



LEAGUE LEADING ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Heading for their third straight National league pennant, here are the 1944 St. Louis Cardinals: Front row, left to right, Marty Marion, George Fallon, George Kuroski, Alvin Jurisch, Fred Schmidt, Augie Bergamo, Pepper Martin, Ken O'Dea, Middle row, Eldred Eyerly, Stan Musial, Bob Keesey, Dots Garna, Coach Clyde Ware, Manager Billy Southworth, Coach Mike Gonzalez, Johnny Hopp, Top row, Property Man Enoch Yalkeman, Bliz Donnelly, Ted Wilks, Danny Litwiler, Ray Sanders, Trainer Harrison Weaver, Morton Cooper, Max Lanier, Emil Verban, Harry Brecheen, Walker Cooper. Bat boys are Sam Cooper (left) and Bob Scanlon.

From the BLEACHERS

By AL LIGHTNER

"It is not unlikely that the Western International league will operate next year," writes diminutive Dan Walton in his Tacoma News-Tribune, the statement woven into a column resulting from a conversation with League President Robert B. "Bob" Abel, who also doubles as a Tacoma barrister. "And you can count Tacoma in," furthers Walton, same prompted after another chat with Tiger Ringmaster Roger W. Peck.



ROBERT B. ABEL

Furthering the back-to-the-baseball-ware move, "Ruby Robert" Brown, still major domo of the Vancouver Caplans, recently notified Abel the Canadians would "be ready to go at the drop of a bat." Bill Ulrich and his Spokane Indians are future-booked as a certainty, and as Walton opines, "Mrs. George E. Waters, the grand old lady of the WI," will be willing, one may be sure. "We hesitate to second the title handed Mrs. W, but she hasn't been whipping the 25th and Turner Road yard into brilliance again, via overall paint job, for nothing. She'll be ready, all right, and just as soon as the others head for the starting gate. A possibility that Emil Sick and the Seattle Rainiers may "buy in" on the village nine is just that, a possibility.

Might Easily Be 6-Team League Again

Better yet, should the league shake the defunct handle as early as 1945, and with the way the boys are biting at Herr Hitler of late 'tis quite possible, you may find not four but six teams ready. Bellingham, back on its feet again thanks to lucrative war industries; Victoria, BC, anxious for a franchise in the circuit for a number of years; Yakima and Wenatchee, both former members which could probably survive again were changes made in respective front offices, and Vancouver, Wash., linked as a possible Portland Beaver "farm" club, have all been mentioned prominently as the WIL ball babbings have bubbled of late. Even Everett, Wash., and Butte, Mont., interests have asked for scenic pamphlets.

Minor league aseball's fair-sighted Mr. Brown offers another important item which will no doubt be considered thoroughly when Pres. Abel calls his flock together, viz., "If we're not ready, the Pioneer and California State leagues will grab the players—and then what will we use when we want to start?" In case you've forgotten, when the WIL went under in '43, baseball law instructed that all players under contract to its members, be they in the armed forces, on the voluntarily retired list or sick abed, were automatically free agents. Consequently, not a single player is now owned by the league franchise holders.

Not Premature—Merely Smart Move

Tacoma Peck, says Walton, is willing to go along provided certain conditions, not too tough, are met. He wants the league on a more solid foundation than in previous years, strong enough to weather sandstorms or shoals. Peck believes each club should put up \$5000 franchise money as compared to the \$1250 in the past, that a fraction of the admission fees go into the league kitty, and that the circuit share in player sales. More palatable items for the convening clansmen.

All this may be a bit premature since, from a pessimistic side, the war in Europe is not over and when it is there's still the Japs. It is thought, however, that with the finish of Hitler thousands of servicemen will be returned to civilian life. And amongst these thousands are professional ballgamers, lots of 'em. What the WIL seeks is the spade-work towards getting in on the first grab at these returning players. You can't blame Pres. Abel and his troupe for that, and smart they would be to have the house cleaned up for the homecoming.

