

# Home Run Epidemic Hits Major Leagues

## Pinky Higgins Blasts Three In One Game

(By Associated Press)  
Home run hitting being what it is today, a fellow just about has to collect them in clusters to get any notice. There were 20 round trip tickets punched in the major leagues yesterday and the same number the day before.

But you can't overlook three in one game, which is the little stunt Pinky Higgins of the Detroit Tigers showed the Boston Red Sox in beating the American League leaders 10 to 7. The trio of homers came on consecutive times at bat and brought in four other runners for a total of seven tallies as the veteran third baseman personally matched the scoring efforts of the entire Boston team.

The victory was credited to Schoolboy Rowe, who went to the mound in the fifth after Jimmy Fox had hit his tenth home run of the season with the bases loaded off Tommy Bridges. Another "exception that proves the rule" is the fellow who hits only one home run a year. Lefty Grove got his for 1940 in this game, but later was knocked out.

Jeff Heath of the Cleveland Indians, who hit two home runs in one game last Friday, hit two again yesterday as the tribune trimmed the New York Yankees for the second straight time, 10 to 2.

Another home run bombardment originated from an unsuspected quarter, the Philadelphia Athletics, as they stopped the St. Louis Browns 8 to 4. Frank Hayes got two of the game's five homers.

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## Moore of Angels Best Coast Hitter

(By United Press)  
The San Diego Padres, fighting to retain their half-game leadership in the Pacific coast league, run into a bit of luck this week when the schedule pits them against the skidding San Francisco Seals, while the second-place Oakland club goes to Seattle to face the Rainiers, just two and a half games out of first place.

Hollywood, which squeezed into fourth place by taking the Seals for a sleigh ride last week, goes to Portland to face the last place Beavers while Sacramento and Los Angeles, in sixth and seventh place, respectively, meet in the Angel City.

Johnny Moore, of Los Angeles, with an average of .420, moved into first place among the league's hitters, closely followed by Mike Christoff of Oakland, who is batting .414.

Dick Newsome of San Diego tops the regular pitchers with seven victories and one defeat, followed by Dick Barrett, Seattle, with five wins and one beating.

## Lions, Kiwanians Win at Softball

The Lions and Kiwanians were winners Monday evening in the third round of play in the service club softball league. The Lions won over the 20-30 club, 10 to 9 with Lester Sparks the winning chucker. The Kiwanians club, with Dr. L. E. Barrick on the mound, turned in a 22 to 16 win over the Rotarians. Arnold Kruger was behind the bat for the Kiwanians while Evert Oivens caught Les Sparks, Harold Hawk and Keith Johnson constituted the battery for the Rotarians.

The two top teams, after the clubs have played one around, will meet for the championship.

## Valsetz Beaten By Longview

Dallas—Longview Elks defeated Valsetz under the lights here Saturday night by a score of 8-6. The visitors broke the ice in their half of the third when they drove four tallies in but the Loggers went one better when they scored five runs in the final half of the same frame. The Elks scored twice in the fourth and once in each of the fifth and seventh innings. Valsetz checked in one more run in the fifth. Olson, of the Elks, crashed out a long home run in a game which was strewn with errors on both sides.

Summary:  
Longview ..... 8 9 6  
Valsetz ..... 6 9 6  
Batteries: Longview: Alexander, Sweetland, Lee and Nabwitz; Valsetz: Lauringer and Harrington.

Portland, May 21 (AP)—Portland's Pacific Coast league club released Pitcher Glen Gabler yesterday to make room for Pitcher Raymond Harrell, righthander obtained from Pittsburgh. Gabler's release was necessary because of the 18-veteran player limit.

## Beavers Look Good, Backers Optimistic

By Fred Hampson  
(Associated Press Writer)  
For those who like to mark the calendar, it is now 140-odd days until they pull the gear out of the storage bags and start a new football season and the Oregon state adherents grew more optimistic by the minute.

"I just got to thinking," wrote one of the state chroniclers whose leanings are Beaverward, "that there is big Jim Kisselburgh, then Ken 'Rowdy' Dow, and then Jim Busch for that crusher fullback spot on Lonnie Stiner's Beaver squad for next fall. . . Kisselburgh, the most versatile fullback on the coast last season; Dow, with one exception (Banta of USC), the quickest starting, speediest and most powerful fullback on the coast; and Busch, the Silverton boy who looked plenty efficient the few times he saw service last season.

