

# Rain Lifts, Portlanders Drop Angels

### Ducks Six And One-Half Games Ahead; Seattlemen Win One, Tie One With SF

By The Associated Press  
Old J. P. the rain-maker, finally relented enough in the northwest last night to permit a full Pacific Coast league schedule and give the pacesetter Portland and Seattle clubs a chance to fatten their leads over their California rivals.

Portland's double victory over Los Angeles moved the Beavers six and a half games ahead of the Rainiers, who whipped San Francisco in the first game of a twin bill and wound up in a 10th inning deadlock in the after-piece.

Oakland skidded a game and a half behind Seattle in losing to Sacramento, while San Diego edged to within half a game of the Acorns by trimming Hollywood.

Portland, which like Seattle has been idle for the last three nights due to rain and travel delay, trounced the Angels 8-1 and 1-0. Two of the Beavers' most reliable hurlers, Roy Helser and Ad Liska, held the Angels to 6 and 8 hits, respectively. Helser's victory in the opener was his eighth of the year against two defeats, while submariner Liska notched his seventh against three losses in the nightcap.

The Rainiers won 1-0 in their seven-inning opener and were knotted 3-3 with the Seals when the regulation second game was called at the end of the 10th inning due to a league rule that no frame can be started within 10 minutes of midnight. Southpaw Carl Fischer turned in a classic three-hit hurling job for Seattle in the first tilt. A two-run Rainer rally in the nightcap's ninth inning knotted the score and produced a no-decision contest.

The Beavers will attempt to make up lost time with a 7:30 double bill tonight, while the Rainiers will play a single 8 o'clock game this evening and take on the Seals in a Monday night doubleheader starting at 7:30. Twin engagements are slated in all league parks Sunday.

The Acorns lost 9-3 to Sacramento as Jim Atanazio, a veteran of the Oakland semi-pro winter circuit, pitched the Solons to a 2-2 series tie.

San Diego's 12-4 victory over Hollywood, its third in four games, gave Pitcher Vallie Eaves, Cherokee Indian, his ninth win of the season.

Shortscores:  
First game (seven innings):  
R. H. E.  
Los Angeles ..... 1 6 1  
Portland ..... 8 12 0  
Phipps, Marshall (3) and Kitzner; Helser and Adams.

Second game (called end 10th; time rule.)  
R. H. E.  
San Francisco ..... 3 8 2  
Seattle ..... 3 10 3  
Stewart, Barthelson (9), Orela (10) and Sprinz; Demoran, Frazier (10) and Finley.

R. H. E.  
San Diego ..... 12 13 1  
Hollywood ..... 4 10 3  
Eaves and Ballinger (4) and Hill; Mishasek, Marshall (4) and Hill.

R. H. E.  
Sacramento ..... 9 8 2  
Oakland ..... 3 12 1  
Atanazio and Schlueter; Chelini, Babich (4), Ayala (4), Munzo (9) and Fenech.

## Institute Favored Over Southern Cal

FRESNO, Calif., May 19 (AP)—The California Institute of Technology was favored to outstrip the University of Southern California Trojans today in the fourth wartime running of the Fresno relays.

The Trojan squad lacks the stars of previous seasons who helped cop 12 team victories and one tie here.

More than 800 athletes take the field today for the 19th annual renewal of the classic. One hundred and seventy of them are from service bases in California, Oregon, Arizona, Idaho and Nevada.

**SERVICE PLAYERS**  
NEW YORK—Lt. Bill Dickey, famous Yankee, sees many major league prospects who have never been affiliated with organized baseball coming out of the armed forces.

# HOW THEY STAND

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
Team	W	L	Pct.
Chicago	17	7	.708
New York	17	7	.708
Detroit	11	11	.491
St. Louis	10	12	.455
Washington	10	12	.455
Philadelphia	9	13	.409
Boston	8	13	.385
Cleveland	8	13	.385

GAMES YESTERDAY			
Team	W	L	T
Boston 3, Chicago 0			
St. Louis 4, New York 1			
Only games played.			

