

Skits and Scratches

By Fred Zimmerman
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The Senators are playing good baseball. This statement from no less authority than Tedd Gullic, as the Solons opened their third week of competition under his management. Perhaps he'll make further changes—he didn't commit himself in this connection. And, being at the helm, charged with the responsibility of winning ball games, Tedd undoubtedly will shift when he finds this essential. Right now he is highly interested in finding a place for his family, still living in Portland. An apartment would just fill the bill. Virtually all of his players have found quarters, but there is still need and anyone who knows of a place where a man and his wife could do a bit of housekeeping would be doing a service by imparting the information to Business Manager George Emigh.

Questioned concerning the two d's on his first name, Tedd explained that "it isn't a shortening of Theodore; I was named for a man who spelled it that way and that's the way I spell it." In any event, it's a bit out of the ordinary. The fact that two double plays were fashioned by the Solons in one game Tuesday night is an indication that the present combination around the keystone sack is the best that has been developed so far.

It's amusing in out-of-doors—Arthur Boesch's decision to keep Santiam lodge open the year round. In town early this week, Art said he had had a very successful winter sports season in the high Cascades and could see no reason why the district shouldn't prove equally attractive during the months when the ground was bare of snow. He suggested the eight lakes basin as one of the outstanding attractions of the district, not too far from the lodge and just about right for horseback. He plans to have the horses available for those who like that sort of transportation. Then there is Big Lake to the south that can be reached by motor car. The water is a bit warmer than in other Cascade lakes and is suitable for swimming. The Metolius and Suttle lake areas are added attractions of the district.

A group of fishermen who recently tried their luck at Diamond lake came away with the realization that meals and lodgings in that vicinity have kept pace with those elsewhere. Eight bucks and a half for a room sounds like Lake Louise or Bamff. But who will blame the proprietors when customers break their necks to secure reservations? Fishing at Diamond? Just moderate with no large fish being caught. One member of the Salem party was credited with hooking the largest for the year—a bit over four pounds. He didn't say how many people had tried it so far.

Dirt is really flying out at Olinger field, with huge pieces of machinery uprooting big oak trees preparatory to converting the place into a modern athletic plant. The contractors have started operations along 14th street, permitting use of the baseball diamond as long as possible. However, the place will be a mess before long and just what the situation will be come next September is anybody's guess.

Senators Win Behind Wyatt

It was a close contest until George Vico, idol of the first base bleacherites poled a homer over the right field fence in the fifth inning at Geo E. Waters park Wednesday night. But that mighty blast settled the issue beyond a doubt and the Salem Senators went ahead to take the second game of the series from Victoria, 6 to 2. "Bart" Bartolomei drawing a walk as the first man up in the fifth had scored on Ken Wyatt's sacrifice and Lou Kubiak singled into left to place two men on the sacks when Vico lofted his homer. That gave the Solons four runs to add to the one scored in the fourth on a walk, a single by Vico and one of the three errors turned in by Second Sacker Al Steele. They didn't need it, but Ted Gullic's squad added a sixth tally in the seventh on successive singles by Reynolds, Vico, Summers and Souza. Reynolds tried to stretch his blow to a double but was tagged at second on the throw from left field.

Ken Wyatt, pitched his best game of the season settling down after a somewhat wobbly start and held the Athletics to one blow after the fourth. He racked up 11 strikeouts including three horse callers each for Left Fielder Raymond and Pitcher PeeWee Bass. Trouble brewed for the left hander in the second when he filled the bases with none out, but he forced one runner at third, another popped out and Wyatt fanned.

The Athletics got an unearned run in the first on Al Steele's single, a walk to Bob Cherry and Hank Souza's bad throw to second. Doubles by Vic Buccola and Gino Mariionetti, gave the Victorians their second score in the third.

