

Curt Comments

By CURTIS

Something's the matter, this 1929 baseball season, with the umpires, or else something's the matter with the fans. There have been more fights and near riots over umpires' decisions than you could shake a fiatfoot's bat at.

There was one at Bend last Sunday. A poor Blind Tom named Myers made two decisions against the Bend team, and the crowd with one simultaneous accord started in his general direction. Two policemen finally cleared the field, and the newspapers failed to say that Myers was actually mistreated.

It took four umpires to get that game finished.

Well, it's only a little more than a year since a visiting umpire had to listen to some pretty rough treatment as he walked from the ball park to his automobile—right here in Salem, the city of peace.

Now tennis is a different game. Here's the gist of a resolution passed by the United States Lawn Tennis association at its last meeting:

"Whereas the morale and consequently the efficiency of umpires and linesmen is threatened by the practice of 'throwing points' . . . Resolved, that the national association disapproves the practice of 'throwing points' and recommends that players accept all decisions of fact without demur, when in their favor, as graciously as it has always been their custom to do when adverse."

Just imagine a pitcher throwing a wide one because he'd been given a little the best of it on the previous pitch; or the batsman swinging at a wide one because the last one should have been called a strike. Maybe the pitchers will even walk a batsman if the last one was called out on a doubtful strike. But supposing it was a bad decision at the plate, and the team at bat was robbed of a run. (Can't you imagine the opposing team scheming around to let a run in to make up for it?)

The fact is that baseball is the "crabbiest" of organized sports. For one thing, it's adapted to it because every move is definite; then again, it's a democratic sport. All sorts of people play it. But the reason for it is that it's an individualistic game in spite of all that has been written and said about teamwork.

Or can it be that baseball is so full of crabbing because it's the great American pastime, and Americans are like that?

VON ESCHENS MAKE JAUNT BACK HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Florian Von Eschen left Salem Wednesday afternoon for their home in Modesto, Calif., after spending the past month here, in Portland and Newport. Von Eschen is a former Willamette University science faculty member and Mrs. Von Eschen taught for four years in a Salem high school prior to leaving for Modesto a year ago, and before that time he taught in the grade schools.

Professor Von Eschen goes back to California with an ambition of 20 years' standing realized; while at Newport he found a starfish with 21 points, just three points less than the highest number found. He also found three samples of ancient life no longer in existence in fossil shells found on the north cliff seven or eight miles from Newport. The starfish was found on a 14-mile drive along the coast. He is shipping the fossils to Modesto.

The college at Modesto has recently, through the board, voted \$1,000 to supply cases to house Von Eschen's private collection of more than 1000 shell specimens from all parts of the world. He will spend the first week upon his return to Modesto in arranging his collection in the cases, and on September 9 will be back at work in the classroom. Mrs. Von Eschen plans to leave almost immediately for a two-month visit with her mother in northern Illinois.

Mrs. Von Eschen has just had an article accepted by Social Science magazine and this is to appear this fall. "Colet as Bridge between Renaissance and Revival" is the title of the article.

CAMP-ELDER RITES TAKE PLACE SOON

NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—(AP)—Walter E. Camp, Jr., president of Inspiration Pictures, Inc., and Miss Ruth Elder, motion picture actress and airplane pilot, will be married in New York Friday, Camp announced today. He refused to state where the ceremony will be performed.

Camp's engagement to Miss Elder was announced last week while she was participating in the women's air derby from Santa Monica, Cal., to Cleveland. He proposed just as she was taking off from the airport and she gave him the answer that night by telephone from the first control point of the derby route.

They first met this summer in California. Camp is the son of the late Walter Camp, "father" of modern football.

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Portland Beaten 8-3 Ending Long Winning Streak

PITCHING STAFF CAUSE OF LOSS

Fullerton, Chesterfield and Cascarella all Fail To Stem Tide

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 28.—(AP)—Los Angeles today stopped Portland's sixteen straight winning streak with an 8 to 3 victory over the rejuvenated Ducks. Portland's pitching staff cracked rather than the team.

