

Hal Jeffcoat Has Double Duty As Chicago Cubs Grab 2 Games

By MILTON RICHMAN
United Press Sports Writer
Ex-outfielder Hal Jeffcoat could land the Chicago Cubs in first division and himself in a fancy five-figure salary bracket

all because he had sense enough to attach a 75-cent pitcher's toe plate to his shoe.
Jeffcoat, who made the switch from center field only 13 months ago because he couldn't hit

enough was hitting on all cylinders from the mound today with a perfect 4-0 record and a 2.70 earned run average.

The 30-year-old, right-handed fastballer, whose pitching already has been labeled "strictly first class" by Milwaukee Coach Bucky Walters, an old convert himself, turned in a brilliant double duty effort Wednesday in winning one game and saving another as the Cubs swept a twin bill from the faltering Phillies, 3-2 and 7-5.

Jeffcoat came shuffling out of the bullpen in the ninth inning of the opener after Richie Ashburn doubled off Sam Jones to lead off the frame and Peanut Lowry singled Ashburn to third.

Granny Hamner's sacrifice fly scored Ashburn but Jeffcoat fired Del Ennis and Willie Jones on pop-ups to end the game.

Again in the nightcap, Jeffcoat relieved John Andre with one out in the fourth after the Phillies went ahead 4-2 with the help of homers by Stan Lopata and Murry Dickson. Jeffcoat limited Philadelphia to one run the rest of the way, picking up his fourth triumph when the Cubs scored four runs in the fifth on a walk, a single by Eddie Miksis, Gene Baker's triple and a homer by Bob Speake. Ted Tappe and Ernie Banks also homered for the Cubs while Bobby Morgan did likewise for the Phils.

Cubs In Second Place
The two victories moved Chicago into second place, 7½ games behind Brooklyn, and the two losses gave Philadelphia a record of 15 defeats in the last 16 games.

Harvey Haddix and Barney Schultz combined to hold the Dodgers to seven scattered hits and give the Cardinals their fifth straight victory, 3-2. Errors by Podres and Peevée Reese contributed to the Dodgers' third straight loss. When Brooklyn scored in the fourth, it marked the first run off Cardinal pitching in 26 innings.

Southpaw Johnny Antonelli of the Giants pitched a six-hitter against his former Milwaukee teammates, beating them, 4-2. The Giants wiped out a two-run deficit when they pounded Warren Spahn for three runs in the sixth on Hank Thompson's single with the bases full followed by Ray Katt's single.

Rudy Minarcin, making his first big league start, pitched Cincinnati to a 5-1 victory over Pittsburgh with the help of Ted Kluszewski's two-run homer and Wally Post's two-run double. Dick Littlefield was the loser.

Indians Scalp Boston
Cleveland, the pace-setter in the American league, buried Boston under a 19-0 bombing that included homers by Vic Wertz, Ralph Kiner and Hank Majeski. Wertz drove in five runs with a grand-slam homer and a single while the Indians were pounded out 19 hits, rookie southpaw Herb Score held the Red Sox to three safeties and struck out nine.

Mickey Mantle's grand slam homer in the seventh settled a battle of homers and gave the Yankees an 11-6 decision over the White Sox. Bob Grim was the winner although nicked for two homers.

Detroit pushed across three runs in the 10th to beat Baltimore, 6-3, rookie Frank Lary gained the victory after Al Kaline's single in the 10th off loser Ray Moore snapped a 3-all tie. Dean Stone was staked to a four-run lead in the first inning and held on to it, pitching Washington to a 7-2 victory over Kansas City.

LINESCORES:
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Wednesday's Results
Chicago 3, Philadelphia 2 (1st)
Chicago 7, Philadelphia 5 (2nd)
Cincinnati 5, Pittsburgh 1
St. Louis 3, Brooklyn 2 (night)
New York 4, Milwaukee 2 (night)

Other Fight Disputed
Cadill was awarded a split decision in a hotly disputed fight March 30 at Parks Air Force Base, Calif., two months ago. The California Boxing Commission later suspended a judge and referee as a result of the decision.

Judges Joe Greenberg and Andy Brown both scored it 99-87 for Pep and Referee Jackie Swartz awarded it to him 100 points to 81.

