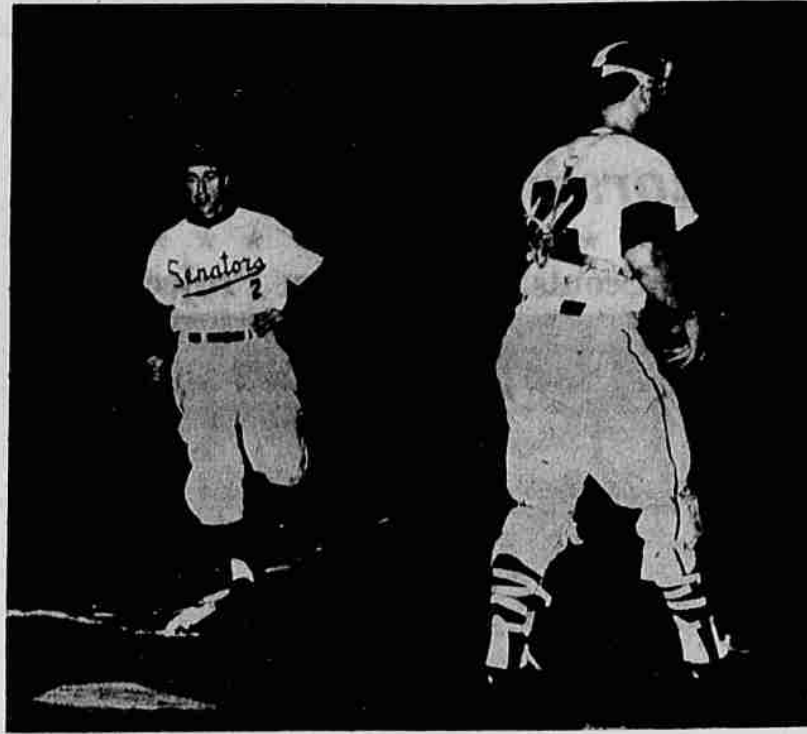


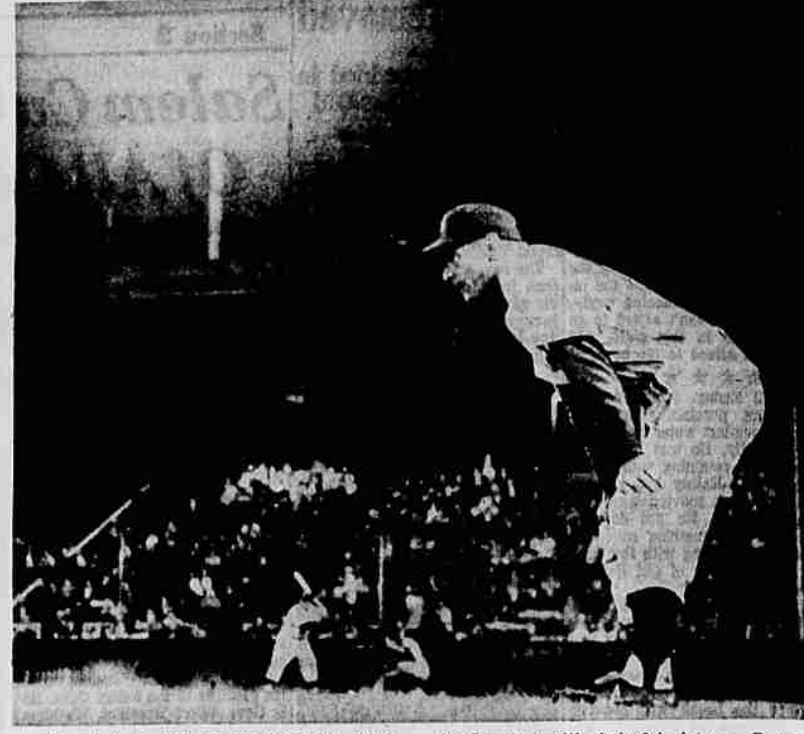
Solons Make All Their Fans Happy With Triumph in Opening Contest



"Mr. Baseball," 89-year-old Andy Hansen, had a part in Thursday night's pregame ceremonies at Salem's 1957 Northwest League baseball opener. In addition to receiving a lifetime pass for being the Senators' oldest fan, he was also presented with a cake—it was his birthday—by the club Business Manager Carl Gunnarson (left).



