

# SPORTS NEWS

## Jackets Take No-Hit Win Over Auburn

Max Elliott's ninth inning double backed up no-hit pitching by Dave Gay and Rudy Kleinknight, giving the Decatur Yellow Jackets a 1-0, extra-inning, NEIC win over Auburn at the latter's diamond Monday.

Gay and Kleinknight combined to hold Auburn without a single hit in the affair, which went nine innings, permitting only five Auburn base runners, only one of whom reached second base.

Elliott's double in the ninth broke up what had been a thrilling duel between the two Decatur hurlers and Seagraves, Auburn's hurler.

Bill Conrad led off the ninth with a line drive double off the right fielder's glove, and freshman Elliott promptly responded with his second double of the game, scoring Conrad with the game's first and only run.

Auburn threatened in its half of the ninth, however. A terrific defensive play by first baseman Tom Maddox on Lumm's grounder to lead off the ninth, saved the no-hitter. Habig reached base on a dropped third strike, the only error of the contest, but was cut down at second base on a fine throw by Conrad as Seagraves struck out, for a game-ending double play.

**Lefty Halls Threat**  
Gay hurled the first two and two-thirds innings for Decatur. The left-hander got Habig to ground into a force play, and went on to allow only three base runners the rest of the game, fanning seven batters in a row in one stretch.

Seagraves, a 6-4, 200 pounder was nearly as tough, using a blazing fastball. He gave up Elliott's double in the second, Max Eichenauer's single in the sixth, and walked only four, before tiring in the eighth. Habig came on to hurl the ninth.

Decatur's only threat up to the ninth was in the second when Elliott doubled, stole third, the first of his four stolen bases, and was out on an attempted steal of home.

The win kept the Decatur nine's NEIC slate perfect, three wins against no defeats, with a 6-3 season mark. Decatur returns to action this afternoon with a non-conference affair at Huntington.

Decatur	AB	R	H	E
B. Ladd, lf	2	0	0	0
Kleinknight, p	2	0	0	0
Eichenauer, 2b	4	0	1	0
G. Ladd, c	3	1	0	0
Conrad, c	1	1	1	1
Elliott, rf	3	0	2	0
Marbach, 1b	2	0	0	0
Ahr-A	1	0	0	0
Maddox, 1b	1	0	0	0
Walters, cf	4	0	0	0
Cookson, 3b	3	0	0	0
Custer, ss	2	0	0	0
Gay, p, lf	2	0	0	0
Martin, lf	1	0	0	0

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## Houston Colts Beat Dodgers In Lone Game

By NORMAN MILLER

UPI Sports Writer  
Paul Richards, one of baseball's better brains, moaned last October that he was being offered a lot of humpies for organizing his Houston Colts, but these same derelicts are making him and manager Harry Craft look like a pair of geniuses.

There were many experts who took Richards at his word and consigned the Colts to the National League cellar this season.

It's still early, of course, but the Colts have looked mighty respectable so far, and projecting their present 10-13 record through a 162-game schedule, they would wind up with 70 victories.

Bob Aspromonte, John Weekly and Bob Tiefenauer, three of the Colts' mangled minions, produced like champions Monday night as Houston defeated the Los Angeles Dodgers, 9-6, in the major leagues' only game.

**Puts Colts Ahead**  
Aspromonte hit a three-run homer in the seventh inning to put the Colts ahead; Weekly connected in the eighth for an insurance run, and Tiefenauer pitched three shutout relief innings to receive credit for his first major league victory since 1955.

Aspromonte called, his homer "the greatest thrill of my life." It had a special meaning because it was hit against the Dodgers, who had cast him adrift for one of the two new clubs to grab.

"This is the dream of every ballplayer, to get a hit like that against his old club," the 23-year-old third baseman beamed. "I never felt better in my life."

It's been a long time between major league victories for 32-year-old Tiefenauer. Although he first had a trial in the big show 10 years ago, that 1955 win was his only other triumph in the majors.

**Four Runs Unearned**  
The Colts went ahead with five runs in the second inning, four of them unearned. The Dodgers committed two errors and their pitchers forced in two runs with walks.

Los Angeles moved ahead, 6-5, in the sixth with three runs, knocking out Colts' starter Dave Giusti and his successor, Al Cicotte.

