

# Babe Ruth Squads Converge On Klamath Falls

## Spahnie 3-Hits Giants

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
Warren Spahnie has led the Milwaukee Braves back into the National League lead with a brilliant three-hitter against the San Francisco Giants Tuesday night.

The 38-year-old left-hander who has won 261 games, only five short of Eppa Rixey's all-time high for a National League southpaw, allowed only one hit in the first 7 2/3 innings. That was a single by Willie McCovey with two gone in the first. He walked Willie Mays in the fourth but not another Giant reached base until the eighth.

Jim Hegan's two-out single broke the spell and the Giants broke the shutout with two walks and Willie Kirkland's double in the last of the ninth.

The 6-1 Milwaukee victory put the Braves on top by .001 over the Giants with Los Angeles, a 4-1 loser to Cincinnati, another half game behind.

It was the first time Fred Haney's defending champions had held first place since July 8, just after the first All-Star game break and shortly before their disastrous seven-game losing slump. Except for one day, July 29, when Los Angeles edged ahead by a half game, the Giants had been on top.

Sloppy Giant fielding helped ruin the night for the capacity crowd of 22,959 at Seals Stadium. San Francisco committed five errors, two by losing pitcher Mike McCormick.

**Braves 6, Giants 1**  
Milwaukee, en route to its 11th victory in its last 13 games, picked up unearned runs in the first and third and landed on McCormick for two more in the fifth. Del Crandall's 13th homer with Billy Bruton on base completed the scoring in the eighth. While the Braves were winning the opener of this important three-game series, Los Angeles was blowing a chance to take over first place.

**Reds 4, Dodgers 1**  
Vada Pinson hit a two-run homer and lefty Joe Nuxhall allowed only three hits in beating the Dodgers who led momentarily in the first inning on Wally Moon's ninth home run. Pinson connected for No. 15 over the left field screen during the three-run third. Roy McMillan walked, took third on Nuxhall's double and scored on Johnny Temple's sacrifice fly. Then came Pinson's blow that hung defeat No. 5 on Stan Williams. Jerry Lynch also homered in the eighth off Roger Craig.

Nuxhall was the first left-hander to start against the Dodgers and beat them in their Coliseum this season.

**Bucs 7, Cards 3**  
Pittsburgh's Vern Law subdued St. Louis 7-3 despite home runs by Stan Musial and George Crowe. The Pirates routed loser Bob Gibson in the three-run fifth after scoring three times in the first inning. It was Law's 12th victory and Gibson's first defeat since he was brought up from the Omaha farm club.

**Phillies 2, Cubs 1**  
Harry Anderson's two-run double provided Robin Roberts with enough runs for Philadelphia's 2-1 margin over Chicago in the only day game. Roberts' 10th victory of the season was the 216th of his brilliant career.

**Players Wanted Tilt Next Year**  
BALTIMORE (AP) — The players wanted the second All-Star baseball game to start next year "but the owners steam-rollered it in this season." Bob Nieman of the Baltimore Orioles claimed today.

"They (the owners) saw a chance to pack that Los Angeles bowl with maybe 90,000 people," said Nieman who is the Baltimore player representative.

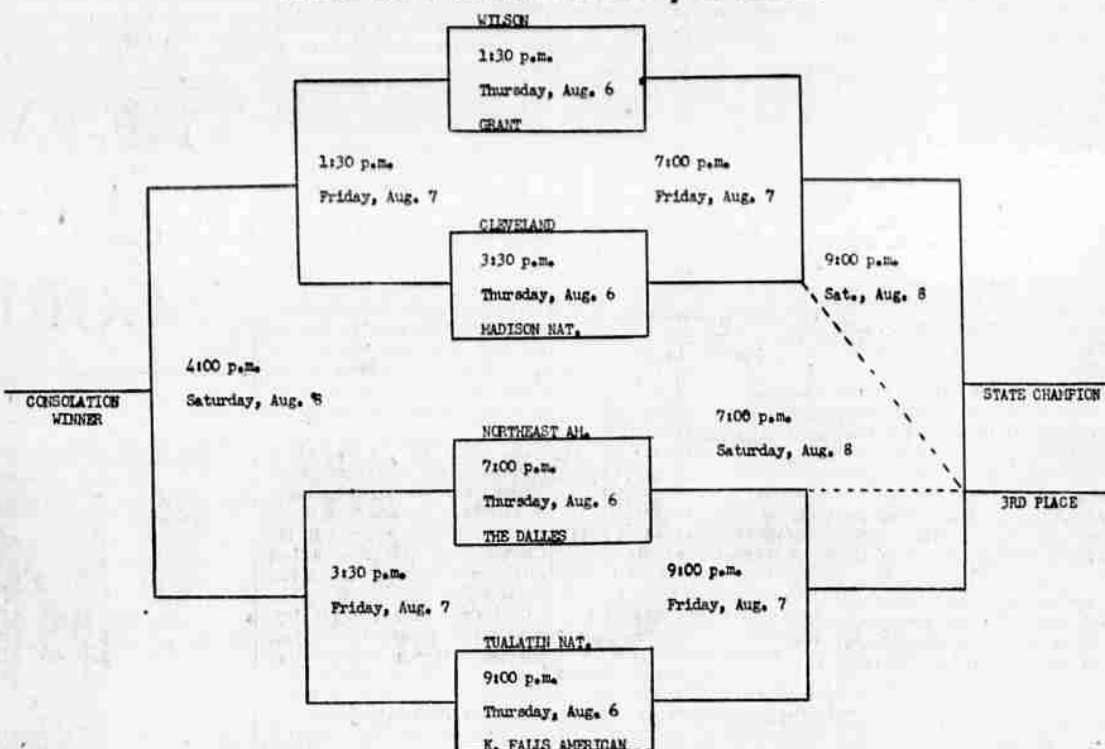
"Don't forget the owners get 40 per cent of the gate."

