

# SPORTS LIGHTNER

A combination of many things brought the village Senators the first half pennant in the Northwest League. First off, there may have been none had the directors not decided to split the season after games of last Sunday. That was a move in the right direction so far as the Salems were concerned. It was a bitter disappointment for those at Eugene and Wenatchee.

Even though we have no immediate details of the pow wow at Yakima, we'd bet that George Paulus, the Salem representative, was the gent who motioned that the cleave be made after games of July 3. And we'll bet that bet with another that George, who has done so much to keep the Senators' financial ship afloat this season and last, was a right argumentative gent when the ensuing wrangling began.

Had all league hands been in solid financial shape, there would have been no split season. But it was felt that hacking the race into two parts would give Spokane, Lewiston and Yakima a chance to start all over again and possibly revive interest in those respective cities.

Were one to point out the real reason for Salem's first half championship he'd have a tough task. So many things blended together to make it possible. Uncle Hugh Luby's managerial ability, proved here many times in his five campaigns as boss, is of course a major factor. We long ago came to the conclusion that Salem Senators baseball here would be strictly first division so long as Luby pulled the strings.

The club's ability to win on the road figures into it also. The Salems won 20 of 31 games abroad that first half, which amounts to .645 percentage baseball. And other notable items would be these:

## Many, Many Factors Brought the Pennant

Bill Walsh's fine relief stints in the early going, when it appeared there wasn't a single capable starting pitcher on the staff; Bill Dials' tremendous relief work in the late going, saving game after game; the home run power within the ranks, which amounts to the best any Senators club has ever had; the off-fantastic center fielding of Jack Dunn, certainly one of the finest middle gardeners ever to work in the shadow of the Waters Field scoreboard; the hitting rampage Gene Tanselli cut loose with at the start of the season; the surprisingly fine

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## Frederick Hurls 1-Hitter . . .

# Salem Legion Juniors Capture 12th Straight

Salem's torrid Capital Post No. 9-Downtown Merchants American Legion Junior baseballers racked up their 12th straight victory Wednesday at Waters Field, blanking the Stayton Juniors 9-0 on the one-hit pitching of John Frederick.

The clash was played as a preliminary for the women's softball game at the park, and was ended after five innings of action. In those five heats Coach Bill Bevens' undefeated lads punched out nine hits and had a seven-run inning in the second.

The only batter to get a bingle off Frederick was Bob Trahan, second-baseman. He singled in the fourth inning.

Frederick fanned seven and walked only one. He also banded out two hits and drove in three runs.

His pitching opponent was Ron Frederick, no relation. Ron didn't fare nearly as well as his namesake, being knocked out in the big second inning when Dale Jones singled, John Jantze was hit by a pitch, John Garner singled, Roger Carda walked, John Frederick singled, Jim Michaelis walked, Ed Syring doubled and Jones biffed another single.

No Errors Made  
Salem scored runners in the third and fourth innings also, and played errorless ball.

Next game at the C.P.'s is with Aumsville, at Aumsville Friday night, eight o'clock.

## Hassle Trips Frisco Boss

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Tommy Heath, San Francisco Seals manager, was fined \$50 Wednesday and suspended indefinitely for a hassle with umpire Al Mutart last Sunday. Claire Goodwin, Pacific Coast League president, announced the penalty.

Mutart chased both Heath and Al Taormina, Seals outfielder, in a beef over Taormina being called out at first in the opening inning of a game with San Diego.

Heath's suspension will continue until he appears before Goodwin. No date was set for the appearance.

Rookie Lowell Creighton went on to beat San Diego 1-0 with a three-hitter in his first professional pitching start.

## Lind Florists Topple World Champs

The Lind Florists of Portland put together a walk, two singles and a wop of a throwing error for two runs in the seventh inning of their Pacific Coast Women's Softball League game at Waters Field last night, and made the tallies stand up for a 2-1 conquest of the twice world champion Fresno Hacienda Rockets of Fresno, Calif.

"Bullet Betty" Evans-Grayson hurled the victory and had a no-hitter with one out in the ninth inning. Kay Rich, six times an All-American shortstop in women's play, then crashed a sharp single to center and scored easily as center-fielder Robbie Mulkey

# Senators Spilled by T-City 15-6

## Homers Wreck 1st Half Kings

Steinagel, Frailey Blast Four-Masters

KENNEWICK, Wash. (Special)—The Tri-City Braves turned about on the Salem Senators Wednesday night, using the Senators' favorite weapon—the home run—to advantage and racked up a 15-6 victory in Northwest League play here.

Two games were scheduled, to make up for Tuesday's rainout. But the field was so wet that it took considerable time to get it dried enough for play, and only one contest was completed.

### Salems Take Series

The series thus ended with Salem on top 2-1, the Senators having clobbered Tri-City 21-11 and 8-2 Monday, banging 38 hits in the process.

Salem had two homers Wednesday also, but they didn't match the four hits by Tri-City.

