

Patterson, Johansson Fight Postponed Until Friday



"SECRET WEAPON" — Sweden's Ingemar Johansson unleashes his right hand punch during a workout at his training camp in preparation for Friday's fight with champion Floyd Patterson.

Showers, Wet Grounds Force Cancellation

NEW YORK (UPI)—The Floyd Patterson-Ingemar Johansson heavyweight title fight today was postponed from tonight to Friday night because of rain and wet grounds at Yankee Stadium.

"I consulted with the New York Boxing Commission and the people at Yankee Stadium," promoter Bill Rosenzohn said. "The infield was very muddy and in deference to the public we have postponed the bout until Friday night. If conditions remain the same, we will decide about the alternate date Friday."

The postponement was announced two hours after the fighters had weighed-in, with the Swedish challenger holding a 14 pound advantage over champion Patterson. Johansson scaled 196 to Patterson's 182.

Patterson's poundage was his lowest since he became champion. He weighed 182½ the night he captured the vacant title by knocking out Archie Moore on Nov. 30, 1956. Floyd went that low again last month in his 11th round knockout of Britain's Brian London at Indianapolis.

The postponement is expected to affect Patterson more than Johansson, because the champion requires extreme "sharpness" to do his best.

No additional weigh in will be required within 48 hours, and after that it's up to the New York Athletic Commission.

Speedy Patterson of Rockville Centre, N.Y., became a longer favorite today at 5-1, as the odds jumped from 4-1. It was "even money" that the bout doesn't last eight complete rounds, regardless of the winner, and 11-5 that it doesn't last 15.

Patterson Eager To Win

Patterson, making his fifth defense of the crown, claims he is eager to win impressively over the unbeaten Swede, champion of Europe. Such a victory would help dispel any suspicions that he may be a "cheese" champion.

Handsome, burly Johansson claimed all-out determination to win the championship heroically and prove that those of his countrymen who had branded him a coward after the 1952 Olympics were ignoble liars.

If he beats Patterson, he would become the first Swedish-born world champion in any division, and the first foreign heavy world champion since giant Primo Carnera of Italy lost the title to Max Baer in 1934.

Meanwhile, Rosenzohn announced that the advance sale had topped \$500,000, the amount needed for him to break even. He expects a gate of \$600,000, he said, and a crowd of about 38,000.

Theater Telecast Only

There will be no home-television, but the fight will be radio-broadcast to homes by ABC. The Teleprompter Corp. will send the bout by closed-circuit TV to 170 theaters and arenas in 135 cities, where 550,000 seats are available. Advance sales indicate the gross seat receipts will approximate \$1,400,000.

Patterson, 24, is a long favorite because of his speed and punch. He knocked out 16 of his last 17 opponents. He is favored also because brown-haired, fair-complexioned Johansson, 26, was unimpressive in training. Despite his reputed thunderbolt right fist, he never scored a knockdown in 151 rounds of sparring for this bout.

Moreover, Ingemar's left jab and left hooks appeared mediocre. Johansson, seeking his 22nd straight professional victory and his 14th knockout, amazed the boxing world last Sept. 14 by belting out California's Eddie Machen in the first round. At that time Machen was unbeaten and the top contender. That quick kayo earned "Ingo" tonight's title shot.

A's Recall Reed

PORTLAND (UPI)—Portland's number one pitcher, both on a win and lost and a percentage basis, Howie Reed, has been recalled by the Kansas City Athletics. Reed left Portland late Wednesday afternoon to rejoin the Athletics, during their current home stand against the New York Yankees.

Parke Carroll, Kansas City general manager, assured Beaver manager Tommy Heath that a member of the current Athletic pitching staff will be sent to Portland within a day or two.

Carroll didn't indicate who the replacement hurler would be.

With Portland Reed currently has a 7-4 record, having appeared in 13 games, and has an earned run average of 2.92. He has struck out 60 and walked 41.

