

1958 Arizona-Mexico League United in Excellence

"The Arizona-Mexico League has an outstanding pennant race giving an indication of a well-balanced league.

There are no 'patsies' as there have been in the past years. All of the clubs have good representative teams and they are playing solid baseball."
-Arizona Daily Star



January 5

The Arizona-Mexico League had taken steps to make itself more attractive to the major leagues. The league decided to retain its Class C baseball classification. But, realizing the necessity of increasing the number of rookies in order to get financial backing from the majors, the league directors voted at a meeting that each team must carry at least seven rookies in the 1958 season. Earlier talks had indicated a desire on the part of Arizona owners to form a Class D rookie league, but Mexican club owners were against the idea because they felt their fans would not watch teams without veterans. The Arizona owners wanted a rookie league because it would be their only chance to get working agreements with major league clubs.

January 7

The league is looking for a fourth team to round its 120-game schedule for the 1958 season. At a league meeting, officials said a fourth club is necessary for continued existence.

*AM League
In Need Of
A 'Miracle'*

January 9

A Tucson sports editor believes that a miracle is needed this year to keep the Arizona-Mexico baseball league alive. George McLeod of the Tucson Daily Citizen said the league has a lot of selling to do, not so much to the fans as to the major leagues. McLeod wrote that each team has to convince a major league club that the A-M circuit is the right place to send Class C players for development. And McLeod thinks chances for working agreement for all members of the league are mighty slim.

January 23

After his most dismal year attendance wise, Don Jameson, owner-general manager of Tucson's Class C baseball Cowboys, said that he would never attempt to operate in Tucson again unless: 1. He was able to obtain major league aid. 2. A group of baseball fans would back him all the way and help with promotion.

January 25

The Tucson Cowboys will start a new type of ticket sales program next week called "The Big One." Owner Don Jameson said the plan, believed to be unique in minor league baseball, calls for selling 50,000 tickets good for any game on the schedule other than opening day. The tickets will sell for 50 cents.

January 30

President Chuck Hollinger is trying to put together a strong league with members from south of the border.

Cananea, record holder of the league for attendance, hit the skids when the price of copper dropped. "The plan is now to combine Nogales and Cananea for the 1958 season," Hollinger said.

February 1

Curtis Page has been reelected president of the Douglas Copper Kings.

League Strives For Life

A-M Loop May Fold Without New Teams

TUCSON (AP)—The Arizona-Mexico Class C Baseball League may fold unless two more teams can be added this week.

February 12

The league is optimistic about landing two more Mexican cities for the 1958 baseball season. President Chuck Hollinger met with officials in Bisbee to discuss the possibilities of bringing Hermosillo and Ciudad Obregon into the league. Hollinger had authorized Curtis Paige, president of the Douglas A-M league club, to negotiate with officials in the two cities.

March 2

Directors of the league clung to a thread of hope and postponed until March 6 final decision on whether or not the class C circuit will be the

nest of the nation's minor leagues to suspend operations for lack of aid. The league decided that an attempt to go with the four existing teams—Tucson, Douglas, Mexicali and Cananea-Nogales—would not be feasible. Negotiations with Las Vegas and Hermosillo will be reopened in an attempt to pick up two more teams. Representatives were confident that some arrangement could be worked out in Yuma, leaving the loop just one team short.

Suspension Action Postponed

AM Loop Still Has Hopes

March 7

Chuck Hollinger is ready to step down from the presidency of the Class C Arizona-Mexico Baseball League if his action will keep the league alive for 1958. Hollinger said he had been told that Las Vegas club officials had indicated they would join the A-M if they were given the power to name the league president. "If it will mean keeping professional baseball alive here," Hollinger declared, "I'll be happy to step down right now."

March 29

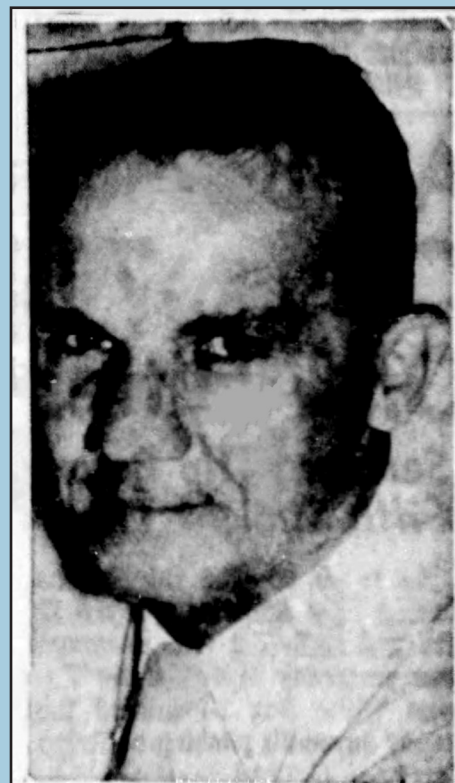
The Central Mexican Baseball League operators have decided to discontinue operations, one of its top teams is interested in joining the loop. President Chuck Hollinger had been informed by Curtis Page of Douglas, that officials of the Juarez club are ready to accept an invitation to join the league.

March 30

Anuar Canavate, Mexican baseball spokesman, has announced the folding of the Mexican Central League. He said Juarez and Chihuahua probably will affiliate with the league.

March 31

The league welcomed back Juarez, an old compadre at a meeting in Douglas and started making plans to operate in 1958.



CHUCK HOLLINGER
Set For Another Season

Juarez Returns To Arizona-Mexico League

Official word from the necessary sixth member, Chihuahua is not expected until April 1. Directors of the Class C professional baseball circuit voted unanimously to accept Juarez and at the same time delegated Pedro Beltran Reyes, Juarez general manager, and his business manager, Arnulfo Arras Nelendez, to confer with Chihuahua officials on the possibility of filling the sixth spot.

Chihuahua Enters A-M

April 4

Carlos de la Isla, official of the Cananea-Nogales entry, notified President Chuck Hollinger that Chihuahua, Mex., is definitely in the league but no official word was yet received from Chihuahua directors. De la Isla who was in Chihuahua wired Hollinger that he had talked to Miguel Sanchez, vice-president of the Mexican team, and Sanchez told him Chihuahua is definitely in.

April 14

League President Chuck Hollinger returned from a trip to El Paso and announced, "Chihuahua has come in. The A-M League will go this year." Hollinger also announced that, except for a few revisions, the 1958 A-M schedule has been adopted and he expects to have it completed Wednesday. With the entrance of Chihuahua into the loop, the circuit is six-teams strong.

Jorge Uribe, general manager of the Chihuahua Dorados, accepted the vacant sixth post in the circuit after the league delegates turned down his plea for a traveling subsidy in a meeting at El Paso.

April 15

The Tucson Cowboys expect to sign a working agreement with the Sacramento Solons of the Pacific Coast League. Owner Don Jameson also said "We've already got a promise of up to 16 players and a manager from Sacramento, and we'll probably work with them."

April 17

The Wranglers, a group of Tucson fans interested in promoting professional sports, launched the 1958 pre-season ticket campaign of the Tucson Cowboys.

