



"YOU HATE TO QUIT THE GAME" says Bobby Doerr of his retirement as he casually discusses his 15-year career with the Boston Red Sox. The 34-year-old second baseman had to give up baseball because of an ailing back. Here, at left, he nostalgically discusses his career and recollections of the game with Mayor Al Fiegl of the Pee Wee baseball rally meeting in the Junior High School auditorium last night. (Staff Picture)

Doerr Stresses Practice

Every inch a baseball player, veteran major leaguer Bobby Doerr added another host of young devotees to his list Tuesday night. Speaking casually to a youthful audience at the Pee Wee rally meeting in the Junior High auditorium, he stressed "practice" as the golden key to success.

Every youngster in the scattered audience was ready to don his glove and cleats after the lithe veteran of 15 years major league campaigning with the Boston Red Sox finished speaking. The graying second baseman pointed out that talent isn't the only necessity for big league ball playing. He cited such men as Hank Greenberg, Ted Williams and Bobby Feller. "All these fellows practiced and practiced," he said. He emphasized particularly the rise of his teammate, outfielder Ted Williams. "Whenever he was having rough days at bat, Ted would go out early in the morning and practice batting for two or three hours before a game," Doerr pointed out.

"He was a man of good ability, but didn't rest on his laurels," said Doerr.

Doerr said he met Williams for the first time when the Red Sox hitting game was brought into the San Diego training camp. He said Williams knocked the first three balls pitched to him over the fence.

"I have seen so many cases, however," said Doerr, "where a youngster of outstanding ability would slack off because of the constant praise. Then, the boys with only fair ability, who had practiced, would pass him up."

"Anybody with a little talent can get into professional baseball with plenty of practice," he concluded.

The professionals in every sport are looking for new talent, he stated. As a case in point, he revealed that Boston has 30 scouts on the payroll.

Now 34, Doerr hung up his glove this year after 15 years with the Red Sox. He joined them in 1934. Because of a worn out disc between two vertebrae in his back, he was advised to quit. Since then he has been taking it easy at his lake home in southern Oregon.

In the good natured question and answer period after his discourse, Doerr recalled his greatest thrill in the 1947 All-Star game when he batted a homer with two men

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Jensen, Harris Aim For Pennant

By The Associated Press

The Jackie Jensen-Bucky Harris ticket is sweeping the country since they opened headquarters at Washington, they've won more delegates than Eisenhower and Taft combined.

With impish delight in the embarrassment of the rich New York Yankees who let both men go, the public is getting a kick out of the surge of the underdogs.

Second place may turn out to be an over-ambitious perch for the Senators. But they are looking up not down — at the moment. Only two games behind Cleveland, after Tuesday night's 2-0 decision over St. Louis, the Jensen-Harris ticket is in the mood to claim a pennant on an early ballot.

Jensen rapped Tommy Byrne for a perfect 3-for-3 night. Since joining Washington, 17 games ago, Jensen has batted .375. That brought his season average up to .314.

While Jensen sprayed base hits, Harris, fired as Yank manager in 1948 basked in a new-found wealth of pitching.

Connie Marrero, the chubby little Cuban, did the shutout pitching for Harris Tuesday night with a four-hitter against the Browns.

While the Yanks might have reasons to regret the deal that sent Jensen to Washington, they could point with pride to the Johnny Sain purchase and Mickey Mantle's four hits at Chicago.

Sain's efficient six-hitter against Chicago Tuesday night for his fourth win, 4-3, made him the Yanks' top winner.

Rain washed out the rest of the big league program, including the entire four-game National League schedule.



HAL ZURCHER
Coach Resigns Job

Baseball Coach Quits School To Enter Business

Hal Zurcher announced his resignation Tuesday as baseball headmaster at Roseburg High School.

"I have received a business offer which is too difficult to turn down," he stated. The District 4 School Board has accepted the resignation.

As a graduate of the University of Oregon, Zurcher entered the Roseburg school system last September. During his one-year stay, he coached freshman basketball and varsity baseball.

The sincere young mentor said he debated the move for some months before deciding to quit the system. "I came here with intentions of staying in the school system for some time," he said. "For that reason, I feel bad about leaving. I was perfectly satisfied until this opportunity came up," he said.

He will go into business as an employee of Kenneth Bushey in Harmony House.

Zurcher has been contracted to continue as coach of the Pee Wee and Junior League baseball programs this summer.

Wallick Rejects 2nd Match With Stojack In Arena Here

Plans for a return match between Frankie Stojack and Leo Wallick fell through again this week.

Wallick will be back to take part in a main event mixed team match, but he refused to wrestle Stojack again on the grounds that he didn't think Stojack deserved another chance. The Roseburg Wrestling Commission is expected to take action immediately.

Meanwhile, Wallick and Buck Weaver were the only two grapplers who would agree to meet two Japanese judo stars who are currently drawing capacity crowd on the coast. They are Masa Kimura and Shibuya Yamaguchi. Kimura is undefeated in 14 years of judo competition. To prove the point, he has offered \$1,000 to any man who can stay with him 10 minutes in a jacket match. Weaver and Wallick say they will claim the money.

The main-event tag-team match will be mixed. The style of the first fall will be determined by a flip of the coin. It will be either catch-as-catch-can or judo. The second fall will be wrestled in the opposite style from the first fall. If a third fall is necessary, the style will be determined by the team which won its fall in the fastest time.

The one-hour semi-final will see Frankie Stojack back in the Roseburg Armory arena also. The popular favorite will meet the old warhorse, Jack Lipscomb, in a one-hour two-out-of-three-falls event.

