Favorites Trail in All-American Amateur Golf Tournamen

HIGH CLIMBER

By DICK STRITE

Arthur Buckner "Buck" Bailey, who has been coaching baseball and football at Washington State college since 1926 had much better luck on the Eugene Country club greens than in the waters of the McKenzie river—despite his "Wallace Beery" swing," as Jim O'Connell describes the Cougar mentor's tee form. There were few nice catches made in the milky waters of the McKenzie and Buck and his Pullman party was no exception. They had fish, but quite small ones, according to reports.

Buck, incidentally, is quite proud of the bill of health handed him by the United States navy. The sailor medicos pronounced him in perfect physical condition when he applied for a commission despite his 242 pounds. Bailey is still awaiting a call to the service and may be stationed at the new navy base at Bay Meadows in the Coeur d'Alene section of Idaho.

Maybe American league managers are now convinced that the New York Yankees, despite handicaps, cannot be stopped. First Red Rolfe, Bill Dickey and now Joe Gordon have been medical cases, but the world champs continue to roll. Despite Joe McCarthy's necessity in signing Rollie Hemsley as a catcher to replace Buddy Rosar when the No. 2 catcher skipped last week-end, the Yanks drubbed the always-troublesome Chicago White Sox in a doubleheader. Rollie, considered one of the toughest men in baseball to handle, took hold in true Yankee style, collecting five hits in eight trips to the platter.

Gordon should have no fear of being benched after his pulled leg muscle responds to rest, although Jerry Priddy is playing creditably at the second-plate. . . . In his five games since Joe retired, Priddy has hit .313 on five hits and two runs batted in, and fielded .949 on 39 chances, including four double plays.

How old is Joe Leptich, Eugene's slugging centerfielder?

One local fan estimated his age at 51, but an investigation finds that Joe is just 38, still a ripe age for a guy who can pound that apple, field and run bases as well as the A's top hitter.

Leptich has been playing semi-pro baseball for 23 years and he has a young son who may soon appear in the box scores. The youngster is almost 15 years old and Bill, a sophomore at Roosevelt high in Portland, hopes to be a catcher. Joe is a pretty fair receiver, too. Bill hasn't played scholastic baseball but he was a member of the Roughriders "B2" track team, broad-jumping and running on the quarter-mile relay team.

Bill Hamel's absence from the Portland Fireman lineup is explained by Ray Brooks. . . .The Oregon thirdsacker who led the northern division hitters last spring, works for the Portland fire department (two days on duty and two days off) and holds down a job at a Portland department store on his off days, limiting his time for baseball. . . . Ray probably lost money on the state semi-pro tournament this season. He estimated that unless Silverton and the Portland Boilermakers played a second game (and the Portlanders ended that hope Sunday night) he wouldn't have a chance of breaking even. He was planning on a big hometown Silverton crowd for the rubber game. . . . Ray says he wants to get the State league schedule off in a hurry because he expects to be called into the army. . . . It must be a white-collar job Ray, with that weight. After all you're no Buck Bailey!

Ray, by the way, put his stamp of approval on a post-season baseball game between the Eugene Athletics and an all-star team made up of players from the other four league clubs—Firemen, Bend, Albany and Silverton.

Day Foster of KORE received a communique from Corp. Jack McCarty, former local sportscaster who is now stationed somewhere in Australia. He sends us the following postscript:

"I went to the fights the other night. Saw Joe Lyman—who used to wrestle for Herb Owen—wrestle some Australian. Same old stuff—Joe was a cleanie. Instead of a time limit, going until a fall is won, they have six- minute rounds. Lyman got a draw with Les Bridges, supposedly an Australian champ of some kind. Joe was outweighed by two or three stones. Tommy Moyer, who boxed for the Multnomah A. C. in Portland (and won the National amateur title two years ago) was on the card and won his fight with ease. He looked plenty good, and was in good shape."

There were no "beefs" from local baseball fans on Eugene's defeat at the hands of the Firemen Sunday. . . . The crowd, the largest of the season for a league clash, classed the defeat as "tough luck" and was proud of the manner in which the A's cut off runners after a blooper hit and errors put 'em in a hole in that fatal 11th inning. . . . We still marvel at the manner in which Dick Bishop not only handles the club, but the splendid way he does his job as catcher. . . . Ed Adams, former OSC gridman, Corvallis high and Salinas J. C. coach, is back in Salinas as athletic officer of the army air base there. . . . Lieut. Adams now. . . .

