

# Sixth Annual Softball Meet Tee-off Ready

## 30 Teams Vie For Trophies

Women's Division Starts Play in Afternoon; Men at 7:30

Tomorrow's sun will no more than have had time to skid into the Pacific ocean before the 1939 Oregon state softball tournament, the sixth annual scramble for the state-wide championship, begins on Sweetland field.

The women's division, in fact, will have started long before six o'clock out of Salem's skies, for Salem's Pade-Barricks and East Side Dairy of Portland pry the lid off that 14-team tourney for third annual honors no later than 7:30 Monday afternoon.

**Square Deal First**  
But it is from 7:30 p. m. Monday night, when Square Deal of Salem meets Grants Pass, the district 13 titlist, until some time after 10 p. m. Saturday night that softball action becomes acute. Pre-tourney favorites to walk off with the mammoth B. P. Johns trophy taken away last year by the Salem Papermakers include, Salem's two entries, the Dealers and Waits; the district one and two titlists from Portland, A.F.L. and the L. R. Teeple Co.; and the Bonneville Engineers, headed by Pitcher Bigg Georgeson.

A total of 26 tilts will be played during the six tournament days, 11 in the women's division and 15 in the 16-team men's division. Monday and Tuesday night's opening round men's division games will all be seven-inning affairs, but beginning with Wednesday night's quarter-final frays they'll be nine-frame issues.

**Many Stars Return**  
Tournament team rosters reveal that many of the crowd pleasers who have thrilled fans since as far back as the 1933 invitational meet will again be on hand. They include such well-known stars as Georgeson, "Speedball" Bill Jones, Mickey Berlant, "Olster" Endicott, George Scales and Squee Kitchen.

For the first time since the tourney was originated in 1934, all 16 teams have won their way into state competition by winning district titles. They are endeavoring to assure the 1939 meet will be the most closely played on record.

Too, with softball interest heightened in every community throughout the state to a much warmer degree than ever before, attendance is expected to out-run even last year's all-time high.

For the exact tournament schedule, consult the bracket lineup published in this section.

## Rough Show Due For Armory Mat

All-Toughie Tilts Tuesday to Feature Return of Popular Klayton

Wide open, rough, tough razzing is expected to mark Tuesday night's complete three-bout card at Salem's armory, with King Kong Klayton, the bull-necked negro from Cincinnati, getting top billing against Bob Cummings, Montana mauler.

From the time Wild Bill McKenna and Babe Small start smashing up the scenery in the 30-minute opener until Cummings and Klayton clash in the final featured number, the local clash chamber will be turned into a bedlam, it is expected.

Only the middle bout may be tamer, more scientific proportions. In this, two Ernies, Piluso of Portland and Roberts of Oklahoma, meet for a 45-minute or two-out-of-three falls period.

To make the card an all-around toughie tangle, Promoter Herb Owen has secured the services of Vern Clark as referee.

## Silverton to Hear Game Today at 4

Zulu Giants to Play "B" Club Wednesday at McGinnis Park

SILVERTON—Sunday at 4 p. m., P.S.T. the Silverton Red Sox will meet the Wichita All Stars in their fourth game at the national semi-pro tournament of Wichita. The Red Sox have two wins and one loss to date and another win put them in the money. The game will be heard at McGinnis field by telegraphic play by play at 4 o'clock.

Wednesday night the Silverton Bees meet the Detroit African Zulu Giants at McGinnis field. The Zulus are reported to be the funniest baseball team in the world, wearing earrings, grass skirts and playing barefooted.

September 5, the Cincinnati Reds will sponsor a baseball school for young ball players. The school will be held at McGinnis field and will close September 9. Information can be had from the local agent, Orlo P. Thompson.

## Roy Hughes Married

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 19—(AP)—Roy Hughes, Menlo junior college basketball and football coach, was married here today to Miss Jacquelyn Pickett of St. Louis. The newlyweds left for an Oregon honeymoon. Hughes is a former University of Oregon athlete.



SOFTBALL ACTION of last week as Square Deal Radio won its way into the 1939 state softball tourney that it will open Monday night against Grants Pass, district 13 champion. At far left, Third Baseman Herbie Gentskow fields one and gets set to throw across the diamond. Next, Jack Causey, long-legged outfielder, scores the first run of the game in which the Dealers clinched the Salem No. 2 spot by beating Schoens 10-1, while Catcher Bernie Larsson of Schoens watches the hit that tallied him. Next, Outfielder Stubby D'Arcy drives one to deep center for a clean hit. And, at far right, Pitcher Henry Singer demonstrates the form he hopes will carry his Dealer mates to the 1939 state title.—Statesman staff photos

## Sport Sparks

By RON GEMMELL

Lassoing a little of dissa and data, and wondering whatever became of the blatant bozo who belittled Salem's lack of sports enthusiasm? . . . Two of the Sioux City Ghosts who badgered Waits at Sweetland Friday night really turned into ghostly specimens after taking nose dives into the chalk lines. . . .

