

Senators Break Even in Pair With Tiges; Salem Legions Down McMinnavilles, 6 to 4

Rally in 8th Takes Opener

Second Game Comes To Salem on Friday

McMINNVILLE, July 20 (Special)—The Salem Capital Post No. 9 American Legion Junior baseball team tonight came from behind and then went on to win the opening district two playoff game with the McMinnville Juniors to a 6-4 count. The game went one extra inning, Salem having tied the count at 4-4 in the seventh inning. Coach Bill Hanauka's Salms called twice in the eighth off left-handed Arvey Nelson, who McMinnville pitcher who was wild and in trouble almost throughout the game. Salem was behind 4-3 going into the final inning, the seventh. But walks by Nelson and a pinch-hit single by Darvil Giroud brought in the run that tied the game.

Senny Walker hurled the first four innings and was replaced by Jim Rock who picked up credit for the victory at the end. The win was Salem's 17th of the Legion Junior season to date, as against one loss.

The second game of the playoff will be held in Salem Friday at 6:30 o'clock on Olinger field. Hanauka will start either Bob Decker or Walker in this one. Another Salem win will push the Capital Posters into a playoff with Hillsboro for the right to join the state tournament field, whereas a loss will extend the district two playoffs to a third game Sunday, to be played on a neutral field.

'A' Circuit Play Tonite

Opening play of the season for the Class "A" Salem Junior baseball league will commence tonight at six o'clock, on Leslie field, according to Vern Gilmore, city playgrounds director. The practice game will feature Amby D'Eagle's Olinger "North" team against Hank Juran's Leslie "South" squad.

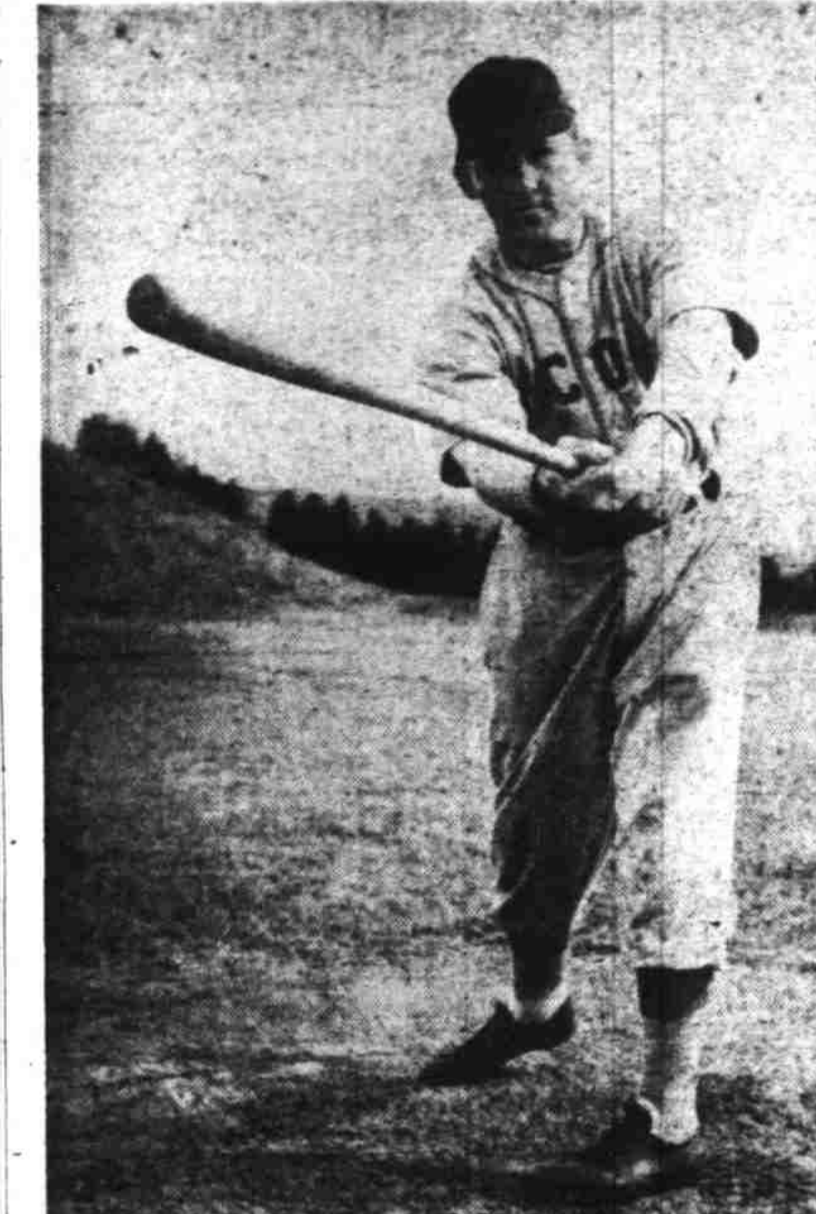
This will be the final effort to organize the two teams, Gilmore adds. If enough players are available for a game, the contests will continue each Thursday. If not, there will be no more Class "A" division after tonight. The Commercial Stationery store and Maple Sporting Goods Co. have been lined up to sponsor the two teams.