Johnny Lehman Leads With 71

Hasbeens Shine In Chicago Divot Meet

By TOMMY DEVINE

CHICAGO, Ill., July 21.—(U.P.)—Johnny Lehman of Chicago, a week-end golfer for almost a decade, soared back into the national links limelight Monday when he fired a one under par 71 to take the lead in the qualifying round of the All-America amateur tournament at the Tam o' Shanter Country club.

Lehman, one of the game's outstanding youngsters back in golf's golden era when Bobby Jones was the king, went to the quarter-finals of the National Amateur in 1930 for his greatest bid for national prominence. Shortly thereafter he abandoned heavy competitive play and became a "week-end" golfer.

Goodman in Comeback, Too

Playing in one of the last three-somes to start, Lehman was out in a one under par 35 and then matched regulation figures on the incoming nine for his pace-setting total.

Lehman, now an insurance man, had five birdies on his round but erratic putting on other holes ruined his chance for a lower aggregate.

Johnny Goodman of Omaha, Neb., another holdover from the days of Jones, and four linksmen who have never figured prominently in the national title picture were tied for second place with even par cards of 72.

Grouped with Goodman at the end of 18 holes in the qualifying test were Billy Gilbert, a Cincinnati, Ohio, boy who won the Big Ten championship while at Ohio State in 1940; Frankie Stranahan, rising young star from Toledo, Ohio; Bob Cochran, a seasoned performer out of St. Louis and Henry Bowber, a veteran of 20 years of campaigning on Chicago courses in minor events.

Goodman had a great chance to take the lead, but faltered badly down the stretch. The stocky Omahan was out in 35. Then he bagged birdies on the 10th, 11th and 13th holes to go four under par. Then Goodman mysteriously lost his mastery of the Tam O'Shanter course. He had four bogeys and a par on the last five holes.

Ward, Chapman Trail

Ten players were deadlocked with 74s. They were Pvt. Pat Abbott, Eddie Fry, Johnny Stoltz, Dale Morey, Jim Frisia, Darl Schoonover, Garth C. Tyrrell, Jr., K. R. Heilman, Harold Mathison, and Wilford Wehrle.

Five players were deadlocked with 75s; fourteen more shot 76s and an additional eight had cards of 77.

Included in this jumbled group were some of the hot pre-tournament favorites.

Corp. Marvin "Bud" Ward of Spokane, Wash.; the 1941 National Amateur champion, and Lt. Dick Chapman, winner of the 1940 National amateur, were among the 76 shooters.

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Caps Whap Tigers; Salem Licks Spokane

(Associated Press)

The Vancouver Capilanos moved into a full game Western International baseball league lead Monday night with a smashing 18-5 victory over the Tacoma Tigers while the Salem Senators pulled away from the last-place Spokane Indians with a 10-6 win at Salem.

The Tigers, facing a pitcher shortage and wide open in the field, gave up 12 hits and committed six errors at Vancouver.

Salem reached Hank Bushman for 13 hits while Wild Billy Kelly pitched his first full game of the season for the Solons, limiting the Indians to eight. Bill Johnson helped the Solon cause with three hits and four stolen bases.

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WARREN IN COAST GUARD

SALEM, Ore., July 21—(U.P.)—Jack Warren, star outfielder for the Salem Senators of the Western International league who joined the coast guard last week, reported for active duty today.

Legion Game Is Protested

SPRINGFIELD, July 21.—Coach Mel Johnson of the local Junior American Legion baseball team, still in the race for the state championship, last night authorized Chairman Jack Larson of this city to file an official protest with State Commissioner "Spec" Burke over a controversy during the Springfield-Albany game at Albany last Sunday.

According to Johnson's claim, the Albany-Springfield umpire ordered Emmet Rauch, Springfield pitcher, to make his deliveries within five-second intervals or forfeit the game. Johnson claimed that Rauch, who has a natural slow delivery, was not guilty of attempting to delay the game. Albany won the contest 6-1, taking advantage of 10 bases on balls issued by Rauch who was noticeably rattled by the umpire's ruling, Johnson said.

