

'Reluctant' Rainiers Split Dizzy Twin Bill

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PORTLAND, Aug. 6.—This was not baseball. This was sheer fantasy—more than five hours of it—and the dizziest double-header you ever heard of.

In the seven-inning opener, the Seattle Rainiers nearly blew a seven-run lead but held on for a 9-6 victory.

In the nine-inning second game, the Rainiers pooh, poohed prosperity, a six-run lead, and let the Portland Beavers pass them for an 8-7 triumph before 2,454 stay-up spectators.

THE LATTER shattered Seattle's modest win streak three games. Tonight, Wilbur Wood (9-6) will try to pick up the loose end. He will be opposed by the Beavers' Steve Hargan (5-4).

The game will be part of another "double-header." In Fred Holmes, the Rainiers got the opener, the Seattle old-timers will meet their Portland counterparts.

Last night, a new-timer took his lumps. John Hawkins, left-hander just up from Winston-Salem, found Triple-A to his dislike. The Seattle southpaw was mal-treated for six runs in less than four innings.

Fortunately, the Rainiers had prepared for such an eventuality. They scored seven runs in the first inning and yielded a two-run homer to knocked out Tommy John after he had gotten only one out.

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In the fourth, Ray Barker hammered Hawkins for his 21st homer and the boy got a merciful shower.

Now, with the Rainiers ahead, 7-6, the clubs became peaceful and dueling scoreless until the seventh, when the Rainiers made sure with two more runs. Earl Averill drove in both with a single to left. Shetrone and Stan Johnson had singled ahead of him; had singled ahead of him; R. G. Smith, with three in-

nings of fine relief, got the victory, his second in four decisions. John lost his third in five verdicts.

The same John proved to be the winner in the second game, on Al Luplow's tie-breaking homer off Merlin Nippert in the eighth.

It was a night for gophers. Shetrone and Russ Gibson each hit their tenth homers for Seattle. In addition to Luplow, George Banks and Timmie Agee did it for Portland.

IN THIS ONE, in behalf of Fred Holmes, the Rainiers got two runs in the first inning, one in the third and three in the fourth for a 6-0 lead.

But Holmes went the way of Hawkins. In their half of the fourth, the Beavers mauled him for five runs. Of their four hits, one was a homer, two were doubles. Nippert got the baseball.

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Rainier-Beaver Box Scores

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Shetrone, 4	2	3	2	Corbett, 4	0	1	2	Gibson, 3b	5	0	1	Luplow, 1b	4	2	1
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