

# 'Slave' Clause Under Attack From Diamond

NEW YORK, July 20 (AP)—It looks as though the biggest job the baseball owners and league presidents will have on their hands when they meet with the six players representatives here on August 5 will be to convince their opposite numbers that the so-called "reserve clause" is a great thing for everybody and should be retained.

It seems certain that the six player-spokesmen—three from each league—will enter this, the first such meeting in diamond history, bearing a mandate from their fellow performers to take a whack at the clause which is the backbone of organized ball.

The players never have liked the clause, for the reason that it binds them for their playing life to the club which first gets their name on a contract. Unless the player is sold or traded, he can never hope to better his situation, become a member of a team which pays higher salaries.

This causes admitted inequalities, and it rankles the star who is drawing down perhaps

\$10,000 a year from one of the less prosperous clubs to realize that players no better than he are making twice that with, say, the Yankees or the Detroit Tigers.

The player either can accept the contract offered him by his owners, or he can hold out and make a fight of it each spring, or he can retire from baseball, Dickie Kerr, the great little White Sox pitcher, quit baseball for life when he was at the height of his career and Eddie Roush once remained out of the Giants line-up for a year.

That is the player's side of it. Some feel that they are "slaves," and they have always felt that the reserve clause was a wicked, unlawful instrument that would not stand up if it were challenged in court. Yet there has never been a serious, sustained effort by the players to fight it out in the courts, and President Larry MacPhail of the Yankees declared yesterday that he had never had a player tell him the clause should be abolished.

## Above His Class



Ursal Snapp, Merrill's light-heavy, is standing head and shoulders over his local field of opponents, so Promoter Mack Lillard is sifting through the amateur lightweight ranks of the northwest to find Snapp's next adversary.

## Waiver Fee Gives Sox More Wins

By The Associated Press  
Bill (Sinker Ball) Zuber, a luckless pitcher who couldn't get anybody out for the Yankees, is proving to be a \$7500 bargain find for the pennant-bound Boston Red Sox.

Picked up for the nominal waiver fee when New York cut him loose, the 31-year-oldster has earned three straight decisions for his benefactors and hasn't been beaten yet. He added a four-hit, 9-2 decision over Chicago yesterday to his impressive record.

Even in victory, Zuber had to play second fiddle to Ted Williams yesterday when Umpire Red Jones evicted 14 White Sox players and coaches after he had warned Pitcher Joe Haynes about "dusting" Williams.

With the Yankees and St. Louis-Browns unscheduled, the Red Sox upped their lead over second place New York to 11 1/2 games.

Hal Newhouser of Detroit chalked up his 18th victory in an unimpressive performance against Washington, 10-3, allowing 12 hits. With 71 games to play and at least 15 more piling starts, the swift left-hander remained a good bet to reach the charmed 30-win circle.

Hank Greenberg's tremendous triple with the bases loaded and Birdie Tebbets' two-run double helped the Tigers overcome a 5-0 Washington lead and go on to win.

Barrel-chested Pat Seerey of Cleveland hammered two home runs, his 15th and 16th, in the Indians' 6-1 romp over the Athletics.

Brooks in Tie  
Brooklyn came out of its disastrous slump long enough to down Cincinnati, 6-4, and go into a first place tie with the Cardinals who were washed out of their night tilt with the Phillies after three scoreless innings of a pitching duel between Johnny Beazley and Hugh Mulcahy.

Rookie Warren Spahn continued his impressive left-handed turn, dumping Chicago, 6-1, to give Boston its third straight western series. The Braves, advancing steadily in the past two weeks, are now only four games behind the third place Bruins. Ray Sanders and Tommy Holmes paced the attack with six of the 12 hits off three Cub hurlers.

## Amateur In Driver's Seat

CHICAGO, July 20 (AP)—Only one pre-tourney favorite, muscular Frank Stranahan, of Toledo, Ohio, amateur, was in the driver's seat today as the \$10,000 Chicago Victory National Open golf meet moved into the second round at arduous Medinah Country club. Stranahan and Professional E. J. (Dutch) Harrison of Little Rock, Ark., exploded three-under-par 68's yesterday to leave Defending Champion Byron Nelson and leading 1946 money-winner Ben Hogan gulping their dust in the 72-hole test. While Stranahan, the 28-year-old millionaire's son who won the Kansas City Invitational last weekend, and 36-year-old Harrison, whose last major conquest was the 1945 St. Paul Open, were taking tricky Medinah apart, Nelson and Hogan floundered with 73 and 75, respectively.

