



DOUBLE CHAMP—Ford Konno, whose double led Ohio State's swimming team to the NCAA championship, shows the power stroke which broke the 1500-meter record and then went on to take the 400-yard freestyle. (NEA)

Washington Man Hits 299 Game

SEATTLE (AP)—A bowler who missed a perfect game by a single pin turned in the day's best performance at the 51st American Bowling Congress tournament Monday.

Dale Carter, 27-year-old roofer from Bremerton, Wash., rolled a 299, missing the payoff score on his 12th frame when the No. 7 pin wobbled and wavered, then righted itself.

The 299 game, the first of this tournament and the first minus one effort since the 1951 ABC at St. Paul, Minn., is the 13th in the 51-year history of the World Series

of bowling.

The only perfect game of this meet, and the 13th in an ABC tournament, was rolled by Tony Sparando of Rego Park, N. Y., on March 31.

Carter followed his 299 with a 20 and hit 171 in the third game for a 675 total, two pins short of a berth in the singles top ten.

While the final total kept him out of the top ten, the 299 game elected him to an elite circle. He is the 28th man in the 52 years of ABC tournament bowling to roll a 299 or 300 game. And that takes in more than 1,780,000 games.

Is That So! by Eugene Burman

COLD SCIENTIFIC explanations notwithstanding, to me a rainbow always has been and always will be a magnificent miracle. Somehow each arch recalls my boyhood on the vast Canadian Prairie when I wondered:

Where do all the bright colors come from? How many raindrops make up a bow? And why are the colors ranging from violet to red, each with its own speed, but mostly they travel together, friendly like, until broken up by a transparent glass prism or a raindrop at which time they bend and separate and each takes up its own speed, the longer waves, like red, traveling faster and the shorter rays, like violet, traveling slower.

As the rays enter each of the countless tiny raindrop prisms—the total effect making them a prism of giant proportions—the sun's rays are bent and then as they strike the far inner surface of each raindrop they are turned back and bent again as they emerge, meanwhile taking on their own particular speeds and colors and in very definite order from red on the outside through orange, yellow, green blue, indigo and to violet.

Hence, the higher the sun above the horizon the smaller the arc. And should the sun's altitude be too great no rainbow would be visible at all. This is why the arch is always highest, in fact, semi-circular, at either sunset or sunrise. But at any time, should the observer climb to a high elevation, as in an airplane, he could see the whole wonderful rainbow circle.

As can be surmised, it takes countless raindrops to make up each rainbow. Each drop's effect is extremely transitory. As a result, the rainbow is constantly changing, changing a thousand times each second.

To make matters even more complex, a whole or a part of another concentric bow may be visible at times because there may be two reflections instead of one within the raindrops. Such a supplementary bow, with the red band on the inside edge and the violet on the outside, shows up clearly only when the raindrops are small.

And now, should you have had a mother who unflinchingly took you outdoors when a child to view every rainbow, then indeed you can count yourself singularly blessed. As I do.

Lakers Snare 3rd Pro Title

MINNEAPOLIS (AP)—The indomitable old pros of the Minneapolis Lakers Tuesday etched another championship into one of the most striking success stories in professional basketball history.

The Lakers won their third consecutive National Basketball Assn. title Monday night by beating Syracuse 87-80 in the decisive seventh game of the final playoffs.

It gave Minneapolis, which entered pro basketball strictly as a gamble in 1947, a record of six titles in seven years of operation. Almost all of its playoff supremacy has hinged on indestructible George Mikan and Jim Pilard, who have been with the team since its organization.

It was Pollard who piloted the Lakers Monday night after Syracuse had shaken off a wave of playoff injuries to tie the series at three games apiece.

The graceful 6-5 forward rammed in 21 points and kindled a first quarter drive which put Minneapolis in front to stay.

Giant, Dodger Feud Tops Majors Opener

By JOE RIECHLER

NEW YORK (AP)—The major leagues today opened what promises to be one of the most interesting baseball seasons in many years.

Rarely has a campaign started with so many vital questions waiting to be answered. The latest and perhaps the most important is:

How much will Enos Slaughter help the New York Yankees?

Did the five-time pennant-winning Yankees insure another flag when they acquired the 38-year-old Slaughter from the St. Louis Cardinals on the eve of the pennant race? Or did they blow their chance when they sold star pitcher Vic Raschi to the Cardinals six weeks earlier?

Tight Race

The answer may be a long time coming. The prospects are for close races in both leagues. All last year's runner-ups appear strengthened and eager to take a crack at the defending champions.

For the first time in years all 16 clubs started the campaign on the same day. Some 215,000 fans were expected to see the eight inaugurals.

Slaughter, on hand for the Yankees' opener in Washington, was not in line to see action, but Mickey Mantle, the young outfield star, was slated for duty in center field, apparently recovered from his knee operation of last winter.

A sellout of 30,000 was assured to watch President Eisenhower throw out the first ball. After that either left-hander Chuck Stobbs or right-hander Bob Porterfield was to take the mound for the Senators. Southpaw Whitey Ford, who holds a 5-0 lifetime record against Washington, already has been named to open for the Yankees.