This was the start of Salem's 6-4 victory over Yakima in the 1957 opener, as center-fielder Jack Dunn trots home with the first Senator run in the opening inning. He had reached base on a walk and later came home on Bob Doretto's ground out. Watching helplessly as Salem chalks up its 1-0 lead is Yakima Catcher Dick Zucato.



Keeping a watchful eye from his third base coaching box at Thursday night's opener was Salem Manager Bill Brenner. He had a good night directing traffic, by waving home the six runs which provided the Senators with their 6-4 victory. Brenner will get into the action, tonight when he pitches against Yakima. (Capital Journal Photos)

Senators Go After Victory Number Two Tonight at 8

Bear Nine Falls In Opener by 6-4

By DON FAIR
Capital Journal Sports Editor

About the only thing uncooperative about Salem's opening Northwest League game, Thursday night, were the fans, for the Senators had only 1,546 of them on hand as they stopped defending champion Yakima 6-4 in the 1957 inaugural.

Weatherwise, it was the warmest night of the week, but the customers still didn't turn out as anticipated. Those who weren't on hand missed a fine game, especially for this early in the campaign.

Vern "Pappy" Kindsfater, pitching out of the Don Larsen "no windup style," went the distance for the victory. Tonight, the same two clubs resume their four-game series with the 8 o'clock pitching choices being Manager Bill Brenner for Salem and Bob McGee for Yakima.

Brenner Gives Praise

Following the victory, Brenner was quick to heap praise on anybody but himself. "Don't congratulate me," he said. "I didn't do any great thing out there... the kids did it all themselves." Yakima had the edge in just about everything but runs in the two hour contest. But the latter is what pays off.

Real Help!

He left in the first frame, didn't let Salem hit the ball out of the infield, but gave up four runs, Yakima never got over that opening burst.

Jack Dunn led off Salem's belting initial inning with a walk, and Clark then plunked Ray Steele on the hip. Bob Campbell followed with a hot grounder down the third base chalk line which Don McGinnis made a stop on but there was no play to be made.

YMCA Slates Golfing Clinic

The YMCA will start its second annual golf clinic on Thursday, May 9. The initial meeting will be held at 8 p.m. in the Y gymnasium.

Mrs. Simmons Elected

WOODBURN (Special) — Mrs. Max Simmons has been elected president of the Woodburn Women's Bowling Assn. Other new officers for the year are Mrs. Walter Knopp, vice president; Dorothy Andreas, secretary-treasurer; and Marjorie Annen, sergeant-at-arms.

New Delivery Of Kindfather Interests Fans

Salem's winning pitcher in its 1957 opener, Vern Kindsfater, surprised veteran baseball fans when he came up with a new style delivery Thursday night.

Proving its never too late to teach an old dog new tricks, "Pappy" is now throwing minus any windup. This is the style that New York Yankee pitcher Don Larsen popularized in last year's World Series. That's the way the careerfree Yankee hurler fashioned his once-in-a-lifetime perfect game.

Kindfather said he made the switch because he "thinks it makes me a little faster out there." In the eighth and ninth innings, when he fanned six hitters in a row, Yakima players would probably agree.

Bears Have Rooters

The Bears, incidentally, had some rooters among the disappointing turnout of 1,546. These included club President Roy Neilan and his wife, plus Manager Hub Kittie's wife, Cleo. They drove down from the apple country early Thursday.

Some to Travel

Some will travel many miles in quest of their fish. Others have their sights set on favorite "holes" in their own backyards, so to speak.

Detroit Popular

Detroit seems to be an especially popular choice. One angler said the Santiam will "probably be fished to death" on the first day.

They'll Try Anything

Flies and flatfish will also find wide use. And, it is a good bet that those who fail to get a bite or two by noon Saturday, will be trying every other combination they can find in their tackle boxes in an effort to outwit their aquatic opponents.

