

Stage All Set for Hobbs - Cleghorn Ring Battle at Armory Tonight

CONFIDENCE SHOWN BY BOTH BATTLERS

TONIGHT'S CARD

Main Event—Ten Rounds
Walter Cleghorn, Portland, 160 pounds vs. Wesley Hobbs, Seattle, 160 pounds.

Four Rounds
Pete Willert, Salem, 140 pounds vs. Buzz Rumbley, Eugene, 149 pounds.

Four Rounds
Pee Wee Greene, Portland, 112 pounds vs. Cy Flook, Mill City, 113 pounds.

Four Rounds
Young Firpo, Albany, 160 pounds vs. Young Ensey, Turner, 158 pounds.

Curtain Raiser
Three Two Minute Rounds
Harry Savage, Albany, 111 pounds vs. Young Ambrose, Salem, 115 pounds.

Tonight's night of the big slugging match between Wesley Hobbs, Portland pugilist, and Walter Cleghorn, the only Eskimo Indian in the fight ring. Hobbs arrived in Salem last night at 5 o'clock and had a little three round workout in the armory soon after his arrival to get the kinks out of his muscles. He is in the best of condition and is very confident he will defeat the Seattle battler.

Biddy Bishop, manager, arrived in Portland with Cleghorn last night and will journey to Salem today, arriving at about noon. Both fighters will weigh in at close to 160 pounds at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Cleghorn declared that he never was in better shape, and believes that he will defeat the Portland fighter via a kayo.

Salem boxing fans have had a chance to see Wes Hobbs in action. They saw him take on Bill Ellingsworth, stop him in less than ten minutes of the first round, then knock him out again when the bout was continued by agreement. The second knockout came in the fourth round.

They are going to see Hobbs, who is a great fighter, go against a far tougher opponent tonight at the armory.

Walter Cleghorn of Seattle is far more experienced than Ellingsworth, and is a tougher fellow. He has fought in Portland a number of times, and always given a good account of himself.

Cleghorn is an Eskimo, but doesn't look it in the ring. He has been in Seattle the greater part of his life, and learned to box there. Walter was so well thought of that when the celebrated Wolcott Langford, nephew of Sam Langford, the Boston "Tar Baby" came west, he was given the match with the dusky fighter.

Cleghorn boxed a fast six-round draw with the negro.

Hobbs has been in Portland for some little time. He has had difficulty in securing matches, as there were few available opponents who would take him on.

His first appearance was against Bob Spady, a tough boy from Albany. Wes took his measure easily by the decision route. Later he went to Seattle and had a soft time of it winning from Eddie Brock.

Hobbs has a peculiar style, even for a southpaw. He hits hard with either hand, and is so clever that he is practically unmarked from any of his battles.

When Herman Auerbach fought George Dixon twice in Portland, Hobbs was anxious to get a match with the Salt Lake slugger, but was turned down. He had already defeated Auerbach three times in Salt Lake, and knew he could turn the trick again.

Considering the bout from every angle, it looks as if the Hobbs-Cleghorn bout is the best main event, from a fighting standpoint, that Salem fans have ever had a chance to witness.

Hobbs feels that if he makes a good showing in this bout, that Portland ring authorities will have to send out and get some capable opponent for him.

Sports Done Brown

By Norman E. Brown
AVON PARK, Fla.—Whatever else may be said of the St. Louis Cardinals it can be stated on definite authority that they have one baseball player who is absolutely positive that he is all right in the lead.

Manager Jimmie Hefey, demon outfielder, whose illness over the winter threatened for a time to hurt the Cardinals' chances in 1923.

Hefey was stricken last last season with what seemed to be a sinus affliction. The exact nature of the excruciating pains in his head, which affected his vision and even health for a time, proved a puzzle, but was finally relieved. Hefey reported to camp with seemingly no trace of the trouble.

Hefey's return to form and the apparent elimination of Ray Blades' trick knee, without eliminating his leg, are the two brightest spots in the Cardinals' hopes for the coming year under Bill McKechnie, one of the four new players in the majors. Their form seven weeks ago, Hefey's outfielder was entirely relieved. In addition to Hefey and Blades he has Roscoe

PROMISING BATTLER



Pete Willert, one of Salem's coming scrappers, who will show his stuff against Buzz Rumbley of Eugene tonight. Pete gives away about nine pounds in this fight, but his followers here are confident that he will more than hold his own even at that.

Statesman's Sport Page Names Boxer; It Sticks

This is letting the public in on a trade secret, which is probably unwise, to say the least; but it's too good to keep.

A few weeks ago there was going to be a fight program at the armory, and Matchmaker Harry Plant gave out the names of his participants, but there was one boy from Albany whose name Harry didn't have. He promised to get it later in the evening.