Red Roberts pitched nice baseball to the visitors while Fullerton, who started for Portland, was hit hard and often for a three run lead in five innings. Chesterfield, who followed Fullerton, was nicked for four runs and four hits in the seventh and Cascarella let the visitors add another in the ninth.

R H E
Los Angeles 8 15 0
Portland 3 8 0
Roberts and Hannah; Fullerton, Chesterfield, Cascarella and Woodall.

Sheiks Wallop Senators
LOS ANGELES, Aug. 28.—(AP)—One big inning the fourth gave Hollywood a 14 to 3 victory over Sacramento today, making it two straight for the stars in the series.

R H E
Sacramento 14 3 0
Hollywood 3 8 2
Jones, Gould and Harris; Kinney and Sevechid, Sypher.

Tribe Beats Seals
SEATTLE, Aug. 28.—(AP)—Kallio kept San Francisco's nine hits scattered while his Seattle team mates were bunching safeties in the first, third and eighth to win the second baseball game of the series by a 4 to 2 score. San Francisco's tallies came in the fifth and sixth when Crossetti and Jolly each homered.

R H E
San Francisco 2 9 0
Seattle 4 11 0
Gomez and Hiaworth; Kallio and Borreani.

Reds Shade Oaks
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 28.—(AP)—The San Francisco Mission's evoked the series today by beating Oakland with a score of 5 to 4.

R H E
Oakland 4 9 1
Mission 5 13 1
McEvoy and Lombardi; Cole and Baldwin.

C.P.S. SEEKING TILT WITH WILLAMETTE

Negotiations with a view to scheduling a football game between Willamette university and College of Puget Sound, of Tacoma, were started this week by E. D. Perwitz, new physical director and coach at the Tacoma institution.

Perwitz suggested October 5, a date which Coach Spec Keene of Willamette considers too soon after the Oregon State game, which will undoubtedly be a tough one for the Bearcat team.

It would be to Willamette's advantage to play College of Puget Sound, which probably will not be as strong this year as last because of the change in coaching systems, but it is probable that no date will be agreed upon.

At the conference meeting last winter, Willamette offered Puget Sound several dates, none of which proved acceptable to Cac Hubbard, who was then in charge of athletics at the Washington Methodist college. The most likely result is that Willamette and Puget Sound will not meet on the gridiron this year.

O. S. C. PROF FORCED TO SUSPEND VOYAGE

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 28.—(AP)—A broken oar forced C. A. Mockmore, professor of engineering at Oregon State college, to anchor his row boat at Millwaukie Tuesday night, he told members of the harbor patrol today after they had spent most of the morning and part of the afternoon searching for him.