Victoria (2)	Ab	H	O	Salem (6)	Ab	H	O
Steele, 2b	3	1	4	Kubiak, ss	4	2	3
Buccola, 1b	3	1	4	Reynolds, 2b	3	1	4
Hughes, rf	3	0	0	Vico, 1b	4	3	3
Mariionetti, 3b	3	2	2	Wyatt, cf	2	0	3
Raimondi, lf	3	0	4	Summers, lf	4	1	2
Dunn, ss	2	0	0	Bass, p	6	4	2
Clifford, c	4	0	5	Bartolomei, 3b	3	1	1
Bass, p	6	0	0	Wyatt, p	2	0	0
Clifford, c	4	0	0				
Jensen, 1b	0	0	0				

Jackets Blast Yakima, 21 to 5

(By the Associated Press) Tacoma, Wednesday. The second straight game from the Spokane Indians, ousted the Tribe from third place in Western International league standings last night. The score: 21 to 1. Across the sound to Bremerton, the Bluejackets manded their long rifles and blasted Yakima with a shattering 21-5 defeat. The game was heavy with home runs, seven in all, plus four doubles and a triple. League homer king Barisoff bumped his total of four-bag clouts to an even dozen with two last night for Bremerton. At Wenatchee, the Chiefs evaded the series with Vancouver by defeating the Caps 7 to 4.

Curley's Squad Noses Motorists

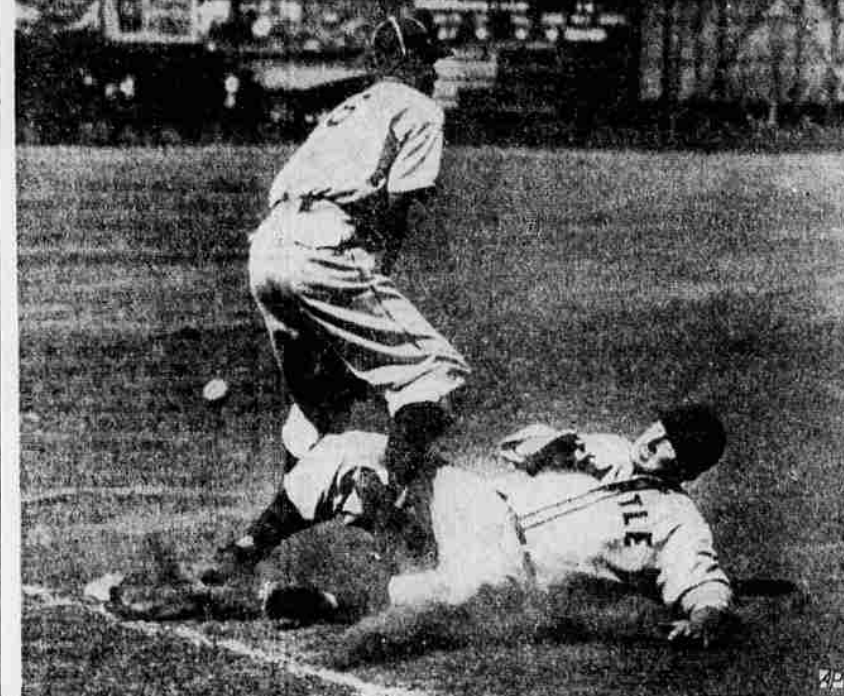
It was pretty much of a pitchers' battle Wednesday evening at Capitola field when Curly's Dairy nudged Valley Motor 4 to 3 in an "A" division Salem Junior league baseball game. Jim Rock, winning pitcher, was touched for six hits, one more than "Chink" Blakie yielded, but a three-base blow by Cliff Girod settled the issue. His ball came at a time when the bases were loaded.

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Bill Beard, runner, slides into third base during the eighth inning of the first game of a doubleheader at San Diego. The Padres won both games, 7 to 5 and 6 to 4.

