

# Rainiers and Padres Scrap To 18 Inning 1-1 Stalemate

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If you like your double headers jammed into one game, drop into a Pacific Coast league ballpark sometime this year. Chances are you'll see two contests for the price of one without having to sweat out the 15-minute intermission that holds up twin bills.

San Diego and Seattle wrestled to an 18 inning, 1-1 tie Monday night which finally

was stopped when the curfew tolled. This followed Sunday night's 17-inning marathon at Sacramento where the Solons finally downed Spokane 4-3. Manager George Metkovich of the Padres got off easy. Umpire Pat Orr chased him in the sixth inning, long before Monday night's game was to end. San Diego scored first in the sixth when Mitch June walked and scored on a sacrifice and two wild pitches by

# Dodgers Stretch Their League Lead, Beat Pirates 9-3

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They said it couldn't be done, but they failed to reckon with Don Drysdale or those unpredictable first-place Dodgers.

Never in the history of the National league has a ball club finished seventh one year—as the Dodgers did last—and then won the pennant the next—Walt Alton's crew is threatening now.

## STANDINGS

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
Team	W	L	Pct.
Los Angeles	10	5	.667
Milwaukee	7	4	.636
San Francisco	9	6	.600
Cincinnati	7	6	.538
Chicago	7	7	.500
Philadelphia	5	7	.417
Pittsburgh	5	8	.385
St. Louis	4	11	.267

  

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
Team	W	L	Pct.
Cleveland	10	4	.714
Baltimore	9	3	.750
Chicago	9	5	.643
Kansas City	7	6	.538
St. Louis	7	6	.538
New York	6	7	.462
Washington	6	8	.429
Detroit	1	12	.077

25-1 shots before the season began. But those odds looked entirely out of line Monday night when the Dodgers stretched their lead to a full game by beating the Pirates, 9-3, behind Drysdale's nifty six-hit pitching.

The victory was Drysdale's first over Pittsburgh since 1937 and his third of the season. Quite a difference from a year ago when Drysdale's record was 0-3 and the Dodgers were floundering in last place.

The Los Angeles-Pittsburgh game was the only one played in the majors Monday. The two other ones scheduled—Chicago at Milwaukee and San Francisco at Philadelphia—were rained out. All the American league clubs were idle.

Manager Red Davis' fence wrecked crew from Phoenix clinched things with the aid of homers by Dusty Rhodes, the former New York Giant, and Jose Pagan. Phoenix wrapped it up with a three-run attack against loser Bud Watkins in the second inning. Don Choate got the victory with an assist from Julio Navarro who took over in the seventh.

Ron Hansen of the Mounties, who draws his pay for his sharp fielding rather than his hitting, cracked a pair of homers in the Phoenix band box.

Reed, a right-hander who is down from Kansas City, struck out seven Solons and walked only three. Nini Torney, his battery mate, drove in three runs with a double and single to spark Portland's 10-hit blast against three Sacramento hurlers. Winston Brown was the loser.

Centerfielder Al Heist of the Sacs, who had set a league record by playing 162 games without an error, bobbled a ball in the eighth inning for his first miscue since Sept. 5, 1959.

## Medford YMCA Places Second In Volleyball

Medford YMCA women's volleyball team was second in Class B in the open classic tournament on Saturday at Portland.

The Medford ladies dropped their match to Portland North East Y 15-7, 11-15 and 15-12 after beating Ellensburg, Wash., 15-3, 15-4, 15-3.

The team played with a handicap of only five players who have been competing volleyball here this winter. According to tournament rules, a team had to have six players on the court. At the time of serving, the Medford group was allowed to use a stand-in in order to participate. The stand-in was Florence Holzhauser, Medford girl attending school in Portland.

Those making the trip from Medford were players from three local teams, Vi Lewis of the Yettes, Teresa Short and Carl Rose of the Y'Nots and Agnes Holzhauser and Vickie Fowler of the Y'Set team.

The five happily brought home a trophy the first time this has been done by a Medford Y ladies volleyball crew. Medford's team traveled the greatest distance to participate. The one game won over Portland NE was another first for a Medford team.

Medford YMCA volleyballers are to play two women's teams from Grants Pass this evening. The Grants Pass teams were formed under auspices of the city recreation department.

About 54 per cent of the non-farm families in the U.S. own their homes and the ratio is increasing.

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## Duck Field Relocation Possible

Portland - (UPI) - Possible relocation of the University of Oregon football stadium in Eugene was given informal blessing of the State Board of Higher Education here today.

Dr. O. Meredith Wilson, university president, was authorized to negotiate with the State Highway commission for purchase of 94 acres of land in a proposed park and recreation area. The area is located across the Willamette river from the Oregon campus.

The present stadium is located near the eastern end of the campus. Wilson said the city of Eugene, Lane county and the state system of higher education would be partners in the proposed development.

The land would be purchased from the highway commission at a cost of \$1000 per acre. It would be bought with money from an athletic reserve fund.

Wilson emphasized that the land would be cheaper than any land close to the campus. He said the present site of the stadium would be more valuable for academic use.

The overall plan to develop the park and recreation area is "the most significant community planning that I have ever seen," he said.

## Swivel Hip Club Gains In Shoot

The Swivel Hips picked up most ground Sunday in the Elks lodge league trapshoot at Medford Gun club but the Crap Shooters are still in front by a comfortable margin.

Pete Petreham's Crap Shooters collected 17 points in the sixth round and upped their second place overall total to 76. Dick Phair's Swivel Hips added 11½ Sunday and head the loop with 88½ points.

The Fuellers of Harold Reichstein scored 12½ and now have a 61½ aggregate. Frank Perl's Feather Dusters went pointless Sunday. They have a 14 total.

