

SEATTLE — Emil Sick, owner of the Seattle Rainiers baseball team in the Pacific Coast League, last night that Rogers

Hornby is through as manager of the club.
A waiver has been given him a week to make up his mind whether he wants to return next year. Sick said.
Hornby piloted the Rainiers to the Coast League championship. He is now in New York, presumably to look for a Major League managerial berth.

SPORT SHOTS

Enlarging of baseball's official home plate, now 17 inches wide, to 20-inch width, is urged by Eddie Stanky of the New York Giants. "Instead of 10 to 15 walks in a game, there would rarely be one," Stanky argues further that the trend toward scatter-armed pitching would be halted and games could be played out much more quickly.

The five-sided slab of whitened rubber will probably continue to be used in its present diameter, however. Not only are there experts such as Paul Eckley, head baseball coach at Amherst, who will point out that enlargement of homeplate would affect the foul lines angle of spread and thus increase the hitting of foul balls, but there's a resistance to change in baseball tradition that's hard to break.

Bill Veeck, new owner of the St. Louis Browns, found that out when he tried to innovate with a midget in his line-up for an almost certain base-on-balls, grandstand management and some other attention-getting gimmicks. American League quickly outlawed midgets. The sports writers took a dim view of other "confused out-door vaudeville," as one of them dubbed the Veeck antics.

Baseball is so conservative that for nearly 60 years it has clung to an official specification that sneaked in by mistake. In 1893 when the distance from homeplate to the pitcher's box was changed to 60 feet a surveyor misread the specification and made it 60 ft. and 6 inches—and so it has remained ever since.

The size of the baseball has remained the same since 1872; the distance between bases has remained the same since 1872; and four balls have sent a batter to first base since 1889. Eddie Stanky may be right—but he'll have a long, hard pull before he'll change anything in arch-conservative baseball!



NET-MOUTH SCRAMBLE—Harry Buchanan of Vancouver and Curly Mason of Peterborough, Ont., battle for a loose ball in the first game of the 1st-of-seven Mann Cup championships in Vancouver. Vancouver goalie is Jack Green. Peterborough won the first game, 16-9. (CP PHOTO)

SMILES

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—all except one man, who was immediately accosted by an agent of the secret police.
"Why did you not greet our beloved Comrade Stalin?" was the stern question.
"Because," the man answered, "I'm not insane. I'm just the janitor."
"Dick," said his mother, "I wish you would run across the street and see how old Mrs. Rush is."
"Yes'm," said Dick.
He bounced back in a few minutes and said: "Mrs. Rush says it's none of your business how old she is."

A coal merchant advertised for a boy and in due course a number applied for the job.
"Do you like work?" he asked one of them.
"No, sir," was the prompt answer.
"Then you can have the job," said the coal merchant. "You are the first boy I've seen who has told the truth."

Mother had her numerous offspring out shopping, and as they waited for a bus she began to tell them a story to keep the peace.
"One time I was in the middle of the jungle," she said wearily, "and I looked up to see a tiger only a few feet away. I tried to run, but with a bound it was on me and I was struck down dead."
"But it couldn't have. You're still living," protested several of the children.
A weary glance swept the family as mother closed her eyes and replied, "You call this living?"

A young lad in the lower grades complained to his teacher that he had a terrific stomachache. The teacher sent him to see the principal.
When the little tyke returned to the classroom, he walked in such a manner that his stomach stuck way out. When the teacher asked him why he was walking that way, he replied: "I told the principal I had a stomachache and he said if I could stick it out till noon, he'd drive me home."

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drive me home."
"You can't marry her without permission," said the father.
"Why not?" asked the swooning swain.
"Remember she's a minor."
The young man looked stumped for a moment, then asked: "You mean I gotta ask John L. Lewis?"

"What will it cost me to have my car fixed?"
"What's the matter with it?"
"I don't know."
"Fifty-two dollars and fifty cents."

A certain magistrate was once discussing beverages with a fellow club member.
"Have you ever tried gin and ginger-beer?" asked the young fellow.
"No," replied the magistrate, "but I've tried a lot of folks who have."
"This knot in my handkerchief? Oh, that's to remind me to try and get something for my wife."
"Really, old boy? How much do you want for her?"

VANCOUVER — Vancouver Combines rocked Peterborough

Petes 15 to 10 last night to take a crucial fifth game in the Canadian senior lacrosse final. The sixth game in the best of seven series will be played here Friday. Vancouver now leads 3 to 2 in games.

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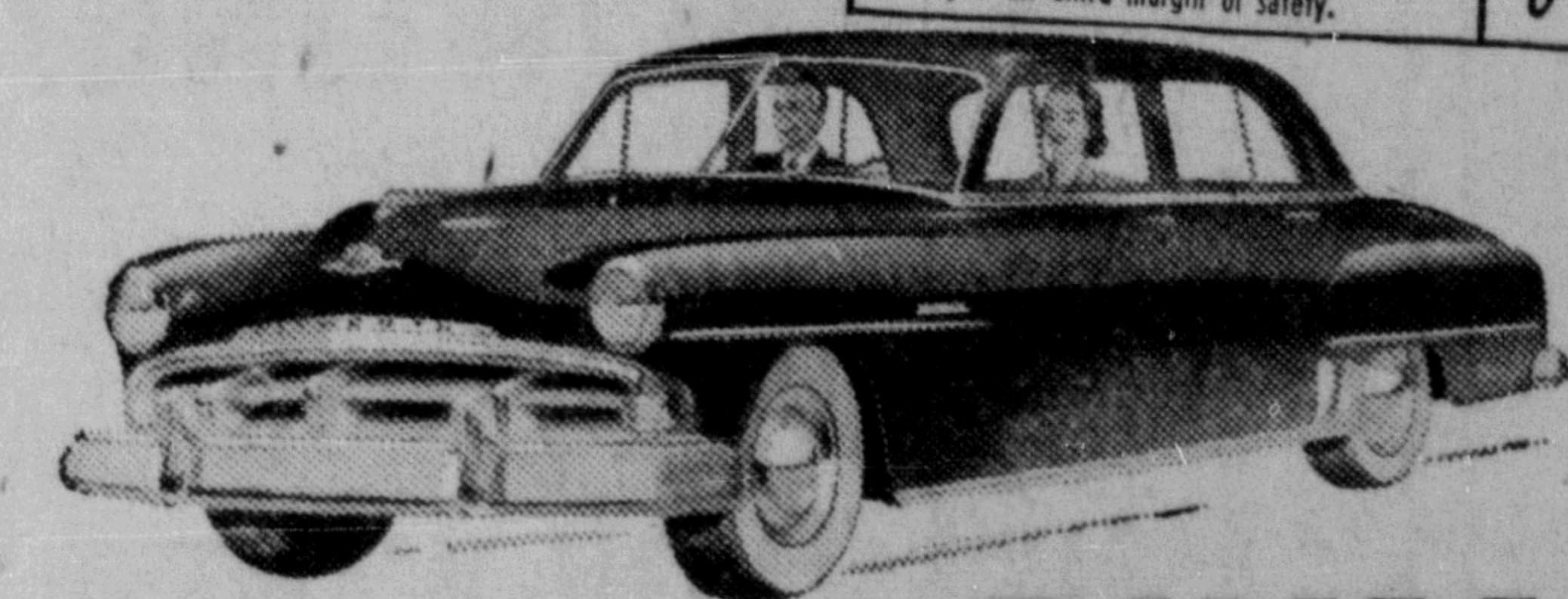
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