The Braves' four, by Rich Bergen, Tom Perez, Mill Martin and Danny Holdren, drove in 11 of the 15 runs. Jack Steinagel and Don Frailey blasted four-masters for the Senators, Steinagel's with one on in the fourth and Frailey's with nobody aboard in the ninth.

Steinagel's was his seventh of the season, Frailey's his eleventh.

Bud Francis started for the Senators and was victimized by Bergen's three-run homer in the second. Sa'em tied it on Steinagel's blast in the fourth, but the Braves rocked Francis for an eight-run inning in the fifth with both Perez and Martin clouting 3-run homers. Dwayne Helbig inserted a two-run double also. Two were out when the uprising started.

Ron King finished up for the Senators, yielding two-run innings in the sixth and eighth.

Vern Kindsfater, who was blasted by Salem Monday in the 21-11 game, suffering an eight-run inning himself, went the route Wednesday for the win.

Salem now has Thursday off, and on Friday opens a four-game series at Eugene with the Emeralds.

### About Face:

Salem (6)		(13) Tri-City	
B	R	B	R
Krause 2	3 0 3 4	Herrera 2	4 1 0 2
Dunn 1	1 3 0 0	Pries 1	3 2 1 1
Shields 1	3 0 0 0	King 1	3 0 0 0
Tanselli 4	3 2 3 3	Helbig 1	5 4 1 0
Steinagel 3	2 1 0 0	Perez 1	4 2 1 0
Apostola 3	2 1 2 2	Holdren 2	4 2 4 0
Frailey 4	2 2 1 1	Bergen 2	4 3 2 4
Koepfle 4	0 2 1 1	Martin 3	1 1 1 1
Francis 2	0 0 0 0	Kndtrp 4	1 0 2 0
King 2	0 0 0 1		
Total 28	24 12	Total 39	19 17 14

## Mathews Not Coming Back

BOISE, Idaho (AP)—The comeback of heavyweight fighter Harry Mathews of Seattle has been postponed indefinitely because of a recurring back injury.

Mathews was scheduled to make his comeback here July 18 against Chuck Woodworth of Provo, Utah.

But matchmaker Ted Walker said Wednesday that Mathews' manager, Jack Hurley, advised him his fighter will not be able to make it, and may have to retire for good.

Mathews has not fought since a loss to Britain's Don Cockell in Seattle last August.

He announced he would make a comeback, however, after watching pictures of the Rocky Marciano-Cockell fight last month.

The Mathews-Woodworth fight has been postponed previously for the same reason and was moved up from a June date to July 15.

## Tigers Release Fiery Ferris Fain

DETROIT (AP)—Fiery Ferris Fain, a two-time American League batting champion was given his unconditional release by the Detroit Tigers Wednesday.

The 33-year-old first baseman, plagued for the past year by torn ligaments in his right knee, which gradually reduced him to the role of a pinch hitter, said he hoped to stay in the major leagues "if somebody will have me."

Portland had five hits off the serves of Nelson, the Rocket's No. 1 pitcher. She fanned only three and walked two. Mrs. Grayson whiffed six, walked but one.

The game was exceedingly well played for the most part and the 500 fans were given some outstanding softball by the classy females. They were also treated to some lively rubeisms between players, managers and umpires, as both teams were obviously going all out to win the league crown.

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## JIM-DANDY FOR YANKS - - By Alan Maver



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## Oaks Edge Bevos; Hollies Score Win

OAKLAND (AP)—George Metkovich, who tied the score with a ninth inning homer, singled home pitcher Skinny Brown in the 10th to give Oakland a 2-1 victory over Portland in a Pacific Coast League game Wednesday night.

In other coast league action Wednesday: Red Munger gave San Diego only four hits as he pitched Hollywood to a 2-1 victory over San Diego at Hollywood. Only one Padre runner got past first base.

Dunn, Frailey, Perez, 2. DP—Francis to Krause to Steinagel, Frailey to Krause to Herrera to Bergen to Pries, Holden to Bergen to Pries. T—2.38. U—Runyun and Kelley. A—44.

Los Angeles defeated Seattle, 3-2, in a game which cost Seattle a chance to gain on the league leading San Diego Padres.

Portland — 010 000 00—1 5 0  
Oakland — 000 000 01—2 8 2  
Adams and Calderone; Brown and Neal.

San Francisco — 000 000 100—1 6 0  
Sacramento — 004 001 01x—6 10 1  
Fraichia, Greenwood (7) and Ritchey; Pieretti and Baich.

Los Angeles — 102 000 000—3 8 0  
Seattle — 011 000 000—2 6 1  
Brozman and Tappe; Singleton and Ginsberg.

San Diego — 000 100 000—1 4 0  
Hollywood — 010 000 10x—2 6 0  
Dickey, Lyons (8) and Bailey; Munger and Bragan, Hall (9).

## Dope Probe Belts Boxer

HARRISBURG, PA. (AP)—The Pennsylvania State Athletic Commission Wednesday night suspended No. 1 light heavyweight boxing contender Harold Johnson for six months as the result of a bout in Philadelphia in which the commission said Johnson was drugged.

