Square Deal Takes Third in Row

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LACK OF THUMB NO HANDICAP—Boyd Brown, above, a mediocre javelin tosser until Coach Bill Hayward of Oregon started training him, won first place in the Pacific coast conference meet. Hayward provided him with a specially balanced spear to overcome the absence of his right thumb. Below, Brown's thumbless grip.

Sport Sparks

By RON GEMMELL

Having it on good authority, and signed by the mayor, that pitching constitutes 83.78 per cent of softball effectiveness, we yesterday (or was it the day before?) jumped into the custom laundered Gemmell limousine and headed for the respective, if not respected, camps of the Salem Softball association, copyrighted in 1932 or thereabouts.

We went in search of some of the kittyball chuckers in order that we might bring you first-hand versions, both southpaw and northpaw, of how these 40-foot flingers get that way.

"Me? I get that way from eating three square meals a day, sleeping on my right side, changing shirts twice a week and reading Popeye daily in The Statesman — was the first shot of inside stuff we aimed at us.

It came directly off the left side of the tongue owned by H. (for Henry) Singer, revealed in the last Gallup poll as the outstanding Salem softball pitcher for 1939, and although it was a modest statement it struck us as being straightforward and to the point.

"To what, exactly, do you attribute your phenomenal success?" we asked the dark-haired demon of underhandedness, believing this a fair question even if the day was cloudy in the west and looking very much like a visit from J. Pluvius was imminent.

"My biggest asset," graciously replied Slinger Singer, "is an inborn ability to lift my left leg high. You've gotta get it up there, that's all. A pitcher who can't elevate his left side to, we'll say, a height of at least his elbow, is hopelessly lost."

"Then, too," he added after a moment's study, "I'm very fond of jelly on my pancakes."

No Two Alike.

As in other pursuits, of life, liberty or death where is thy sting, no two softball pitchers seem to have the same idea as to why their efforts constitute such a large percentage of the efficiency, or lack thereof, of their respective clubs.

Take V. (for Vladivostok) Gilmore. Take him on the golf course and he plays a head-up game. Take him on the softball mound and he's got his nose to the grindstone for nine innings, or less. (Why Manager Flesher allows the stone to be left on the field will come up for debate the next time President Maple gets hungry, for there's certain to be a league meeting then.)

"A pitcher has to be able to hold ice water, buttermilk, lemonade, waffle batter and the family bank roll," Gilmore grated from between his teeth, the while flexing a creaking right wing.

"Then there's the mortality rate. There are more cracked pitchers than any other one piece of pantryware. Someone is always knocking off, or just plain knocking, a pitcher. Especially sports writers. They're the worst. Yes, the very worst."

"My biggest asset? That's easy. I use nothing but Osage rub. That, and a long ball off the tee. With both I'm a cinch to win."

Answers More Direct.

Other answers we obtained from the pitching gentry, to questions pertaining to this all-important question of how they get that way, were shorter and more direct.

Said George (for George) Roth: "Forty feet is approximately two feet too much to ask any man to throw. Look at Ferdinand — no one asked him to toss that far. I'm going to take it up with the national labor relations board. Put me down for baked apples, with mint sauce."

"Gosh! Is pitching that much of a club's effectiveness! I'm learning more every day," said Kenny Lenaburg, newly arrived in the local big time. "I like the work though, and a shower certainly feels good after eating watermelon, a la pickininny."

One of the more sober-minded moundsmen, Pheasantman Mack Serdotz, contends control is the biggest thing in softball pitching. "If you get that ball over the heart of the plate," said he, "they're bound to hit it. Then all you have to worry about is a good team behind you. It's all very simple, but good fun at that."

"The rules are a big help," spoke youthful Don Cutler, curveballer of the Dealers. "When I get three strikes on a man I know I've got him. The rules take care of that. Believe me, going into the last of the ninth, with the score 6 to 2 against you and runners on second and third, this certainly helps."

Smart, these pitchers. They've all got it figured out. Even "Pinwheel" Percy Crofoot, the league's best for two years, wired us his version from the California camp he now inhabits.

Read Percy's wire: "Hallelujah!"

