

Sport Sparks

By RON GEMMELL

Oregon's middleweight boxing belt is destined to change hands, stomachs, trophy chests, or wherever the heck it is that guys with titular hardware keep or wear the shiny stuff. That is purely (99 and 99/100 per cent purely) the opinion of the maestro of this corner, and you can take it straight, with a chaser, or toss it over your shoulder like a good luck horseshoe. We ain't particular.



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Buddy Peterson, the indie idol, is the current possessor of the belt. Buddy won it by busting an alleged fighter named Jack Hubbard. Although Buddy has been beaten since attaining the title, by Mistah Turner of the fast feet & faster hands, it was in a non-titular, kings-x bout. Wednesday night Peterson defended his title, successfully but not sweetly, against Tommy Danforth of Portland. Before the Danforth-Peterson set to get under way, a dark cloud by the name of Turner was introduced as the first-line challenger of the winner. Leo "The Lion" Turner, none other.

Sooner or later, and probably within the next month, Peterson is going to have to defend his middleweight tiara against Turner. The Salem boxing commission, which created the belt, will see to that. When it comes to pass, like the potatoes, please, Turner will be the new titlist.

Buddy is a fine lad, and a fair boxer; he makes a clean-cut appearance in the ring; he can hit with that left hook of his; he has plenty of iron in his soul. But there it ends. While Peterson has to get set to throw even his favorite, the left hook, Turner can throw any old punch from any direction at any time. And, oh how fast! While Buddy uses a plodding foot movement, that he definitely telegraphs, Turner slips in and out like a shuttle, never giving a hint of where he's going to be in the next split second.

Even Danforth, a run-of-the-mill fighter, tied Peterson up. Buddy just isn't fast enough to keep from getting all knotted up in his opponent's arms. When he moves in to hit, Buddy seldom gets in more than one swing before the clinch is on. Turner, the dusky dynamite, never gets tied—unless it's in his bathrobe. He's too swift with those dukes and dogs.

Yes, Peterson's a swell kid. We like him. But, we are afraid he'll be the ex-Oregon middleweight champion after he is called upon to defend his championship against Turner.

Plan Frisco Edwards Day

Local lads are planning a gala reception for Frisco Edwards when he hits Portland a week from Tuesday. Frisco, who'll be making his first appearance as an umpire in the northern part of the Pacific Coast loop, will be working the Portland-Sacramento series.

A bunch of the boys are reserving a section along the first base line in the Beaver park, and plan to give Frisco the kind of a reception that he is in the habit of receiving around Salem city. Jess Tryon, in an impromptu fashion, has been named chairman of a committee to work on the "Frisco Edwards day" celebration, while Cliff Parker, "Mac" McLain, Jimmy Nicholson, and a few of the rest of Frisco's friends are assisting.

Besides the reception, which is certain to have its quota of booze and pop bottles, Frisco is to be presented with a wrist watch and a pair of the biggest "cheaters" on the market. The boys are tossing together a pot to gain the proceeds with which to procure the time-piece for Frisco.

All of Frisco's friends, and enemies (?) are invited to the reception. Just get in touch with some of the before-mentioned gents, who'll reveal the plans in their entirety.

Hawk Hunting MA Degree

Harold Hawk, a student of athletics as well as a coach—which successful mentors have to be—is going out after one of those master's degrees that are becoming increasingly more necessary in the field of physical education.

Back to USC, where he acquired 12 hours of credit towards the coveted degree three years ago, will go Hawk soon after school is out here. He needs 18 more hours of graduate work, in addition to the 12 he has now, and can get 12 of 'em in this summer. That will leave him but six to acquire, plus one of those headache thesis, and he'll be a full-fledged master of physical education.

Jerry Gastineau's Braves completed five double plays in the Chemawa-Silverton WVI loop tilt Friday, which may easily be a high school record. The all-time league record for one team is six, while the all-time game record is nine, of which Detroit completed five and Washington four, in a 1925 game. The latter record was tied in the National League June 3, when Chicago completed five and Cincinnati four.

Remember Burl Bufkin, who set the Coast conference afire with his halfbacking at the University of Washington a few years ago, and who transferred to West Point for two weeks, and who came back to Washington only to find himself ineligible? Well, 'tis pretty authentically yodeled over the grapevine that Oregon has his younger brother, said to be something of a whiz in his own right, already in school. The football Bufkins are from Texas, where "Tex" Oliver has a firm proselyting foothold, so it isn't surprising if the younger Bufkin has matriculated to the Eugene campus.

