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MARINERS BASEBALL

Segura delivers a winner

Mariners beat Giants 3-2, now 27-13 in one-run games

By TIM BOOTH
Associated Press

SEATTLE — With the Seattle Mariners struggling to find offense, Jean Segura wasn't going to sit through a long at-bat looking for a perfect pitch. In this situation, the first one was good enough.

Segura chopped the first pitch from Sam Dyson into center field to score Guillermo Heredia with the go-ahead run in the eighth inning, and the Mariners won yet another one-run game by beating the San Francisco Giants 3-2 on Wednesday.

Seattle came up with just enough offense to split the two-game inter-league series, and it was one of the Mariners' All-Stars who came through. Heredia walked leading off the eighth inning against Tony Watson (3-4) and advanced to second on Dee Gordon's bunt. Gordon was initially called safe but was out on a video review.

Dyson, who shut down the Mariners a night earlier, took over and was greeted by Segura's chopper up the middle, and Heredia beat the throw home from Steven Duggar. Seattle improved to a league-best 27-12 in one-run games this season.

"I was just trying to get a sinker down and over the plate. He threw a perfect pitch to put a good swing on it," Segura said.

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Seattle Mariners' Guillermo Heredia slides past San Francisco Giants catcher Nick Hundley to score during the eighth inning of a baseball game Wednesday, July 25, 2018, in Seattle. The Mariners won 3-2.



Seattle Mariners' Jean Segura watches his tie-breaking RBI single during the eighth inning of a baseball game against the San Francisco Giants, Wednesday, July 25, 2018, in Seattle. The Mariners won 3-2.

PAC-12 FOOTBALL MEDIA DAY

New coaches bringing energy

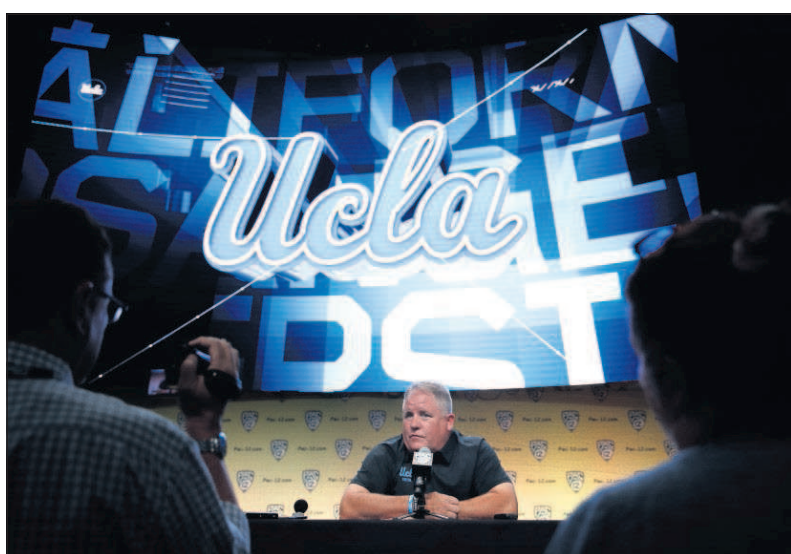
By GREG BEACHAM
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The Pac-12 went 1-8 in its bowl games last season, leading to a winter of external criticism and internal soul-searching for most of its programs.

The league also extended its national title drought to 14 years, the longest in the Power Five. Athletic directors openly worried about the Pac-12 falling farther behind the other big conferences in revenue and in exposure from its television network.

After all the disappointment for its football programs late last year, this is a league that probably could benefit from a fresh start. Nearly half of its member schools are getting one with the arrival of new coaching staffs to shake up the West Coast football scene.

The Pac-12's five new coaches range from the heralded Chip Kelly at UCLA, to the surprising



UCLA coach Chip Kelly talks to reporters at the Pac-12 Conference NCAA college football media day in Los Angeles on Wednesday.

choice of Herm Edwards at Arizona State, to the homecoming of Jonathan Smith at Oregon State. Two of the five are first-time collegiate head coaches, while

the other three — including Arizona's Kevin Sumlin — have ample experience.

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PENDLETON

12U All-Stars stay alive, beat Alaska 9-4

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Pendleton's 12U Little League All-Stars kept its season alive on Wednesday as it defeated Alaska 9-4 at the Little League Western Regional in San Bernardino, California.

Madaline Schumacher pitched all six innings for Pendleton, striking out four while allowing six walks, five hits and four runs. She also stranded nine runners.

After a scoreless first inning, Pendleton got its offense going in the second. Lilly Brooks led off the frame with a single and Lanie Burke walked, which brought Bailey Moore to the plate, and she came through with a three-run double. Melanie Boatman followed Moore with a run-scoring double of her own and she later scored on a sacrifice fly from Avery Krigbaum to com-

plete a five-run inning.

Alaska (Gastineau Channel Little League) left the bases loaded in the top of the third, and Pendleton played add-on in the bottom half when Schumacher walked and later scored on an Alaska error, Samantha Wilks scored on a groundout, and Brooks scored on a wild pitch for an 8-0 lead.

Pendleton's final run came from an RBI single off the bat of Wilks to bring home Schumacher for a 9-4 score.

Schumacher and Brooks each scored two runs to lead the team, while Nessa Neveau and Brooks each collected two hits. Moore had a team-high three RBI.

Pendleton now has a rematch with Washington (Kirkland) on Thursday at 9 a.m., with the winner advancing to the regional championship game.

Sports shorts

Dodgers' Andre Ethier announces retirement

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Andre Ethier, a two-time All-Star during a 12-year career with the Los Angeles Dodgers, is retiring from baseball.

The Dodgers, the only team Ethier played for, announced Wednesday they will honor him with a retirement ceremony before their Aug. 3 game against Houston.

Ethier hit .285 with 162 homers and 687 RBIs in 1,455 games. His last major league at-bat was a pinch-hit RBI single in Game 7 of last year's World Series.



Triple Crown winner Justify retires

DEL MAR, Calif. (AP) — Triple Crown winner Justify was retired from racing Wednesday because of fluid in his left front ankle.

Trainer Bob Baffert and Justify's owners said caution over the horse's ankle condition made it impossible to tell if he'd be healthy enough to race by the fall. "He is just not responding quick enough for a fall cam-

paign," Baffert said. "We all wanted to see Justify run again, but ultimately it is my responsibility to make sure he is perfect. Without 60-90 days, I can't be definite."

The goal was for Justify to run in a major race this summer, likely the Travers Stakes at Saratoga, and be pointed toward the \$5 million Breeders' Cup Classic on Nov. 3 at Churchill Downs.

THIS DATE IN SPORTS

1952 — Bob Mathias wins his second Olympic decathlon.

1996 — American swimmer Amy Van Dyken wins the 50-meter freestyle to become Atlanta's first quadruple gold medalist and the first U.S. woman to win four in a single Olympics.

1998 — Three spectators are killed — the first fan deaths at a major race in the U.S. in more than a decade — and six are injured by flying debris from a one-car crash at the U.S. 500 at Michigan Speedway.

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