

Cleveland Indians Drop Bragan, Hire Joe Gordon As Field Manager

CLEVELAND (AP)—Joe Gordon, former star second baseman for the New York Yankees and Cleveland Indians, flew here today to take over as manager of the Indians for tonight's game with Baltimore.

General Manager Frank Lane announced last night he had fired Bobby Bragan and hired Gordon for the rest of this season and for 1959.

"We are making this change with the hope that there will be a general improvement in the club," he explained.

Gordon, 43, an insurance salesman in Sacramento, Calif., since he left baseball after piloting San Francisco to a Pacific Coast League pennant last year, said he was "excited and thrilled" to take the job.

Lane said the decision to fire Bragan was made in the last few days and resulted from a "succession of little things."

He refused to pinpoint any one thing that led to the change, but he has been openly critical of

Bragan's platooning, his constant efforts to find a place for rookie outfielder Gary Geiger in the lineup, and his handling of some pitchers.

Bragan was hired as manager by Hank Greenberg, Lane's predecessor, at the end of last season to succeed Kerby Farrell. He was informed of his dismissal shortly after the Indians lost 2-1 to the Boston Red Sox.

Bragan admitted the bad news hit him as a surprise, but he voiced no bitterness. In fact, he

had only words of praise for Lane as a general manager.

Gordon played for the Yankees and Indians from 1938-50 and was a member of the Tribe's world championship team in 1948.

The 40-year-old Bragan began his managerial career with Fort Worth in the Texas League in 1948 after playing with Philadelphia and Brooklyn in the National League. He piloted the Pittsburgh Pirates to a seventh-place finish in the National League in 1956, but was fired as manager of the Pirates in midseason last year.

KF Racers To Host Invaders

Saturday night at 6:30 the green flag will fall on more than 30 local Northern California and Southern Oregon drivers as they race against the clock in time trials for positions in the third 10-event hardtop racing program of the season at Klamath Speedway.

The Klamath Racing Association, sanctioning body and promoters of the bi-monthly speed card, recently decided to enforce strict standards as to engine size, modifications, etc., for entrants, in order to guarantee spectators the maximum in thrills and competition.

Limitations on engine size tends to defeat runaway tendencies of "hot" cars, stated Buft Runnels, association president.

"Our first program under the new rules proved our point as the field stayed well bunched and the winner of the race was not decided until the last few laps. The boys get in more tangles this way — but the fans seemed to approve," he added.

Extra precaution to hold dust to a minimum, both on the track and in the spectator parking areas has been taken, according to Ray Brackman, KRA official.

A number of drivers from Northern California, some of whom race as many as five nights a week on California tracks will make their bids for success against the local contingent in Saturday's races. Among them are Mel Allman, Corky Waterman and Bob Benefield.

Leading the Klamath Falls experts is Bud Cook, pilot of the speedy Hudson, No. K 4, who won the main event two weeks ago and is currently heading the point standings. Also expected to be back for revenge is Wes Bishop, driver and owner of K 10, who has figured prominently in recent track "episodes."

Bolestering the senior racing program are eight Klamath Junior Racing Association cars and drivers who will compete among themselves in heats separate from the more experienced drivers.

Time trials will conclude at 7:30 when the trophy dashes will begin; followed by lap heat races. The class B main is slated for 15 laps while the A main will go 25.

Youngsters among the early arrivals at the track will be invited to ride in the cars for a few warmup laps around the oval. Slow speeds will be observed while the children ride.

Admission prices are 90 cents for adults, 50 cents for students, while chaperoned children under 12 will be admitted free.

Minor Leagues

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INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Montreal 4-0, Richmond 1-6
Columbus 4-7, Toronto 0-9
Miami 6, Buffalo 1
Rochester 9, Havana 6

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
Denver 10-4, Wichita 8-9
Louisville 2, St. Paul 1
Omaha 5, Indianapolis 1
Charleston 3, Minneapolis 2

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION
Chattanooga 2, Little Rock 1 (12 innings)
Memphis 10, Nashville 1
Other games postponed.