KELLNER DISABLED

ST. LOUIS (UPI)—The St. Louis Cardinals have asked the National League to place pitcher Alex Kellner on the disabled list. Kellner suffered a muscle tear in his left elbow while pitching against the Milwaukee Braves Tuesday night.

BELL HOP SETS RECORD

NEW YORK (UPI)—French-born Bell Hop established a new American turf record at Belmont Park when he won the mile and three-eighths Bowling Green handicap in 2:14.85.

PANAMA HONORS LOPEZ

PANAMA CITY, Panama (UPI)—Third baseman Hector Lopez of the New York Yankees will receive a sports gold medal of merit from his native Panama during ceremonies of the July 4th double-header at Yankee Stadium.

Orioles Cooking Up A Title Contender

By MILTON RICHMAN
UPI Staff Writer

Paul Richards is making Oscar of the Waldorf look like small potatoes, considering the fantastic results he's getting by mixing a pinch of chicken salad with some old left-overs.

And if you think that dish is for the birds, better have a look at the American League standings.

They show Baltimore's onrushing Orioles only a half-game out of first place and with more victories than any other team in the league.

Not bad for a ball club that is last in the league in hitting, next-to-last in fielding and loaded down with such castoffs as Skinny Brown, Wal Dropp, Billy Loes and Jim Finigan.

Castoffs in Important Roles

All of them played important roles in Baltimore's 7-4 victory over Cleveland Wednesday night and today another discard, Hoyt Wilhelm, gets a chance to boost the Orioles into first place when he goes against the Indians.

The Orioles broke a 4-4 tie when they came up with three runs in the ninth.

Gus Triandos, Dropp — playing his first game after coming from Cincinnati — and Gardner and Bob Nieman each homered.

Brown, who posted his fifth victory, held the Tribe to five hits.

The Athletics downed the Yankees, 4-3; the Senators whipped the White Sox, 4-2 and the Red Sox beat the Tigers, 4-2 in other AL games.

Milwaukee retained its two-game lead in the National League with a 4-0 win over St. Louis in a game cut to seven innings because of rain; San Francisco nipped Pittsburgh, 4-3; Los Angeles made it three in a row over Philadelphia, 9-6, and Cincinnati blanked Chicago, 5-0.

Daley Checks Yankees

Knuckleballer Bud Daley of the A's checked the Yankees on seven hits as he racked up his seventh victory with the aid of a two-run homer by Dick Williams. Roger Maris singled home the decisive run in the seventh.

Mike Fornieles' fine relief job saved Jack Harshman's second victory as Boston beat Detroit. Harshman held the Tigers to five hits in 6½ innings, then Fornieles came on and didn't give up a hit the rest of the way.

Washington capitalized on three singles and two errors to score three runs in the ninth and defeat Dick Donovan of Chicago.

Hank Aaron smashed his 20th homer with two on in the first inning for the Braves and it was

Trabert Earns Win

FOREST HILLS, N.Y. (UPI)—Tony Trabert can credit a four-year advantage and a great competitive spirit today for victory in one of the most dramatic matches in professional tennis annals.

The former basketball star from Cincinnati, Ohio, outlasted Australia's Frank Sedgman.

FLEMING CANADA-BOUND

VANCOUVER, B.C. (UPI)—Willie Fleming, Iowa halfback, has signed to play with the Western Division Lions of the Canadian Football League.

Observer Sports

Neil Andersen

Hitters Swing-Miss; PCL Hurlers Chuck-le

United Press International

The pitchers have not only caught up with the hitters in the Pacific Coast League, they've passed 'em.

Eight teams sent their sluggers plateward through four nine-inning games last night and all that resulted was a measly 17 runs. That's not even par for the course for a single game at Phoenix. This was the second straight night the hitters have been anemic.

