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**SPORT NEWS**

**RUTH'S FIELDING IS GIVEN PRAISE**

**Sports Writer Declares That the Babe Is One of Best Gardeners**

By Billy Evans  
 I have always maintained that Babe Ruth, aside from his batting, ranks as one of the greatest outfielders the game has ever produced.

Yet, the majority of the baseball fans, when discussing Ruth, invariably express their opinion of him thus:

"All Ruth can do is slug. If he were a weak hitter he would be in the minors."

Ruth's remarkable batting ability has so overshadowed his other good points that the fans think of him only as a slugger.

To most fans, Babe Ruth is the man who made home runs famous. He means little more than a ball player.

**All-Round Star**  
 As a matter of fact, there are not more than a half dozen outfielders in the American League who can cover more ground than Ruth.

When it comes to throwing, Tris Speaker is the only left-handed throwing outfielder who is more accurate. Ruth gets greater distance.

On the bases, for a big fellow Ruth is remarkably fast. He tops off his speed with a deceptive slide.

At the bat, Ruth is much more than a mere slugger. He is an adept bunter, draws a ball well, and when he wants to, can hit to meet any field.

**Ruth Ranks First**  
 Recently one of the demon baseball statisticians took up 19 features of outfield play, allowing three points for first, two for second and one for third.

Ruth under such a system topped the American League outfielders with three firsts, one second and one third, for a total of 12 points.

Of 1919 he was ranked first, since he made more total bases than any of the others. Likewise he scored more runs and batted in more runs than any of his rivals.

That Ruth is not merely a slugger was proved by the fact that he was second in the American League hitting averages.

**Proof of Fielding**  
 One need only go back to the

1924 world series to get a few examples of Ruth's superlative fielding.

One was his seemingly impossible catch in one of the St. Louis games when he crashed into the temporary stands and then followed with an uncanny throw to the plate that cut off a run.

It was the outstanding fielding play of the world series games waged in St. Louis.

His one-handed catch of a terrific drive while running at full speed featured the games at the Yankee Stadium. The ball was apparently past Ruth when he threw up his hand and snatched it.

Babe Ruth is not only a great batter but an equally clever fielder, by far the most valuable outfielder in the American League, all things considered.

**Union Defeats Enterprise and Joseph Quintets**

UNION, Feb. 8 (Special)—A crowd of basketball fans gathered at the school gym Friday night to witness a scheduled game with the Baker high girls, but owing to a misunderstanding at the latter place, the Baker players failed to arrive, so the girls and the second team of boys each played a game with the student organizations. The high school teams were both defeated.

On Saturday the Baker sextet arrived and was defeated by the Maroon and White girls 17-10 in a rather slow game.

The boys who went up the branch line Friday afternoon to play two games over the week end, had better success than has been their lot during the past few weeks. They met the Joseph boppers on their own floor the first evening and won this game by a score of 19 to 13, according to a telephone message sent back to Union the same night. On Saturday they came back as far as Enterprise and hung another scalp to their belts, taking the latter team into camp 27 to 15.

Although the Joseph team won out here a short time ago and was expected to render Union a more decided defeat at home, the visitors upset the dope by leading the Joseph quintet during most of the game and speeding up the last quarter for a majority of six points. This victory encouraged the team for its second game and the Hobcats again rallied in the last quarter, making three field baskets almost as fast as the ball could be put into play.

On Wednesday of this week the boys and girls both trounce Baker for a doubleheader and a goodly delegation of rooters will accompany the two teams.

**Fighters Hope For Early Win Via K. O. Route**

With both Ted Adams, of Boise, and Kid Parker, colored, Portland, confident that victory will perch on his shoulders and each hopeful of an early knockout, everything is set for the 25-round boxing card to be held at Legion hall tonight, beginning at 8:15 o'clock.

Besides the Parker-Adams main event of 15 rounds the following fights are billed:

Scout final, six rounds: Johnny Walker, Pendleton, vs. Kermit Davis, La Grande, 125 pounds.

Special six rounds: Bud Woodruff, La Grande, vs. Moby Buskirk, Pendleton, 135 pounds.

Professional, four rounds: Kid Kelcey, Huntington, vs. Glen Ford, La Grande.

**RADIO IS MOVER**

**ALL PROGRAMS IN PACIFIC STANDARD TIME**  
**TONIGHT'S FEATURES:**  
 KGO—Oakland, Cal. (264.2m, 830ks) 8 to 9 p. m. "The Pilgrims."  
 KFJ—Los Angeles, Cal. (167 m, 642ks) 7 to 8 p. m. "Serenades."  
 KTAH—Oakland, Cal. (302.8 m, 590ks) 8:15 to 10 p. m. KTAH Quartet.

