

Skits and Scratches

BY FRED ZIMMERMAN, Capital Journal Sports Editor

Farley for Commish!

"Sport Magazine" has snatched Jim Farley's hat off his head and tossed it into the baseball commissioner's ring even though "Happy" Chandler still rules the roost in that particular occupation. Conceding that "Happy" is "personally charming" and knows politics and law, Sport asserts "the man simply has not proven himself to be astute enough to run baseball. He may be the best husband, a shrewd politician, and a passionate lover of the game, but those things are not enough. The press box fell around his ears last April and a man who cannot command the confidence and respect of the country's baseball writers is not a good bet to run the game." The article further states Farley "has a persistent penchant for putting his foot in his mouth." The magazine is taking a poll of its readers as to whether Chandler should be ditched at the end of his term.

Fishing Pressure

With Oregon's streams having been fished to the point where there is little use in casting a line in them after the first few weeks of the season, anglers are turning their attention to the lakes. This was particularly true last week when Crane Prairie reservoir, East and Paulina lakes were swarmed under with fishermen. In spite of the borders of anglers, with Californians predominating, limit catches were plentiful. What they will be a week later in problematical. One Salem angler visited East Lake Sunday and Monday and found at least 400 boats on the water. The shore of the lake was virtually encircled with campers, many of whom either slept fitfully in their cars or sat up around a fire where they kept warm while fighting mosquitoes.

Beavers Surge

Baseball fans may grouse and moan, swear they will never go near the park again, but once their favorites are on the upswing they respond with enthusiasm. Such is the case in Portland where the Beavers, relegated to nothing better than the sub-basement of the Coast league, have turned on their early season tormentors with a vengeance. The surge may be short lived, but the diamond fibers are making the most of it. As a publicly released from the Beaver domain points out, "Never in recent Coast league history has a single ball club turned in such an abrupt right-about-face as have the Beavers since June 5." Return to anticipated form of pitchers and recovery from injuries on the part of others, have played a prominent part in the revival. Attendance of 70,000 during the recent two weeks at Vaughn Street is evidence that financial rewards follow diamond successes.

Contagious?

Perhaps the Salem Senators can become inoculated with the winning spirit shown by the Beavers. However, it isn't the lack of spirit that keeps the Solons out of the win column. It's failure to get good pitching and hard hitting on the same program. Certainly one can't find too much fault with the mound work in recent games. No one has been given an unmerciful lacing but it would seem Dame Fortune would smile on our side on occasion.

Power At The Plate

The column headed "TB" in the long list of things that go into "team batting" is a fairly good indication of the progress a club is making toward the top of the heap. "TB" means total bases and in this connection Yakima has amassed 868. Wenatchee, in and out of the first division virtually every other night, is second with 841 while the Spokane Indians rate third with 817. The Senators trail with 734, 17 bases behind the Tacoma Tigers.

OREGON TIGERS		Correct For Nipset	
June 24	12:48 p.m. 8.3	8:22 a.m. -0.8	8:59 p.m. 2.5
June 25	1:32 p.m. 8.4	7:58 p.m. -1.0	8:43 p.m. 3.8
June 26	11:57 a.m. 8.0	8:38 a.m. -0.1	7:45 a.m. 1.2
	11:08 p.m. 8.3	8:13 p.m. 3.3	7:14 p.m. 3.3

Charles Ready to Meet All Comers After Decision

Major Standings

Major Standings		W. L. Per.	
Brooklyn	28 24 480	New York	29 39 309
St. Louis	25 24 493	Cincinnati	25 34 424
Philadelphia	25 28 518	Pittsburgh	24 26 400
Boston	24 28 518	Chicago	22 38 387



Salem, Oregon, Thursday, June 23, 1949 -17

Senators Drop Second Game to Tacoma, 4 to 1

Tacoma, Wash., June 23—A vastly improved Tacoma Tiger baseball club took advantage of the Salem Senators' continued impotency at the plate to collect its second straight win over the squad from Oregon's capital Wednesday night, 4 to 1.

Gordon Waldron who was relieved in the eighth because of a sore pitching arm, stood the Senators off without much difficulty with the exception of the second when they tallied their only run. Ken Clary came in to finish the job. Gene Peterson took the rap for Salem. He walked six while striking out five and all four runs scored off him were earned. The Solons scored in the second after two were out when Bob Hedington singled and was passed on around to third on successive walks to Marty Krug and Swede Carlson. Gene Peterson then bounced a single over Waldron's head which Al Cohen knocked down but couldn't retrieve in time to complete the play.

