

# Angels Soar to Coast League Pinnacle After Whipping Sacs, 3-2

## DOUBLE BY ADAMS IN NINTH SCORES WINNING MARKER

Beavers Trim Oaks Again, 2 to 1 in 11 Innings—  
Speece Pitches Route.

By the Associated Press  
Southern California baseball fans are bursting with pride today as they contemplate the Los Angeles Angels, new leaders of the Pacific Coast league.

The Angels have been pointing at the top spot for several weeks and last night they made good with a combination of timely hitting, flawless fielding and steady pitching which gave them a 3 to 2 win over Sacramento, longtime pacesetters.

Jess Flores held the Solons to five hits in a pitching joust with Tony Freitas, who yielded nine. Angel batters helped Flores to the win by pulling out three safeties in the ninth frame to score the tying and winning runs.

Each team scored in the second inning and the one-all tie lasted until the ninth when Deb Gerns singled to be scored for a Solon tally when Buster Adams blasted out a double to the left field wall.

Meanwhile, the Seattle Rainiers moved close to the fourth place San Francisco Seals in a bid for return to the upper division and the Portland Beavers came within striking distance of leaving their long-held berth in the league cellar.

The Rainiers pushed Hollywood a little closer to the bottom position when they blanked the Stars, 4 to 0.

**Barton Homers**  
The Oaks lost to Portland 2 to 1 last night in a hectic eleven-inning contest that was to have been a seven-inning game starting a doubleheader.

Larry Barton, Beaver first-sacker homered to break the tie. The lone Oak tally was scored on a fourth-innings circuit-clout by Shortstop Bill Riney.

The second game got under way with little prospect of its being finished before the league curfew rule would go into effect and the game was finally called after the third inning when part of the Beaver field gave way under the thundering spikes of Rupert Thompson.

Emil Malho, Oak outfielder went into what appeared to be an abandoned well or trench and groundskeepers were called out to attempt to fill in the hole in the outfield.

Last night's win gave the Angels a half-game lead which they will have to fight to hold for tonight the Coast League teams switch opponents for the second half of a split-week schedule and Los Angeles draws the always-dangerous San Diego Padres.

Sacramento is expected to have an easier time of it against the San Francisco Seals, whom the Padres felled 7 to 1 last night.

**Short score:**  
Oakland ..... 1 8 0  
Portland ..... 2 10 0  
Barton and Glenn: Speece and Mayer, Leovich (10).

## SOCKEYE, PRINCE RESUME MAT FEUD

The bitter wrestling feud between Sockeye Jack McDonald and Prince Selak Mihalikis will be renewed in the Medford armory next Monday night when the pair, each with one victory over the other, clash for the third time with the winner facing the French "Angel" the following Monday night. McDonald and the Prince will face off in the one-hour main event.

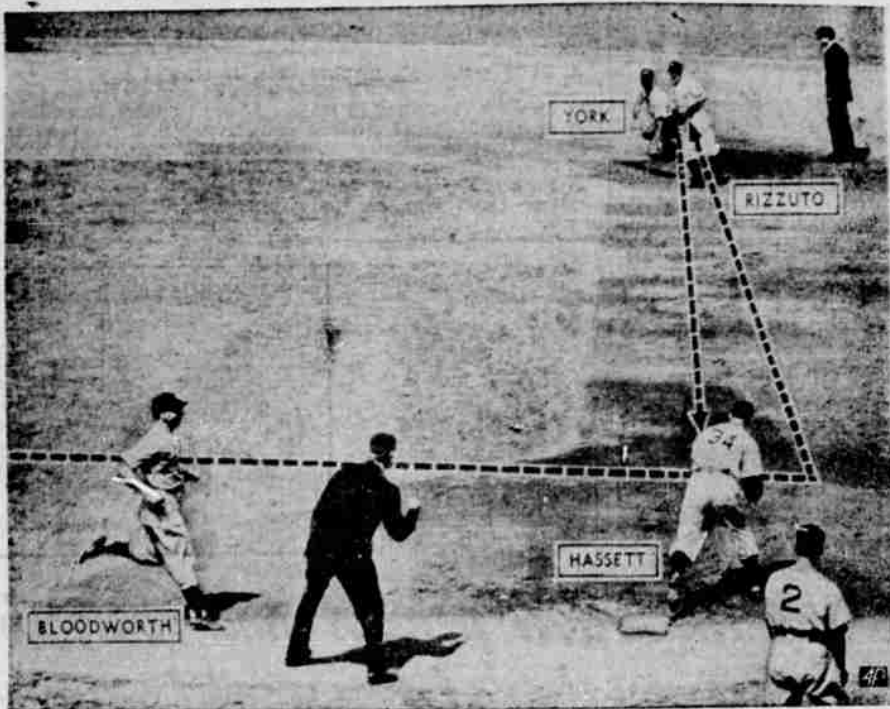
Pedro Brazil and Pete Belcastro will tangle in the center attraction and Jim Casey will take on Soldier Joe Buccola in the four-round opener. Promoter Mack Lillard announced today.