TEXAS LEAGUE
San Antonio 14, Fort Worth 9
Houston 4, Dallas 0
Tulsa 13, Corpus Christi 1
Victoria 4, Austin 1

BASEBALL FAMILY AFFAIR
TUCSON, Ariz. (AP)—Baseball is a family affair for the Ory Park Aggies of the Tucson City League. The club roster has six Aguilar brothers, three of their cousins and a brother-in-law. A neighbor somehow slipped into the lineup.

TIME OUT



Salem Edges Wenatchee; Ems Win Two

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
The Salem Senators, dead last in the league, won the North-west baseball League, staged a ninth inning three-run rally before 2,014 of the hometown fans and edged Wenatchee, 4-3, Thursday night.

The Senators said they would drop from the league unless they draw 10,000 during this week's series.

Eugene swept a doubleheader from Yakima, 2-1 and 4-3, Lewiston which won the loop's first half play Wednesday night, continued to batter Tri-City pitching, this time for a 12-1 win.

A bases-loaded walk brought in the winning run at Salem. The walk capped a three-run, come-from-behind rally in the ninth. Roy Parker's line drive single scored two runs earlier in the inning. Seven Salem errors helped Wenatchee scoring.

Eugene won both games of its doubleheader with Yakima by Carl Hutzler scoring ninth inning runs. Yakima pitcher Dick Donnelly was knocked unconscious at the end of the second game as he tried to cover home to put out Hutzler. They collided. Hutzler was racing for home with the winning run on a wild pitch. A club spokesman said Donnelly may have suffered several broken ribs.

A timely home run in the second extra inning by Hutzler won the first game. One hit pitching by Ken Bailey also helped.

The short scores:
First game:
Yakima 000 000 100-1 1 1
Eugene 000 010 001-2 6 1

Clebski and Gongola; Bailey and Kellernose. W-Bailey (2-3), L-Clebski (5-7).

Second game:
Yakima 000 000 3-3 7 1
Eugene 002 010 1-4 11 1

Fahnestock, Reese (7), Donnelly (7) and Gongola; Brem and Kellernose.

Tri-City 000 000 100-1 6 2
Lewiston 521 103 008-12 13 1

Newberg and Whitcomb; Sadler and McNamara.
HR—Bruce McIntosh, Lewiston.

Wenatchee 150 000 110-3 7 1
Salem 010 000 003-4 7 7

Kropiewnicki, Mallory (9) and Azcue; Kindsfater and Martin.

Skins Blank Giants; Portland Halts Bees

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
The law of averages caught up with the big bats of the Phoenix Giants Thursday night and, as a result, the slugging Southwesterners found their Pacific Coast League lead trimmed to one game.

Larry Sherry, the angling 6 foot 3 inch Spokane right-hander, shut the Giants out for the first time in the 1958 campaign on three hits as the Indians won 5-0.

The Vancouver Mounties drubbed San Diego 9-2 and hurled the Padres to take over second place, in other games, the Sacramento Solons edged the Seattle Rainiers 3-2 and Portland gained a one-run victory over the Salt Lake City Bees, 4-3.

Sherry, with brother Norm catching, hammered it up for nine full innings as he rubbed in a good measure of insult along with the injury. His shenanigans backfired, but not disastrously, in the third when he started his pitching motion with the ball in his glove hand. The unamused umpire called a balk.

Sherry had only one anxious moment. In the first inning, with only one out, he loaded the bases on three walks. He worked himself out of trouble without a run scored.

The Solons spotted Seattle a 2-1 lead after sixth frames and then chased the Rainiers with a two-run outburst in the ninth. The winning run came across after Seattle outfielders Vada Pinson and Bobby Balena collided while trying to chase down Harry Bright's fly ball.

The Solons got their first run in the sixth inning on Carlos Paula's screaming line drive homer over the left field barrier. Marshall Bridges won it for the Solons with a seven-hit effort.

The Beavers whipped the Bees with two runs in the first and two more in the seventh. Salt Lake City scored singletons in the fourth, eighth and ninth frames, the latter on Dick Stuart's 29th home run of the season.

Elmer Singleton was the winner. He gave up nine hits in spacing his record at 6-6. Fred Green, the loser, and reliever Jack Lamabe also gave up nine hits.