Army-Navy Football Spectacle To Again Be "Private" Affair

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30—(AP)—For the third straight year, the Army-Navy football game, one of sports' super-spectacles in the peacetime days, will be held down this season to a home-town show. It will be played Dec. 2 at Annapolis and under the same wartime restrictions that have prevailed for the last two years, Navy Secretary Forrestal announced today. Tickets will be limited to residents of Annapolis, a town of about 16,000, and those living within 10 miles of the community. The pre-war parades and colorful ceremonies will be omitted.

Bruins Blast Buccos Twice

CHICAGO, Aug. 30—(AP)—The Chicago Cubs dealt Pittsburgh's second place hopes a double blow today by sweeping a doubleheader, 12 to 5 and 6 to 3, before 17,438. The last three innings of the second game were finished in the rain after a 21-minute interruption. Home runs were hit by Chicago's Dom Dallessandro and Pittsburgh's Vince Di Maggio and Babe Dahlgren. Pittsburgh 110 000 210—5 12 8 Chicago 301 280 287—12 13 0 Sewell, Cucurullo (9) and Lopez, Camelli (7); Wyse, Lynn (8) and Williams, Davis (8). Losing pitcher, Sewell. Pittsburgh 000 010 200—3 11 1 Chicago 000 011 407—6 11 0 Starr, Resigno (2), Strincovich (3) and Davis, Camelli, Lopez, Chapman, Passau (7), Wyse (4) and Williams,

Beavers Win 3-1 Behind Liska 5-Hitter, Cut LA Lead to 5 1/2

PORTLAND, Aug. 30—(AP)—Little Ad Liska, the Portland Beavers' submarine ball specialist, set the San Diego Padres down 3-1 with a five-hit pitching performance tonight to give the Beavers a 2-0 bulge in the series. The victory, coupled with the leading Los Angeles Angels' loss to Oakland, sliced the Angel margin to nine and a half games.

Dodgers' Camp Looks Over 55

SILVERTON—Termed "very much a success" by Scout Tom Downey, 55 youths turned out here yesterday at McGinnis field for the first day of the Brooklyn Dodgers' baseball tryout camp. Many of the aspirants were from Portland, Salem, Albany, Marshfield, Newberg, Woodburn and as far off as Winlock, Wash. According to Downey, the pitching, catching, shortstoping, outfielding and first basing were exceptionally good the first day. The camp will terminate Sunday with a game between the "school" team and the Silverton Red Sox here.

All boys who are interested in baseball and who would like to try out are invited to attend the school. They must provide their own gloves, spikes, uniforms and transportation. The camp lasts from four to five hours per day.

Contract Meet For Linksmen

The gents who can call their shots best come into their own today at Salem golf course when the Men's club presents its weekly Thursday tourney. A Contract meet—contestants must call their score per hole before shooting each hole, points to be added or subtracted accordingly—will be played over either the front or back nine holes, announces Committee-man Bill Goodwin. Prizes which will materialize from the entry fees will go to the first and second place winners.

Haegg Nipped By Andersson

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 31—(AP)—With a last quarter spurt, Arne Andersson, world's mile record holder, tonight defeated Gunder Haegg by a narrow margin in a 2000-meter race. Andersson was clocked in 5:12.6 and Haegg in 5:13.2. Haegg holds the international record of 5:11.8.

Twinks 3, Seals 2

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 30—(AP)—The Hollywood Stars got only four hits, but eked out a 3-2 victory over San Francisco tonight in a seven-inning first game of a double header. San Francisco 002 000 0-2 7 2 Hollywood 000 000 x-3 4 0 Joyce and Sprinz; Blanton and Younker.

Awaiting Her Turn in "Tam"



BETTY HICKS, Long Beach, Calif., gal pro, calmly watches Polly Riley of Fort Worth, Tex., make a short putt in the All-American golf tournament at Chicago's Tam O'Shanter course. Miss Riley earned the putt but Miss Hicks waited and earned first prize in the women's division, \$500. (AP Wirephoto.)