April 18

The shortest playing schedule since the reactivation of the league in 1947 was released by President Chuck Hollinger. Play opens Thursday, May 1 and closes Sept 7. Each of the six member teams will play 120 games. The league usually has played a 140-game schedule.

Dave Casanega is the only familiar face back to Tucson. Casanega played for the Cowboys in 1955 before going into the service. Poke owner Don Jameson said that Dave will be the only old Cowboy to return this year. All the other Cowboys will be sent in by Sacramento.

April 23

The Sacramento Solons named Harry Dunlop, a catcher manager of the Cowboys. The Solons have a working agreement with the Cowboys. Dunlop is considered a good managerial prospect and a good handler of pitchers.

1958 ARIZONA-MEXICO LEAGUE SLATE

	At Nogales	At Chihuahua	At Douglas	At Juarez	At Mexicali	At Tucson
Nogales	READ	May 30-31, June 1 June 30, July 1-2 Aug. 5-6, 7 Aug. 30-31, Sept. 1	May 2-6-13 June 14-15-16 July 3-4-19 Aug. 21-22-25	May 26-27-28 June 27-28-29 July 3-4-19 Aug. 1-2-3 Aug. 27-28-29	May 7-8-9 June 8-9-10 July 9-10-11 Aug. 15-16-17	May 20-21-22 June 20-21-22 July 25-26-27 Sept. 2-3-4
Chihuahua	May 10-11-12 May 23-24-25 July 28-30-31 Aug. 24-25-26	CITIZEN	June 11-12-13 June 27-28-29 July 15-16-17 Aug. 27-28-29	May 1-2-3 June 2-3-4 July 4-5-6 Sept. 2-3-4	May 26-27-28 June 24-25-26 Aug. 1-2-3 Aug. 12-13-14	May 13-14-15 June 17-18 July 18-19-20 Aug. 15-16-17
Douglas	May 1-14-15 June 2-3-4 July 5-6-20 Aug. 11-12-13	May 20-21-22 June 20-21-22 July 23-24-27 Aug. 18-19-20	SPORTS	May 23-24-25 June 24-25-26 July 29-30-31 Aug. 15-16-17	May 10-11-12 June 21-22-23 July 12-13-14 Sept. 5-6-7	May 4-5-18-25 June 17-18 Aug. 1-2-3 Aug. 30-31, Sept. 1
Juarez	May 14-17-18 June 17-18-19 July 12-13-14 Aug. 18-19-20	May 4-5-6 June 5-6-7 July 9-10-11 Sept. 5-6-7	May 7-8-9 June 8-9-10 July 21-22-23 Aug. 7-8-9	FOR	May 20-21-22 June 21-22-23 July 25-26-27 Aug. 30-31, Sept. 1	May 30-31, June 1 June 30, July 1-2 Aug. 4-5-6 Sept. 2-3-4
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April 23

Eddie Jacome, 28-year-old semi-pro pitcher says he hopes to sign with the Tucson Cowboys. Jacome was considered a red-hot major league prospect when he left Tucson High to go into pro ball in 1947. General manager Don Jameson says he hopes to sign Bob Jones, assistant coach at Pueblo High who has been working out at Hi Corbett Field.



New Poke Skipper

Harry Dunlop and his wife, Joanne, relax after their trip to Tucson from Sacramento, Calif. Dunlop, who will manage the Tucson Cowboys in the Class C Arizona-Mexico League this season, was originally scheduled to catch for the Class B Lewiston, Idaho club of the Northwest Class B League. When Sacramento and Tucson signed a working agreement Dunlop, 24, was named Tucson manager. He arrived in Tucson yesterday and he will start workouts at Hi Corbett Field this morning.

April 24

The Tucson Cowboys were assigned two more Sacramento Solon farmhands - righthanded pitchers LeRoy Han and Delbert Coursey.

April 25

Harry Dunlop, new manager of the Tucson Cowboys is expected to arrive sometime today from Sacramento, Poke Owner-General Manager Don Jameson announced. "This is something I've wanted all my life," said the still baby-faced Dunlop.

April 30

A plea for fan support was issued by President Chuck Hollinger, the day before the opener. "I'm hoping enough fans will support the league to enable us to carry on. The calibre of the teams this year is as good as in the past. I think the fans will see interesting baseball. But we can't operate if we do not have the patronage of the fans."

May 1

Sparked by a 24-year-old veteran pitcher and a 20-year-old rookie infielder, the brand new Tucson Cowboys treated an estimated crowd of 800 to a fine exhibition of baseball in defeating the Mexicali Eagles, 4-0. Jose Ibarra went the route as Chihuahua bounced Juarez 10-5, in the opening game in Juarez.

A-M League Opens May 1

May 2

Mexicali Eagles used a pair of home runs and a five-run eighth inning to defeat the Tucson Cowboys, 7-5. A triple by Center Fielder Gus Cisneros, with two men out in the ninth and a single by Second Baseman Carlos Villa, gave the Juarez Indios a 5-4 victory over the Chihuahua Dorodos.

May 3

Little Ray Ruffin doubled home two runs in the top of the ninth inning to give the Tucson Cowboys a 5-4 victory over the Douglas Copper Kings.



The New Tucson Cowboy Lineup

Here is the lineup of Tucson Cowboys who will meet the Mexicali Eagles in an Arizona-Mexico League opener tonight at Hi Corbett Field. From left to right, the youthful group includes: Harry Dunlop, field manager and captain; Lee Han, opening night pitcher; Dave Brewer, 1b; Ray Ruffin, 2b;

Dave Casanega, 3b; Jose Cesar, ss; Jim O'Brien, lf; Ed Knezevich, cf; and Rich Morgan, rf. Casanega, who was recently discharged from the service, is the only one of the group who has played in Tucson before.

May 4

Tucson's hustling Cowboys had to come from behind and then beat back the Douglas Copper Kings three times before taking a 7-5 victory at Hi Corbett Field. The triumph was Tucson's third in four games and second straight over Douglas.

May 5

Tucson scored 11 runs-six of them without lifting a bat-in the first inning and weathered a 10-run Douglas sixth inning lead to win a wild, 18-11 game at Hi-Corbett Field.

May 6

Numa Alvarez set the Tucson Cowboys down for the second time this season as the Mexicali Eagles whipped the Pokes 8-5 at Hi Corbett Field.

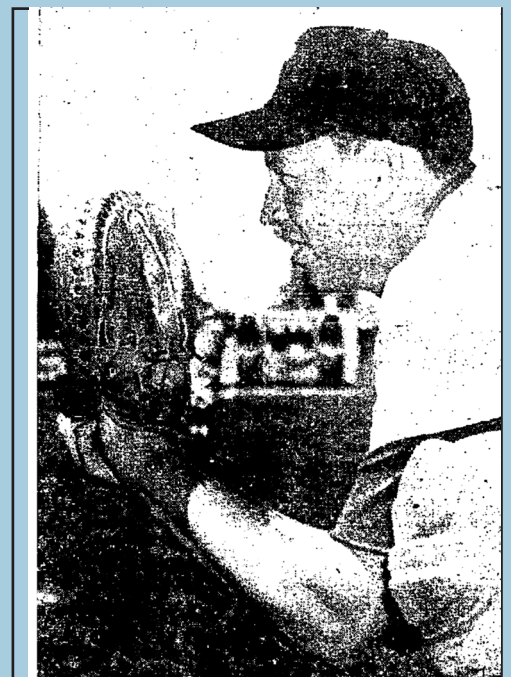
Pitcher Bob Sutton and outfielder Al Reynolds were released outright by the Reds, and they made good on their chance to dicker by catching on with Tucson. Tucson is a farm club of the Sacramento Solons

May 7

The Tucson Cowboys defeated Chihuahua, 8-4 in a game which ended in a near riot. Fans stormed the umpires and players alike with pop bottles and cushions following a decision which stopped a Chihuahua rally. In other games, Mexicali beat Nogales, 7-3, and Douglas defeated Juarez 8-1.