A battle of southpaws was in prospect in Philadelphia, where Eddie Joost was making his managerial debut with the A's. Mel Parnell of the Boston Red Sox and Bobby Shantz of the Athletics were

the opposing pitchers. A turnout of 12,000 was expected.

Each team's key slugger was absent. Ted Williams, whose fractured collarbone was reported mending rapidly, is not expected back in the Red Sox lineup until May 15 at the earliest. Gus Zernial was out of the Athletics' lineup with a sprained neck.

Baltimore, returning to the majors after 51 years, hoped to get off on the right foot in Detroit. Manager Jimmy Dykes, who moved from Philadelphia to Baltimore, planned to start either Duane Pillette or Don Larsen on the mound. A crowd of 30,000 was slated to see veteran right-hander Steve Gromek make the first pitch for the Tigers.

Good Duel

A good pitching duel was in prospect in Chicago where Early Wynn of Cleveland and Billy Pierce of the White Sox were to clash before 30,000.

The National League's largest crowd—some 35,000—figured to be on hand for the renewal of the Dodger-Giant feud at the Polo Grounds. Sal Maglie, who has beaten the Dodgers 18 times in 24 decisions, was ready to test his once-aching back against the Brooks, who had Carl Erskine, their World Series hero, fit and ready.

The Dodgers, except for Manager Walter Alton, presented the same lineup that appeared in the series last October and the Giants had Willie Mays, their rookie star of 1951, back in center field after two years in the Army.

Cincinnati, opening the season at home for the 89th straight year, was host to the Braves, who had rookie Henry Aaron in the lineup in place of the injured Bobby Thomson. A capacity crowd of 30,000 was assured long ago to watch this battle of right-hander, with veteran Bud Podbielan going for the Redlegs against sophomore Bob Buhl. Maning his managerial

bow for Cincinnati was Birdie Tebbets.

Pirates Revamped

A revamped Pittsburgh team, which opened at home for the first time since 1893, was set to face Philadelphia's ace Robin Roberts with a lineup composed of such hard-bitten veterans as Walker Cooper and Sid Gordon and fuzzy-faced youngsters as Curt Roberts and Gail Allie. Bob Friend, who pitched sensationally in exhibition games, was the Pirates' nominee. Some 20,000 were expected to be on hand.

Rookie Wally Moon was scheduled for duty in center field, Alex Grammas as shortstop and Tom Alston at first base as the Cardinals played host to the Chicago Cubs in St. Louis before about 18,000. The Cubs, under Stan Hack, who replaced Phil Cavarretta only a couple of weeks ago as manager, also boasted three newcomers in the lineup.

They are center fielder Bob Talbot, shortstop Ernie Banks and second baseman Gene Baker. Harvey Haddix, a 20-game winner for the Redbirds last year, was named to oppose veteran southpaw Paul Minner.

HOCKEY PLAYOFFS

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Snead Captures Masters Crown

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP)—Sam Snead, the drawing West Virginian, made two conquests in winning his third Masters golf championship—he beat Ben Hogan by one stroke in their 18-hole playoff and also licked a bad case of "yips."

"Yips" is a Snead-coined word the Slammer uses to describe putting jitters, and he said before the tournament he was in the midst of the worst case of his career.

But Sam handled his putter adequately Monday and came home in 2-under-par 70 to Hogan's 71. The victory bracketed Snead with Jimmy Demaret as a three-time Masters winner. Hogan, too, was seeking his third Masters title, and had hoped to become the first man ever to capture two in succession.

Snead picked up \$5,000 for his victory and Hogan got \$3,125. Each also got an undisclosed percentage of the playoff gate.

Big Bevo Kicked Out Of College

RIO GRANDE, Ohio (AP)—Tiny Rio Grande College has expelled Bevo Francis, the star, gangling farm boy who put it on the national basketball map.

Francis, an awkward hill-country lad who speaks slowly when he speaks at all, in two years changed Rio Grande from a school without even a basketball court to one with a big-time basketball program.

Monday night the school's committee on instruction issued a statement saying Francis had been dropped from the rolls because of "an excessive number of unexcused absences, failure to make up more than one of his missed mid-term examinations, and failure to attend any classes in the last two weeks."

Friday Boxing Set At Armory

The Roseburg YMCA and the Douglas High School Dads' Club are sponsoring a fight card at the Roseburg Armory, Friday night April 16, featuring fighters from Roseburg, Eugene, Portland and Coos Bay.

Three Roseburg fighters, Dave Patterson, Dick Gilman Jr. and Bob McCord, fought at Eugene last Friday night.

McCord won a decision over Roy Cooper; Patterson knocked out Eddie Cooper in the second round; Gilman won by decision over Al Jones, Medford.

Admission prices for Friday's bouts which will start at 8:30 p.m. sharp, are 75 cents for adults and 35 cents for children and students.

USC Football Captain Hurt In Auto Accident

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP)—The pro football career of Tom Nicholoff, co-captain and end of the 1953 Southern California team and third draft choice of the Los Angeles Rams may have been ended by a traffic accident.

Nicholoff suffered a broken right leg, broken right hand and brain concussion Saturday night when his auto failed to make a turn onto the Palm Springs cutoff from the main highway. He was en route to the desert spa from Banning.

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