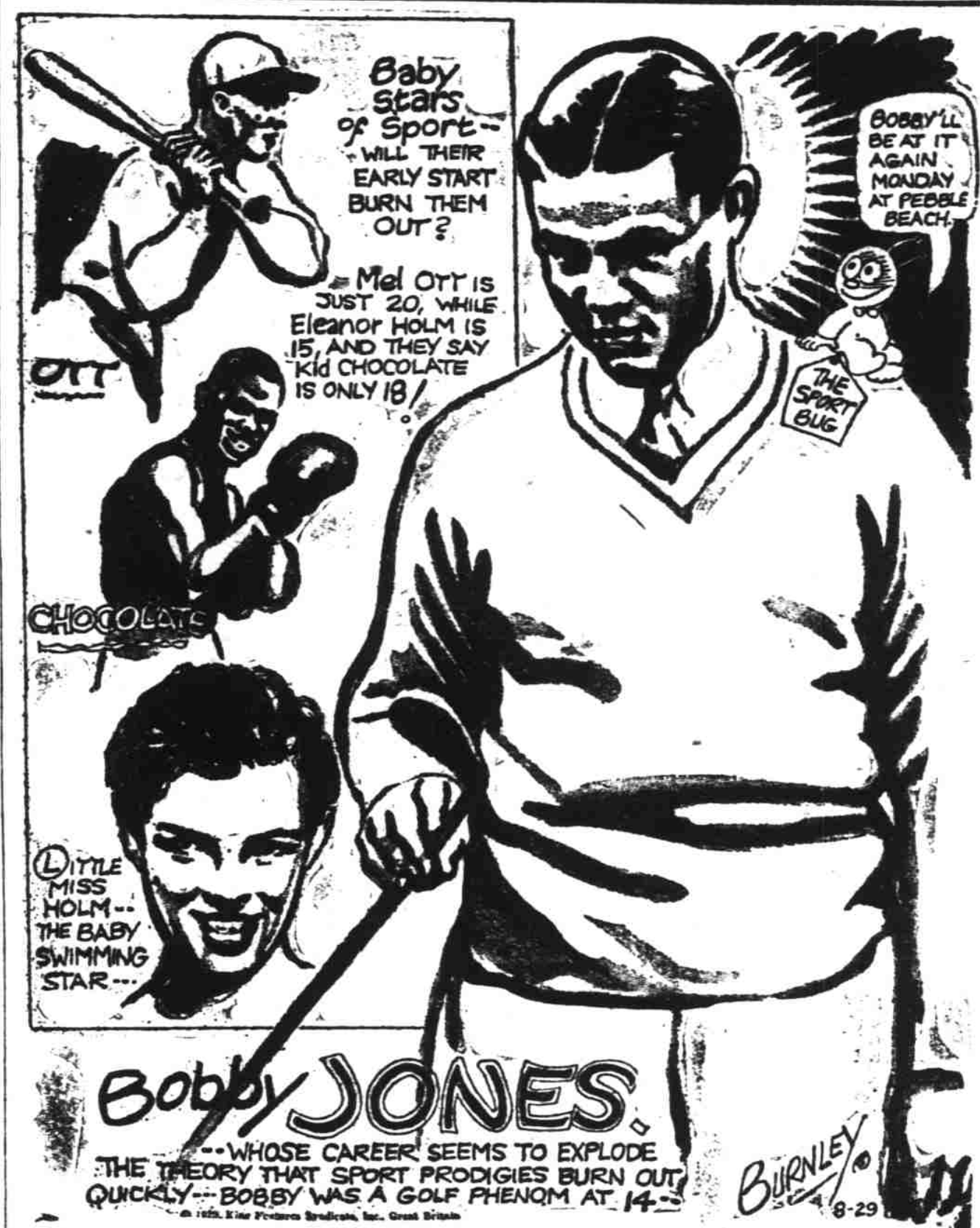
Mockmore left Oregon City Tuesday night for his summer home at Sellwood in a small boat. When he failed to appear on schedule friends became frantic and suggested that he might have fallen into the river.

The engineer has been busy here with work of water in the Willamette river.

ROTARY HEARS TALK BY SUPERINTENDENT

"Life is dear to each one of us. We seek to live as long as our usefulness exists. Modern studies are directed toward the conservation of human life. We seek to cut out the wastage. The acute problem is to ward off the degenerative diseases in particular. I believe from my summer course at Ann Arbor I have added years to my own life. I believe that I can bring back material which will be effective contributions toward healthier living among the teachers and pupils of this community."

