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Metros gain third 1-0 win in row

Mounties stretch lead to two games

By The Associated Press

The Vancouver Mounties have scored only three runs in their last three Pacific Coast League baseball games but they have three straight victories.

Latest to fall victim via the 1-0 route are the hapless Seattle Rainiers, who took their fourth shutout defeat of the season by the Mounties last night.

The score was in sharp contrast to a 10-6 win scored by Salt Lake City over Phoenix and a 9-7 victory of San Diego over Sacramento. Both were come-from-behind wins scored while Portland was defeating Spokane 4-3.

Vancouver's win gave it a two-game lead over Phoenix for the circuit leadership and ran to 32 the opposition's consecutive scoreless innings.

It was a pitching duel between Mounty George Bamberger and Max Surkont until Surkont weakened in the ninth and gave up consecutive singles to Buddy Peterson and Spider Jorgensen. He then struck out Barry Shetrone and had the count on Joe Durham at 3-2 when Durham's grounder bounced off the Seattle shortstop's foot, sending Peterson home with the winner.

The five hits gained off Surkont were one more than given up by Bamberger, who was in trouble only in the final frame when Surkont and Jack Bloomfield got back-to-back singles. The next two men flied out to quell the threat.

Phoenix looked like a shoo-in as it built up a 6-0 lead going into the sixth inning. The Bees' Joe Christopher then reached Ernie Broglio for a triple, the fourth hit of the game from the righthander, and scored on an error.

In the seventh, Broglio fell apart, giving up a triple and three singles before being relieved by Marion Fricano. Four runs were in before the inning was gone and four more in the eighth clinched it. Insurance homers were added by Don Williams in the eighth and Carlos Bernie in the ninth.

San Diego also had a four run seventh, wiping out a 7-4 margin built up by Sacramento, which had accumulated five runs in the fifth. The uprising routed Marshall Bridges, who was charged with the loss, and ended only after 10 Padres had paraded to the plate. Steve Ridzik, who entered the game in the fifth, was the winner although he was lifted for a pinch hitter in the seventh.

Portland gained percentage points on Seattle and Spokane, which ended the evening tied for sixth place in the league standings, and all three are now 14 games behind the Mounties.

Howie Judson turned the trick for the Beavers, holding Spokane to six hits while his mates were collecting 10 off three Indian chuckers.

Spokane's effort included a 492-foot solo homer over centrefield in the fourth inning by Jim Gentile.

Durelle prefers fighting Moore to title match

MONCTON, N.B. (CP)—Manager Chris Shaban said Tuesday he has not signed a contract for Yvon Durelle to defend his British Empire light heavyweight boxing title against South African champion Mike Holt.

Shaban was commenting on a report from Pretoria, South Africa, that Durelle and Holt would meet for the title in Montreal in July.

Shaban said there is a possibility its Durelle, of Bale Ste. Anne, N.B., might be matched against world champion Archie Moore in Vancouver in August. He says Durelle has until Aug 30 to defend his Empire crown which he won last May from Gordie Wallace of Brantford, Ont. Shaban said Durelle could still take on Moore and be eligible to defend his Empire crown against Holt, providing the dates did not conflict.

LAST NIGHT'S STARS

HONOLULU (AP)—Flash Elorde, 129¾ Manila, outpointed Ike Chestnut, 130, New York, (10.)

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP)—Willie Morton, 140, San Jose, outpointed Julian Valdez, 143, Vallejo, Calif. (10.)

SCRANTON, Pa. (AP) — Dan Hodge, 189¾, New Hyde Park, N.Y., knocked out Norm Jackson, 183¼, Youngstown, Ohio, (1.)

JUNIORS TRIM REDMEN 12-10 IN KOOTENAY LACROSSE LOOP

ROSSLAND, B.C. (CP)—West Kootenay Juniors increased their West Kootenay Lacrosse League lead to four points over second-place Rossland Redmen and Trail Golden Bears Tuesday night when they defeated the Redmen 12-10 in overtime at Rossland.

Ernie Secco scored four times, including the insurance marker to lead the Juniors. Brothers Primo and Lloyd McLelland each counted three.

Pete Fourchier led the Redmen with five goals.

Juniors were down 5-3 at the end of the first, 7-5 at the half and tied the match up at 9-9 at the end of regulation time.

