

## Myrtle Creek Women Bowlers Watch Lead Dwindle On Tuesday

While league leading Myrtle Creek was losing a 2-1 decision to Women of the Moose, second-place Roy O. Young Insurance was idle, enabling the latter to narrow the slim margin between the two teams in the Ladies Bowling League Tuesday night.

Mae Shiricliffe of the Myrtle Creek team came up with the night's top game of 196 while a Bee Hive Truck Rental bowler, Joan Rosenbaum, corralled high series honors with a count of 519 (176-165-178).

In another top series, Flo Ann McDonald rolled a 503.

Other high games included Elinor Parr 185; M. Larson 193; Frances Knutson 179; Velda Ellison 178; H. Lesh 175; Martha Poekington 175; Flo McDonald 173; Freda Pfander 170; Vi Davis 171.

Results? Bee Hive Truck 2, Clark's Studio 1; Fisher's Variety 2, Kenny's Lunch 1; Drive-In Cleaners 2, Emery Foley 1; Peter Pan 2, Porters 1; Women of Moose 2, Myrtle Creek 1; Lennies Fine

2, Medical Arts 1; McKay Drugs 3, Luvernes 0.

| LADIES LEAGUE      |               |
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| W                  | L             |
| Myrtle Creek       | 23 13         |
| Roy O. Young       | 21 1/2 11 1/2 |
| Drive-In Cleaners  | 22 14         |
| Emery Foley Ins.   | 20 16         |
| Umpqua Cleaners    | 18 15         |
| Porters Sutherland | 17 17         |
| Medical Arts       | 19 17         |
| Peter Pan Beauty   | 19 17         |
| Women of Moose     | 19 17         |
| Clark's Studio     | 18 18         |
| Luvernes Dress     | 17 19         |
| McKay Drugs        | 17 19         |
| Fisher's Variety   | 16 20         |
| Kenny's Lunch      | 15 21         |
| Bee Hive Truck     | 13 23         |
| Lennies Fine Foods | 8 1/2 27 1/2  |

## Sports

### Spokane, Eugene Win Pre-Season Exhibition Games

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Spokane and Eugene were the winners in Northwest League spring training baseball games Tuesday.

Spokane thumped Lewiston, 11-8, at Lewiston, while Eugene, training in California, whipped San Jose State, 9-5, at San Jose.

In another game, Stanford University's Indians took the measure of the Salem Senators, 4-1, at Palo Alto.

At Lewiston, Cliff Crawford homered in the fifth with Manager Eddie Lake aboard to put Spokane out in front. The Indians chased in four more runs in the inning and reliever Ben Weip came in in the last half to shut out the Broncos the rest of the way.

Bill Page, a former Stanford pitcher, and Berlyn Hodges teamed in Eugene's victory over San Jose State, striking out 13 Spartans. Page gave up two hits in his five innings but one was Dick Brady's homer.

Salem managed only four hits off Stanford's pitching and the Senators' only tally came in the third when Gene Transelli tripled to right and ran home on a sacrifice fly.

## Is That So!

What's that again? ... The largest animal that ever lived, past or present, on the face of the earth or in its waters is the sulphur-bottom whale, still going strong today.

Even the greatest dinosaurs which splashed along the shores of inland lakes a 100 million years ago were dwarfed by this stupendous creature—unable to match it either in weight or length.

**THE LONGEST** sulphur-bottom ever measured with a steel tape was 111 feet. Quite likely there have been larger ones.

Like all other whales, the sulphur-bottom cannot breathe through its mouth—a special nasal passage connects directly from the blowhole to its lungs. This permits the whale to gulp its food beneath the surface without getting water in its lungs.

The lungs extend well back into the whale—much farther than in other mammals—which helps balance the animal in water.

The skin is soft. Temperature-regulating sweat glands have been eliminated and instead there is a very thick layer of blubber—from eight to 20 inches thick—between skin and dark flesh. This retains the body temperature which is slightly below that of a horse, right around 98 degrees Fahrenheit.

It has a few hairs—usually a cluster of short, brittle chin whiskers numbering around 32, and occasionally a dozen or two on top of the head, though most are bald.

**ALONG THE THROAT**, breast and belly it has from 80 to 100 great accordion-like pleats which permit the great lungs to expand and fill up their entire capacity before sounding, sometimes going down where the pressure is 1,400 pounds to the square inch!

Ears have virtually disappeared, the only thing to be seen being two knitting needle sized openings a yard behind the eyes.

The brown eyes are about twice the size of a cow's—in contrast a giant squid may have eyes nine inches across!

The largest sulphur-bottomed whale ever to be weighed, in 1947, was an 89-foot female. (Females are always larger than males.) Her girth was 43 feet and six inches. As females go in Arctic regions, that was not fat.

