

# Year Will See Baseball Gate Figures Zoom

By The Associated Press  
Big league attendance will zoom over the 3,000,000 mark on the way to an all-time high today as the sizzling Boston Red Sox open their first western tour and the puzzling St. Louis Cardinals come east to wrestle with the first-place Brooklyn Dodgers.

When 10,951,502 paid to see the 1945 games, many believed the mark would stand as a record for years to come. Now, a month after the start of the 24-week season, the New York Yankees, Boston Red Sox, Philadelphia Athletics and Cincinnati Reds have drawn about half as much as they did last year.

The Yanks, with 578,940 as a starter, are regarded as a cinch to smash the major league standard the Chicago Cubs hung up in 1929 when they played before 1,485,766 at Wrigley field. Detroit is beginning to catch fire as the Tigers flash the form that led them to a pennant and world series triumph last fall.

Steve O'Neill's champs, who rolled to their eighth straight, yesterday, greet Washington, Philadelphia, Boston and New York in order on their first protracted home stand.

As Boston rocketed through the east to win 22 of its 26 starts, the experts delayed final opinion on the team, pending its first western tour. The Sox open in Chicago today and won't be back in Fenway park until May 25 when they engage the Yanks. So far they haven't lost a game to a western team.

**Tigers Closing In**  
Detroit, only a game back of the second-place Yankees, expects to close in on the Red Sox during its long home stay. The team is beginning to click and the pitching staff is rounding into shape.

Although Hal Newhouser was knocked from the box for the first time this season, the Tigers picked up six easy runs in a wild second inning to gain a 6-5 edge over Chicago.

While the Yanks were flying to St. Louis on the first of a series of plane hops, the Browns were splitting a doubleheader at Cleveland. Red Embree turned back St. Louis with five blows in the opener, knocking in three runs of the Tribe's 9-2 margin. Al Milnar, making his first start, shut out Cleveland 3-0.

All the eastern teams in the American and the four western clubs in the National were idle, jumping across country for the second interseasonal series.

**Brooks Clout Phils**  
Brooklyn warmed up for the Cardinals by hanging another one on the Phillies' chin 6-3, coming from behind to do it.

It was the ninth straight Dodger triumph in the friendly surroundings of Ebbets field, stretching their lead to two full games over the runner-up Red Birds who come to town today.

Boston spurted with four in the ninth to shade the New York Giants 7-6, giving Reliever Earl Reid his first big league victory at Mike Budnik's expense.

**LA Slugger Hits Gaudy .423 Clip**  
LOS ANGELES, May 14 (AP)—Los Angeles Loyd Christopher helmed Pacific coast pitching at a fearful .423 clip through games of last Friday to maintain his wide batting lead. Statistician Leo Moriarty disclosed today.

His nearest rival among full-time regulars was Cully Rikard, Hollywood, with .351.

Christopher, however, had to share slugging honors with Oakland's Les Scarcella. Each had 11 homers, but Scarcella topped the Angel swatsmith in runs batted in, 33 to 32.

**SOME GAMES**  
The Philadelphia Athletics, on Oct. 20, 1885, defeated Williamsburg 100 to 8, in a morning game, and that afternoon beat the Danville, Pa., team by a score of 162 to 11. In the course of the two games, Al Reach scored 34 runs.

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## Miller Down But Not Out



Chiloquin's Bruce Miller was down when this picture was snapped in the first round of his fight with Bob Ross at the armory, but the Indian battler didn't stay down. He went on to win by a knockout in the fifth frame. There will be no boxing tonight but a six-star wrestling card is lined up for Thursday. Next prize fights will be Tuesday, May 21.

## Seraphs, Seals Go Into Dynamite-Laden Series

By The Associated Press  
The Seraphs of Los Angeles, persistent challengers of the never-headed Seals of San Francisco, attempt to sock the precarious edge out from under the pace-making mound staff in this week's series of Pacific Coast league baseball.

Heavy-hitting Lloyd Christopher and his Angel mates frightened and nudged the Seals from a half a game back and wound up last week a game and a half behind.

These two rivals popped to the head of the league at the season's start, and Los Angeles in second or third place has been tugging all the way at the Seals' leash on the pinnacle.

**Now or Never**  
Manager Frank (Lefty) O'Doul said, "If those Los Angeles guys don't catch us this week, they may never catch us."

O'Doul picked Larry Jansen, seven-game winner, and Frank Seward for mound duty against the Cardinals in the first game of the series.

**No Sunday Ball For WIL Canucks**  
By The Associated Press  
Western International League clubs took a rest around most of the circuit yesterday, but Canadian teams played on their home fields to make up for Sunday games prohibited by Sunday blue laws.

At Victoria, B. C., the cellar-dwelling Athletics remained weary from taking another drubbing from the Spokane Indians. The score, 10 to 2.


At Vancouver, B. C., the hometown Caplanos nudged out the visiting Wenatchee Chiefs, 5 to 3.

In order to get around the Sunday law, Vancouver and Victoria weekly series will henceforth start Monday nights, and end with doubleheaders Saturday instead of Sunday.

