

# Ballplayers? Soriano Says Senators Now Have 'Em

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Salem Senators, Inc., faithful who have been wondering who will fill the Solon suits for 1951 play in the Western International baseball league can quit their worrying. Dewey (Pappy Bear) Soriano, Senators representative during the baseball confabs this week in St. Petersburg, Fla., has reported to Senators President Don Young by telephone that "we're pretty well set now."

Briefly, Soriano purchased the following during the Florida pow wow: One outfielder, a complete infield, one catcher and two pitchers. He did not divulge the names of any but added that "all will be better ballplayers than Salem had last season, and in my opinion they may not win the 1951 pennant but will be in the thick of the fight for it."

Names, records and backgrounds of the new men will be told by Soriano when he arrives in Salem in a week or 10 days. The former Yakima pitching president who may yet land here as general manager of the Senators is now en route to Southern California where he will make additional contacts for players.

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# Meyer Keeps Pirate Post

## Keeps Job



BILLY MEYER  
Suspense Is Over

## Rickey Sees Wartime Ball

Pitt Chief Stresses Game's Morale Value

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Dec. 8 (AP)—Branch Rickey announced today Billy Meyer will manage the Pittsburgh Pirates in 1951.

Meyer has been at Pittsburgh under a two-year contract with still a year to go under the pact. His salary is reported to be \$40,000.

Selection of Meyer was the last National league managerial post to be nailed down. There was some doubt that Meyer might stay on with the Pirates after Rickey sold his Brooklyn stock and moved to Pittsburgh as general manager.

Meyer, whose home is at Knoxville, Tenn., was not at the press conference where Rickey announced the appointment.

Meyer, who's 57, started with the Pirates in the 1948 season after a long tour of service in the New York Yankee farm system.

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# Bruins Defeat Webfeet 77-55; 2nd Go Tonight

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 8 (AP)—The fast-stepping UCLA Bruins trimmed Oregon's Ducks 77-55 in the opener of a two-game basketball series here tonight.

John Wooden's well-coached Bruins hardly wasted a shot from start to finish. They plunked in 29 of 57 shots for a surprising 50.8 average. Oregon never threatened these sharpshooters.

Forward Jerry Norman, a 6-foot junior from Los Angeles, led the victors. He cast off 19 times and 12 of his shots swished home. He converted his only two free throws and wound up with 26 points, high scorer for the game.

Meanwhile Oregon started cold and never got much more than lukewarm. In desperation Oregon cut loose 100 shots, a record-breaking total for the team, and saw only 20 fly home.

It was four minutes before Oregon got its first field goal, and UCLA was ahead, 10-1, by that time. At the half it was 43-24.

With three minutes remaining in the game UCLA took its longest lead, 74-51, but Oregon cut the margin down slightly in the closing seconds.

Guard Don Johnson of UCLA was runner-up for scoring honors, tallying 13 points. For Oregon Center Jim Loscutt and Forward Willie Urban scored 12 each.

A crowd of 5621 turned out to see the yet unbeaten Bruins.

(The Box) (7) G F P T (55) OREGON G F P T S. Drake 2 4 4 8 Urban 4 4 2 12 M. B. 1 2 2 Barclay 5 1 0 7 L. Singer 1 4 5 6 Los'off 5 2 2 12 Alper 3 1 4 7 Keller 3 1 1 7 Johnson 5 3 12 Krause 0 0 1 4 Porter 1 0 2 2 Stewart 1 0 1 2 Williams 2 0 4 4 Parmar 0 0 0 0 Pounds 0 0 1 1 Noe f-c 3 2 3 8 Thomas 0 0 1 1 Hunt 0 0 1 0 Ridg'y 2 1 1 9 Sh ph'd 1 0 0 2

Totals 29 19 28 77 Totals 20 12 25 55  
Halftime: UCLA 43, Oregon 24.  
Missed free throws: UCLA—Sheldrake, Luchinger, Thompson, Alper, Johnson, Thomas, Oregon—Urban 2, Noe 2, Losoff 2, Keller, Krause 4, Shepherd, Webb.  
Officials: Al Lightner and Len Patterson.

