

Sport Sparks

By RON GEMMELL

Founding out notions of patter—and wondering what has become of the gent who was going to give the world a little leisure in which to smoke that good five-cent cigar . . . Or if it was ever definitely proved that there was a rock in his shoe that made Oscar wild . . . Or why Mr. Gallup, in his famous public opinion polls, has never determined the consensus on the ever-prevalent question of, "which came first, the chicken or the egg?"

It would be news of the first, second and third water, if, between now and Wednesday, there was found anyone outside of New Jersey who was wearing a bob on Galento. . . One eastern town, that has a ball game billed, has arranged for a three-minute intermission in which to hear the broadcast of the Louis-Galento fight. "It won't take any longer," said the team manager. . . Football note: Texas Christian is now advertising its first two lines will average 202 pounds to the man. . .

Dumb softball of the past week: Using the sacrifice bunt when six runs behind; an infield pulling in an attempt to cut off a run when the score was eight runs against it, the bases loaded and no one down; first basemen playing the bag with a runner on base when the runner, according to the rules, couldn't leave anyhow; and at least two catchers refusing to throw through with runners on first and third, two away and the tying or winning run being put on second via a steal. . .

The Pade-Barricks plifer bases with abandon. . . Yes, they use their feet, too. . . Pat Carson, P-B outfielder, fields, hits and throws well enough to make a lot of male softballers envious of her ability. . .

Suffer Little From Sheepskinitis

But 13 veterans are lost to Willamette athletic teams for the 1939-40 season. At least only that number via graduation. Lack of grade requirements may put a few more on the sidelines, so we hear. . . Hardest hit is the football team, losing little all-American Ed George Abbott, 413-minute Tackle George Sirilo, all-conference Center Leighton Blake, Tackle Karl Kahle, all-conference Fullback Neil Shaffer and End Francis Schmidt. . .

Lost to Happy Howard Maple's championship casaba crew were big Bill Anton, the conference's high scorer, and Reserve Guard Oscar Specht. . . The Bearcat baseball squad loses Catcher Hal Moo, number one hitter this spring; Reliever Larry Nunnemkamp; and Rex Pierce, four-year veteran first baseman. Track losses only Norm Hognson, a chief point-getter for four years, while from conference champion tennis team is lost only Bill Clemes, the 1939 number four man. . .

Of 237 college football players on the eligible list for this year's all-star game in Chicago, including 51 ends, 32 guards, 60 tackles, 42 centers, 24 quarterbacks, 21 fullbacks and 43 halfbacks, not one is listed from Oregon. . . Voters, however, aren't restricted to the eligible list, which in itself will see subsequent additions. . .

That Kansas City park, where Vince DiMaggio—middle one of the DiMaggios, has up until this week been averaging a homer every other day, is one of the biggest in baseball. . . It's 350 feet down each foul line and 450 feet to center. . . Which reminds me: Wonder why Silverton doesn't move in its outfield fences a bit? No homer over 'em yet—something the fans like to see occasionally if not often. . .

Kids Have No Place to Play

A man without a country and Salem's embryo Junior Legion team, which gets its first taste of competition this afternoon at Dallas, have much in common. . . No place to play for the local lads. Can't play at Sweetland would muss up the softball field. . . Can't play at Olinger—too many active boys and too much. Commercial league softball at night. . . If we recollect correctly, Salem citizenry voted a \$50,000 bond issue for a baseball park—but maybe our memory is faulty. . .

At any rate, it's a stinky kettle of fish when an American town of better than 30,000 population can't or doesn't, (the latter being the case), provide a location whereon its youngsters may indulge in the truly all-American sport. . . Hostak vs. Krieger for the world's middleweight title Tuesday night in Seattle, and Louis vs. Galento for the world's heavyweight title Wednesday night in New York. . . Ten to one the Seattle scrap is both longer and better than the Bronx bowling of the barrel. . .

Greatest pitching achievement of all time? Our answer is that all-star game performance by Carl Hubbell—the striking out, in order, of Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig, Jimmy Foxx, Al Simmons and Joe Cronin. . . Five of the best batmen of their day. . . Last in team batting, last in team hitting, last in pitchers' earned run averages. Those, of course, are the reasons why the Parkers, faded titlists of but a year ago, are also last in the percentages and why they haven't won a game yet. . .

1939 Coast Football Rated

Perhaps it isn't football season, (although many now are of the opinion the pigskin parade is 12 months long), Dick Friedlich of San Francisco already has rated the first ten teams on the Pacific coast. . . In order, here's his ratings: 1. Southern California, 2. Stanford, 3. Oregon, 3. UCLA, 10. U. of San Francisco. . .