No less than nine members of the Duncan, Oklahoma, squad that dunked Silverton's Red Sox, 6-0, at Wichita are professionals who have at one time or another played class A-1 or better baseball. . . . Five of 'em were taken right out of the class A-1 Texas circuit. . . . So, considering Silverton's lineup consisted solely of kids who have never been beyond the bushes, the beating was small business. . . .

Incidentally, Orlo "Tommy" Thompson of Silverton informs me, proudly, it was the first whitewashing inflicted upon the Red Sox in five seasons of play, including three years of State league competition and two seasons of outlaw baseball. . . . And, don't count the Red Sox out of the national meet yet. It's a double elimination tourney and they're still in there. . . . They play this afternoon, with the results scheduled to start coming in about 4 p. m.

At present Hammering Henry Armstrong, who goes against Lou Ambers in a return engagement Tuesday, holds both the lightweight and welterweight titles. . . . A natural lightweight, Ambers isn't interested in the welterweight championship, but if he is to engage in a profitable outdoor fight this season it will have to be with Armstrong, even if he must take much of the worst of it on the scales. . . .

**"Best" Performances Paralleled**  
It's surprising how the best performances in this year's softball season so nearly paralleled those of the 1938 season, giving indication that the calibre of ball played has changed little. . . . This year Tommy Drynan's 23 hits led the batting parade, while last year Henry Singer's 24 was the largest number of blows. . . . Three men, Fordard, Adolph and Roth hit two homers each last season, while Eisinger, Eddie Salstrom and Caves duplicated the feat this. . . . Last season Bill Dick led the three-bagger bombers with three, while Bill Gentskow did the same this season. . . . George Scales, Stubby D'Arcy and Harold Hawk hit three two-baggers each last season, while Scales and D'Arcy topped that department with six apiece this summer. . . . Only in the number of total putouts, which of course goes to a first baseman, was there a wide margin of difference. Here, Steelhammer was tops last season with 159, while Caves took the honors this season with 182. . . .

Bud Fordard, Pheasantman who last season led the loop with 16 runs batted in and who fielded so sensationally he was given an all-star berth, blames falling eyes for his inability to maintain that pace this year. . . . Bud's fielding suffered, as well as his hitting. . . . Every time a freshman pitcher wins 20 games under the big league baseball tent it is a seven-day wonder, yet old Grover Cleveland Alexander knocked off a cool 26 in 1911, his first year up with the Phillies, and the Phils that year finished fourth. . . . Of course, there's the lively ball and several other circumstances which were at that time decidedly in the pitcher's favor. . . .

**Ghosts No Better Softball Players**  
The infield combination presented by Waits in the latter stages of their exhibition with the negro Ghosts Friday night looked to be as all-around capable as any the Measmen might field for tourney play. . . . It consisted of George Scales at first, Squee Kitchen at second, Bob Dunn at short and Lowell Gribble at third. . . . Incidentally, the big reason Waits grabbed up Bob Dunn is that the Papermaker shortstop has always been able to hit Hank Sinker, and the Measmen believe they're a cinch to come to bat against Singer Wednesday night of this week's tourney. . . .

Great exhibitionists, those Ghosts, but outside of their pitching this observer wouldn't rate them as any better softball players than Waits. . . . Despite George Roth's sterling efforts in the regular season, and despite the fact Art Stebens has come along with startling rapidity, the pitching department looks to be Waits' weakest link for tournament play. . . . If Crofoot was with 'em, which he won't be, I'd still take them against the field for a 15 to 1 shot. . . .

Softball Frexy Maple set a new precedent when he failed to either criticize the new deal or attempt to solve a single national question in his speech before the softball stands Friday at Sweetland. . . . He's not been in the limelight, has Softball Treasurer Gus Moore, but it's a nice little neat egg he's spread in the books in bold black ink this season. . . . It totals a net profit of well over a 1000 berries. . . .

**Many Willamette Men in Meet**  
No few current or ex-Willamettes will be in action in the big tourney this week. . . . Included among 'em are Andy Peterson of McMinnville, George Scales and Lowell Gribble of Waits and Bob Daggett and George "Glycerine" McGilgan of St. Helens. . . . Oldest man in the meet will be Grants Pass' Pruess, a lawyer who pitches for the Cavemen despite his 49 summers. . . . Pruess, according to advance dope, is almost stone deaf and is therefore unable to hear the roving pitchers are oftimes the target for. . . .

