

TORNADO BASEBALL CREW CLINCHES DISTRICT TITLE

Grants Pass Defeated by Medfordites

Championship of District No. 6 A-1 was held by the Medford high baseball team today. The Black Tornado clinched the diadem by whipping Grants Pass 11 to 3 at Grants Pass yesterday.

Medford is undefeated in three district games while Grants Pass and Klamath Falls have each been beaten twice. The Tornado, however, has one more district game on its schedule—at Klamath Falls on May 2. Medford will face the District No. 6 A-2 winner in a play-off to gain a state journey berth.

A trip to Eugene and Myrtle Creek is scheduled for Medford this week-end. Coach Alex McDonald's contingent opposes the University of Oregon junior varsity at Eugene on Friday and Myrtle Creek in a double bill on Saturday. Derald Wootton is slated to pitch for the Tornado on Friday.

Medford went ahead in the fracas yesterday with two runs in the first inning. Curt Holzgang walked, Terry Maddox singled and Derald Wootton doubled them home. Another run crossed in the second stanza when Terry Sherwood hit, went to second on a passed ball and scored on Ted Landers bingle.

John Niles started four-run Medford outburst in the fourth frame by drawing a walk. Sherwood sacrificed him to second. Ted Landers walked and the two base runners advanced on a double steal.

On a squeeze play bunt by Dick Wootton and an error on the throw to first base two runs came in. Wootton went to second on the play and Dennis Conner drove him in with another marked. Conner swiped second and tallied on a dribbler which Pitcher John Harbour fielded and threw wild past first base.

Sherwood Scores
In the fifth inning Sherwood walked and stole second and Ted Landers also drew a free pass. Sherwood scored on a double steal.

In the final stanza Ned Landers doubled, Maddox got an infield single and Derald Wootton walked. Tom Rodgers walked to force in a run. Ted Landers flied out and Maddox scored after the catch. Dick Wootton walked and Derald Wootton rambled home on a double steal.

For Grants Pass Dick James tripled in the second inning and

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS



HAVE A CIGAR, PAL—New York Yankees' Gerry Coleman (left) proudly lights a cigar for teammate Phil Rizzuto after announcing he had become the father of a baby boy. Celebration took place in the Yankees' dressing room at New York after they defeated the Philadelphia A's, 5-1.

Sportsmen Slate Shoot on Sunday

Central Point—Central Point Sportsmen's club will hold its third ATA registered shoot of the season here on Sunday.

Feature will be the 50-target president's handicap. There will be a 16-yard and doubles competition and events for non-shooters. The public is invited and lunch will be served at the grounds.

Competition will start at 10 a.m. Traps will open for practice at 9 a.m.

scored on Barker's grounder. In the final frame Medford Pitcher Terry Maddox walked James and Barker. Driskell hit a grounder that went for an error and both runners scored.

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Maddox and R. Wootton; Harbour, Wilson (?) and Hedgpath.

Net Stars Enter Quarter-Finals

Houston, Tex.—(U.P.)—The eight top-seeded players in the River Oaks invitational tennis tournament were to meet Thursday in quarter-final matches after streaking through comparatively soft preliminaries against collegiate stars and lesser-known amateurs.

Philadelphia's Vic Seixas, the nation's No. 1 amateur, was to meet Charles Hare, Chicago, in the key match. Here is a transplanted Briton who once performed on the King's Davis Cup team.

Art Larsen, San Francisco, was to meet Billy Talbert, New York; Herbie Flam, Beverly Hills, Calif., was to play Gardner Mulloy, Coral Gables, Fla., and Tony Vincent, New York, was to take on Dick Savitt, Orange, N. J., in the other quarter-final play.



FILLING CENTER FIELD spot in Yankee lineup which has long been pasture of Joe Di Maggio, Jackie Jensen, center, takes advice from Yankee Clipper as Casey Stengel listens in.

Browns Forge Into League Lead; Cain, Feller Chuck One-Hitters

By UNITED PRESS
Skinny southpaw Bob Cain's revenge is sweet and complete, but only after he and the Browns had shaded Cleveland's fabulous Bob Feller, 1 to 0 in a double one-hitter—the most spectacular pitching duel in the major leagues in 35 years.

Not since May 2, 1917, when Fred Toney of the Reds and Jim Hippo Vaughn of the Cubs matched no-hitters for nine innings had two rival pitchers come so close to no-hit immortality in the same game. The Reds won that famous duel of yesteryear, 1 to 0, when they got two hits and scored with the aid of an error in the 16th inning.

It required the spectacular duel to steal the spotlight from another astonishing event: The victory, seventh in eight starts for the Browns, moved them into first place Wednesday night in the American league race.

Victory Enough
The failure to pitch a no-hitter hardly weighed heavily on Cain's mind. For him, the victory was enough to make up for the fact that he was the victim of the third no-hitter of Feller's career—a 2 to 1 Indian triumph over the Tigers last July 1.