In a 19-page report on nine days of hearings into the fight, the commission also revoked the matchmaker's and promoter's licenses of Pete Moran and suspended Johnson's manager, Thomas Loughran, for six months. Loughran is better known as Thomas J. Loughrey.

Moran, also known as Pete Mangine, was an employe of Herman Taylor Sports Enterprises, promoter of the Johnson-Julio Mederos fight last May 6.

There are 16 bonus players in the American League with five of them on Detroit's young team. Cleveland has no bonus players.

## Indians Pare Yanks' Lead

### Sizzling Bostonians Take Sixth Straight

By ED WILKS  
Associated Press Sports Writer

The onrushing Boston Red Sox gained a little more ground in the American League race and Cleveland's Indians pared New York's first place lead to 4 1/2 games Wednesday night.

Ted Williams again was the big guy as Boston won its sixth straight, pounding his 11th homer, a double and a single in a 7-5 victory over Washington. The second game of the scheduled twi-nighter was rained out and will be played Thursday night.

Cleveland moved in on the Yanks by beating Kansas City 8-4 with six runs in the eighth, while Baltimore surprised the New Yorkers 4-0. Chicago lost to Detroit 5-3, leaving the third place White Sox just 1 1/2 games ahead of Boston.

In the National, Pittsburgh's pesky Pirates split a two-night pair with first place Brooklyn, winning 4-1 after losing 10-5. Milwaukee moved to within a game of second place Chicago by beating the Cubs 5-1. St. Louis held off Cincinnati 6-4, and New York's Giants defeated Philadelphia 4-2 in a rain-shortened game.

Williams' homer was good for two runs and put Boston out front to stay 5-4 in the fifth inning. The Boston strong boy was 3-for-4, plus a walk, to boost his batting average to .402. Mickey Vernon homered for two Nat runs in the top of the fifth off Tom Brewer, who won his sixth with relief help.

Baltimore beat the Yanks for the second time this year as Jim Wilson pitched four-hit ball and didn't allow a runner past first. Wilson also contributed a two-run single toward New York's fourth straight defeat. The Orioles scored all their runs in the fourth to hand Whitey Ford his fourth defeat and first lifetime failure against Baltimore.

Cleveland overcame a 4-2 Kansas City lead in the big eighth, with Bobby Avila putting the Tribe ahead with a two-run double and Ralph Kiner socking it away with his 12th homer. Tom Gorman, the A's relief specialist, was the loser while Herb Score won in relief for the Indians.

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SPOKANE (AP)—Bob Cerrato broke up a pitchers' battle with a single in the 10th inning Wednesday night that scored Nap Gulley and gave Spokane a 2-1 victory over Portland in a Northwest League game.

A scheduled game between Lewiston and Wenatchee was rained out.

The Indians, trailing 1-0 since the third inning, broke into the scoring column in the last of the ninth. Eddie Murphy singled, stole second and scored on Manager Eddie Lake's double.

The loss was heartbreaker for young Don Rabung who helped pitch a Yakima team to a national American Legion championship in 1953. Rabung didn't give up a hit until the seventh and had a three-hit shutout going into the ninth. He struck out 13, but ended up charged with six hits and the loss, his fifth against two wins. He gave one intentional walk.

Yakima — 001 000 000 0—1 7 0  
Spokane — 000 000 001 1—2 6 0  
Rabung and Mitchell; Page, Ramirez (10) and Sheets.

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TED WILLIAMS Smacks 11th Homer

## Card, Redleg Bosses Fined

CINCINNATI (AP)—Birdie Tebbets, manager of the Cincinnati Redlegs, and Harry (The Hat) Walker, manager of the St. Louis Cards, were fined \$100 each Wednesday for participating in a fight at Crosley Field Tuesday night.

Warren C. Giles, president of the National League, who witnessed the brawl between the managers at the home plate in the ninth inning, fined the men.

In a statement, he said: "Scuffles between players under tension in a close ball game do not normally require action by the league office but when managers are involved it is a different situation. Accordingly, manager Harry Walker and manager Birdie Tebbets are each fined \$100 for their conduct in the game of July 5."

Catcher Bill Sarni of the Cardinals, was fined \$25 for repeatedly refusing to heed umpire Jocko Conlan's orders to return to his position and resume play.

Chicago — 101 000 001—3 12 0  
Detroit — 210 000 02—5 8 2  
Trucks, Consuegra (5), Howell (8), Martin (8), Byrd (8) and Lollar; Garver and House.

Cleveland — 010 010 060—8 14 1  
Kansas City — 000 121 000—4 8 3  
Score: Narjeski (8) and Folles; Naragon (8); Kellner, Harrington (5), Gorman (8), Sain (8) and Astroth.

Washington at Boston (second), postponed, rain.

New York — 000 000 000—0 4 0  
Baltimore — 300 001 007—4 7 1  
Ford, Sturdivant (4), Wiestler (5), Lopat (8) and Berza; Wilson and Smith.

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