Springfield won the first game of the Willamette valley championship series at Eugene last week, 3 to 2. No definite plans have been made regarding the third and deciding game.

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Spring-Ply Posts Another Victory

CASCADE LEAGUE

Standings	W	L	Pct.
Spring-Ply*	3	0	1.000
Giustina	3	0	1.000
Vaughn	2	1	.667
Lewis Lumber	1	2	.333
Sutherlin	1	2	.000
Veneta	0	2	.000
Springfield	0	3	.000

The league-leading Spring - Ply baseball club of the Cascade league registered its third straight second-half triumph Sunday at Springfield, defeating Lewis Lumber 7-3 behind Bob Wiltshire's seven-hit pitching.

The Vaughn Loggers remained in the second-half pennant race by defeating the Sutherlin Miners 8-3 in another Sunday game at Sutherlin. The 20-7 victory for the Giustina Reds over Veneta was previously reported. The Springfield Cardinals were idle.

Spring-Ply took a two-run lead in the first inning and Lewis, held to three hits in the first seven innings, never threatened. Wiltshire had seven strikeouts. Del Koch paced the Spring-Ply hitting with three singles. Jack Walton collected three for the Lumbermen.

Howard Fox added 16 strikeouts to his sensational league record and held the heavy-hitting Miners to five hits as Vaughn avenged a first-half defeat at the hands of Sutherlin. Al Cooper collected two of the Miners' hits. Howie Applegate, who pitched a one-hitter last week, was hammered for 12 safeties by the Loggers, paced by Everett Armstrong with "four for five," and two each for Ron Snellstrom, Ken Campbell and Howard and Kenny Fox.

Scores:

		R	H	E
Lewis	001 101 031	3	7	4
Spring-Ply	201 100 03x	7	10	1

B. Kelsay and Dietz; Wiltshire and Taylor.

		R	H	E
Vaughn	004 020 002	8	12	4
Sutherlin	000 000 030	3	5	3

H. Fox and K. Fox; Applegate and Pleuard.

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Baseball

AMERICAN	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	61	28	.685
Boston	50	37	.575
Cleveland	51	40	.560
St. Louis	47	44	.516
Detroit	48	47	.505
Chicago	36	51	.414
Philadelphia	37	59	.385
Washington	34	56	.378
NATIONAL	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**
Brooklyn	62	27	.697
St. Louis	54	32	.628
Cincinnati	47	41	.534
New York	46	43	.517
Pittsburgh	41	45	.477
Chicago	44	48	.478
Boston	37	56	.398
Philadelphia	24	63	.276
COAST	**W.**	**L.**	**Pct.**
Los Angeles	67	39	.632
Sacramento	65	43	.602
San Francisco	53	51	.510
San Diego	56	54	.509
Seattle	54	52	.509
Hollywood	47	64	.423
Oakland	45	63	.421
Portland	41	63	.394

NEW AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPION—Pat Abbott of Denver, Colo., proudly displayed the cup he won at Spokane, Wash., with a 7 to 6 defeat of Bruce McCormick for the Western Amateur Golf championship. He is now a contender in the current All-American at Chicago.

Monty Dean Advances in Race For State League Batting Lead

The Eugene Athletics meets another formidable State league pennant challenger at Civic Stadium field Wednesday night when the third-place Albany Alcos attempt to cut the A's league leadership to within a striking margin. The local club now holds a two-game advantage over the Portland Firemen and a three-game lead over the Alcos. Game time is 8:30 o'clock.

The Athletics dropped their first home league game of the season here Sunday, 7 to 4 in 11 innings to the Firemen. The Alcos, idle for several weeks, will be primed for their first victory over the A's in three meetings. Eugene won 4-1 and 10-0 in previous meetings.

Monty Dean, veteran Eugene firstbaseman, strengthened his batting average against the Firemen here Sunday while Joe Leptich, centerfielder, dropped from a .515 to .474, still enough to lead the local club. Dean gained from .333 to .366, but trailed Howard Parks, in second place with a .389 mark.