May 8

Tucson's high-riding young Cowboys padded their Arizona-Mexico League lead with a 10-7 triumph over Chihuahua in a game played in Belisias, Mexico before 4,000 fans.



MANAGER DUNLOP . . . Hot behind and at the plate —Citizen Photo



HAN'S HIGH, HARD ONE

May 9

Vaqueros rung up win No. 7 by clipping Chihuahua 4-2.

May 10

Tavo Bernal and Lino Dinoso, the former Pittsburgh Pirate hurler combined efforts to stop the pacesetiing Tucson Cowboys, 6-3. Roque Contreras went the route as the Juarez Indios toppled the high-flying Tucson Cowboys, 9-4. Mexicali won the first game 9-2, but Douglas bounced back in the second contest, a slugfest to win 17-10.

May 12

Sacramento's Harry Dunlop, manager of Tucson is hitting at a .474 clip. The lefthanded batting catcher has nine hits including three doubles and a triple.

May 13

Francisco Gamboa scattered seven hits in pitching the Chihuahua Dorados to a 6-1 victory over the Tucson Cowboys at Hi Corbett as the Pokes dropped their fourth straight loop game.

May 14

Led by the power-hitting of Beto Barbon, the Chihuahua Dorados handed the Tucson Cowboys a 10-6 defeat in a slugfest at Corbett Field. Chihuahua shattered Tucson 10-6.

May 15

Chihuahua continued to take advantage of spotty Tucson pitching and hung up an 8-3 contest at Hi Corbett Field.

May 17

The Douglas Copper Kings relied on the 10-strikeout pitching of Bob Clear and home run hitting to hand the Tucson Cowboys their seventh straight loss 8-5. The Tucson Cowboys ended a seven game losing streak with a 10-inning, 10-9 victory over Douglas.

May 19

President Chuck Hollinger says all you have to do to be convinced that the league is playing good ball is to look over the official standings. All six teams in the Class C circuit were tied. "I can't remember ever seeing a league tied from top to bottom with as many games played," said Hollinger.

May 20

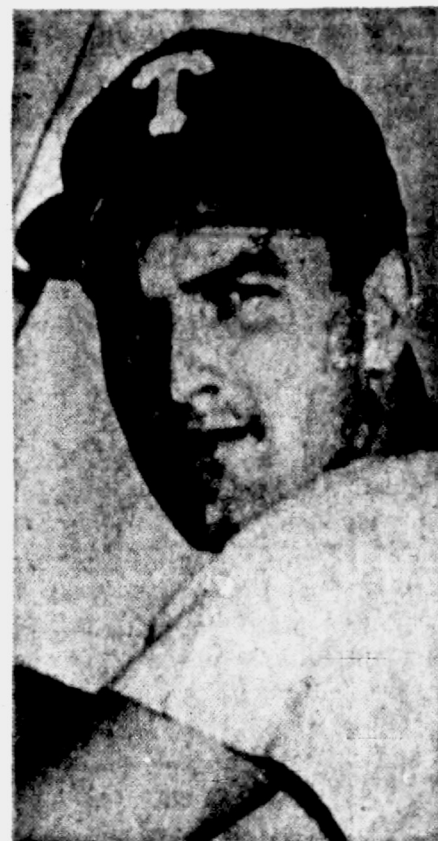
Ray Sorensen, veteran lefthander, tamed the Nogales Internationals and Tucson Cowboys remained deadlocked for the A-M lead after a 6-4 triumph. It took just one hour, 56 minutes record time this season-for Sorensen and his Poke mates to subdue the heavy-hitting Nogales club

May 21

For the second night in a row Tucson Cowboy pitching silenced powerful Nogales bats and the Pokes clubbed 16 hits of their won to score an 11-4 triumph. "Man, I don't know what those guys were doing in spring training,"

All Teams Are Tied For League Lead

TUCSON, Ariz. — AP — A race cannot get tighter than that in the class C Arizona-Mexico Baseball League. All six members are tied for first place, each with a 9-9 record.



RICH MORGAN
Raps out .420 tune



DAVE BREWER
Belts 4 men home

sighed Tucson Cowboy Manager Harry Dunlop as he relaxed in the wake of his Pokes' fourth straight win.

May 23

Tucson Cowboy's winning streak stopped at five games as the Mexicali Eagles rose in a seventh-inning revolt to sip the Pokes, 9-8, and tie the Tucsonians in the league lead.

May 25

Lino Dinoso, turned in a sparkling performance as he defeated Douglas, 2-1, to gain a split in a doubleheader. The Mexicali Eagles handed the Tucson Cowboys their second straight defeat, 5-3 as the Eagles took over first place. Vaqueros lost their third straight to the Eagles at Mexicali, 10-9.

May 27

Tucson, bolstered by the power hitting of newcomer Gary Rushing, snapped a three-game losing streak last night, defeating the Douglas Copper Kings, 6-2 .

May 28

Tucson Cowboy owner Don Jameson who traveled to Mexicali with his Pokes reports that the Eagle stands were jammed for the three Tucson games and Mexicali officials were voicing disappointment because there were not more

people there. Jameson estimated crowds of 4,000 a night of 12,000 for the three-game series, and he was told that attendance has been booming all-season long in the Mexican City. In 1957 the Eagles were forced to fold with 10 games remaining on the schedule.

The Tucson Cowboys used a third inning two-run homer by Dave Brewer to defeat the Douglas Copper Kings.

May 29

Rich Morgan's dramatic three-run homer in the bottom of the 10th inning gave Tucson's Cowboyes a tight 8-7 victory over the Douglas Copper Kings at Hi Corbett field and boosted the Waddies back into a tie for the lead. Both clubs have 15-12 win-loss record.

May 30

The largest paid crowd in five years saw the Tucson Cowboys ride a pair of eighth inning home runs to a 5-2 triumph over the Juarez Indios at Hi Corbett Field. Cowboy owner Don Jameson announced 1,650 Memorial Day admissions and said he could not remember a larger paid crowd since 1953 when the Cowboys ran away with the A-M pennant and had their best year.

May 31

Tucson broke a tight game wide-open in the last two innings and romped over Juarez, 11-6.

June 1

Tucson's Cowboys, famous of late for their come-from-behind rallies, fell just a shade short and Juarez scored a 4-3 victory at Hi Corbett Field.



BOB SUTTON

June 2

A total of 35 hits rattled from one corner of Hi Corbett Field to the other before the Mexicali Eagles finally scored four runs in the 10th inning to defeat Tucson Cowboys, 13-2 in a wild contest. Tucson fell before the Mexicali horde again, 13-9 in 10 innings to make it 6 out of 7 for the Eagles against Tucson.