"Gloomy Gus" Hits Close

Vern Gilmore is still a bit conservative in his estimates of the Vikings track team's abilities. He was four points too conservative in his prognostication of the outcome of yesterday's district seven meet, but that isn't the thing that's so phenomenal.

That Gilmore actually predicted a win for his scantclads is the little item that is unbelievable. Prior to yesterday's meet Gilmore set down his predictions in black and white (pretty legibly, too), sealed 'em up and gave 'em to yours truly.

He predicted a win for the Vikings, by a score of 36 points, to 26 for Milwaukee, and 23 for West Linn. The meet turned out: Salem 40, Milwaukee 23 1/2, and West Linn 22. His ratings, however, were made under the assumption that Columbia Prep would enter. The Portland preppeers didn't, which might well have thrown his predictions off a bit.

Going down the line on Gilmore's predictions, we find: He predicted his team would gather five points in the 440, and they got three; he figured three in the 880 and they (Bill Shinn) got five; he said three in the mile and was right; in the high sticks he predicted two and it was three; he predicted three points in the low hurdles and it was two; he asked for three in the high jump and he got five; he predicted three in the broad jump and it was two; he figured on two in the shot and got three; he believed Butch Nelson would gather five in the javelin, and he did; and he asked for five from his relay team and got them.

We're forced to admit the guy is a far better prognosticator than moaner.

Molalla Is Set For Pentathlons

MOLALLA, Arrangements have been completed and entries received by Mike Deller, director for the first Molalla pentathlon track and field meet, to be held Monday, May 15.

Eight teams have entered, Chemawa, Sandy, Independence, West Linn, Woodburn, Scappoose, Canby and Molalla. The entry list is shorter than was expected.

Coach Howard Maple of Wil-

lamette university will act as official referee and Coach Wayne Harn of Lintfield as official starter.

The pentathlon will consist of 5 track and field events. Each of the 24 contestants must start and finish the 100 yard dash, mile run, broad jump, high jump and shot put. Points will be counted in direct proportion to the position in which each contestant finishes each event. This type of meet gives the all round track athlete a chance to be the winner.

A medal will be awarded to the first three men in the meet and a trophy to the school having the lowest aggregate score.

Sultan and Sultana of Swat

MATTER OF MUSCLE concerns the one-time sultan of swat, Babe Ruth, testing the home-run arm of Billie Dean. Billie's the "Babe Ruth" of her woman softball team, the Americanettes, which welcomed the Babe's expert advice.

Salem High Wins District Meet

Take Only 3 First Places

Viking Victory Comes by Scoring 40 Points in Runner-up Spots

Despite scoring but three first places, Coach Vera Gilmore's Vikings totaled 40 points to easily annex their fourth consecutive district 7 track and field championship here yesterday on Olinger oval, in a meet that saw four new records written into the books and another equalled.

The Salem cindermen, predicted by Coach Gilmore to score 36 points, picked up seven thirds, three seconds and a pair of fourths to completely outdistance the field. Milwaukee, edging out West Linn for third place in the relay, also edged out its neighbor for second place in the meet. The scoring:

Salem 40, Milwaukee 23 1/2, West Linn 22, Chemawa 21, Gresham 15, Woodburn 11, Hill Military Academy 8 1/2, Molalla 6, Sandy 4, Oregon City 3.

Both year-old hurdle marks were raised as Woodburn's Ryan romped over the 200-yard low sticks in :24.6 and Gresham's Kosderka skimmed the high ones in :16.4. Both former records, of :25.3 and :16.9, were set last year by Lattanzi of Milwaukee.

To Woodburn went the honor of shattering two records, as Lee Nelson pole vaulted 11 feet 11 inches, to add a full eight inches to the 11-foot-3-inch mark set by Salem's Carl Chapman in 1937. Davis of West Linn turned in the fourth record, a broad jumping 21 feet 3 1/2 inches to add three-fourths of an inch to the 21-foot 2 1/2-inch mark set by Burdette of Sandy in 1936.