Stojack is still burning for a rematch with Wallick and says he'll protest to the commission again if they don't force the issue. "Wallick is ducking me," Stojack said.

Ski Club Will Hold Outdoor Meet Tonight

The Edelweiss Ski Club will hold its first outdoors meeting of the year tonight at 6:30.

Umpqua Park will serve as a combination picnic grounds and meeting place for the club. High-lighting the meeting, Fred Weber will give a demonstration of mountain climbing, a sport which is expected to be added to the other activities of the club in the near future.

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Melrose Blasts 9-1 Victory Off Sand & Gravel

Melrose won its second game of the season in YMCA Industrial League play Tuesday night at Veterans Field by slugging Roseburg Sand and Gravel, 9-1.

Zeke Walton twirled a nifty four-hitter to hold the S and G team in check. He gave up single hits in the first, third, sixth and seventh. The losers got their only run in the fifth on two walks and two passed balls.

It took just two innings of work for the Melrose squad to rout the losers. The winners exploded with six runs on four hits in the second inning. Then, they grouped three more in the sixth inning on a single hit, two walks and a passed ball.

S and G pitcher, Bud Ellison, allowed only one other hit in the game.

In the Church League game, First Methodist failed to turn up with a team and First Christian won by default.

In The Majors

| AMERICAN LEAGUE | | |
|-----------------|----|---------|
| | W | L Pct. |
| Cleveland | 20 | 11 .645 |
| Washington | 17 | 12 .536 |
| Boston | 17 | 13 .567 |
| New York | 15 | 13 .536 |
| St. Louis | 16 | 16 .500 |
| Chicago | 14 | 16 .407 |
| Philadelphia | 11 | 15 .423 |
| Detroit | 7 | 21 .250 |

Tuesday's Results
Washington 2, St. Louis 0
New York 4, Chicago 3
Boston at Cleveland rain
Philadelphia at Detroit rain

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

| | W | L Pct. |
|---------------|----|---------|
| San Diego | 30 | 19 .612 |
| Oakland | 27 | 19 .587 |
| Hollywood | 27 | 20 .574 |
| Los Angeles | 24 | 23 .511 |
| San Francisco | 24 | 24 .500 |
| Portland | 19 | 26 .422 |
| Seattle | 19 | 27 .413 |
| Sacramento | 18 | 30 .375 |

Tuesday's Results
Los Angeles 4, Sacramento 3
Oakland 3, San Diego 1
San Francisco 3, Portland 1
Hollywood at Seattle postponed

4 Teams Listed In 'B' Tourney

Listed as the four contending teams in the state "B" division baseball tournament at Drain this Friday and Saturday are Gervais, Creswell, Malin and Boardman.

Gervais, District 1 champ, eliminated Westport of District 2 one of last year's contenders, Creswell beat Drain, and Southern Oregon's Malin dunned Cascade Locks in the quarterfinals. Boardman, the district 7 victor, topped Harper of District 8 Saturday afternoon to gain the fourth berth.

Creswell and Gervais will meet in the 7 p.m. opener Friday, and Malin and Boardman tangle in the second game of the doubleheader at 9 p.m.

The winners of Friday's games will meet for the championship in the tournament's finale Saturday and the losers will provide them in the battle for third place.

The tournament this year is being sponsored by the Drain Lions Club.

Tee Honors Go To Mrs. Bridges

Mrs. Ralstyn Bridges and Mrs. Roger Gee took top honors in the A and B class competition at the Roseburg Country Club Tuesday.

Mrs. Bridges scored the low gross for the day and Mrs. Gee clipped off the long drive on Hole No. 5.

In C Class, Mrs. Byron Woodruff won low gross and Mrs. Norm Seifarth made the long drive on No. 5.

The Country Club women hosted a visiting group of 25 Coos Bay women Sunday in a nine-hole invitational tournament. Mrs. Walter Bridges scored the low gross of 44, and Mrs. Roger Gee took low net honors with a 38 in the tourney.

Next Tuesday's play will be sweepstakes and the second round of the summerlong Oregon Women's Golf Association competition.

Angels To Climb Ladder In PCL

By The Associated Press

Look for Los Angeles, loaded for bear through the courtesy of the parent Chicago Cubs, to climb several rungs up the Pacific Coast League ladder this week.

The fourth place Angels expect to advance at the expense of bottom rung Sacramento and have, in fact, already gained a full game on loop-leading San Diego by downing the Solons Tuesday night 4-3.

The cherubs' chances of soaring are enhanced by the fact that San Diego is engaging second place Oakland and third place Hollywood in meeting Seattle, a club with more stuff than its current seventh position indicates.

Tuesday night was Lefty O'Doul night in Oakland. The San Diego manager got a TV set from the fans, the gate for arguing with an umpire and his boys took a 3-1 licking from the Acorns. At Portland, San Francisco beat the Beavers 3-1. Hollywood at Seattle was rained out.

LaMotta Hoping For Knockout

DETROIT (AP) — Former Middleweight Champion Jake LaMotta has been talking about an easy fight and even a knockout in his 10-round match with Eugene Hairston at Olympia Stadium Wednesday night.

But the 30-year-old Bronx Bull, who now has an eye on the light-heavyweight title, is rated a slight underdog. Some of the betting gentry have made Hairston a 6-5 favorite and the 22-year-old Negro was expected to be at least an even money choice by fight time, 7 p.m. P.D.T.

The bout will be telecast and broadcast on a national network.

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