Jacobs Asks Art Donovan in Ring

SUMMIT, N. J., June 19.—(AP)—Joe Jacobs, manager of two-ton Tony Galento, the challenger for Joe Louis' heavyweight crown, is going to ask the New York state athletic commission to name Arthur Donovan referee for the title fight June 28.

Jacobs announced as much today, though he said he would have to wait until the day of the fight to make his formal request, when the commission holds a meeting at the weighing-in ceremonies.

The announcement came as something of a surprise, since Donovan is well liked by Louis, having worked practically all of the champion's fights.

Softball Leagues

Industrial League

Gasco	11	9	4
Pohle-Stayer	2	3	5

Kriddle and Sipola; E. Pool and Bannack.

PM Machine	11	12	2
Montgomery Ward	1	5	2

French, Stott and Carter; Salke, Beardsley and Beaver.

Wait's Break Into Win List

Dealers Humble Kennedys 15 to 10; Papermakers Lose 3d Straight

League Standings

	W	L	Pct.
Square Deal	3	0	1.000
Pheasants	1	0	1.000
Schoen's	1	0	1.000
Waits	1	1	.500
Kennedys	0	2	.000
P'Mill	0	3	.000

Softball sorties on Sweetland last night were wilder than a witch's wanderings, but the Square Dealers nevertheless romped to their third straight win, 15 to 10 over Kennedy's and Waits broke into the win column by tagging the 'Makers with their third consecutive defeat, 11 to 4.

The Dealers, after establishing a 9 to 1 lead behind the pitching of Don Cutler, almost saw their advantage go glimmering as the Cleaners took advantage of Hank Singer's wildness. They hammered Hank for eight runs in a wild fifth frame that saw 12 batters at the plate, getting them on four hits, four errors and four walks, and added another in the sixth on a double and single.

15 Blows Taken

But 15 blows were registered by the Radiosters, off lanky Harold Smither, and even the sky-high, blow-up of their defense wasn't enough to beat 'em. Outfielder Weisner's three-for-five shillalah shaking, that drove in four of the 15 counters, topped the parade. Jack Causey also gathered three blows in five trips, while Stub D'Arcy hit twice in four appearances.

The Papermakers allegedly imported pitcher, Jack Simpson—said to hail from Chicago, walked eight men in the two plus frames he worked. That and two lonely hits gave Waits five runs before Southpaw Kenny Lenaburg took over for the 'Makers. Going in with two on in the third, Lenaburg allowed six to cross before he finally stemmed the tide. Only four of the six was he responsible for, however, and from there on the Meatmen touched him for but one bingle and no runs.

Waits Hit Seven

Waits scored their 11 tallies on seven hits, while the 'Makers could make 10 blows account for but four markers. Only Shortstop Gribble got more than one blow for Waits, hitting two-for-four, and Nick Serdotz, also hitting two-for-four, was the only 'Maker to get more than one.

It was the wildest night of the softball season thus far, with a total of 40 runs being scored, 43 hits registered and 14 errors committed. Prettiest fielding play turned in was a running one-handed catch of Comstock's foul fly by Leftfielder Jack Causey, while the only extra base clouting out of all the hitting were doubles by Bernie Gentskow, Henry Singer and Johnny Kolb.

Waits (11)	B	R	H
Garbarina, 2	1	1	0
Drynan, l	3	2	1
Nicholson, m	2	2	0
Scales, 3	2	2	1
Gribble, s	4	1	2
McCaffery, c	2	0	0
Bucknum, r, 1	3	1	1
Romano, 1	3	1	1
Roth, p	3	1	1
Pickens, r	0	0	0
Kitchen, 2	1	0	0
Totals	25	11	7

Papermakers (4)	B	R	H
Dunn, s	3	0	1
Steelhammer, 1	2	0	0
Dick, 2	4	0	1
Kolb, m	3	1	1
Skopil, 3	4	1	1
Serdotz, r	4	1	2
Kelley, l	2	1	1
Schnuelle, c	4	0	1
Simpson, p	1	0	0
K. Lenaburg, p	2	0	1
I. Lenaburg	1	0	1
Totals	32	4	10

Errors, Kelley, Skopil, Gribble, Parrish. Three hits 7 runs off Simpson in 2 plus; 4 off Lenaburg in 4; 10 and 4 off Roth in 7. Losing pitcher, Simpson. Runs responsible for, Simpson 6, Lenaburg 5. Struck out, by Roth 3, Lenaburg 1. Bases on balls, off Simpson 8, Roth 4, Lenaburg 3. Stolen bases, Drynan 2, Skopil 2, Kelly, Roth. Two bas hit, Kolb. Sacrifice, McCaffery. Runs batted in, Bucknum 2, Schnuelle 2, Gribble 2, Drynan, Nicholson, Scales 2, McCaffery, Roth, I. Lenaburg 2, Left on base, Papermakers 10, Waits 9. Wild pitch, Simpson 3, Lenaburg 3. Time of game 1 hour 28 minutes. Umpires, Weisgerber and Oravec.