Eddie Smith of Detroit won a unanimous 10-round decision from Bobby Moore of Newark, N. J., in a co-feathered bout which was blacked out from the cameras.

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Umps Verdict Disputed by Both Teams

New York — (U.P.) — Umpire Jim Hurley enjoyed the distinction today of making a decision that displeased both teams.

The controversial play occurred Wednesday in the seventh inning of the New York Yankees' 11-6 victory over the Chicago White Sox. Andy Carey of the Yankees, at bat with the bases filled and one out, hit a potential double play grounder to second baseman Nelson Fox.

Fox fielded the ball cleanly and stepped into the baseline to tag Tank Bauer, running from first base. In the next instant, Fox was hit by a charging Bauer, staggered and threw too late to retire Carey.

Hurley ruled interference by Bauer and ordered all the runners back to their bases. So instead of two out, one run in and two runners on base the Yankees had two out, the bases filled and Mickey Mantle batting.

Bauer hit Fox and interfered with him before Fox made the tag. Hurley stated, "Therefore Bauer was out and the ball dead. All the runners had to return to their bases."

"The base line belonged to Bauer," Manager Casey Stengel of the Yankees said. "It shouldn't have been interference."

"Bauer obviously interfered," said Manager Marty Marion of the White Sox. "He should have called it a double play and we'd have been out of the inning without a run scored."

Mantle, who didn't say a word during the 10-minute argument, resolved both the dispute and the game a few moments later when he hammered a grand slam homer into the right-field bullpen.

"I told Clint Courtney the White Sox' catcher while they were arguing," Mantle said. "I said what are they yakking about—don't they know I'm gonna hit one outta here?"

Ashland Takes League Trophy
Ashland won the sportsmanship trophy for Southern Oregon Conference Class A-1 high schools.

The award is based on sportsmanship displayed by students of Medford, Ashland, Grants Pass and Klamath Falls high schools during the football and basketball seasons. It is made by the Southern Oregon Principals and Coaches association.

Coaches, student councils and yell squads are polled in the competition.

Ritchie Price Maintains Best Batting Average Among Raiders
By LEONARD WEBER

After 13 exhibition games, Ritchie Price the slugging second baseman of the Southern Oregon College Red Raiders continues his devastating attack on all opponent pitching with 20 hits in 43 times at bat for a lusty .465 batting average.

Price leads the Raiders in hits, runs batted in with 18 and is the only Raider regular the opposition has failed to strike out. Close behind Price is Fred Luper at .395 with 17 RBIs, 17 hits and 16 runs scored. Luper has 5 doubles and 3 triples along with 8 strikeouts to pace the Raiders in those departments.

Tiger Smith, after a slow start, has come along rapidly and is now batting .368. Smith has drawn 10 bases on balls, leading Raider law; has driven in 10 runs and scored 13 runs with 14 hits. Dick Nix is fourth with a sound .355 batting average including 2 home-runs; in fifth spot is Ned and Ted Landers batting .333 respectively.

Team Mark .305
Southern Oregon as a team is now batting .305 with 122 hits in 400 times at bat. This is an increase of 14 points and puts the Raiders above the .300 average once again. During the 3 game

SOUTHERN OREGON COLLEGE STATISTICS:
Ritchie Price, 2b, .465, 20 hits, 18 RBIs, 17 runs scored, 16 runs batted in, 8 strikeouts.
Fred Luper, 1b, .395, 17 hits, 16 runs scored, 5 doubles, 3 triples, 8 strikeouts.
Tiger Smith, 3b, .368, 10 bases on balls, 10 runs driven in, 13 runs scored, 14 hits.
Dick Nix, cf, .355, 17 hits, 16 runs scored, 5 doubles, 3 triples, 8 strikeouts.
Ned Landers, 3b, .333, 17 hits, 16 runs scored, 5 doubles, 3 triples, 8 strikeouts.
Ted Landers, 3b, .333, 17 hits, 16 runs scored, 5 doubles, 3 triples, 8 strikeouts.
Lloyd Hoffine, p, .183, 3 hits, 1 run scored, 10 strikeouts.
Keith Johnson, p, .124, 2 hits, 1 run scored, 10 strikeouts.
Charles Rittman, rf, .100, 1 hit, 1 run scored, 10 strikeouts.
Corky Ellis, lb, .077, 1 hit, 1 run scored, 10 strikeouts.
Allan Kira, ut, .000, 0 hits, 0 runs scored, 10 strikeouts.
R. R. Colley, c, .000, 0 hits, 0 runs scored, 10 strikeouts.
Bill Seymour, lf, .000, 0 hits, 0 runs scored, 10 strikeouts.
R. O. Owens, ss, .000, 0 hits, 0 runs scored, 10 strikeouts.
(*) No longer with team.