Bob Quinn, with the LaGrande club, may be remembered as one of the best fielding outfielders and fastest base-runners who ever wore a Salem Senator uniform. Quinn, director of athletics at LaGrande senior, romps the middlefield patch for the high country outfit. . . .

Gabby Hartnett, who this month hopes to pass Ray Schalk's all-time catching record, recently discovered he had some extra work. . . . The record books credit Schalk with having 1721 games, but a checkup reveals he has caught 1725, the missing games being five he appeared in for the Giants in 1929. . . . In training for his scrap with Ambers, and experts are afraid the little guy may be in such a terrific slump he'll wind up with but one title. . . . Who remembers away back when football started in October? . . .

## Rainfall Ends Card-Red Tiff

Teams Tied at 3-3 in 9th When Downpour Brings Halt to Feud

CINCINNATI, Aug. 19—(AP)—The Cincinnati Reds battled the second-place St. Louis Cardinals for nine innings to a 3 to 3 tie today, the weatherman finally winning the chips.

Rain started to fall just as the Reds were making a final desperate effort to end the duel. Unprotected fans took cover. The drizzle increased to a downpour and the day's efforts went in vain. The 16,728 disappointed fans saw Johnny Mize, league-leading slugger, who had a perfect day at the plate, double in J. Martin, who had singled for a run in the first inning. Morton Cooper fanned the first three Reds up.

Terry Moore slammed the first ball pitched by Paul Derringer in the second for his eighth home run of the season, giving the battling cards a two-run advantage. In the third, Werber and Joost walked and Goodman doubled both home to knot the count.

With one on base, Mize tripled over Goodman's head in the fifth and the Cards again had the lead. A walk, a sacrifice and Werber's single put the game into a tie again in the seventh.

The Reds collected only four hits, but Cooper, who struck out six, issued as many walks. The tie left the Reds 5 1/2 games in front of the Cards. (Game called end of 9th rain) St. Louis . . . . . 3 8 0 Cincinnati . . . . . 3 8 0 Cooper, Warneke, Shoun and Padgett, Owen; Derringer and Lombardi, Hershberger.

**Pirates Blanked**  
PITTSBURGH, Aug. 19—(AP)—Handcuffed by the six hit pitching of big Bill Lee, the Pittsburgh Pirates tied the longest losing streak of the current National League season today by bowing to the Chicago Cubs 5 to 0.

It was the Pirates' 11th consecutive defeat and tied the record previously held by the Philadelphia Phillies. The victory was Lee's 15th of the season.

Augi Galan and Manager Gabby Hartnett personally accounted for all the Chicago runs. Chicago . . . . . 5 15 0 Pittsburgh . . . . . 0 6 1 Lee and Hartnett; Tobin, Blanton and Susce, Mueller.

## League Baseball

COAST LEAGUE (Before Night Games)			
	W	L	Pct.
Seattle	34	57	.534
Los Angeles	73	64	.532
San Francisco	74	65	.532
Sacramento	72	68	.514
Hollywood	65	77	.458
Portland	63	74	.460
San Diego	63	78	.447
Oakland	63	79	.444

  

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	W	L	Pct.
New York	77	33	.700
Boston	69	40	.633
Chicago	62	50	.554
Cleveland	58	53	.523
Detroit	53	54	.518
Washington	49	65	.430
Philadelphia	33	72	.345
St. Louis	32	74	.345

  

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	W	L	Pct.
Cincinnati	63	39	.619
St. Louis	63	44	.589
Chicago	61	51	.546
New York	54	53	.505
Brooklyn	54	54	.500
Pittsburgh	49	57	.462
Boston	47	61	.435
Philadelphia	33	71	.317

## Woodburn Club Defeated 6 to 3

Los Angeles Juniors Are Winners Over Oregon Champions

STOCKTON, Calif., Aug. 19—(AP)—The Sunrise post of Los Angeles defeated the Woodburn, Ore., team, 6 to 3, in the second game of the American Legion junior western sectional baseball tournament here this afternoon, and gained the right to meet Omaha, Neb., in the western final tomorrow.

Omaha won its way into the final earlier with a 9 to 5 victory over Topeka, Kan. Los Angeles put the game on ice in the first inning, scoring four runs on three walks, a hit batsman, and three hits, and driving Pitcher Bill Hanauka from the mound. Coleman took up the pitching duties for the Oregon team and allowed only two runs, both unearned, for the remainder of the game.