The short scores:
Sacramento 000 001 002-3 9 0
Seattle 011 000 000-3 7 2

Bridges and Dalrymple, Roselli (8); Kutyra, Kennedy (8) and Denter. W—Bridges 8-6, L—Kennedy 2-4. Home runs — Sacramento, Paula.

San Diego 000 101 000-2 8 1
Vancouver 040 040 018-9 12 1

Lary, Wojcik (5) and Naragon; Palanca and White. L—Lary, HR — San Diego, Averill; Vancouver, Jorgensen.

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J-M Nine, Park-Moyina Win LL Tests

A pair of winning Little League ball teams took over undisputed possession of the first and second spots in league standings Thursday night as Johns-Manville moved into the lead with a 20-7 victory over Hal's Sport Shop and Park-Moyina edged Bob's Union 3-2 on Wright Field.

The win was the fourth against no losses for the J-M club while P-M has a 3-won, 1-loss mark.

The Bob's-Park-Moyina tilt saw winning pitcher Ronnie Yuncik give up only three hits and fan eight, while the loser, Marv Cunningham, issued seven safeties and struck out nine over the six-inning distance. Each team committed one error.

Park-Moyina jumped off to a one-run, first inning lead as the combination of a walk and two hits pushed Jimmy Routs across the plate. The lead held until the bottom of the third when Bob's retaliated with two markers off a pair of walks and a solid hit by Gary Patzke.

P-M clinched the affair in the top of the sixth as they capitalized on three hits; Bob's were blanked on two hits. Jimmy Routs across the plate. The lead held until the bottom of the third when Bob's retaliated with two markers off a pair of walks and a solid hit by Gary Patzke.

In the Johns-Manville-Hal's contest, the combination of the good left arm of winning hurler Larry Binney and booming bats allowed the J-M nine to score in each of the five innings while, holding Bob to only scoring threats.

Binney racked up six strikeouts, walked five men, hit two batters and added a triple and a single in four trips to the plate to help the J-M cause.

Charged with the Hal's loss was starting pitcher Mike Martinez, who allowed eight J-M runs before being replaced in the second inning by Mike Kitching. Kitching worked until the fifth frame when he resumed his original position behind the plate as Jim Bridges came in to finish up.

Nine walks, five errors and numerous past balls were all factors against Hal's plus the fact that they could do no better than three hits off Binney. Shortstop Eddie Young banged out two singles and leftfielder Tom Schiff collected the other.

J-M catcher John Jendzejewski was the other power hitter for the winners as he poked out a brace of doubles. Others to register two hits included Bobby Tucker, Bob by Graham, Eddie Weaver and Jerry Thomas, all of the Johns-Manville club.

The line scores:
R H E
Park-Moyina 100 002-3 7 1
Bob's Union 002 000-2 3 1

Yuncik and Barnes; Cunningham and Patzke.

R H E
Johns-Manville 562 61-20 13 3
Hal's Sport Shop 300 04-7 3 5

Binney and Jendzejewski; Martinez, Kitching (2), Bridges (3), and Kitching, Martinez (2), Kitching (5).

Rose Faces Swim Threat

LOS ANGELES (UP)—Australia's Murray Rose faces a new challenge today from Tsuyoshi Yamanaoka, the new "flying fish" of Japan, in the 1500-meter freestyle which highlights the opening night of the international swimming meet here.

Many of the world's leading swimmers and divers from the U.S., Australia, Japan, and Hungary, are entered in the three-day competition at the Los Angeles Swim Stadium in Exposition Park.

Rose and Yamanaoka, now both 19 years of age, met in the 1500 meter freestyle in the Olympic Games at Melbourne, Australia, in 1956. Rose, who won three gold medals, captured that event in 17:52.

Yamanaoka's coach, Katsuyoshi Murakami, predicts that his swimmer will be well under 16 minutes in the event tonight — the first of the evening schedule.

George Breen of the U.S., the holder of the world record, will not compete because of sub-par performances in trials.

Suit Filed On Kyne's Estate

SAN FRANCISCO (UP)—Mrs. Eva Bloch, a stockholder in the California Jockey Club, has filed a \$412,000 suit against the estate of the club's late manager, William B. Kyne.

