

Sporer Tosses 4-3 Win, Senators Take 6-16 Loss to Split Double



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'If the Giants Had--' They'd Breeze to Flag

(United Press Sports Writer)
New York, May 5 (AP)—The most oft-repeated remark around the Polo Grounds these days is "Brother, if those Giants only had some pitchers they would breeze to the pennant."
Yesterday as Manager Leo Durocher completed a round trip to and from Happy Chandler's

Bearcats to Face Crucial Contests With Badger Nine

Two ball games that will have a decided bearing on the championship of the western portion of the Northwest conference will be played on the Bush Pasture diamond Friday afternoon beginning at 1:30. Coach Johnny Lewis' Bearcats and the Pacific university Badgers will provide the competition.
Willamette and Pacific have each won three and lost one in the conference play, so if one of the other makes a sweep of Friday's twin bill they are a virtual cinch for the title.

Eight Team Loop To Operate for Industrial Ball

Eight teams will make up the industrial division of the Salem Softball association, according to action taken during an organizational conference Wednesday night. Competition will open May 23rd on a basis of five sessions a week—each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday on Leslie field. Games are slated to start at 6:30, although two contests will be played under the lights each Wednesday.
Teams entered include Hogg Brothers, Clear Lake, Post Office, Teamsters, Naval Reserve, Stone's, Interstate Tractor, and OP & P company.

'Cat Netmen Top Linfield Squad

Willamette university netmen made a clean sweep of their seven matches with the Linfield Wildcats at McMinnville Wednesday afternoon.
The summary:
Bridgman-Corner (W) beat Lyberer 5-4.
4-2; Bristow (W) beat Gallagher 5-3.
6-2; Bonington (W) beat Richlin 6-3.
6-2; Warren (W) beat Lapp 5-0, 6-0.
Lor- (W) beat Mather 6-0, 5-2.
Dobias-Bristow-Bonington beat Lyberer 6-3, 5-2; Corner-Warren beat Richlin 6-3, 5-2.

SCORES IN THE ALLEYS (Complete Results)

MAJOR LEAGUE
Cline's Coffee Shop (1)—Cline Sr. 584, Braden 536, Young 600, Cline Jr. 545, O'Connell 523, Cupboard Cafe (1)—Henderson 592, Hauen 496, McCluskey 572, Evans 575, Glood 511.
Pink Elephant (2)—Mirsch 558, Bone 485, Garbarino 472, Kenyon 514, Boyce 544, Maple's Sporting Goods (1)—Valdez 515, Barr 409, Karr 463, D. Pass 450, H. Pass 471.
Salem Hardware (2)—Thode 478, Logan 844, Phipps 524, Larson 568, West 563, Amos Motors (1)—Wherry 422, Nuber 484, Braden 535, Steinbock 515, Hartwell 562.
Wendy's Furniture (1)—Olinger 515, Foreman 548, Perry 465, Kitchen 539, Adolph 573, Capital Bedding (2)—Poulin 522, Wilkerson 576, Kay 594, Prisen 481, Coe 543.
High game 543 by McCluskey of Cupboard Cafe.
High series 543 by Coe of Capital Bedding.

MAJOR LEAGUE
Wendy's Furniture (2)—Olinger 555, Foreman 508, Perry 521, Kitchen 563, Adolph 568, Cupboard Cafe (1)—Henderson 584, Hauen 495, McCluskey 488, Evans 580, Glood 573.
Salem Hardware (1)—Thode 557, Logan 562, Phipps 574, Larson 523, West 562, Maple's Sporting Goods (2)—Valdez 548, Barr 525, Karr 522, Pass 596, H. Pass 521.
Cline's Coffee Shop (1)—Cline Sr. 641, Braden 497, Young 598, Cline Jr. 481, O'Connell 543, Capital Bedding (2)—Poulin 519, W. Kenyon 531, Kay 524, Coe 472.
Pink Elephant (1)—Mirsch 527, Bone 468, Garbarino 489, Kenyon 511, Boyce 546, Amos Motors (2)—Valdez 574, Nuber 458, Braden 527, Steinbock 495, Hartwell 538.
High game 528 by Coe of Capital Bedding.
High series by Coe of Capital Bedding with 673.
High team series 2927 by Maple's Sporting Goods.

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COUGARS PRESS LEADING DUCKS FOR DIAMOND TOP

Pullman, May 5 (AP)—Washington State college moved within a half game of tying the Oregon Ducks for the Northern division, Coast conference, baseball lead yesterday with a 10-9 shortstop Eddie Coleman was the Cougar hero, banging one of OSC Pitcher Chuck Sauvain's pitches for a two-run homer that sent over the tying and winning runs in the eighth inning. The two nines meet again today.

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Society Brand Clothes

Hewitt's Distinctive Men's Wear High at Court Senator Hotel Bldg.