The flukes measured 20 feet from tip to tip—in contrast to a fish's horizontal tail, a whale's flukes are always horizontal.

(When a whale is harpooned near the fluke, the whale cannot pull—the strain of the rope straightens out the body).

The flippers were nearly 10 feet long. (The flippers contain five finger-like bones overlaid with tissues and blubber to form a paddle and used only in turning and ascending. The hind limbs have completely disappeared externally and exist only as rudimentary bones, buried deep in the body—the longer, the femur, being perhaps four inches in length, the about the size of a walnut.)

Weighed in sections with some of the tons of blood lost, this female lower leg bone, the tibia, being

weighed 300,707 pounds—more than 150 tons!

The heart weighed 950 pounds, almost a half ton; the liver, 2,000 pounds, a ton; the flabby tongue, 6,000 pounds, three tons!

The power and strength of this animal, as to be expected, is tremendous: It has pulled whaling ships forward for many hours at ten miles an hour while the engines were going full speed astern.

Just why it was named the sulphur-bottom whale is unknown. Its topside color tends toward gray, blue, white. A much better name is that given by the Norwegians, the blue whale. At a distance, in the water it looks as though its body has been washed with bluing.

### Athletics Happy Over First Win

KANSAS CITY (AP)—No one in this newest American League city could think of a way to improve on Kansas City's opening day 6-2 shellacking of the Detroit Tigers but the Athletics were hopeful in a reopening Wednesday.

There was only one thing wrong with Tuesday's inaugural from the time former President Harry Truman southpawed the first ball un-

**WIFELY CONFIDENCE**

KANSAS CITY (AP)—Mrs. Harry Truman doesn't think much of her husband's baseball pitching ability.

Shortly before the former President was scheduled to throw out the first ball in the Kansas City Athletics' opener against Detroit Tuesday, Mrs. Truman was asked which hand her husband would use. "I don't know," she replied. "And I don't believe he knows yet. 'He's not very good either way.'"

Old Ewell Blackwell made Red Wilson bloop a double play ball ageless Pete Suder.

There wasn't enough room to let all the eager Kansas Citians see the affair.

So Truman was scheduled for the first pitch again Wednesday, ready to shoot with either hand that gets hold of the ball first.

Besides the ambidextrous Truman, the Athletics planned to pitch Arnold Portocarrero, a fireball righthander.

Arrayed against him for the Tigers was Steve Gromek whose record last year was 18 victories against 16 losses to Portocarrero's 9-18.

It was doubtful Wednesday's re-take would draw the sellout 32,844 that watched the opener but no one would give big odds on it.

Not after the way this baseball crazy town took to their rejuvenated Athletics Tuesday.

### Ring Record

**TUESDAY'S FIGHTS**

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BILLINGS, Mont. — Harley Breshears, 181 1/2, Parma, Idaho, stopped Gene Brixen, 185 1/4, Spokane, 7.

OCEAN PARK, Calif. — Gilbert Muniz, 137 1/2, Juarez, Mexico, stopped Juan Luis Campos, 136 1/2, Los Angeles, 7.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. — Manuel Armenteros, 123, Havana, outpointed Otilio Galvan, 124, Saltillo, Mexico, 10.

CHICAGO — Sonny Bunn, 153, Washington, stopped Curtis Coles, 152, Pittsburgh, 6.

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — Andy Mayfield, 162 1/2, Miami, outpointed Gus Rubicini, 157 1/2, Toronto, 10.

BEAUMONT, Tex. — Paul Jorgensen, 128 1/2, Port Arthur, Tex., knocked out Celso Hidalgo, 125, Mexico City, 9.

### Sports In Brief

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MONTREAL — Underdog Montreal Canadiens beat Detroit Red Wings 6-3 to square the best-of-7 Stanley Cup final playoffs at 3 games each.

**FLAT RACING**

ALBANY, Calif. — Wind Wings (\$13.50) took the feature by 1 1/2 lengths over Hasty Way at Golden Gate Fields.

WESTBURY, N. Y. — Bobby King (\$11) won Hicksville Pace at Roosevelt Raceway by a length over Gene Jester.

## Braves' Rookie Hammers Homer; Indians Win

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Could be that the opening day of major league baseball set what may be the pattern this season. Milwaukee and Cleveland were off and winning and the New York Giants, Brooklyn Dodgers and New York Yankees couldn't do a thing about it.

The preseason popularity polls had Milwaukee's Braves copping the National League flag, with the World Champion Giants and Brooks somewhere behind. Cleveland was picked to repeat in the American, again beating out the Yanks.

Milwaukee and Cleveland made hay yesterday while the other three peanant contenders were stopped by rain. The Braves un-

Lemon got off toward another 20-victory season, handling the White Sox on four singles and a double. The Indians, apparently not as over-confident as general manager Hank Greenberg feared, got to Virgil Trucks for two runs in the first as Vic Wertz singled with the bases loaded.

