

Fenton Getting In Top Shape For Bout With Ortega

The latest word from Babe Fenton's training quarters in Sutherlin indicates that the popular little lightweight will be in top shape for his coming fight against Joey Ortega, Portland, scheduled for July 29. This is one fight which the Babe seriously intends to win, for to the winner goes a chance at the Pacific Northwest featherweight crown, currently held by Portland's Dobby Richards.

Proof that neither fighter thinks of the other as a push-over lies in the fact that both men requested Matchmakers Bill Olsen and Rudy Schlotthauer to postpone the fight to allow them more training time. Although Ortega is recognized by the Portland Boxing Commission as the outstanding lightweight fighter in the state, Fenton is training hard for an upset victory. And Ortega is training just as hard to hang on to his Oregon crown.

Only other bout scheduled thus far as a certainty is the semi-final between Portland's Leo Talbot and Gordon McKay. Klamath Falls giant—a six-round heavyweight battle.

However, the co-promoters have signed three local boys for preliminary bouts, including the popular "Kid" Nazlerod. They

Bums to Giants



(NEA Telephoto) Dodger Manager Leo Durocher changed to Giant uniform in baseball's biggest shakeup of year.

will round out the five-out card slated for the Roseburg Armory. Although their opponents have not yet been selected, Olsen and Schlotthauer said they are contacting eligible fighters throughout the state and that the complete card would be announced sometime this week.

Brooklyn Battles Up From Cellar To Second Position

By JOE REICHLER
Associated Press Sports Writer

The Brooklyn Dodgers are making the "no-nant talk of their president, Branch Rickey, and their new manager, Burt Shotton, sound like something more than idle chatter.

In last place a little more than two weeks ago and apparently hopelessly out of the National League pennant race, the revived Dodgers today are right back in the thick of the pennant fight, trailing only the front-running Boston Braves.

Their 5-0 victory over the Cubs in Chicago yesterday, together with Boston's 9-6 loss to the Reds in Cincinnati, advanced the Brooks to within six and a half games of the Braves.

Rex Barney, the strong-armed righthander, pitched the first shutout of his major league career in blanking the Cubs with seven hits.

Furillo's Nose Broken
The joy of Brooklyn's victory was dampened somewhat by an injury to centerfielder Carl Furillo in batting practice. Furillo's nose was broken when he was hit by a line drive on the bat of Coach Ray Blades. He is expected to be out for about a week.

The Pirates crushed the Philadelphia Phils 11-2.

Home runs by Wyrrostek, Kluzewski and Litwiler accounted for six Cincinnati runs and gave the Reds a 9-6 victory over the Braves.

The scheduled game between the Giants and Cardinals in St. Louis was postponed because of rain.

The fourth place Boston Red Sox defeated the St. Louis Browns 8-3 to move within a game of the third place Yankees.

The Yankees bowed to Detroit, 2-1, the same score by which Washington knocked off the first place Indians. The cellar-dwelling Chicago White Sox defeated the runner-up Athletics, 5-2. The Indians now enjoy a one game bulge over the A's, lead the Yankees by three-and-a-half games and the Red Sox by four-and-a-half.

Burt's Back



(NEA Telephoto) Last year's flag-winning manager, Burt Shotton, was called from retirement to pilot the Dodgers again.

Knox, Angelo To Team Against Szasz and Hager

Douglas County wrestling followers are assured of their favorite mat attraction Saturday night at the Roseburg Armory, where Matchmaker Don Owen has arranged another Australian tag-team match. The four-man extravaganza scheduled several weeks ago had to be changed when Al Szasz suffered a badly cut eye in a preliminary bout against Glen Knox.

Szasz and Knox have been signed again, along with Bruno Angelo and Tex Hager, the popular erstwhile "Creswell Cyclone," who has recently returned from "foreign conquests."

Owen has matched Hager against Knox and Angelo against Szasz in the two one-fall preliminaries. Hager and Szasz will team against the two villains, Knox and Angelo, in the four-man finale.

Angelo, the claimant to the world junior heavyweight title, will be out to defeat Szasz in the 20-minute prelim, hoping to force the popular little Hungarian into a defense of his recently won Pacific coast junior heavyweight gonfalon.

Angelo was disappointed in losing to Gordon Hessel here last week in a coast light-heavy title tilt, claiming that he did not have the stamina after losing enough weight to make the 180-pound limit, and is determined to even matters against Szasz at his natural weight.

Two of the other principals made impressive showings here last week. Hager demonstrated Danno MacDonald and Knox knocked over Salvatore Flores, the fast-stepping newcomer from Mexico City.

The attractive program, with its galaxy of stars, is certain to attract one of the largest crowds of the summer season and fans are urged to make early ringside reservations at Powell's.

Baseball Standings

(By the Associated Press)

NATIONAL			
Team	W	L	Pct.
Boston	41	28	.591
Brooklyn	41	28	.591
Pittsburgh	42	29	.588
St. Louis	42	29	.588
New York	40	29	.576
Philadelphia	40	45	.471
Cincinnati	39	46	.458
Chicago	35	48	.423

AMERICAN			
Team	W	L	Pct.
Cleveland	50	31	.617
Philadelphia	47	35	.573
New York	47	38	.551
Boston	42	38	.525
Detroit	42	41	.506
Washington	36	47	.434
St. Louis	29	51	.363
Chicago	27	53	.338

PACIFIC COAST			
Team	W	L	Pct.
Oakland	66	48	.579
San Diego	64	51	.557
San Francisco	62	50	.554
Los Angeles	62	51	.549
Seattle	52	57	.477
Hollywood	53	56	.477
Portland	46	64	.418
Sacramento	42	68	.382

Major League Baseball Leaders

(By the Associated Press)

AMERICAN
Batting—Williams, Boston, .388;
Boudreau, Cleveland, .356.
Runs batted in—Stephens, Boston 78; Gordon, Cleveland, 75.
Home runs—Keltner, Cleveland, 22; DiMaggio, New York, 19.
Pitching—Fowler, Philadelphia, 9-2 .818.