Some Sport Prodigies



Bobby Jones.
—WHOSE CAREER SEEMS TO EXPLODE THE THEORY THAT SPORT PRODIGIES BURN OUT QUICKLY--BOBBY WAS A GOLF PHENOM AT 14--
A LLURING always to the imagination is the young prodigy in any walk of life. Mathematics and chess have produced, perhaps, the most extraordinary wonders of all in the form of almost infantile lightning calculators and baby Alchins. Many of these have been so young that they might be listed as freaks. General sports, of course, has plenty of prodigies in its kaleidoscopic personnel. Baseball has at present its Mel Ott and Jimmy Fox, stars of the first magnitude even before being old enough to vote. The ring has its Kid Chocolate of Havana, officially listed as 21 years old but unofficially rumored to be just beyond 18. Fifteen-year-old Eleanor Holm is the latest swimming sensation, a sport by the way in which boy or girl wonders are not so uncommon. Sarah Palfrey, young tennis sensation; Junior Coen, Tilden's protegee; and Ray Ruddy, 17-year-old N. Y. A. C. swimming marvel, are other prodigies in their respective fields. Conservative observers are inclined to be quizzical regarding prodigies. "They don't last" is the skeptical attitude; and that is true in many instances. Yet, Bobby Jones still reigns at 27 and he was a genuine boy wonder more than a decade ago. Georges Carpentier started at 15 as a professional boxer and he proved to be a great ringman for many years. Helen Willis wore her hair in a braid when she first won public notice as a tennis prodigy. She soon became one of the most remarkable of champions, and is such still. Yes, a search of the records will show that most sporting prodigies hold their class for years; cynical opinion notwithstanding.

SHUTTLE STARTS BACK

Refueling Plane to Continue Trips Over U. S. FRISCO REACHED SOON

CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 28.—(AP)—Captain Ira Eaker, pilot of the trans-continental refueling plane "Shuttle," was forced down near the municipal airport shortly before midnight by an accident to his plane caused in an attempt to transfer oil to him for this night's flight.

MITCHELL FIELD, N. Y., Aug. 28.—(AP)—Zooming over Mitchell field at 4:12 p. m., eastern standard time, Captain Ira C. Eaker and Lieutenant Bernard S. Thompson completed the first half of a round trip non-stop refueling flight between Oakland, Cal., and New York today.

The fliers plan to make several transcontinental round trips. After dropping a sack of mail the "Shuttle" plane hovered over the airport for a few minutes to take mail and then disappeared westward to retrace its way to Cleveland and the Pacific coast. Having taken on fuel at Cleveland earlier in the afternoon, Captain Eaker did not request more oil and gas here. It was estimated the "shuttle" had enough fuel to return to Cleveland tonight before another refueling operation.

Such was the substance of the talk of Sup't. George Hug before his fellow Rotarians Wednesday noon. Mr. Hug has just returned from taking a course in public school health in the University of Michigan. He spoke in high praise of that institution, particularly of its professors, who he said were quite democratic. They like to play and to mix with folk and that makes human beings out of them," was his comment.

Mr. Hug also described Rotary clubs he visited Ann Arbor and Hamtramck, the latter a city practically a part of Detroit, peopled very largely by Polish. The club there has done a fine service in community work. Capt. Williams of the Salvation Army presented the cause of that organization to the Rotary club, in its drive for support.

TRIAL FOR MURDER OF WOMAN STARTED

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 28.—(AP)—Ben King, taxi driver, and rival of Dr. Frank E. Westlake, who is on trial for murder in connection with the alleged slaying of Mrs. Laura Sutton, for the woman's affections, today identified three

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RANKING TENNIS STARS BEATEN

Doubles Team Rated Among Highest Are First to Taste Defeat

BROOKLINE, Mass., Aug. 28.—(AP)—The two top-ranking teams in the 48th national doubles tennis championship, that of Johnny Van Ryn and Wilmer Allison, the British and Davis cup champions and Henry W. "Bunny" Austin and J. S. Olliff of England, met with crushing defeats here today in the quarter finals play on the Longwood turf courts.

Both were overwhelmed in five set matches, Berkeley Bell and Lewis N. White, both of Austin, Texas, defeating the Davis cup stars, 6-4, 4-6, 6-4, 4-6, 8-6, while W. C. Coen, Jr., of Kansas City, and his equally youthful partner, Harris Coggeshall of Des Moines, Iowa, defeated the British players, 6-4, 2-6, 1-6, 16-14, 6-2.