A pair of shutouts highlighted the action—or lack of it. Duane Pillette tossed a three-hitter while pitching Portland over Salt Lake, 1-0, and Dick Stigman of San Diego ended a personal seven game losing streak by blanking Seattle on five hits, 2-0.

Chris Nicolosi turned in almost as good a job as he stopped Sacramento 4-1 for Spokane and in the only other game, Phoenix edged Vancouver, 5-4.

George Freese, the league's leading sticker, singled home the winning run in the ninth inning to give Pillette his third win of the season against no defeats.

Milt Graff opened the ninth inning with a triple for Portland and he came home on Freese's single after hard luck loser Dick Hanlon had intentionally loaded the bases.

Hanlon gave up only five hits while being nicked for his fourth loss against one win.

San Diego's Dick Stigman was in command all the way as he won his third game in 13 decisions. Claude Osteen, who gave up both Padre runs and six hits in eight innings, was the loser and is now 4-4.

The Pads broke up a scoreless duel in the seventh when Rod Graber singled home a pair of tallies.

Nicolosi banged out a pair of hits and bunted across a tally in addition to pitching outstanding ball for Spokane. A crowd of 9329, largest ever at Spokane, saw Nicolosi score his seventh win against three losses. Joe Stanka, who was relieved in the seventh, was handed his third loss against 10 wins.

Bill Wilson led Phoenix to its victory as he pounded his 16th home run to put himself in a tie with teammate Willie McCovey for the league lead. Wilson's blow came with one man on in the second inning.

The Giants touched four Vancouver pitchers for 14 hits. Bud Watkins, a former Mountie recently acquired by the pitching weak Giants, was credited with the win. He tired in the ninth and had to be relieved, however.

Jim Dyke hit a two-run home in the ninth; for Vancouver to close the gap to 5-4 but reliever Marcelino Solis put out the fire.

Moberry Paces Local Golfers

Wendy Moberry continues to set the pace for local golfers in the State Junior championships in Portland. Miss Moberry led six local golfers in the semifinals of the 1959 tournaments.

In yesterday's quarterfinals, Miss Moberry defeated Riverside's Cheryl Lutz 3 and 1. Today she meets Treasure Sullivan of Ashland, 1958 girl's medalist, in the semifinals.

Two of La Grande female representation was eliminated from competition yesterday. Maureen Devaney lost her match on the 18th hole and goes to the sidelines. Denise Wagner dropped her quarterfinal match 4 and 3. She also will drop out of match play.

Susan Schriver, after losing her first round match, came back yesterday to post a 3 and 2 win and move into the semifinals in her flight.

All four of the boys representing La Grande won their quarterfinal matches and will go in today's semifinals.

Bob Lyman, Elgin, posted a 6 and 4 win to advance to today's rounds. Gordon DeVore won 6 and 5, Murph Karns posted a 3 and 2 win and Loren Finn got a 4 and 2 victory.

There are approximately 250 entries in the tournament this year.

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Machen Sues For 'Damages'

NEW YORK (UPI)—Heavyweight contender Eddie Machen and James D. Norris' Chicago Stadium corporation are suing the principals in Thursday night's heavyweight championship bout for more than a million dollars.

That sum is being asked in federal court as damages for Ingemar Johansson's failure to give Machen a return bout before meeting heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson.

The suit, which was filed Tuesday, was the second legal action taken by Machen in connection with the alleged return-bout contract. Earlier, the Redding, Calif. fighter had been turned down in federal court in his request for an injunction that would forbid Johansson to fight Patterson.

Machen alleges that Johansson is bound by a return-bout contract signed in Goteborg, Sweden, on Sept. 13, 1958, two days before Swedish Johansson knocked out Machen in the first round of their bout there.

Johansson contended in the earlier action that he was not bound by the contract because Edwin Ahlquist, who signed the pact "on behalf" of Johansson, had no legal right to do so and because it was signed "under duress."

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HOW FAR DID IT GO?

Mrs. Warren Laird drives the 10th hole.