The game at Cleveland hauled in 50-230 fans—tops for the day as the majors drew 190,951. Milwaukee was second with 43,640.

Kansas City relied on a three-run sixth to beat Ned Garver and the Tigers as a capacity crowd of 32,843, plus former President Truman and Connie Mack, watched. The A's got nine hits, including a single, double and home run by Bill Wilson. Alex Kellner gave up six Detroit hits, one a red Wilson homer, and Ewell Blackwell protected the decision with two-hit ball in the last three frames.

The Cubs knocked out Brooks Lawrence in a five-run first and went on to total 18 hits off five Card hurlers. Dee Fondy drove in five runs with a bases-loaded double in the big first and a full-house single in a six-run second. Hank Sauer had four hits with 25-153 in the stands—largest Chicago opening crowd since 1929. Paul Minner was the winner.

Boston and new manager Pinky Higgins kicked up their heels as Ted Lepcio smacked two home runs in the rout of Baltimore. Frank Sullivan set down the Orioles on five hits, while Boston had 13 against three Baltimore pitchers. The crowd was 38,085.

**TUESDAY'S BASEBALL**

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

| W           | L | Pct.   | GB    |
|-------------|---|--------|-------|
| Washington  | 1 | 0.1000 |       |
| Boston      | 1 | 0.1000 |       |
| Cleveland   | 1 | 0.1000 |       |
| Kansas City | 1 | 0.1000 |       |
| New York    | 0 | 0.0000 | 1 1/2 |
| Chicago     | 0 | 1.0000 | 1     |
| Detroit     | 0 | 1.0000 | 1     |
| Baltimore   | 0 | 2.0000 | 1 1/2 |

**Tuesday's Results**

Cleveland 5, Chicago 1  
Kansas City 6, Detroit 2  
Boston 7, Baltimore 1  
Washington at New York, rain

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**

| W            | L | Pct.   | GB    |
|--------------|---|--------|-------|
| Chicago      | 2 | 0.1000 |       |
| Milwaukee    | 1 | 0.1000 | 1/2   |
| New York     | 0 | 0.0000 | 1     |
| Brooklyn     | 0 | 0.0000 | 1     |
| Philadelphia | 0 | 0.0000 | 1     |
| Pittsburgh   | 0 | 0.0000 | 1     |
| St. Louis    | 1 | 1.0000 | 1 1/2 |
| Cincinnati   | 0 | 2.0000 | 2     |

**Tuesday's Results**

Chicago 14, St. Louis 4  
Milwaukee 4, Cincinnati 2  
Pittsburgh at Brooklyn, rain  
New York at Philadelphia, rain

covered rookie Chuck Tanner, who swatted a first-pitch pinch home run to get a 4-2 victory going against Cincinnati. And Cleveland, mixing power with its pitching, knocked off the Chicago White Sox, a dark horse threat, 5-1.

The Chicago Cubs won their second 1955 decision, beating the St. Louis Cardinals 14-4 in the only other National League game played.

In the American, the Kansas City Athletics broke into their new surroundings with a 6-2 victory over Detroit, and the Boston Red Sox gave the Baltimore Orioles their second setback 7-1.

Tanner, a 25-year-old prospect up from Atlanta, carried on the Braves' rookie-a-spring program. Manager Cholly Grimm, who sprang loose Billy Bruton in '53 and Hank Aaron in '54, tapped Tanner to bat for Warren Spahn with the Braves trailing 2-1 in the eighth. He homered on the first major league ball pitched to him.

That tied the score, and after Bruton singled, Aaron clipped Gerry Staley's next pitch for a triple and the lead run. Ted Kluszewski had given the Redlegs their 2-1 edge in the top of the eighth, hitting his second homer of the season.

**Aims For 20**

Like Spahn, Cleveland's Bob

Yesterday's Stars

**TUESDAY'S STARS**

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PITCHING — Bob Lemon, Cleveland Indians — Allowed only five hits, four of them singles, to beat the Chicago White Sox 5-1.

BATTING — Ted Lepcio, Boston Red Sox — Became first to hit two home runs in one game at Baltimore's spacious Memorial Stadium as Red Sox defeated Orioles 7-1.

**OPGA DATE CHANGED**

PORTLAND (AP)—Dates of the Oregon Professional Golfers' Assn.'s championships have been changed from May 24 to Aug. 8-10, the OPGA announced Tuesday. The journey will be held at the Oswego Country Club.

### College Scores

COLLEGE SPORTS

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Tuesday's Results

**BASEBALL**

Gonzaga at daho, postponed, rain and snow.

Linfield at Oregon, doubleheader, postponed, rain.

**TENNIS**

College of Pacific 7, Santa Clara 2

**GOLF**

Portland 17, Pacific 1  
Oregon State 25, Willamette 2

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