Monday Round Added to Finish Schedule; Huston Names Committees

Junior Ball Season Ends Labor Day; "Field Day" Planned

Junior ball 4-30-1 Sport 11 1/2 cms. Not unlike most other baseball leagues, Salem's Junior Ball derby will hit the finish line next Monday, Labor day, with a full slate at Waters park. The decision was rendered yesterday by President Oliver Huston as a means of (1) possibly beating the weather to the punch, (2) avoiding conflict with the starting of football season at Salem high and (3) winding up the campaign as near to schedule as possible. The Minor league season closes Sunday at both play-grounds, but before Huston ordered the Monday round in the Major circuit, there would have been two Sundays left on its schedule. Since a big "Field Day" featuring the outstanding play-

ers of both the Major and Minor leagues, has been set for the Sunday following the season, it was decided to bunch the Major finals into the next Sunday-Monday period. It is also expected that most clubs will find difficulty in that few have two pitchers. But it works out as fair for one team as another. "The field day will provide a fitting climax to a successful season," declared Huston, "and I think it should be held as soon as possible so as not to conflict with the weather and the football season. I'm sure the teams will cooperate by playing both Sunday and Monday so that the field day may be held the following Sunday, September 10." Sunday's round: Eagles vs.

Mayflower at 10, Funland vs. Valley Motor at 12, Curly's vs. Shrock's at 2 and Lions vs. Redwood at 4. Monday's round: Curly's vs. Valley Motor at 10; Mayflower vs. Funland at 12; Shrock's vs. Redwood at 2 and Eagles vs. Lions at 4. Sunday's finals in the Minor league sends Elfstroms against Yeaters at Olinger and Heavy Haulers against Clough-Barrick at Leslie, the latter for the championship. The Funland-Eagles makeup game will not be played unless it will have a bearing on the standings, it was announced. The Funland-Mayflower Milk makeup game is due within 10 days from last Monday, according to Huston. Huston also named committees for Field day. Al Lightner and

Bob Keuscher will be in charge of events, same to include various races featuring the talents of both Major and Minor players. Coaches are requested to single out respective players who possess speed and powerful and accurate throwing arms. League Secretary Howard Maple has been assigned the chore of referee for the meet and Huston will appoint judges and timers as well as "prop" men later. Prizes are to be given various winners and the following have been named to acquire the prizes as they see fit: Ben Claggett, Yeater's; C Shrock, Shrock Motors; Dr. L. E. Barrick, Clough-Barrick; Bob Elfstrom, Elfstrom's, and Winkenyverder, Funland. Sixteen prizes are to be awarded.

Chicago Bears Tip All-Stars By 24-21 Edge

Field Goal in Final Quarter Nets Win. EVANSTON, Ill., Aug. 30—(AP)—By the slender margin of three points, the Chicago Bears, champions of the National football league, conquered the College All-Stars, 24-21, tonight to maintain their unbeaten record in five spectacular engagements in the eleven-game series.

The All-Stars played brilliantly for three periods, holding leads of 14 to 0, and 21 to 14, but were overcome when the Bears reached their championship sparkle of play in the third period when they tied the game up at 21 to 21, and swept into the lead midway in the fourth period. It was a 13-yard field goal by Pete Gudauskas, a Kentucky Teachers' college guard, that gave the Bears their margin of victory in the last period. The goal came after the Bears had marched 23 yards to the Sats' 6, where the Collegians stiffened. With Ensign Sid Luckman, playing his last game with the Bears for the duration, holding the ball, Gudauskas' try was from slightly to one side of the goal post. The ball, however, sailed through the uprights and the All-Stars were finished.

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Clark Readies Seattle Lineup

SEATTLE, Aug. 30—(AP)—A backfield representing four Pacific Northwest colleges was named today by Coach Dutch Clark to open Seattle's new American league football season at Portland Sunday. The kingpin in the T formation offensive will be Dean McAdams, former University of Washington triple threat who had been sold by Brooklyn to the Washington Redskins for this season. The other backs will be: Morrie Kohler, ex-Oregon State; Dale Holmes, from Washington State college, and Milt Popovich of Montana.