Because Harrison faded in the recent Canadian Open after starting with 69-68, Simon-pure Stranahan was favored to cause most embarrassment for some 55 professionals gunning for the Open's top swag of \$2000 in war bonds.

## State Junior Trapshoot Champion



Mervyn Gleason, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Gleason, 1147 East, is snaring various honors along the coast with his scattergun, the most recent being the Oregon junior trapshoot championship at Portland. In the Washington state shoot at Yakima he won first honors in the 19-yard handicap, and tied for first place in class D shooting at Portland June 21. The Gleasons plan to go to Vandalla, O., in August where he will compete for the national junior championship.

## Acorns Muff Another Chance To Go Ahead

By The Associated Press  
A southpaw on the hill stood between the Oakland Acorns and the top of the Pacific Coast Baseball league today.

While the San Francisco Seals, holders of a half game advantage in the pennant race, were losing last night, the Acorns had their second chance in as many nights to overtake them, but Lefty Cliff Chambers of the Angels blocked the path. Angel Manager Bill Sweeney said months ago a good southpaw was what it would take.

In turning back the Oaklanders 6-1, Chambers, the top strikeout artist of the league, fanned eight men and boosted his record to 134 whiffings this season.

The Portland Beavers shaded the Seattle Rainiers 9-6, with the difference in the score furnished by a second-inning home run by Danny Escobar, who was told just before the game that he was needed for the beaver farm club at Salem. In addition to Escobar's three-run homer, the Beavers got three of the game's four triples, two of them pounded out by Harvey Storey. Winning pitcher was veteran Ad Liska, although he yielded 12 hits.

Pitchers Earl Chapple and Tom Seals let the Sacramento Solons have only five hits but they could only get a spit of a gooleader for the San Diego Padres. In the seventh-inning opener, the Solons got three sautes of Chapple to blank the Padres 3-0 in a hurrying duel victory for Guy Fletcher. Seals limited the Solons to two bingles in the nine-inning nightcap for a 4-1 decision.

The Hollywood Stars by the home-run route nosed out the Seals 6-5, snuffing a rally by the league leaders with the bases loaded in the last half of the ninth inning.

## Alabamians Donate To Spokane Fund

MONTGOMERY, Ala., July 20 (AP)—Each baseball team in the Southeastern league has contributed \$50 to the Spokane fund for the families of players killed and injured in the June 24 bus crash. League President Stuart X. Stephenson said last night. The contribution added \$400 to the fund.

## From the CORRAL

By "TOP-WRANGLER"  
Howdy folks:  
First I want make a correction on las' week's bizness. Instead of sixteen dollars the Saddle club tuk up fer Marshall Fields, it wuz sixteen hundred. Notice I've spelled her out this time sos my decimal won't git mistak for a fly spec agin.

Ther nite Sheriff Low thru' his cook-house on Del Moro open for a buffet supper of jiggle water. A good many of the old pie-near bucarosons wuz on hand. I did some evedroppin' and heard they throwed Guy Barton and his lantern out beuz the place wuz lit up enuff. Eric Read bought herself a new hat fer the occasion and asked Charlie, "ain't it purty?" Charlie saw the bill and tho't it wuz a pelican!

Sylvia Hillis is our new little sage brush queen since las' Sunday when she spurred her hoss Silver in the ribs and copped the title at the "Smokey" auction. Unkle Henry Nicol from Lakeview suz in town shoppin' at Les Wright's establishment.

Little giant Elmer Balsiger is worn down to a midgit size since the trek to Hart mountain. Don Sloan made a flyin' trip to California in that brand new aeroplane. He just kin't live down the story of his maiden parachute jump.

That he unraveled his union suit afore he found the rip cord. A few of them city slickers from Hollywood are here personally fer the manhunt thata been' staged Sattidy in connection with the Oregon made picture "Canyon Passage." This man-huntin' posse must ride a four-legged animal to tract down the fugitive. Mr. Lamb, our local theatre mgr., is shure buzzy ingenearin' this search fer justice.

Outta Claude Hilbert's chuck waggin when everbuddy sees everbuddy and yuh kin git an eye full as well as a belly full of tasty vittles. . . cowgals and cowpokes line up and shoot the breeze on evergethin' from soup to cow brazzers.

Dave Liskey is up and at 'em agin but doin' his ridin' from behind a wheel. Pat Hogue just got back from Pleasanton where he got some hosses runnin' in the meet down ther. Grants Pass is havin' a big Rodeo this weekend. Reckon I'd better be a gittin' fore riter's cramps sets in.