Square Deal (15)	B	R	H
D'Arcy, r	4	1	2
L. Singer, c, r	6	1	1
W. Gentzkow, 2	5	3	1
R. Gentzkow, s	4	2	1
B. Gentzkow, 3	5	2	2
Causey, l	5	1	3
Weisner, m	5	2	3
Alley, 1	4	1	1
Cutler, p	2	1	0
H. Singer, p	2	0	1
McRae, c, r	3	0	0
Totals	44	15	15

Kennedy's (10)	B	R	H
Bennett, 2	3	1	2
Siegmund, l	4	0	1
Freeman, m	5	2	2
Comstock, c	4	1	0
Salstrom, 3	4	1	2
Cave, 1	5	2	3
Lacey, s	5	1	0
Eberly, r	4	1	1
Smither, p	4	1	0
Totals	38	10	11

Errors, Satter, Bennett 2, Cave, Lacey, McRae, W. Gentzkow, L. Singer, Salstrom. Four hits 1 run off Cutler in 4; 7 and 9 off Singer in 5; 15 and 16 off Smither in 3. Winning pitcher, Cutler. Losing pitcher, Smither. Runs responsible for, Cutler 1, Smither 10, Singer 5. Bases on balls, off Smither 3, Cutler 1, Singer 5. Stolen bases, W. Gentzkow, R. Gentzkow, Comstock. Two base hit, B. Gentzkow, Freeman, H. Singer. Runs batted in, B. Gentzkow 2, Weisner 4, Causey, Eberly, D'Arcy, R. Gentzkow, Freeman, Salstrom 3, Cave, Bennett 2, Double play, Alley, unassisted. Left on bases, Square Deal 9, Kennedy's 6. Wild pitch, Smithers 2, Cutler 2, Singer 1. Passed ball, Comstock, McRae. Time of game, 1 hour 35 minutes. Umpires, Oravec and Weisgerber.

Runner to Let Incident Slide

Wooderson Ready to Let "Accident" Pass Into Race History

By ORLO ROBERTSON

NEW YORK, June 19.—(AP)—Sydney Wooderson was inclined today to let the 1939 Princeton mile pass into history as motion pictures of the event only added fuel to the controversy as to whether he was fouled by Blaine Rideout.

After thinking the matter over, England's little world record holder at a mile called his collision Saturday with Rideout an "unfortunate accident—an accident occurring in the heat of the race which is best forgotten."

The collision, occurring at the top of the home stretch, threw the Englishman off stride and cost him whatever chance he had for victory. Chuck Fenske came up fast to take the race in 4:11 with Wooderson finishing last in the field of five.

Meanwhile, the movies failed to clear up the argument whether Rideout bumped Wooderson or whether the record holder, apparently tired, hit the Texan when he (Wooderson) failed to straighten out in time for the final 200-yard dash to the finish line.

The pictures showed Rideout first passing Fenske shortly before the turn. Then Rideout pulled up even with Wooderson and for a time the two appeared to run shoulder to shoulder. Coming into the turn Rideout, seeking to gain the lead, gradually seemed to crowd Wooderson toward the rail until the Briton half-stumbled and threw up his right arm as if to regain his balance.

Rideout went into the lead only to have Wooderson regain his stride and pass him momentarily. From the angle of the pictures it was difficult to determine whether there actually was bodily contact or whether Wooderson, seeking to avoid such contact, inadvertently stepped on the rail and lost his balance.

Weatherman Ties Up National Loop

CHICAGO, June 19.—(AP)—The National league bowed to the weatherman completely today, with two of its scheduled three games cancelled entirely by rain and the third—the Dodgers-Cubs battle—halted at the end of eight frames with the score tied at 3-all.