Aspromonte then hit his homer off rookie lefty Pete Richert, who was charged with the defeat. Tiefenauer gave up only one hit during the last three innings. Aspromonte, who had been in a slump, now has collected nine hits in Houston's last three games.

## Softball Team To Practice Wednesday

The Adams County Trailer softball team will hold a practice session at 6:30 o'clock Wednesday evening at McMillen field. All team members are asked to be present.

Rascals	17 1/2	21 1/2	25 1/2
Real McCoy's	18	21	24 1/2
Flintstones	1-8	21	23
Top Cats	14	25	18
Checkmates	14 1/2	24 1/2	16 1/2

High games: Dee Macke 135, Betty Hilyard 165-130, Judy Wenger 163, Wilma Tuhune 169-182, Lois Gehrig 156-170, Nellie Schlickman 146, Frances Heare 147-169, Pat Thieme 133, Mary Clark 146-138, Toni Baker 158-149-150, Aggie Baker 135-165, Helen Emehiser 153, Helen Foss 149-158, Doris Sheets 1234, Mary Mileman 158-150, Ruth Harper 161, Dee Holthouse 159-145-141, Jean Stokke 150, Jeanne Knappe 163-157-178, Jane Heller 143-130, Barb Andrews 151-139-145, Jeanette Bush 148-148.

High series: Betty Hilyard 412, Wilma Tuhune 461, Lois Gehrig 450, Frances Heare 437, Toni Baker 456, Aggie Baker 429, Helen Foss 428, Mary Mileman 407, Dee Holthouse 454, Jeanne Knappe 498, Barb Andrews 435, Jeanette Bush 411.

Splits converted: Nola Isch 6-7-10, Frances Heare 3-10.

**High School Girls**  
Lucky Strikers 14 6  
Strikettes 14 6  
Ten Pinners 14 6  
Alley Cats 13 7  
Crazy Legs 13 7  
Spinnettes 12 8  
Gutter Balls 11 9  
Sluggers 10 10  
Hi-ettes 10 10  
Spare-O's 9 11  
Fireballs 9 11  
Big Three 7 13  
Corvettes 6 14  
Big Ten 5 15

High games: Darlene Richards 142, Sandy Beery 147, Donna Bixler 130-137, Marilyn Scott 167-160, Linda Reidenbach 131, Esther Eessel 126, Susie Smith 131, Ann Allwein 130, Donna Corey 131, Sally Hahn 122, Janene Augsburger 127, Janene Essex 151-131, Marilyn Harmon 135, Sandy Affolder 120, Susie Maycin 132-158, Paul Strickler 121, Linda Spiegel 131, Monica Marklund 180-125, Susie Reynolds 175-191.

Andrews 435, Jeanette Bush 411.  
Note: Miss Marklund's 180 and Miss Reynolds' 191 both exceeded the previous high game for the year.

**T. V. Guides**  
Mavericks 23 16 32  
3 Stooges 22 16 31  
Untouchables 22 17 29 1/2  
Equity No. 1 22 19 29  
Ripcord 22 17 28  
Pioneers 21 18 28  
Equity No. 2 22 17 27

**JUNE WEDDING**—Diana Di-Salle, 21, daughter of Ohio's Gov. and Mrs. Michael V. Di-Salle, will marry Ronald R. Draur of Toledo in June. They were high school sweethearts.

## R. C. Owens Signs To Play With Colts

BALTIMORE, Md. (UPI)—R.C. (Alley Oop) Owens, one of the National Football League's leading ends, had his choice of playing with any of 51 professional clubs next season and he cast his lot with the Baltimore Colts.

Owens, dissatisfied with his salary arrangements with the San Francisco Forty Niners, played out his contractual option last season and became a free agent May 1. He had played five seasons with the Forty Niners.

The six-foot-three, 195-pound flanker-end might have signed with any club in the NFL, the American Football League or the Canadian League. The Oakland Raiders and the New York Titans of the AFL, as well as several Canadian teams, made overtures for his services.

But Owens chose to play for the Colts. He secretly came to town Monday and signed his contract. It was believed to call for less than the \$25,000 he reportedly had demanded of the Forty Niners.

The addition of Owens gives the Colts and quarterback Johnny Unitas one of the most impressive pass-catching corps in the NFL. Three other standouts are Lenny Moore, Ray Berry and Jimmy Orr.