## Fights Last Night

(By the Associated Press)  
Elizabeth, N. J. — Wallace Cross, 209, East Orange, stopped Danny Cox, 185, New York, (4).  
Brooklyn — Jerry Fiorello, 149, Brooklyn, outpointed Francesco Montanair, 149, Brooklyn, (8).

Small amounts of crude oil are separated from the brine of salt wells in the Red Basin of China's Szechwan province, between Chungking and Chengtu.

## Yanks Complete 112th Double Play



Hassett to Rizzuto to Hassett was the official description of this play in the second inning of a game with Detroit in New York. It was the Yankees' 112th double play of the season. Rudy York of the Tigers was on first when Jimmy Bloodworth bounced to Hassett behind first base. Hassett tossed to Phil Rizzuto who covered second for the first out and then went back to the bag to double up Bloodworth. Umpire George Pipgras calls the play at first while Umpire Art Passarella is at second.

## Craig Wood's Ryder Cuppers Favored in Red Cross Play

By Watson Spoolstra  
Detroit, July 17.—(AP)—The revised American Ryder cup golf squad, drawing four players from Bobby Jones' successful challengers of 1941, ranked today as a surprisingly short favorite to whip Walter Hagen's challenge squad in the two-day Red Cross match starting tomorrow over the difficult Oakland Hills course, scene of two national opens.

Headed by Captain Craig Wood and reinforced by Ben Hogan, Jimmy Demaret and Gene Sarazen, the Cuppers would seem to be long choices in the rubber match of the war-orphaned series, but Hagen's reputation as a shrewd lineup manipulator probably contributed largely to the popular assumption that the challengers have a bonafide chance to win.

Hagen, who captained the American forces to four victories in six matches against Great Britain, will come to grips late today with Wood as sealed lineup selections are exchanged for tomorrow's five four-ball foursome matches. Tomorrow night they will disclose their lineups for 10 singles matches Sunday.

Wood presumably will stick to the only holdover pair from the 1941 cup squad—Byron Nelson and Nug McSpaden—and probably will keep the torrid Texans, Hogan and Demaret, intact from the last two challenge squads. Other Cuppers are Corp. Vic Ghezzi, Lloyd Mandrum, Horton Smith, Sarazen and Ed Dudley.

Hagen has indicated he will pair Henry Picard and Sam Byrd, Harry Cooper and Lawson Little, Clayton Heafner and Ralph Guldahl, and Jimmy Thomson and Sergt. Jim Turner. Others available are Dick Metz, Al Watrous, Melvin (Chick) Harbert and Hagen himself who may share a 36-hole assignment with Watrous.

## DiMaggio Stopper to Face Yankees Again

New York, July 17.—(AP)—Lefty Al Smith of the Cleveland Indians was slated to pitch against the New York Yankees today and his appearance should bring back sad memories to one Yankee—Joe DiMaggio. It was just a year ago tonight that Smith stopped DiMaggio's 36-game batting streak, with a little help from Jim Bagby in the late innings. Today DiMaggio will risk a new streak that has reached 13 games.

