

# Layne's 391 Wins Bat Bee Ducks, Beavers Drill For Openers Saturday

Final NW League Statistics Told  
Manager Hillis Layne of Lewiston, who led the loop much of the season, has taken the 1955 Northwest League's batting championship, final statistics by the Weiss Bureau of San Mateo, Cal., reveal.

Layne finished with a .391 average to beat out Bob Duretto of Wenatchee who finished with .377 among the regulars. In third place is Nap Gully of Spokane at .361, and fourth is Salem's Tommy Agosta at .358.

Tri-City won the team batting title with a .296 mark. Wenatchee was second at .295 and Salem third at .293. Eugene was top fielding club with a .964 mark, with Yakima second at .958 and Salem third at .957.

Duretto scored most runs, 123; Agosta and Gully tied for most hits, 173; Duretto had top total bases, 291; Milt Martin of Tri-City led in production of doubles with 37, Agosta's 18 tripled led the parade. Duretto's 27 home runs were highest of all and Joe Jacobs of Lewiston stole 62 bases.

Duretto had most runs batted in, 143; Chuck Lundgren of Wenatchee drew most walks, 118, and Jack Steinagel of Salem was the league's strikeout king with 119 whiffs.

Roberts Wins 21  
In the pitching department Bob Roberts of Wenatchee was the league's only 20-game winner, posting 21 triumphs. Jim Benton had 17 losses to lead that department. Gene Hayden of Wenatchee fanned 166 batters and gave 181 walks to lead both divisions.

Although beat out of the league home run championship by Wenatchee, 84-77, the Senators had by far the most triples, an indication of the speed on the Salem club. Also, Salem led in double plays with 141, beating out Wenatchee's 136.

TEAM BATTING  
Tri-City 4208 1274 242 43 89 208  
Wenatchee 4129 1218 211 27 84 205  
Salem 4210 1284 73 77 283  
Yakima 4275 1201 192 53 85 281  
Eugene 4054 1135 172 49 55 281  
Spokane 4159 1139 168 17 74 274  
Lewiston 4217 1144 215 35 70 271

TEAM FIELDING  
Eugene 165 122 964  
Lewiston 220 121 955  
Yakima 203 121 958  
Tri-City 228 134 954  
Salem 208 141 957  
Wenatchee 225 136 952  
Spokane 213 113 953