Phair's team led in total bird count in the sixth outing with 356 and had high five with 232. The Crap Shooters, Hips and Fuellers tied in attendance with eight each. Reichsteins crew was second in total count with 325. Petreham's team had 313 and Perl's 217. The Crap Shooters and Fuellers each had a high five count of 223 and the Dusters had 217.

There were 29 gunners. Henry Niedermeyer broke 50 straight birds for the second week in a row and Aubrey Sander, Tony Hoover and Gene Hunt shattered 49 out of 50.

# SPORTS

## Coast Division Plans Submitted For Basketball

New York - (UPI) - Plans for a "Pacific Coast Division" that would include a Bing Crosby-backed team in Los Angeles have been submitted to the professional National Basketball association.

Representatives of the Crosby group met here Monday with NBA president Maurice Podoloff to make their presentation. Plans call for the establishment of teams in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland, Seattle, and possibly Denver.

Len Corbosiero, general manager of the proposed Los Angeles Jets, said the group has talked to Boston Celtics star Bill Sharman about the prospects of hiring him as coach Sharman, former Southern California star, was said to be "interested."

In addition to Crosby, other backers of the Los Angeles team would be oilmen Gordon Neaves and Vito Guerinio. The group hopes the new division could be added to the NBA in time for the 1960-61 season. However, a league spokesman said he doubted whether the league's board of governors would discuss the proposal at their current meeting.

At the governors' meeting Monday, the league re-hired Podoloff as president for a three-year term at a "substantial increase" in salary.

The league officials also voted to hold the annual All-Star game in Syracuse in 1961 and St. Louis in 1962. The 1960 game, to be played on Jan. 22 previously had been awarded to Philadelphia.

## RVCC Has 2-Ball Next

Rogue Valley Country club golfers completed one tournament last week end and are awaiting the start of another which will run for a number of weeks.

The spring handicap was climaxed Saturday by Jim Sheldon's 2 and 1 decision over Houston Pitts for the championship.

Next on the docket is the two-ball partnership meet. Men have until Friday, May 1, to sign for the tourney. Drawings for partners will be conducted at a Friday evening dinner party at the club. High handicappers will be paired with low handicappers on the two-man teams.

Results of finals in other spring handicap flights were: First flight—Howard Scroggins def. Alan Holmes 1 up. Second flight—Carl Schmidt def. Dr. N. J. Wilson 1 up. Third flight—Bob Morris def. John Moffat 4 and 3. Fourth flight—Bud Judy def. Harry Jewett, 19 holes. Fifth flight—Ray Sorenson def. Jerry Gastineau 3 and 2. Sixth flight—Don Jackson def. Dick House, 20 holes. Seventh flight—Dick Hogan def. Harry Withrow 1 up.

Ed Pease and Bert Peck won the skee-trap event with 89 out of 100 and Floyd Young and Hunt were second with 86.

## Salem-Eugene Game Postponed

Salem - (UPI) - Northwest League baseball between Salem and Eugene was postponed because of rain for the third time Monday night.

The game was to have been a makeup game to account for loss of play over the weekend. No other games were scheduled Monday night.

## Championship Bout To Open Arena

Los Angeles - (UPI) - World bantamweight champion Alphonse Halimi of France and Jose Becerra of Mexico were set today to open the \$5 million sports arena here in a July 8 title bout.

Becerra, 22, No. 1 ranked contender in the April 1 National Boxing association ratings, kayoed the shaky veteran Billy Peacock in the first round of a bout at Tijuana, Mexico, last Monday.

The youngster from Guadalajara who has been fighting since he was 16 has a record of 62 victories, 2 losses and 1 draw. He has been knocked out only once according to the record book and that was, coincidentally, on Nov. 6, 1957, on the same card at Wrigley field here when Halimi won undisputed possession of the bantam title with a 15-round decision over Mexico's Raul Macias. Macias had been recognized as champion by the NBA and Halimi by the European Boxing Union.

Becerra was kayoed on that card by Dwight Hawkins. The Mexican reversed the verdict later with a nine-round kayo of Hawkins in Guadalajara.

Halimi has not defended his title since the Macias fight although he has had a couple of non-title fights in Europe. Has 28-1 Record

The 27-year-old champion has a record of 28-1 his only loss being on a ninth-round TKO to Jimmy Carson in London June 4, 1957.

The sports arena promotion will be undertaken by the Olympic Boxing club and part of the proceeds will go to the Los Angeles Examiner youth charities funds.

The new arena has a seating capacity of 19,062. Scale of ticket prices was still under consideration and terms for the battlers were not announced Monday when the date for the bout was made public.

Matchmaker George Parnassus said the fight would be televised nationally with the

Los Angeles area blacked out for a radius of 300 miles.

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## Idaho Player Leads Batters

Eugene - (UPI) - Idaho second baseman Norm Geertsens has taken over the lead in the batting race in the Northern division with a .429 average in games through last Saturday.

Don Daniels of Washington is close behind with a .417 mark. Gary Snyder, Washington State, .385; Arlie Kangas, Washington State, .375, and Jerry Droscher, Oregon State, .357 round out the top five.

Denny Peterson, Oregon, and Ernie Wheeler, Washington, are tied as the top hurlers. Each has two wins and no losses. Wheeler, however, has not allowed an earned run in six innings worked while Peterson has a 2.00 ERA in 18 innings.

## Boston Jumper Has Skin Graft

Boston - (UPI) - A skin graft operation on the "jumping" foot of Boston University's John Thomas will keep him hospitalized for several weeks, according to his physicians.

The surgery Monday was termed a "success" and doctors forecast that Thomas probably would resume training sometime this summer.

The 18-year-old world high jump champ mangled his left foot in an elevator accident at the university five weeks ago.

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