can't be much better. . . They were out on the road, 61 hits to 53, and outfielded 13 errors to 15, so it is little wonder that they won but a single game in seven starts.

Moreover, Legislator outfielders are currently batting at a terrific 229 clip and, with the exception of Lanifero and Griffiths, the infielders aren't clubbing much better. . . As no-hit outfielders are as numerous as notions about the war, this is a sad circumstance. Bergstrom, Petersen and Lightner are known to be better hitters than their .147, .228 and .241 averages indicate, it is true, but the fact remains that at this writing those are their batting marks.

The pitching can't be blamed. . . The Solons got five well-pitched ball games on the road, and five-out-of-seven is a plenty per average. . . Fallin, Swope and Oliver turned in top-hole efforts that, with a little more power instead of so many misuses behind them, would have netted victories.

Even so, the Lawmakers dropped three of the six losses by one-run margins only and another by but two. . . One-run decisions dropped to Yakima were by 3-2, 2-1 and 3-2 scores. . . They actually got larrupped twice—once by Wenatchee 9-4 and once by Yakima 9-3. . . One consolation seems to be that nobody gets more than nine runs off 'em.

Umpire Resigns

At season's outset this corner rated the Salem team as a strong candidate for a third-place finish in the WI, and it still believes the team capable of finishing that high, but it assuredly can't make it with seven-ninths of the team in a batting slump. . . The team's only .300 hitters, as it goes into tonight's series opener with Vancouver, are Lanifero and Griffiths. . . Lanny is lashing away at a .368 rate and Griffiths is just over the 300 mark at .303.

Outside of Eddie Adams, whose two-for-seven Sunday put him up to .291, and Charlie Bates, who went hitless Sunday to drop down to .264, the rest of the club isn't hitting much more than its individual weights. . . And the pitchers—my, my! Just two hits in 20 times up for the serving staff!

From what the boys tell, a certain umpire committed enough errors to beat them out of two of the games, however, and to convince himself he should turn in his resignation to President Abel. . . Umpire Enger, the boys relate, telephoned his resignation immediately after the finale at Yakima Sunday night.

The Sunday night loss for that matter may be construed as a no-contest affair by Prexy Abel. . . The Solons allege that Yakima's winning run crossed on an out, claiming that Younker never did touch first base on his hit to left field that would have scored the run had he touched the base. . . They claim Bergstrom fielded the ball and pegged to first base, where Younker, whom they claim took a few steps toward first and then headed for the club house, was tagged out.

SW to Benefit

One likely result of the Coast conference purity code may be foreseen in the fact that a gent who wore a two-gallon topper, who spoke with a drawl as long as granny's shawl and who introduced himself as an emissary of Texas A & M, was in our town the other day looking for athletes in general and football players in particular. . . If the long arm of the Southwest conference schools, which have no such purity code as are prevalent in our country right now, reaches up here with fat promises openly revealed on the palm, the exodus of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and California athletes to Texas is likely to be large in number.

This gent said Southwest conference schools in general, and Texas U in particular, are already rounding up football players by the hundreds. . . He said that at Texas U, where Dana X. Bibb holds forth and where school owned all property has enriched the school, over 100 freshmen graders, or 10 full teams, were used in a single freshman game last season. . . Reason: To kill the boys' chance of transferring and retaining eligibility at other schools.

The Southwest conference recently voted to discontinue the practice of paying athletes outright, but it still has no regulations against proselytizing and providing "substantial" jobs. . . This corner is still of the opinion that the only answer to the problem, no matter what the conference, is to adopt a maximum pay scale and enforce it. . . Under this plan "bidding" for athletes would be on a basis of what the respective schools had to offer in the way of an education instead of remuneration for athletic ability.

K. Falls Wins

BEND, May 12.—(P)—The Bend Elks fell 6-4 to Klamath Falls in their state league baseball opener Sunday. Hatch of Bend and Davis of Klamath Falls, rival pitchers, slammed home runs.