ROADEO WINNERS — Second and third place finishers in Junior Chamber of Commerce-sponsored safe-driving roadeo are shown being presented with trophies at chamber meeting Monday. In top picture, Staff Sergeant J. W. Todd, NCO in charge of RCMP city detachment, presents award to Ronald Eby, runner-up in the competition. Bottom picture shows Magistrate E. T. Applewhaite congratulate Stan Valpy on winning Junior Chamber trophies for taking third place in the Prince Rupert roadeo as well as giving an excellent showing in the Kitimat roadeo. Valpy finished on top of the heap in Kitimat but after completion of the course it turned out that he was not elegible since he only finished third here. —Staff photo.

"Nice guy" Tighe fired by Tigers

BOSTON (AP)—Bill Norman, promoted to a major league manager's berth in his 29th year in organized baseball, plans to run Detroit Tigers on a "look-see basis" for a week or so.

Norman, 47, said Tuesday he has no immediate plans after being summoned from Detroit's Charleston farm in the American Association to replace Jack Tighe.

"There's a job to be done and let's see what happens," Norman said.

Norman's debut as manager of the last-place Tigers was delayed when rain postponed Tuesday night's American League game with Boston Red Sox. A double-header was scheduled for today.

TIGHE NOT THE MAN

Tighe, a member of the "nice guy school," was awakened from a sound sleep and told he was fired by general manager John McHale. Norman arrived by plane about three hours later as Tighe headed for his home in Spring Lake, Mich.

"We wanted a man with experience as a manager—a man who knows how to run a baseball club," McHale said in explaining the choice of his new manager. "Norman has scouted the major leagues for us; he has scouted the winter leagues and he knows the Tigers and other American League clubs."

McHale said that Tighe "gave it everything he had, but it just didn't work out."

Tighe, who lasted less than two seasons as Detroit manager but probably will remain with the organization in another capacity, said he couldn't blame the Tigers and a change probably was in order.

"Apparently my method of managing isn't the kind the club needs. I guess I was prone to overlook more things than I should have."

RON MINION, 161 Dick Bury, 138 are two members of Elks Boxing club who will fight Royal Canadian Navy boys in boxing card next Tuesday night at Civic Centre. Card will be feature of RCN ships' visit here. —Staff photo.

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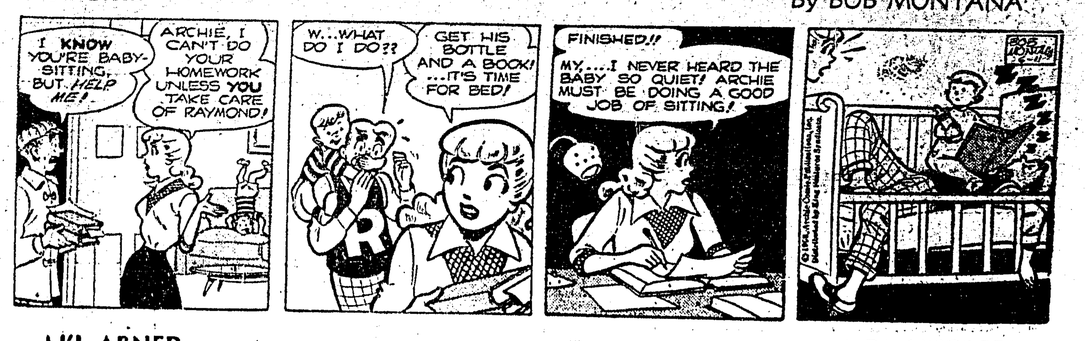

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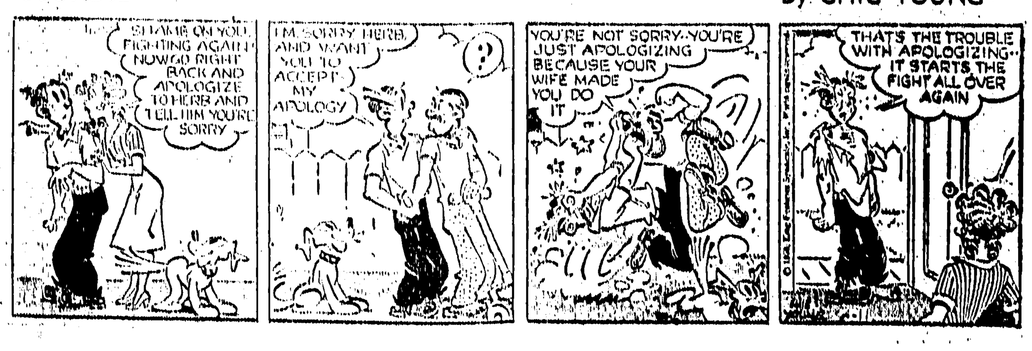

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