As a result Bell and White will clash with the mid-western youths in tomorrow's semi-final round. In the other two quarter finals matches, Gregory Mangin of Newark, N. J., and Norman Farquharson, South African Davis cup player, spotted Bill Tilden and Frank Hunter the first two sets before they rallied with a bang. They then played the 1927 champions off their feet to square the match but let down the fifth set when Farquharson lost his service, a break which gave the veterans the victory by scores of 6-1, 6-2, 3-6, 3-6, 7-5.

George M. Lott, Jr., of Chicago and John Dohg of Santa Monica, Cal., gained the only straight set win when they eliminated Frank X. Shields of New York and Donald Strachan, Philadelphia, by scores of 12-10, 6-2.

GENERAL HAMMOND FETED AT EUGENE

EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 28.—(AP)—Major General and Mrs. Creed C. Hammond tonight were guests of citizens of Eugene at a banquet. General and Mrs. Hammond leave from Seattle for Manila September 7. General Hammond will assume the post of insular auditor of the Philippines. The banquet here was sponsored by the national guard and other organizations. Speakers were Dean John Staub of the University of Oregon, Mayor Wilder, Frank Jenkins, president of the chamber of commerce, and S. S. George, new state commander of the American Legion.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS

COAST LEAGUE			
Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Portl'd	24	23	.509
Los A.	24	24	.500
Mission	22	25	.469
Hollyer.	22	26	.452

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Chicago	32	30	.517
Pittsb.	29	27	.519
N. Y.	28	24	.542
S. L.	20	30	.400

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Phila.	25	22	.529
St. L.	25	23	.521
Clevel.	24	22	.521

TILT CAPTURED BY ATHLETICS

Mackmen Come Back to Beat New York Yankees By 9 to 7 Score

NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—(AP)—The Athletics rallied for five runs in the seventh to nose out the Yankees by 9 to 7 in a hard-hitting game here today. The victory gave the Macks an even break in their two-day stand on the banks of the Harlem. Babe Ruth reached Rube Walberg in the first inning for his 36th home run.

Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Phila.	25	22	.529
New York	24	23	.510

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—(AP)—Washington drove Gaston off the mound in the eighth inning today to untie the score and make a clean sweep of the two game series with Boston. The final score was 7 to 4.

WELLINGTON, N. Z. (AP)—The Wellington Evening Post has tried out with success news print manufactured in the United States from two New Zealand pulp trees, the raw and rimu. The forestry department is also experimenting with the exotic pinus insignis.

UPSET MARKS! GOLF SESSION

Old and Young Stars Join Forces to Take Western Tournament

By PAUL R. MICKELSON
CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 28.—(AP)—Mrs. Lee "Fighting Mike" Mida of Chicago, who has been whacking golf balls around for almost a quarter of a century, and 16-year-old Rena Nelson, her little compatriot, shook the women's western tournament at Mayfield today by dethroning the defending champion and upsetting the outstanding favorite to gain the crown.

Shooting the same brand of golf that has beaten many champions but which seldom has brought herself a title, Mrs. Mida conquered Mrs. Leona Pressler of Los Angeles, who was seeking her third straight crown, 2 and 1, while Miss Nelson, the "baby" of the field, halted the march of Virginia Van Wie, Chicago's first ranking golfer and runner-up in the 1928 national classic, one up.

The victors were the greatest upsets in almost a decade of play in the tournament and as a result the championship tonight appeared to be a toss-up between the eight survivors—Mrs. O. S. Hill of Kansas City, Mrs. Gregg Liffur and Kathleen Wright of Los Angeles, Mrs. Harley Hinkle of Detroit, Bernice Wall of Oshkosh, Wis., Peggy Waffles of Dulfalo, and Mrs. Mida and Miss Nelson.

Cubs Lose Two Games To Pirates

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 28.—(AP)—The Pirates celebrated Jewell Ems' rise to the managerial seat today by taking both games of a doubleheader from the Cubs by 10 to 3 and 7 to 6, and cutting the Chicago lead to two and a half contests. Burrell Grimes scored his 17th victory in the opener and Remy Kremer got credit for the second triumph taken by an eighth inning rally.

Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Chicago	29	25	.536
Pittsburgh	10	15	1

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