

Cardinals Show They Still Have Power; Win Game 10-2

RHEM REPEATS ANNUAL STUNT

Collins Shows Stuff When Stationed in Hafey's Garden Position

ST. LOUIS, April 12.—(AP)—Championship strides were taken today by the St. Louis Cardinals as they decisively outplayed the Pittsburgh Pirates, 10 to 2, in the opening game of the season.

The 1931 National league pennant won by the Cardinals was raised with ceremony, must be before the game, which attracted 5927-paying customers. Cold weather cut attendance considerably.

Pinch hitter, who had pitched the Cardinals to victory in the opening game of pennant-winning year of 1926, 1928, 1930 and 1931, justified his selection as opening pitcher for St. Louis, scoring his fifth triumph as hurler for the season's first game.

James Ripper Collins, who replaced the slugging Chick Hafey in left field for the Cardinals, was more than just a substitute by knocking the ball over the right field pavilion in the seventh inning for the only home run of the game.

Pepper Martin, hero of last season's world series, reminded the fans that he is up to old tricks by stealing a base.

Reds Rally to Win CINCINNATI, April 12.—(AP)—Smashing the Chicago defense wide open, after Root's hand had been injured in attempting to stop a hard drive, Chicago won the season's opening game, 5 to 4, today.

Going into the ninth with the score 4 to 1 against them, the Reds scored four runs to win.

Giants Trounced NEW YORK, April 12.—(AP)—The New York Giants celebrated the start of their 49th year as members of the National league and John McGraw's 30th season as manager today by the Phillies took the opening day victory before 20,000 fans.

Brandt Too Good BROOKLYN, April 12.—(AP)—Ed Brandt, Boston's star southpaw, proved a bit too much for the revamped Brooklyn Dodgers today and the Braves won 8 to 3.

SEASON OPENS SUNDAY SILVERTON HILLS, April 12.—The first baseball game for the season of the Silverton Hills grange will be played Sunday between the local team and Chemawa at the latter place. The following Sunday, Ankeny will play at the Silverton Hills.

Benefit Frolic for High School Baseball Team to Be Saturday Night, Gym

A lively program has been arranged for the Salem high school benefit frolic to be given at the high school gymnasium Saturday night, from 8:30 to 11:30 o'clock.

A dance will be held and also a number of special features have been arranged. On the program will be songs, tap dancing and other features.

A good dance band has been secured for the occasion with several from Boots Grant's band combining with some out of town players.

Johnny Perrine and Dan McCarthy are in charge of the program and are promising a big time to all who come.

The proceeds will be used for baseball. Official practice has not started yet, but will get into motion next Monday.

The first game will be a week from Friday against the renowned Chemawa team. This promises to be a great battle as both teams have most of last year's players back, including the two chukkers.

Vivette with his speed-ball will doubtless oppose Perrine who has a beautiful fade-away ball.

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SOCKING DUCKS GRAB ANOTHER

35 Hits Feature Opener at Sacramento; Hollywood and Seattle win

COAST LEAGUE

SACRAMENTO, April 12.—(AP)—Portland won the first game of the series from Sacramento here today after a slugfest that brought about 35 hits and 20 runs.

Freitas, Bryan and Salvo tolled for the Solons while Shores struggled through for the Ducks. Homers were hit by Moore and Demaree.

LOS ANGELES, April 12.—(AP)—Turning in a rapid-fire triple play in the seventh along with two double killings earlier in the game, Hollywood won its first baseball tilt of the series with Los Angeles here today, 6 to 2.

Frank Shellenback, veteran Stars spitball hurler, held the Angels to five hits and contributed to his own cause with a home run with one on in the fourth.

Los Angeles R H E
Hollywood 6 9 0
Sweetland, Miller and Campbell; Shellenback and Bastier.

OAKLAND, Cal., April 12.—(AP)—Seattle defeated Oakland, 11 to 6, in a loosely played game here today.

The Indians scored five runs in the first two innings without the aid of a base hit. The scoring rampage was due mostly to the wildness of Keatich and Ludolph, Oakland pitchers, and a pair of Oak errors.

Seattle R H E
Oakland 6 9 5
Page, Bonnelly and Cox; Keatich, Rudolph and Reed.