Dairys, PO's, Teamsters Win

The Teamsters, Maple Dairy and Post Office came through with wins in industrial league action last night at Leslie field. The Teamster crew topped the Papermills, 5-3, as Eldon Farlow tossed a four-hitter. Maple Dairy grabbed a five-inning 7-3 decision over Warner Motors behind Beach's flinging and the Postal club racked up a 7-4 verdict over Naval Reserve, as McDaniels chucked a four-hit job.

Tonight Mootrys and the Mariners of the City League clash in a makeup game set for 8 o'clock. An industrial tilt pits Maple Dairy against the Naval Reserves at 6:30.

WIL's Bashing Bambino



Possessor of a league-leading 24 home runs and among the top five in RBIs, Dick Greco (above) of the Tacoma Tigers lugs the largest bat in the Western International league this season. Greco and his mates will finish a series with the Salem at Waters field tonight. Greco has hit some of the longest homers ever seen in the Salem park.

Olsen Pitches 4-0 Shutout

Wasley Bangs No. 14; Tacs Take 2nd, 3-0

Unable to muster up the necessary punch in the nighttime, Salem Senators muffed a chance to make a move forward last night at Waters field by splitting the doubleheader with Tacoma's Tiges, on a dose of shutouts, 4-0 and 0-3. The split left the locals nine games below the 500 mark and sends them into a final series game tonight with the Tiges, starting at eight o'clock.

A Brillheart-was-right crowd of only 841 paid watched the two-sets last night, the first a Jim Olsen whitewashing at 4-0 and the second a reciprocation by Mgr. Bob Johnson's crew at 3-0. The doubleheader split amounted to the tenth in succession that Salem has broken even in.

Tonight Big Cal McElvin will go to the hill in an effort to wrest the tilt from the cellar dwellers. His opponent has not been announced by Johnson, although it might be the newcomer from San Diego, Don Carter.

Olsen rode home on a five-hitter in his seven-inning stint, the first goose-egg job he has whipped up this season. Big Jeem walked but one and fanned as many in nothing his ninth with Mel lefthanded. The Tiges bunched hits in two of the innings, the fourth and seventh, but Olsen settled fast to retire the side both times and escape damage.

All the run support he needed came in the fourth inning when Marty Krug was safe on a two-base error, moved to third on Bud Peterson's single to left and scored, along with Peterson, when Bob Cherry dented the right field wall with a double off Vince Lazor, the Salem sidekicker. Mel followed with another double, this one coming within one scant inch of being a home run.

Mel lofted a towering fly to right that came down smack atop one of the 1 x 12 fence boards and bounded back into the park, believing the ball might be caught, Cherry got only as far as third. But he rambled in when Bob Hedgington flied to Eddie Barr in center.

Wasley put the extra push on it the next time at bat, pounding his 14th homer of the season over his pet spot in right field in the sixth. The blow was Mel's ninth in the local arena, tying him with Eddie Wilson of the 1940 club for the record for home runs hit out of the Waters patch. The circuit all-around game result page one at Waters. Wasley's 14th of the campaign, and he has but two to hit to tie Barr's all-season record established in 1948.

Lazor allowed only five hits himself, but too many of them bunched, along with Wasley's fence-conqueror.