"A load of ability in a key spot, plus such flanker backs as Bob Olson, Don Durdan, Bob Detman and Gene Gray, plus a nice blocking back in George Peters, plus ends, John Leovich and Lewis Hammers; guards, Bill Halverson and Leonard Younce; tackles, Vic Sears and Stan Czech, and center, English. . . The only question marks there are at one guard and the center position.

"Yes, barring accidents to some of those key men between now and next September, you've got to count the Staters as very much in that coast conference race along with Washington and Troy. . . It's to be remembered that the Beaver freshman team of last fall was undefeated. Nineteen rookies were out for spring drill."

Night track meets are none too pleasing to Maple, who believes the cold atmosphere is a handicap. He suggests that in view of the \$88 gate, one of the west side schools be given an opportunity to stage next year's meet. The distance from Walla Walla is no greater into western Oregon or Washington than the other way round.

Clem Farberry, College of Idaho head man, must be pretty sure he can whip any one of the Northwest conference baseball teams west of the Cascades. He expects to take a financial loss on the three game series at Caldwell later this week. If he didn't figure to pick up a little glory, there is little likelihood that he would agree to staging the play-off over there.

Clem admitted while here Saturday that he had three good pitchers. Bob White has been the only one able to win for Willamette. Good as he is we don't believe Bob can win three in as many days. Nor would Spec Keene ask him to try it. (When this was written Willamette still had a couple of games to play with Linfield. The 'Cats had to win one to become eligible to make the trip).

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## First's Awarded In Mt. Angel Game

Mt. Angel—Winners for the "firsts" at the official opening softball game were awarded to Giddier of Woodburn for first home run; George Jackson of Woodburn took the first three-base hit; Bob Jackson of Woodburn, took the first two-base hit; Pearson of Scotia Mills was awarded the prize for first single hit; Kidder took the first base on balls; Macy of Scotia Mills took the first batter to strike out prize; Kidder took batter first scoring; G. Jackson, batter batting first run-in; C. Wellman of Scotia Mills, first put-out; Masey, first assist; G. Jackson, strike-out by pitcher; first foul caught by Kidder; out-field fly caught by Macy of Scotia Mills; first stolen base by Tucker of Woodburn; first error by Haskins of Scotia Mills.

Scotia Mills lost to Woodburn with a score of 13-0.

Sodality beat Canby with a 2-1 score.

Needy beat Foresters with a 2-1 score.

## Stayton Retains Class B Title

Stayton—Stayton high school retained its class B Marion county baseball title last week by pounding out a 16 to 11 win over Hubbard. The Beankickers went in front in the first inning and kept adding to it, going into the last frame with a 16-5 lead. Visibly tired by four games in five days with a fifth game on Saturday, Stayton diamond merchants let up and Hubbard chased across six runs in the final.

Hubbard ..... 11 11 6  
Stayton ..... 16 13 6  
Miller, Davis and Lemen; Jordan and Proctor.

The season record for Stayton:  
Mt. Angel 6, Stayton 0.  
Mt. Angel 8, Stayton 10.  
Mill City 4, Stayton 2 (12 innings).  
Mill City 4, Stayton 5 (12 innings).  
Silverton 6, Stayton 22.  
Silverton 3, Stayton 7.  
Turner 11, Stayton 22.  
Turner 10, Stayton 14.  
Aumsville 4, Stayton 6.  
Aumsville 6, Stayton 7.  
Hubbard 7, Stayton 12.  
Hubbard 1, Stayton 18.  
Totals—Opponents 84, Stayton 128.

## Mays School Opens Monday, June 3

Carl Mays, former big league pitcher, will open his baseball school at George E. Waters park Monday, June 3. It will be his sixth successive season, although it will be the first for this location. He had operated in Portland before negotiating for Waters park. Mays, who operates a fishing camp on the Alsea, spent the week-end in Salem, making final arrangements for opening his classes in baseball.

The course will extend over a period of three months, with classes morning and afternoon. "I will give a course similar to that in the spring camps of the majors," Mays states. He expects to play American Legion Junior clubs and similar groups regularly after the boys get in condition.

Mays has made arrangements for board and room for boys who will come here from out-of-town.

## SYC Club Beats Stayton, 22-11

The Salem Youth Center-Kiwanis softball club won a 22 to 11 decision over Stayton Sunday on the latter's diamond. The SYC battery was Guthrie, Albert Parson and Humphreys; for Stayton, L. Darby and F. Humphreys.

Uruguay will grow cotton and manufacture cotton yarn.