**WEDNESDAY—FEB. 9**  
 KOA—Denver, Colo. (222.4m, 539ks) 8 p. m. Schubert's "Colorado" orchestra; 8:15 p. m. studio program.  
 KFJ—Los Angeles, Cal. (167m, 642ks) 7 p. m. Virginia Hall Room orchestra; 7:30, Nick Harris; 8-9, program, California Petroleum Corp.; 9-10, semi classical hour; 10-11, Sunset Instrumental quartet.  
 KPWH—Hollywood, Cal. (252m, 119ks) 8-7 p. m. Pontiac dinner hour; 7:30, news; 8-9, features; 9-10, Jim Hatch and his orchestra; 10-11, Warner Bros. Frolic.  
 KGO—Oakland, Cal. (261.2m, 830ks) 6-8:55 p. m. Stanislas Bern's Little Symphony; 8, farm program; 9, trio.  
 KGW—Portland, Ore. (451.5m, 610ks) 8-7 p. m. concert; 8-10, entertainment.  
 KHL—Los Angeles, Cal. (465.2m, 740ks) 8:55-7:30 p. m. Children's hour; 8-10, features; 10-11 dance music.  
 KLN—Oakland, Cal. (598.2m, 530ks) 6:30-7 p. m. Athens Athletic Club orchestra; 9-10, program.  
 KMTB—Hollywood, Cal. (379.2m, 810ks) 7-7:30 p. m. musical program; 7:30-8, feature; 8-10, dance program; 10-12, trolie, Palais De Danse.  
 KNX—Hollywood, Cal. (316.0m, 530ks) 7 p. m. Musicale; 8, Musicale; 9, program; 10, Edgewater Club orchestra; 11, Hotel Ambassador orchestra.  
 KTAIE—Oakland, Cal. (162.35m, 590ks) 8-10 p. m. program.  
 KTAH—Oakland, Cal. (302.8m, 590ks) 6:30-7 p. m. States Restaurant orchestra; 7-7:30, Hoty Rogers Fairmount Hotel concert orchestra; 8-9, Alvar Kent artists; 9-10, music; 10-11, States Restaurant orchestra; 11-12, Triunfo Ballroom.  
 KWS—State College, Pullman, Wash. (248.6m, 660ks) 7:30 p. m. concert, 10:18.  
 KOAC—State College, Corvallis, Ore. (239.2m) 6:45 p. m. collegiate sports review; 7, business law, No. 7, Ass't Prof. R. E. Hewitt; 7:30, "Building a Home", No. 7, Prof. J. Leo Fairbanks; 7:45, "Relation of Mineral Industry to Human Af-

**Leading Scorer**



Here is Wilbur Cummins, high point scorer of the Purdue University basketball team. He totaled 45 points in his first three games' 22 of them against Minnesota. He plays center.

**PARI SAND AND CINDERS FOR AMSTERDAM OLYMPICS**

Sand and cinders exactly like those used for the building of the 1924 Olympic running track at the Columbus stadium will be shipped to Holland and used for the track at the Amsterdam 1928 Olympic Stadium now in course of construction.

Such is the decision reached by the Netherlands Olympic committee, after many experiments, both chemical and athletic, had demonstrated that the sand of the heathlands of Holland made a very slow running track. "Columbus" was lightning fast and 11 Olympic records were shattered in the track events.

The British national anthem has been in use for nearly two centuries.

**Plane Built for Airmail Service Seats 12 Persons**

HASHBROOK HEIGHTS, N. J., Feb. 8 (AP)—Inventive genius has supplied aviators with mechanical "bird sense" for safety in day or night flying as part of final preparations by air mail companies to begin passenger service.

A rolling map guides the pilot when he can see the ground, but in case of darkness a plane might get lost, crash into a mountain, or fly upside down if not aided by radio and a multitude of new instruments.

The three motorized Pooker monoplane "Chicago," built here for the Colonial Air Transport, Inc., which has the New York-Roston air mail contract, is equipped with one of the latest and most complicated instrument boards, invented by Morris Titterton and Bruce Goldsborough.

At the left of the board is a triple engine gauge to show fuel pressure, engine temperature, and oil pressure. Next, toward the right, is a tachometer to show engine speed, and then an air speed indicator. Next is a flight indicator, showing level, pitch, and correct bank for a turn. This instrument replaces the sense of equilibrium that is lost by man when he takes to the air. Without it a pilot might turn completely over without knowing it.