'Our Solons' Get Home Alive; Open Against Caps Tonight

Adams Sets Pace In PCL Batting

LOS ANGELES, May 12.—(P)—Buster Adams, hard-hitting Sacramento outfielder, is setting a striding pace with the mace.

In 34 games Adams has collected 52 hits in 123 appearances at the plate for a robust average of .423. Another one of Pepper Martin's hired hands, rookie infielder Bob Blattner, is in second place with .390.

Sacramento, leading the Coast league in games won, also is leading in team batting with the unusual mark of .304.

One of Atherton's Purgees



Larry Olson, crack grid and track star who was barred from competition at the University of Oregon in Coast conference Commissioner Atherton's latest ukase. Thirty-four other coast athletes were included in the indictment.

Coast Conference to Drop Idaho, Montana Is Rumor; South Members Lined up

By RUSS NEWLAND

SAN FRANCISCO, May 12.—(P)—Bubbling beneath the surface of the Pacific coast conference today were reports that Idaho and Montana will be dropped from the big athletic league in 1942—the year the two universities are slated to assume status as full fledged members.

Official circles declined to confirm such a step was brewing, yet there were no heated denials of the rumor. The proposition will come up for vote at the June 9-10 meeting of the conference in Seattle, it was reported here.

Budget retrenchments, due to the possibility of diminished football receipts in the future and conditions visualized as the outcome of war troubles, were said to be the underlying cause. Idaho

FULLMAN, Wash., May 12.—(P)—Pacific Coast conference representatives of Washington State college professed today to be completely in the dark as to reports from San Francisco that a move was afoot among southern members to drop the Universities of Idaho and Montana from the conference.

Earl Foster, WSC graduate manager, said he could not comment because "I am totally unaware that any action is contemplated."

and Montana are considered poor drawing cards in football. Under the present conference setup, the big southern schools of the conference would be finding places on their football schedules for Idaho and Montana through a staggered system beginning in 1942. In certain years Southern California, Stanford, UCLA and California would travel to the home fields of Idaho and Montana for games. Other northern members play Idaho and Montana every season.

Only a year ago at the meeting in Sun Valley, Idaho, the conference voted to grant the two northern schools full membership beginning with 1942, a status automatically qualifying them for consideration as western Rose Bowl representatives.

In addition the conference voted Idaho and Montana each a full share, one-tenth, in the Rose Bowl financial plan. It took effect last Jan. 1 and amounted to \$7500 for each of the ten member schools. The sources that made the disclosures indicated word of the possible upheaval already had reached the ears of Idaho and Montana representatives.

An unconfirmed report here was that the four southern members had lined up solidly to repeal their action of a year ago and had

Admit Six Setbacks, But Pull a 'Dunkirk'

The vicious rumor that our Senators were completely annihilated in their foreign foray last week isn't true.

They returned to their home base at 6:15 a. m. Monday, every man alive, and they out-Dunkirked the British—they brought all their artillery home with them.

Furthermore, they related that they are ready, willing and able to make the Vancouver Capilanos and the Yakima Pippins pay for what happened to them on the road. The Solons open against the Caps at Geo. E. Waters park tonight, at 8:15.

They admitted they had all kinds of trouble, and that the news reports which told of them losing six games in seven starts were true, but they vowed it was going to be different from here on out in the WI flag chase.

Little Skipper Bunny Griffiths, who named Roy Helsar as the trigger-puller against the Caps tonight, said his moundmen did all right against the foreign fellows, but that he had several duds in his offensive.

In Sunday's two battles, the Solons relate, they had to fight enemy reinforcements dressed in blue serge—a color which international law prevented them from laying siege to. The reinforcements had nothing to do with the Solons dropping the daylight skirmish, 9 to 3, but the Legislators claim they had considerable to do with their 3 to 2 defeat in the nocturnal bombing.