The opener was played in 57 minutes flat, which is unofficially a 1949 record for a seven-inning tilt.

Lefty Bob Kerrigan, an erratic member of the Tige staff most of the season, weathered a few rough spots early in the second game and went on to take a 3-0 victory. Salem reluctantly obliged in the first four innings by leaving no less than eight base runners stranded, which could be a record also.

Big Ray Fredericks certainly made the tough luck member of this year's hit corps was the victim even though he yielded only six hits Salem got eight of Kerrigan, but nary a one when it meant a run.

Fredericks lost the game as early as the second inning on a walk, Jerry Ballard's blop single to center, a bounding single to left by new catcher Jerry Gardner and a squeeze hit by Kerrigan, good for two runs. A hit by Barr, his stolen base, an error and a fly got the third run across in the fourth.

From there it was a fire duel between Fredericks and Kerrigan as both tightened up. Kerrigan allowed but one hit in his final five heats, and Fredericks a mere two in his. Salem had the bases loaded with one out in the second, but

4-Ball Meet Opens Today; Locke Gets Panning

TOLEDO, O., July 16 (AP)—The inversed fourball matches get under way tomorrow, but much of today's pre-tourney talk centered around the future status of Bobby Locke of South Africa in American events.

Locke, after winning the British open recently, announced he'd delay his return to his country. He had been paired with Dick Metz in the inversed battles of Birds, and his default mused up the schedule.

S. J. McGivern, tournament champion, said today he had not yet been notified by Locke that he would not appear, and only knew what he "had read in the papers."

McGivern, immediately signed Sam Snead, masters and PGA champion, to replace Locke. Then the tourney chairman, irked no end, wrote a blistering letter of protest to the PGA Ancient Locke's action.

The letter was turned over to George Schneider, PGA tournament manager, who said today he had forwarded it to the PGA executive committee for action.

"Locke also had arranged to appear with E. J. (Dutch) Harrison for three exhibition matches," Schneider said.

"Locke also committed himself to be here for the western open, as well as the inversed matches," Schneider, in answer to a question, said Locke had appeared in American tournaments at the invitation of the PGA, and said that withdrawal of such invitations would result in "the man who came to dinner" being barred from future ones.

Locke has been a sensation on the American courses the last few years, and his prize winnings have soared into the thousands.

Yanks Slam Indians, Increase Lead; Cardinals Gain on Bums

STATESMAN SPORTS By Al Lightner, Sports Editor

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Sizzlin' Saltzman Handcuffs Rainiers, Portland Wins, 3-0

SEATTLE, July 20 (AP)—Hal Saltzman, who was released unceremoniously by the Seattle Rainiers a year or so ago, came back to haunt the home club tonight by twirling a three-hit 3-0 shutout victory for the Portland Beavers over Fredericks bounded to Ballard at first and he quickly turned the heat off by starting a double play.

The hitting fireworks were few during the four-hour evening, but umpire Max Skulik inserted a few of his own. For no particular reason, other than to show perhaps why he gets into so much trouble over the league, Skulik "ran" someone off the Tacoma bench during the nightcap and then wound up by chasing Al Saltzman because he didn't like a spin-high pitch called a strike, by Maxwell... A new outfielder, Orrin Snyder, is scheduled to join the Rainiers soon. He agreed to terms with Business Manager George Emph via telegram yesterday, after being released by Vancouver...

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Giants Topple Scoring Record

NEW YORK, July 20 (AP)—The New York Yankees clawed Bobby Feller for four runs in the third inning tonight and went on to beat the Cleveland Indians, 7-3, to stretch their American league lead to four and a half games over the challenging Tribe.

Joe DiMaggio, Yogi Berra and Elia Lopat led the Yanks' 13-hit attack against five Cleveland pitchers. DiMaggio drove home three runs on a homer and homer. Berra delivered two with a homer and single and Lopat knocked home one while banging out two singles and a double.

The largest single game crowd of the season, 75,340 fans flocked to Cleveland's Municipal stadium to witness the second game of the crucial series.