June 3

Tucson's eager Cowboys rallied behind the seven-hit pitching of Bob Sutton to snap a Mexicali jinx and bomb the Eagles, 12-4 at Hi Corbett Field.

June 4

Mexicali pitcher Alejandro Murrieta scattered seven hits to hurl the Eagles to a 5-2 triumph over the Tucson Cowboys. Manager Harry Dunlop and his Tucson Cowboys hit the low road for a 9-game jaunt, through Mexico with the same old problem plaguing them-Mexicali's Eagles. The Eagles won their seventh game in nine tries against Tucson, 5-2.

June 5

The Pokes entered the first game of a three-game series tied with Chihuahua for the loop lead with 18 wins and 15 losses while Internationals were resting in the A-M cellar with 14 victories and 19 losses. The last place Nogales Internationals erupted for a 20-hit dousing of the first place Tucson Cowboys in an encounter.

June 8

The Juarez Indios had trouble galore. The team was an hour and a half late for its game with the Douglas Copper Kings. When they finally arrived, they found themselves at the mercy of the Kings' bats. But a little luck was with them for darkness halted the game after five and one-half innings with the Kings leading 13-3.

June 9

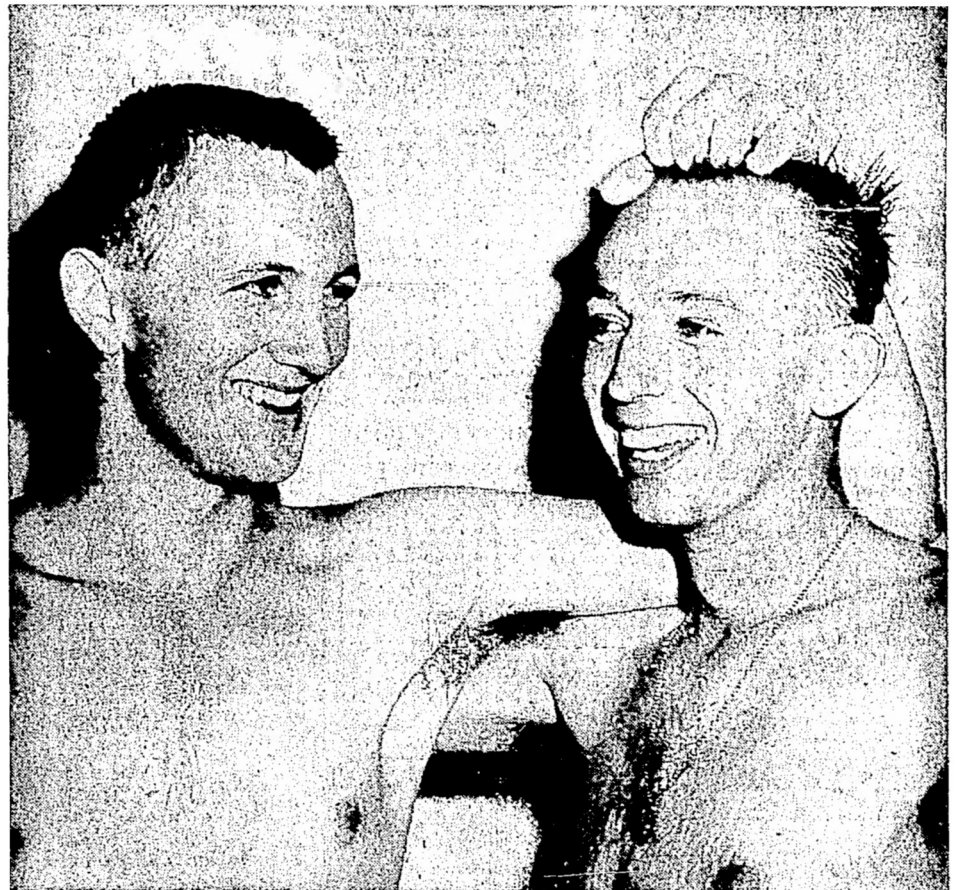
Charles E Watkins of Orinda first baseman, signed contracts with the Pittsburgh Pirates and was assigned to Douglas Copper Kings. The Chihuahua Dorados took advantage of an abbreviated second game to gain a doubleheader split with the Tucson Cowboys. Righthander Arlen Alderman, makes his first appearance for the Tucson Cowboys as the Pokes and Chihuahua Dorados windup a 3-game.

June 10

Chihuahua finally moved ahead of Tucson Cowboys with a 14-8 victory over the Pokes in the finale of a three-game series.



DON RISINGER . . . But for a single —Citizen Photo



Citizen Photo by Carl Porter

NEED COOLIN' OFF

Tucson Cowboy hurler Bob Sutton (left) and second baseman Gus Niklas cool off under the showers after their sizzling performances in a 12-4 clubbing of the Pokes' arch A-M League enemy, Mexicali, last night at Hi Corbett Field. Sutton won his third straight complete game (a 7-hit affair), while Niklas drove in four runs with two doubles and a homer.

June 11

Catcher-manager Harry Dunlop is leading Tucson Cowboy hitters with .387 Dunlop has 53 hits in 137 trips to the plate.

A solo home run by Pedro Ramirez proved to be the difference as the Juarez Indios nipped the Tucson Cowboys, 9-8. The Tucson Cowboys once again found the road too rough as they dropped a 9-8 squeaker to the Juarez Indios, but Poke Manager Harry Dunlop continued to romp merrily along on a hitting streak unmolested by opposing pitchers. Dunlop hit safely in his 20th consecutive game. Chihuahua took a wild 14-8 decision over Tucson in a game featured by nine home runs, five by the Dorados. A crowd of 2500 watched the afternoon game at Ciudad de Lisia south of Chihuahua. The win gave Chihuahua undisputed lead and pushed Tucson into a tie for 2nd.

June 12

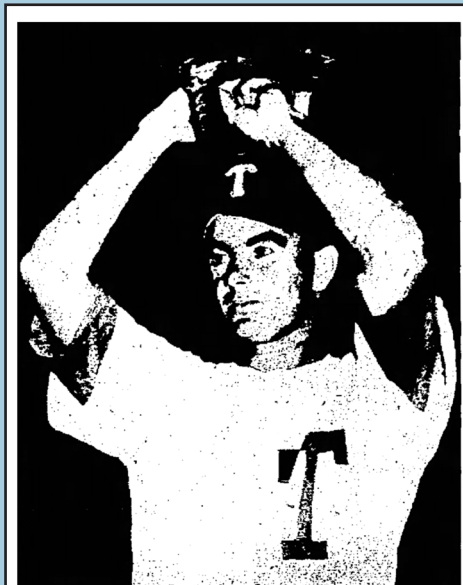
Tucson Cowboys were stuck in the thick of the title chase with a costly 9-8 triumph over the Juarez Indios in a 10-inning battle. The tussle turned out a costly one, however, when Manager Harry Dunlop split the ring finger on his right hand.

June 14

Tucson's Cowboys, fresh from a rain abbreviated 5-0 victory over Juarez, return to Tucson as hosts to the potent Chihuahua Dorados. Big Bill Walsch rode home on the lusty hitting of his Cowboy teammates for a 16-6 victory over Chihuahua at Hi Corbett Field. Douglas spread out the field for the first time since opening day over the weekend by dumping the International 13-9.