Commenting on Friedlich's lineup, Bill Leiser says he can't see Stanford ahead of St. Mary's or Santa Clara. . . The Oregon schedule he disposes of thus: "Oregon State is supposed to be something this season. Tex Oliver, in his second season at Oregon, will develop a tremendous spiritual drive, and some sound football to go with it." . . Sounds like all California dispositions of Oregon football possibilities. And who can say differently? . . .

The Pheasants are a bit crippled for their softball tussle with the high-flying Square Dealers tomorrow night. . . Hendrie yesterday revealed the Eisinger slugging first baseman, had pulled a back muscle when he slid into the plate at the finish of his home run gallop against Waits last Thursday night, and that both he and Catcher Hal Pangle are hospitalized. . . Pangle was running a high fever, but early diagnosis hadn't revealed the cause. . .

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Ex-Football Ace to Make Mat Debut Here With Fierce Fellow

One of the two new faces to appear on Tuesday night's armory raslin card will belong to Johnny Lewis, body-beautiful ex-football phenom from California, who is billed for a main event appearance against the ferocious "Wild Red" Berry, while the other is owned by Rex Hale, a hearty specimen from Los Angeles, who goes on in the opener. . .

For the second successive week Promotor Herb Owen invites all members of the shrive-

ler sex, including the Mrs., the Misses and hired girl, to be his non-paying guests. In other words, women will be admitted free of charge. . . Both Lewis and Hale, the newcomers, are preceded by seeds of press praise, which hail them as among the top grapplers of the Pacific coast. Both are clean, fast matmen. . .

The middle bout will feature 45 minutes, or less, of swift action, involving Marshall Carter and Eddie Roberts as the principals. Each gained popular approval in performances here last week. . .

It is probable that Harry Elliott, although the veteran announces his retirement and took a position in Portland, will be on hand as referee. As Salem fans have repeatedly voiced opposition to any one but Elliott, Promotor Owen has made every attempt to keep him in line for Salem bouts. . .

Beavers Stop Angels Again, 7-2

2 big Frames Beat Leaders

Three Runs in Fifth Are Starter as Portland Takes Lead

PORTLAND, June 24.—(P)—Two big innings gave the Portland Beavers a 7-2 victory over Los Angeles in a Pacific Coast league baseball game tonight.

The win put Portland one up in the series, 3 to 2.

The Beavers opened scoring in the third, smashing in a trio of runs, on a homer by big Ed Coleman. In the fifth, the Portlanders unloaded their heavy artillery again, getting four runs on five hits and an error by Jim Collins.

Both Los Angeles runs came in the fifth, when Collins recouped by leading off with a single, followed by another from Chock's bat. Stringer doubled to score both men.

Los Angeles 2 6 2
Portland 7 11 0
Berry, Flores and B. Collins; Thomas and Fernandes.

Seals Down Rainiers
SEATTLE, June 24.—(P)—Matching hit for hit, Seattle was no match for San Francisco in runs tonight as the revitalized Seals took a 4-2 decision in a coast league baseball game.

The Rainiers sank under a first inning scoring spree, but stayed even with the league-leading Los Angeles as the Angels dropped a decision to Portland. Half a game still separates the first two teams.

San Francisco and Seattle each got eight hits here, but the Seals mustered strength when it was needed and kept all but one of the potential runs in the potential stage.

San Francisco 4 8 1
Seattle 1 8 1
Jorgens, Ballou and Sprinz; Barrett and Campbell.

San Diego Wins
OAKLAND, Calif., June 26.—(P)—Howard Craghead, veteran right-hander, after losing in his last three starts against Oakland, pitched San Diego to a 4 to 2 victory over the Oaks in a coast league game today.

The Oaks hold an edge in the series, 3 to 2.

San Diego 4 8 3
Oakland 2 6 0
Craghead and Starr, Detroit; Bithorn, Buxton and Conroy.

Sacramento 1 7 4
Hollywood 2 8 0
Seats and Orogowski; Bittner, Moncrief and Brenzel, 10 innings.

Marian McDougall Wins Fourth Time

Portland Woman Defeats Mrs. Jones 13 and 12 in Golf Final

VICTORIA, B. C., June 24.—(CP)—Marian McDougall of Portland blazed a trail of pars and birdies over the Royal Colwood links today to win the women's Pacific Northwest golf title for the fourth straight time and the fifth time since she entered competition as a girl of 15.

The Portland girl, who won medal honors Monday at the Uplands course, defeated Mrs. C. W. Jones of Seattle 13 and 12 in the 36-hole final. She held an eight-hole lead at the halfway mark and continued her par-cracking round to end the match on the 24th green.