# Huskies Down Huskers 54-49

SEATTLE, Dec. 8 (AP)—A tall sophomore with sinus trouble bundled 19 points tonight to lead the University of Washington Huskies to a 54-49 victory over Nebraska in its inaugural game of the season.

Big Bob Houbregs was pulled out of the game frequently to favor the sinus which did not bother his shooting eye in the least.

Washington, playing its first game under Coach Tippy Drye, set the place all the way. Nebraska got the first point, led once at 12-11 and again at 18-17. Trailing by 34-28 at the midpoint, the Cornhuskers rallied behind the great playmaking of Center Bob Pierce to knot the count at 35-31.

NEBRASKA WASHINGTON  
W F T P T W F T P T  
W. Houbreg 2 2 2 4 Guiness 2 1 1 3  
Akromis 2 1 4 5 Enoch 1 1 1 3  
Pierce 2 2 3 11 Houbreg 3 3 1 19  
Buchan 2 0 2 4 Henson 1 1 2 3  
Ruma 1 2 1 1 Soriano 3 0 2 6  
Slesinger 1 0 1 1 Stewart 1 0 0 0  
Snyder 0 0 1 0 Stewart 1 0 0 0  
Good 2 2 0 0 McCull 2 1 2 5  
Kip 2 2 3 4 Cipriano 2 2 0 2  
Totals 18 13 18 49 Totals 22 10 17 54  
Halftime score: Washington 24, Nebraska 15.  
Shots attempted: Washington 74, Nebraska 68.  
Throws missed: Akromis, Pierce 2, Good, Ruma, Guiness 2, McClary, Stewart.

# Jeff Decisions Stayton 36-26

JEFFERSON, Dec. 8 (Special)—Jefferson's Lions grabbed a 36-26 victory over Stayton's Packers tonight in a non-league clash. Bill Marlett and Jim Blackwell paced the Jeffs with 12 points each. Stayton led at the intermission 17-15. Hal Titus was the Packers best scoring man with 11.

STAYTON (36) (36) JEFFERSON  
Hamilton (6) F (3) Wattenbarger  
Johnson (6) F (7) Cameron  
Elliott (12) F (4) Baker  
Cox (7) G (12) Blackwell  
Hindes (6) G (9) Ricks  
H. Inman (10) G (2) H. Inman  
(2) Jefferson - Williams (2).  
Halftime score: Stayton 17, Jefferson 15.  
Officials: Bows and Henry.

# Seals Buy Negro

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 8 (AP)—The San Francisco Coast league baseball club today announced the purchase of Robert Thurman, negro outfielder and pitcher. The 27-year-old Thurman, a graduate of the Kansas City Monarchs, played for Newark two years ago and was with Springfield last season.

# Bend Defeats Eugene 63-54

BEND, Dec. 8 (Special)—Bend's Lava Bears opened the Big Six hoop campaign tonight with a 63-54 win over the Eugene Axemen after holding a bare 30-29 advantage at the intermission. The Bend win came despite a great 28-point evening by Eugene's Leroy Parsons. Halligan hit 20 for Bend.

EUGENE (54) (54) BEND  
Sitter (3) F (2) Halligan  
Messler (10) F (8) Hamilton  
Parson (28) C (8) Samples  
Ezodupeth (9) G (10) Maudlin  
Olson (4) G (7) Hunt  
Reserves scoring: Eugene—McKenzie (4), Russell (6), Seiple (2), Romig (0), Hammerquist (0), Ruhlin (0), Landers (3), Bend—Dahlin (0), Monical (0), Gates (0), Wade (1), Laurson (7), Fertlmer (6). Halftime score: Bend 20, Eugene 25. Officials: Abrams and Krog.

# Bearcat Cagers Slap Owls 75-63; Vikings Run Over Grizzlies 54-32

## Contest Close Most of Way

Logue, Robinson Lead Willamette to Victory

By Tom Yates

The Willamette Bearcats racked up their initial win of the year last night as they downed Oregon Tech by a score of 75 to 63. The game was the 'Cat's home opener, and the victory was mighty sweet in light of the pair of defeats handed them last week by Seattle University.