June 15

Second-baseman Gus Niklas, exploded with power and single-handedly gave the Tucson Cowboys a 12-10, 10-inning victory over the Chihuahua Dorados . Douglas and Internationals split a double header 11-5 and 11-15.



RAY SORENSON . . . Repeat performance?



HIGH-PRICED PONY

Tucson Cowboy third-baseman Dave Casanega keeps an arm around the frisky 4-month old Shetland pony the Pokes will give away while Barbara Jameson, feeds him some sugar lumps.

June 16

The Tucson Cowboys shut off a ninth-inning Chihuahua rally and took their fifth straight victory, 6-3 at Hi Corbett Field.

June 17

Manager Bob Clear hurled Douglas to a 10-2 victory over the Tucson Cowboys to push the Kings to a full 1 1/2 game lead in the tight A-M race.

June 18

Tucson turned the tables on the Douglas Copper Kings and came up with some potent hitting of their own to whip the Kings, 10-7 in a battle for first place.

June 20

Don Jameson, owner of the Tucson club will have to look elsewhere than Sacramento for a Coast League franchise, at least for the present. This is the statement of Fred Davidm Solon president, who conferred with Jameson until early this morning on the possibility of the sale of the local franchise.

June 21

Tucson's 5-1 defeat at the hands of Nogales was almost secondary as 3,000 youngsters jammed into Hi Corbett Field hoping to win Strikeout Number Two, the tiny four-month old Shetland pony which was given away by the Cowboys.



THIRD BASEMAN CASANEGA . . . Step from 100-hit circle

June 22

A ninth-inning clutch single by Gus Niklas after Dave Brewer's two-run homer in the seventh gave Tucson's Cowboys a tight 3-2 triumph over the Nogales Internationals at Hi Corbett Field. Big softspoken Bill Walsch led Tucson Cowboy to victory and earned its third straight complete-game triumph, 3-2 over the Nogales Internationals.

June 23

A veteran baseball promoter has launched a drive to put Tucson into the Pacific Coast League. Don Jameson, owner of the Tucson Cowboys has proposed moving the Sacramento Solons to Tucson. He met with officials of the Solons, parent club of the Cowboys. Jameson said he was told that Sacramento expects to lose \$10,000 this year because of poor attendance and the failure to sell television rights. Mexicali clipped Juarez, 8-2.



**WADE HAMMOND
Seeks seventh tonight**

June 24

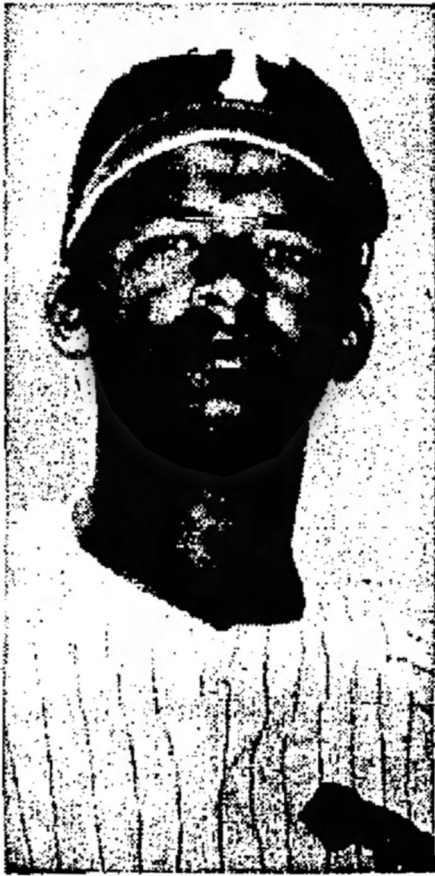
Tucson's one-game hold on first place in was safe despite suffering a 16-11 defeat in the hands of the Nogales Internationals. Second-place Douglas fell to the hands of the Juarez Indios, 5-2.

The All-Star teams which will compete in the league's annual tilt at Tucson, July 7, will be selected by sportswriters, sportscasters and the team managers. A-M president Chuck Hollinger announced. This year's All-Star battle will pit a North American Team against a Latin American Squad.

The Los Angeles Dodgers, seeking to replenish what was once considered one of the finest farm systems in baseball, announced the purchase of Tucson Cowboy stars Dave Casanega and Jose Cesar for a sum rumored to be in the neighborhood of \$10,000. Casanega, however will finish the current season in Tucson while Cesar will leave July 1 to join the Dodgers' farm club at Reno in the California League.

June 25

With their two star infielders headed for the Los Angeles Dodger organization,



—Citizen Photo

JOSE CESAR
Goat to glamor boy

Tucson's twin loss came at a time when the Douglas Copper Kings were defeating Mexicali 5-4 and 15-6. Douglas moved ahead of Tucson by a full game in standings.

July 2

Tucson Cowboys bounced back from a double loss from Juarez to trim the Indios, 6-4, and salvage the final of a three-game series at Hi Corbett Field. The Mexicali Eagles outslugged the Douglas Copper Kings, 12-11.

Harry Dunlop and Douglas Bob Clear were named co-managers of a North American dream team in the All-Star Game.

July 4

Cellar-dwelling Mexicali Eagles who seem to hold some mystic power over the Tucson Cowboys, dumped the Pokes out of first-place tie with a 6-3 triumph.

the Tucson Cowboys dropped their second straight game to the Nogales Internationals, 6-3. The defeat allowed the Douglas Copper Kings to move back into first place tie with the Waddies. As the Kings dumped Juarez, 7-6.

June 26

The Tucson Cowboys bounced into a one-game lead in the standings after taking a 15-6 decision over the Nogales Internationals. Meanwhile, Juarez Indos defeated Douglas 7-5.

June 27

Bill Walsh was the big hero as Tucson protected its one-game lead in the torrid race. Walsh hurled Tucson to a well-pitched 3-2 victory over Mexicali in an 11-inning battle.

July 1

The Juarez Indios swept a well-played doubleheader from the Cowboys and knocked the Pokes out of first place in the standings. The scored at Hi Corbett Field were 4-2 in the first game and 1-0 in the nightcap.



—Citizen Photo

'YOU THINK MAYBE . . . ?

Tucson Cowboy stars Jose Cesar (left) and Dave Casanega look over the autographed baseball on the cover of the 1958 Los Angeles Dodger Yearbook, probably wondering if their own names will wind up there. The pair, which the Dodgers hope to develop into a double play combination, were sold yesterday to the National League club by the Cowboys.



KERM KOWALK . . . Pitcher with a plug

The Waddies slid a game behind the Copper Kings who defeated Nogales, 6-4.

July 5

Gary Rushing's two-run homer in the bottom of the 11th inning powered the Tucson Cowboys to a 7-5 victory over the Mexicali Eagles and snapped a two-game losing streak.

July 6

Gary Rushing's two home runs took the wind out of Mexicali's pitching staff and catapulted the Tucson Cowboys to a 9-6 victory over the Eagles. Pokes bumped off Mexicali, 7-5 and 9-6 with Rushing putting on a slugging performance that had both the Eagles and fans screaming.

