



PICNIC FOR LONGSHOT BETTORS — Pienicker (12) with jockey Willie Marsh up (lower photo) roars across the finish line in the second race at Golden Gate Fields, Albany, Calif., to pay \$227.70 for first place. The longshot's win made the Daily Double pay \$1230.30 as the official tote board (upper photo) shows.

Grants Pass Merchants Edge Out Central Point. Miller Nine 7-6

Central Point — The Grants Pass Merchants defeated the Central Point Millers 7 to 6 here Sunday in the opening Rogue Valley Baseball league game for both teams.

The Merchants came from behind with two runs in the ninth inning to take the contest.

Grants Pass started off the scoring with a run in the first inning on a base on balls and long triple by Gordon Howerson. The Millers came back to take a 2 to 1 lead in the third inning. Bill Matejka got a hit and Ben Fagone walked, Dale Graham bunted to advance the runners and Jack Burns' screaming single brought Matejka and Fagone home.

Weird Homer
In the fourth frame J. Shepherd hit for two bases for Grants Pass. Knapp walked and Rusty Martindale rapped the ball into the weeds along the right field fence. It was lost and all runners crossed home to gain the Merchants a 4 to 2 edge.

Matejka doubled for Central Point in the fifth and Fagone advanced him on a long flyout. Burns walked and Joe Pizzuto doubled home two runs for a 4 to 4 deadlock.

Central Point took the lead 6 to 4 in the sixth. Bob Fasel singled and advanced on an error. L. Johnson squeezed Fasel home from third. Matejka's third hit scored Trautman.

Merchants Tally
In the eighth for Grants Pass Mel Friend and Shepherd singled. Friend getting to third on Shepherd's hit. Friend scored after the catch on Ken Trautman's flyout.

After Phelps and J. Coch singled in the ninth for the Merchants, Carl Hueners relieved

Indians Gain Top in WIL

By UNITED PRESS
The on-again, off-again Spokane Indians were on top of the Western International league baseball standings again Monday.

The Spokes dethroned Victoria from the No. 1 position by sweeping a twin bill from Tri City Sunday, 8-3 and 7-3. Meanwhile, Victoria was splitting with Wenatchee. The Tyees won the opener, 5-2, but lost the windup, 7-0.

Snead Wins Greenbrier

White Sulphur Springs, W. Va. (U.P.)—Sammy Snead for the second straight year has won the Greenbrier Open golf tournament on his home course.

Sunday he led his rivals home again, with a 4-under-par 66 in the final round for a 264 total, four strokes better than his nearest rival, Ed Oliver, Le-mont, Ill. The purse was worth \$1,800 for Snead.

Hurlers Dominate In Major Loops

By UNITED PRESS
Baseball presented a little mystery thriller to the fans Monday entitled—"Who Stole the Lively Ball, or Whatever Became of Big League Hitters?"

In a trend that developed last season when there were 13 pitchers who won 20 or more games apiece, the pitchers again are dominating proceedings this year.

Five or Less
In the American League in 91 games there have been 35 in which one team has been held to five hits or less. In the National in 89 games there have been 36 performances of five hits or less by the hurlers.

That is almost phenomenal, according to the experts, and so far there has been precious little good pitching weather, either. Most of it has been cold and breezy, which certainly isn't suited for top-flight hurling.

GRID WORK ENDS

Eugene (U.P.)—The University of Oregon football team rang down the curtain on the 1952 spring football drills here Saturday as a team of Greens, paced by the passing combination of Barney Holland and Farrell Albright, walloped a team of Whites 54-30.

BASEBALL

SUNDAY'S RESULT.
Coast League
San Francisco 10-3, Hollywood 4-4
San Diego 3-1, Sacramento 2-4
Los Angeles 4-5, Oakland 3-6 (1st 11 innings; 2nd game 8 innings)
Portland 5-1, Seattle 3-2 (2nd game 9 innings)
American League
New York 1, Boston 0
Cleveland 1, St. Louis 0 (1st)
Chicago 2, St. Louis 1 (2nd)
Chicago 2, Detroit 5 (1st)
Detroit 2, Chicago 1 (2nd)
Washington 5, Philadelphia 2 (1st, 11 innings)
Washington at Philadelphia (2nd, called end of 2 innings, rain)
National League
Brooklyn 4, Philadelphia 3 (10 innings)
Chicago 8, Pittsburgh 2 (1st)
Pittsburgh 11, Chicago 2 (2nd)
Cincinnati 8, St. Louis 5
New York at Boston, 2, postponed, rain
Western International
Spokane 8-7, Tri-City 3-3
Victoria 5-0, Wenatchee 2-7
Yakima 5-5, Vancouver 4-4
Salem 5-3, Lewiston 4-2

