

Over The Valley Personals

tion held its annual meeting last Saturday. The board of five directors was elected for the coming year. Frank Woodell was made president, Dillard Choate, vice president, Art Behrens secretary and treasurer, Clyde McKenzie and Earl Park were made directors. Forest Supervisors Irwin of Pendleton, and Tucker, of La Grande, were present and assisted with the discussions during the meeting.

Have Reunion—Mr. and Mrs. John Dahlstrom and their two daughters, Della Jean and Donna Mae, of Moss Chapel, drove to North Powder Sunday where they participated in a reunion of the members of Mr. Dahlstrom's family. They went to the home of his sister, Mrs. H. E. Olsen and family, and Mrs. B. C. Dahlstrom and Mr. and Mrs. O. Dahlstrom drove in from their ranch on Clover Creek. The latter family reported that they were still having winter in abundance out in their neighborhood, and the trip into North Powder had to be made by sleigh. It was a very happy reunion, according to reports.

Enjoy Evening Together—Last evening the folks who live out in the Grande Hall and Island City neighborhoods had their regular semi-monthly party, meeting this time with Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Ballie at their home on the Cove highway. There are about 40 to 45 people who share in these splendid parties and last evening's was one of the most enjoyable. The company assembled in the evening, had several hours of games and other informal good times and then the lunch to which all had contributed. While each one at these affairs contributes to the program of the evening, the host and hostess play no small part and Mr. and Mrs. Ballie proved themselves the most gracious of hosts and hostesses.

Official Very Ill—We are sorry to learn that the condition of Wm. Eckstein, deputy state fire warden, whose home is at Eight is exceedingly grave. Mr. Eckstein was taken to a hospital in La Grande for an operation week before last, but the operation revealed trouble of a cancerous nature and the case is quite discouraging.

Spends Weekend—Miss Beulah Smith came down from Enterprise and spent the weekend with the home folks, returning to her teaching duties Sunday evening.

Allice Aid—The meeting of the Allice Ladies Aid society, postponed from this Thursday will be held next Thursday at the home of Mrs. Paul Knautz in the Iowa district. Mrs. Knautz and Mrs. Hugh Hulse will be joint hostesses.

Dairymen Meet—Roger Morse, former county agent of Baker county, but now dairy specialist in the state college extension service, was in the valley last week on business connected with his department. Working with County Agent Harry G. Avery, a meeting of dairymen was held at Union when Mr. Morse talked along the line of the project which is being conducted here now, the locating of proven sires in a campaign to improve the quality of the animals in the dairy herds of the county. Although the movement has only been inaugurated recently much interest has been shown, a number of agencies are co-operating, and to date a number of proven sires have been found and listed. In addition to Mr. Morse, Mr. Avery and Cecil Griggs, as professor of the Union High school spoke before the meeting.

Return to Portland—Mrs. Milo Blokland and little daughter, Betty Ann, have returned to Portland following a splendid visit of a few weeks with their kin-folks in this locality.

JACK THOMPSON GETS NOD SAN DIEGO, Mar. 12 (AP)—By taking seven of the 10 rounds, Young Jack Thompson, former world's welterweight champion, defeated Al Trulmans, San Diego in last night's main event here. Thompson weighed 133 and Trulmans 132 1/2.

Prolific Plant—A single ragweed plant may produce more than 25,000 seeds.

Barreling Of Cherries Plan Of Cove Group

By Mrs. A. G. Conklin (Observer Correspondent) COVE (Special)—With the present outlook for prices on red cherries this season, there is a prospect of the Cherry Growers association establishing a plant for barreling them, and in the event the market value of barreling cherries is low, the association may decide to finish the product and put out maraschino cherries. The association sent a delegate to The Dalles at the recent convention of Northwest cherry growers and he reported that The Dalles had a plant and received very satisfactory returns from maraschino cherries. The work of putting them up is quite simple and with 12 or 14 carloads to dispose of in an ordinary year, the possibility of bottling them looks more attractive than ever.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Peterson, of Richland, were weekend visitors at the home of their sister-in-law, Mrs. Minnie McDaniel.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert DeVore, of Union, are visiting their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Haefler, Mr. and Mrs. John Haefler, Mr. and Mrs. Ben DeBorde and her grandfathers, John Haefler.