By ART BOYLE
Salem and Victoria split their Wednesday night twin bill with Salem winning the first, 4-3, but dropping the nightcap, 16-6.
Bus Sporer looked like a new man, striking out five and giving up only six hits and a free pass.
Victoria opened the scoring for the evening in the second canto when Wayne Peterson failed to come up with Hack's hot grounder to third. He moved to the third sack when Morgan singled to left and came home on Sol Israel's hit to center.

Here Sporer went to work on Day and Maycock striking both out to get out of the hole and retire the side.
Mel Wasley led off the fourth, dropping one behind first and Bob Cherry followed with a free trip. Orteig sacrificed. Al Sporer cracked a single to the left garden to send both Wasley and Cherry to bed.
Beard walked, Sporer sacrificed, but Maycock picked off Spaeter at third to dampen the Salem rally.
The Senators added two more tallies in the sixth when Orteig walked, Spaeter sacrificed. Beard walked, Sporer singled to center scoring Orteig. Wirt dropped one in to score Beard.
Victoria bounced back with two runs in the top of the seventh. Sporer gave his only walk of the night to Israel, and Day punched one through the hole into left field, and a twin kill and a strike out ended the game after the two runs had scored.

The Athletics collected their 16 runs on 15 hits and 11 walks. They were helped along by two Salem miscues. The Senators garnered 14 hits, but had the advantage of only five walks and one error. The locals staged a ninth-inning rally which produced three runs which were too little and too late.

Lefty Ken Heintzelman of the Phillies gained his fourth win of the year by beating the St. Louis Cardinals, 7 to 5, in a night game although he needed ninth-inning relief by Ken Trinkle when the Cards staged a three-run rally.
Big Johnny Sain, recovering from a slow start, marked up his second win by pitching the Boston Braves to a 4 to 3 decision over the Chicago Cubs.
In the American league, two strong-armed right handers, Virgil Trucks of Detroit and Vic Raschi of New York, picked up their fourth straight triumphs. Trucks ran over the Red Sox with a three-hit, 5 to 1 job, missing a shutout only when Ted Williams hit his fourth homer of the season and his third in his last three games.
Raschi wasn't as effective as Trucks but got more long distance hitting support in beating the Browns, 10 to 5 at St. Louis. Those suddenly amazing Senators kept aiming for the fences in Chicago, picking up three more homers as they overcame a 7 to 0 deficit and went on to beat the White Sox, 8 to 7.

Two homers and a game saving catch of a liner in the ninth which he turned into a double play were Joe Gordon's contributions as the Indians beat the Athletics, 4 to 3 in Cleveland for Gene Bearden's third triumph.

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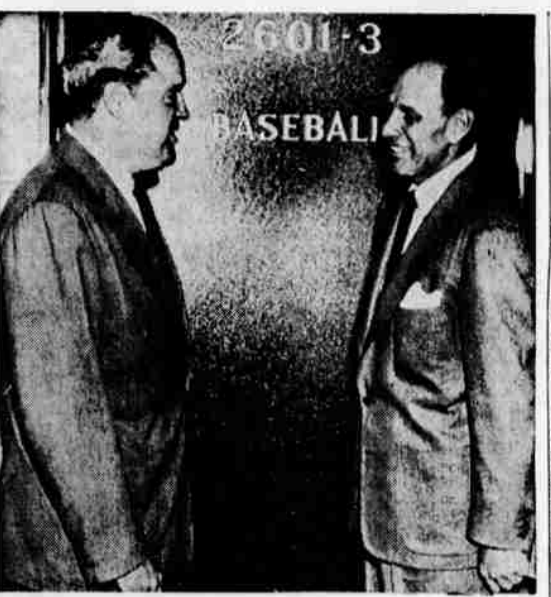
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Durocher Exonerated
Leo Durocher (right), manager of the New York Giants, chats with Horace Stoneham (left), president of the Giants, before entering Baseball Commissioner A. B. Chandler's office in Cincinnati, O., for a hearing on a charge that he pushed and kicked a fan. Durocher was exonerated by Commissioner Chandler and immediately restored to his position as manager of the Giants. (Acme Telephoto)

Indian War Fight Slated For Semi-Final VFW Bout

It will be Redskin versus Redskin the night of May 11 when the Veterans of Foreign Wars stage their next fistcuffing program at the armory. Matchmaker Tex Salkeld announces that he has secured Brave Junior, Pitt River Indian of Redding, Calif., to do a battle with Indian Joe Pete of

Skits and Scratches

By FRED ZIMMERMAN, Capital Journal Sports Editor
Tough Luck Kid
"I can't afford to get hurt any more," commented Johnny Bianco, Salem Senator right hander as he concluded a brief sketch concerning his career as a diamond performer. And, certainly the big fellow has had his share of tough going. In addition to the war cutting a four-year slice out of his career, Johnny has been stymied on no less than four occasions: (1) A bad appendix while playing with Birmingham of the Eastern league; (2) Broken ankle with Newark of the International league; (3) Hit by a line drive while with Portland in 1947, and (4) typhoid fever while playing with Beaumont in the Texas loop. The line drive sidelined him for 16 weeks while the other mishaps cost him much valuable time.