The Caps are here for a three-game skein through Thursday. Yakima, the team that skunked the Solons on the road, comes in for a four-game stand beginning Friday night.

Sunday's box score:

| First Game SALEM (3) | | YAKIMA (9) | |
|----------------------|----|------------|----|
| B | H | O | A |
| Lanifero | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Lightner | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| Petersen | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| Bergsma | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| Bates | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Shinn | 3 | 0 | 2 |
| Griffiths | 4 | 2 | 0 |
| Adams | 4 | 2 | 0 |
| Dierckx | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Lieb | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Warren | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 23 | 8 | 24 |

Yakima: B H O A: Inness 1 0 0 1; O'Stampfer 2 4 0 2; Yo'nker 3 3 2 1; Weigelt 2 0 2 0; Rossier 4 2 2 0; Adams 4 2 0 0; Matzke 4 2 2 0; Barkiv 3 0 1 2; Hornig 1 1 0 0; Lieb 1 0 0 0; Warren 1 1 0 0.

Errors: Barkelew, Lanifero. Runs batted in, Griffiths, Weigand, Younker, Johnson, Rossier, Hornig, Lieberman, Seume, Stolen bases, Lanifero 2. Sacrifices, Barkelew, Weigand. Double plays, Madrid to Stamper to Reese; Griffiths to Lanifero to Bates; Petersen to Adams. Left on bases, Salem 7; Yakima 3. Bases on balls, off Dierckx 2; Barkelew 5; Lieb 3. Struck out by Dierckx in 6 innings 7; runs off Lieb in 2 innings 3; runs off pitcher, Shinn by Barkelew. Hit pitch, Lieb. Earned runs, Salem 3; Yakima 1. Umpires, Enger and Nelson. Time, 1:40.

Second Game SALEM (2)

| B | H | O | A |
|-----------|----|---|----|
| Lanifero | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Lightner | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| Petersen | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| Bergsma | 4 | 0 | 1 |
| Bates | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Shinn | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| Griffiths | 4 | 2 | 0 |
| Adams | 4 | 2 | 0 |
| Oliver | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 23 | 8 | 26 |

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Pacific Takes Two, Linfield

FOREST GROVE, Ore., May 12.—(P)—Pacific university continued in the race for the western division northwest conference baseball championship by turning back Linfield college here twice Saturday 14-4 and 4-1.

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| Linfield | 4 | 11 | 2 |
| Pacific | 14 | 14 | 0 |
| Bolin, Mead, Piche and Walker; McCurdy, Feathers and Anderson. | | | |
| Linfield | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| Pacific | 4 | 9 | 1 |
| Lyons and Rich; Reed and Anderson. | | | |

What Goes on Here?—Question Cub Fans Would Like Answered on Bill Herman Deal

By WHITNEY MARTIN
NEW YORK, May 12.—(Special to The Statesman)—Reports from Chicago indicate that about one more deal like the Bill Herman what-was-it and the Cub fans would be ready to give Wigley field a Park avenue snub. The Bruin followers didn't like it at all, but after all that made little difference as they're only the ones who pay the money that keeps baseball going, and anyway, the customer never is right. They think, for instance, that two young fellows who weren't good enough for Brooklyn can't take the place of an established star, even though the star is approaching that stage of his career when he starts looking around to see where he can borrow time. The motives behind the deal are crystal clear. From the Dodger standpoint it is a case of building

for the present. Larry MacPhail isn't interested in next year or the year after, but right now. This is the big make-or-break year for the Brooklyn. If they don't crash through to the pennant after MacPhail has spent everything but sleepless nights, and maybe a few of those, for players, somebody will want to know what's the big idea. It also is obvious that the Cubs have no pennant aspirations this year, and that Jimmy Wilson is starting to build for the future. How high he can build on fellows like Charley Gilbert and Johnny Hudson is problematical, but the motive unquestionably is there. It's something new to Cub fans, this building for the future. Herebefore the Bruins have been a right-now club, always on the paying end in deals for players who would be of immediate help. No matter what anyone else thought, they have always con-

Bearcats Open Week's Play Against Pilots

Portland U's baseball team makes its third successive attempt to bag a win from the Willamette Bearcats at 2:30 this afternoon at Geo. E. Waters park.