Several Cove women went to La Grande Tuesday for the "Kitchen Chautauqua." Among them were Mrs. T. C. Hefty, Mrs. Thos. Towle, Mrs. G. E. Barker, Mrs. R. S. Comstock.

Mrs. L. E. Anderson entertained the Ladies Guild at a quilting Wednesday. They were invited to come in the morning and at noon she served dinner. The ladies attending were Mrs. G. E. Barker, Mrs. Louis Presto, Mrs. Thos. Hefty, Mrs. L. M. Laird, Mrs. T. R. Conklin, Mrs. A. G. Conklin, Mrs. C. E. Bertsch, Mrs. M. Spaeth, Mrs. Thos. Harris and Mrs. J. R. Fletcher.

At a recent meeting of the Guild, Mrs. T. C. Hefty was elected president, Mrs. G. E. Barker, vice president, Mrs. Louis Presto, secretary-treasurer. The retiring president, Mrs. R. I. Barker was given a vote of thanks for her services. She declined re-election on account of ill-health.

Is It Something New? Men are beginning to talk about the use of cotton seed as if it were new, something that has never been tried before.—Toledo Blade

BOSTON BRAVES TO BE STRONGER

If Club Had Hard-Hitting Catcher, it Would Be Pennant Contender.

(Note: This is the sixth of a series of first hand baseball stories on major league club prospects.) By Alan Gould (Associated Press Sports Editor) ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Mar. 12 (AP)—Ever if the best they may even hope for is a fourth or fifth place this year, the Boston Braves will go back on the war path with a faster, stronger club, the power of their pitching staff alone figures to make it extremely unpleasant for any of the National league outfits listening intently to the buzz of the pennant bee.

Manager Bill McKechnie has real hopes of getting more batting punch, lack of which cost the club many a well-pitched ball game last season. It's quite another story when it comes to fortifying the club's one real weak spot—behind the bat.

Star Catcher Needed—With a Mickey Cochrane or Jimmy Wilson on the receiving end or if it were possible to turn back the pages of time for the grand old veteran, Hank Gowdy, now head coach, the Braves would be sure-fire pennant contenders.

The catching staff now consists of Al Spohrer, former knockout victim and now the room mate of Art Shires, and Red Hargrave, veteran obtained from Baltimore. Spohrer is the better receiver, Hargrave the harder hitter but what McKechnie needs is a combination of the best features of each. The only recruit prospect is John Benson, from Birmingham, N. Y.

Brandt Baek Again—McKechnie has one of the best southpaws in the league in Ed Brandt, who won 18 and lost 11 with a sixth place club in 1931. He has another reliable southpaw in old Tom Zachary, besides Willie Sherdell, and four seasoned righthanders in Ben Cantwell, Bruce Cunningham, Ferd Frankhouse, and Harry (Socks) Siebold.

The best looking additions to the curving corps are Leo Mangum, who pitched good ball for the Newark Bears last year, and Walter Betts, who won 22 games for the championship St. Paul club of the American association. Both are right handers. McKechnie plans to keep 10 pitchers.

Knothe At Third—The Braves infield will show at least two new figures, Fritz Knothe at third and Art Shires at first and probably a new third, Bill Akers, at second base. McKechnie has been working these players with Bill Urbanski at shortstop as his first-string combination. It packs a batting wall besides looking good on the defense.

Knothe, purchased from Seattle, is expected to plug a long-standing weak spot. Shires was bought from Milwaukee on a theory he will be a "have" pitcher and allow the crackling to interfere with his usefulness. He shows every indication of coming through handsomely. Akers was discarded as a shortstop by Detroit, drafted by the Braves from Kansas City and apparently satisfied McKechnie he can produce. In reserve there is Tabbis Maranville, 31 years old but still aggressive and Bill Walters, 21, and a rising star, Berger Has Punch.