The team averages follow:

	G	AB	H	Pct.
Leptich	10	38	18	.474
How. Parks	10	36	14	.389
Dean	10	41	15	.366
Bishop	9	28	7	.250
Dunn	9	33	8	.242
G. Kelsay	6	21	5	.238
Hom. Parks	4	14	3	.214
Miller	6	19	4	.211
Kirsch	8	34	7	.206
Brewer	6	14	2	.143
Burgher	4	8	1	.125
Northam	4	6	0	.000
Faubion	2	4	0	.000
B. Kelsay	1	1	0	.000
P. Taylor	1	1	0	.000
TOTALS	10	337	91	.270

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Jackson Questions Match With Olson

Bulldog Jackson isn't going to like this—being booked against Milt Olsen in Thursday night's semi-final wrestling feature at the new Pearl Street arena.

Olsen, Pacific coast light-heavyweigh champion, announced last week that he wanted a rest before meeting Buck Davidson in a title tilt, hoping to fully recover from a recent attack of the flu before placing his crown on the block. Jackson isn't sure whether Olsen has suddenly recovered from his illness or considers a match with him (Jackson) as "rest." In any case "Yukon Jake" said Tuesday, "I'll soften him up for Davidson."

Davidson, however, faced some possible softening himself. He has been signed to meet Tony Ross in this week's headliner with his prospective title tilt depending on his success against the "king of northwest villains."

Matchmaker Don Owen said Tuesday that he was attempting to find an opponent for Walter Tinkit Achiu in a 30-minute opener. The complete card will be announced tomorrow.

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Major Leaders

AMERICAN	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
Gordon, New York	82	302	39	104	.344
Williams, Boston	85	297	75	100	.337
Doerr, Boston	77	303	38	101	.333

Runs batted in—Williams, Boston, 85.
Runs—Williams, Boston, 75.
Home runs—Williams, Boston, 19.
Pitching—Borowy, New York, 9-1.

NATIONAL	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
Reiser, Brooklyn	77	300	64	105	.350
Lombardi, Boston	68	197	22	68	.345
Medwick, Brooklyn	83	225	45	109	.333

Runs batted in—Mize, New York, 78.
Runs—Reiser, Brooklyn, 64.
Home runs—Mize, New York, 17.
Pitching—French, Brooklyn, 11-1.

Eric McNair Joins A's After Refusing Solons

DETROIT, July 21.—(U.P.)—Eric McNair, veteran American league infielder, has been sold to the Philadelphia Athletics by the Detroit Tigers in a straight cash transaction, it was announced today.

McNair refused to report to Washington after being traded to the Senators for Relief Pitcher Jack Wilson. But he said he would not hesitate to join Connie Mack, under whom he broke into major league baseball in 1929.

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Medford Clings To California-Oregon Lead

KLAMATH FALLS, July 21.—(AP) — Klamath Falls' Pelicans copped a doubleheader from the luckless Grants Pass Merchants on the Valley field Sunday, winning the first game, 17-1 and the second 7-4.

The victories enabled the Bigbills to keep pace with Medford's Craters on the Oregon-California league flag race. The Craters—10-4 and 17-9 victor over Dorris Sunday—hold a lead of one game.

Yankees Face Western Foes

Brooklyn Meets Rivals At Home Flatbush Park

By OSCAR FRALEY

NEW YORK, July 21. — (U.P.) — The revitalized New York Yankees started another western tour today on a visit of vengeance as the battered but still belligerent Dodgers returned home to give some rugged Ebbets field hospitality to the clubs which threw the book at them on their current journey.

Riding a nine-game winning streak and commanding a substantial 10-game lead in the American league pennant chase, the Bronx Bombers set forth with a spirit that promised trouble for the clubs which handled them so roughly on their last trip "around the horn."

Brooklyn, too, had some scores to settle after a particularly rocky voyage. Feuding with practically ever club in the senior circuit, the "beloved bums" had their 8½ game lead slashed to six Monday before they moved into Pittsburgh and Larry French "five-hit" 'em for a 5-0 shutout. Adding to their misery, Pete Reiser and "Fireman" Hugh Casey both are lost for about 10 days with injuries.

Yanks In Better Position

The Yanks leave town more firmly-entrenched in first place than when they started that last disastrous trip. They were leading by 9½ games their last time out and when they returned home July 1, the advantage had been shaved to three games. In that short intervening space they have boosted the edge up to 10 games by winning 12 of 15 games at the stadium.