Lefty Jack Richards is slated to pitch for the Bearcats, who begin a five-game schedule for the week.

Wednesday the 'Caps move to Monmouth for a game with Oregon College of Education, Friday they conclude western division conference play with a doubleheader at Pacific and Saturday they meet George Alexander's penitentiary mavericks. Coach Spec Keene said he planned to use Hal McAbee at Monmouth and to send Bill Hanauksa and Earl Toolson against Pacific.

The 'Caps need one win from Pacific to clinch the division title and the right to meet Whitman for the conference crown at Walla Walla May 22-23-24.

Vik Netsters Drop Three

Salem high's traveling tennis team lost all three matches played on an invasion of Washington last weekend. Vancouver downed it 4-3, Longview defeated it 5-2 and Tacoma took a 4-2 decision.

Vancouver—Downs, S, defeated Olson, V, 6-4, 6-3; Tinney, V, defeated Crockett, S, 6-1, 6-2; Guilford, V, defeated Sanders, S, 6-1, 6-2; Hill, S, defeated Shirk, V, 6-4, 6-1; Carrow, S, defeated Briggs, V, 6-1, 6-3; Tinney and Olson, V, defeated Downs and Crockett, S, 6-3, 6-4; Guilford and Shirk, V, defeated Sanders and Hill, S, 6-4, 1-6 6-4.

Longview—Downs, S, defeated Henderson, L, 6-3, 6-1; Huston, L, defeated Crockett, S, 6-2, 6-3; Landry, L, defeated Hill, S, 1-6, 6-2, 6-3; Carrow, S, defeated Landry, L, 6-4, 7-5; Bowers, L, defeated Sanders, S, 9-7, 6-0; Landry and Henderson, L, defeated Downs and Crockett, S, 6-1, 6-1; Bowers and Huston, L, defeated Hill and Sanders, S, 6-2, 6-3.

Tacoma—Downs, S, defeated Jorgenson, T, 6-3, 6-3; Groat, T, defeated Sanders, S, 6-1, 6-2; Bertress, T, defeated Carrow, S, 6-1, 3-6, 6-2; Crockett, S, defeated Stockton, T, 9-7, 6-4; Jorgenson and Groat, T, defeated Downs and Crockett, S, 6-3, 6-0; Stockton and Bertress, T, defeated Hill and Sanders, S, 6-2, 6-1.

Smith Signed For Wagner

Note from Tex Salkeld, the Veterans of Foreign Wars Boxing club promoter:

"Just a line to let you know I have signed big Dan Smith, who has signed by Dan Smith, the Longview Logger, to meet Keller Wagner in one of the six-round bouts on the May 20 cards. "Wagner scored a third-round knockout in Roseburg last Friday night over Charlie Geer of Portland and looked very good. Smith, who has never been beaten in the Salem ring, is a tougher customer than Wagner has yet met, but Keller seems to think he can take care of himself. The card will be a benefit for Powder Proctor, the game little negro who suffered a broken jaw in his fight with Tony Kahut. It will include three six-rounders and three four-rounders."