A Statesman sports writer left the space blank and turned in the story. That wouldn't do, so just to fill in the space, the city editor thought of a name as random and wrote it in. The name was "Harry Savage."

Harry Plant forgot to call up the office and supply the name, and the story went through. Most

city editors would have cursed blue blazes, but that of course would never do in The Statesman news room.

The next day an afternoon paper carried the fight program, and the Statesman staff chortled with glee to see that the afternoon paper had copied the mistake.

But that night "Harry Savage" appeared at the armory and fought Guy Hickman, winning a four-round decision.

Last week "Harry Savage" appeared in his own home town and won another fight.

And tonight he will fight at the armory again.

The question resolves itself into this: Is the city editor a clairvoyant, or is he a godfather? At any rate, he "named a winner."

Helm and Taylor Douthitt to alternate with any one or two of them and Danny Clark, who has had enough experience to play acceptable ball. And among the Rochester and Houston club candidates McKechnie has Homer Peel and Johnny Martin.

Incidentally McKechnie has an unusual list of gardeners in that the only left-handed hitter in the group at camp is Howard Williamson, from the Rochester club.

The apparent return of Lester Bell to his old stride gives McKechnie his regular infield again. Jim Bottomley, Frank Frisch, Tommy Thoenow and Lester Bell—with the wise old Rabbit Maranville, Specs Toporcer and Heinie Schube, the youngster who was grabbed from the Danville club last season, as utility men. McKechnie will carry all three of the latter through the season.

Bob O'Farrell, relieved of the managerial worries, will devote all his time to catching this season, and so far has felt no return of the lame shoulder and the bum thumb that handicapped him last season while he was trying to carry on where Rogers Hornsby left off.

Frank Gibson, veteran backstop who relieved O'Farrell last season, has departed to manage the San Antonio club, one of the Cardinals farms. Which means that Manager Bill probably will carry both Virgil Davis, obtained from Buffalo, and another youngster named Mancuso. Mr. Mancuso may lack experience as a catcher, but he has a good whip and so far hasn't been baffled by big league pitching.

Grover Cleveland Alexander says he's ready. And McKechnie says "it's a hundred to one right now that Alex will pitch the opening game."

Bill Sherdell and Jess Haines helped Alex carry the burden last season. The three of them turned in a total of 62 victories, while losing but 22, which is close to a .667 average.

The failure of Flint Rhem to step along with this trio was what hurt the Cards last season, and now that Flint has been signed to a new contract and carries no ill, he ought to produce. He won but 10 games last season. Had he won seven or eight more he might have more than equalized the handicaps suffered through the injury to Blades and Hefey's troubles.

Art Reinhart had a fair record last season—but not enough of it. Won five and lost three.

In addition to these five McKechnie has Carlisle Littlejohn, who turned in three victories in fine style last season. Ed Dyer is back again from what was the Syracuse, N. Y., club, but is now

the Rochester team. John Beryl from the Spartanburg, S. C., club; Harold Smith from Houston, and Harold Hald, from Rochester. Fred Frankhouse, from Houston, and Al Grabowski, Rochester boy and no relation to the catching Grabowski, complete the list.

Sylvester Johnson, a flash and then a fizzle with Detroit Tigers also comes up via Rochester, in a hopeful mood, but with his future much in doubt.

Now from this group McKechnie will select enough men to give him at least eight pitchers when the final parting time comes. Rhem and Reinhart are fixtures, of course. Littlejohn and Frankhouse are the next best bets, and then, taking a flyer, one would pick Johnson.

ANDERSON WINS

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 20.—(AP)—Joe Anderson, Kentucky middleweight, won decision over Phil Krug, veteran boxer of Newark, N. J., in the feature event of a card of three 10 round bouts here tonight.

Cassidy was born in New York 51 years ago. Although never an owner of horses, he grew up with

TWILIGHT LEAGUES WILL MEET FRIDAY

A meeting of representatives of the Industrial and Commercial twilight baseball leagues will be held in the lobby of the YMCA Friday night at 7:30 o'clock, for the purpose of getting things organized. Election of officers for the coming year will also be held at this time.

Fourteen teams have already indicated that they would enter the league this season and it is probable that about 16 teams will be entered, eight teams in each league. The teams which have indicated to enter are: Oregon Pulp and Paper company, Valley Motor company, American Legion, DeMolay, Knights of Columbus, Elks, Grotto, Hansen-Liljequist, Portland Electric Power company, Postoffice, Eagles, Carpenters and the World.