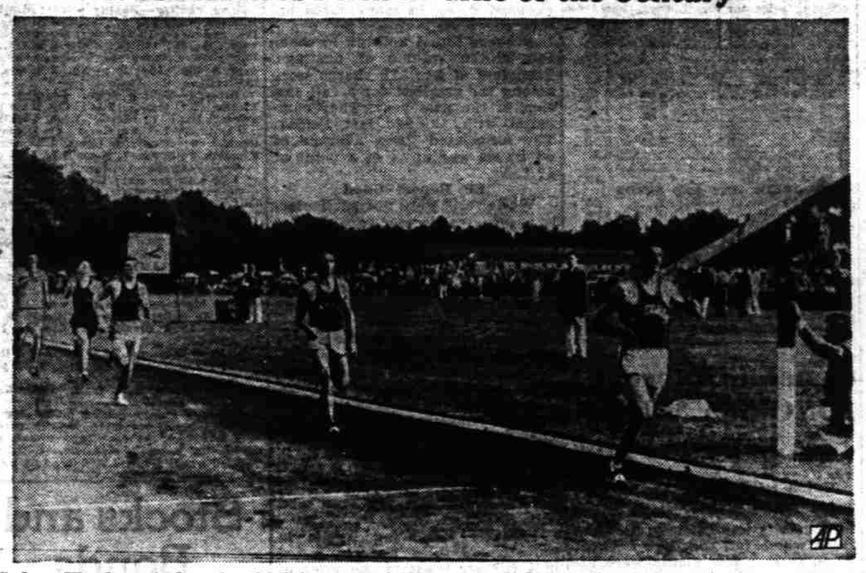
The Dodgers, victimized four times out of six tries in their current road tour, seemed headed for victory when the rain poured into Wrigley field and sent both teams scurrying for cover.

(Called end eighth inning account rain—tie).

Brooklyn	3	8	2
Chicago	3	9	2

Casey and Phelps. Root, French (8) and Mancuso.

Wooderson Is Fifth in 'Mile of the Century'



Sydney Wooderson's long heralded invasion of US running fields ended on a sour note when the little Briton was bumped and half-tripped in the final lap of the Princeton invitation mile at Princeton, N. J. He came in a poor fifth. Thirty thousand cheered as Chuck Fenske, formerly of Wisconsin, won in 4:11. Glenn Cunningham was second; Archie San Romani, third; Blaine Rideout, fourth, and Wooderson, fifth. The finish is shown.

One Little Indian Ready for Battle With Veteran Puncher From Cowlands In First Main Event Bout Wednesday

The little Injun whose professional claim to fame covers the short side of six months and but half a dozen bouts, Curley Hopper, tomorrow night at the armory will attempt to prove matchmakers haye not pulled a brodie in giving him a main event chance.

Hopper meets a tough veteran in Louis Nelson, a two-handed puncher who has been fighting in and around Redmond over the past two years. Nelson, who may be remembered in Salem as the slugger who gave Eddie Norris a close battle better than two years ago here, is expected to provide Hopper with his biggest test to date.

Nelson and Hopper meet over eight rounds at the top of a card that also has two six-rounders and three four-round preliminaries.

Burns Formidable

Powder Proctor, the 17-year-old Portland negro, has a formidable opponent in Frankie Burns, Salt Lake, in the semi-windup. Advance reports intimate Burns, a veteran, is just a little too good for the Powder, but that is something which remains to be seen.

The six-round special pits Kid Thornley, Silverton vet who all but had Proctor on his hip in the last Vets' card, against rugged Bill Toomey of Tacoma. The four-rounders will show little Jimmy Davis, Vancouver, against Johnny O'Connell of Portland, Tommy Orrin of Portland against Les Carter of Lebanon, and Jack Curley of Portland against Lefty Reynolds of Salem.

Joe Louis Looks Over Yank Squad

NEW YORK, June 19.—(AP)—Joe Louis watched another champion—the New York Yankees—today as he left his training camp for the first time since he opened work for his championship bout with Tony Galento three weeks ago.

After a strenuous week-end, in which he belted spar mates right and left, the champion took the entire day off. However, it was his favorite team, the Detroit Tigers, and not the Yankees, that brought Joe to town.

