

SPORTS

O'Doul Happy Over Padre Success at San Francisco

San Francisco—(U.P.)—Jubilant Lefty O'Doul doffed his baseball cap toward Seals stadium and owner Paul I. Fagan tucked a golf bag under an arm and led the triumphant San Diego Padres back to Southern California Monday.

O'Doul's Marbled was happier than he had been in years. O'Doul's Pacific Coast league leading Padres had finished whipping the Seals he managed for 17 seasons, five games to two.

A crowd of 13,263, encouraged by warm sunshine, came out to watch the O'Doul-Fagan "hate" twin bill, bringing to more than 40,000 the number who viewed the series.

The feud, for the benefit of late-comers, started when Fagan fired O'Doul following a last-place finish in 1951. Further, Fagan was something less than fond of O'Doul's in-season golf-

Portland Losses 2

The crowd, largest to pay for PCL baseball in San Francisco in more than two years, saw the Seals win the opener, 4-3, when two Padre errors set the stage for four first-inning Seal runs. But Al "Bender" Benton, saving his seventh of San Diego's 15 wins, extinguished a Seal fire and was credited with the 3-1 Padre victory in the short second tilt.

Other PCL twin bills wound up as sweeps. Oakland, recovering after a dismal start against Portland, downed the Bevos, 5-2 and 4-2. Hollywood double-timed Sacramento, 7-5 and 6-0, on Leo Anthony's three-hitter; and Los Angeles, a half-game away from San Diego's lead, embedded Seattle in the cellar with 5-1 and 4-2 decisions.

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The 1952 race is expected to be a dog-fight right down to the wire. The favorite is Vancouver, B. C. The defending champion is Spokane.

A new classification, new players, new managers and a fresh start on a new season give added impetus to the hopes of the teams and their followers in British Columbia, Washington, Idaho and Oregon.

The new managerial faces belong to Darlo Lodigiani at Yakima, Dick Adams at Wenatchee, Cecil Garriott at Victoria, Charles Gassaway at Tri-City, and Don Osborn in Spokane. Bill Brenner moved with the Tacoma franchise to Lewiston, and Hugh Luby and Bill Schuster are back at Salem and Vancouver.

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Indians Remain Unbeaten Using Four-Way Formula

By CARL LUNDQUIST
United Press Sports Writer
New York—(U.P.)—A four-way pennant formula which could be mighty devastating as time goes on was sweeping the Cleveland Indians along as the only un-

feated team in the major leagues. The Indians have won seven in a row and a quick check after less than a week of play revealed that they have hit more homers, 9, gotten more hits, 65, turned in most complete games, 5, and allowed fewer runs, 14, in seven games or 2 per game, than any other team in the league.

That means trouble ahead for the rest of the contenders unless they can do something to stop the hot Indians pretty shortly.

Rap Tigers
Sunday, the Indians kayoed the Tigers, who have yet to win a game, 3 to 2, and 7 to 2, getting outstanding pitching in both ends of the double header from Bob Lemon and Steve Gromek.

In the opener, Luke Easter smashed a home run in the ninth inning to break up a tense duel between Lemon and Art Houtteman.

In the second game the Indians really flexed their muscles as Gromek won without pressure. Lemon's victory was his second and Gromek picked up his first. Al Rosen hit two homers and Pete Reiser and Ray Boone got one each.

Shade Ahead
All the while the Indians were just a shade ahead of the Red Sox at 6 to 1, who breezed to a 6 to 3 victory over Washington on the margin of Billy Goodman's three run pinch-homer. In other American league games, the Yankees topped the Athletics, 9 to 6 in a bat battle, while the Browns blanked the White Sox, 8 to 0, on the second straight shutout by Ned Garver, then lost, 10 to 2.

In National league games the Giants finally stopped the Dodgers, 6 to 0, on Sal Maglie's two-hitter, while the Cards edged the Cubs, 2 to 1, on a six-hitter by Gerry Staley. The Reds took the Pirates over the bums twice, 8 to 6 and 12 to 2, while the Phillies rallied late to win from the Braves, 4 to 3, in 10 innings, then lost the second game, 2 to 1.

Hurls Two-Hitter
Garver, who pitched a six-hitter on opening day, came through with a two-hitter over the Tigers in the opener as rookies Jim Rivera and Tom Wright hit homers. Rivera's blast was inside the park. Marty Marion and Gordie Goldsberry each got three hits as did Rivera.

In the second game, lefty Billy Pierce held the Browns to two hits while Nellie Fox collected four hits and Eddie Stewart hit a homer for Chicago.

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Tornado Thinclads Battle Ashlanders on Wednesday

Medford high school's track team, triumphant in the Hayward relays on Saturday, taking its eighth championship in 15 Hayward conflicts, will go into action again in the middle of this week.

The Black Tornado is slated to oppose Ashland in a dual meet here on Saturday. Time of the opening events is 2:30 p.m.

Pre-meet indications are that Medford should have little trouble in whipping the Lithians but Coach Bob Newland said that a Medford victory or loss can depend on the light in which his

charges take the meet. He fears overconfidence after Tornado triumphs in both the Rogue and Hayward relays.

Ashland Lacks Depth
In early meets this season Ashland has shown ability to garner first places but has lacked the depth to produce needed seconds, thirds, fourths and fifths. Ashland was fifth among five schools in the Rogue relays two Saturdays ago and fourth in the B division of Haywards on Friday.

Newland praised his boys for a terrific job at Eugene. They all performed in top shape, he said. He declined to single out any particular individual.

At Eugene Medford won two clean firsts, tied for first in two events, was second in one event, was third in two events, tied for third in two events and was fifth in one event. The Tornado failed to place in only the distance medley.

Ed Bingham, winning the javelin with a heave of 166 feet 1 1/4 inches, made his best throw of the year. He jumped six feet in the high jump, which was a relay event.

WEATHER
By United Press
North California: Fair Monday and Tuesday.

Oregon Track Club Favored In Circuit

Oregon's Ducks were a heavy favorite Monday to win the Northern Division dual meet track and field title.

The Ducks edged Washington State 87 1/2 to 83 1/2 Saturday at Eugene for their second close victory in as many Saturdays over Evergreen state foes. Oregon still has Oregon State and Idaho left, but will be heavily favored over both of them.

Sweeney Stars
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Committeemen Ask Hoover Plan Aid

Washington, D. C.—(U.P.)—A warning was voiced today by the Citizens Committee for the Hoover Report that legislation for modernization of the federal government personnel employment system may meet defeat in the house unless widespread public sentiment is expressed in its favor.

James P. Mitchell, chairman of the special committee on federal personnel policy, an affiliate of the Citizens committee, urged immediate and favorable action on S. 1135 which was passed by the senate last fall and is now before the House Committee on Post Office and Civil Service. S. 1135 embodies key recommendations of the bipartisan Hoover commission to cut red tape in securing and holding skilled and specialized personnel.

"Few of the Hoover commission's recommendations are so little understood as those concerned with personnel management within the federal government," Mitchell, vice president of Bloomingdale Brothers of New York, declared, "yet none has more importance or more significance to the nation's taxpayers. Our federal government is not only the nation's but the world's largest employer. In terms of dollars and cents, aside from many other important considerations, the American people are entitled to a long overdue overhauling and streamlining of the federal employment system."

Paving Begun—The E. C. Conrad firm of Medford began excavation work last Saturday on the pavement improvement project on Pennsylvania avenue between Summit and Rose avenues, according to Vernon Thorpe, public works director.

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