

### Minor League Mortality Reaches Serious Stage

New York, July 21 (AP)—Blame it on television, radio, bad weather or just plain pocketbook retrenchment. The fact is the mortality rate in minor league baseball is reaching serious proportions. Hard on the heels of the complete collapse Sunday of the class B Colonial League in Connecticut and New York come scattered reports telling of teams quitting or about to give up because of poor attendance. Some clubs have folded outright. Others have either been taken over by determined townspeople or by the leagues themselves.

The Middle Atlantic and East Texas leagues, both class C, lost members yesterday to join a list of flops that bring a new meaning to mid-summer slumps. Vandergrift, Pa., a member of the Middle Atlantic four years, gave up the ghost last

night. The team had a working agreement with the Philadelphia Phillies. The league will continue with seven teams. Vandergrift's franchise was vacated.

Paris and Bryan gave way in the East Texas league, but the loop will continue with six members.

El Centro, Calif., is leading the class C Sunset league, but 250 townspeople recently took over when the owner deplored lack of attendance. The group has an option to buy the franchise for \$25,000 at the end of the season.

### Scot Refutes Idaho Trout Record With 39 1/2 Pounder Story

Salem, Archaic, Argyllshire Scotland, July 21 (AP)—Fishermen in Lake Pend Oreille, Idaho, U.S.A., will have to keep trying for a world record trout.

The 36-pounder taken from Lake Pend Oreille in 1947 was three and one-half pounds short of a world record catch made near here 84 years ago, according to a loyal Scottish trout fisherman who cited the records to back up his claim.

"I have read," said J. L. Campbell, "of some incredible trout fishing in an American lake which produced in one season 200 trout of over 22 pounds weight. One of these trout, a 36-pounder, had apparently been accepted as the world record."

"I do not know if this statement has been accepted without comment, but I would like to refute this claim on behalf of Scotland," Campbell said.

"In 1866, Mr. A. C. Muir established a so-far unbroken world record for trout in Loch Awe, Argyllshire, with a fish weighing 39 1/2 pounds. This fish is officially recorded and is mentioned in Dr. Jenkins' Fishes of the British Isles, and in other publications.

"I am passing this information to America. . . It will spur them on to greater efforts, and I expect they will set up a world record—but they cannot afford to take it easy yet."

### Hot Globetrotter Team Booked for Waters Park Play

In Paul Hardy, the crack Harlem Globetrotters baseball team, which comes to George Waters field Monday night at 8:15, not only has one of the finest catchers in the business, but likewise the most successful managers. Last month he led his club to a clean sweep of a three team tournament at Brandon, Manitoba.

On the road for the fifth successive season, the Globetrotters will face the Brooklyn Cuban Giants Monday night. Going into the present campaign, the "Trotters" captured 367 games while losing only 103 in four seasons.

Last year they won 100 while dropping 19. The record is attributed to the leadership of the peppery Hardy, who, well liked by his players, has them hustling and bearing down to win every game. The manager formerly starred with the Birmingham Black Barons and the Chicago American Giants.

The showmanship motif of the Globetrotters' activities is carried out by Ed Hamman who entertains before and during the game from the sidelines and the stands.

### Gaston, Portland Teams Score Wins In Semi-Pro Meet

Silverton, July 21 (AP)—Hard-hitting Gaston and a Portland team scored victories as first-round play continued in the annual state semi-pro baseball tournament here last night.

The first round will wind up tonight with Reedsport meeting Roseburg and Central Point tangling with Banks, the defending champion.

Gaston downed Corvallis, 7-2, pounding out 18 hits. The winners got off to a flying start with six straight hits in the first inning, including an inside-the-park homer by Ray Webb with one man aboard.

Gaston, however, may have lost the services of pitcher Larry Susee. He was hit on the hand by a line drive, and had to retire.

The Portland team, Archer Blower and Pipe, gained a 2-0 victory over Eugene on the wildness of Eugene pitcher Mel Krause. Krause walked nine, and unfurled wild pitches to allow both runs to score. He gave up only two hits. Eugene could get only four off Portland pitcher Glenn Hittner.

Gaston . . . 401 100 1-7 18 1  
Corvallis . . . 002 008 0-2 4 2 1  
Rose and Victoria, Breen and Cline-man.  
Archer . . . 000 010 1-2 3 3 2  
Eugene . . . 000 000 0-0 4 1 1  
Hittner and Brett; Krause and Smith.

### Falls From Cars Kill 1, Injure 1

Dallas—In two almost identical accidents last night, two young girls tumbled from cars, killing one and injuring the other.

Fatally injured was Carol Chase, 4, who fell from the car her mother, Mrs. Woodrow Chase, was driving toward Sheridan in the North Dallas district. Her baby sister also fell out when the door came open, but she landed upon Carol and was uninjured. Carol died in Dallas hospital about a half hour after the accident.