Wally Berger, the rangy slugger who came up two years ago from the Pacific Coast league, furnishes the big punch of the outfield. McKechnie will be much disappointed if Wally Schumacher and Red Worthington fail to deliver more base hits than they did in 1931.

Both have looked better in camp than they did a year ago. Meanwhile Oscar Eckhardt, a fast slugger who hit .368 last year for the San Francisco Mission, is being given every chance to develop.

Fight Crowd Prays For Safe Return Of Lindbergh Baby NEW YORK, Mar. 12 (AP)—Answering the appeal of Joe Humphries, sports announcer, a fight audience prayed last night at Madison Square Garden for the safe return of the Lindbergh baby.

Five years ago, when Col. Charles A. Lindbergh was over the Atlantic, the same Joe Humphries stood up before the Sharkey-Miloney fight and asked for prayer.

WALLA WALLA BEATEN, 22-19, IN TOURNEY SEATTLE, Mar. 12 (AP)—With the elimination of all former titlists high schools which never before have won the championships will be crowned in both the class A and B divisions of the tenth annual Washington state high school basketball tournament here tonight.

Finalists in the class A race are Ellensburg and Renton and in the class B section Snowqualmie and Castle Rock.

Lewis and Clark of Spokane and Walla Walla, last former champions in the race were defeated in the semifinals last night.

Ellensburg remained as the lone Eastern Washington hope after the eastern quintets had carried off major honors in the first three days of play.

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"Bat" Battalino Upsets Dope And Trims Eddie Ran NEW YORK, Mar. 12 (AP)—Christopher "Bat" Battalino, of Hartford, Conn., may turn out to be another Billy Petrolle—light enough to worry the lightweights and heavy enough to be dangerous to the welterweights.

After a brief career among the 135-pounders during which he knocked out Al Singer and Billy Saw in two rounds apiece, Battalino went off to bigger games in Madison Square Garden last night and proceeded to give Eddie Ran, the Polish thunderbolt, an artistic trouncing in ten rounds.

Outweighed eight pounds, the former featherweight champion took four rounds to find out what made Ran tick and then waded into the Pole to win the unanimous decision of the two judges and the referee.

At 138 pounds, Battalino looked to be in great shape. It should be no Herculean task for him to shave off three pounds and mix with the lightweights, nor difficult to build up to 1150 when he has a welterweight to face.

The cagey Hartford battler never gave Ran an opening for the Pole's vaunted right hand—the punch that stretched Billy Townsend and other welters on the canvas for the full count.

Battalino kept his chin well protected until he came in close and then belted Ran with savage lefts and rights to face and body. A left speared a cut over Ran's eye in the fifth round and it bled steadily thereafter.

Through the last two rounds Battalino had Ran hanging on desperately to save himself from a knockout. Ran took the bout in three days' notice when Billy Petrolle was forced to withdraw because of a cut neck but it was not that that him. Strictly a right hand puncher, Ran never found the target.

A crowd of 16,000 persons saw the match.

JACK GIBBONS WINS TITLE IN MINNEAPOLIS MINNEAPOLIS, Mar. 12 (AP)—With his father, Mike Gibbons, the "phantom," as his second, Jack Gibbons of St. Paul has climbed a rung up the ladder of boxing fame.

Jack won the middleweight championship of the northwest's annual golden gloves tournament which ended here last night. He polished off Del Styers, Minneapolis, in three rounds, using a damaging right and a fast left.

In doing that, Jack accomplished something his father never had been able to do despite his greatness in the ring—win a championship.

Along with other champions named last night, Jack will go to a sectional golden gloves tournament at Chicago in an effort to qualify for the American Olympics team.

Yanks and Braves To Cross Sticks ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Mar. 12 (AP)—The New York Yankees, who have hopes of capturing the American league pennant and perhaps the world's championship, start today in quest of their first title of 1932. That is the "championship" of St. Pete for which they annually battle the Boston Braves in a series of exhibitions.

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