## Scores Yesterday

(By the Associated Press)  
**Pacific Coast League**  
Oakland 1, Portland 2 (11 innings)  
Sacramento 2, Los Angeles 3  
Hollywood 0, Seattle 4  
San Diego 7, San Francisco 1  
**National**  
Philadelphia 4, St. Louis 3 (10 innings)  
Boston 6, Cincinnati 7  
Brooklyn 0-2, Chicago 7-1  
New York 3, Pittsburgh 1  
**American**  
Cleveland 5, New York 8  
Chicago 3, Boston 2  
St. Louis 5, Philadelphia 1  
Detroit 5, Washington 6 (10 innings)  
**Western International**  
Spokane 0-1, Tacoma 1-2 (1st game 12 innings, 2nd 6)

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## CRATERS TRAVEL TO DORRIS FOR 2 TILTS THIS WEEK

Battling to retain their slender one-game bulge over the Klamath Falls Pelicans in the red-hot Oregon-California league penner race, Manager Dutch Lieber's Craters take to the road this week-end for a two-game series against the Dorris (Cal.) Lumberjacks. Saturday twilight game will start at 7 p. m., while the Craters are invading the home grounds of the third-place Lumberjacks, Klamath Falls will be facing the cellar-dwelling Grants Pass Merchants in a Sunday doubleheader at Grants Pass.

Pvt. Joe Dickinson will fling the Saturday tilt for the Craters, with Manager Lieber, rapidly recovering from a siege of arm trouble, working the Sunday game. Norm Worthley will catch both contests.

Saturday's Crater lineup will find Lieber on first, Gitzen on second, Swaryck on short, Fawcett on third, Waite in left, Wray in center and Madden in right. Sunday, the Craters will have Waite on first, Madden in left, Hoffard in right and the others in their regular positions.

With Klamath Falls heavily favored to take both ends of their twin bill with Grants Pass, which has won only two out of 14 games, the Craters will have to sweep their doubleheader from Dorris in order to stay in first place.

**SILVERTON, ELECTRIC RESCHEDULE CONTEST**  
Silverton, July 17.—(AP)—Oregon's semi-pro baseball tournament, thrice postponed, is re-scheduled for tonight with Marine Electric, Portland, and Silverton meeting in the semi-final contest.

The winner will play the Portland Boilermakers for the title.

## HOW THEY STAND

(By the Associated Press)

| Pacific Coast | W. | L. | Pct. |
|---------------|----|----|------|
| Los Angeles   | 63 | 39 | .618 |
| Sacramento    | 63 | 40 | .612 |
| San Diego     | 56 | 50 | .528 |
| San Francisco | 50 | 49 | .505 |
| Seattle       | 51 | 51 | .500 |
| Oakland       | 44 | 59 | .427 |
| Hollywood     | 44 | 63 | .411 |
| Portland      | 40 | 60 | .400 |

| American     | W. | L. | Pct. |
|--------------|----|----|------|
| New York     | 57 | 28 | .671 |
| Boston       | 49 | 35 | .583 |
| Cleveland    | 49 | 39 | .557 |
| Detroit      | 45 | 45 | .500 |
| St. Louis    | 43 | 43 | .500 |
| Chicago      | 36 | 47 | .434 |
| Philadelphia | 36 | 56 | .391 |
| Washington   | 32 | 54 | .373 |

| National     | W. | L. | Pct. |
|--------------|----|----|------|
| Brooklyn     | 58 | 24 | .707 |
| St. Louis    | 50 | 31 | .617 |
| Cincinnati   | 46 | 39 | .541 |
| New York     | 43 | 42 | .506 |
| Chicago      | 42 | 46 | .477 |
| Pittsburgh   | 38 | 42 | .475 |
| Boston       | 37 | 53 | .411 |
| Philadelphia | 23 | 60 | .277 |

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## LAABS DRIVES IN FOUR TALLIES AS BROWNS WHIP A'S

St. Louis Moves Into Fourth Place Tie as Slugger Belts Two Home Runs.

By Judson Bailey  
Associated Press Sports Writer  
The biggest batting spree of the season is now being staged by little Chet Laabs of the St. Louis Browns and, brother, when he hits people forget all about the complaint that the ball is dead this year.