Lady Golfers Prepare For Intercity Matches Tuesday

Yesterday was ladies day at the Country Club and they turned out in "forcesomes" to pitch and putt around the course.

All was not in fun though, as the ladies did some serious golfing in sweepstakes play. There was added incentive too. Next Tuesday the Baker ladies and female golfers from the Memorial Country club of Walla Walla invade the local course for an intercity meet.

In last week's sweepstakes action four women won top honors in three classes. In a class Mrs. George Thompson fired a net 72 to win the award.

Mrs. Ed McCance went around the country club course in a net 70 to capture top honors in B class. The class C winners were Mrs. Luke Hall and Mrs. John Ladd who tied for top spot with a net 72.

Before next Tuesday's intercity matches coffee and rolls will be served at the club. Tee off on all holes is scheduled at 9 a.m.

Ladies interested in joining the Wednesday afternoon sessions may apply for membership at the pro shop at the course. Oh yes! If occasionally you see a figure clad in shorts with a crew cut swinging at something in the rough, the ladies will assure you that it is a man, invading their day. What else?

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Eats On The Rodeo Grounds

Weather Makes Swim Meet Tentative

Capricious summer weather today showed the cold side of its face and caused swim meet officials to put a "tentative" label on the holding of the announced La Grande All-Corners Swim Meet at 7 tomorrow night at the Veterans Memorial Pool.

"Weather permitting, and that means not too cold and not raining, we'll go ahead with the All-Corners meet tomorrow night as scheduled," said Larry Seachris, pool manager, and George Challis, meet director.

Definite postponement of the meet will not be made until meet time, the officials said, and contestants and officials are asked to plan on being on hand for the start of events at 7 p.m.

A full scale program of individual and relay swimming events, plus diving, is scheduled for the meet, the first of the season for the pool.

Contestants may enter from any point in the valley, and boys and girls will swim in their respective age brackets: 10 and under, 11-12, 13-14 and 15-16. Medley and freestyle relays are limited to 12 and under and 13-16.

Off their performances last week against Hermiston the following swimmers are expected to threaten pool records in the events shown:

Stewart Lundgren—11-12 division freestyle, backstroke and butterfly.

Steve Fedor — 13-14 division breaststroke.

Laury Dodson — 10 and under division backstroke.

Artie Samson — 13-14 division freestyle.

Mike Challis—15-16 division freestyle.

Olmeda Faces Nemesis At Wimbledon

By ROBERT MUSEL
United Press International

WIMBLEDON, England (UPI)—Alex Olmedo must prove his right to be top-seeded in the Wimbledon tennis championships today against the man who handed him a surprising defeat less than a week ago — Ramanathan Krishnan of India.

Krishnan whipped Olmedo, 8-6, 6-1, last Friday in the semi-final round of the London Grass Courts tournament and their clash in the third round of men's singles here was expected to highlight a program today that includes matches in almost every section.

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Not all were scheduled to see action today, however, as tourney officials put together a mixed program including both singles and doubles play in the men's and women's divisions, with matches from different rounds complicating the picture.

Barry MacKay of Dayton, Ohio, Olmedo's running-mate on the U.S. Davis Cup team, also was listed for third-round action but was expected to have a much easier time against Jan Leschly of Denmark. In a pair of men's second-round singles matches originally scheduled Wednesday but postponed when rain delayed the program, Malcolm Fox of Baltimore, Md., faced Jean Molinari of France and Jacques Grigoy of Alhambra, Calif., met Manuel Santana of Spain.

Attention in doubles centered on a first-round match between the gray-haired U.S. combine of Gardner Mulloy of Coral Gables, Fla., and Budge Patty of Los Angeles and the crack Italian Davis Cup team of Nicola Pietrangeli and Orland Sirola. Mulloy and Patty astonished the tennis world by winning this title in 1957.

