

# Portland Beavers Take Victory Day Game From Oakland Acorns, 1 to 0

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Victory Day meant just that for the Portland Beavers, Sacramento Solons and San Diego Padres in Pacific Coast league games played before skimpy crowds after sirens had screamed the end of the war.

### Beavs Victorious

The Beavers nosed out the Oakland Acorns 1-0 to boost their first place lead to five and a half games. Sacramento shodded the Hollywood Stars to tighten its hold on third, three full tilts ahead of the San Francisco Seals, who dropped an 8-2 decision to San Diego. The second spot Seattle Rainiers were idle due to a travel delay by the Los Angeles Angels headed for the northwest.

Portland's narrow triumph over the Oaks was Submariner Ad Liska's 18th win of the season against nine losses. The pace-setters pushed over their only run in the eighth, and it was Liska who crossed the platter after the unearned tally had been set up by Jake Caulfield's wild peg on his grounder to short Len Gilmore was charged with the defeat in which both tossers allowed six hits.

**Sacs Whip Stars**  
Sacramento's 5-4 win over the basement-dwelling Stars brought victory No. 12 for Bud Beasley, the loop's leading pitcher. The Solons counted three times in the fourth after Third Baseman Lilio Marcucci homered with two men aboard, then clinched the game in the seventh on singles by Beasley, Gene Handley, Jesse Landrum and Jo-Jo White's sacrifice.

San Diego and San Francisco were tied up in a tight pitchers' battle until the seventh when the Padres scored four times to gain a 7-2 lead. They showed over one more in the ninth to complete the night's fireworks. Giles Knowles was the winning pitcher and Tony Buzolich the loser.

### Harmon To Join All-Star Roster

CHICAGO, Aug. 15 (AP)—Tom Harmon, the former all-American nautica from the University of Michigan who slipped off his army khaki Monday, will lose little time getting back into his football togs.

The 25-year-old veteran, the Chicago Tribune announced today, will join the squad of college stars this week in training at Dyche stadium, Evanston, for their August 30 meeting with Green Bay Packers in Soldier field. The game is sponsored by the Tribune.

### Rassling Card Set For Friday

Promoter Mack Lillard's biceps bill will go on at the armory Friday night, with Paavo Kallonen, the durable Finn, slated to tangle with burly Jack Lipscomb in the headline tussle. There is bad blood between these two maulers, who rassed to a draw here last week. Both gladiators will be seeking a victory with Paavo eyeing a possible title bout with Danny McShayne, world's light heavyweight title claimant. In the semi-windup Georges Dussette will take on Walter "Sneeze" Achiu, the Chinese sleeper artist. Jack Kiser will tangle with Milt Olsen in the opener with the curtain scheduled to go up at 8:30 p. m.

### Leading Lady



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### HOW THEY STAND

By The Associated Press NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	W	L	Pct.
Chicago	89	37	.451
St. Louis	85	44	.406
Brooklyn	81	48	.379
New York	59	50	.341
Pittsburgh	57	54	.314
Boston	50	61	.450
Cincinnati	47	65	.416
Philadelphia	29	79	.266

  

Yesterday's Scores			
New York 3, Cincinnati 2			
St. Louis 2, Brooklyn 1			
Pittsburgh 7-6, Brooklyn 5-2			
Philadelphia 2, Chicago 1			

  

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	W	L	Pct.
Detroit	81	43	.357
Washington	78	47	.323
Chicago	54	59	.319
New York	52	49	.315
Cleveland	52	51	.310
St. Louis	51	52	.493
Boston	51	55	.481
Philadelphia	34	67	.333

  

Yesterday's Scores			
Cleveland 3, Boston 0			
St. Louis 5, Washington 4			
Other games postponed.			