Berry and Savich Battle at Armory

"Ladies Free" Sign out for Wrestling Show at Groan Hut

It's ladies' night at the armory tonight, where "Wild Red" Berry meets Danny Savich in a two-out-of-three falls, one-hour main event of a three-star rasslin show. All of Marion county's shrieker sex are invited to be the non-paying guests of Promoter Herb Owen.

That they'll be eye witnesses to a rough, tough tussle is assured, for both Berry, the unscrupulous easterner, and Savich, shockheaded Ute from Utah, like it that way. The bars will be down, as far as the rule book is concerned, and the armory ring is expected to resemble a hurricane deck before doings are over.

Carr vs. Carter

Popular Charlie Carr, who last week succumbed to the brutalities of Berry, tonight tangles with Marshall Carter, the Missouri gridster, in a 45-minute bout that will press the all-meanie main event in importance.

Opening the show, at 8:30, will be Eddie Roberts, lanky comedian, and Frankenstein Woolf, the Boris Karloff of hemp enclosures. Their's is a 30-minute preliminary, that is expected to be swift and spectacular.

The armory doors open at 7:30.

WIN AT TENNIS

SILVERTON — In the first round tennis matches of the summer recreation program, Alfred Crockett defeated Lloyd Naegeli and Denny Legard defeated George Manolis.

WHITE SOX FIXTURE *By Sords*

League Baseball

Coast League

	W	L	Pct.
Los Angeles	48	33	.593
Seattle	46	34	.575
San Francisco	42	35	.545
Oakland	39	41	.488
San Diego	36	41	.468
Sacramento	34	41	.453
Hollywood	35	45	.438
Portland	31	41	.431

Sunday's Results

At Seattle 2-4, Los Angeles 4-10.

At Oakland 2-3, Sacramento 4-1.

At Hollywood 2-1, San Diego 3-0.

National League

	W	L	Pct.
Cincinnati	35	18	.660
St. Louis	29	23	.558
New York	29	26	.527
Brooklyn	26	26	.500
Chicago	27	28	.491
Pittsburgh	24	28	.462
Boston	22	30	.423
Philadelphia	20	31	.392

Sunday's Results

At Cincinnati 2-0, Boston 6-5.

At St. Louis 8, New York 4.

At Chicago 1-9, Brooklyn 0-1.

American League

	W	L	Pct.
New York	41	11	.788
Boston	29	21	.580
Cleveland	28	25	.528
Chicago	28	25	.528
Detroit	29	26	.527
Philadelphia	21	32	.396
Washington	22	34	.393
St. Louis	15	38	.283

Sunday's Results

At New York 5, Detroit 3.

At Boston 5-5, Cleveland 4-3.

At Philadelphia 5-0, Chicago 6-4.

Conference Gets Atherton Report

Delegates Will Take no Action on Findings for few Days

MOUNT HOOD, Ore., June 19.—(AP)—Edwin Atherton, one-time federal bureau of investigation agent who looked into the athletic affairs of the 10 Pacific Coast conference schools last year and this, submitted his 700 page report to the conference meeting at Timberline lodge today but the delegates took one look at the size of it and announced there would be no comment for a few days.

Prof. C. V. Ruzek of Oregon State college, conference president, said an "extended statement" would be given later in the week.

No official announcement of the content was made. Atherton has been studying the athletic setup in conference schools but said some time ago he would only report, not recommend.

Routine business occupied the conference delegates today. They decided to delay consideration of "round-robin" football schedules for 1941 and 1942 until a joint meeting with graduate managers Friday. Managers and coaches will start separate sessions Friday.

A new basis for scheduling football games which will produce better "arrangements for all member schools," was up for consideration, delegates said. Another arrangement whereby scheduling of games for the "round-robin" members would become nearly "automatic" also was under consideration.

"Round-robin" football schools are Oregon, Oregon State, Washington, Washington State, Southern California, UCLA, Stanford and California.

Weather Hampers Scattergun Crew

Salem's trapshooters, making ready for the big Pacific International association shoot slated here July 20-23, were held to low scores because of gusty weather Sunday but will stage another practice session Thursday afternoon.

George Hurly's 25 straight in handicap firing and W. H. Wolf's 49 out of 50 from 15 yards were top scores Sunday.

