August 17, 1950 8 Innings, 8 At Bats

LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

Las Vegas rookie outfielder Gale Taylor sets a Sunset (C) League record when he has an official at bat in every inning in the Wranglers' 27-8 win over Tijuana.

Batting leadoff, the 19-year-old Taylor finishes with four hits in his eight at bats against the visiting Potros.

Las Vegas Tramps On Tijuana Team

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS They played baseball in the Sunset league again last night, but not very well, a case in point being the debacle at Las Vegas.

The Wrangiers smothered Tijuana, 27 to 8, on 22 hits. Curiously enough, there were no home runs in the game, but Las Vegas compensated for this via a steady salvo of singles off four Tijuana pitchers.

Signing with Las Vegas off the campus of Long Beach City College, Taylor will finish his rookie season with a team-high 178 hits and a .312 batting average ... in a five-year minor league career, Taylor will fashion a .299 career batting average.

In 1954, a 23-year-old Taylor is hitting .372 with the Calgary Stampeders of the Western International (A) League, when the team folds on June 21, after 47 games (19-28) ... despite his lofty batting average, Taylor returns to his hometown and plays the rest of the summer with the semipro Long Beach Rockets.

In 1955, Taylor and his brother Don, both sign contracts to play with the Faribault Lakers, another semipro team in the highly-regarded Southern Minnesota League ... following his playing days, Taylor returns to Long Beach and in 1963 coaches the Peterson Post team to the American Legion national championship.

On September 5, 1966, Taylor dies in a head-on car collison just outside Las Vegas ... the popular Taylor is 35 years old.

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