Hostak Goes East

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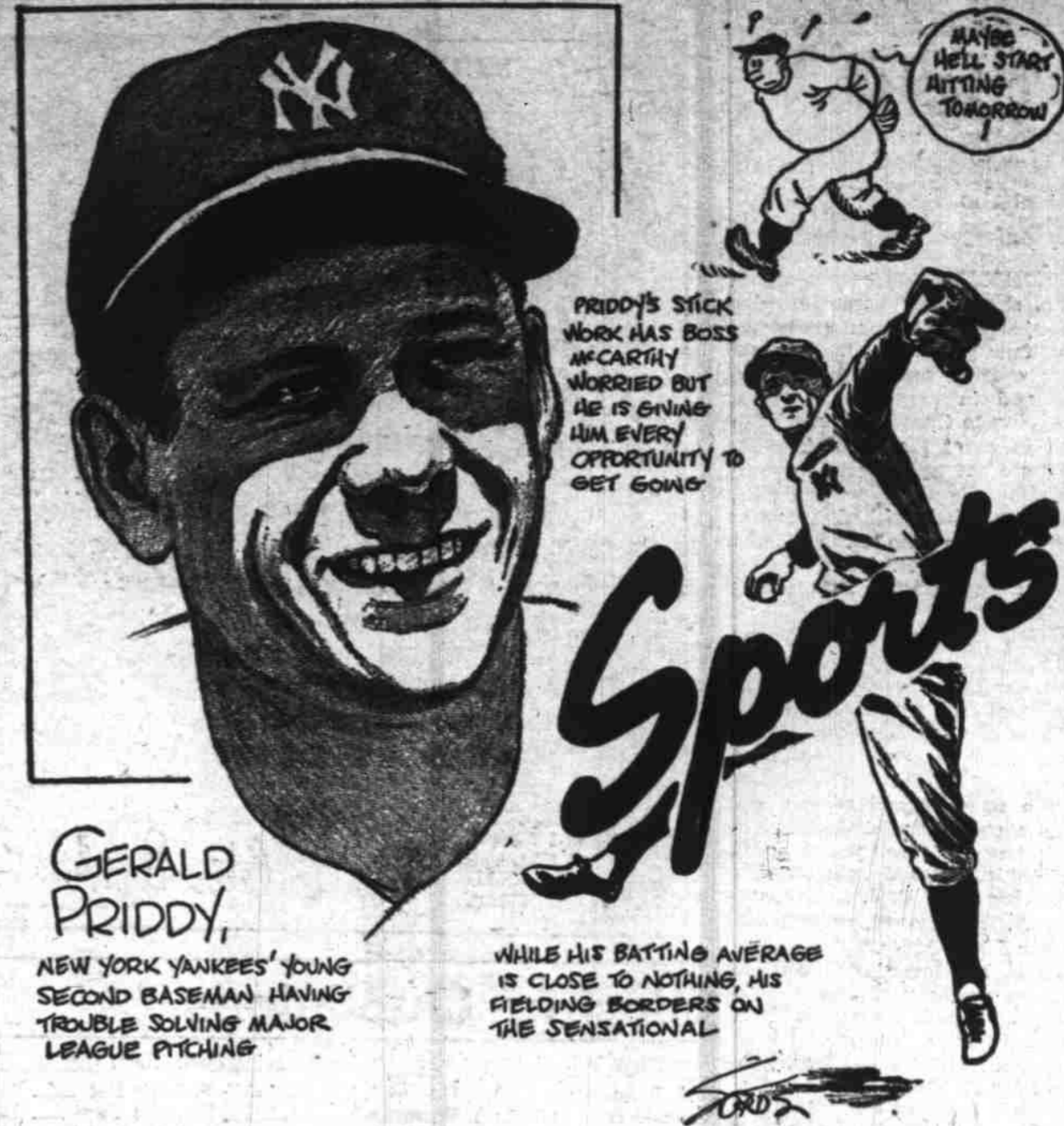
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By Jack Sords



GERALD PRIDDY

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Salem, Oregon, Tuesday Morning, May 13, 1941

Cards Move up on Idle Dodgers; Red Sox Belt Yankees Again

Grove Better's Gomez in Duel

AMERICAN LEAGUE STANDINGS
Sunday's Results
Chicago 2, Detroit 1.
St. Louis 5-6, Cleveland 7-5.
Boston 13, New York 3.
Washington 8, Philadelphia 10.