Standings

COAST LEAGUE			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
San Diego	27	14	.659
Oakland	22	16	.579
Hollywood	22	18	.550
Los Angeles	19	20	.487
Portland	17	20	.459
San Francisco	18	22	.450
Seattle	17	22	.436
Sacramento	15	25	.375

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Cleveland	17	8	.680
Washington	13	8	.619
Boston	14	9	.609
St. Louis	12	12	.500
New York	11	11	.500
Chicago	11	13	.458
Philadelphia	8	13	.381
Detroit	5	17	.227

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	15	5	.750
Brooklyn	14	6	.700
Chicago	14	9	.609
Cincinnati	12	11	.522
St. Louis	11	13	.458
Philadelphia	8	13	.381
Boston	8	14	.364
Pittsburgh	5	20	.200

WESTERN INTERNATIONAL			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Spokane	14	6	.700
Victoria	12	8	.600
Vancouver	9	7	.562
Lewiston	9	10	.473
Tri-City	9	12	.429
Salem	9	12	.429
Wenatchee	8	11	.421
Yakima	7	13	.350

Dead line Sunday Classifieds at noon Saturdays.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS



PLENTY OF ACTION marks score by Sisti of Boston Braves in sixth inning of game at Chicago with Cubs. Atwell, Cubs' catcher, momentarily bobbled ball, giving Sisti time to reach home plate. Braves went on to win by 6-4 score. (International Soundphoto)



KICKING UP PLENTY OF DUST, Yankee Bobby Brown tries hard but is forced at second by Cleveland's Ray Boone (center) after Bobby Avila (right) tossed him Joe Collins' grounder. Despite ballet act Collins outfooted peg to first. (International Soundphoto)

American Legion Post Announces Plans for Junior Baseball Nine

Medford Post No. 15 of the American Legion will field a junior baseball team again this year, Legion officials announced. Sponsor this year will be Crater Lake Motors, Medford Ford dealer.

Al Perkins, terminal manager here for Consolidated Freightways, will coach the team. He has had five years experience in Legion ball.

Practice Tuesday
First practice will be held at 5 p.m. Tuesday, May 13, at the fairgrounds baseball park. All boys interested in playing are asked to report at that time to sign up. All youths who did not reach their 17th birthday before January 1, 1952, are eligible.

High school players who are eligible are requested to turn out after the prep season concludes.

L. C. McLaughlin, manager of Hawks Plumbing company, will be assistant coach. Joseph R. Hosick of Conger-Morris funeral parlor is head of the baseball



LAYING DOWN ON THE JOB—Irv Noren, Yankee outfielder, comes up with the ball in short right field and is about to peg for second while still on his back in the sixth inning of game with the Red Sox at New York. Umpire ruled that Noren, rolling over to make catch, had not caught the ball but had trapped it. Billy Goodman, who hit the blooper, was safe at first with a single. The Yanks broke their losing streak to win, 7-4.



LOOKING mighty pleased, Senator Richard B. Russell (D., Ga.), gives "ok" sign to friends as returns tell of victory in the race for Florida's Democratic Presidential convention delegates. (International Soundphotos)

Anti-Rainmaking Bill Slated for Legislature

The Dalles, Ore., (U.P.)—A bill to regulate artificial rainmaking will be introduced at the next session of the Oregon legislature.

The measure would set up a five-man board to control rainmaking in Oregon by requiring "cloud-seeders" to record their activities and take out licenses.

The bill is in response to farmer opposition to artificial rainmaking.

SUB FLEET FAVORED

Baltimore (U.P.)—Horsemen around shed row at old Pimlico were stringing along with Sub Fleet Monday as the probable favorite for next Saturday's Preakness despite a stunning victory by a near-blind hopeful during the week-end. Armageddon, a spunky colt with a blinded left eye, bounced into the Preakness picture when he led home several other eligibles in the Veterans mile at New York last Saturday.

RACE STRIKE OVER

Chicago (U.P.)—Chicago's horse racing "strike" came to an end Monday after a late settle-

The National Geographic Society-Palomar Observatory sky survey reports that its past winter's work was the most successful in three years.

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