According to NFL rules, when a player chooses to sever his connections with a club, he can notify the management before the start of a season that he is playing out the one-year option in his contract. He must play that season at 90 per cent of his old salary and then is declared a free agent.

The 27-year-old Owens, nicknamed "Alley Oop" by San Francisco fans because of his spectacular pass-catching leaps, grabbed 55 passes for a total of 1,032 yards and 5 touchdowns last season.

During his five-year NFL career, Owens caught a total of 176 passes for 2,926 yards and 20 touchdowns.

He is a graduate of College of Idaho, where he once played football and basketball. He now lives in Belmont, Calif., with his wife and three-year-old daughter.

## South Side Downs Decatur Golfers

Fort Wayne South Side blanked the Decatur high school golfers, 16-0, in a match at the Brookwood course Monday afternoon. Mann, of South Side, was low medalist with a 39.

Results of matches: Custer (D) 43 and no points, Waterfield (SS) 41 and 2; Hoffman (D) 50 and 0, Mann (SS) 39 and 2; Zwick (D) 50 and 0, Kneisley (SS) 45 and 0; Baxter (D) 49 and 0, Schneider (SS) 40 and 2; Doty (D) 54 and 0, Littlejohn (SS) 43 and 2; Kalver (D) 57 and 0, Freed (SS) 45 and 2; Schultz (D) 53 and 0, Calland (SS) 41 and 2; Burnett (D) 51 and 0, Uhrick (SS) 45 and 2.

## Shooting Match Is Scheduled Sunday

A shooting match strictly with military rifles, will be held at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, at the Blue Creek club grounds. There is no admission charge, and the public is invited to attend.

Two crack military rifle teams from northeastern Ohio and a champion team from northeastern Indiana will challenge the Blue Creek matchmakers. The match will be one of the main events of the year.

**Club House Chatter**  
Men's City League  
First State Bank 12 0  
Decatur Industries 11 1  
Leland Smith Ins. 10 2  
Shriners 8 4  
Habegger - Schafers 8 4  
Holthouse on Highway 4 8  
Gerber's Market 4 8  
Sherwin - Williams 2 10  
Fortney Shoe Repair 1 11  
Morningstar Sales 0 12  
Leading scorers: B. Helm 40, R. McClenahan 42, C. Adams 42, N. Highland 43, D. Reidenbach 43, D. Elder 44, J. Irmischer 44, M. A. folder 44.

May 14 schedule — Holthouse vs Decatur Industries, Sherwin-Williams vs Gerber's Market, Leland Smith Ins. vs Habegger-Schafers, Shriners vs First State Bank, Fortney vs Morningstar.

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## Major Leagues

American League	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	14	7	.667	—
Cleveland	12	8	.600	1 1/2
Minnesota	14	10	.583	1 1/2
Los Angeles	11	9	.550	2 1/2
Chicago	13	12	.529	3
Boston	11	11	.500	3 1/2
Kansas City	10	12	.455	4 1/2
Baltimore	10	12	.455	4 1/2
Detroit	9	11	.450	4 1/2
Washington	4	16	.200	9 1/2

Monday's Results  
No games scheduled.

National League	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	20	6	.769	—
St. Louis	15	7	.682	3
Pittsburgh	14	9	.609	4 1/2
Los Angeles	15	11	.577	5
Philadelphia	11	10	.524	6 1/2
Cincinnati	12	12	.500	7
Houston	10	13	.435	8 1/2
Milwaukee	10	14	.417	9
Chicago	6	19	.240	13 1/2
New York	4	16	.200	13

Monday's Results  
Houston 9, Los Angeles 6.

## Frank Lane Signed By Pro Net Team

CHICAGO (UPI) — Frank C. Lane, one of baseball's greatest tradesmen, was breaking in on a new job today, how to dicker and deal in pro basketball.

Lane, general manager of four major league baseball clubs, signed Monday to run the Chicago Packers of the National Basketball Association for one year.

Indirectly, his contract was a greater benefit to Charles O. Finley than to Lane. Finley fired Lane last summer as general manager of his Kansas City Athletics, but under terms of his employment contract he has to pay Lane for several more years.

The amount that Lane is paid, undisclosed, for running the Packers will be deducted from the amount Finley owes, since no settlement was made on their contract.

