

Solons Face WIL Leaders After Spokes Nab Series

The Yakima Bears, Western International league leaders, led by Dewey Soriano, president of the organization who doubles in the role of an extremely effective pitcher, will make their initial appearance of the season at Waters park at 8 o'clock Thursday night. The contest is the first of an eight-game series that will include doubleheaders Friday, Sunday and Monday.

The Bears meet the Senators when the latter are in a terrific slump, having just dropped four straight to the hard hitting Spokane Indians.

Wednesday night's program was an interesting one except for the fact that the Indians were on the long end of a 4 to 1 score. It was played in 1:45, in violent contrast to the preceding night when the lights were not shut off until 12:30 a.m.

Stu Fredericks pitched good ball for Manager Bill Beard but his performance was marred by two costly errors and failure of his Solon mates to produce power at the plate. Nine runners were left stranded.

But 18 Indians faced Fredericks through five innings but the 477 cash customers who had been uneasily anticipating the customary uprising of the red men got what they dreaded in the sixth. Three hits and two errors turned the trick as Spokane tallied three times. The uprising was set in motion by Willie Werbowksi, who emerged as the winning pitcher. He grounded fairly hard to Bud Peterson who juggled the ball just long enough to let Willie reach first. Lyle Palmer then sent him to second with a single to center field and the bases became crowded when Marty Krug couldn't get control of Skip Rowland's bunt. Krug played

the hitter perfectly as he came in close but in his eagerness to make a force play at third his fingers all became thumbs.

With the sacks filled and nobody out, Paul Zaby singled to right field and Werbowski and Palmer scored. Larry Barton, held hitless for the first time in the series, lined out to Wayne Peterson for the first out. Jack Parks drove Rowland home with a base hit but the uprising was quickly subdued as Ken Richardson struck out. An attempted double steal proved abortive as Bill Beard whipped the ball to Bud Peterson who made the return throw so perfectly Zaby was caught at the plate.

The Spokes added one for good measure in the eighth. Palmer opened with a base on balls, went to second on Rowland's slow infield roller and advanced to third as Zaby beat out a bunt down the third base line which Hedington hoped would roll foul but didn't. Palmer came in easily after Barton had sent up a sky-high fly to Bob Cherry.

Salem tallied in the first after Bud Peterson had opened the frame with a fly to right field. Wayne Peterson punched the ball to the right of second and Mel Wasley popped out near first. Bob Cherry singled Wayne Peterson to third from where he scored when Rowland let Marty

Bishop Electric; Midget Markets Collect 'C' Wins

Bishop Electric and Midget Market slashed out two lopsided wins in class "C" junior baseball tilts Wednesday night. The Electric's downed Master Bread, 14-8 while the Midgets beat Schreders, 20-2. The games were the first of the season for the four teams and closer contests are expected as the boys gain experience.

Errors punctuated both games with the Schreders club contributing nine boots to the total of 21 for the program.

Electric's 801 17-14 10 4
M. Bread 700 01-8 4 8
Page, Rodewald (1) and Miller; Bleas and Herr.

Midgets 493 40-20 12 3
Schreders 101 16-2 8 9
Feller and Stubblefield; Smith and Adrian.

Errors: Bishop Electric, 10; Midgets, 11.

WIL Standings

(By the Associated Press)		W. I. League	
W. L. Pct.	W. L. Pct.	W. L. Pct.	W. L. Pct.
Yakima 39 21 504	Salem 31 29 443	Spokane 39 32 549	Bremerton 31 41 431
Vancouver 40 28 486	Tacoma 32 42 432	Wenatchee 34 34 472	Victoria 27 43 366

Results Wednesday:
Victoria 5-6, Tacoma 7-1.
Spokane 4, Salem 1.
Yakima 3, Wenatchee 0.
Bremerton at Vancouver, rain.

Krug's grass cutter go between his legs for an error.

The Solons had runners on second and third in the eighth but nothing developed.

The loss was Salem's 19th in the last 29 starts.

Official Box

Spokane (4)		(1) Salem	
B. H. O. A.	B. H. O. A.	B. H. O. A.	B. H. O. A.
Palmer, if 2 2 1 0	B. Petran, 2 3 1 2 3	Rowland, 2 2 1 1	W. Petran, 2 3 1 2 3
Zaby, if 4 2 4 0	Wasley, if 3 0 2 0	Barton, 1 4 0 12	Cherry, cf 3 2 2 0
Parks, c 4 1 1 1	Krug, 1 2 0 11 0	Richardson, 3 0 0 4	Oxley, cf 3 1 0 0
Staubek, cf 4 0 4 0	Hedington, 3 3 0 1 1	Calver, ss 4 1 4 4	Beard, c 4 0 6 1
Werbowksi, p 4 1 0 2	Frederick, p 3 1 0 1	Carlson, 1 0 0 0	
Total 32 8 27 15	Total 30 5 27 13		

Filed out for Fredericks in 9th.