Walks to Cohen and Glenn Stetter got Peterson into a hole in the fifth and before the side could be retired two Tiger runs had romped home. Singles by

Chicago, June 23 (AP)—Ezzard Charles won the National Boxing association's recognition as world heavyweight champion by outpointing Jersey Joe Walcott last night, and he was ready today to fight any other contender to prove himself undisputed champion.

The slender Cincinnati Negro won a close 15-round decision over 35-year-old Walcott before 25,932 fans at Comiskey park in a fight that was generally entertaining although it slowed in the late rounds. It drew a gross gate of \$246,546, and \$35,000 for television receipts.

Charles, outweighed by 13½ pounds, but younger by eight years, won the verdict of the three ring officials because his margins of victory in the various rounds were greater than those of Jersey Joe. The three officials voted a total of 233 points for Charles and 217 for Walcott.

At a victory party immediately following the fight, Charles' manager, Jake Mintz announced that he was going to London for the September 6 bout between Lee Savdock and England's Bruce Woodcock to fling a challenge at the winner for a fight with the new NBA champ.

He said he hoped to arrange to have the fight scheduled for late September or early October in London or New York.

A meeting between Charles and the London winner would be recognized as for the undisputed crown by the New York and Massachusetts commission and by the British boxing board of control—none of which recognized Charles as results of last night's battle.

er the infield as he fashioned an excellent job of short-stopping for the Tigers.

Victoria nosed the Wenatchee Chiefs, 4-3 in 12 innings while Manager Bill Brenner crashed three home runs to lead his Vancouver Capitanos to a 13-11 decision over Spokane. Bremerton edged Yakima 4-3 as John Marshall posted his 14th win of the season.

Official Box

Salem (1)		B H O A		(4) Tacoma	
W. Peterson	2 4 0 1 4	C. Cohen	3 1 1 4		
O. Peterson	4 1 2 4	S. Stetter	2 0 2 0		
Clary	1 1 0 0	Waldron	1 1 4 6		
Waldron	3 0 1 0	Green	4 3 0 0		
Cherry	4 1 1 0	Barr	4 1 2 0		
Hedington	4 1 2 2	Ballard	4 2 0 0		
Krug	3 1 9 0	Swetter	2 0 3 4		
Carlson	2 0 7 2	Kaney	2 4 3 2 1		
O. Peterson	3 1 0 1	Asider	2 0 0 0		
Clary	1 0 0 0	Clary	0 0 0 0		
Stetter	0 0 0 0				
Total	32 624 13	Total	29 11 27 13		

Left on bases: Salem 8, Tacoma 9. Three base hits: Kaney. Two base hits: Kaney. Runs batted: O. Peterson, Green, Barr, Kaney, Clary, Stetter, Stetter, Swetter. Bases batted: Cohen, Green, C. Peterson. Double plays: W. Peterson to C. Peterson to Krug; Swetter to Cohen to Ballard; Hedington to W. Peterson to Krug. Time: 2:50. Umpires: McCullough and Nene-sich.

Short Score: Spokane.....000 201 330—11 13 3; Vancouver.....110 470 008—12 18 1; Triana, Bishop (8); Howard (4); Babbitt (8) and Parks; Kindelfather, Gun-



Charles Gives Praise; Walcott Tosses Out Mud

Chicago, June 23 (AP)—Having flung his leather at Ezzard Charles without a wall, Jersey Joe Walcott has decided to fling some mud.

While Charles, newly-crowned NBA heavyweight boxing champion, was paying somewhat of a tribute to loser Jersey Joe by saying "he can take it," Walcott called the 27-year-old Cincinnati better "a sneaky puncher."

Wenatchee, a shopworn contender who missed his third try at the crown at Comiskey park last night on a unanimous decision, told a dressing room crowd that "Charles is not a

Close—Jersey Joe Walcott (right) just reaches Ezzard Charles with a long right in the first round of their 15-round bout at Comiskey park in Chicago. Charles decided Walcott to win the National Boxing association-recognized world's heavyweight championship. (Acme Telephoto)

great fighter—he's a sneaky puncher who hit coming out of the clinches. When the referee broke us, I stopped fighting, but that dirty fighter kept banging away."

Felix Boechicchio, Walcott's manager, chimed in: "Charles kept hitting low every round—they were punches that hurt my boy."

Davey Miller, veteran referee, discredited Walcott's charge.

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