The games will start about the last of April and continue through until July 15, each team playing two games. Games will start at 6:15 each evening and will be played at the Oxford hall park. The Commercial league will play on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings and the Industrial league nine will compete on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

In order to stir up interest in the games, the local sporting goods stores have offered a prize of a gold baseball charm to be awarded to the members of the winning team. Each team will be required to pay a \$10 admission fee, for the purpose of defraying the expense of the circuit.

The Valley Motor company won the championship last year and will be a strong competitor again this season. The Oregon Pulp & Paper company was runner up.

TEDDY FOX GETS ANOTHER KNOCKOUT

PORTLAND, Mar. 20.—(AP)—Charley Bellanger, Vancouver, B. C. heavyweight, won a decision over Joe Lohman of Toledo, Ohio, in the ten round main event of a fight card here tonight. It was a slashing battle, with Bellanger doing the slashing. Lohman was credited with only the first, third and tenth rounds but his rocky fortitude and ability to withstand terrific punching won him a hand from the crowd.

In the six round semi windup, Don Mack, Portland 140 pounder won an easy decision over George Hval, also of Portland.

Jack James, Oakland, Cal., was awarded the decision in the other six round event over young Peter Jackson of Portland. They fought at 185 pounds.

Teddy Fox, Salem, 126 pounder scored the only knockout of the evening when he dropped Jimmy Warfield, Seattle, for the count in the first round of their scheduled four round go.

Bobby Le Mar of Portland won a decision over Jimmy Wilde, Wimples, in the four round curtain raiser. They fought at 140 pounds.

LUKE CASSIDY DIES OF HEART ATTACK

NEW YORK, Mar. 20.—(AP)—Luke A. Cassidy, a well known racing official and for the past 10 years general manager of prominent track associations, died "in harness" today. He was stricken with a heart attack while watching thoroughbreds workout at Belmont park, and succumbed at the home of Max Hirsch, a prominent trainer.

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DAVE SHADE SENT BEFORE COMMITTEE

CHICAGO, Mar. 20.—(AP)—Dave Shade, the San Francisco middleweight defended his reputation as a boxer before the Illinois state athletic commission today.

Shade was ordered to explain what appeared to be unsatisfactory showing in his match with Del Fontaine of Winnipeg, claimant of the Canadian middleweight title, last night. Members of the commission believed Shade might have finished his opponent with the result that payment of his purse was held up.

The coast boxer, however, convinced the commissioners that in his last 88 bouts he had only scored two knockouts, that he did not grant Fontaine favors and that he gave his best efforts.

After questioning Fontaine, Eddie Purdy, the referee, and others, Shade's purse was released.

COLONIALS EYE NATIONAL MEET

The Washington high school basketball team returned to Portland about Sunday noon, in the height of its glory and in possession of the state basketball trophy which it won at the tourney here last week end.

Now the players' eyes are focused on the possible trip to Chicago to compete in the national basketball tournament, which is held there annually. A recent ruling by the athletic association stating that no team of Oregon would be sent back to Chicago, does not apply to the Colonials, as they are not members of the state association. It is believed by many basketball authorities that the Washington team would make a strong bid for the national honors. It is one of the best basketball teams ever turned out in the state. Its entry into the national meet is yet undecided.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LEAGUE PLANNED

A meeting of the Salem Sunday school league for the purpose of organizing a complete circuit will be held in the lobby of the YMCA tonight. The meeting will be in charge of Bob Boardman, physical director of the local YMCA.

Six teams have already indicated that they will aid in forming such a league. Each team will play once a week, the season lasting about six weeks. At the end of this period, the winner of the league will be awarded an athletic shield.

This league is sponsored by the YMCA and coordinates with the local churches in promoting Sunday school attendance. Each member of the various teams is required to attend Sunday school regularly.

BEAVERS ANNEX NEW OUTFIELDER

SANTA ANA, Cal., Mar. 20.—(AP)—Tom Turner, president of the Portland Beavers today announced the purchase from the Philadelphia Athletics of "Bevo" Lebourveau, hard hitting outfielder. The fly chaser was with Toledo of the American association last year. He throws right handed and bats left handed. He batted .380 with Toledo.

TRACK, FIELD MEN IN TRAINING NOW

Now that the state high school basketball tournament has ended, and the basketball apparel tucked away in the lockers until next fall, the crack of the starter's gun, the crunch of spiked shoes as they hit the cinders, and the thud of the discus and shot as they hit the soil, will now be heard in Salem as the high school and university athletes prepare for the coming track meets.

The Willamette track team will see the return of four lettermen around whom Coach Leslie Sparks may build his winning team this season. Two of the returning strippers are distance men, one can be counted on to handle the discus and shot, and the fifth to throw the javelin.