Spokane 900 003 010-4 8 1

Salem 100 000 000-1 5 2

Errors: Rowland, B. Peterson, Krug.

Left on base: Spokane 3; Salem 9. Runs batted in: Zaby, 2; Parks, Barton, Solon base; Parks, Double plays: B. Peterson to Krug; Beard to W. Peterson in Beard; Barton to Calver to Barton; W. Peterson to B. Peterson to Krug. Time: 1:45. Umpires: Husband and Mathis. Attendance 477.

MAYFLOWER MILK SQUAD CALLED FOR PRACTICE

The Mayflower Milk junior baseball league club has been called for a practice session at Olinger field by Coach Bob Schwartz. The scrimmage will take place at 6:15 Thursday evening.

Wenatchee 000 000 000-0 3 0

Yakima 002 001 003-3 6 1

Victoria 100 000 0-3 7 0

Tacoma 000 011 0-2 4 3

Prophet and Day; Fortier, Clary (6) and Shea.

Victoria 200 300 011-2 11 6

Tacoma 000 100 010-2 6 3

Ward and Day; Kerrigan, Clary (8) and Warren.

Skits and Scratches

BY FRED ZIMMERMAN, Capital Journal Sports Editor

HE OUGHT TO KNOW

Having tried both activities, Primo Carnera, one time heavyweight boxing champion of the world, prefers professional wrestling to that of swinging glove encased fists. In a recent interview appearing in the Calgary Herald, the "Ambling Alp" took a crack at boxing in this manner: "Boxing is full of crooked managers and hangers-on. You get your head knocked off for a few lousy dollars and somebody takes that away from you." Of wrestling, the 263 pounder remarked: "It's about the best sport in the world. It's clean and a man doesn't have to kill himself or get his brains knocked out to make a living."

PRIMO PICKED CLEAN

Carnera's introduction to the ways and wiles of "sport" as it is practiced in some quarters of this country was a sad experience for the huge Italian. Although he is credited with having made a half million during his boxing career from 1928 through 1934, when Carnera directed his steps homeward he was virtually penniless. "Carnera's lack of knowledge in financial matters and a generous spirit made him an easy prey for crooked managers and cauliflower row's hangers-on," says the Herald article. He netted \$16,000 from his surprise win over Jack Sharkey in a title bout in 1933. The money was quickly shunted into the pockets of his associates. And the \$122,000 that the Italian collected for losing his crown to Max Bear a year later was quickly dissipated.

NEW TIME WRINKLE

With rain interrupting the program at intervals and with little hope of finishing the second game because of a league deadline of 11:50, press and radio employees kept their eyes glued to the clock in the outfield during Tuesday night's double bill with the Spokane Indians. Then came disillusionment. The umpires passed out the information that standard time was in effect insofar as rules were concerned and that under "daylight" operations that meant a deadline of 12:50 a.m. So the thing that was started under fast time was finally concluded by the watch that was operating an hour slower. What a difference an empty stand makes in the matter of hearing what goes on in the line of conversation on the field! The few fans that remained to the end were sitting on their hands in glum silence. Manager Jim Brillheart and Referee Mathiu had been doing a bit of verbal feuding over some decision or other. Then came the following bit of repartee: Umpire Mathiu: "I'll clear the bench." To which Brillheart responded, after a glance at the nearly empty seats: "You can clear the stands, too, for all I care."

CLUB FOR SALE

The Salem franchise and the Geo. E. Waters ball park can be purchased and there is no necessity of waiting until the end of the season to complete a deal. Just how much the Portland Beavers want for the property, we have not been advised. However we have a feeling that the owners would consider any reasonable offer. And we do not know Bill Mulligan's interpretation of the word "reasonable" in this instance. With July and August, two of the better months in baseball, coming up, it might be wise for prospective purchasers to start dickering right away. A tie up between the Salem school board and a group of downtown business men, a combination that was broached several months ago is still a possibility. When Willamette completes its Bush Pasture development, presumably in 1950, Salem high school will be without a grid-iron. While not an ideal setup for football, Waters park would be better than nothing if the purchase price was within reason.

