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Portland Race Is Nearing An End

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 5 (AP)—A strong Commercial high school quarter defeated Lincoln, 28 to 21, yesterday to break the two-way tie and take the leadership in the Portland interscholastic league. Commerce beats Washington, tied with Lincoln for runner-up position tomorrow, and if victorious will capture the 1930 championship.

SALEM SWAMPS CHEMAWA
SALEM, Ore., Mar. 5 (AP)—Playing in championship form, Salem high school basketball team last night defeated Chemawa Indians, 44 to 27. Salem took an early lead and was never threatened.

MATT CALO IS GIVEN NOD IN PORTLAND TILT

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 5 (AP)—Boring in and carrying the fight all the way, Matt Calo, San Francisco lightweight, won the nod over Joe Marcus, Portland, in a fast and exciting ten round main event here last night. Jimmy Anderson, Astoria, and Frankie Munroe, Portland, went six slashing rounds in a draw in the semi-windup. It was a tie for the semi-windup. Three out of four of the preliminary ended in knockouts. Cliff Hollinger, Astoria, knocked out Freddy Welch, Portland, three rounds. Marty Mannell, Vancouver, stopped Fred Jenkins, Portland, in the second and Ray Morgan, Portland, won a technical knockout from Jack Turner, Portland, in the second round.

TOPOGRAPHIC MAP OF U. S. WILL COST \$5 MILLION

AMES, Ia. (AP)—The complete topographic map of the United States which the government is making will cost about \$5,000,000, says a report to the American Association for the Advancement of Science by J. S. Dods, of Iowa State college.

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)—

Thousands of pounds of feed for Oklahoma wild life, distributed by airplane, have saved the animals and birds from starvation during the past winter.

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by ALAN J. GOULD

If their pitching prospects brighten to the point of producing results, Bob Shawley thinks that his own Yankees and the Detroit Tigers will be as dangerous as any factors in the forthcoming American League pennant race.

I found Shawley between rounds on the links of the Miami Beach country club prior to his departure to St. Petersburg to take command of the Yankees for the first time as successor to the late Miller Huggins. Bob breaks an iron every time out and is in a position to challenge Babe Ruth or possibly even Sam Byrd for the club golf championship.

"Pitching being at least 50 per cent of the success of any ball team, we intend to devote a big part of our training work to development of the boxmen," said Shawley, at one time himself among the greatest curve ball throwers in any league. "We have the hitting, our catching is improved and I have several possible infield combinations, in addition to a new left-fielder."

Little remains of the once famous "five-star" pitching staff that played so big a part in the Yankee championship streaks. Waite Hoyt is the only survivor of the 1921-23 group. Herb Pennock is at the point where he must recover and deliver this year or retire. Sam Jones has not been with the Yankees in some years. Neither has Carl Mays, the old submarino ace.

It has been a difficult job replacing these stars as they passed on. George Pipgras has become a regular. Wiley Moore was a sensation in 1928 but a flop the

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ST. LOUIS NEEDS SLUGGING PUNCH

American League Outfit Would Be Real Threat With Heavier Bats

Note: This is another of a series of Associated Press stories on major league club prospects for 1930.

By Alan Gould (Associated Press Sports Editor)

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., March 5 (AP)—Baseball and boxing do not have a great deal in common but there is one essential factor necessary to success in either sport.

"A boxer must start with the punch," says Gene Tunney. "That is his main asset."

All team must have good pitching and we have it," says Bill Killifer, general manager of the St. Louis Browns, "but we can use more punch at the bat."

Next Another Slugger

Given another slugging outfielder of the type of Heinie Manush, improved stick work on the part of some of the other regulars, and the Browns would be as formidable as any outfit challenging the hold of the Athletics on the American league championship. Killifer is searching

for the remedies while also hoping his holdout worries soon will be over.

The Browns have one of the finest pitching staffs in either league, with Gray, Crowder, Stewart, Onden and Blackholder as the "Big Five," besides a number of likely prospects in training here, including Dick Coffman. They have, in Killifer's opinion, one of the greatest young catchers to come up in years in 24-year-old Dick Perrell, brother to Wesley Perrell, sensational Cleveland pitcher. They have a great first baseman in the veteran Lu Bluff, a fine keystone pair in Melillo and Kress, two hard-hitting outfielders in Manush and Fred Schutte. There is an excellent blending of age and youth, experience and aggressiveness in the club, manifest to any one who observes the spirited workouts under the kindly but energetic Killifer.

Offensive Edge Dulled

As it shapes up today, however, the team lacks the offensive strength to be more than a menace to the Athletics, although the Eastern last season came so close to any club in the league in breaking even with the world's champions. Unless they are carried through by spectacular pitching, the Browns have little chance to beat out the Yankees and they will be pressed by Detroit and Cleveland for a first division berth. St. Louis was third in 1928 and fourth last year under the American league championship. "If money could buy it, we

would have hitting strength now," remarked Killifer. "The club has been willing to pay high for what it needs but good young players or even good veterans who can hit, are not to be plucked at random. We made Washington a flattering offer for Goose Goslin but it was rejected."

The siege gun of the Browns is Manush, who was barely beaten out for the American league batting crown by Gehrig in 1928, hitting .352 last season and looks to be in condition to make a great year. Hitroned by a writer on the sands at Palm Beach, Manush has the build of a Stanford shot-putter or a Greek discus-thrower.

With Manush in left and Schutte, a .350 stealer, in center, the right field post has developed a scramble among Morris Badgro, Earl McNewly and Fred Bennett, who hit .368 last season for Wichita Falls in the Texas league. If he could field like McNewly, Bennett might get the call.

Third Base a Problem

Third base is the only infield position, Sammy Hale, obtained from the Athletics, may find the change of scenery a benefit and beat out the fast-twitch but light-hitting Frank O'Rourke. In that case O'Rourke would hold the general infield utility job.

Edolph Kress, the scrapping young shortstop, given Kansas performance, once brewed the internal strife that ended with the retirement of Howley as manager last year, will have an opposition for the job this spring. He was one of the better infielders on the team in 1928 and one of the best short-fielders in the league.

Gray and Crowder, the right-hand pitching ace, won't be worked quite so hard this year, Killifer says.

NIGHT FIGHTS

By the Associated Press

New York.—Tony Cusumieri, New York, stopped Solly Ritz, Brooklyn, (1).

Indianapolis.—Tony Herrera, Chicago, outpointed Jimmy Reed, Erie, Pa., (10); Joe Lynn, Detroit, outpointed Jimmie Dale, Decatur, Ill., (8).

Hot Springs, Ark.—Roger Bernier, Detroit, knocked out Al De Rose, Pittsburgh, (3).

Jacksonville, Fla.—Young Manuquin, Tampa, Fla., outpointed Harry Wallace, Brooklyn, (10).

Hudson, Wis.—Mike Mandell, St. Paul, knocked out Pug Firdip, Mason City, Ia., (2).

Los Angeles.—Fidel La Barba, Los Angeles, outpointed Santiago Gorrilla, Panama, (10).

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