Results:

16 yard event—100 targets, Ted Welty 94, Clarence Townsend 89, W. D. Carter 84. Lowell White 66 x 75.

50 targets—W. H. Wolf 49, Frank Rock 47, George Hurley 45, R. Welty 35, Nels Tonning 33.

25 targets—Walt Simon 23 Pete Lermon 18, Fred Leisi 16.

Handicap—Ted Welty 61 x 75, Carter 42 x 50; 25 targets—Townsend 24, White 22, Wolf 22, Hurley 25, Welty 21, Simon 22.

A practice shoot is billed for next Thursday evening.

Tigers Beaten By Champions

Detroit Held to six Hits but Three Are Clouts for Circuit

NEW YORK, June 19.—(AP)—Oral Hildebrand limited the Detroit Tigers to six hits—three of them home runs—as the world champions took the series from the invaders by an 8-5 "rubber game" victory today.

The Yankees teed off early in the game, making five of their runs in the first inning off Paul Trout, then picking up one each in the fifth, seventh and eighth—the last two coming on homers by Bill Dickey and Red Rolfe. Bill's sixth and Red's fifth of the year.

The Tigers out-homered the champs with Barney McCosky, Pinky Higgins and Red Kress, who was batting for Archie McKain, all connecting. McCosky's homer came in the sixth and was the first hit the Tigers had off Hildebrand.

Detroit	5	6	0
New York	8	13	0

Trout, McKain, Coffman and Tebbetts; Hildebrand and Dickey.

Browns, Solons Split

WASHINGTON, June 19.—(AP)—Lanky Vernon Kennedy scattered six hits over 14 innings today to help St. Louis beat the Washington Senators 2 to 1 in the first game of a twin bill, but the Browns lost an abbreviated nightcap, 6 to 1.

In the first game neither team scored until the 10th, when Don Heffner singled, was sacrificed to second and scored on Billy Sullivan's single. The Senators tied it up in their half on two singles, a sacrifice and an infield out.

Chet Laabs won the game in the 14th, scoring Johnny Berardino with a triple.

The Browns got only 6 hits off Joe Krakauskas in the second game, scoring their run on Myril Hoag's double and George McQuinn's single in the first inning. The game was called in the eighth because of darkness.

St. Louis	2	11	0
Washington	1	6	1

Kennedy and Glenn; Leonard, Appleton and Ferrell, Giuliani.

St. Louis	1	6	3
Washington	6	6	0

Lawson, Harris, Mills and Glenn; Krakauskas and Early.

Riverside Takes Salem Golf Team

Locals Defeated 2d Time in History on Home Course 40-20

The Salem Golf club team encountered tough opposition for the second successive time in home competition and lost Sunday, 40 to 20, to the Riverside Country club team of Portland. It was the local team's second defeat in history on its home course, the other occurring three weeks ago when Lake Oswego Country club won here.

With a light rain falling most of the day following heavier rains, few notable scores were made. Summary:

Salem (20)	Riverside (40)
Pekar 3	Flynn 0
Eyre 0	Barndollar 3
Cline 2½	Green 2½
Patterson ½	Ortman 2½
Victor 3	Ott 0
Petre 1½	Mercier 1½
Flanery 3	Hill 0
Nash 1½	Minsinger 1½
Skelley 0	Burris 3
Day 0	McGill 3
Waterman 0	Cole 3
Potts 1½	Williams 1½
Starr ½	Kennealy 2½
Raffety 0	Nearhoff 3
Higgins 0	Onslow 3
Curtis 0	Cotty 3
Gustafson 0	Doughton 3
McAfee ½	Martin 2½
Woodry 0	Welch 3
Mickelson 2½	Kinzer ½

Barber Gets Bird And Live One, too

INDEPENDENCE—Cleve Robinson, Independence barber, didn't wait until he got to the green of Oak Knoll's 489-yard number five to get his birdie Sunday.

Robinson's third stroke, heading straight for the carpet, stopped the flight, and the life of a blackbird.

WRESTLING

LADIES FREE

Wild Red Berry

vs.

Danny Savich

1 Hour

CHARLIE CARR

vs.

MARSHALL CARTER

45 Minutes

Eddie Roberts vs. Frankenstein Woolf

30 Minutes

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