Joe DiMaggio and Red Rolfe have been the two big guns in the Yankee comeback. Joltin' Joe, laboring along in one of his worst slumps, suddenly snapped out of it and now has hit safely in 17 consecutive games. He has 102 hits and leads the club with 64 runs driven in. Rolfe gave the Bombers added inspiration. Kept inactive by colitis, "Rufus the Red" returned with a bang, making 10 hits in 10 games, half of them homers, and driving in 12 runs.

The Yanks attempt to stretch their string, best of the season, by starting against Cleveland. The Indians are in third place, one game below Boston, and attempt to make up ground as the Red Sox met the White Sox. The surprising Browns play the A's and the Tigers, trying to get back into the first division, go against Washington.

Dodgers Face Handicaps

Brooklyn, following the fiesta with the Pirates, hurried back to its home lots to entertain Cincinnati. This trip has left the Dodgers in a bad spot and they are less certain than ever of fighting off the charging Cardinals and retaining the National league crown.

Reiser's loss will be felt keenly. The outfielder, leading hitter in the league, is in a St. Louis hospital with a concussion suffered when he crashed into a wall. Casey, most effective relief hurler, was another casualty of the series with the Cardinals. He suffered a finger fracture stopping a line drive. To top it off, the challenging Cards batted around the Dodger pitching roster in winning three out of four from the bums.

St. Louis, attempting to close the gap, meets the Phils. The Giants meet the Pirates in a drive to oust Cincinnati from third place and Chicago plays at Boston.

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One Beaver Placed On North All-Stars

LOS ANGELES, July 21.—(AP)—Ced Durst of San Diego has been named to manage the southern team and "Pepper" Martin the north in the Pacific coast league's annual North-South all-star baseball game at Hollywood the night of Aug. 3.

Los Angeles has received the heaviest representation on the southern star team with nine, and San Francisco drew four, Hollywood three and San Diego two. Bill Sweeney of Los Angeles will be the coach.

Sacramento and Seattle landed the bulk of the northern outfit, the former getting seven and the Rainiers six, with Oakland having four and Portland one—Shortstop Browne. Bill Skiff of Seattle will be the coach.

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NET MEET OPENS

SEATTLE, July 21—(U.P.)—Few upsets marked the opening rounds of the 51st annual Washington state tennis tournament today, but injuries and illness depleted the ranks of favorites and opened the field for the crowning of a possible "dark horse" champion.

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HART STOPS FLYNN

NEWARK, N. J., July 21—(U.P.)—Al Hart, 223½, Washington, D. C., stopped Johnnie Flynn, 195½, Rochester, N. Y., in 1 minute 58 seconds of the 8th round of a scheduled 10-rounder at Meadowbrook bowl Monday night.

Major Batters Vie For Lead

NEW YORK, July 21—(AP)—The major leagues may not be having much in the way of pennant races at the moment, but the competition for the batting crowns is wide open.

In the past week big Ernie Lombardi of the Boston Braves, who won the National league batting championship in 1938, has risen to challenge seriously the leadership of Brooklyn's Pete Reiser while Ted Williams of Boston is hot on the heels of Joe Gordon, the flash of the New York Yankees in the American league.

Reiser, out for several days because of a head injury suffered at St. Louis, has a mark of .350 with Lombardi just five points behind and Joe Medwick, also a former champion, still within range at .335.

Gordon's pace-setting average in the American is .344, seven points better than Williams. Bobby Doerr of Boston is hanging onto third with .333, but teammate Johnny Pesky has sprung up as a challenger with .328.

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Portland Beavers Beat Soldiers 5-0

PORTLAND, July 21—(U.P.)—The Portland Beavers of the Pacific coast league scored a 5-0 victory over a Fort Lewis, Wash., team here yesterday in an exhibition baseball game.

The Beavers got all their runs in the first inning off Cy Greenlaw. Speece and Fitzke pitched for Portland, and Greenlaw proved almost unhittable after the disastrous opening frame. Charlie Norten, an ex-Cincinnati Red, also worked on the mound for the service team.

All proceeds of the game went to service activities in Oregon and Washington.

