

# Injuries Plague Cleveland On Eve of Yankee Series

By CARL LUNDQUIST  
New York (AP) — Al Lopez came to town today "moaning the blues" as if he was opening an engagement as a night club singer instead of managing the Cleveland Indians.

He's got more trouble than he likes to think about at the moment as the Indians begin their first eastern road trip with a two-game series against the first place Yankees tonight.

Both Al Rosen and Ray Boone, who have been the club's chief long-ball hitters to date, are ailing and could miss tonight's game. And trying to play without a long-ball hitter in Yankee stadium is like playing mumble-peg without a knife.

Power Failure  
Boone has a badly inflamed knee and he is afraid it is a recurrence of trouble he had last year when he twisted it and was out of action in the stretch run. Rosen has a stiff neck and a bad cold and feel miserable.

Both Boone and Rosen missed last night's game in which the Chicago White Sox gained a seven-hit, 2-1 victory behind Lefty Billy Pierce. Pierce thus became the first American League pitcher to win five

## Major Leagues

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	15	7-522	
Cleveland	13	7-580	1 1/2
Chicago	13	7-580	1 1/2
Boston	11	10-324	3 1/2
Washington	11	13-468	5
St. Louis	10	13-468	5
Philadelphia	10	13-455	5 1/2
Detroit	8	18-340	10 1/2
Last Night's Results			
Chicago 2, Cleveland 1.	Only game scheduled.		

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
W	L	Pct.	GB
Brooklyn	14	7-507	
Philadelphia	13	7-560	1/2
Milwaukee	11	7-511	1 1/2
St. Louis	10	8-556	2 1/2
New York	10	13-468	3 1/2
Pittsburgh	9	13-468	3 1/2
Chicago	8	13-323	6 1/2
Cincinnati	8	13-348	7
Today's Results			
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games this year. He has lost one game.

The defeat by Chicago not only knocked Cleveland out of first place but confirmed suspicions by some of the Yankees, including Manager Casey Stengel, that the White Sox and the Indians may be their most persistent challengers in their bid for a fifth straight flag.

The evidence in favor of the White Sox is strong, too, in view of events to date. The White Sox beat the Yankees twice in the only two games

they have played, and they now have two victories out of three over Cleveland.

The White Sox beat Bob Lemon to avenge an opening day defeat in which he held them to one hit. It was his third defeat against three wins. Al Carrasquel drove in Minnie Minoso with a double in the eighth for the winning run.

## Eugene, Yoncolla Lead District 4 Track Festival

Eugene (AP) — Eugene and Yoncolla won the district 4, class A and B track championships here yesterday and qualified for the greatest number of berths in next week-end's state meet at Corvallis.

Eugene amassed 87 1/2 points to edge its nearest competitor, Marshfield, with 62 1/2. The Yoncolla squad piled up 124 3/5 points to outdistance second-place Lowell with 103 3/5.

The Eugene Axemen qualified 6 men and its relay team for the state meet while Yoncolla placed 10 and a relay team.

# Kid Matthews, Beshore Clash in Portland Ring

Portland (AP) — Harry (Kid) Matthews, trying for a ring comeback and losses to Rocky Marciano and illness, faces "Fearless" Freddie Beshore here tonight in a 10-round bout at the Civic auditorium.

The Seattle slugger is fit and ready, according to his manager, Jack Hurley. Matthews, after losing to Marciano last year, had to cancel a bout in London because of a back injury and the present fight was postponed a month because of a tonsil operation.

In Matthews' last Portland appearance, he defeated Rex Layne. That is in May of last year. Beshore last appeared here January 27, winning a decision over Abel Fernandez. The fighters faced each other in Milwaukee two years ago when Matthews won a seven-round TKO.

A Beshore, itching for an upset, will weigh in at about 195. Matthews is 180.

## Charles Faces Gilliam Tonight

Toledo, O. (AP) — Former heavyweight champion Ezzard Charles regarded tonight's fight with young Billy Gilliam here as his last stepping stone toward another crack at the title.

Co-managers Tom Tannas and Jake Mintz said Charles is determined to regain the title he once held. "When he gets by Gilliam, we'll demand a shot at the Marican-Walcott winner," he echoed.

Luke Appling holds the all-time team record for the best batting average on the Chicago White Sox. He hit .388 in 1936.

# Widmar, Evans Top Coast Loop in Pitching

San Francisco (AP) — Seattle Pitchers Al Widmar and Bill Evans topped Pacific Coast League hurlers in games through Sunday, official league statistics showed Tuesday.

Widmar had eight wins against two losses and Evans had retired 46 batters to lead in strikeouts.