## Indians Turn In Fifth Win To Reach Top

(By the Associated Press)  
The Spokane Indians continued their winning streak in the Western International league campaign last night by defeating the Wenatchee Chiefs, 10-5, in Spokane. It was their fifth straight. It gave them undisputed possession of first place in the close race.

The Indians scored all their markers off Edson Blair before he gave way to Ken Jacobsen in the eighth inning. Jacobsen's wildness gave up 13 passes and resulted in a number of extra bases on balls too erratic for Catcher Frank Volpi to handle.

Both managers, Eddie Leishman of Spokane and Johnny Kerr of Wenatchee, were chased from the game by umpire Cole for protesting his decisions too vigorously. Skip Evert, Spokane first baseman, was also sent to the showers for tossing his bat after striking out with the bases loaded in the third.

The Yakima Pippins opened their series with the Vancouver Capitanos in Yakima with a 7-4 victory. The Pippins bunched six hits in the sixth inning to score five runs. Ed Stewart hit a homer with two aboard in the third.

These were the only games scheduled.

The scores:  
Vancouver ..... 4 5 1  
Yakima ..... 7 11 2  
Kerrich ..... 10 12 10  
and Crandall; Greer, B. Johnson (6) and Younker.  
Wenatchee ..... 5 6 1  
Spokane ..... 10 7 3  
Blair, Jacobsen (8) and Volpi; Jones, Andrews (5) and McNamee.

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## Junior Ball At Woodburn Promising

Woodburn—Dr. E. S. Donnelly, chairman of the Legion Junior baseball committee, reports that prospects look good for this year's team. About 20 boys have been out for practice and more are expected as soon as school closes. Anybody in the county who has not attained his 17th birthday by January 1, 1940 is invited to try out for a position on the team. Practice is held every Sunday morning at 9:45 at Legion park. Jack Coleman is coach, assisted by Hal Chapman. Dr. Donnelly has appointed Ross Coleman of St. Paul and Bill McDonald of Silverton as members of the baseball committee and is anxious to have a member on the committee from every post in the county.

Blaine McCord is chairman of the ticket sales committee and reports that the sale of season tickets is well under way. Those who wish to see Woodburn have a ball team should not wait to be asked to purchase tickets. H. M. Austin is treasurer.

Players now available who played last year are Pat DeJardin, John Dar, Max Coleman and Tony Pavloek. Much new material is being tried out from surrounding towns, including Silverton, St. Paul, Hubbard, Canby, Newberg and Mt. Angel.

## Kolb Leading Cat Slugger

Willamette university's baseball club, which is playing a double-header with Linfield at Waters park this afternoon for the right to meet College of Idaho for the conference championship, has a team batting average of .278, according to compilations of Bruce Williams, official scorer. While Johnny Kolb, third baseman, leads individuals with .356, he is pressed closely by Jimmy Robertson, catcher, .354, and Dwight Catherwood, fielder, .352.

The Bearcat averages include games with Oregon State, Oregon, Portland U., Pacific, Linfield, Albany college, Mt. Angel and two with the Salem Senators. The club has defeated Oregon, Oregon State, Linfield twice, Portland twice, and Pacific twice. They have lost two to the Senators, two to Oregon State and one each to Pacific and Portland.

The averages:  
John Kolb, 3rd baseman ..... .356  
Jimmy Robertson, catcher ..... .354  
Dwight Catherwood, outfielder ..... .352  
Burt Southard, outfielder ..... .328  
Bill Belcher, utility infielder ..... .315  
Joe Murray, outfielder ..... .312  
Al Walden, shortstop ..... .310  
Bob White, pitcher ..... .308  
Olie Williams, 1st baseman ..... .292  
Bob Deason, utility infielder ..... .288  
Harold McAbee, pitcher ..... .286  
Hercy Longman, outfielder ..... .284  
Jack Smith, utility infielder ..... .282  
Orville Hagstad, utility ..... .280  
Others ..... .281

## Cow Elk Permits Not Being Issued

Applications for special permits to shoot cow elk during the coming fall hunting season cannot be accepted at the present time due to the fact that the question of another open season on cow elk will not be determined until the July meeting of the Oregon state game commission.

During the past few weeks the Portland office of the commission has been flooded with applications accompanied with money orders and checks and all such applications are being returned to the senders by Frank B. Wire, state game supervisor.

"Until the commission reaches a decision as to whether there is to be another cow elk season, we cannot accept applications," said Supervisor Wire. "After that decision has been made and in the event that another season is decided upon, we must then determine the method of distribution of the permits so all applicants will be given a fair deal. Then we will make an announcement and will be ready to receive applications."