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
Team	W	L	Pct.
New York	20	5	.800
Brooklyn	17	7	.708
St. Louis	12	12	.500
Boston	10	12	.455
Chicago	10	12	.455
Pittsburgh	9	13	.409
Cincinnati	9	13	.409
Philadelphia	8	13	.385

GAMES YESTERDAY			
Team	W	L	T
Brooklyn 15, Chicago 12			
St. Louis 11, Philadelphia 8			
Only games played.			

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE			
Team	W	L	Pct.
Portland	32	13	.711
Seattle	24	18	.571
San Diego	23	21	.522
San Francisco	23	21	.522
Sacramento	21	23	.479
Hollywood	20	24	.455
Oakland	13	33	.283

RESULTS LAST NIGHT			
Team	W	L	T
Portland 8-10, Los Angeles 1-2			
Sacramento 9, Oakland 2			
Seattle 1-3, San Francisco 0-3 (second game called end of 10th)			

## Grant Wins State Prep Golf Title

EUGENE, May 19 (AP)—Winners of the 1945 state prep golf tourney is the four-man Grant high, Portland, team, with a card of 678 in 36 holes.

The Corvallis Spartans, champs the last two years, came second in yesterday's finals with 688. University of Eugene placed third with 694. Other scores: Eugene 704, Marshfield 725, Salem 763, Washington of Portland 774, Benson of Portland 801, Jefferson of Portland 810, Tigard 823.

Medalist honors went to Bob Jones, Grant and Bunny Mason, of Salem, who tied at 161. Jones tallied 82-79, Mason 84-77. The other three Grant players were Marsh Smith 87-89-176, Dan Torrey 86-77-163, and Dave Wheeler 92-84-176.

All-state selections included Jones, Torrey, Mason and Bill Paul, Corvallis, 87-76-163; Jerry Peters, Marshfield, 83-80-163; Chuck Gillanders, University, 83-82-165; Pete Munde, University, 85-82-167; Bill Johnson, Corvallis, 90-78-168. This is the second all state honor for Gillanders and Johnson.

Yesterday's scores showed a marked improvement over Thursday, when the rain-drenched Laurelwood course made hard going.

## Pro Golf Champ To Play At Tacoma

TACOMA, May 18 (AP)—Bob Hamilton, reigning champion of the Professional Golfers' Association of America, will be a contestant in the 12th annual Tacoma Open, Sunday, May 27, at the Allenmore Golf club.

Hamilton, now a private in the army, is stationed at Fort Lewis. His is the final entry to be accepted for the one day 36-hole medal play tournament and he'll be competing for a share of \$500 in war bond prizes offered for professionals. Amateurs will compete for \$750 in war bonds.

## RAINIER PLAYER

SEATTLE, May 18 (AP)—Chet Johnson, southpaw pitcher owned by the St. Louis Browns but ordered back to a shipyard job here this spring by his draft board, has been turned over to the Seattle Rainiers by the Browns for the rest of the 1945 season. Business Manager Bill Mulligan announced today. He comes on option and reverts to the American league club this fall. He was sold to St. Louis by San Diego last winter.

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# Circuit Hit Puts Browns Nearer Top

### St. Louis Pounds Heels Of American Loop Leaders, Shows Flashes Of Old Form

By JACK HAND  
Associated Press Sports Writer  
Thanks to Vern Stephens' home run spurt, the St. Louis Browns were closing in on the American league leaders today, showing flashes of the form that won them the 1944 championship.

Only two games off the pace because of Stephens' seventh round tripper, a grand slam wallop that plastered the New York Yankees, 4-1, Luke Sewell's club has won five of seven at home against the eastern invaders. One of the other two was a tie.

The slugging shortstop, leading the American league with a .389 average and second in runs batted in with 17, has hit four homers in the last six contests and seven of the eight his team has belted this year.

Stephens had plenty of company in yesterday's slugging bees as three major leaguers hit for all four with the sacks loaded. Luis Olmo did the job for the Brooklyn Dodgers in their 15-12 shellacking of the Chicago Cubs and old Jimmy Foxx belted his first in three years for the Philadelphia Phils who lost nevertheless to the St. Louis Cardinals, 11-8.