TORNADO TRACK TITLE DEFENDERS—This crew of Medford high school track and field performers left for Corvallis today to defend the Oregon state Class A title. From left to right, back row, are Head Coach Bob Newland, Neil Plumley, shot put; Bud Kastner, high jump and relay; Jeff Williams, half-mile; Wally Larson, high and low hurdles; Mel Morgan, javelin; Dan Morris, dashes and relay, and Coach Lee Ragsdale. Mike Hawkins, broad jumper, is not pictured.

440 and relay alternate; Jack Pool, half-mile, and Eldon Francis, javelin. From left, back row, are Head Coach Bob Newland, Neil Plumley, shot put; Bud Kastner, high jump and relay; Jeff Williams, half-mile; Wally Larson, high and low hurdles; Mel Morgan, javelin; Dan Morris, dashes and relay, and Coach Lee Ragsdale. Mike Hawkins, broad jumper, is not pictured.

BLACK TORNADO CINDER SQUAD GOES NORTH TO DEFEND TITLE

Medford high's track and field aggregation, 12 men strong and carrying the role of team to beat, if not the favorite, headed for Corvallis today to defend its Oregon state Class A championship.

The crew will compete against some 250 other athletes from 72 other schools. Preliminaries are scheduled for Friday with finals on Saturday. Events will be conducted at Bell field and on football practice fields.

The Black Tornado, which has the reputation of perennial champion, in this thirteenth classic, will aim for its 11th Oregon team crown. Medford has won the top class hardware six times in the past seven years and the past two years in a row.

14 Berths
With its 12 youths holding down 14 berths in 12 events, the Black Tornado will have one of the largest single school representations in the meet. Gresham has 12 boys entered. Grant of Portland has 10 and Jefferson of Portland a squad of nine.

Medford's state meet contingent this year possibly looms stronger than the 1954 representation but the caliber of track and field men throughout the state is better, too, and overall performances have been better. That makes the Tornado assignment seem perhaps tougher than last year when it tallied just 33 1/3 points to nick North Bend by 2 1/3.

While the Tornado is expected to pick up points in most of the events in which it is entered, the Medford youths may have to turn in peak marks to garner more than two or three first places. However, the scattering of the top talent among the

schools competing may help the Medford team effort. And the high morale reported by Head Coach Bob Newland before the team departed could be a factor, too.

Three Best Marks
A scan of records available shows Medford with the best marks for the season in three events but with only one best in district qualifying meet efforts. Season bests on the part of Tornado scintillate are 189 feet 1 inch by Eldon Francis in the javelin, .51 flat by Don Crowl in the quarter mile and .20:1 by Wally Larson in the low

hurdles. Francis's 186 was tops for Oregon in district meets. Despite the tougher competition apparent in the state meet this season as compared to last, a look at the best efforts in Oregon prep circles for 1955 indicates more brightly than the Black Tornado boys could score as high as 70 counters by equaling their best marks. The possibilities are first in the javelin, low hurdles and quarter mile, second in the 220-yard dash, second and third in the half-mile, tie for second in the high hurdles, third in the relay, a tie for third in the broad jump and fifth in the 100-yarder.

Medford entries may have to be well above their top efforts so far to place in the shot put, high jump and mile. They have no participants in the pole vault and discus.

Squad Listed
Whether the possibilities are probable or not is another question — just plain speculation. The various highs during the season were established in different tracks and under varied condition and performances Friday and Saturday will depend to a degree on the physical and mental conditions of the participants at the moment.