The line will be: Babe Harmon and Jack Millard, ends; Bob Cramer and Byng Nixon, tackles; Miff Collins and Steve Silvinski, guards, and John Tsoutsouvas, center.

Kelleher Holds Swatting Lead

By the Associated Press. Though his average dropped four points last week, Frank Kelleher, husky Hollywood outfielder, still leads the Pacific Coast league in individual batting with an average of .335. Oakland's Les Scarsella ranks second five points back at .330. Averages, including last Sunday's games:

INDIVIDUAL BATTING (Regular players in 40 or more games)

Player, Club:	G	Ab	R	Hi	Rbi	Av
Hermann, Hol.	47	96	25	0	18	.265
Spindel, Seat.	43	136	17	0	28	.246
Kelleher, Hol.	105	394	132	20	97	.335
Scarsella, Oak.	132	500	165	6	82	.330
Moore, L. A.	70	195	34	1	21	.321
Moran, Hol.	116	421	134	2	52	.318
J. Steiner, Sac.	70	227	72	0	26	.317
Russell, L. A.	139	476	160	12	74	.315
Libke, Seattle	93	304	95	3	42	.313
Gyselman, Seat.	141	547	170	0	32	.311
McDonald, S. D.	85	318	97	0	32	.310
Otero, L. A.	107	342	103	0	42	.301
Hooper, S. F.	85	156	47	0	14	.301
Sauer, L. A.	83	290	81	2	20	.290
Norbert, L. A.	86	290	79	7	40	.294
Owen, Portland	106	382	108	6	48	.293
Elstreich, Sac.	83	251	102	0	21	.291
English, L. A.-Oak.	90	322	102	3	49	.290
Harris, Port.	163	518	99	4	26	.290
Camilli, Oak.	109	346	100	14	59	.286
Futurnick, S. F.	95	311	90	0	19	.280
Gill, Portland	109	328	103	2	29	.282
Felstrom, Port.	70	195	54	1	21	.281
Shone, Port.	120	401	105	9	31	.282
Adams, Port.	88	246	64	0	23	.260
DeWesse, Port.	82	286	79	0	28	.259
Barlow, Port.	111	402	103	4	28	.256
Gullick, Port.	89	322	78	6	47	.242
O'Neil, Port.	83	241	67	0	27	.245
Nunes, Port.	61	235	61	1	16	.217
Norager, Port.	41	79	14	0	4	.177

STATESMAN SPORTS

American Pro Grid Loop Set for Openers Today

Upsets Mark Net Openers

WOOD, HUNT DOWNED IN OPENING ROUND. FOREST HILLS, N.Y., Aug. 30—(AP)—The hills movement struck the national tennis championships today when a quartet of players, familiar figures to the galleries for several seasons, were eliminated in the first round. Sidney B. Wood, jr., of New York, winner of England's Wimbledon championship in 1931 and a top-flight player for more than a dozen years, was the principal upset victim, falling before young Charles Oliver of Perth Amboy, N.J., 6-3, 6-8, 6-1.

Wood was the only seeded player to go out, but Lt. Gilbert A. Hunt of Washington, DC, a noted upsetter of ranking stars, failed to turn the trick against sixth-seeded Air Cadet Bobby Falkenberg of Hollywood, Calif., in an all-army match. Falkenberg, seeded sixth, pulled out of his tussle with Hunt after losing the first set, 5-7, 6-2, 6-1. Eighth-seeded Shirley Fry, national girls' champion from Akron, Ohio, downed Mrs. Helen Ribhany in a strenuous tussle, 4-6, 6-4, 7-5.

Oliver, 1943 national interscholastic champion and one of the most promising of the current crop of junior players, outlasted Wood in a torrid three-set match played on an outside court far from the stadium crowd. The New Jersey youngster made his rival work for every point during the first two sets and then raced through the third as Wood weakened under the hot sun and the constant pressure.