NATIONAL
Batting—Musial, St. Louis, .392;
Pafko, Chicago, .352.
Runs batted in—Mize, New York, and Musial, St. Louis, 70.
Home runs—Kiner, Pittsburgh, and Sauer, Cincinnati, 26.
Pitching—Poat, New York, 9-2 .818.

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Zernial's Homers Give Stars Two Wins Over Beavers

By BILL BECKER
Associated Press Sports Writer

Gus Zernial, the Hollywood slugger, appears on his way to give the Chicago White Sox something they've needed for years—a one-two plate punch.

The Sox already have Pat Seery, the gent who poked four homers in one game Sunday. And unless all signs fail, they'll find room next season for Zernial, who was optioned to the Stars for further development.

The 210-pound Texan looked plenty ripe last night as he banged out a homer in each game to lead the Stars to a twin Coast League victory over Portland, 8-5 and 8-7.

They were Zernial's 26th and 27th four-masters, putting him second, 17 behind San Diego's Jack Graham. His three runs batted in brought his season's total to 107, a closer runner-up to Graham's 113.

Hollywood made 27 hits including another homer by Gladd to win for Ardiola and Butland. The first game went seven innings while the second was called by curfew at the end of eight.

The double victory moved the Stars into a fifth place tie with Seattle—the highest Hollywood has been in months.

The loop-leader Oakland stretched their lead to 2½ games by defeating San Diego, 8-6, while second-place San Diego fell twice before San Francisco, 6-2 and 13-3.

Homers by Combs and Searles, plus Metkovich's triple and three singles, gave Hafey his 12th win for Oakland, although he needed seventh inning relief.

San Francisco bounced back into third, just a half game behind slick portside pitching by Werle and Lien. Werle gave up five hits, Lien four. Tobin and Guintini hit Seal Homers.

Sacramento's cellar-cemented Solons jolted Los Angeles, 5-3, in their series opener. Grissom checked the Angels with six hits and was backed by home runs by Dahlgren and Tabor.

Other spike into the comeback talk. "I don't know where those rumors come from," he said. "I've retired and that's all there is to it."

Lesnevich is now in London where he will defend his 173-pound crown against Freddie Mills July 26.

War Action Film Shown At Kiwanis Meeting

"Fury in the Pacific," one of a series of official War Department films, was shown by David Hill as the program feature of the Kiwanis Club noon luncheon Tuesday. The pictures showed graphically the capture of the Japanese-held island of Peleliu by the Marines. Closeups were shown of the bombing by planes, shelling by guns of battleships, the landing and establishing of a beachhead, the capture of the island to blast the Japs from their stronghold positions.

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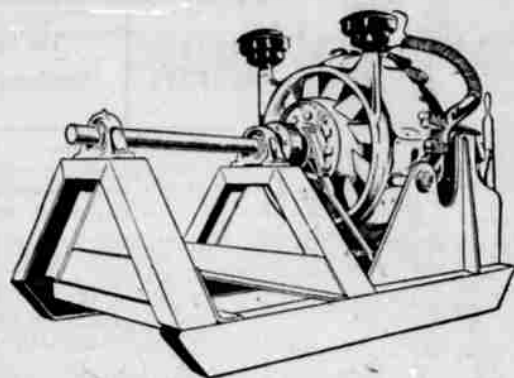
Four Softball Teams Scheduled Tonight

The Youniss Bay softball team plays host to the VFW nine tonight at 7:15 as the second round of the last half of league play gets underway at Finlay Field. Sutherland Pastime will attempt to hang on to their undefeated record when they meet the Pepsi-Cola team in the last of the doubleheader.

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Louis Disputes Report He Will Fight Lesnevich

NEW YORK, July 21.—(AP)—Joe Louis insisted today he meant "positively" when he stepped down as heavyweight champion but the ring world buzzed excitedly over reports he may come out of moth balls to defend his title again in September.

Nat Fleischer, editor of Ring Magazine, said in a copyrighted article the Brown Bomber would meet Light Heavyweight Champion Gus Lesnevich in Yankee Stadium Sept. 22.

Fleischer added he came to this conclusion after an interview with the tired champion in which Louis told him:

"Maybe I should meet Lesnevich. I can beat him. I still will be able to retire unbeaten like Gene Tunney."

But in Detroit late yesterday, caught just as he was finishing a round of golf, Louis drove an

Chiefs, Millers To Clash Tomorrow

At 8 o'clock tomorrow night, Roseburg's Umpqua Chiefs will get another crack at the invading Central Point Millers when they meet in a non-league game at Finlay Field.

Although the outcome of the affair will have no bearing on Southern Oregon League play, the Chiefs will be playing their best brand of ball. In both previous meetings, the Millers came out on top by scores of 6-2 and 2-1.

The Chiefs nearly tied the game up in the last encounter when they loaded the bases with one out. According to the umpire's decision, an attempted squeeze play backfired when Montgomery attempted to score on a bunt. The Miller catcher tagged Montgomery out at the plate but the Chiefs claimed he dropped the ball in so doing. The umpire ruled the runner out and a lengthy argument followed.

After the game, both team managers agreed to another game, one which will go into the books as strictly a kings-X affair with nothing at stake but prestige.

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