Score:

	R	H	E
Port Lewis	0	5	4
Portland	5	7	0

Greenlaw, Norten and Litzenberger; Fitzke, Speece and Leovich.

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Hammerin' Henry Armstrong Scores TKO In Comeback

SACRAMENTO, Juy 21.—(AP) — Henry Armstrong, Los Angeles negro who formerly held three world's titles, appeared in championship form last night as he won a third-round technical knockout over Joe Ybarra, Oakland, in a bout scheduled for ten rounds.

Armstrong cut his opponent badly about the face and pummeled Ybarra with a vicious body attack. Armstrong weighed 148, Ybarra 146.

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Rosar Collects Fine, Faces Suspension

CLEVELAND, July 21—(U.P.)—The principals in baseball's latest feud—Manager Joe McCarthy and Catcher Buddy Rosar of the New York Yankees—were scheduled to arrive today for the opening of a series against the Indians.

Rosar left the club on Saturday, returning to his home in Buffalo to take a policeman's examination. McCarthy was also in Buffalo yesterday and levied a fine of $250 against the young backstop for taking leave without permission. "In the event Rosar fails to report at Cleveland for the night game, he will be indefinitely suspended," McCarthy said.

McCarthy spent a day at his home in Buffalo while the Yanks were playing an exhibition game at Amsterdam, N. Y.

Rosar assured reporters that he would report for the Cleveland game, having completed his policeman's examination. If he passes the examination he will be able to serve as a Buffalo city policeman during the winters and continue playing ball in the summers.

Rosar, whose wife presented him with an 8½ pound baby boy early Monday, was refused permission by McCarthy to take the examination. With veteran catcher Bill Dickey out with a bad shoulder, McCarthy had only Rookie Eddie Kearse to carry on the backstopping duties.

McCarthy quickly signed Rollie Hemsley, who was released by the Cincinnati Reds, Friday to a Yankee contract. Hemsley caught a doubleheader for the team Sunday, getting five hits in eight times at bat.

City Softball In Deadlock

Army-Navy Advance Into Tie With Babb

CITY SOFTBALL

Standings	W	L
Babb Hardware		
Army and Navy		
Baptist		
Medo-Land		
Junior Chamber		
Letter Carriers		
S. P. Shops		
State Highway		

The Army and Navy team defeated Medo-Land ... ery 11-4 Monday night ... into a deadlock with Babb ... softball circuit. In other games, the third-place Baptist ... feated State highway, 10 to ... the Letter Carriers ... Junior Chamber, 10 to 8.

Army-Navy spotted Medo-... a 3-2 lead in the first ... boomed back in the next ... frames with six rung to ... victory which was led by ... seven-hit pitching. Freyer ... for four" hitting and Medo-... nine errors.

The Baptists, with ... hurling a five-hitter, had ... trouble with the Highway ... Blensly collected two of the ... ers' five hits. Fassett and ... lin both hit "two for four" ... winners.

A six-run first inning ... Letter Carriers a lead ... Chambermen were unable to ... come. Pike and Hoffman ... winners and Atterbury and ... of the Chamber collected ... apiece.

Scores:

Army-Navy	342 000 1	11
Medo-Land	300 000 1	5

May and Christensen; ... and Thenell.

Baptist	012 020 1	6
Highway	010 001 0	2

Bergman and Coghlin; Bird and ...

Letter Carriers	601 200 0	9
Jr. Chamber	222 021 0	10

Pike and Holmes; Hansen and ... son.

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Important Coast Series This Week

(Associated Press)

San Francisco, San Diego, Seattle are in a close race this week for a safe upper-division rating in Pacific Coast league baseball.

The Seals, in third-place with a one-point margin over the ... other teams tied for fourth, ... an important series against ... land at Emeryville.

Sacramento's league-leaders are expected to provide entertainment for their guests, San Diego Padres, ... for a better upper-division hold.

Seattle will try to improve its position at the expense of the visiting Portland club ... blanked a Fort Lewis nine Monday night in a benefit ... bition contest at Portland.

The newly-established ... of the league, the Los ... Angels, are slated to show ... wood fans a whirlwind display ... what it takes to play ... baseball.