July 7

Barney Serrell who has been playing third base for the Juarez Indios is the new manager of the club. He replaces Epitacio Torres who was released by the Indios.

The ball-blasting seniors from the Latin side of the Arizona-Mexico League stun the loop's North American all stars, 10-7. Gregorio Fihueroa, the stretching stringbean from Nogales who is far more famed for his slugging and sparkling play around the first base bag was the winning pitcher. Latin All-Star hurlers Lino Donoso of Juarez and Ruben Rendon of Chihuahua did not show up or send along their apologies in time to whip up a couple extra invitations.

July 8

Chuck Hollinger announced that the three A-M players will be fined \$25 each for not appearing for All-Star game at Tucson. The players are pitchers Lino Dinoso of Juarez and Ruben Radneon of Chihuahua and Claudio Solano, Nogales outfielder. All three were supposed to be on the Latin American team.



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YANK SLUGGING STAR

Gary Rushing, Tucson's blossoming long-ball buster, will be doing his slugging from the cleanup spot in the North American lineup tonight at Hi Corbett when the North and Latin Americans clash in the fourth annual Arizona-Mexico League All-Star Game. Over the weekend, Rushing altered his batting stance and reaped a harvest of two doubles and three homers in sparking the Cowboys to twin wins over Mexicali.

July 9

Douglas exploded for six runs in the first inning to dump the Tucson Cowboy, 7-2.

July 10

The Copper Kings inch into a solid three-game lead in the standings, the biggest cushion of the season so far after beating Cowboys, 6-2.

July 11

The Douglas Copper Kings, scoring 10 runs in the third inning, pulled four games ahead in the league when they handed the Tucson Cowboys their third straight defeat 16-1.

July 12

The Chihuahua Dorados handed the Tucson Cowboys their fourth straight defeat, whipping the Pokes, 8-6.

July 13

With Gary Rushing and Ray Sorenson belting home runs, the Tucson Cowboys snapped out of their slump and dumped Chihuahua 6-3.

July 14

Gary Rushing continued his torrid hitting streak blasting two home runs as he paced the Tucson Cowboys to its second-straight victory over the Chihuahua Dorados, 10-8.

July 15

Tucson's Coboyos pulled out the slugging stops to rattle the boards for 19 hits and their third straight triumph 15-4 decision against the Juarez Indios.

July 16

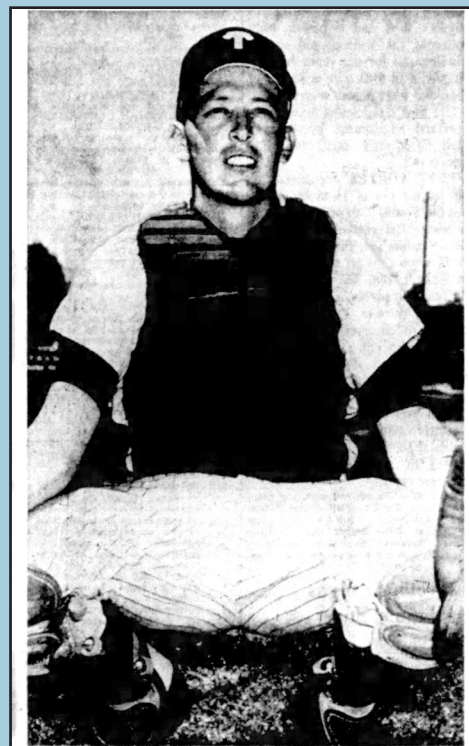
Tucson's young Kern Kowalk defeated Juarez veteran Lino Dinoso, 8-2 and the Tucson Cowboys won their fourth straight game.

July 18

Tucson Cowboys' handyman lefyhander doled out six slim singles to nip Chihuahua's frustrated fence busters, 5-4.

July 19

The Douglas Copper Kings maintained their two-and-a-half game lead in the league by turning back the Nogales Internationals, 3-1 before a crowd of 1075.



HANDY WITH BAT



KERM KOWALK
Up against elements

July 20

Burly Bob Sutton turned in one of his best performances of the season and Tucson's potent lineup drilled Chihuahua pitching for 16 hits as the Waddies whipped Chihuahua 11-1 to sweep a three-game series at Hi Corbett Field.

July 21

The Nogales Internationals exploded for five runs in the third inning and went on to beat the Tucson Cowboys, 6-4.

July 22

Tucson's Cowboys erupted for five runs in the seventh inning to whip the Nogales Internationals 10-8 in a free-swinging contest.

July 25

Rain, a six-run Nogales second inning and more rain teamed up to defeat the Tucson Cowboys, 6-2 in a soggy game at Hi Corbett Field.

July 26

Gregorio Figueroa doubled home the winning run in the top of the 14th inning as the Nogales Internationals defeated the Tucson Cowboys, 4-3 at Hi Corbett Field.

July 27

Tucson took vengeance after two straight losses by bombing the Nogales Internationals, 13-4 at Hi Corbett Field to salvage the finale of a three-game series.

July 28

Manuel Estrada struck out five and walked just one as the Nogales Internationals bounced the Tucson Cowboys, 5-1.

July 29

Tucson's Wade Hammond notched his 10th victory as he 6-hit the Mexicali Eagles, 8-3.

July 30

The Tucson Cowboys clubbed former Pacific Coast Leaguer Tony Ponce for 14 hits and a 5-2 victory.

July 31

Tucson Cowboys are just 4 games behind the league-leading Copper Kings after an 8-6 victory at Mexicali, Gus Niklas single to deep right fields, scored the winning run as the Cowboys nipped Juarez 4-3 at Hi Corbett Field.

August 1

Tucson's ambitious Cowboys gave the Douglas Copper Kings and their manager, Bob Clear a rude greeting by whipping the Kings 9-3 in the opener of a three-game series.

August 3

Pacesetter Douglas, stayed off Tucson's threat to close in on the lead by dumping the Cowboys 8-3.



GUS NIKLAS . . . Flashy fielder in new role



READY TO TAME POKES

—Citizen Photo

August 4

The Tucson Cowboys, determined not to lose any more ground in the tight pennant chase, whipped the Juarez Indios, 8-3.

August 4

Rufus Johnson led Cowboys to a 6-2 victory over Juarez Indios.

August 5

Juarez' veteran lefthander Lino Donoso out-foxed himself and the Tucson Cowboys scored a 5-4 victory at Hi Corbett Field. Gus Niklas' long double to left center in the eighth inning that scored two runs gave the Pokes a come-from-behind, 5-4 win over the Juarez Indios.

August 6

Tucson Cowboys, pounding three Juarez pitchers for 21 hits, shelled the Indios, 19-1, and chopped a full game off Douglas' lead. Meanwhile, Mexicali outlasted the Copper Kings 14-11 in Douglas.

August 8

Chihuahua overpowered the Tucson Cowboys, 6-3.

August 9

The Chihuahua Dorados handed the Tucson Cowboys their second loss 11-10 in a 10-inning game.

August 12

The Tucson Cowboys dropped their fifth straight game, falling to Juarez, 9-4 in a loosely-played contest.