Continuing to the right are the fuel gauge, altimeter, and rate-of-climb indicator. Above is a magnetic compass, such as Commander Richard E. Byrd used on his north pole flight. All of the instruments read vertically instead of horizontally as has been usual.

The "Chicago" is one of four planes, two Pookers, and two Fordas, ordered for the Boston-New York section of the transcontinental air mail service. It has ten passenger chairs and two cockpit seats. It has been on trial here for several weeks. Maj. Gen. John P. O'Ryan, president of the company, claimed a seat for the first trip.

Three other planes have flown 312,000 miles between New York and Boston since the route was opened last July.

Engines preserved by a new process for a period of 14 weeks produced ebblets that were strong and healthy.

**Eight Years—and Still Hopeful**



Although he has been in bed for eight years, Robert Conway, patient at the Kansas City Veterans' Hospital, hasn't given up hope that he'll be able to walk some day. His spine was injured in an auto accident at training camp, and he hasn't even the consolation of having been in battle. But still he smiles. Doctors say he may be able to go about on crutches "some day."

**PAOLINA'S CAREER MAKES GOOD "COOPY"**

PAOLINA LINDEN, heavyweight champion boxer of Europe, attempting an invasion of the United States, has had a career furnishing ideal subject matter for the "ballyhoo" artists. The broad-shouldered Spaniard is credited with chopping wood, his early occupation, in the snow of the Pyrenees mountains in his bare feet. He is 25 years old now but did not leave his mountain district to visit a city until he was 23. He is also an expert bull fighter. He weighs 260 pounds and stands five feet, 11 inches in height.

Umbrellas are now being made which are decorated with life-sized parrots' heads, or large, colored fruits as handles.

**Young Stribling Wins But Fans Yawn During Go**

NEW YORK, Feb. 8 (AP)—The figure of William (Young) Stribling, erstwhile boxer from Georgia, cast but a pale shadow over Tex Richard's heavyweight tournament today.

Although victorious in his ten-round match with Eddie Huffman, Los Angeles light heavyweight, at Madison Square Garden last night, Stribling failed to impress fans with ability just as he failed in his 1924 fight with Paul Berlenbach for the 175-pound championship. Stribling muddled his way to victory over Huffman in a featureless match, marred by clinching, bounding and acrobatic feats, Stribling from the start waged a defensive campaign that left the spectators yawning. There was little snap in his long left jab, little desire to force the milling.

Little Grey Chaplin's father has been married again. It's getting so parents don't profit a bit by their children's experiences.



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**AGGIES WHIP W.S.C. QUINTET AT CORVALLIS**

CORVALLIS, Ore., Feb. 8 (AP)—The Oregon Aggies advanced a notch in their fight for coast basketball honors last night by trimming the Washington State five 29 to 19. W. S. C. led 12 to 12 until the last few minutes of play when the Aggies opened up a fast offensive to sweep the visitors off their feet.

**WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 8 (AP)—A pass and shooting offensive that piled up 17 points before Pacific made a score gave Whitman a 52-22 victory over the Rodgers here last night.**

**TO TRY LUCK AGAIN IN CAGE TUCK HUNT**

Grady Stillern, basketball coach of Oklahoma City, Okla., is a man who believes in the adage, "if at first you don't succeed, try, again." For three consecutive years he has had an entry in the National high school basketball tournament, a record equaled by few coaches in the United States, and he is trying this year to develop another team for his fourth entry.

Stillern entered the El Reno, Okla., high school quintet three years. Twice his team had won the state championship, the third time withdrawing from the state meet to enter the national tournament upon an invitation from the Chicago University officials. Stillern is coach-high Chassem high at Oklahoma City and is bidding for another state title.

**GOLF COURSE SCARCE IN PARIS ENVIRONS**

The French are going in for golf more and more, but for some reason no new courses are being laid out in the Paris area. In consequence, all of the established clubs have long waiting lists and it is seldom that one becomes a member without several months delay. Initiation fees have risen because of the demand, few clubs admitting new members for less than \$100.

Two times as much must be paid to join the fashionable St. Cloud club, favored by the bankers and diplomats.

**SALEM HIGH WINS**

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 8 (AP)—Basketball last night: Salem high 48; Ashland high 14.

**STEEL EATER**



NEA Service, N. Y. Bureau  
 Razor blades are a pet dish of Samuel "Rubbles" Becker, 17, of Newark, N. J. After grinding away the sharp edges, he chews them into little bits with quick, short bites and then gulps them down with more than the usual sufficiency of saliva. Sam did it the first time on a bet—and now he can't rid himself of the habit!

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