In the last six days he has hit four home runs and driven in 16 tallies with amazing raids at New York, Boston and Philadelphia. His total production all last year for the Browns was 15 homers and 59 runs batted in, but with his recent surge he already has brought his mark for this season to 15 circuit clouts and 58 runs driven in.

Yesterday he drove in four runs to beat the Athletics again, hitting two homers, each with a mate aboard, to help Al Hollingsworth win 5-1. Laabs' impetus has boosted the Browns to an even .500 percentage and a tie with the Detroit Tigers for fourth place.

Detroit stumbled to its fifth straight defeat and eighth in nine games last night at Washington. The Tigers made six errors and lost 6-5 in ten innings. In the meantime the New York Yankees boosted their first place margin to 7½ games by belting the Cleveland Indians 8-5 while the Chicago White Sox nosed out Boston 3-2.

At Chicago the wrought-iron Chicago Cubs and Brooklyn Dodgers divided a doubleheader in approximately five hours of paying strict attention to baseball. The Cubs made 14 hits and took the first contest 7-0 with Lon Warneke helping Lefty John Schmitz in the ninth.

Then Brooklyn battled back in the nightcap to win 2-1 when Vaughn pinch singled. Pete Reiser doubled and Joe Medwick singled to account for two runs in the seventh.

Mel Ott shook up his New York Giants at Pittsburgh, sending reserve first baseman Babe Young to centerfield for the first time in his life, and old Carl Hubbell conjured up a four-hit pitching masterpiece that stopped the Pirates 3-1.

## Action to Control Labor Pirating Is Talked by McNutt

Washington, July 17.—(AP)—Manpower Commissioner Paul V. McNutt, building methods to halt the pirating of skilled labor from war plants, said today government contacts or materials might be withheld from manufacturers who violate the job-freezing policy.

Admitting that the stoppage of materials might hamper war production and would be difficult, therefore, to apply, McNutt indicated in response to questions at a press conference that legislation might be necessary ultimately to guarantee an adequate labor supply for essential industries.

He also forecast some action "in the near future" on the question of wage controls, and said that such controls "would implement our efforts" to keep skilled workers at their vital machines.

## Cholly Knickerbocker Dies of Heart Ailment

New York, July 17.—(AP)—Maurice H. B. Paul, 52, who as "Cholly Knickerbocker" recorded for years the activities of New York's first families as society editor for the New York Journal-American, died early today after a 10-week illness caused by a heart ailment. Paul was a native of Philadelphia. After attending Episcopal academy there and the University of Pennsylvania, he began newspaper work as a reporter on the Philadelphia Times in 1914.

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AQUATIC PAGEANTRY—Elyse Knox (center) appears with some of representatives from 48 states holding ribbons in a ceremony opening a new swimming pool in Los Angeles, Calif.

## LISTENER'S HOUR FOR SERVICE FOLK

A music lover's "Listener's hour," from Bach to Prokofiev, will commence tomorrow at the home of Philip Henselman, 415 Edwards street from 8 to 10 p. m. All service men and wives interested in participating in this symphonic and social evening should make contact with the USO club house, 234 East Main street, telephone 7131.

Henselman is head of the USO art committee, having painted the murals in the Los Barillitos room. He hopes to develop this music group meeting each Saturday night at his home during the summer. The first group will leave the USO club house at 7:30 tomorrow night.

The program will include: Brandenburg Concertos, No. 2 and 3, Bach; Symphony No. 40 (Jupiter), Mozart; "Can My Love Ever Waver," Handel; "Te Deum," Handel, sung by Marian Anderson; Dedication, Schumann; "In the Shadow of My Locks," Hugo Wolf; "Mouse Trap Spell," Hugo Wolf, sung by Rise Stevens; "Peter and the Wolf," Prokofiev. Conductor, Stokowski. Narrator, Basil Rathbone.

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## BIRTHS

MATHENY—To Mr. and Mrs. M. W., 220 Barneburg road, July 17, a girl, seven pounds, at Sacred Heart hospital.

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