August 15

Rufus Johnson and Gary Rushing providing the power, Tucson's Cowboys snapped a six-game losing streak by defeating the Chihuahua Dorados and their ace pitcher Raul Galta 12-4. The triumph inched the Pokes a game closer to the league-leading Douglas Copper Kings who lost to Juarez 14-1.

August 16

The Tucson Cowboys beat Chihuahua in a 13-5 blast.

August 17

Pokes took their second win in the series against Chihuahua via a 7-4 victory.

August 19

"This crazy Arizona-Mexico League!" The Douglas Copper Kings beat Chihuahua 22-8 behind a nine homerun hitting spree. Slugfest are a frequent occurrence, but there probably has never been a game to equal the Douglas victory over Chihuahua. The Copper Kings used only nine players and each man hit a home run! It is likely that the feat had never been accomplished previously in organized ball history.



August 20

Two quick runs in the first inning were all that was needed as the Mexicali Eagles edged Tucson Cowboys 2-1.

August 20

Nogales Internationals bump off Juarez 12-4, to slip almost unnoticed to within two games of the Cowboys.

August 21

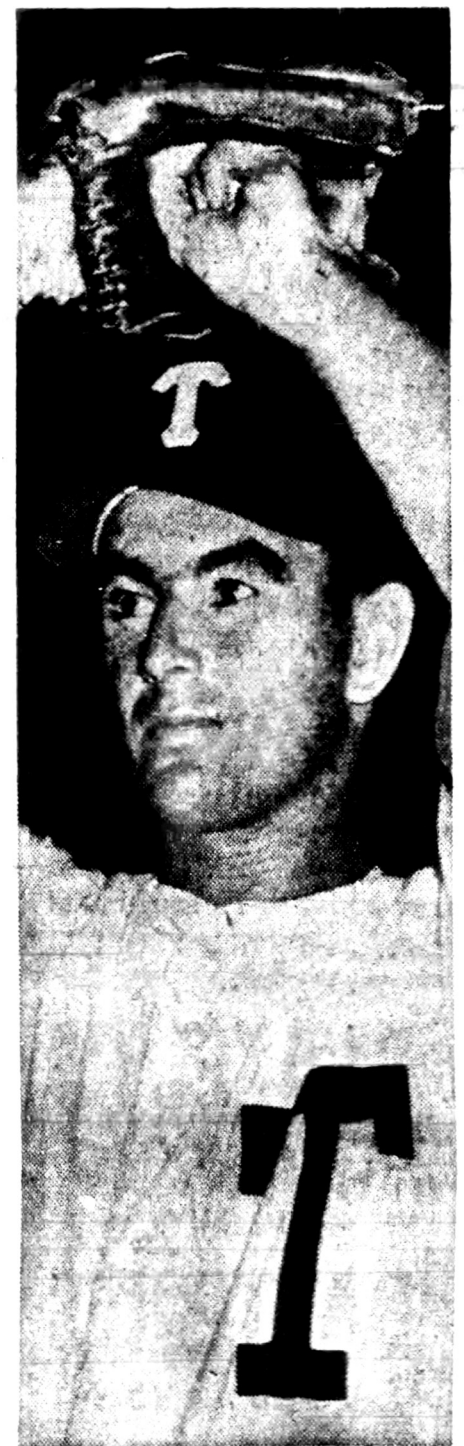
Gus Niklas clutch hitting led to a 4-3 victory of Tucson against Juarez.

August 23

A Juarez rally fell short as the Tucson Cowboys nipped the Indios, 5-4 in a contest at Hi Corbett Field.

August 24

Jim Dickson had the Tucson Cowboys eating out of his hands as the Douglas Copper Kings captured an 8-2 victory.



—Citizen Photo
RAY SORENSON
Opens crucial series



—Citizen Photo by Carl Porter

TIES FOR LEAGUE LEAD

Power hitter Gary Rushing of the Tucson Cowboys puts plenty of socko behind this pitch to send it flying over the Hi-Corbett left field lights for his 26th home run of the year last night. He is now tied with Chihuahua's Jose Echeverria in the Arizona-Mexico League home run department. The Pokes clubbed Chihuahua 12-4 to break a 6-game losing streak.

Tucson Cowboys back into contention in the stretch of the loop's pennant race.

August 26

The Tucson Cowboys inched a little closer to the red-hot pennant race by whipping the Copper Kings 6-4.

August 27

The Mexicali Eagles, thanks to a bloop single by Filepe Hernandez with bases loaded in the eighth inning, handed the Tucson Cowboys a heartbreaking 6-4 loss in the opener of a three-game series. The costly defeat dropped the Pokes three full games behind the league-leading Douglas Copper Kings. Douglas defeated Chihuahua 7-5.

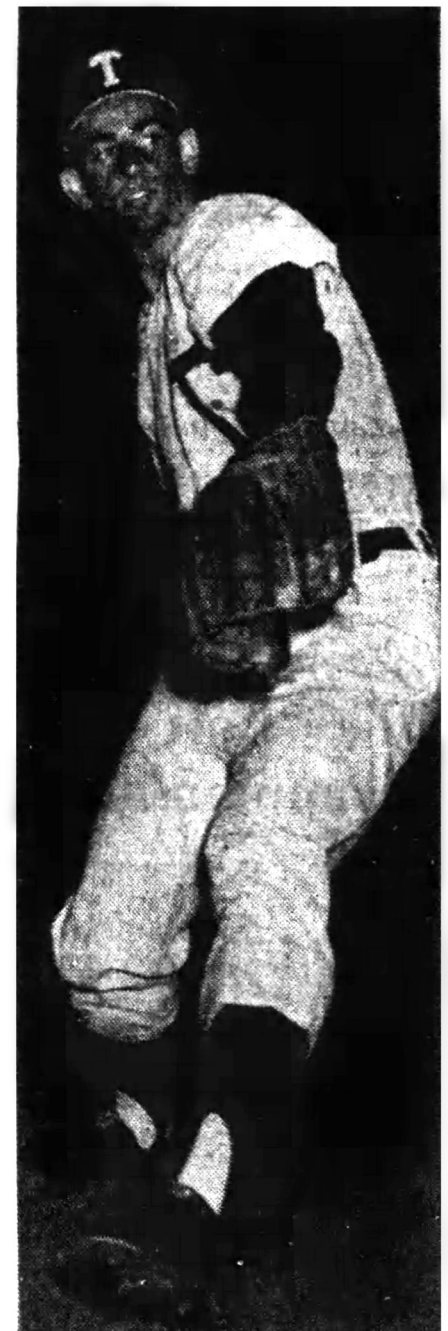
August 28

Douglas Copper King were victorious over Chihuahua 8-2. Cowboys clung tenaciously to their thread of Arizona-Mexico League pennant jope nipping the Mexicali Eagles, 3-2.

Tucson's second place Cowboys found themselves backed up against the pennant wall with the hard-hitting Douglas Copper Kings bearing down on them. Douglas dealt the Pokes one stunning blow by trouncing Tucson 8-2.

August 25

Ray Sorensen rifled his hopping fastballs past the once hard-hitting Douglas Copper Kings to humiliate the league leaders 12-0 and push



WADE HAMMOND

Looks for No. 13

August 31

"We win this next one-we can win it all" confidently said Manager Harry Dunlop as he grabbed a fleeting moment of relaxation in the tense Arizona-Mexico League pennant drive, following Tucson Cowboys' 8-0 whitewash of league-leading Douglas.