Members of the Medford squad are Neil Plumley, Bud Kastner, Jeff Williams, Wally Larson, Mel Morgan, Dan Morris, Ken Tucker, Glen Allison, Don Crowl, Jack Pool, Eldon Francis and Mike Hawkins. Coaches Bob Newland and Mel Bolden took them north today and Coach Lee Ragsdale will join the gang on Friday.

For Class A competition from this district Ashland will have six berths, Grants Pass four and Klamath Falls four. In Class B, Rogue River, Jackson county county, appears a strong contender with 13 berths which should enable it to collect a good share of points. Jacksonville last week qualified Ron Muir in the mile, Dick Sanford in the high jump and Fred DeVos in the quarter-mile.

MARKS COMPARED:
(Listing Medford best of season, Medford best in district, best in state, best district qualifying mark, in that order.)
100—Dan Morris, 10:1; Stuart Baker, Ashland, 10:3; Julius Strong, Roosevelt, Huey Hatten, Jefferson, .09:9; Strong, Hatten, John Johnson, Marshfield, 10.
220—Morris, 22:2; Baker, 22:6; Strong, 21:9; Strong, 22:2.
High hurdles—Wally Larson, 15; Larson, 15:5; Richie Curtis, Roosevelt, 14:9; Curtis, 15.
Low hurdles—Larson, 20:1; Scott Hancock, Klamath Falls, 21:3; Larson, 20:1; Doyle Chapman, Franklin, 20:6.
440—Don Crowl, 51; Crowl, 52:6; Crowl, 51; John Erickson, Grant, 51:3.
880—Jeff Williams, 2:02 and Jack Pool, 2:02:1; Williams, 2:05:7; Jim Greile, Lincoln, 1:58:5; Greile, 1:58:5.
Mile—Glen Allison, 4:44:6; Terry Boatman, Grants Pass, 4:15:3; Roger Stout, Grant, 4:24; Stout, 4:24.
Relay—Medford, 4:33:8; Ashland 1:36:2; Roosevelt, 1:31:4; Grant, 1:32:3.
Shot put—Neil Plumley, 47 ft. 10 in.; Plumley, 48-8; Dunne Marshall, St. Helens, 57-11; best district mark not certain; Willard Reeve, North Bend, had 54-1.
Javelin—Eldon Francis, 189 ft. 1 in.; Francis, 186 ft.; Francis, 189-1; Bill Henderson, Drain, 175-2.
Broad jump—Mike Hawkins, 21 ft. 4 in.; Hawkins, 21 ft.; Huddy Schepman, North Bend, 22-3; Schepman, 22-9.
High jump—Bud Kastner, 5 ft. 10 in.; Kastner and Dave Lewley, 5-8; Bud Toombs, Nyssa, 6-2; Charles Wheeler, Grant, Dick Moen, Lincoln, and Boyd Brumley, Eugene, 6 ft.

OTHERS:
(Medford not qualifying for state)
Discus—Jeffers, Ashland, 149 ft. 1 in.; Jeffers, 142-3; Bob Ambie, Albion, 169-4; Ambie, 169-4.
Pole vault—Keith Helson, Grants Pass, 12 ft. 1 in.; Helson, 12-7; Jay Wilson, Cottage Grove, 12-7; Craig Gately, North Salem, 12-2.

Duretto Sparks Wenatchee Win
By UNITED PRESS
Bob Duretto was the big man in the tepee of the Wenatchee Chiefs last night driving in six runs as Wenatchee took Lewiston 12-6.

Duretto has been pounding Northwest League pitching all season long and clobbered two homers last night plus a two-run single.

A home run at Yakima also figured prominently in the night's play. This one was by Herm Lewis of Yakima in the bottom of the ninth with Sam Mitchell aboard. Lewis parked the first pitch out of the park to carry Yakima to an 8-7 decision over Spokane.

Ralph Burns, Tri-City hurler, had cause to sue for non-support as his mates committed eight bobbles to help Salem to an 8-6 decision over the Braves.

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Padres Stretch Lead By Crushing Solons

By PETER HAYES
United Press Sports Writer
The San Diego Padres, who figure to get tougher before they weaken, crushed Sacramento, 11-2, last night for their 15th win in 16 games and stretched their lead in the Pacific Coast League to 2½ games.