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Fort Worth 4-1, Minneapolis 1-4  
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## Babe Ruth State Tourney Bracket



## BR State Tourney Thursday At Gem

Seven teams of the cream of the crop of Portland area Babe Ruth League baseball players began streaming into Klamath Falls this afternoon, each with their sights leveled on the Oregon State Babe Ruth league championship and the right to continue to the BR regional set for Victoria, B.C., next week.

Accompanying the teams is one of the largest influx of rooters and backers ever to invade Klamath Falls.

The State Tournament, which begins at 1:30 Thursday afternoon in Gem Stadium, will continue through an 11-game series concluding Saturday night in the championship game scheduled for 9 o'clock.

The tournament, a single elimination affair, will however, see each club play in at least two games; the losers of the first day's action stepping into the consolation bracket.

Admission charges for the tournament at \$1 per session on a first come, first-served, no-refund basis.

**Liston Picked Over Big Nino**  
CHICAGO (AP) — Nino Valdes, the giant Cuban, will try to re-enter the heavyweight picture tonight by upsetting the third ranked contender, Sonny Liston.

Liston, No. 3 by both the National Boxing Assn. and Ring magazine, is unbeaten in 17 bouts and has lost only once in 25. He is a solid favorite to dispose of the 34-year-old Valdes in the televised (ABC, 9 p.m. EST) 10 rounder in Chicago Stadium.

Valdes, once the top-rated contender, knocked out Dan Hodge in eight rounds last April but a month later lost a 10 round decision to Alonzo Johnson in Madison Square Garden. In 19 years as a pro, Valdes has won 48 to 67 bouts, 35 of them by knockouts.

Liston, 27-year-old resident of Philadelphia, may have trouble with Valdes' best weapon, a left hook to the face or body, but Sonny never has been knocked out. He thinks his right will bomb out the Cuban, who has been kayoed four times.

**SECOND SUB SIGNED**  
NEW YORK (UPI) — Benny (Kid) Paret, Cuban welterweight, Tuesday became the second substitute to sign against Gaspar Ortega of Mexico for a Madison Square Garden 10-round Friday night. Florentino Fernandez of Cuba was Ortega's original opponent, but a virus forced him to cancel in favor of Charley Scott of Philadelphia. Scott then found he was not in condition to meet Ortega.

reserved seat basis. There are no season tickets on sale.

A "session" will include afternoon games or evening games, as the case may be.

The opening game of the tourney pits Wilson (District No. 8) against Grant (District No. 7) at 1:30 Thursday followed by Cleveland (District No. 6) versus Madison (District No. 5) at 3:30.

The Cleveland-Madison hassle figures according to all reports from Portland, to be one of the highlights of the tourney. The two are the highest rated clubs of the invasion.

Thursday night action will match the Northeast Americans (District No. 4) against the only other non-Portland entry, The Dalles (District No. 3) at 7 o'clock followed by the opening-round finale between the Klamath Falls Americans (District No. 1) and the Tualatin Nationals (District No. 2) at 9 o'clock.

Stadium concession stands will remain in operation continuously throughout the Thursday and Friday play, the break between afternoon and evening play being necessarily short.

The Friday game schedule will follow the same pattern established Thursday except that the afternoon games are in the consolation bracket while the night contests are in the championship category.

Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock the consolation championship is slated followed by the playoff for third and fourth spots at 7 p.m. The State playoff, which sees Klamath Falls team entered for the fourth straight year, is under the direction of Jack Kennitzer assisted by Joe Kind, Portland, Virg Stippich and Jim Johnson.

Umpires for the tournament are furnished by the Klamath Umpires Association under the direction of Hi Hatfield, Umpire-in-chief. Official scorer is Len Weber. Game announcing will be handled by Wayne Scott. It is as yet undecided whether the tournament will be broadcast to out of town points.

**Deer Hunt Draw**  
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## Francona Charges Indians

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With Tito Francona on the war-path there is new hope in the camp of the Cleveland Indians who now trail Chicago by only two games in the American League race.

Francona leads both majors with his .416 batting average but he probably won't have enough at bats to be eligible for the league title. He needs about 255 more appearances at the plate and the Indians have only 49 games to play.

Certainly the deal that brought Francona to Cleveland from Detroit in exchange for Larry Doby last March ranks with one of the best Frank Lane ever made.

Doby finally drifted to Chicago again and was shipped down to San Diego in the Pacific Coast League just the other day.

**Indians 8, Nats 2**  
Francona helped send poor stumbling Washington down to its 17th straight defeat Tuesday night when he drove in four runs in Cleveland's 8-2 victory. The outfielder sparked a four-run surge in the third with his two-run triple and hit his 12th homer in the seventh after Minnie Minoos walked. In the meantime, Jim Perry was throwing a six-hitter to beat Bill Fischer.

Cookie Lavagetto's Senators, who haven't won since they beat Kansas City in the first half of a July 19 doubleheader, can beat the club record for futility if they blow Wednesday's doubleheader. In fact, the American League and modern major league record is only 20, shared by three clubs, the most recent being the 1943 Philadelphia A's. A Washington club lost 18 in a row in 1948.

**Birds 3, Chicago 2**  
Baltimore gave Chicago a dose of its own one-run medicine. The Orioles came up with two unearned runs in the eighth for a 3-2 decision over the White Sox, who had won 26 of 31 previous one-run games.

Rookie Ken McBride from Indianapolis left in the seventh with the bases loaded and Chicago leading 2-1 on Johnny Romano's two-run pinch homer. Relief man

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