The St. Louis Cardinals came from behind and topped the Boston Braves, 6-4, in ten innings in a night game at Boston. The victory moved the Cards to within two and one-half games of the National's front-running Brooklyn Dodgers. The Dodgers dropped an 8-6 day game decision to the Pittsburgh Pirates. Ralph Kiner's second homer of the game and his 26th of the season with two on in the ninth quipped the Dodgers. Lou Klein braked the two-run double off Nels Potter to give the Cards their victory. Hank Sauer escorted the Chicago Cubs to a 4-3 eleven-inning triumph over the Phils in a night game in the Quaker City. Sauer drove home all of Chicago's runs with his 17th and 18th homers and a triple.

The Boston Red Sox lost ground in their bid to get back into the American league pennant chase by dropping an 8-7 decision to the Chicago White Sox under the sun at Chicago. In the only other afternoon game, the New York Giants whipped the Cincinnati Reds for the second time in a row, 5-1, while the Detroit Tigers pined out the Washington Senators, 6-5. Ted Williams hit a three-run homer for the Red Sox —his 22nd.

The Giants set a major league consecutive inning scoring record in defeating the Red Sox, tallying in each of the first three innings, the Giants extended their streak through 14 frames to beat the former mark of 12, established by another Giant team—the 1923 club. Dave Kosie went the distance, scattering seven hits for his sixth victory. The Tiges came up with three runs in the eighth inning to overcome a 5-3 Washington lead and hang the sixth defeat upon southpaw Mickey Harris.

VON CRAMM VICTOR

VELBERT, Germany, July 20 (AP)—Gottfried Von Cramm, veteran German tennis star, fashed some of his old-time form today when he defeated Australia's Jack Harper, 6-4, 6-2, in an international match. In a men's doubles contest, Von Cramm teamed with Harper to beat Sweden's Bertil Blomquist and Doerje Fornstedt, 6-2, 6-4.

Junior Golfers Clash For Meet Titles Today

It'll be payoff time in the first annual Salem Junior Golf tournament today at Salem Golf club as twelve young linksters go after flight titles in battles which are set for the 36-hole distance.

The feature match in the Junior division will pit Bob Albinch against Stan Samuels for the championship flight crown. Samuels earned a finals berth as he downed Ed Bauer 2 and 1 Wednesday.

The title flight battle in the Boys division sees Dave Wright colliding with Mickey Raschko.

In the Junior division, first flight Bob Hazel will meet Bob Gordon in the finals and that division's second flight finals pits Jerry Sturgis against Leo Steere. Steve Merchant and Dick Sohr will light it out for third flight honors.

In the Boys division first flight Bob Fisher and Lyman Butterfield will be the finals contenders.

Victors in the finals matches will receive trophies and other prizes from the Maple Sports firm, sponsors of the tourney.

Caplanos Top Indian Outfit

SPOKANE, July 20 (AP)—Vancouver's Caplanos grabbed a 6-3 victory over Spokane's Indians tonight in the first game of a Western International league twin bill. The win topped the Caps' second-place margin over the third-place Indians to 6½ games.

Hunk Anderson of Vancouver held the Spokes to three hits while the Caps were getting to Bishop for nine.

First game — seven innings: Vancouver 100 002 3-6 5 6 Spokane 001 001 1-2 3 3 3 Anderson and Sheely, Bishop and Rossi.

'Johns', Tigard Tourney Victors

PORTLAND, July 20 (AP)—Seventh-inning rallies gave St. Johns and Tigard wins tonight in the state semi-pro baseball tournament.

Four runs in the last inning, three on a double, gave St. Johns a 4 to 3 win over Sweet Home. Tigard broke a seventh-inning tie to win over Portland's Wherry Cafe, 3 to 2.

011 000 1-3 5 4 Sweet Home 000 000 4-4 8 1 St. Johns 001 001 1-2 3 3 3 Berg, Brightwell (?) and Smith, Depe and Buforo.

Wherry 000 002 6-2 5 7 Hunt and Saul, Pearson, Debur (?) and Brookman, O'Harrigan.

Prisoners Snare 2 More Verdicts

The State penitentiary Greys racked up two more baseball wins last week end. The inmates topped Independence Saturday, 6-1, behind the tight hurling of "Sanoma" Hotz and notched a 4-0 decision over the Vancouver Eagles Sunday as White Bernstein gave up only two hits and whiffed 12. Busse of the Eagles lamed 18.