Dunn Takes 'First's'

Salem center-fielder Jack Dunn picked up the most "firsts" in the prize department. He picked up a variety of gear for getting the first walk, run and sacrifice. Bob Campbell made a huge haul for the first hit and first single. Knorr joined the award list with the initial triple. Harvey Koepf had the first RBI, and Kindsfater got an award for being the winning pitcher.

SEASON OPENS SATURDAY

Anglers 'Poised and Ready'

By BOB ROBINSON
Capital Journal Sports Writer

The five o'clock afternoon traffic is pretty bad in Salem. Saturday it will be pretty "rough" at five in the morning.

What is the reason for this oddity? That's easy. It's time to go fishing.

The official opening of trout season is Saturday morning and anglers, who have been eagerly awaiting the starting gun, are poised and ready.

All Loaded and Ready to Go

A check around Salem this morning revealed that fishermen from the city will be heading for various lakes and streams within a wide radius from their homes.

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Bob Robinson Added To Sports Staff of CJ

Bob Robinson, 23, has been added to the Capital Journal sports staff, where he will handle high school and outdoor sports.

Robinson, who was graduated from the University of Oregon school of Journalism in 1956, has been working on the C-J since January, when he moved onto the city desk. Prior to that, he had worked part-time in sports at the Eugene Register-Guard, during his senior year, and then was a reporter until August, 1956, when illness forced him to quit that position.

At the University, Robinson was a member of Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalism honorary fraternity. He was educated in Independence, Ore. schools.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Robinson who live at 1630 S. Winter St., and his younger brother Jim is currently attending South Salem High School. He and his wife Donna live at 3250 Belle Vista Ct.

The addition of Robinson, as assistant sports editor, is the second change in the department made within the past week.

Car Mishap Kills Skiing Champion

COLBYVILLE, Vt. — Billy Woods, 18-year-old junior and senior national skiing champion in 1956, was killed early Friday when his car hurtled off the Stowe-Waterbury highway. State police said Woods was alone in the car, apparently on his way back to his home in Waterbury from Stowe.

Chiefs and Braves Record N W Wins

The Northwest League shook off its winter mantle Thursday night and presented Salem, Wenatchee and Tri-City as the first winners of the 1957 season.

Despite cloudy and cool weather, a total of 4,516 fans turned out to watch the three opening games. The Wenatchee-Eugene contest at Wenatchee, played as an icy wind whistled through the stands, drew only 708 persons.

Bearcat Nine Departs on 4 Game Junket

Coach Johnny Lewis and his 16-man Willamette University baseball team departed early Friday morning for Caldwell, Ida., and a date with College of Idaho in the Bearcats' pursuit of the Northwest Conference title.

Santiam Falls To Sublimity

Sublimity (Special)—Sublimity, behind Clatsop, Heuberger's third consecutive one-hit mound performance, took over the Marion B League leadership here, Thursday, with an 8-0 triumph over Santiam.

Cards Record Cinder Win

Two records were broken and a Jayvee mark equaled as the Parrish Cards defeated the Leslie Blues 32-20 in a junior high relay meet Thursday at Leslie.

It's Spring!

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Northwest League

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Salem	1	0	1.000	—
Wenatchee	1	0	1.000	—
Tri-City	1	0	1.000	—
Yakima	0	1	.000	—
Lewiston	0	1	.000	—
Eugene	0	1	.000	—

Marion B League

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Sublimity	4	0	1.000	—
Santiam	3	1	.750	1
Jefferson	2	1	.667	2
Seaside	2	1	.667	2
Madras	2	2	.500	3
Clatsop	2	2	.500	3
Chemawa	1	2	.333	4
Forest Grove	0	3	.000	5
Falls City	0	3	.000	5

WU Girls Tennis Team Wins Test

The Willamette University girls' tennis team opened its season, Thursday, by topping Linfield 7-1 in the match. The Bearcat netters won all but one singles match.

Scores

Prep Baseball: Grant 5, Washington 6; Jefferson 6, Wilson 1; Lincoln 4, Benson 1; Cleveland 4, Roosevelt 2; Banks 3, Sherwood 1; Forest Grove 2, Oregon City 1; Astoria 9, Beaverton 4; Yamhill 6, Amity 6; Wy-Taki 4, Rainier 3.

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