Only 24 grand slams were hit last season but nine already have been recorded in the first month of the current campaign, five in the National and four in the American. Stephens did it twice last year and Russ Derry of the Yanks has two this April.

Although the long distance slugger stole the show in the arduous games yesterday, the only day tilt was strictly a pitcher's dream. Dave Ferriss, the Boston Red Sox phenom, tossed his third shutout in four straight triumphs, blanking Chicago, 2-0. In 36 big league innings, the army discharge has allowed only two runs. Bob Johnson's double produced the winning scores.

Olmo had the biggest night of the season with a four-run homer and a triple that scored three for Brooklyn, boosting his R. B. I. total from 15 to a third place 22.

Ben Chapman was the winner over Jorge Comellas but neither started nor finished. Olmo's bat was the big thunder but Bill Nicholson, Andy Pafko, Bill Hart and Goody Rosen also hit into the stands.

Foxx' 529th homer was wasted in a six-run Philly eighth inning because the Cardinals came back with four in the ninth to win for Ken Burkhart who gained his third straight relief decision.

Jack Kramer got the benefit of Stephen's smash to boost his season mark to 4-1 on the credit side as Hank Borowy lost a tough four-hitter for his first defeat after five victories. Last time Borowy worked at Sportsman's park during the Browns' successful flag drive, he dropped a two-hitter to Nelson Potter.

Although the American league managed to play two games, its first since Sunday, the rest of the calendar, Philadelphia at Cleveland and Washington at Detroit, was postponed. Rain and wet grounds also washed away series openers in the National league between Pittsburgh and New York and Cincinnati and Boston.

## Proud of His Sox



Off on winning streak, cigar-puffing manager Jimmy Dykes is so proud of his Chicago White Sox that he poses and feels like running around in his stocking feet.

## War Torn Tennis Needs Long Convalescence, Says Tilden

PHILADELPHIA, May 19 (AP)—Amateur tennis will need several years after the war ends to recover its former international stride, says Bill Tilden.

The 52-year-old former court champion stopped in his native Philadelphia last night for a visit.

"There are no young amateur tennis players available because they are all in the armed forces," Tilden said. "So it will take a few years to develop some new youngsters to succeed such worthy players as Ellsworth Wines and Don Budge."

Directing a verbal volley at the U. S. Lawn Tennis association for its refusal to sanction an open tournament, Tilden said, "the only salvation for the game is to stage an 'open' which would help the amateur youngsters immeasurably and keep the interest alive."

"Professional tennis is in a healthy condition because the good, old players of the moneyed ranks who are in the armed forces will have the advantage of their experience to fall back on after the war," he added.

And—may, yes, the gray-haired Tilden again pooh-poohed the

posers on when he intended to retire with the retort that he is having "more fun" playing at service camps because the enthusiasm of the men in the armed forces has rejuvenated him.

## Booker Ellis Smashes Montez

TACOMA, May 19 (AP)—Booker T. Ellis, 147, Minneapolis, sent a hard right smash to the body of Pedro Montez, 145, of Fort Lewis, last night to finish the Mexican in the third round of their scheduled 10-round go.

Other results included: Johnny Ballenge, Chicago welter, decisioned LeRoy Durst, Longview, four rounds; Johnny Lovett, Fort Lewis welter, scored second round TKO over Mike Petrone, Bremerton, and Mickey McPherson, Tacoma middleweight, drew with Randy Ingram, Bremerton.

## Don Lewis Wins Handball Title

PORTLAND, May 19 (AP)—Don Lewis, Portland, held the state AAU singles handball title today and declared that the sixth time's the charm.

Lewis, previous winner of the state and northwest doubles title, had been defeated five times in the single final. Last night he finally made it, upsetting Woody Pearson in a three set match; 20-21, 21-13, 21-5.