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Today's lineup will send Del Beman, brother of Dean Beman who won the British Amateur this year, against Stanford's Ron Preston. Other matches pit Jack Luceti, San Jose State vs. Ed Pearsall, Seattle; Bob Moser, Georgia vs. Gene Francis, Purdue; Bob Zimmerman, Duke vs. Ted Weiss, Yale; Gary Ival, Oregon vs. Warren Simmons, Syracuse.

FIGHT RESULTS

United Press International

PORTRHCWAL, Wales—Joe Erskine, 190½, Wales, out-pointed Dick Richardson, 202½, England (10).

CHICAGO—Bobby Scanlon, 135, San Francisco, outpointed Mario Vecchiato, 136, Italy (10)

\$2,000-PLUS DOUBLE

STANTON, Del. (UPI)—A \$2,020.00 daily double was recorded at Delaware Park Wednesday by Mr. Bruce (\$73.80) in the first race and Miss Cullen (\$38.00) in the second race. It marked the second straight day the daily double had gone over the thousand dollar mark.

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Decathlon Title To Be Defended By Johnson

United Press International

KINGSBURG, Calif. (UPI)—The National A.A.U. Decathlon Championships get under way here tonight with the title-race wide open after the announcement that the great Rafer Johnson, a hometown boy, will be unable to compete.

A field of 20 to 25 is expected to participate in the five events on tonight's program. The other five events will be staged Friday night—after the sun goes down and the thermometer drops below the 100 mark.

Johnson, who held the world's decathlon record until it was cracked earlier this year by Russia's Vasily Kuznetsov, was injured in an automobile accident recently. He told meet director Muri Dodson, his former high school coach, that he had a pulled muscle in his back and that it still bothered him.

So the role of favoritism falls on a well-developed trio: C. K. Yang, a Formosa student at UCLA; Dave Edstrom, University of Oregon, who already has a best of 7,900; and Mike Herman, New York Pioneer Club, who has tallied 7,977 points.

"Any or all of these men have the ability to climb above the 8,000 point mark at this meet," says Dodson.

Other entries include: John Hepler, Eugene, Ore.; Bob Lawson, Los Angeles; Bob Pinkerton, Long Beach, Calif.; State; Bruce Seifert, Redondo Beach, Calif.; Bill Toomey, University of Colorado; Juris Laipenieka, Denver University; John Moses, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; Athletic Club; Tom Wadell, Springfield, Mass.; College; William Besulieu, U.S. Army.

Robert Giombetti, Murray State College, Kentucky; Jack Kuhns, Matawan, N.J.; Dixon Farmer, Orinda, Calif.; Paul Herman, Canoga park, Calif.; Bill Urban, New York Athletic Club; Richard Wortuba, Holy Cross; Phil Mulkey, Memphis Track Club; Robert Crawford, Muncie, Ind.; and Regional Carolan, University of Idaho.

The National A.A.U. rules committee has announced that Johnson would be eligible to compete in the meet against Russia at Philadelphia July 18-19; and in the Pan-American Games at Chicago Aug. 29-30—without competing in the A.A.U. meet.

The winner of the national crown here will accompany Johnson to Philadelphia; and the winner and runner-up here will compete with Johnson at the Pan-American games.

Scanlon Decisions Italian In TV Tilt

CHICAGO (UPI)—Italy's Mario Vecchiato had no apologies for defeat today, but he said that Bobby Scanlon beat "only half a fighter" in racking up a 10 round decision Wednesday night.

It was the first loss after 18 straight wins for the Udine, Italy, battler, making his American debut, and he didn't quibble with the official's scoreboards, each holding him two points below his conquest in 37 pro fights.

"It was just a matter of climate and water and different styles," Vecchiato said through an interpreter.

CARDS SIGN DITTRICH

CHICAGO (UPI)—The Chicago Cardinals have signed guard John Ditttrich of Wisconsin to a 1959 contract. Ditttrich, recently discharged from military service, was the club's sixth draft choice in 1956.

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