Senator Swat

(Up to date)

Cherry	B.H.Pct	Schraa	B.H.Pct
B.Pitran 281 14	387	Hedgington 250	66 264
Fredericks 27	204	Olsen 109	24 220
Krug 185	51 276	W.Pitran 308	97 245
Foster 36	10 278	Drilling 33	8 242
Wasley 307	85 277	Carlson 109	24 220
Bauer 201	68 278	Melvin 11	1 091
Buckley 48	13 271	Osborn 21	1 091
G.Pitran 31	14 284		

Pitching:

Osborn	W.L.S.O	W.L.S.O	
Osborn	5 4 46	Foster	3 4 23
Olsen	5 8 31	Peterson	4 7 42
Melvin	1 1 11	Searra	3 5 23
Drilling	4 5 51	Fredericks	3 7 26

BLANCHARD TO PLAY CHARLOTTE, N. C., July 20

(AP)—Felix (Doc) Blanchard, all-American fullback of the army football teams of 1944-45-46, announced today he will play as a professional in this fall with the independent Charlotte Clippers. Blanchard is a lieutenant in the air force, stationed at Shaw field, Sumter, S. C., about 120 miles from here.

The Standings

WESTERN INTERNATIONAL	W.L.Pct	W.L.Pct	
Yakima	22 32 660	Salem 43 52	
Vancouver	58 35 615	Bremerton	42 54 48
Spokane	51 45 573	Victoria	41 52 44
Wenatche	46 56 479	Tacoma	42 56 40

COAST LEAGUE	W.L.Pct	W.L.Pct	
Hollywood	20 62 506	Oakland	58 50
Sacramento	61 52 540	Portland	36 58 49
San Diego	59 57 569	San Francisco	52 64 448
Seattle	59 58 508	Los Angeles	47 68

AMERICAN LEAGUE	W.L.Pct	W.L.Pct	
New York	54 31 635	Detroit	46 42 52
Cleveland	49 35 583	Chicago	39 46 432
Boston	46 40 535	Washington	34 48 415
Philadelphia	43 46 540	Cincinnati	29 53 404

NATIONAL LEAGUE	W.L.Pct	W.L.Pct	
Brooklyn	52 39 612	New York	42 41 508
St. Louis	36 38 581	Pittsburgh	44 44 476
Boston	41 46 529	Philadelphia	29 53 404
Philadelphia	44 42 512	Chicago	32 55 399

Goose Eggs Divvied Up:

First game:

Tacoma (9)	(4) Salem
Spaeter 2 0 0 A	B.H.O A
Jones 1 2 0 2	0xKrug 2 3 0 13
Greco 1 2 0 2	0xKrug 2 3 0 13
Kaney 1 2 0 2	0xKrug 2 3 0 13
Johnson 2 0 0 0	Wasley 1 2 0 2
Barr 1 0 0 0	0xHedgington 3 3 0 2
Ballard 1 3 0 4	0xCarlson 2 3 0 1
Sheets 1 3 0 4	0xRucker 1 2 0 6
Lazor 1 3 0 4	0xLiden 2 1 2 2
Forster 1 3 0 4	0x0
Gardner	0x0

Total 23 518 5 Total 24 521 11

Batted for Lazor in 7th.

Run for Johnson in 7th.

000 000 0-0 5 1 Salem 000 201 4-6 5 6

Pitcher IP AE H R ER SO BB

Lazor 8 2 5 4 3 1 0

Olsen 7 2 2 3 0 6 1 1

Left on bases: Tacoma 2 Salem 2

Errors: Ballard, Home run: Wasley, Two-base hits: Wasley, Cherry, Run: batted in: Cherry 2, Hedgington, Wasley, Sacrifices: Jones, Kaney, Lazor, Time: 2:02. Umpires: Skulik and Flaminia. Attendance: 841.

SPORTSLIGHTNER by Al Lightner

In answer to a stream of requests, the local Legion lads will gain a state tournament berth if they can kubdu McMinnville and then thence to the latter team already has clinched an inter-district playoffs spot and is waiting on the Salem-McMinnville finale. And should the Salms make the grade, they won't have the "big city" gagaboo to bother 'em as did the 44 gang at Portland. This year's state tourney is to be played at Albany in the new baseball-football plant being erected there. A bit of irony in that too. For the past two years the state finals have been held in Salem, sans a Salem team. This time it looks as if the Capital Posters will make it, but the tourney has been moved from town to town.