  

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE			
	W	L	Pct.
Portland	65	31	.678
Seattle	70	56	.555
Sacramento	72	66	.522
San Francisco	60	60	.500
Oakland	66	72	.478
San Diego	55	75	.424
Los Angeles	58	79	.423
Hollywood	35	82	.298

  

Results Yesterday			
Portland 1, Oakland 0			
San Diego 1, San Francisco 2			
Sacramento 2, Hollywood 0			
Los Angeles at Seattle postponed.			
San Diego at San Francisco			
Oakland at Portland			
Los Angeles at Seattle (doubleheader)			
Sacramento at Hollywood			

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Bruins, Tigers Face High Hurdles In Pennant Drive; Returning Servicemen Eyed

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### World Series, Football Bowl Games Considered Sure Thing

By MURRAY ROSE  
NEW YORK, Aug. 15 (AP)—Baseball and racing are planning to go full blast today on America's first peaceful day in nearly four years with Japan's surrender ushering in a new sports era that is expected to make the "golden twenties" look tarnished in comparison. Racing and baseball magnates had planned to close down their plants if President Truman asked the people to observe a day of prayer. But the president proclaimed Wednesday and Thursday as legal holidays and since both sports normally operate on holidays the officials decided to carry on as usual. Baseball leaders met in Washington today to discuss

developments and it was believed that Col. J. Monroe Johnson, director of the office of defense transportation, would hand them the good news that the world series could be played this October. The ODT chieftain indicated last night there would be glad tidings regarding the world series, football and other fall events by saying "there is a possibility of these things being arranged." He added that he probably would make the statement of the travel situation today. Football's post-season bowl games were considered to be a cinch but racing leaders were hoping that the restrictions on movement of horses by common carriers would be lifted

### Marine Ball Game Will Be Played Today

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### Flashes of Life

**NIGHT IN TOKIO**  
TOKIO, Texas, Aug. 15 (AP)—They were dancing and singing—but be sure to make that read in the streets of Tokio last night. Tokio, Texas, not Tokyo, Japan, Mr. Proofreader. Only the town's postmaster had a headache to mar the festive occasion. It's his job to get into the mails the thousands of letters from all over the nation entrusted to him for remailing on V-J Day. **ONE SAD NOTE**  
OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Aug. 15 (AP)—Hundreds of phone calls jammed the police switchboard last night as Betty Williams plugged in still another and started to say, "Yes, the war is over." But instead of a would-be reveler, it was a child, who sobbed. "I would like to report my bicycle stolen, please." CHICAGO, Aug. 15 (AP)—Two robbers bound and gagged Max Newman in his clothing shop and spent 90 minutes trying on his stock while he watched. After selecting the patterns they liked best in their sizes, they departed with five \$50 suits and \$40 in cash.

### Star in the Making



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### Stockton Post Wins Northwest Softball Crown

BOISE, Idaho, Aug. 15 (AP)—The Pacific Northwest American Legion softball championship, and the right to represent the area on a western U. S. playoff at Miles City, Mont., August 19, went to the Karl Ross post of Stockton, Calif., yesterday as they defeated the Lind-Pomeroy squad of Portland 5-1. Stockton was undefeated in the double elimination tournament. Outcome of the championship game never was in doubt after the first inning when the Californians knocked out two runs, then followed them with three in the seventh. Portland's only tally came in the fifth inning. Johnson said an announcement covering all civilian travel will be made either today or tomorrow. Even though "We'll have a devil of a railroad load until next June," the ODT chief said that "at the same time I feel civilians are entitled to some relaxation."

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# ODT To Lift Travel Ban On Sports

By BUS HAM  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 15 (AP)—Coming quickly after Japan's surrender, government actions today and tomorrow probably will start turning sports back toward peacetime conditions. With remarkable timing—just 16 hours after President Truman announced that the Japanese had quit—baseball today begins outlining a large-scale postwar expansion program. The two-day meeting opens at 8 a. m. (PWT). **ODT Eyes Travel Ban**  
At the same time, the office of defense transportation is expected to figure out ways of relaxing travel restrictions affecting the 1945 world series, professional football, horse racing and post-season college football games. Five minutes after the news of Japan's capitulation last night, Col. J. Monroe Johnson, ODT director, said in effect that ODT will ease its pinch on sports travel. He commented that "There is a possibility of those things being arranged for," meaning the world series, professional football's 13 non-championship games, bowl football games and relaxation of restrictions on horse racing. Johnson said an announcement covering all civilian travel will be made either today or tomorrow. Even though "We'll have a devil of a railroad load until next June," the ODT chief said that "at the same time I feel civilians are entitled to some relaxation."

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