Bob Elliott's bruisers rolled to their fifth straight triumph with a 12-hit attack led by Milt Smith who hit a homer, triple and single for four RBIs. Tom Herrera 4-3 blanked the Sacs after relieving Bob Kerrigan in the second.

As if the Padres weren't strong enough already, they were awaiting the arrival from Kansas City of slugging first baseman Don Bollweg and pitcher Charlie Bishop. Bollweg was optioned and Bishop was sold to the Pads.

The arrival of Bollweg will present Elliott with the nice problem of what to do with Julio Becquer. The young Cuban currently is playing first base and knocking the cover off the ball at a .368 clip.

Other Games
Portland helped San Diego extend its lead by knocking over second place Seattle, 5-2. San Francisco trounced Los Angeles, 9-3, and Oakland outlasted Hollywood, 9-8, in other games. Ed Mickelson's two-base hit sparked a three-run rally in the sixth inning that carried Portland to victory in Seattle.

Neither starting pitcher was around at the finish. Dick Waibel 6-4 gained the win but was lifted for a pinch-hitter in the big sixth and Glenn Elliott blanked the Rainiers on one hit for the last four innings.

Jehosie Heard 3-5 was knocked out in the sixth inning and Bob

Kelly and John Oldham finished up for the Rainiers.

LINESCORES
Los Angeles 000 003 000—3 6 3
San Francisco 602 001 000—9 14 9
Stoddard, Zick (1), Kuncel (1), Eaton (8) and Fanning, Greenwood (2-3) and Ritchey.

Portland 100 003 100—5 10 1
Seattle 110 000 000—2 9 2
Waibel, Elliott (6) and Robertson; Ginsberg.

Oakland 001 040 130—9 7 3
Hollywood 200 020 220—8 13 4
Drews, Bamberger (7), Bink (8) and Swift; Garber, O'Donnell (5), Tremble (7), Hogue (7), Witt (8), Queen (8) and Hall.

San Diego 113 020 301—11 12 9
Sacramento 020 000 000—2 13 3
Kerrigan, Herrera (2) and Bailey; Johnson, R. Jones (3), Cereghino (7) and Baich.

Ducks Picked To Capture Track Title

Seattle —(U.P.)— Oregon is a heavy favorite to win the Northern Division track and field meet here Saturday but Washington expects to pick up six first place ribbons to Oregon's five.

Seven 1954 champions will defend their titles and all but two are expected to finish on top. The exceptions may be the victim of Jim Bailey, the Australian running star now racing for Oregon. Bailey has run the half-mile in 1:53.7 and the mile in 4:15.

Defending champions expected to repeat are Bob Gary, Washington State in the 100 and 220 yard dashes; Wayne Reiser, Oregon's terrific two-miler; Bob Leadbetter, Washington, in the low hurdles; Jim Hilton, Washington's pole vaulter, and Jerry Church, Oregon State's javelin tosser. Bailey likely will press Oregon's Bill Dellinger in the mile.

Pre-meet dope figures Washington's talented sophomore, Dean Singer, will win the high hurdles and the high jump.

Reiser is the best bet to set a new record. He has been clocked in the two-mile distance in 9:20.4. The division mark is 9:22.5, set two years ago by Washington's Denny Meyer.

Oregon's relay team is the choice for the mile relay, but the WSC Cougars will give the Ducks a run for their money.

Aquatic School Slated at YMCA

Medford YMCA will host this week end to persons from Roseburg, Klamath Falls and Ashland for the Southern Oregon YMCA Aquatic school.

Men and women will take a course in teaching all phases of swimming and diving. Those who pass will be certified as leader-examiners and will be qualified to teach the Y aquatic programs in their respective cities. They will be better qualified, enabling better programs for their communities.

Any person who is 17 years old and has passed his senior lifesaving can register for this course by calling the YMCA not later than noon, Friday, May 20. This course will start Friday at 6:30 p.m. and will run until Sunday noon.

Persons in charge of the school are Dr. William Roberts, YMCA aquatic chairman and Don Day, physical director.

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