SEAS LEAD CIRCUIT SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 12.—(AP)—The Seals took undisputed possession of first place in the Coast league race tonight, taking the first game of the civil war series with the Seals scoresless until the fifth inning, Dutch Lieber weakened in the sixth and was driven to the showers in the seventh as the Seal batting attack swung into action.

San Francisco R H E
Missions 5 10 1
McDonnell, Henderson, Zinn and Penebuck; Lieber, T. Pilette and Hofmann, McIsaac.

Wrestling Meet Plaque Received The Salem Y. M. C. A. yesterday received the plaque for northwest Y championship in wrestling, which the local team recently won at Portland for the second consecutive year.

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Elephant Flees Wildcat; Fans Like Finnegan, Even Though Jones Wins Match

Didja ever see an elephant in full flight? That's what the Salem wrestling fans saw at the armory Tuesday night when George "Wildcat" Wilson pursued his Bob Neiter of Salt Lake City about the ring, giving him flying tackles until he finally took two falls.

But that wasn't nearly half of the show at Matchmaker Harry Plant's cauliflower circus. Salem fans saw the flashiest, speediest and most graceful wrestler who ever entered the Salem ring almost take the old fox, Henry Jones of Provo, Utah. That was "The Duke of Barrington" Fat Finnegan of Springfield, Ohio.

The handsome little Irishman entered the ring wearing a long black cloak with glittering gold lettering on the back, instead of the usual grappler's kimono.

He captivated the crowd at once and the fans went wild when he took the first fall in 2 1/2 minutes, which seemed like only five, with a reverse surboard hold.

Jones took the next two falls, but he reverted to rough tactics to do so, as he was waging a losing battle at straight wrestling.

The second fall was literally won by an uppercut which took a lot of fire out of Finnegan. The uppercut was followed by shoulder butts which sent the "Duke" out of the ring and when he came back he fell speedily prey to Jones' whip wristlock, shoulder butt and body press. Time 15 1/2 minutes.

Twice in the final period Finnegan seemed on the verge of winning the odd fall. Once he had Jones up for an airplane spin, but did not have the right grip on him and lost that chance. Again he had a standing surboard hold, but it was at that juncture that Jones focused fire.

Jones slowly got his balance and then cut loose with a murderous kick to the solar-plexus which took all the wind out of Finnegan and left him defenseless before Jones' subsequent body press. Time, seven minutes 10 seconds.

Once when Jones gave Pat a high backward body slam, the little Irish "bantam" executed a perfect flip and lit on his feet, and on numerous other occasions he lit on his feet instead of flat on the mat.

George "Wildcat" Wilson again finished his opponent with two consecutive falls, both resulting from his crashing flying tackles. Wilson almost took the first fall with straight wrestling, which would not have pleased the crowd nearly so well as the tackles.

The first came in 10 minutes and the second fall required only four, but chucked into that time was more thrills and excitement for the crowd than is often seen in a complete hour's wrestling time.

After the first two tackles Neiter fled frantically from his furious foe who pursued him with the agility of a tiger and pounced on him at every random turn Neiter made. It was great sport from the spectators' point of view, but hard on the loser.

Matt Matheny was referee and was right on his toes the whole time, handling the bouts excellently.

The little welterweight grappler of Springfield, Ohio, who goes by the title "Duke of Barrington," showed a few holds that Jones hadn't thought of yet and showed even more speed. He is in a class with Reed and Jones, knowing his balance perfectly, perhaps better than either Jones or Reed, and there's no doubt that he's been a circus acrobat.

Matt Matheny did a fine job of refereeing last night which goes to show that public opinion is not to be denied. He had been coasting too much at his job, but has apparently started back to work.

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DRAWINGS MADE FOR VOLLEY MEET

Hal E. Hoos, secretary of state, yesterday was called on to make the drawings for the northwest Y. M. C. A. volleyball tournament which will be held here Saturday afternoon and evening. The drawing was witnessed by Charles N. Laughridge, deputy secretary of state, David O'Hara, of Hoos' office, Dr. L. E. Barrick, captain of the Salem team, and R. R. Boardman, Y. M. C. A. physical director.

As the drawing worked out, Salem drew the hardest schedule for the afternoon's round robin. While the other teams will take a bye before at least one of their games, Salem's bye will come in on the last round when the locals have no further games to play.