## Baseball Results

(By the Associated Press)  
National League  
Boston 11, Cincinnati 4.  
New York 6, St. Louis 0.  
Philadelphia 4, Pittsburgh 7.  
Chicago 4, Brooklyn 4.  
American League  
Detroit 16, Boston 7.  
Cleveland 10, New York 3.  
Chicago 5, Washington 1.  
Philadelphia 2, St. Louis 4.  
Pacific Coast League  
All teams idle.  
Western International  
Yakima 7, Vancouver 4.  
Spokane 10, Wenatchee 5.  
Only games scheduled.  
Pioneer League  
All teams idle.

## Papermakers Win Over Waits, 2-0

The Papermakers gave further notice that they were going to be tough in softball circles this season when they beat Waits Monday evening 2 to 0. The winners scored their runs in the third on hits by Allen, Dunn, Serdotz and Kelley, plus a walk to Kelley. Allen held the packers to three hits.

Square Deal beat Kennedy's 11 to 6 at the other end of Sweetland field.

Waits ..... 0 3 1  
Papermakers ..... 2 5 1  
Cutler and McCaffery; Allen and Kelley.  
Square Deal ..... 11 9 5  
Kennedy's ..... 6 9 5  
Gallagher and McRee, Singer; C. Bulky, Cave and J. Bulky.

## Troeh High Gun In Albany Shoot

Albany—J. B. Troeh, Eugene, won the registered trap shooting meet here Sunday against a field of 54 men and three women. Troeh took top money awards with a 99 in the 100 15-yard targets, and a 98 in the 100 handicap targets and an 18 in the 24 pair doubles. Mrs. E. J. Nussom of Clatskanie won the women's high score with 96, 87, 14 in the three divisions mentioned, and for the men, G. Edwards was second with 88-94 in the first two events, and George Hurley of Albany was third with 96-94-19.

Sunday's event was the first registered trapshoot held here in many years with the Albany Gun club as host under the auspices of the Pacific International Trapshooting association.

Eugene 7, Lebanon 6.  
Eugene, Ore. May 21 (AP)—Eugene high defeated Lebanon for the district 7 baseball championship yesterday, 7 to 6.

## Past Noble Grands Guest Thomas Home

Amity—The Past Noble Grands club of Industry Rebekah lodge of Amity met Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. James B. Thomas with Mrs. Broadwell assisting hostess. After a short business meeting a social afternoon was enjoyed and refreshments served.

Those present were Mrs. Besse Sorenson, Mrs. Laura Stockton, Mrs. Mary E. Breeding, Mrs. Gertrude Richter, Mrs. Dorothy Payne, Mrs. Edna Strout, Mrs. Nette Tovey, Mrs. Ernestine Prunk, Miss Lillian Schaefer and Miss Thelma McCulloch. Mrs. Jessie Wood joined the club at this meeting and Mrs. Orpha Glendon was a guest.

The June meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Payne with Mrs. Besse Sorenson and Miss Florence Blair assisting hostesses.

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Grange Holds Social  
Lyons — The Santiam Valley grange held a social time at the meeting Friday night. Cards were played at five tables. Mrs. Floyd Basset and Ed Taylor held high scores and Mrs. Elmer Taylor and Orville Downing held low scores.

Refreshments were served by the kitchen committee.

Unable to get into a house in Greenhithe, England, a cat knocked three times with the door knocker until admitted.



**\$666**

Yes, sir! That's the new low cash price for a Goodyear Tire—size 6.00-16—with your old tire!

**MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS**

(By Associated Press)  
National League  
Batting—Dunning, New York, and Lombard, Cincinnati, 381.  
Runs batted in—Mize, St. Louis, and Dunning, New York, 35.  
Hits—Dunning, New York, and Mize, St. Louis, 27.  
Home runs—Mize, St. Louis, 12; ten tied with 4.  
Stolen bases—Frey, Cincinnati, 6; three tied with 3.  
Pitching—Walters, Cincinnati, 6-0; Melton, New York, and Mulcahy, Philadelphia, 4-1.  
American League  
Batting—Averill, Detroit, 423; Hayes, Philadelphia, 413.  
Runs batted in—Foxy, Boston, 24; Walker, Washington, 26.  
Hits—Cramer, Boston, 42; Finney, Boston, 41.  
Home runs—Foxy, Boston, 10; Trosky, Cleveland, 8.  
Stolen bases—Case, Washington, 10; Walker, Washington, 5.  
Pitching—Mihar, Cleveland, 4-0; Dean, Philadelphia, 4-1.

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