Salem's Bill Shinn turned in the greatest race here today, negotiating the 880 in 2:02.6 to equal the record set by Chemawa's Spotted Eagle in 1934. Shinn went out in front on the first turn and stayed there all the way. Milwaukee's Peake, who defeated Shinn in a dual meet earlier this year, made a desperate stretch bid that failed by 10 yards.

Taking firsts in the discus and shot and a fourth in the javelin gave West Linn's Karbonski high-point honors with 11 points. He was tied for first place with West Linn, who totaled 8 1/2 points with his first in the broad jump, second in the 100-yard dash and membership of the third-place relay team; by Stuart "Butch" Nelson, who tossed the javelin the greatest first place bid, edging a third in the shot for seven-point total; and by Chemawa's Lodge, who tallied 6 1/2 points by virtue of his first in the mile, fourth in the broad jump and membership in the second-place relay team.

100-yard dash—Boe of Milwaukee in :10.4; Davis, West Linn, 2nd; Bailey, Salem, 3rd; Backbone, Chemawa, 4th. 220-yard dash—Backbone of Chemawa in :25.4; Jones, Oregon City, 2nd; Waller, Salem, 3rd; Basil, Chemawa, 4th. 440—Saluskin of Chemawa in :54.2; Lekberg, Sandy, 2nd; Chapman, Salem, 3rd; Macy, Salem, 4th. 880—Shinn of Salem in 2:02.6, equaling the meet record set by Spotted Eagle of Chemawa in 1934; Peake, Milwaukee, 2nd; Spring, Hill Military, 3rd; Plymell, Gresham, 4th. Mile—Lodge of Chemawa in 4:38.8; Mulkey, Salem, 2nd; Ballew, West Linn, 3rd; Phelps, Hill Military, 4th. 120-yard high hurdles—Kosderka of Gresham in :16.4, breaking the meet record of :16.9, set by Lattanzi of Milwaukee in 1933; Mason, Salem, 2nd; Phelps, Hill Military, 3rd; Riggs, Gresham, 4th. Broad jump—Davis of West Linn with a leap of 21 feet 3 1/2 inches, breaking the meet record of 21 feet 2 1/2 inches, set by Burdette of Sandy in 1936; Ballew, West Linn, 2nd; Bailey, Salem, 3rd; Lodge, Chemawa, 4th. High jump—Ecklund of Milwaukee, jumping 5 feet 6 1/2 inches; Burton, Salem, 2nd; Richards, Salem, 3rd; Orr, Sandy, 4th. Pole vault—Nelson of Woodburn, vaulting 11 feet 11 inches to break the meet record of 11 feet 3 inches set by Carl Chapman of Salem in 1937; Blaine, Molalla, 2nd; Landrum, Hill Military, 3rd; Fossett, Milwaukee, 4th. Discus—Karbonski of West Linn with a toss of 124 feet 10 1/2 inches; Kalberg, Molalla, 2nd; Bettie, Gresham, 3rd; Crosby, Milwaukee, 4th. Shot—Karbonski of West Linn with put of 47 feet 1 1/2 inches; Crosby, Milwaukee, 2nd; Nelson, Salem, 3rd; Thompson, Salem, 4th. Javelin—Nelson of Salem with a throw of 161 feet; Callister, Gresham, 2nd; Williams, Hill Military, 3rd; Karbonski, West Linn, 4th.

Whitman, C of I, Split Final Tilts

CALDWELL, Idaho, May 13. (AP)—College of Idaho and Whitman college split the final double header of their Northwest conference baseball series here today, Idaho winning the first, 8 to 3, but dropping the second 14 to 8. Whitman won nine of the 12 games played here and at Walla Walla, Wash. to win the eastern division title and gain the right to meet Willamette university of Salem, Ore. in the championship playoff.

Pacific Crew Stops Bearcats at 11

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WU Loses One, Takes Finale

Division Titlists Finally Lose, 12-6; but Turn Tables, 12 to 5

PACIFIC UNIVERSITY, Forest Grove, May 13.—(Special)—Willamette's slugging Bearcats, 1939 Pacific Northwest conference western division champs, ran into a game that had been a 100% time coming, here today, and bowed to Pacific university, 12 to 6.

Having got that out of their systems, the Bearcats returned to normal form and capped the nightcap, 12 to 5, behind the fine hurling of big Bill Anton. Defeat in the initial tilt, although it did not affect Willamette's divisional title, did wipe a winning streak that had extended through 11 games in a row. Bearcat pitching, fielding and hitting collapsed at the same time, and that was the story.

