

# SPORTS

## DETROIT HURLER BREAKS LEG IN ATHLETICS GAME

### SCORES YESTERDAY

**American**  
Philadelphia 7; Detroit 2.  
Cleveland 1; Washington 0.  
New York 6; Chicago 3.  
Boston 8; St. Louis 6.

**National**  
New York 7; Cincinnati 6.  
Philadelphia 6; Chicago 3.  
Pittsburgh 10; Boston 9.  
St. Louis 7; Brooklyn 5.

New York, May 25—(U.P.)—The dreams of Alton Benton, an ex-sailor who had hoped to pitch his Detroit team mates to a pen-

nant, all but faded away today as he lay in a Philadelphia hospital with a broken leg.

The baseball wheel of fortune rarely has played a crueler prank than in stopping the stout-hearted Oklahoman in the midst of one of the greatest comebacks of the diamond. Benton was an inspiration to every G. I. ball player who hopes someday himself to return to making a living on the diamond.

**Hit By Ball**  
It was in the fourth inning yesterday when fate struck its blow. Benton was pitching against the Athletics and had a 2 to 1 lead when Estelle hit a low but sharp line drive which struck his right leg above the ankle.

What happened after Benton left the game, illustrated how sorely he is needed. Relief Pitcher Mueller was hammered for four runs in the next inning and Philadelphia won, 7 to 2, although the game was played under protest because the A's batted out of order in the second and umpire Rommel ruled the side retired with only two out. Both managers protested.

**Indians Win**  
The Cleveland Indians put over a 10th inning run to beat the Senators in a night game at Washington, 1 to 0.

The usually light-hitting Bud Metheny made a double and two singles to account for three runs as the Yankees topped the leading Chicago White Sox at New York for the second day in a row, 6 to 3.

The Red Sox bested the St. Louis Browns at Boston for the second day, winning, 8 to 6, with a 14-hit attack on three pitchers. In the National, Pinch Hitter Danny Gardella hit a two-run homer in the eighth to give the New York Giants a 7 to 6 victory over the Reds at Cincinnati.

Dick Barrett of the Philadelphia Phils ended the three-game winning streak of the Cubs at Chicago, 6 to 3, beating Veteran Paul Derringer with a five-hit pitching job.

A homer by John Barrett in the 11th gave the Pirates a 10 to 9 edge over the Braves at Pittsburgh.

Charley Barrett, who came to the Cards yesterday in a trade for Morton Cooper, got off to a winning start with his new owners, beating the Brooklyn Dodgers, 7 to 5, with plenty of hitting support.

## CRATERS TO PLAY BUTTE FALLS NINE

The Medford Craters will meet Butte Falls, weather permitting, at the Fairgrounds park Sunday afternoon, beginning at 2:30. Manager Paul Freer said today. Freer said Butte Falls' baseball uniforms had not yet arrived but they agreed to go through with the practice game anyway. There will be no admission charge.

Weather has hampered the Loggers' practice sessions but since the Southern Oregon league starts a week from Sunday Butte Falls accepted the practice date.

Freer said big George Barr, who held Central Point to one hit in five innings last Sunday, will probably start on the mound for Medford, with Dick Kidwell and Harold Lang in reserve. The same lineup which played against Central Point last Sunday will probably start. George Gitzon will catch, Homer Sullivan will be on first, Freddie Stammen at second, Lang at third, Jim Cave at shortstop and in the outfield will be Harold Burnham, Dick Fawcett and Ray Davidoff.

## COAST FAVORITES SOUNDLY THUMPED BY LESSER CLUBS

**By United Press**  
Results in the Pacific Coast league last night were enough to unbalance the minds of the circuit's followers.

The basement-dwelling Hollywood Stars took their second straight win over Sacramento, 7 to 6, while the seventh-place San Francisco Seals trampled on the leading Portland Beavers twice, 5-0 and 4-1.

The Seattle Rainiers cut Portland's margin to two games by making it three in a row over Los Angeles, 9-2, and the Oakland Aorns whipped San Diego, 5-3.

Neat pitching performances by Frank Seward and Elmer Orella were responsible for San Francisco's victories. Seward spaced out five hits in the opener and Orella turned in a seven-hit job in the nightcap.

**Walks Aid Twinks**  
Hollywood tallied its winning runs against Sacramento in the sixth inning on two walks, a single by Les Powers and a double off the bat of Ken Richardson.

Southpaw Italo Chelini finally shook off his various arm ailments to beat San Diego for Oakland. Chelini allowed 11 hits but couldn't be hit in the clutches.

Los Angeles, usually one of the steadiest fielding teams in the league, came apart at the seams against Seattle. The Angels committed three errors in the fifth inning to add to Charlie Cuellar's mound misery.

**Scores:**  
San Francisco ..... 5 5 1  
Portland ..... 0 5 1  
Seward and Sprinz; Mooty, Carr and Souza, Peterson.  
San Diego ..... 3 10 0  
Oakland ..... 5 8 3  
Brillheart and Ballinger; Chelini and Fenech.  
Los Angeles ..... 2 10 3  
Seattle ..... 9 15 4  
Cuellar, Balse, Lammers and Kraitner; Turpin and Sueme.  
Sacramento ..... 6 9 0  
Hollywood ..... 7 16 2  
Wood, Legault and Schleuter; Smith, Marshall and Hill.  
(Second game):  
San Francisco ..... 4 6 1  
Portland ..... 1 7 2  
Orella, Brondell and Sprinz; Pulford and Souza.