Approximately an hour earlier, Barbara Ann Schwartz, 3 1/2, fell from her father's car when the door flew open and a milk bottle began to roll out. Barbara grabbed for the bottle and tumbled out the door. She was treated at Bartell hospital for multiple facial and head cuts and bruises and released.

### Dry Tanks Fail to Halt Airlie Blaze

Dallas—Fire destroyed the home of Sam Doughty in the Airlie district last night despite the efforts of three districts' fire crews.

The blaze was reported shortly before 6 p.m. and the Monmouth and Falls City rural fire protection tank trucks rushed to the scene. Firemen had almost extinguished the flames when the water supply became exhausted and the home continued to burn.

Dallas fire department units, called later, did not arrive in time to take up the fight and the home burned to the ground by 6:30.

Starting from an undetermined source, the fire did not move fast enough in early stages to hinder salvage work and friends and neighbors managed to save almost all furniture and belongings in the house.

### Junior Senators, East Salem Lions Score 'C' Winners

The Junior Senators did a bit better than their elders Thursday night as they copped a 12 to 5 win over Master Bread in "C" division, Salem Junior baseball league play. East Salem Lions nudged Berg's Market, 11 to 9.

Hitting for the Senators were Foreman and Mapes, each with three blows. Kitchen hit a homer and a single for Master Bread.

Senators . . . 471 0-12 9 3  
Master Bread . . . 309 2-5 4 2  
Foreman and Mapes; Kitchen, Sweetland (3) and Morley, Thieser (3).  
Berg's Market 122 011 11-9 2 3  
E. S. Lions . . . 022 321 001-11 6 7  
Moore and Edwards; Stobbs and Clifton.

### Chandler Says It Won't Always Be 'No' on PCL Hope

Portland, Ore., July 21 (AP)—A. B. "Happy" Chandler, commissioner of baseball, indicated last night he won't keep saying "no" forever to pleas of Coast league president Clarence Rowland that the PCL be given major league status.

"It (major league status) may take some time. . . but it will come," Chandler said. "And when it does, I'd like to be the fellow to organize the third big league."



Tornado Damage—A resident of Lima, Ohio, sifts through the wreckage of his home (left) after a tornado tore through an area 20 blocks long and four blocks wide in the city of 50,000 population. One person disappeared during the touch-and-go tornado, 38 were injured and damage was estimated at \$50,000. (Acme Telephoto)

### No Serious Scarcities but Big Danger of Scare Buying

New York, July 21 (AP)—There's little danger of serious scarcities growing out of the Korean situation but a lot of danger from hoarding and scare buying, industry and business leaders warned today.

The warnings against needless overstocking went not only to shoppers but also to retailers, wholesalers and business in general.

Ross R. Ormsby, vice president of the Rubber Manufacturers association, declared that "latest production and inventory figures clearly indicate that there is an adequate supply of tires and tubes for the public."

J. Gordon Daekins, General manager of the National Retail Dry Goods association, appealed for shoppers to join with retailers in keeping prices down by "refraining from purchases beyond your ordinary needs."

William H. Burns, president of the National Sugar Brokers association, declared flatly "there is no shortage of sugar."

He said your grocer "might be temporarily out of stock because of the excessive buying by his customers and also because of the unusual demands for sugar upon the sugar refiners is causing delays in deliveries to grocers"—but that supplies are adequate.

Station WNEW in New York made recordings of the appeals by Daekins, Ormsby and Burns to be broadcast, like spot commercial announcements, between programs.

### Problem Rocket To Get New Test

Banana River, Fla., July 21 (AP)—Air Force experts said today they would attempt again next week to launch a reluctant rocket which never got off the ground in nine trying hours Wednesday.

Just about everything that could go wrong with the first experiment in low-angle firing of a guided missile did.

When they finally got around to pulling the firing switch on the giant device—a weapon that in some future day may wipe out an entire city—it produced only a popping noise, hardly worthy of a champagne cork.

The main fuel valve was stuck. Military and civilian scientists working at the air force long range proving ground will remove the delicate instruments and, if they weren't too badly damaged by the misfire, reassemble them for another test Monday. Just in case, another rocket was being readied for firing July 26.

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Aly Khan Falls Off His Motor Scooter  
Capri, Italy, July 21 (AP)—Prince Aly Khan fell off his motor scooter last night. The husband of Rita Hayworth was returning to his villa on his little motor-driven scooter when it skidded. He tumbled against a low wall. His right shoulder and arm were bruised. The prince broke his leg while skiing in Switzerland last winter. The first drum cylinder press was installed in the offices of the London News in 1813.

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