Badgers Get 16 Blows
Pacific slugged Bob White, Larry Nunnenkamp and Hal McAbee for 16 base hits. Willamette's usual heavy hitters reached "Freak" Dierckx for only seven safeties and contributed nine errors to the wild tilt.

Willamette was in the ball game only once, when they scored five times in the fifth inning on three successive infield errors, a walk and singles by Lonergan and Kolb, bringing the count to 5-7, but Pacific came right back with three runs in its half to clinch it.

The second game was all-giving their usual batting performance, including four home runs, a triple and a double in their 18-hit attack against two Badger hurlers.

Second Game Different
First inning homers by Lonergan and Shinn gave the Bearcats two runs and they added a third as Gentzkow led off the second frame with another circuit clout. Pacific trailed only 3-4 in the sixth inning when the Bearcats clinched it with another pair.

Gentzkow opened with a single. Pierce tripled and Kolb also singled. Pacific cut the lead to 7-5 in the seventh, but in the eighth, Pierce doubled, Kolb singled and Catherwood drove both runners home with the deciding runs.

The Bearcats added three more in the eighth on singles by Gentzkow and Pierce and Kolb's home run.

Pierce, with a triple, double and single, led the Bearcats in the nightcap. Gentzkow and Kolb each hit homers and two singles. Lonergan got two first-

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WSC Cougars Track Champs

Oregon State Second and Oregon Third, Coast Northern Division

PULLMAN, Wash., May 13.—(AP)—The Washington State Cougars piled up 60 1/2 points to win their seventh consecutive northern division Coast conference track and field championship today.

They made a clean sweep of the six flat running events, placing first in every race. Oregon State followed with 54; University of Oregon, third, 37; University of Idaho, fourth, 16 1/2; University of Montana, fifth, 14; and University of Washington, sixth, 13 1/2.

Varsity Sets Meet Record
Dixie Garner, WSC mile ace, and George Varoff, Oregon pole vault star, both set new northern division meet records and the athletes worked out in a hot sun, but neither approached the "best mark" records of northern division athletes, which includes dual meets and Olympic tryout performances.

In the pole vault, George Varoff had the day and the records to himself. He broke his own meet record of 13 feet 1 1/4 inches set last year with a vault of 14 feet 1 inch, but failed to touch his best mark performance of 14 feet 4 1/2 inches set in 1937. The Cougars won eight of the 15 first places.

Vander Meer Is Back in Stride

CINCINNATI, May 13.—(AP)—Johnny Vander Meer pitched back to his last season's form here today and won his first victory of the season as the Cincinnati Reds beat the pace-setting St. Louis Cardinals, 2 to 1.

Welland, McGee (7), and Owen; Vander Meer and Lombardi.

BOSTON, May 13.—(AP)—The Brooklyn Dodgers came apart at the seams today as the Boston Bees took the second straight victory of their series 5 to 3. Brooklyn 5, Boston 3. Fitzsimmons, Hamlin (8), Frankhouse (9) and Phelps; MacFayden and Lopes.

Chicago 6, Pittsburgh 2, Lee and Hartnett; Kilger, Brown (6), Swift (9), and Berres, Mueller (9).

Philadelphia at New York postponed, rain.