Major Standings

(By the Associated Press)		AMERICAN LEAGUE	
W. L. Pct.	W. L. Pct.	W. L. Pct.	W. L. Pct.
New York 43 24 642	Boston 35 29 538	Philadelphia 39 29 574	Washington 30 35 462
Cleveland 35 29 547	Chicago 27 42 391	Detroit 27 31 544	St. Louis 29 46 393

NATIONAL LEAGUE

(By the Associated Press)		NATIONAL LEAGUE	
W. L. Pct.	W. L. Pct.	W. L. Pct.	W. L. Pct.
Brooklyn 41 25 621	New York 33 32 508	St. Louis 40 26 606	Cincinnati 27 37 422
Philadelphia 37 32 526	Pittsburgh 29 39 460	Boston 36 32 529	Chicago 25 42 373

Results Wednesday

Pittsburgh 7, Cincinnati 3.	New York 9, Boston 2.
Brooklyn 5, Philadelphia 1.	St. Louis 7, Chicago 4.

Pullig Pitches Perfect Seven

Sherman, Tex., June 30 (AP)—Big Tom Pullig, who has been up and down the baseball ladder but never quite to the top, knew the glory of a perfect game today.

He pitched it here last night as his Greenville Majors beat Sherman-Denison 3-0 in the class B Big State league. Not a batter reached first—only 21 faced Pullig in the seven-inning opening game of a double-header.

In There Pitchin'

Defending AAU decathlon champ Bob Mathias heaves the shot-put at the 1949 AAU decathlon meet in Tulare, Calif., for a winning toss of 45 feet 3 inches. (Acme Telephoto)

Mathias Snares Second Decathlon Championship

Tulare, Calif., June 30 (AP)—Handsome Young Bob Mathias, the world's greatest all around athlete, prepared for another journey to Europe today after bagging his second consecutive American decathlon championship.

The 18-year-old superman annexed the grueling 1949 championship early this morning at the conclusion of a two-day test against the nation's outstanding stars of track and field.

He scored an astounding 7,556 points, the third highest point total scored in U. S. decathlon history. The world record of 7,900 points was set by Glenn Morris in the 1936 Berlin Olympics.

Mathias' showing also was a great improvement over the 7,139 points he collected in winning the 1948 Olympics and the 7,224 he made in winning the 1948 U. S. crown.

As a result of victory, Mathias will head a three-man U. S. decathlon team to compete in Europe this summer along with 50 other American athletes. Accompanying him will be runner-up Irving (Moon) Mondschein of New York, who finished in second place with 7,004 points; and surprising Bill Albans of the University of North Carolina who was third with 6,715 points.

Giants Show How to Win With Durocher on Bench

New York, June 30 (AP)—A number of the Giant ball players just can't get adjusted to Manager Leo Durocher's driving methods and play better ball when he is away than when he is on hand directing the club.

That fact became painfully obvious to Durocher's supporters in the organization today when the pattern of the club's play indicated a general improvement now that he is under a five-day suspension.

Since Durocher began sweating it out on Sunday for a row with Umpire Lee Ballanfant, the Giants have won three in a row. Prior to this modest streak they dropped six out of seven games. The only one they did win was when they came from behind to top St. Louis after Durocher had been given another umpirical heave-ho.

The players themselves don't comment except off the record, but there has been a noticeable difference in their spirits both before and during the games since the suspension. They are more talkative and relaxed and seem to be enjoying themselves.

Yesterday, the Giants took their second straight from the Braves, 9 to 3, getting 13 hits as they beat Boston's ace, Vern Bickford.

Ralph Kiner picked a fine time to hit his 19th homer, smashing it with the bases loaded to give the Pirates a 7 to 3 victory over Cincinnati and putting him into a tie with Ted Williams of the Red Sox for the major league homer lead.

The Dodgers and the Cardinals, front runners in the National league race, both won night games. The Dodgers licked Philadelphia, 5 to 1, for Ralph Branca's 10th and the Cards downed the Cubs, 7 to 4, despite 12 hits for the Chicagoans.

Joe (the pro) DiMaggia, won his second straight game for the Yankees, hitting two homers in the late innings to drive in four runs in a 9 to 7 triumph over the Red Sox in Boston.

The Detroit Tigers beat the Cleveland Indians once and almost made it twice in a twin-night doubleheader. Lefty Hal Newhouser hurled the Tigers to a 4 to 0 triumph in the opener. The Detroiters led 7 to 2 going into the ninth of the second game, but then those Cleveland guns started booming. The re-

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