SPORTS

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Pro Competition in Home Has PCC Officials Bit Worried

Seattle, June 13 (AP)—How can we dress things up to meet the opposition of the pros? That was the question most asked and largely left unanswered during the Pacific Coast conference June 12-13 here. The meeting which concluded at Victoria, B. C., yesterday. Undoubtedly phases of the question came up during the session, but little concerning it came out in the official handouts the faculty representatives laid out so sparingly. One concession, of course, was the decision to allow conference football teams to turn out September 3 instead of September 7, the additional time giving them almost four weeks of practice before their opening game. Coaches from the Los Angeles and Bay areas, where the professional football competition will be the toughest this fall, were the principal agitators for the earlier fall turnout. Jeff Cravath, coach of the University of Southern California Trojans, keyed the argument with:

"Look. Supposing we're playing a conference game on a Friday night. And Saturday UCLA is playing another one. Then along comes Sunday and we have a pro game. The pros have been working out for a couple of months and unless we look sharp in our games, we may lose some fans to the pros."

Injured Salmon Leading Hitter

Woody Salmon, first string catcher, continued to ride a charley horse, but in spite of his injured leg he remains at the top of the Salem Senators batting column with a big .423 average. Vern Reynolds, second sacker, holds down the second spot with his .352, while George Vico's .343 is good for third position.

The averages:

Player	Ab	H	Pct
Salmon	71	30	.423
Reynolds	81	32	.395
Vico	178	61	.343
Lucchesi	78	26	.333
Crawford	164	32	.309
Kubiak	178	49	.275
Wenner	173	48	.277
Gunnerson	29	8	.276
Gullic	44	12	.273
Kerr	84	24	.285

Four pitchers have undressed records: Gunnerson 7-0, Soderburg 3-0, Hess 1-0, Miles 1-0. Other pitchers' records: Gerkin 10-4, Kowalski 5-5, Wyatt 2-2, Fallon 2-4, Scudliffe 0-1.

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County Legion Baseball Arranged

A six-game series to determine the Marion county American Legion junior baseball championship will start next Sunday with the Salem club meeting Silverton at Woodburn. The three teams involved will play a round robin with the final contest scheduled between Salem and Woodburn June 30, the deadline for determining the title. The series was arranged Wednesday evening during a conference held in Salem between managers and coaches of the three communities. Salem was represented by Harold Hauk, Woodburn by Pete McGuire and Silverton by Pete Reiling. The schedule: June 16, Salem at Silverton; June 19, Woodburn at Salem; June 22, Woodburn at Silverton; June 23, Silverton at Salem; June 26, Silverton at Woodburn; June 30, Salem at Woodburn. The Salem team will meet for practice at Capitola at 6 p.m. Friday and will play the Princeton Greys Saturday afternoon.

Williams Stows Ruffin Away, 5th

Brooklyn, June 13 (AP)—Ike Williams, recognized by the National Boxing association as the lightweight champion of the world, needed less than five rounds to stop New York's Bobby Ruffin last night in a scheduled 10-round non-title bout which brought boxing back to Ebbets field after an absence of 13 years. The Trenton, N.J., negro who weighed 138 1/2, to his opponent's 140, battered Ruffin to the canvas five times before Referee George Walsh halted the fistic battle at 1:46 of the fifth frame. An estimated 8,000 fans contributed to a gate of around \$18,000.

Major League Leaders

(By the United Press) National League: Batting—Walker, Brooklyn, .367; Horn, Boston, .348; Burns-McMull, St. Louis, .339; Slaughter, St. Louis, .327; Hays—Mural, St. Louis, .327; Home runs—Mize, New York, 10; Rizzuto, New York, and Kiser, Pittsburgh, 7; Pitzhagen—Hughes, Brooklyn, 5-0; Kuhn, Chicago, 4-0. American League: Batting—Verdon, Washington, .360; Wilk, Boston, .357; Burns—Mural, St. Louis, .339; Pesky, Boston, .327; Hays—Mural, St. Louis, .327; Home runs—Gardner, Detroit, and Williams, Boston, 14; Pitzhagen—Fiffin, Boston, 10-1; Johnson, Boston, and Ruffin, New York, 4-0.