Mrs. Bloch's suit brought total claims against the Kyne estate to \$1,497,369.

The suit, filed "on behalf of all minority stockholders," charged Mrs. Dorothy S. Kyne with selling stocks belonging to the club.

The suit also called for an accounting of club funds and the removal of Mrs. Kyne and three others as directors.

Rafer Johnson Wins Cal Decathlon Cup

KINGSBURG, Calif. (UP)—Home-town boy Rafer Johnson fell short of a world mark, but captured the California Invitational Decathlon with 7,780 points.

The giant UCLA star had to share the spotlight, however, with Dave Edstrom, a 19-year-old University of Oregon student built along the lines of two-time Olympic king Bob Mathias. Edstrom tallied 7,736 points in this, his second shot at the 10-event grind.

Steve Anderson, also of the University of Oregon, was third with

6,663 points. Other scores were Clarence Treat, Occidental College, 5,901; Walter Mince, Bakersfield College, 5,841; and Walt Williamson, also of Occidental, 5,664.

Johnson, Edstrom and Anderson will compete in the National AAU Decathlon championship at Palmira, N.J., July 4-5. Top two men at Palmira will go to Russia where they will meet world record holder Vassily Kuznetsov in a U.S.-Russia track meet in Moscow.

Johnson is the former world record holder and he took second in the 1956 Olympics. There is little doubt that he will be ready to crack Kuznetsov's recent world mark of 8,013 points if his sore knee ceases to bother him. In compiling his 7,780 score, Johnson took only one high jump at 5 feet 2 1/2 inches and one pole vault at 10 feet 11 7/8 inches for fear of reinjuring the knee.

Here is a rundown on Johnson's performance: 100 meter, 18.6; board jump, 23 feet, 3 inches; shotput, 50 feet 5 inches; high jump 5 feet 2 1/2 inches; 400 meter, 1:48.7; 150 meter hurdles, 1:42.2; discus, 157 feet 10 1/2 inches; pole vault 10 feet 11 7/8 inches; javelin, 209 feet 9 inches; 1500 meters, 5:02.

Summaries:
100-meter high hurdles—1. Rafer Johnson, UCLA, 14.2. 2. Dave Edstrom, Oregon, 14.2. 3. Clarence Treat, Occidental, 14.9. 4. Walter Williamson, Occidental, 15.4. 5. Steve Anderson, Oregon, 15.6. 6. Walter Mince, Bakersfield, 16.4.

Discus—1. Johnson, 157-10 1/2. 2. Edstrom, 139-11 1/4. 3. Anderson, 137-7 1/2. 4. Treat, 130-5 1/4. 5. Mince, 130-4 1/4. 6. Williamson, 109-3 1/4.

Pole Vault—1. Edstrom, 12-11 1/4. 2. Williamson and Mince, 11-5 3/4. 3. Johnson and Anderson, 10-11 1/4. 4. Treat, 9-5.

Javelin—1. Johnson, 209-9. 2. Edstrom, 190-2 1/4. 3. Anderson, 184-3 1/4. 4. Mince, 144-5 1/2. 5. Treat, 140-4 1/4. 6. Williamson, 137-4.

1500-Meter Run—1. Treat, 4:44.5. 2. Edstrom, 4:44.5. 3. Johnson, 5:02. 4. Mince, 5:08. 5. Anderson, 5:25.3. 6. Williamson, 5:38.1.

Both the men and women will play 36-hole title finals Saturday.

Results:
Championship — Don Krieger, Portland, def. Lou Stafford, Portland, 3 and 2; Bob Atkinson, Portland, def. Keith Stearns, Portland, 3 and 2; Keith Gubrud, Eugene, def. Sam Cavalli, Portland, 4 and 3; Ralph Dichter, Astoria, def. Elwin Bowyer, Portland, 5 and 3.

First flight — Dusty Woods, Portland, def. Elmer Hanegan, Portland, 3 and 2.

Second flight — Paul Moore, Astoria, def. Jerry Claussen, Salem, 1 up.