INDIVIDUAL BATTING  
Includes all players except pitchers hitting below .300.  
Layne, Lew. .379 148 33 0 5 70 201  
Wenatchee, Sal .375 121 31 0 0 385  
Duretto, Wn .454 171 27 6 27 142 377  
Girdley, Eug .107 40 6 4 1 34 374  
Eastburn, Eu .55 20 7 2 0 10 384  
Gully, Spok .474 173 26 18 126 281  
Agosta, Sal .484 173 24 18 5 84 358  
Williams, Lew .331 116 21 1 15 86 259  
Holbig, TC .655 34 9 3 35 245  
Matile, Eug .38 108 14 4 1 56 243  
Lewis, Yak .476 152 27 12 18 105 238  
Labe, Spok .729 27 8 0 4 6 338  
Rivas, Wn .195 65 11 3 2 25 233  
Romero, Eug .191 63 8 3 37 230  
Pries, TC .430 140 23 6 0 30 229  
Holden, TC .443 144 15 4 9 86 223  
Krause, Sal .468 150 19 7 2 48 221  
Mayer, Yak .223 71 2 11 106 218  
Tansell, Sal .472 150 29 7 11 106 218  
Dunn, Sal .412 151 12 6 1 44 218  
Shields, Sal .320 104 16 10 13 216  
Frasley, Sal .383 120 21 7 18 91 212  
Martin, TC .418 129 27 1 10 92 207  
Huffman, Eu .278 81 15 5 4 26 209  
Murphy, Spok .490 151 24 2 9 56 208  
Lundgren, W .406 125 22 1 16 93 208  
Perez, TC .482 148 24 2 16 100 207  
Watson, Wn .420 129 14 1 0 45 207  
Porter, Spok .467 143 23 1 7 81 206  
Hamstra, Ya .411 135 22 2 7 73 206  
Jackson, Eug .478 145 17 15 0 62 203  
Robinson, Sal .335 101 8 8 9 56 202  
Gladston, Eu .332 103 22 6 11 88 201  
Drapper, Eug .243 103 20 2 9 64 200  
Hogan, Spok .349 104 22 6 12 65 200  
Reich, Yak .238 10 6 0 2 33 200  
Freston, Eug .338 100 18 4 0 69 200  
Rosal, Wn .240 71 10 4 7 87 200  
Klingler, TC .420 127 19 7 10 75 200  
Dieppa, Lew .315 132 20 14 15 204  
Herrera, TC .433 127 30 5 2 53 202  
Mitchell, Ya .370 106 8 5 4 41 200  
Kinoy, Lew .426 120 22 13 1 64 200  
Ogle, Spok .61 17 3 0 0 3 279  
Bergen, TC .449 123 22 5 6 77 278  
Stranulis, TC .328 117 2 14 16 204  
Zander, Yak .212 59 14 4 0 32 277  
Jacobs, Lew .492 178 22 8 0 38 276  
Sward, Lew .129 23 2 1 13 40 276  
Staley, Spok .459 125 9 3 0 35 272  
Toop, Eug .381 104 9 7 4 70 229  
Schnabel, Sal .223 118 3 1 0 2 285  
Bukwatz, We .221 59 2 1 0 25 267  
Marvier, We .444 118 23 2 10 62 259  
Hesse, Eug .398 120 20 1 10 62 253  
Boehner, We .89 26 7 1 1 15 263  
Schmidt, Le .466 121 20 2 9 73 260  
Barrett, Lew .344 89 20 2 9 59 259  
Anderson, W .408 108 20 1 10 62 253  
Robin, Yak .209 53 10 1 1 30 254  
Koepf, Sal .345 87 10 0 1 41 252  
Guse, Lew .426 120 22 13 1 64 200  
King, Sal .120 50 5 1 1 17 250  
Sheets, Spok .414 103 10 2 0 69 249  
Nard, Yak .129 23 2 1 13 40 276  
McNamra, L .427 102 24 4 1 54 239  
Cerrato, Spok .373 88 12 2 4 38 236  
Bellone, Spok .1 1 0 0 0 0 0  
Eaves, Eug .118 27 2 2 2 16 229  
Kellum-Rose, . . . . .  
Tri-City .46 10 0 2 0 5 217  
Douzo, Lew .53 23 1 1 2 17 215  
Loringh's, W .119 24 7 0 0 23 202  
Crawf'd, Spok .111 21 5 0 1 10 189

## Ashburn Eyes 1st Bat Crown

NEW YORK (AP) — Richie Ashburn of the Philadelphia Phils, a "hit 'em where they ain't" slaphitter, is headed for his first National League batting title after coming close twice.

With less than two weeks to go, the 28-year-old speedster, in his eighth season in the majors, boasts an 11-point lead over Brooklyn's Roy Campanella. Ashburn is hitting .338 as compared to Campy's .327 average. Figures include Sunday's games.

Going into the 1955 season the consistent-hitting outfielder owned a .312 lifetime average, third best among active National League players. Only Stan Musial of the St. Louis Cards, six-time batting champion, and the Dodgers' Jackie Robinson exceeded him in the rankings.

Cincinnati's Ted Kluszewski, the home run leader with 45, holds down third place at .316.

Al Kaline's average has shown signs of slipping lately, but the 20-year-old Detroit sophomore still holds a comfortable bulge over the other contenders in the American League race.

Kaline is batting at a .340 clip with Cleveland's Al Smith and Vic Power of Kansas City his closest competitors tied for second at .312.

The Yanks' Mickey Mantle remains his American League home run supremacy with 37 and Jackie Jensen of Boston is the top runner batted in producer with 110. Brooklyn's Duke Snider is the National League RBI pace-setter with 129.

N. Y., one up: Edward Merrins of Meridian, Miss., the new Western Amateur champion, ousted by Fred Gordon of Clarion, Iowa, 1 up; and Ted Lenczyk of Newington, Mass., 1954 semi-finalist, a victim of Frank Redman of El Paso, Tex., 1 up.

With such favorites as Harvie Ward, Joe Conrad and Willie Turnesa on the sidelines with first round byes, the gallery of about 2,000 sought elsewhere for excitement and found it in the repeated reversals of form.

One of the most pleasant of the first day surprises was the victory of 65-year-old Charles (Chick) Evans of Chicago, grand old man of amateur golf, playing in his 43rd championship.

Evans, whose career spans the eras of Francis Ouimet, Bob Jones and Lawson Little, turned back John Busmeyer of Wyoming, Ohio, 2 and 1.