**LIQUOR INDUSTRY SAYS DROUTH OVER**  
Washington, May 25—(U.P.)—“The drought’s over,” the liquor industry declared today.

The occasion for their pronouncement was, of course, the War Production board’s announcement that they could make spirituous liquors during the month of July.

Not only that. The WPB said the supply of war alcohol indicated the industry would get other go-aheads “from time to time.”

This, an industry spokesman said, means that from now on the industry will try to meet consumer demand.

Given the nod by the WPB, distilled spirits—which will turn up as gin, rum, whiskey and cordials—will start pouring from spigots July 1.

The July go-ahead probably will have an immediate effect on retail liquor stores. With official assurance that more whiskey will be made, wholesalers are releasing their aged stocks for consumer sale without waiting for the new supplies to come from the distilleries.

Closing time for Sunday Too Late to Classify 5:30 Saturday afternoon—Please remember

## Sport Chips



Harry Chipman  
Mail Tribune Sports Editor

Fishing season at Diamond Lake opens Wednesday with the road from the Medford side expected to be open in a few days. The deepest snow measuring 14 inches deep lies in a seven-mile stretch along the summit and rotary plows are working on it. The roads to the lake from Klamath Falls and Roseburg are open, however.

George Howard reports that all boats and cottages are reserved from Wednesday through June 3. A few smaller boats and some hotel reservations may still be had. Howard says. The restaurant will be open.

The water in Rogue river is far too high for good fishing, says Al Piche who gathers weekly information for this column. Reports from the checking station at Gold Ray says hundreds of salmon have gone over the dam and when water drops fishing will be at its best. Three salmon were taken from Gold Ray Wednesday on spinners.

Little Butte is too high and muddy for fishing while Big Butte will be good if the water drops. It is now right color for eggs. From Medford south to Talent, Bear Creek is said to furnish good angling with worms getting best results. Also a spinner with fly attached has been successful.

Fish Lake has been spotty all week and the last six miles of the road is rutted with many chuck holes. The road to Hiatt Lake is passable with chains and bass, crappie and catfishing reported good.

With continued rains, Prospect and Emigrant Dams should be good angling spots.

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## WAGNER DEFEATS PAAVO KATONEN

“Gorgeous” George Wagner turned loose with everything but wrestling holds last night at Medford armory to win a two-out-of-three fall decision from Paavo Katonen in the main event of the weekly mat card. Wagner got the first tumble in the second round with a leg hold and Katonen knotted the score in the third with a clever shoulder press. While both men were tied up in the ropes, Referee Earl Yoakley went between them to break the hold and in doing so dumped Katonen on the back of his head, dazing him. Wagner jumped on him for the winning fall.

Sailor Hogan, showing speed and skill seldom seen in the armory ring, lost to “Sneeze” Acheiu when he missed a sonenburgh and fell from the ring, landing on his shoulder. He fell victim to hammerlocks in the third and fourth rounds.

Kenny Aekles took a lone fall decision over Antone Leone on a foul in the opener. Leone’s brand of dirty tricks was too much for the referee to stand and he stopped the bout.

## IZVESTIA FLAYS BRITISH POLICY

Moscow, May 25—(U.P.)—Eugeni Zhukov, the newspaper Izvestia’s correspondent at San Francisco, reported today that there were rumors in newspaper circles of a lack of unity in the American and British delegations on the Crimean decisions.

“Worrying rumors penetrate the press that British foreign policy may generally undergo a serious change. It is motivated by the fact that as long as German bombs cease to fall on London and the danger is passed England, as after the First World War, ‘traditionally’ is seeking a new system for the political balance of Europe.”

Zhukov said rumors of the change in British policy shows clearly that the “system” can’t have anything in common with the Crimean decision of international security.

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## VICKERY ASSAILS WORKERS LEAVING SHIPYARD POSTS

Portland, May 25—(U.P.)—The 30,000 persons who are leaving shipyard jobs throughout the nation every month are, in the opinion of Vice-Adm. Howard L. Vickery, vice chairman of the U. S. Maritime commission, “The damnedest bunch of slackers.”

“These birds who are leaving are holding up the ships and making it necessary for the rest of us to work harder and longer to finish the jobs,” said Vickery, here today in the course of a tour of Pacific northwest shipyards.

“These people who are leaving the yards now and going home are the damnedest bunch of slackers,” he declared. “I feel strongly about this. We are in dire need of the ships being built here. If we didn’t need them we would stop building them and save our money.”

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mittee to investigate executive agencies, said the hearings would start either Tuesday or Thursday.

Although Windberry said the complaints covered “about 100 little things that have happened,” Rep. John Phillips, R., Calif., said he had submitted evidence to the committee dealing with NLRB’s procedure in calling elections among packing house workers in California.

His evidence, he said, came from constituents in southern California who claimed NLRB virtually acted as an organizer for CIO unions.

## Hero Jake Lindsey Through With Army

Lucedale, Miss., May 25—(U.P.)—Sgt. Jake Lindsey, congressional medal of honor holder, said today he was “through with the army” and would apply for a discharge after he had rested a little while. He said he had been offered one job at \$8,000 a year, but didn’t reveal what kind.

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**DAVIES ARRIVES**  
London May 25—(U.P.)—Joseph E. Davies, President Truman’s special emissary, arrived in London today for conferences with British government leaders that were expected to clear the way for a Big Three meeting this summer.

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