Suds Nip Sacs In 13th Frame

SEATTLE, Aug. 30—(AP)—Seattle pushed across a run in the 13th inning tonight to nose out the Sacramento Senator, 3-2, in a Pacific Coast league baseball game. The win, notched by Carl Fischer over Earl Porter, gave Seattle a 2-0 edge in the series. Five errors by the Sacs aided in their downfall. Sem 101 000 000 000 0-2 9 5 Salt 000 001 010 000 1-3 11 2 Porter and Steiner; Fischer and Spindel.

Oakland Noses Angels, 3 to 2

OAKLAND, Aug. 30—(AP)—Mel Steiner's single to right field scored Bill Raimondi in the ninth inning and broke a 2-all tie to give Oakland a 3-2 Coast league victory over the league-leading Los Angeles Angels tonight. The blow accomplished Manny Salvo's 14th win of the season and tied the series 1-1-1. Los Angeles. 010 010 000-2 7 0 Oakland 100 010 001-3 12 0 Prim and Fernandez; Salvo and Raimondi.

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Yanks Outbop Bosox, Regain Second Place

Win Slices Brownie Lead to 3 1/2 Games. NEW YORK, Aug. 30—(AP)—The New York Yankees moved into second place in the American league standings, three and a half games behind the league leading St. Louis Browns, when they outslugged the Boston Red Sox 9-7 today before 7929 fans.

The victory, coupled with Detroit's defeat by the Chicago White Sox, gave the Yankees a half game lead over the Tigers and the Red Sox, who are tied for third place. Though all three home runs hit in the game were made by the Red Sox, the Yankees banged out 16 safeties, good for six extra bases. Nick Etten paced the New York attack with four hits, including a double and triple. Boston 100 000 420-7 12 0 New York 131 010 21-9 16 0 O'Neill, Hausman (2), Ryba (7), Woods (8) and Parlee; Borowy, Turner (7) and Garbark. Losing pitcher, O'Neill.

How They STAND...

AMERICAN LEAGUE

W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
St. Louis	71	55	Cleveland	61	67	.477
New York	67	58	Philadel	63	68	.417
Detroit	66	58	Chicago	58	67	.464
Boston	65	60	Washin	53	73	.421
Yesterday's results: At New York 9, Boston 7. At Cleveland 12, St. Louis 8. At Philadelphia 4, Washington 6. At Detroit 3, Chicago 6.						

NATIONAL LEAGUE

W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
St. Louis	61	30	Chicago	54	65	.454
Pittsburg	41	59	Boston	50	74	.403
Cincinnati	67	51	Philadel	48	72	.400
New York	57	60	Brooklyn	48	71	.398
Yesterday's results: At St. Louis, Cincinnati, rained out. At Chicago 12-6, Pittsburgh 5-3. At Brooklyn 10, Philadelphia 2. At Boston 4, New York 2.						

Chicago 010 113 002-8 15 0 Detroit 100 000 200-3 12 1 Leonard and Farrell; Hamlin, Berry (4) and Hayes. Losing pitcher, Hamlin.

American League

Wednesday results: St. Louis 000 221 020-8 12 1 Cleveland 000 010 18-12 16 0 Kramer, Caster (5), Hollinsworth (8) and Hayworth; Harder, Heving (6), Bagby (8) and Rosar. Losing pitcher, Caster.

Come 'n Get 'Em, Gentlemen—Priority Man Says It's Okeh

SEATTLE, Aug. 30—(AP)—Hunters and farmers under the newly liberalized war production board ruling may be made with a simple standard certification, district priorities manager Richard Smith reported today. Dealers were informed that the certification required is standard priorities regulation 7. The purchaser, under it, signs a statement that he is entitled to the ammunition under the relaxed WFB order and that he will use it for the state purposes. Smith said dealers may write out the certification themselves without any regular WFB forms.

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