Bill Campbell, the tall Walker Cup captain from Huntington, W. Va., was one down at the turn but applied the pressure to beat Davis (Spec) Goldman of Dallas, Texas, runner-up to Little in 1934, by the margin of 3 and 2. Campbell won five of the last six holes, finishing with a birdie four on the 16th.

**Sad Ending:**  
Eugene (8) ABHOA (6) Salem ABHOA  
Jackson 2 4 2 2 3 Robinson 3 1 2 1  
Girdley 5 1 0 1 Dunn 5 4 7 11  
Hesse 4 2 5 0 Krause 4 1 3 5  
Matile 5 1 1 2 Tansell 4 2 3 7  
Fastrn 3 5 2 3 4 Shields 5 0 2 1  
Laforn 3 3 0 1 Agosta 3 0 2 1  
Toso 1 4 1 8 Stinagel 5 0 0 1  
Dapper 3 2 8 0 Koepf 3 2 3 0  
Chase 3 0 0 2 Whitson 3 0 0 0  
Williams 1 0 0 0 Dials 0 0 0 0  
King 0 0 0 0  
Totals 41 14 27 13 Totals 39 14 27 18  
Eugene 210 200 000-9 14 2  
Salem 201 601 000-8 14 3  
Winning pitcher—Williams.  
Losing pitcher—Whitson.  
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Chase 7 25 14 6 5 6 4  
Williams 1 4 0 0 0 1 1  
Whitson 8 36 11 7 4 3 3  
Dials 2 2 2 2 0 0  
King 1 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Hit by pitcher—Toso by Whitson.  
Wild pitch—Chase. Passed ball—Drapper. Left on base—Eugene 10, Salem 11, Errors—Tansell, Drapper, Krause, Steinagel, Huffman 2, Home runs—Hesse, Eastburn, Huffman, Three-base hit—Dunn, Two-base hits—Tansell, Eastburn, Krause, Runs batted in—Hesse 2, Tansell, Shields, Girdley, Krause, Dunn, Eastburn 3, Huffman, Stolen bases—Jackson, Girdley, Double play—Eastburn-Whitson-Toso, Time—2:28, Umpires—Kelly, Riecky & Bogie. Attendance—1,032.

## A's Buy Pitcher For Over \$40,000

KANSAS CITY (AP) — The Kansas City Athletics Monday announced the purchase of pitcher Glenn Cox from the Brooklyn Dodgers for a price tag in "excess of \$40,000."

Cox, a 24-year-old righthander, has a record of 11-5 with the Dodgers' Montreal farm in the International League this season.

Carmel, winner of the Hollywood Park Nursery Stakes on June 14, is the first stake winner since by Citation. Newmarket Maid is the stallion's first winner. He scored June 6 at River Downs.

## Louise Suggs Golf Winner

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Louise Suggs of Sea Island, Ga., won the \$5,000 St. Louis Women's Open Golf Tournament Monday by shooting her fourth successive sub-par round.

The 32-year-old Miss Suggs finished the 72-hole medal play tournament at Norwood Hills Country Club with a total of 289, or 11 under par. Her score for the par 75 course was 71-72-74-72.

First prize in the tourney, the fifth won by Miss Suggs, was \$900 and brought her earnings for the year to \$19,331.33.

## Logart Wins Nov Over Al Wilson

NEW YORK (AP) — Isaac Logart, a fine, 22-year-old welterweight prospect from Cuba, outsped and outpunched Al (Sugar) Wilson of Englewood, N. J., Monday night to win a unanimous 10-round decision at St. Nicholas Arena.

Mary Lena Faulk of Thomasville, Fla., former National Amateur champ and a pro since Jaguary, finished six strokes behind Miss Suggs to take second money of \$630. She had a 74 Monday, for a 295 total.

## Ogdahl Greets 30 New Men

Coach Ted Ogdahl greeted 30 back Monday after recovering from slight injuries.

Among the players who are drawing top attention at the Willamette camp are halfbacks Bobby Zoelch and Windy Sequeira, tackles Dave Anderson and Dale Greenlee, quarterback Benny Holt, fullback-guard Charlie Koani, and fullback George Koani, a rugged 200-pound brother of Charlie who as a freshman appears to have nailed the starting post at fullback.

From 1933 through 1944 Hirsch Jacobs led the American horse trainers 11 of the 12 years.



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