The round robin schedule, with two games going on at the same time is as follows:

Portland vs. Salem, Seattle vs. Tacoma, Vancouver, B. C., bye.
Seattle vs. Vancouver, Tacoma vs. Portland, byes.
Tacoma vs. Portland, Salem vs. Vancouver, Seattle, byes.
Salem vs. Seattle, Vancouver vs. Portland, Tacoma, byes.
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Matches in the boys' division went as follows: J. C. Pleasant beat Ben Blakely, Elbert Hawkins beat George Warrell, Bob Hartman beat Bud Robinson, and Lloyd Hunter beat Fred Strake.

In the girls' matches Betty Crider beat Virginia Goodlow, Elsie and Plett beat Ruth Pleasant, and Theone Foster beat Betty Crider.

Results in the consolation matches were as follows: men's division, Warren Hinamon beat Wilford Hinamon, Hubert Dunn won from John Kitzmiller by default, Elvin Quiring beat Ralph Finseth; women's division, Helen Shreeve won from Augusta Geringer by default, and Lois Walton beat Margaret Friar; girls division; Beverly Bales beat Helen Eile and Virginia Goodlow beat Mary Ellen Dalton; boys' division, Gerald Vinton beat Howard Campbell and Willard Petre beat Jim Allgood.

VALLEY MOTOR IS WINNER BY 9 TO 2 The Valley Motor playground ball team made its bow in the twilight league by defeating the State Printers 9 to 2 on Sweetland field.

Gilmer and Ritchie were the battery for the winners. Bona started on the mound for the printers. Many substitutes were used in the game.

Umpire Bill Ross states that the final drafting of the rules will be made at the next meeting and the present rules have any remediable defects, they should be fixed up at the next meeting.

Thus far they have proven popular with the players, though being different they are a bit confusing at first.

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE LINCOLN FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF NEW YORK, IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK, ON THE THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF DECEMBER, 1931, MADE TO THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OREGON, PURSUANT TO LAW:

AMOUNT OF CAPITAL STOCK PAID UP, \$1,000,000.00. INCOME: Total premium received during the year, \$1,724,676.19.

Net premium received during the year, \$1,724,676.19. Interest, dividends and rents received during the year, \$24,476.89.

Income from other sources received during the year, \$326,209.10. Total income, \$2,075,362.18.

Net losses paid during the year including adjustment expenses, \$2,725,297.83. Dividends paid on capital stock during the year, \$127,000.00.

Commissions and salaries paid during the year, \$878,478.93. Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year, \$11,697.71.

Amount of all other expenditures, \$677,924.41. Total expenditures, \$2,584,899.68.

Value of real estate owned (market value), \$9,700,000.00. Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value), \$4,086,641.57.

Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc., \$799,943.48. Cash in banks and on hand, \$904,222.46.

Premiums in course of collection written since September 30, 1931, less unearned premium, \$1,151,752.99.

Interest and rents due and accrued, \$27,523.67. Other assets, \$182,630.18. Total admitted assets, \$5,268,837.27.

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Girod to be Solon Chief This Season

"Zeke" Girod will pilot the Salem Senators again this season, it was decided at an organization meeting Tuesday night in Anderson's sport goods store. At the same time James H. Nicholson was elected president of the club, John Brophy reelected secretary, treasurer, Rex Adolph, W. L. Phillips, George Riches and Frank Nelson elected directors. Nelson will again be business manager.

The Senators will play independent ball. Sunday a group of candidates for the team will go out to play the penitentiary team, and tryouts for places will not start until the following Sunday when all aspirants are asked to report at Olinger field at 1 p.m.

Bearcats to Play Indians At Chemawa

The Willamette university baseball team will tackle its first outside competition this spring against the Chemawa Indians at the teepee city north of Salem.

Early in the season the Indians expressed a desire to get a whack at Willamette and will be loaded for bear-cats today. Last year the Indians defeated not only high schools, but also took a game from Linfield college.

Coch LaVelle has most of last year's team back including the speed-ball hurler Vivette. The Redskins have been practicing longer than Willamette and will be a bit more organized in all probability.

Keene will probably pitch Peterson some and then give George Erickson and Russell Deesher chances to show their stuff, which won't be a bit dusty, judging from their performances in practice.

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