BOSTON, May 12.—(P)—The Boston Red Sox took a tighter hold on second place in the American league today by conquering the New York Yankees 8 to 4 to give old Lefty Grove the 25th victory of his major league career.

It was the fourth straight triumph for the Red Sox and moved them to 2½ games behind the idle Cleveland Indians.

The game brought together two of the leading left-handers in American league history, Grove and Vernon Gomez of the Yankees, but while Grove groped his way slowly, steadily over the full nine inning route, Gomez was pounded for all Boston's runs and departed at the end of three chapters.

New York 4 10 2
Boston 8 8 1
Gomez, Breuer (4), Branco (8), and Rosar; Grove and Peacock.

Solons 5, A's 1

WASHINGTON, May 12.—(P)—The Washington Senators bunched eight blows effectively behind the six-hit hurling of Dutch Leonard today to defeat Philadelphia 5 to 1. It was the veteran knuckle baller's third straight win of the season.

Philadelphia 1 6 1
Washington 5 8 0
McCraab, Babich (6), R. Johnson (8), and Hayes; Leonard and Ferrel, Early (4).

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UO Frosh Drub Vikings 10-1

Collecting 11 hits off Southpaw Clay Patterson's pitching, and taking adequate advantage of six Salem misuses, the University of Oregon freshmen baseball team scored a 10 to 1 win over the Salem high Vikings here Monday.

Martini's hit and three errors scored two for the Ducklings in the second; they got three more in the fourth on hits by Peterson and Burns, interspersed by two errors; four more in a big seventh that featured three hits; and a single counter in the ninth on Simonsen's double and an infield out.

Salem's sole counter came in the fourth on Austin Wilson's triple.

The Veks play Oregon City here Wednesday and Eugene a doubleheader at Eugene Thursday. Frosh 10 11 0
Viks 1 5 6
Wimer and Peterson; Patterson and Hauser.

Californians Top Bowling

PORTLAND, May 12.—(P)—The Northwestern International Bowling congress moved its 1942 session north to Seattle, but major prizes of this year's show went south as the 10-day tournament closed Sunday.

The individual championship was taken by Stanley Knapp, Oakland, Calif., the doubles title by the San Francisco team of Neil Mohs and Ernie Goetschmann and the all-events crown by Goetschmann.

Knapp scored 697, four points higher than last year's winning total. Goetschmann was second with 678. Mohs and Goetschmann scored 1249 in the doubles, the lowest winning score in five years.

The women's western bowling congress also selected Seattle for 1942. The class A doubles title went to Shirley Abrahamson and Betty Moriarity of Vancouver, Wash., with 1075. Frances Granger, Spokane, won class A singles with a score of 597 and Alma Dentell, Seattle, took class A all-events with 1567.

Beavers Best Idaho, 7-3

MOSCOW, Idaho, May 12.—(P)—A four-hit, four run rally in the first inning sent Oregon State away to a 7 to 3 victory over the University of Idaho baseball team here Monday.

The victory gave Oregon State, now in second place in the northern division of the Pacific Coast conference, a mathematical chance to retain the championship they won last year.

Idaho, unable to solve the offerings of Oregon State's Elliott, never connected for more than one run in an inning and only one Idahoan got more than one hit.

OSC 7 12 2
Idaho 3 8 3
Elliott and Capka; Bechtel, Jenkins (7) and Kars.

Wins Ski Meet

PORTLAND, May 12.—(P)—Hank Seidelhuber of the Penguin Ski club, Seattle, won the combined championship of the Pacific Northwestern Ski association on Mount Hood Sunday.

Warneke Hurls 6 to 2 Win

NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDINGS
W L Pct
Brooklyn 20 6 .769
Boston 10 13 .435
St. Louis 17 6 .739
Chicago 9 12 .429
New York 12 10 .545
Pittsburgh 6 14 .300
Cincinnati 10 13 .435
Philadelphia 7 17 .292

Sunday's Results
Philadelphia 5,