**His First Task**  
Lane said his first job with the Packers would be to sign Walt Bellamy, the Packers' center who was the NBA "Rookie of the Year" last season, for his sophomore campaign.

"Then," he said, "I want to sign out major draft choices, Billy McGill, Terry Dischinger, Don Nelson and Cornell Green. We have some good holdover players, and we want to field the kind of team that will bring people out to pay my salary."

Lane did not think he would deal in basketball players as frequently as he did with baseball players when with the Chicago White Sox, where he made over 100 trades in four seasons.

"There are fewer players to move around," he said, "and the colleges are our minor leagues." He revealed that he had turned down an offer to become commissioner of the American Basketball League to take the Packers' job.

**Hire And Fire**  
Packer owner Dave Trager said Lane had "carte blanche" to run the club, including the right to hire and fire.

However, it was unlikely that coach Jim Pollard would be bounced since Lane said he had told the Packers "any people you want to divorce, do it before you sign me."

"Thereafter," he said, "I'll be guided by my judgment." Lane, 66, once was president of the American Association before joining the White Sox. Later he was general manager of the St. Louis Cardinals and Cleveland Indians before joining Kansas City. His only previous connection with basketball was as a Big Ten official prior to World War II.

**Club House Chatter**  
Men's City League

First State Bank	W	L
Decatur Industries	12	0
Leland Smith Ins.	11	1
Shriners	10	2
Habegger - Schafers	8	4
Holthouse on Highway	4	8
Gerber's Market	4	8
Sherwin - Williams	2	10
Fortney Shoe Repair	1	11
Morningstar Sales	0	12

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## Time Trials At Speedway Open Next Saturday

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) — Only four days remained today for drivers and mechanics to work the "bugs" out of their sensitive Speedway racers in preparation for this weekend's initial 500-mile time trials.

Scattered showers and thunderstorms today and Wednesday will also cut into valuable testing time. Sixty-nine of the 72 entries have checked into Gasoline Alley, with the "hot dogs" still shooting for the elusive 150 miles per hour lap. Farnell Jones, Torrance, Calif., and Bobby Marshman, Pottstown, Pa., have come closest to the magic on-e-mile lap around the 2 1/2-mile oval with speeds at or better than 149 mph.

Most observers predicted that at least "four or five" drivers will crack the 150 mph barrier in good racing weather.

England's Jack Fairman, the only foreigner entered, made his Speedway debut Monday and officials promptly put the brakes on him for going too fast on his shakedown run.

The road racing veteran from Worth in Essex lost control of his new eight-cylinder rear-engine car and spun twice in the southwest turn when an arm rest came loose. The car did not hit the wall and Fairman climbed out of the cockpit unscathed.

However, he was fined \$25 by race officials for disregarding instructions and running too fast. Rookie Jim McElreath, Arlington, Tex., meanwhile, stamped himself as a newcomer to watch when he was timed at a top speed of 147.5 mph.

**Yankees Practice**  
Wednesday Evening

The Yankees Little League team will practice at the Homestead diamond at 6 p.m. Wednesday.

## Russia Wins First Davis Cup Matches

By United Press International

The Soviet Union scored an impressive victory in its first attempt ever in Davis Cup play, but will be a decided underdog when it faces Italy in the second round of the European Zone competition.

Russia completed a 5-0 sweep over the Netherlands Monday by winning the final two singles matches at Scheveningen. Sergei Likhachev defeated Piet Van Eysden, 6-1, 6-1, 6-1, and Rudolf Sivokoin beat Evert Schneider, 7-5, 7-5, 6-2.

Italy, which drew a first round bye, is the defending European Zone champion and advanced to the challenge round against Australia the last two years. The Russia-Italy series will be played in Italy at the Russians' request. Poland also captured the final two singles Monday to score a 5-0 victory over Norway and qualify for second round play against Brazil.

Other second round pairings are: Sweden vs. Belgium; Finland vs. Czechoslovakia; France vs. South Africa; Romania vs. Germany; Britain vs. Australia; and Denmark vs. Hungary.

Trade in a good town — Decatur.



**ANIMAL SHOTS**—Dr. William H. Lawrence is injecting a repellent to discourage animals from eating crops. It's all a part of an effort to protect trees planted in the area by the Weyssnacher Co.

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