Silverton's Pesky Is Not Yet Ruled Ineligible to Sox

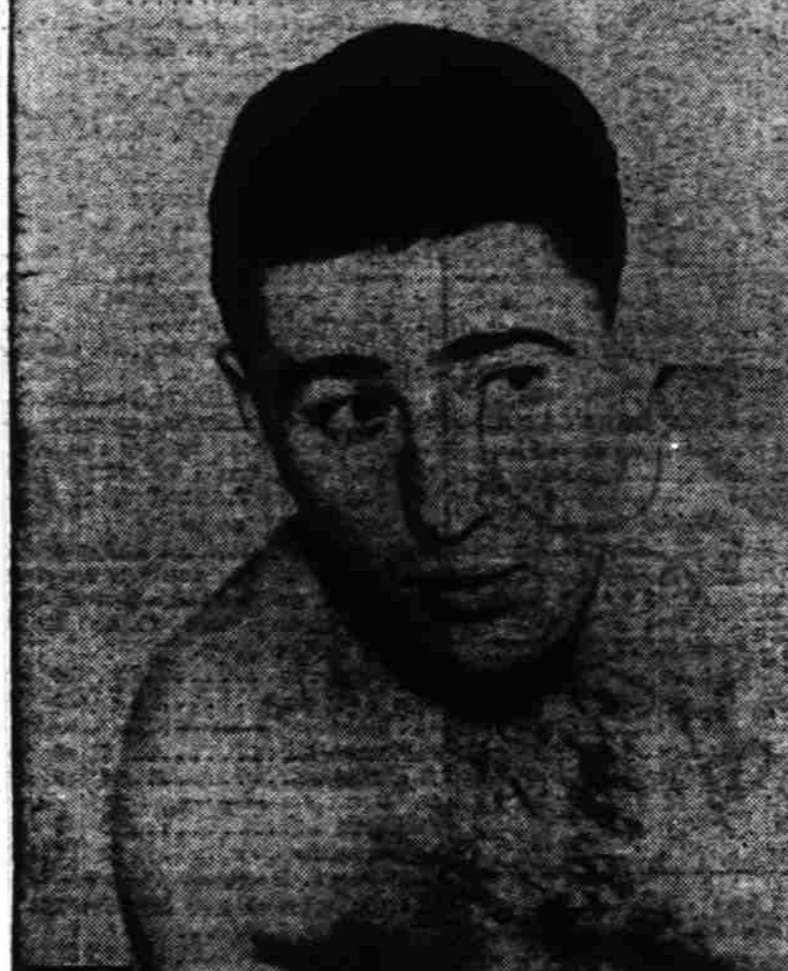
SILVERTON — Johnny Pesky, Silverton's popular little infield player, who signed with the Red Sox last summer, has not yet been declared ineligible to play with the Red Sox this summer, according to W. L. McGinnis, manager. Bill Evens has said that Pesky could play this summer with the Red Sox team. Ernie Johnson, scout, wants Pesky to report to Little Rock. The out-come, Mr. McGinnis said at Silverton Saturday, is as yet unknown. In the meantime Pesky is playing with the Red Sox and Silverton fans are happy.

Sylvester, who will be remembered from last year, is expected to arrive at Silverton next week and will be with the Red Sox on May 21.

Foxes Await Molalla

SILVERTON Silverton high will entertain Molalla on McGinnis field at Silverton Tuesday afternoon for a league high school game. Silverton will go to Dallas Friday afternoon.

Faces Champ McShain Tuesday



Jackie Nichols, the Boston smoothie, who tangles with Danny McShain, world's light heavyweight rasslin' champ, in a non-titular main event at the armory next Tuesday night.

Nichols to Meet McShain, Kings-ex

Jackie to Get Chance at Belt Later if He's Good Enough

Danny McShain won't risk his world's light heavyweight title against Jackie Nichols in the main event of Tuesday night's rasslin' show at the armory, but he guarantees Nichols a crack at the belt at a later date—providing the Boston grappler earns it.

"Why should I give every guy who comes along a chance at something it took me years of effort to acquire?" was his belligerent reply to Nichols' demand for a chance at the belt.

The McShain-Nichols main event will be supported by a 45-minute preliminary in which Charley Carr, newcoming cleanie, meets Bulldog Jackson, and an opener that pits George Wagner against Kid Kiser.

Vikings' Baseball Calendar Heavy

The Viking baseball club starts on the windup of its 1939 schedule this week, playing Corvallis there Monday, Eugene there Wednesday and Oregon City on Sweetland field here Thursday. Final game of the season is scheduled for Monday, May 22, against Chemawa.

Y Volleyballers In Coast Tourney

Salem's YMCA volleyball club, runner-up in the northwest tourney, will enter the coast tourney at San Francisco this week, which will be held in the San Francisco armory.

Accompanying the playing squad will be Do. L. E. Barrick, coach, and Fred Smith, physical director. The squad includes "Squee" Kitch-Brown, Elmore Hill, Bill Stratton, Nile Hulbourn, John Bone, Herb Burch, Ike Elmsinger, Ted Girod, Wayne Schrank, Lloyd Greg and Wilbur Curry.

WRESTLING

Danny McShain vs. Jackie Nichols
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CHARLEY CARR vs. BULLDOG JACKSON
45 Minutes
BOBBY WAGNER vs. KID KISER
30 Minutes

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