For Feller, there was the heart-breaking thought of what might have been. For little Bob Young's leadoff single in the first inning—which rookie left-fielder Jim Fridley misplayed into a triple that led to the game's only run—spoiled his bid to become the first pitcher in baseball history to hurl four no-hitters. Feller shares the current record of three no-hitters with Denton (Cy) Young and Lawrence J. Corcoran.

Idaho Trips Duck Nine

Eugene—(U.P.)—University of Oregon dropped its first Pacific Coast Conference Northern Division baseball game here Wednesday as the University of Idaho's Vandals handed the Webfoots an 8-6 setback. The two teams play again Thursday.

Freshman Dick Dotel was credited with hurling the Vandals to their third conference win in five starts as he struck out one, walked six and gave up eight hits. Don Siegmund was the loser.

Mel Brown led the Idaho batters with three for four, including four runs batted in.

Boosts Record
Feller, however, increased his major league record for one-hitters to 11, three more than Addie Joss, another Cleveland immortal.

Cain faced only 12 Indians in the first four innings but lost his nohitter when first baseman Luke Easter lined a sharp single to right center field to open the fifth inning.

Cain struck out seven Indians, including Harry Simpson to end the game, and walked three.

Feller struck out five Browns and walked two.

In the only other games played Wednesday, the Red Sox beat the Yankees, 3 to 1, Giants out-slugged the Braves, 9 to 5.

COACH NAMED
Chehalis, Wash.—(U.P.)—Rod Giske, former star guard and tackle for Washington State Wednesday was named head football coach for Chehalis high school. Giske replaces Vern Wedin who resigned. For the past three years Giske has been line coach at the College of Puget Sound, Tacoma.

Dead line Sunday Classifieds is a noon Saturdays

SOFTBALL MEETING
Those taking the lead in the movement to reorganize the Medford Softball association issued a reminder concerning the meeting at the Medford YMCA at 8 p.m. today. All interested in sponsoring teams or playing are invited.

Reactions Differ Over Game Result

St. Louis—(U.P.)—The first-place St. Louis Browns crowded happily Thursday over their defeat of big Bob Feller in a record-breaking pitching duel that saw only one hit tapped out by each team.

But the Cleveland Indians, who dropped the 1 to 0 thriller to left-hander Bob Cain, were in such a nasty mood Wednesday night that Manager Al Lopez tossed photographers out of the team's dressing room.

"I don't want anybody in the dressing room after we lose," Lopez said.

Apparently sulking over the defeat by the traditional American League doormats—who thus took the league lead—Lopez angrily told the lensmen, "When we lose you just want to come in here and get our pictures to paste all over the papers."

The Indians boarded a train for Cleveland only 25 minutes after the night contest.

Cain exulted in the victory. "I owed this one to Feller. He beat me 2 to 1 last year only by pitching a no-hitter and Bob Lemon had to get a one-hitter to beat me by the same score," he said.

Standings

COAST LEAGUE	W.	L.	Pct.	Gb.
San Diego	16	7	.696	1 1/2
Los Angeles	14	8	.636	1 1/2
Hollywood	12	10	.545	3 1/2
Oakland	10	11	.476	5
Portland	10	11	.476	5
San Francisco	10	11	.476	5
Seattle	8	15	.348	8
Sacramento	7	14	.333	8

AMERICAN LEAGUE	W.	L.	Pct.	Gb.
St. Louis	7	1	.875	
Boston	6	2	.800	
Cleveland	7	2	.778	1/2
New York	4	4	.500	3
Washington	4	4	.500	3
Chicago	2	5	.286	4 1/2
Philadelphia	1	7	.125	6
Detroit	0	8	.000	7

NATIONAL LEAGUE	W.	L.	Pct.	Gb.
Brooklyn	7	1	.875	
Cincinnati	5	2	.714	1 1/2
Chicago	5	2	.714	1 1/2
New York	5	3	.625	2
St. Louis	3	4	.429	3 1/2
Boston	3	7	.300	5
Philadelphia	2	6	.250	5
Pittsburgh	2	7	.222	5 1/2

WESTERN INTERNATIONAL	W.	L.	Pct.	Gb.
Victoria	2	0	1.000	
Spokane	1	0	1.000	
Lewiston	1	1	.500	1
Wenatchee	1	1	.500	1
Vancouver	1	1	.500	1
Tri-City	1	1	.500	1
Yakima	0	2	.000	2
Salmon	0	2	.000	2

Knickerbockers Square Series

New York—(U.P.)—For the second straight year, the New York Knickerbockers fought their way into the seventh and final game of the final round of the National Basketball Association playoffs.

The New Yorkers evened the series at three games each Wednesday night when they rallied with their backs to the wall to beat the Minneapolis Lakers, 76 to 68. The deciding game will be played at Minneapolis on Friday night with the Lakers slight favorites.

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