Hydro Breaks Diamond Mark

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho (AP)—Bill Stead gunned his unlimited hydroplane Maverick to a new Diamond Cup course speed record Thursday, skimming over the three miles in 113.233 miles an hour.

Maverick's speed was tops for the week's test runs in preparation for Sunday's Diamond Cup race on Lake Coeur d'Alene and only six miles short of the world speed mark of 119 m.p.h. for a three-mile closed course.

Miss Thriftway and Thriftway Too, Seattle's two favorites, were scheduled to arrive here Friday night and drive the course Saturday. Adios, the Tri-City entry which must qualify itself and driver George Gilliam, also will arrive Friday night.

The Coeur d'Alene entry will be named Miss Round Table. The hydro came here unsponsored from Seattle. Formerly named Sunnee, the boat is owned by Lyle Parks and with a new Allison engine has reached 170 m.p.h.

The field will be cut to the low 40 and ties following today's round.

Paul Larson, Cardinals Sign

CHICAGO (UP)—Paul Larson, former California quarterback, has signed his second contract with the Chicago Cardinals, it was announced today.

Larson played briefly with the club last season after two years of military service.

He tried only 14 passes, completing six, and carried the ball eight times for 12 yards. In 1953, he was the collegiate leader in total offense.

Gun Store, Redwings Win BR Contests

A Babe Ruth League doubleheader under the lights at Gem Stadium saw the Redwings down Malin 7-4 in the first game and the Gun Store power a 16-7 victory over Tulalake in the second test Thursday night.

In the Redwing-Malin clash pitcher Burnett and Pyles alternated on the mound, Burnett gaining credit for the Redwing win. Rick went the full distance for Malin, being charged with a loss despite the fact that he gave up only one hit over the five-inning run.

Four Malin errors and four free passes contributed to his downfall.

The Redwing hurlers offered only three hits while their teammates committed three bobbles to allow Malin their four tallies.

The Redwings kicked off the top of the first inning with three tallies while holding Malin to one to gain a lead that they never relinquished. In the bottom of the fourth stanza Malin counted three more off four bases-on-balls, a hit-batter and one Redwing error.

In the top half of the fifth the Wings picked up two more runs for insurance as one hit, a walk and three Malin miscues did the damage.

Burnett collected the only hit for the Redwings, a single, while Oliver, Rick and Halousek contributed for Malin.

The Gun Store charged out front with an 11-1 first-inning bulge as losing pitcher Oehlrich permitted six hits and three walks while his mates committed five errors behind him.

A pair of back-to-back homers, the first a four-run blast by Gunner firstsacker Bruns followed by a roundtrip to the same spot on the field by winning pitcher Robateck, were the highlights of the first frame.

Tulalake counted one run in the bottom of the first and then went scoreless until the third canto when they counted three runs by making the most of two hits, two walks and a Gun Store error. In the fourth they got their last count of a triple by pitcher-outfielder Goforth and a single by third-baseman Wooten.

Four runs in the top of the last inning rounded out the Gun Store scoring as four singles, an error and a free pass widened their spread.

The Gunners committed two errors while Tulalake was charged with six.

The line scores:
R H E
Redwings 320 02-7 1 3
Malin 100 30-4 3 4

Burnett, Pyles (4), Burnett (5) and Amberg; Rick and Cox.

R H E
Gun Store (11) 00 14-16 10 2
Tulalake 103 30-7 5 6

Robateck and Springer; Oehlrich, Goforth (4), Roberts (5) and Mouch, Tahum (3).

Wright Holds Tourney Lead

PONTIAC, Mich. (UP)—Mickey Wright, doing all right with her old-fashioned glasses, has decided to put off wearing her new contact lenses at least until after the USGA Open.

Wearing her regular, stem-type glasses, the long-ball hitter from Chula Vista, Calif., outloughed 20 mile an hour winds, 28 other professionals and 25 amateurs for a one-stroke lead going into the second round of the 72-hole tournament which winds up with 36 holes Saturday.

Scores soared with the wind and the 23-year-old Miss Wright's 29-35-54 was one over par. Jackie Pung, the hula-dancing Hawaiian housewife who won the title last year and then lost it on a technicality, Louise Suggs and Betty Jameson all were one stroke back at 75.