Bye now.  
Scientists are now able to grow tobacco which contains no nicotine.

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## SPORTS

By Hale Scarborough, Sports Editor

### Notice To Klamath Baseball Fans

It has come to our attention that perhaps individuals and business firms in Klamath Falls have been solicited for ball-players performing certain feats in the various games this year, such as home runs, stolen bases and the like.

We wish to make it clear that the Klamath Sons baseball team has not sanctioned any such solicitations, but do appreciate voluntary contributions on the part of anyone interested in so doing. In such an event, please notify John Pastega, M. G. Carpenter, the public address announcer at the ball park or a member of the KFLW staff at the park.

Do not give cash or check or other prizes to anyone. Merely signify your award by an order placed in an envelope or given verbally to the above parties. If your award is won, the player winning will be given a note to you saying that he is entitled to it. If you care to contact the player personally after the game, you may do so.

We would be pleased to hear from individuals or firms in Klamath Falls who have made contributions to date who might be under the impression that their contributions have not reached the player entitled to the award.

It is our sincere desire to sponsor a team, representative of Klamath Falls, on a sportsmanlike basis and conducted in a businesslike manner.

We extend our sincere appreciation for the wonderful support you have given us and trust you will continue to do so. Klamath Sons Baseball Committee, M. G. Carpenter, Manager, John Pastega, Business Manager.

## Twin Bill Scheduled For Local Diamond Tomorrow

Two baseball games are on the slate for Klamath Falls home grounds tomorrow afternoon, and a third is being played down at McCloud.

The newly-formed Lowell Packers will play their first game of the season against a team from Bieber, Calif., on Recreation field starting at 1 o'clock, and following that tilt will play a second game with

the Junior Legion all-star team which is representing Klamath Falls in state Legion play.

The Packers have been practicing about two weeks and have a team composed of mostly all ex-servicemen. This game with Bieber will be a sort of shakedown cruise, although the Californians have been organized all season.

Included in the Packer lineup are Frank Hall, Joe Derrah, Byron Cody, Buck Ferguson, Jimmy Allio, Jim Derrah, Al Bellotti and other local ball players. Clyde Walsh, managing the team, said that Jimmie West, marine who has been playing with the Klamath Sons, may pitch against Bieber tomorrow.

The second game of the Sunday double bill will be between members of the Packer squad and the Junior Legion stars.

Also tomorrow a Northern California league game is being played by the Klamath Sons against the McCloud Loggers, according to Fred Hoagland, manager of Fluhrer's. The tilt will be on the air over KFLW at 2 o'clock.

Klamath has knocked over the Loggers twice in its march to the top of the league this season and are heavy favorites to top this one. Scores of the other games were 8-0 and 7-4.

The Sons are without bus transportation, probably for the rest of the season, so have made arrangements to go to McCloud tomorrow in private cars.

### Fluhrer Putting Up Scoreboard

A new scoreboard, to be built by Fluhrer's bakery, has been started at Recreation field, according to Fred Hoagland, manager of Fluhrer's. The first load of lumber arrived at the field yesterday.

When completed, the new scoreboard will be 40 feet long and 18 feet high. It will be made of masonite board, painted green with black team and score-by-inning boxes, and will have yellow lettering.

The new scoreboard will be built in the northwest corner of the field behind the present site of the flagpole facing the grandstand. The flagpole will be removed and placed near the end of the board.

Work is being done by Cecil Green, contractor. The old scoreboard behind the grandstand has been taken down. Part of the materials of the old board will be used for the new one, and the remainder of the board will be done away with.

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—Eddie Hudson, 132, Los Angeles, knocked out Alvaro Estada, 132, Fresno, 8.  
LONG BEACH, Calif.—Jimmy Calhoun, 123, Hamilton, Ont., outpointed Bob Richards, 123 1/2, Spokane, 8.

## from MIDFIELD

By HALE SCARBROUGH

### Fishing Roundup

From all reports, angling this week and this weekend have not been and is not expected to be so good, except for the report of the game commission which comes in over the teletype and says that all lakes and streams in Klamath county are good.

Still, according to the game commission's findings, Jackson county—the Rogue, both forks of the Applegate, Hyatt lake and Fish lake—are the best prospects in the state now, with limit catches of trout and some steelhead being taken in the Rogue.

Local observers see the Upper lake at the mouth of Wood river for trolling as the most nearly sure thing around here. That's trolling and bait fishing.

The mouth of Seven Mile is another spot in that area that is good. Both Wood and Seven Mile should be trolled on up for a quarter or half a mile.