The Seattle woman played well over the first nine, holding the defending champion to a one-hole lead. But she faltered badly on the back nine when a heavy but short rain fell and lost seven straight holes to Miss McDougall.

The defending champion, who was runner up in the PNW in 1933 and 1935 and who won the title in 1934, 1936, 1937 and 1938, won the first three holes of the afternoon round as Mrs. Jones continued erratically.

They halved the 22nd in par three but the defending champion took a one-hole lead in the 23rd and ended the match on the 24th where she was two put for another par five.

Collegian Golfers Fail to Crack Par

DES MOINES, Ia., June 24.—(P)—A rapidly mobilizing college golfing army failed to dent par in practice rounds today over the rugged Wakonda course here, site of the national collegiate tournament which opens Monday.

Tom Hoak of Iowa State college, Ames, turned in the day's best score, an even par 72. Don Kennedy, Stanford university ace, posted a 73, second lowest.

The entry total into today was 139, representing approximately 45 universities and colleges.

SPORTS

Salem, Oregon, Sunday Morning, June 25, 1939

City Tennis Meet Plans Drawn

Tony and Joe Ready to War

Jersey Friends See Tony Do Drills; Joe Looks Listless

SUMMIT, N.J., June 24.—(P)—Tony Galento took his next to last drill today for his 15-round heavyweight championship bout with Joe Louis in New York next Wednesday night.

While 1200 of his Jersey well-wishers sat on the sunny hillside and cheered, the Orange saloon owner stepped through five brisk rounds with two of his stooges, then polished off the workout with three sessions of bag punching and rope skipping.

Galento boxed with durable Abe Feldman of Schenectady and the mammoth Mickey McAvoy of Brooklyn. Both were glad when it was over.

Manager Joe Jacobs said Tony will do his last boxing tomorrow. Only light exercises and maybe a little road work are scheduled for Monday and Tuesday.

Jack Johnson, former world's heavyweight champion; Thomas L. Farley, deputy commissioner of the New York state athletic commission and Leon Raines, chairman of the Pennsylvania commission, watched the workout.

"This is the first time I've seen Galento, and I'm not prepared to do any picking yet," said Johnson. "But Galento has this on the other men Louis has fought. He isn't scared to death."

Joe is sluggish
POMPTON, N.J., June 24.—(P)—Joe Louis boxed listlessly today in the first of three weekend sparring programs that will complete his training for Wednesday night's 15-round fight with Tony Galento.

The heavyweight champion appeared sluggish as he loafed through round after round with Willie Snell, Joe Banovic, Jim Howell and George Nicholson. His sparmates hit him repeatedly.

Trainer Jack Blackburn explained Louis' indifferent performance by declaring that "Chappie is right on edge now, and there's no sense having him cut loose when it isn't necessary."

But Harry Lenny, veteran trainer and manager, had another version. "Louis looked bad because they're trying to change his style to right on edge now, and there's no sense having him cut loose when it isn't necessary."

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Statesman-Playground-Parker Event Opens July 3 on Playground Courts; Saturday Deadline for Applications

Scheduled to open Monday, July 3, is the second annual city-wide singles tennis tournament, again under sponsorship of the city playgrounds, Cliff Parker's sporting goods store and The Oregon Statesman.

Devised last year by Playgrounds Director Vern Gilmore to stimulate interest in tennis, the tourney this year is expected to draw better than double last year's number of entries.

Last year's entries numbered 23—three junior girls, 11 in the senior men, nine junior boys and seven senior women.

Entry blanks, which must be filled out and turned into Parker's, the Olinger pool office or the Statesman sports desk not later than 10 a. m. Saturday morning of this week, will run daily in the Statesman until that time. Contestants, who will have preference of the four Olinger courts at all times during the meet, are asked by Gilmore to report to Cotter Gould, who has been put in charge.

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Westland Pacific Amateur Champ

Seattle Golfer Defeats Ken Black, Vancouver, in Final Round

VICTORIA, June 24.—(CP)—A putting wizard from Seattle—Jack Westland—won the Pacific northwest amateur golf crown for the second straight time today, defeating Ken Black of Vancouver on the 37th green in one of the most gruelling finals in the history of the championship.

Black, tournament medalist, came from behind to square the match on the last hole of the 36-hole final.

The British Columbia amateur champion, seeking to be the first British Columbian to lift the PNW crown, saw his hopes disappear on the 38-yard 37th as his long putt which would have given him a par four, rimmed the cup. Westland sank a three-footer for a four to take the hole and the match.

A gallery of 700 who braved a morning rain to watch the pair, saw Westland finish the first 18 with a one-up lead. He was never behind the Canadian throughout and at times was as much as two holes ahead.

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New York's ace righthander scattered seven hits to throttle the St. Louis hard-hitting Browns,