Add basketball prospects for Johnny (Spain) Lewis, WU team next winter. Dick Mase, the former Viking who has had a couple of years at Oregon, plans transferring to Willamette. The UO cagers are too many and too deep for Dick, who wants to play basketball and not sit around... Re Willamette basketballing, for me Bearcat Coach Elmer Schaack has shifted from an assistant's role at Modesto JC to the head cage and grid mentorship at Burlingame high in California. Schaack succeeds Bob Herwig, sometime All-American center at California who has resigned the Burlingame job. Burlingame is the place that gave Willamette Center Chuck Patterson who between seasons this summer is operating as a crop inspector in the Northwest and does most of his hopping around via airplane... Although Bill (High pockets) Lawrence got the job for the balance of the season, Bremerton's Alan Strange was among those invited to go to Seattle to talk over the Rainier manager's post with big wheel Emil Sick. Strange probably is better off where he is, for if you don't already know it the Seattle job is one of those frying pan posts, with the gas flaming on all burners.

Bill Reynolds has landed a job, and it could be a good one. He's with the local Sears-Robuck firm, which is managed by Jimmy Mosell, another ex-big leaguer, and in the appliance department selling stoves, washing machines, refrigerators, vacuum sweepers, etc. Mebbe Bill figures he'll live up that dead arm of his via giving demonstrations on how to clean a rug or do up a tub full of diapers... The guy is still in baseball too, after a fashion. He's to play for the Campbell Rock Wool softballers in the City League. Bill at one time years ago was a pretty pert catcher in softy ranks.



JOHNNY NEZICH

Simons Wins, Loses in First Three Pro Starts

Former major and Coast league pitcher Gordon Jones, now a Cleveland scout who was in town last week watching a few Salem-Spokane games (he was taking a long gander at the Spokes' Jack Parks no doubt), has let the info that Cleveland shelled out more than a few bucks for the signature of Johnny Kovenz and Al Cohen, the U of Oregon grads. Shortstop Cohen, now with Tacoma, got a flat \$3000 for the season, according to Jones. And Outfielder Kovenz, with Bakerville of the Cal-State loop got \$1000 for signing and a monthly \$175... George (Junior) Simons, the Albany prep whiff plucked by the St. Louis Browns and sent to Redding of the class C Far West circuit has won two and lost one in his first three professional appearances. One of his wins was a four-hitter, in six innings. Hub Middle's Klamath Falls club hung the setback on Junior. Managing the Reddings, incidentally, is Ray (Buffalo) Perry, the pre-war Tacoma Tiger third-baseman who later played for the San Francisco Seals. Perry at the last look had almost 40 home runs in the Far West batting figures and at one point along the way was walked 13 times consecutively on purpose!

Not Enough of Little John Around Here

We don't know just what WIL Prexy Bob Abe's umpiring schedule looks like, but it appears second-guessable to us even at a distance. The season is two-thirds spent, but only twice has Johnny Nenezich been assigned to local series. Furthermore, the likeable and capable Abe's ump-in-chief doesn't come back to the Waters arena until late next month. When he does return he'll have as his partner Doc Reile. That is, if said partnership doesn't split before then. When Doc went back into the league recently, he joined up with Nenezich, replacing Tim McCullough.

Little John, you've no doubt noticed, has the respect of every player in the circuit. They all look upon him as the best in the land. On top of it, he's Abe's trouble-shooter. Whenever some club gets in a jam with the other arbiters and maybe is made. Abe sounds the alarm for Nenezich and he goes in to help tidy up the mess the next series. A Seattle native, John has been umpiring over 20 years. His smallness of stature has cost him more than one chance for a Coast league job, as the PCLers, like the majors, use their sergeants in serge to be burly and gruff.

Nenezich has been in the WIL since 1940 and is one of those guys who will admit it when he boots one. Too many of them won't, and just as many lug a chip on their shoulders that you don't find on wee John's...

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