Bianco's Career

Born in New York City Feb. 2, 1922, Bianco was educated in that place, graduating from Alexander Hamilton high school. He then matriculated at St. John's university in Brooklyn but cut his educational career to become a professional baseball player. Played baseball and basketball in high school and basketball at St. John's. His first pro experience was with the Amsterdam club of the Canadian-American league in 1939. In succession he moved to Birmingham and Newark and then joined up with the navy. As a sailor he went wherever duty called and that was pretty much over the globe. He traded his bell bottom trousers for civilian attire in 1945 and the next season joined up with the Kansas City club of the American Association. In June he was sent to Beaumont. "About the only good thing I can say of Beaumont is that is the place where I met the girl I later married," Bianco remarked. That was in 1946. The next year he went to Portland where he was injured by the line drive. Back with Beaumont in 1948 he contracted typhoid and was ill a number of weeks. So, it isn't hard to figure out that the big fellow hasn't had too much of a chance to date. He is 6 feet 3 1/2 inches and weighs 194 pounds.

Players Must Take It

Regardless of the nature of the abuse heaped upon them which at times becomes downright vitriolic and terribly personal, baseball players are expected to shrug it off as a part of the game. Jack Wilson, former Senator manager, who viewed Tuesday night's game from the pressbox, in commenting upon Leo Durocher's case, expressed the opinion that Commissioner Chandler should not have turned the New York Giants manager loose without a penalty. Jack admits he has no liking for "The Lip" and would have liked to see the former Dodger head man get the works. "Players have to learn to take it," said Black Jack. "When a fan purchases a ticket he believes he has the right to make any comment that he deems suitable to the occasion." Incidentally when some one in the audience yelled in the direction of Bill Beard "get another pitcher," Jack grinned as he remarked "That has a familiar ring."

Parking Charge Irks

The two-bit fee being currently assessed for the privilege of parking automobiles on the property owned by the Salem Baseball club management has aroused a mild storm of protest. We recall Biddy Bishop experimented along this line during the first year of organized baseball in Salem and gave it up after a short try. The Senators are following the practice established elsewhere and is an attempt to take care of the additional expense of operating a ball club... This correspondent has heard a number of requests for earlier starting time at Waters park. They point out that seldom is a contest finished in less than two hours and frequently they extend much longer. "That means we don't get home before 11 o'clock and that's too late for the average business man," one fan complained.

WIL Standings

W.L. Pct.	W.L. Pct.
Yakima 4 3 227	Wenatchee 4 3 207
Salem 4 3 206	Tacoma 4 3 206
Bremerton 4 3 206	Spokane 4 3 206
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PCL Standings

Hollywood 22 15 585	Los Angeles 19 19 485
San Diego 20 16 538	San Francisco 18 20 474
Sacramento 19 17 528	Seattle 17 20 459
Oakland 20 18 528	Portland 15 22 371

OCE Wolves Face Rook Tracksters In Meet Friday

The University of Mississippi's baseball squad boasts only one man who batted over .300 in 1948—Outfielder Bobby Wilson, who hit .351.

Stars Boost PCL Lead; Bevos Drop Homer Duel

The film capital is convinced it can turn out something besides good movies—Good baseball clubs, for instance.
The Hollywood Stars now are a game and a half ahead of second place San Diego in the Pacific Coast league standings. The Stars took Seattle into camp 4-1 last night, while San Francisco blanked the Padres, 4-0.

Glenn Moulder allowed the Rainiers but Heinz Besser a shutout when Heinz Becker tripled in the sixth game and trotted home on Tommy Neill's infield out.
A record crowd for the season of 8,969 fans at San Diego saw the Seals' Manny Perez shut out the Padres by allowing but two hits. Jess Flores held the Seals scoreless until the eighth, when Reno Chesno slammed a four-master to bring in Dino Restelli, who had singled.
Oakland squeezed by Portland 7-6 in a game which saw seven home runs. Acorns George Metkovich and Mel Duerzabou each smacked out a pair. It was the ninth and tenth for Metkovich. Les Scarsella also connected with a four-bagger for Oakland. Ford Mullen and Johnny Rucker did the homer honors for the Beavers.

And Just Keep Your Hooks Off Salem Senators

Portland, May 5 (AP)—The lowly Portland Beavers, unfortunately in need of players who can end the parade of defeats, will buy any major league pitcher or first baseman available. General Manager Bill Mulligan declares.
He said, as the Beavers prepared to open a home series with Seattle tonight, that some shifts would be made in the available personnel, putting shortstop Frank Zak on the bench, Leo Thomas at short and Ford Mullen at third.

Miller Player Injured as Viks Score 21-5 Win

Springfield — Dick Williams was hospitalized with a possible cheek bone fracture Wednesday after being "beamed" by a pitch thrown by Salem high's Gene Garver in a game which the Vikings won, 21-5.

The game, a Big Six league engagement, was played in Springfield as a make-up for a game postponed earlier in the season because of rain.
The Viks fashioned their shellacking of the Millers on 13 hits. They collected six runs in the first and nine in the fifth frame for their two big rallies.

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