Down the Williamson to the lake, trolling two-tone wobblers should be good this time of the year. The Chewaucan and Deep creek are good spots to try flies, any of the grey patterns recommended by those who have been over, and as a last resort a small spinner and a fly or a small spinner with a gob of worms should do the trick.

The upper sections of the Rogue should be about ripe for flies, and in the area around Union creek or Natural bridge there are a dozen good creeks and streams to be worked.

We understand that Crater lake will soon be open for fishing, but that story in the paper the other day about the kid who nearly slid off into the lake makes you take it with a grain of salt.

We're going on vacation now, vacation, that is—Saturday afternoon and Sunday—to grow a beard, fight mosquitoes, eat this and that cooked over an open fire and, a faint possibility, catch some fish in Diamond lake.

Just received a note from an old friend with whom we flunked several college courses back in the pre-war days, saying that our alma mater, the University of Alabama, has a trifling squad of only 85 football players working out this summer, and that doesn't include the first string who is turned out to grass in the summer.

This friend is the sports publicity at the university, and quite probably he forgot to mention the second and third strings which are developing muscles in Birmingham steel mills. When they get all the players together at once down there, they work out in battalions.

DODGERS BURN  
BEND, Ore., July 20 (AP)—Those Brooklyn Dodger footballers training here for the 1946 professional grid season were hot yesterday on the field and off. The Oregon Sun put a pre-tan burn on the 61 athletes.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT  
By The Associated Press  
NEW YORK—Chuck Taylor, 144 1/2, Coalport, Pa., outpointed Tony Pelonne, 141 1/2, New York, 10.  
SAN FRANCISCO—Willie Brown, 125, San Francisco, outpointed Eddie Reed, 121, Fresno, 8.  
HOLLYWOOD, Calif.—Fabian Chavez, 132, Los Angeles, outpointed Alfredo Escobar, 129 1/2, Monterey, Mexico, 10.

## WI Pennant Race Close

By The Associated Press  
Third place Bremerton chopped a full game off its Western International league disadvantage last night—with the help of Spokane—and roosts today in third place just a full game back of Salem and half a tilt behind Wenatchee.

John Pintar set the league leaders down with four hits in leading Bremerton to its 3-0 win over Salem. At the same time Spokane was taking advantage of six enemy errors at Wenatchee to trounce the second place team, 8 to 5.

Tacoma's Tigers rallied from the wrong side of a 4-2 score with four runs in the sixth frame at Tacoma to turn back Victoria 6 to 4.

At Yakima, Lefty Al Yaxlian pitched the hometowners to a 7-0 shutout victory over Vancouver, with Yakima getting all its runs on six hits and three quarter errors.

Salem was in line today for some new hitting strength. General Manager William Klepper of Portland's Coast league Beavers said he was sending Danny Escobar to Salem, along with Eddie Wheeler, and taking George Vico and Wally Flager to Portland.

## Service Golf Meet Slated

Starting the service club links tournament Sunday, golfers representing the Lions and Rotarians play 18 holes on Reames Country club course starting at 8 a. m., and the winners play the Kiwanis Sunday, July 29.

Matches will be made at the first tee tomorrow and the games, 18 holes, will be played on a handicap basis. Bob Sprout is chairman of the Rotary team and Moon Mullis is chairman of the Lions.

The Kiwanis club won the service tourney last year. Golfing members of the Lions are Paul Angstead, Dan Bastien, Jack Bishop, Bill Bratton, Ray Barnes, Dr. C. J. Cox, Ed Hickman, Gene Hooker, Lloyd Drew, Morgan Johnson, Paul Lee, E. R. Leint, Wes McNece, Moon Mullis, Roy Rakestraw, Ed Robinson, S. A. Rose, Bill Sheldon, Hal Shidler, Dr. Boyd Sprague, Larry Whytal and Clarence Humble.

Rotarian golfers are Hugh Campbell, Marshall Cornett, Herb Hauger, Tommy Jerrow, W. E. Lamm, Paul Landry, Ralph Macartney, Dr. George Merryman, Dr. John Merryman, Henry Moe, Howard Perrin, Lloyd Prock, E. H. Thompson, Tom Watters, Bill Hagelstein, Bob Chilcote, Mitchell Tillotson, Jack Martin and Bob Sprout.

## Klamath Gunners Slate Trapshoot

The Klamath Gun club is to hold a shoot tomorrow at the Wood firing grounds in preparation for the Pacific International Trapshoot association firing at Salem July 26-27-28. Many of the gunners from here are planning to take part in the Salem shoot. Tomorrow's firing begins at 10:30.

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