The visiting Owls were in the ball game right up until the final ten minutes, when, after trailing for the first and only time in the game, Willamette turned on the gas and pulled away. Six minutes into the second half a short one hander by Gene Wells put O.T.I. out in front 46 to 45. Free throws by Wells and Don Sutphin increased the lead to three points, and then the 'Cats went to work.

Doug Logue pushed through a twenty footer and Chuck Robinson followed with a jump shot from the key to put Willamette back into the lead at 49-48. In the next eight minutes Robinson led his mates to a 63 to 52 lead, registering two field goals on his favorite hook shot, plus a pair of free throws.

With six minutes left in the game Robinson and Logue both fouled out, and Coach John Lewis let his reserves take the game from there.

Willamette jumped into a lead of 8 to 2 early in the game on fast breaks featuring Logue and Scriven, but the Owls refused to give up. They cut the lead to one point three times and tied it only 37-34 at halftime. Sutphin and Wells kept the game alive for the visitors with several sensational buckets. Wells sinking three shots without a miss mid-way through the half.

While it was Logue off of the fast break who sparked the Bearcats in the first half, it was Robinson's hook shots which kept them going in the second period. Both boys got 18 points for the game, but ran second to Sutphin in the race for scoring honors as the sharp Owl guard racked up 23 on an assortment of long shots and driving layups.

Willamette missed 18 of 35 free throw attempts to mar an otherwise brilliant shooting record. They hit for 29 of their 68 shots from the field, to post a torrid .443 average.

The Cats return to action tonight at 8 o'clock when they face the S.O.C.E. Red Raiders at the Willamette gym. There will be a preliminary game at 6:30.

The Bearkittens won last night's prelim by a score of 59 to 22 over the Woodburn Bulldogs. The Frosh were led by Kent Myers with 14 points, and Ray Williams with 11. It was the first game for Coach Al Volks' youngsters.

ORE. TECH (53) WILLAMETTE (75)  
G F T P T G F T P T  
Pinkley 2 4 4 10 Loder 3 2 5 8  
Duncan 2 0 2 4 Logue 7 8 2 18  
E. Man 2 0 2 4 Robinson 7 8 2 18  
Sutphin 9 9 22 31 Brown 1 4 1 6  
Fevilleck 1 0 0 2 Scriven 4 1 1 9  
Wells 5 3 13 18 Smith 5 2 11 11  
Head 1 0 1 2 Brown 1 0 0 0  
Key 0 0 2 0 m'urce 0 0 0 0  
Wade 0 0 1 0 Montague 0 0 0 0  
Souers 0 1 1 2 Smith 0 0 0 0  
North 1 0 1 2  
Totals 34 15 30 62 Totals 40 20 40 75  
Free throws missed: O.T.I.—W. U. 18.  
Halftime score: WU 37, OTI 34. Officials: Kolb and Howell.

# Fighter's Death Brings Inquest

MERCED, Calif., Dec. 8 (AP)—Coroner J. C. Brooks said today he will conduct an inquest Tuesday into the death last night of Boxer Samuel J. (Johnnie) Lopez, 26, of Richmond, Calif. The fighter died after having been knocked out by Joe Madrid, 27, of Stockton, Calif., in a charity boxing show.

# WILDCATS WIN

MCMINNVILLE, Dec. 8 (AP)—Linfield college used reserves to romp to an 82-51 basketball victory over Skagit Valley J.C. of Mt. Vernon, Wash., here tonight. Skagit took an early three-point lead, only to see Linfield run up 20 consecutive points. It was no contest thereafter.

Table of Tidal Tides (Compiled by U. S. Coast & Geodetic Survey Portland, Oregon)

Time	Height	Time	Height
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11:25 a.m.	8.3	6:52 p.m.	1.8
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3:51 p.m.	8.1	9:41 p.m.	1.8
6:04 p.m.	5.5	7:07 a.m.	3.3
8:17 p.m.	7.9	8:30 p.m.	1.8
10:30 p.m.	5.2	9:59 a.m.	3.3
12:43 a.m.	7.5	11:29 a.m.	1.8
3:56 a.m.	5.7	1:00 p.m.	3.3
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