## From the CORRAL

By 'TOP-WRANGLER'  
Howdy folks:  
I hear the hay-ride Sunset stables pit on wuz pretty successful. A big crowd wuz on hand at the ol' stampin' grounds a gnawin' on weeners. Jack Ray bring his hoss Johnie back from Seattle where he's had him durin' the winter gettin' sum book learnin'.

Bob Robbins sold the Whytal' a couple of hosses. Reckon they'll be blazin' new trails on their weekends fer practice and a catin' standin' up fer a spell. Any day at the fairgrounds yuh kin see cow-punchers and jockeys a-squatin' on thar heels a-talkin' race-hoss in general and quarter-hoss in particular. Mervin 'Shorly' Perry is back from Portland and busy displayin' sum fundamentals on jockey technique. Tommy Swigert and Gil Gillispie still breezin' bang-tails daily.

Seem' as how the racin' ban is lifted . . . all feather-weight riders and the race hoss owners see the signal smoke to get ready to find the finish wire first. Homer Stillwell wuz a cowboy on a nice little bay fill tother day.

Clarence Adams and Charlie Drew Jr., jst got back from Red Bluff where they shipped several carloads of cattle up fer the summer grazin'. They got caught in a rainstorm and soaked to the hide, but it didn't take them fellers long to git into sum dry martin's.

Per the 7th War Loan drive I rit a little dud, here tiz: Let's buy bonds fer all we're worth.

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## Max Schmeling Given Freedom

HAMBURG, Germany, May 18 (AP)—Max Schmeling, former heavyweight boxing champion, has been released by the British after questioning by security police, and instructed not to try to leave Hamburg.

The boxer had told two British soldiers that he had injured his knee and back in a parachute jump during the German invasion of Crete, and that he did not plan to re-enter the ring, although he would like to visit America again.

## Gorgeous George Drops Dusette 2 Falls

Gorgeous George Wagner, the self-styled toast of the coast, slugged his way along the boarderline of disqualification to win his grunt-fest with Georges Dusette, the French Canadian full-Nelson artist, in the Klamath armory main wrestling event last night.

Dusette took the first fall of the go with a rocking full-Nelson that almost put Wagner out much to the delight of the fans, who were quite disgusted with hair-pulling and slugging of the ladies' man.

Wagner came back meanly in the next episode to pound Georges into submission with many buffs on the back with his arm and knee. Technically he won the second fall by a body press—after slugging his opponent semi-conscious, he laid across him for the three-count.

With Dusette weakened by the second fall experience, Wagner battered him quickly into a position for his famous half-crab, which he applied with vengeance for the third and deciding number. Thereupon, the toast of the coast gathered up his beautiful bathrobe and headed for the shower room.

Tony Morelli and "Sneeze" Achiu grunted and groaned their way to a draw in the second event. Morelli took the first fall after smothering his opponent into a weakened condition and laying on top of him. Achiu came back in the last round to defend himself by much pressure-pointing until he had Morelli in the proper position to apply his famous Chinese sleeper. Morelli was still half asleep when the seconds carried him to the dressing room.

Paavo Katonen was forced to head-butt and slug Antone Leone in the opening event after Leone had pulled his hair and twisted his fingers into numbness, but the net result of all this effort was a draw.

Leone took the first fall with a head hold and Katonen hung him with his "hangman's" hold for the second. Both wrestlers hated to leave the ring when it was all over and Leone made a dive for Paavo with his bathrobe on. Katonen sparked a counterattack and Leone made a dash for the dressing-room, much to the amusement of the fans, who favored Katonen anyway.

## Swimming Trophy Won By Salem

PORTLAND, May 19 (AP)—The high school trophy awarded to Salem swimmer teams, who made 31 points in an indoor meet here yesterday at Buckman pool.

Salem also won the boys' division with 25 points. The girls' division was won by Washington with a 9-3 haul and Idaho yesterday. The two met again today.

## HUSKIES WIN

SEATTLE, May 19 (AP)—Three-run outburst in the eighth and two more tallies in the ninth gave the University of Washington a 9-3 haul and victory over the University of Idaho yesterday. The two met again today.

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