The league-leading Salem Senators, who finally were tumbled from their long undefeated status of 13 straight wins from the getway last week—they lost one to Wenatchee and three to Spokane—open at home tonight against the torrid Yakima Stars.

The Stars knocked the paint off the Yakima fences last week in taking Victoria for six out of seven, collecting 46 runs in a Sunday doubleheader.

**L. A. GETS FIELDER**  
LOS ANGELES, May 14 (AP)—Purchase from the New York Yankees of Outfielder Leon Treadway, who formerly was with the New York Giants and Jersey City in the International league, has been announced by the Los Angeles Angels, Pacific Coast league club.

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## Mound Star Ruled Out Of League

**Pelicans Forfeit All Baseball Games Played Against Loop Schools**

The Klamath Falls Pelican baseball team, which up to date hasn't been too bad despite a couple of losses to Grants Pass, now officially reads no victories at all.

One member of the Pelican squad, Pitcher Joe Carroll, has been ruled ineligible because of having already attended high school for nine semesters and eight is the limit for interscholastic sports competition.

The eight-semester or four-year rule is laid down by the Oregon High School Activities Association.

**Games Forfeited**  
The games in which Carroll has played against Ashland, Medford and Grants Pass have been forfeited by Klamath Falls. Those include two wins over the Grizzlies and one over Medford, but does not have any effect on the selection of a team to represent this district in the state baseball meet at Portland.

Undeclared Grants Pass apparently is headed for the conference title and participation in the state diamond tourney.

Carroll's ineligibility was in no way his fault or the fault of Coach Ed Ryan, KUH's Principal S. D. Woodruff points out. He transferred from a junior high in California, where the ninth grade is taught, to a three-year California high school.

**Transfer Students**  
When he transferred to Salem, a three-year high school, and from there down to Klamath Union high school, somewhere on the way getting in an extra semester in high school because of different eligibility requirements.

Ryan, when the defect was discovered in a check-up of Carroll's scholastic record, immediately offered to forfeit all the games played with schools in the conference. That action is exactly what the coaches and officials would expect of any other school should the circumstances be reversed.

A last-minute change in the baseball schedule also had to be made for the Pelicans. Instead of the game with Medford, which was originally announced for this afternoon, the K-men are playing Tulelake at Del Moro field.

**Tornado Tomorrow**  
Tomorrow afternoon the Tornado will be on Del Moro field, the game beginning at 3 p. m., and that will wind up this year's diamond season for the Pels.

Ryan's squad will be considerably hampered in the finale against Medford because Catcher Tommy Edwards, Cleanup Hitter Irvin Whitt and Outfielder Bill Sari will not be in the lineup. All three have qualified for participation in the state prep track meet this weekend and are laying off until that time.

**Fights Last Night**  
By The Associated Press  
PROVIDENCE, R. I.—Willie Pep, 128½, Hartford, Conn., outpointed Joey Angelo, 133½, Philadelphia, (Non title).  
ST. LOUIS—Phil Terranova, 129, New York, outpointed Freddy Russo, 126½, Havana, 10.  
CLEVELAND—Harold Green, 153½, Brooklyn, outpointed Sammy Secrest, 136, McDonald, 10.  
NEW YORK—Billy Graham, 136, New York, knocked out Frankie Carlo, 132½, Philadelphia, 9.  
BALTIMORE—Steve Beloise, 135, New York, outpointed Henry Jordan, 139, Atlantic City, N. J., 10.

**Girls' Softball To Be Organized**  
There is to be a meeting tonight at 7:30 in the council room of the city hall for the purpose of organizing a girls' softball league comparable to the men's loop already organized.

All girls interested in playing on a team or persons willing to sponsor a girls' team are asked to attend this meeting.

The men's league is slated to get underway later this month.

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## Over His Head



Pee Wee Reese, Brooklyn shortstop who never before hit higher than .272 for a major league season, is now pounding the pill for a .411 average to head both loops.

## .411 Tops Big Loops

NEW YORK, May 14 (AP)—Pee Wee Reese, Brooklyn's flashy shortstop who never has hit higher than .272 for a major league season, topped both big leagues with an average of .411 in figures including Sunday's games.

The galloping Boston Red Sox dominated the American league batting race with Shortstop Johnny Pesky out front at .394 and teammate Ted Williams tied for second place with Washington's Mickey Vernon at .387.

Defending Champion Phil Cavaretta of the Chicago Cubs was in fifth place in the National league with .361, but George Strinweis, who won the 1945 American league crown on the final day of the season, was far down in the lower 200s.

Second to Reese in the National was Stan Musial of St. Louis at .388 followed by Billy Herman of Brooklyn, .377 and Johnny Wyrostek, Philadelphia, .370.


**Fingerling Salmon Will Be Released**  
PORTLAND, May 14 (AP)—Fingerling Chinook salmon will be marked at two Willamette valley hatcheries for release in state fish commission experiments, officials reported today.

The batch of 50,000 will be released as part of a spring run experiment to determine whether fingerlings will return than a similar batch released last fall.

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