The two distance men who showed up exceptionally well last season, are Willis Hathaway, who won second place honors in the two mile run in the northwest conference meet last year, and Kenneth McCormick, who earned his letter in the mile race last year, never having participated in athletics before that time.

In the field events, Willard Ruch, champion javelin thrower of the conference last season, and Henry Oberson, discus heaver and shot putter, will return.

Many new candidates are out for positions on the team and are showing up well so far. Colgan, star Salem high trackster of Salem high last year; Stone, winner of the Portland high school cross country race, from Washington high; Marsters, also from Salem high's champion track team, winner in the hurdles; and Hauk, javelin tosser, should add much to the strength of the Willamette track aggregation this season.

Dual track meets have been scheduled with Chemawa, Pacific university and Linfield college, and Willamette will also take part in the northwest track tournament. Due to shortage of funds, the local university relay team will not participate in the Washington meet.

Prospect for another winning track team at Salem high school look rather favorable this season. The red and black tracksters won the state title last season, and things which have been accomplished can again be done.

Five lettermen, Temple, Smith, Barnard, Blaco and Lloyd will return this season to fill a large gap in the high school team. With the return of these strippers, Salem high should place high in this year's meets. Blaco specializes in the 440, 880, the javelin and the relays, placing high in each of these last year. Lloyd is holder of the state high school track meet record in the broad jump, lifting himself in the air 20 feet 11 1/2 inches. He may also perform in the relays and sprints this season.

Barnard is a flash in the 440

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run. He shows improvement daily. Smith and Temple should gather the points in the shot, discus, and javelin throws, as they are the mainstays in the field events.

There is a shortage of hurdlers, milers and sprinters this season, and Coach Louie Anderson will have to handle these positions on the team. Both sprinters, Seigmund and Colgan, have been lost by the Salem high team. Seigmund ran the 100 yard dash in 10.4 last season. He is now attending the University of Oregon, where he specializes in the sprints.

The tentative schedule is as follows:

April 21—Willamette valley meet in Salem with Eugene and Corvallis.

April 28—State relay meet at Eugene sponsored by the university.

Date not decided—Meet in Corvallis with Oregon State Rooks and Corvallis high.

Date not decided—Forest Grove meet at Pacific university.

Date not decided—Meet with a Portland high school.

BIG LEAGUE CHAMPS BEATEN IN PRACTICE

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 20.—(AP)—The San Francisco Seals pounded two Pittsburgh pitchers around the lot today to win 13 to 5 and make it three out of four exhibition games won from the National league champions. A four run rally put the Coast leaguers in the lead in the first inning and they were never headed. The Pirates threatened in the seventh by pushing a quartet of tallies over the plate but the Seals came back in their half of the same frame with seven runs.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Mar. 20.—(AP)—The New York Yankees may be champions of the baseball world but the Boston Braves can lay claim to the title so far as it concerns St. Petersburg.

For the third time in as many games the Yankees succumbed to their national rivals today, four to two.

It was good pitching that turned the tide for the Boston team.

YMCA TO STAGE INDOOR EVENTS

Tomorrow night, for the first time, an indoor track meet will

be held in the YMCA gymnasium, directed by Bob Boardman. The entire program will consist of six events, a 20 yard dash, three potato race, spring board high jump, 18 foot rope climb, 25 yard dash and hand grip contest. Four young men's clubs in the young mens division will compete in the meet, these being the Ducks, Panthers, Dormitory clubs and Athletics.

An outdoor track team, under the direction of the YMCA will again be organized this season. Meets having already been scheduled, with Chemawa College Normal school, and Salem high school. Other meets will be scheduled in the near future.

PENN QUINT NOW COLLEGE CHAMPS

PHILADELPHIA, Mar. 20.—(AP)—The University of Pennsylvania tonight won the championship of the intercollegiate basketball league, defeating Princeton in the playoff, 24 to 22.

DOC SNEEL GETS NOD

SEATTLE, Mar. 20.—(AP)—Doc Snell, lightweight of Tacoma, won on a decision over Billy Burke, San Francisco, in a six round fight here tonight. Both weighed 131 lb.

SCHMANDT NOW MANAGER

(Central Press Dispatch)
SAVANNAH, Ga.—Ray Schmandt, former second baseman of the Memphis, Tenn. Southern league entry, has decided he'd like to manage Savannah.

Ray may play first base as well as manage the local Southeastern league club.

HE LIKES GULFPORT

(Central Press Dispatch)
GULFPORT, Miss.—Cotton Knaupp, infielder and manager of the local Cotton States team two years ago, has returned to assume the reins of authority here.

Knaupp is well known in the Cotton states for his playing ability.

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