August 31

Pokes blanked the Douglas Copper Kings 8-0 at Hi Corbett Field.

September 4

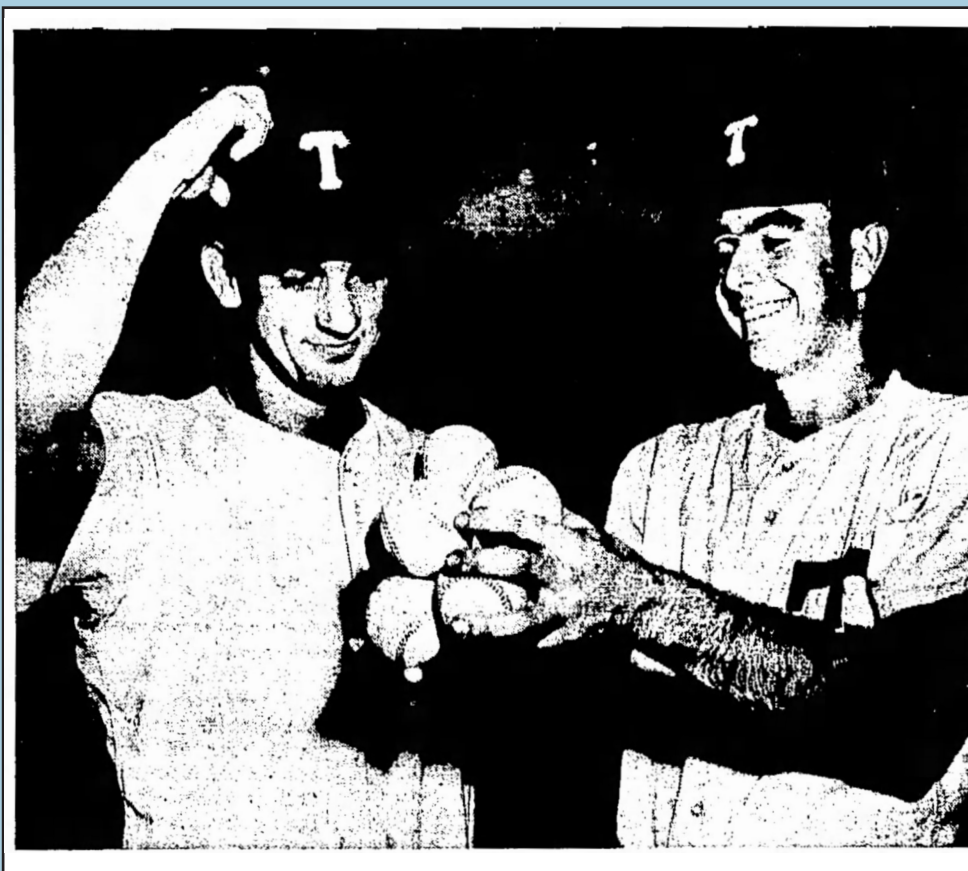
The Tucson Cowboys closed out what may be the final Class C baseball season with a disappointing 5-1 loss to Nogales.

September 1

Cowboys pounded Douglas 7-5.

September 2

The Tucson Cowboys lost a golden opportunity to slice a full game off the Douglas Copper Kings' Arizona-Mexico lead, dropping a 6-4 game to the stubborn Nogales Internationals at Hi Corbett Field.



Copper Kings Clinch A-M Pennant

BULLETIN

The Douglas Copper Kings clinched the Arizona-Mexico League pennant last night by whipping the Mexicali Eagles, 14-3, while the Tucson Cowboys were dropping a 9-7 10-inning contest to the Nogales Internationals. Tucson's loss eliminated any mathematical chance of the Waddies catching up with the Copper Kings regardless of how the Pokes and the Kings come out tonight.

September 3

Pokes edged Nogales 3-2 while Douglas walloped Mexicali 21-4.

September 5

Tucson Cowboys crept to within one game of the A-M League leading Douglas Copper Kings. The Cowboys, paced by Gary Rushing, who hit his 29th and 30th homers of the season, trounced Nogales, 13-8 while Douglas fell to Mexicali 5-3. Juarez whipped Chihuahua 8-3, in the other contest.

September 5

Tucson's Cowboys, die-hard challengers in the league pennant, stayed within mathematical reach of first place Douglas by virtue of a 13-8 conquest of Nogales Internationals.

September 6

The Douglas Copper Kings clinched the league pennant by whipping the Mexicali Eagles, 14-3.

September 7

All six members closed out their 1958 season with the Douglas Copper Kings winning the pennant by two games over the Tucson Cowboys.

The Tucson Cowboys unleashed a 16-hit attack in Nogales to down the Internationals, 9-5.

September 9

Curt Page, manager of the Douglas Copper Kings, notes that plans are under way to dissolve the A-M League and start a rookie league, something akin to the ones successfully operated in Texas and Oklahoma. The Douglas manager says failure on part of Mexican teams to pay dues and extra assessments is the main cause for friction in the limping league.

September 10

A report that the Arizona-Mexico League will dissolve for the purpose of forming a rookie league was spiked by Chuck Hollinger, league prexy. "He's just blowing smoke," Hollinger said of an Associated Press report quoting Curt Page, general manager of the Douglas Copper Kings as saying plans are under way to dissolve the A-M.

September 11

President Chuck Hollinger is fighting to keep Mexico cities in the Class C circuit. He is fighting down proposals to change the Class C set-up to an all-rookie league made up of Arizona cities. The idea of a rookie league certainly has some merit, that is up to the point of tossing out the Mexican entries in the A-M loop.

September 27

Gary Rushing, Tucson Cowboys outfielder, is the only Arizona-Mexico League player to be named to Parade Magazine's 1958 Class B, C and D all-star baseball team. The selections were made by the National Association of Baseball Writers. Three teams were picked -Triple A, AA and A and B, C, and D. Rushing who hit .332 with 34 home runs and 110 runs batted in in only 94 games, won a B, C and D outfield spot.

October 13

An unofficial meeting was held to consider prospects for the 1959 Arizona-Mexico League baseball season. Representatives from Tucson, Douglas and Nogales met with league president Chuck Hollinger.

A-M Loop Ready With Six Clubs

November 9

The Class C Arizona-Mexico league announced that the same six teams which finished the 1958 season are ready to operate again with expansion to an eight-team circuit still a possibility.

ARIZONA-MEXICO LEAGUE (Final Unofficial Standings)

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
Douglas	68	52	.567	...
TUCSON	66	54	.550	2
Nogales	59	59	.500	8
Juarez	56	63	.471	11½
Chihuahua	55	63	.462	12
Mexicali	53	66	.445	14½

Late Saturday Score

Juarez 11, Chihuahua 4

Last Night's Results

TUCSON 9, Nogales 5

DOUGLAS 4-2, Mexicali 2-7

Juarez at Chihuahua, cancelled, rain

Arizona-Mexico Set

Alamogordo, N. M., Yuma, Ariz., and Hermosillo Sonora are cities being considered to join Chihuahua, Juarez, Nogales and Mexicali of Mexico and Arizona; tucson and Douglas in the Class C league.