Averages for games through May 10 include:

G BRZO W L			
Padgett, LA	6	19	10
Shandor, SS	10	11	10
Lovrich, Seattle	14	12	11
Bradford, SS	10	11	10
Besse, Sacramento	7	10	13
Sennin, SD	2	3	9
Wojlan, LA	8	11	12
W. Evans, Seattle	11	24	45
O'Donnell, Hollywood	11	22	12
Widmar, Seattle	11	20	19
Nazy, Seattle	8	21	24
Heard, Portland	8	20	23
Seaford, Portland	8	15	24
Land, Portland	8	15	23
Kindsfater, Seattle	11	23	19
Link, Portland	11	8	22
J. Davis, Seattle	8	17	18
Doi Duce, Seattle	18	17	24
Ward, Portland	16	20	23
Elliot, Portland	8	15	13
Adams, Portland	7	20	13

## Hard Tops Next At Holly Bowl

The hard tops, which have zoomed to popularity across the country since they started competing in auto races a few years ago, make their 1953 debut in Salem at Hollywood Bowl Saturday night.

Hard tops are sedans and coupes with re-enforced bodies and racing motors. They race in slam bang style, with much looser rules than are in effect in other types of racing.

A six-car destruction derby will also be included in the program.

The local auto racing season got underway at Hollywood Bowl last Saturday, with Royce Hagerty winning the stock car main event.

# FAN FARE



## SCORES in the ALLEYS

### Capitol Alleys

COMMERCIAL NO. 1  
Salem Title Company (4)—Owen 400, McMullen 530, Hill 497, Delaney 514, Oquirrin 502; Knights of Columbus (4)—Douglas 428, Bester 378, Link 438, Prange 439, B. Biesler 448.  
Starz Feeds (8)—Sheldon 408, Lenston 523, Walls 551, Duffus 517, Landhoff 462, Orr's Used Cars (1)—McClary 462, Azers 463, Lama 451, Wilkerson 515, W. Cline, Jr. 592.  
Guides of Silverton (2)—Harr 487, Frank 536, Howell 434, Kerr 645, Benton 488; Wickland's Sporting Goods (1)—Hendrie 481, Morris 489, Harris 443, Ryan 489, Lawless 443.  
Rawlston's Capital City Laundry (4)—Wilson 519, Ringland 446, Springs 521, Wallshier 523, Mettler 589; Marion Creamery (2)—Allen 428, Pekar 512, Kenyon 522, King 546, Davernport 467, Richardson's Insurance (1)—Cady 512, Adams 490, Bertram 480, Ecker 407, Bolton 482; Woodley's Furniture Co. (3)—Perry 508, Woodry 518, Foreman 599, Adolph 524, Olinger 492.  
High team game, Starz Feeds, 598; high team series, Rawlston's Capital City Laundry, 594; high ind. game, Wickland's Sporting Goods, 443; high ind. series, Wal Cline, Jr. of Oquirrin Used Cars, and Bob Landhoff of Starz Feeds, 582.

### Duck Pins

LADIES LEAGUE  
ROUND 36  
Master Bread (8)—Hansen 381, Eye 340, McQuire 381, Olinger 322, Thallide 296; Williams Bank (1)—Eye 376, Vibbert 294, Cook 293, Miller 296, Polinski 494.  
Woodruff's San Shop (8)—Wagner 273, Richardson 301, King 332, Rietzer 201, Fort 308, Kandle Oil (3)—Eye 297, Wood 451, Schart 344, Weber 327, Eye 297.  
High team series and game, Woodruff's San Shop, 1764 and 617; high ind. series, Mary Polinski, 404; high ind. game, Gladys Wood, 162.

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### LADIES MINOR LEAGUE

Round 36  
Salem Title Company (1)—Kontz 346, Hoxie 332, Sattler 303, Arthur 351; Starz's Sporting Goods (8)—D. Valdes 238, Wendt 372, W. Valdes 382, Gannon 421, Williams Bank (3)—Cook 358, Miller 370, Polinski 418, Vibbert 282, Eye 278; Woodruff's San Shop (8)—Wagner 273, Richardson 301, King 332, Rietzer 201, Fort 308, Kandle Oil (3)—Eye 297, Wood 451, Schart 344, Weber 327, Eye 297.  
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# Salem Doubles Team in State Tennis Semi-Finals

Corvallis (AP) — Oregon's annual high school tennis championships went into semifinal and final rounds here Tuesday with the defending champion Grant High School of Portland boys' team hard pressed. The McMinnville girls' team was favored to retain its title.

In the boys' singles, top seeded Norm Merrill of Grant faced Bob Jensen, Corvallis, in one semifinal match. In the other, Ronnie Groves, Roseburg, faced Clayton Carlson, Corvallis.

In the boys' doubles, Salem's Dick Wilson and Mal Williamson met Jack Jacobson and Jim Lehl, Marshfield, and Central Catholic's Jack Alstock and Don Welch, met Dick Lanig and John Regier, Dallas.

Tuesday's girls' semifinals: Singles—Diane Peterson, McMinnville, vs. Marilyn Simonson, Jefferson of Portland; Jackie Lou Ford, McMinnville, vs. Peggy Buckley, Grant.

Doubles — Jackie Hubbard and Alice Bishop, McMinnville, vs. Barbara and Carol Olson, Jefferson; Elizabeth Carter and Susan Walcott, Grant, vs. Donna Lee and Nellie Novak, The Dalles.

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