Acorns Purchase Phil Shortstop

Oakland Calif., June 13 (AP)—Shortstop Ray Hambrick has been purchased from the Philadelphia Phillies for an undisclosed amount in an effort to plug the weakest spot on the Oakland A's team, club officials announced today.

Seals Beaten By Beavers, 6-5

(By the United Press) Seattle's skipperless Rainiers continued in the doldrums last night when a Japhet (Red) Lynn pitched Los Angeles to an easy 4-1 victory over the cellar-dwelling occupants. Coach Eddie Taylor, the Suds could do very little with the Texas brackman's offerings as the Angels squared the series at a game apiece. Oakland was forced into an extra inning to take an 11-10 victory from the Sacramento Solons and increase their Pacific Coast league lead over San Francisco to two games. The Seals dropped a 10-inning 6-5 decision to Portland's rejuvenated Beavers. Hollywood made it two straight over San Diego when they triumphed 5-3 behind Eddie Erault's southpaw hurling. And in Portland the hometown Bevos overcame a five-run first inning deficit to win a 10-inning encounter from the off again, on again San Francisco Seals. The Seals benched the veteran underarm chucker Ad Liska in the initial inning after successive hits by Hugh Luby, Bernie Uhalt and Ted Jennings. The Beavers, recouping gamely, scored the tying run in the eighth when Harvey Storey poled a 380-foot homer bringing in Danny Escobar and Eddie Wheeler.

San Fran.	Ab	H	O	Portland	Ab	H	O
Uhlir, 1b	4	1	4	Summa, cf	3	3	3
Luby, 2b	5	1	3	Wheeler, 2b	5	1	0
Jennings, 3b	1	0	0	Erault, cf	4	1	2
Lin, 1b	4	1	1	Shore, 1b	4	1	3
Taylor, lf	4	0	1	Heich, 2b	4	1	0
Sheridan, rf	3	0	1	Turner, c	3	1	0
Niecy, ss	3	1	0	Ortiz, 3b	2	0	0
Cordova, c	3	0	0	Brady, ss	3	1	4
Wyer, p	3	0	0	Liska, p	2	0	0
White, 3b	3	1	0	Moser, p	2	0	0
Buss, p	1	0	0	Salmons, 1b	1	0	0
Hander, 1b	0	0	0	Halford, p	1	0	0
Trower, 3b	0	0	0	Crawford, 3b	1	0	0
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				Smith, c	0	0	0

Team	W	L	T	Total
Seattle	4	0	0	4
Portland	3	1	0	4
San Francisco	2	2	0	4
Los Angeles	1	3	0	4
San Diego	1	3	0	4
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San Francisco	1	3	0	4
Los Angeles	1	3	0	4
San Diego	1	3	0	4

NIEMIEC ACTION DUE SATURDAY

Seattle, June 13 (AP)—The petition for reinstatement of Al Niemiec with the Seattle Rainiers baseball team under the G. I. bill of rights will be heard Saturday morning by Federal Judge Lloyd L. Black. Niemiec has been playing with the Providence-Cranston club of the New England league. A second baseman, he returned to the Pacific Coast League Rainiers after war service and was released after 30 days.

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Ivory Hunter—Babe Herman who achieved fame as a hard hitting and hard headed outfielder for the Brooklyn Dodgers, recently gave up his California turkey ranch to hunt baseball players for the Pittsburgh Pirates. "Finding baseball players is a lot easier than finding feed for turks," the Babe declares.

Conn Attracts Added Support

Greenwood Lake, N.J., June 13 (AP)—Among those who have been watching Joe Louis and Billy Conn train on alternate days at their nearby camps up here in the New Jersey hills there is a mounting conviction that Joe will have to get Billy very quickly this time or lose his title. Among the managers and former fighters and other boxing characters who watched the challenger box yesterday there was scarcely a vote to be found for the champion except where one or another hedged with the provision "Unless he hits him in the first few rounds."

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