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Oakland Gets Pitcher

MEMPHIS, Tenn., July ... —Norb Kleinke, big ... righthanded pitcher, has been traded to the Oakland club of the Pacific coast league for Outfielder Mike Christoff.

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NORDEN KO'S CROWELL

SAN FRANCISCO, July ... (U.P.)—Connie Norden, ... heavyweight, scored a ... round knockout Monday ... over Chuck Crowell of Los ... geles in the scheduled 10-... main event of the Coliseum ... fight card. Crowell weighed ... pounds, Norden 198.

$2.40 qt. $1.25 pt.

Rickey's 'Victory Garden' Producing Crop

By CARL LUNDQUIST

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 21.—(U.P.)—That master farmer Branch Rickey, who was turning out victory gardens in minor league ball parks long before folks started putting in summer squash and rutabagas to win the war, is coming up with a nice new harvest of ball players and the yield could bring his St. Louis Cardinals the National league pennant.

Rickey, baseball's foremost exponent of the farm system, raises young players on spacious urban plots in such towns as Columbus, O., New Orleans, Rochester, N. Y., Houston, Tex., and Sacramento, Cal. About this time every summer the crop is ready for harvest and almost always there are some promising young sprouts who can step in and take over for wilting beauties on the parent Cardinal roster.

Not that any of the Cardinals are wilting at the moment. As of today when they begin their eastern road trip, they had won 17 out of their last 22 games.

Mel Jones, director of Cardinal publicity, tagged an even dozen Cardinal rookies as prospects who could knock down a share of World Series money if they finished their minor league chores in time to help the Red Birds edge in ahead of the Dodgers. He added to this group, amazing old Paul Dean, who is the current pitching sensation of the Texas league, with 12 victories and four defeats at Houston.

Dean's record is more remarkable because he is with a so-so club. His arm soreness apparently is gone and he has struck out 66 batters and walked only 16 in 10 innings.

Rickey's policy, generally speaking, is to bring in young players for tryouts with the Cards late in the season after the big minors have closed their seasons.

Including Dean, he has seven capable pitchers who could help the Cardinal staff which has had its work cut out for it since the departure of Clyde Shoun, Bill Lohrman, and Lon Warneke for other National league teams. Houston, which furnished Ernie White as a late arrival two years ago and Howard Pollet in 1941, also had George Kleine, a 21-year-old right hander, who has won 10 and lost six.

Harry Brecheen of Columbus, who was with the Cards early in the summer, is the best southpaw prospect. He has struck out 78, walked only 31 and given up 119 hits in 145 innings. He won 10 games, three of them shutouts. Columbus also has a righthander, George Munger, who has won eight and lost six and who pitched a two-hitter recently.

Sylvester "Blix" Donnelly, strike-out king of the Pacific coast league, is pride of the Sacramento Solons, the Cardinal farm club out west. He has won 13 games, losing only six and has struck out 107 while walking only 71.

Donnelly compiled a record of 28 victories against four defeats with Springfield, Mo., in the Western Association last year.

New Orleans, the Cardinal entrant in the Southern Association race, has two likely pitching prospects in Bill Seinsoth, a righthander, who is leading the league with 14 victories and six defeats and George Dockins, a southpaw who has won five and lost two.

Two infielders, both raw youngsters, might meet some day around the Cardinal secondbase sack as a keystone combination. Louis Klein, 23-year-old shortstop at Columbus, is a steady fielder and a power hitter. He is batting .286, and has hit 18 doubles and seven homers. Ed Kaczak, Houston secondbaseman, in his first season in the big minors, is hitting .250, fielding brilliantly and according to Rickey is a potentially great player.

The outfielders are Ervin Dusak and Hooper Triplett at Rochester, Arnold Moser at New Orleans and Buster Adams at Sacramento. Triplett, brother of Coaker Triplett, Cardinal outfielder, has been out with a sore shoulder, but is getting into stride. Last year at New Orleans he was a .322 hitter. Dusak, with the Cards earlier this year, is batting .290 and has seven homers. Moser, one of the league leaders in the Southern circuit is batting .337 and has batted in 51 runs. Adams, who is a veteran minor leaguer, seems about ready for another chance. He leads the Coast circuit in homers with 16 and is batting an even .330.

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