Paul Soderberg, husky Los Angeles right-hander, ran into trouble in the eighth inning, when the Oregonians scored all their runs, but weathered the storm. Soderberg fanned ten.

Sunsler led the Sunrise post attack with two hits in four trips. The shortscores: Los Angeles . . . . . 6 10 2 Woodburn . . . . . 3 10 6 Soderberg and Palmer; Hanauka, Coleman and Grossmiller.

## Californian to Be Race Judge, Fair

Lewis J. Giles of Delmar Track Accepts Bid to Act as Official

Lewis J. Giles, who has been at Bing Crosby's track at Delmar, Cal., and who has served for several years as secretary of the racing meet at Puyallup, Wash., will be judge and racing secretary of the Oregon state fair six-day racing meet, opening Labor day, fair officials announced today.

This will be Mr. Giles first engagement in Oregon, however, a number of horsemen who race here have raced under him in Puyallup and say that this northern meet is one of the best liked and cleanest they attend.

Dr. W. H. Lytle, who again will be superintendent of the state fair speed department, reports that Giles is now at Longacres lining up entries for the state fair meet. Giles has already reported a number of stables signed, including two from Canada. Both the latter have winners on the Canadian tracks this summer.

M. H. Morrison, who served as racing secretary here for several years, is now at Longacres and will be unable to get away at the time of the state fair meet, which opens September 4, is in progress, he informed Dr. Lytle some time ago.

## Bliss to Coach Scio

SCIO, Ore., Aug. 19—(AP)—Jackson Bliss, former University of Oregon and Eugene town team catcher, was employed as coach and history and economics instructor at Scio high school today. Bliss once coached at Ashland high school.

# SPORTS

RON GEMMELL—Editor  
Salem, Oregon, Sunday Morning, August 20, 1939

## How They'll Play in State Meet

SQUARE DEAL	
MON 7:30	
GRANTS PASS	
Waits	Wed 8:00
MON 8:30	
LA GRANDE	
ST HELENS	Fri. 8:00
MON 9:30	
ALBANY	
McMINNVILLE	Wed 9:00
MON 10:30	
PENDLETON	
INDEPENDENCE	Sat 9:00
TUES 7:30	
BONNEVILLE	
PORTLAND A.F.L.	Thurs 8:00
TUES 8:30	
PORTLAND TEEPLE CO	
FOREST GROVE	Fri 9:00
TUES 9:30	
PORTLAND NO 3	
MILWAUKEE	Thurs 9:00
WED. 10:30	
EUGENE	

## Armstrong Choice To Retain Chown

NEW YORK, Aug. 19—(AP)—Henry Armstrong, the only three-time champion in pugilistic history, today was firmly established as a 5-5 choice to successfully defend his lightweight title in his 16-round clash with former champion Lou Ambers at the Yankee stadium Tuesday night.

The boys are expected to do their encore before an audience of near 30,000. Mike Jacobs, head of the 20th Century Sporting club, sees a gate of \$150,000—maybe more.

## HITSMITH By Jack Sords



GEORGE McQUINN, FIRST BASEMAN OF THE ST. LOUIS BRONCOS, IS LEADING HIT COLLECTOR OF THE AMERICAN LEAGUE. GEORGE IS PILING UP HITS AT A RATE THAT MAY REACH A TOTAL OF OVER 200 BY THE END OF THE SEASON.

## Aussies Sweep Doubles Event

Two American Teams Are Humbled in Semis of Brookline Meet

By BILL KING  
BROOKLINE, Mass., Aug. 19. The status of the national doubles tennis championship round was reduced to that of a routine workout for the Australian Davis cup forces today at Longwood.

That team's brightest stars, Adrian Quist and Jack Bromwich, completed the rout of America's outstanding pairs by humbling Bobby Riggs, of Chicago, and Elwood Cooke, of Portland, Ore., the Wimbledon and supposedly world champions, 6-1, 6-4, 6-0, in the last of the semi-finals.

By so doing, Quist and Bromwich proved this tourney to accept the first all-foreign windup in its 58-year history, for their teammates, Jack Crawford and Harry Hopman, qualified for the title action tomorrow by drubbing top-seeded Frank Parker, of Beverly Hills, Calif., and Don McNeill, of Oklahoma City, yesterday.

First in 20 Years  
Quist and Bromwich, runners-up last year to Don Budge and Gene Mako, were favored to become the first Australian winners in this event since Norman Brookes and Gerald Patterson triumphed 20 years ago.

When Riggs and Cooke started play, their chances for an upset victory depended entirely upon their ability to prevent the Australians from plaguing them at the net. They tried hard but their best was far short.

England's beautiful Kay Hamerley and Mrs. Freda James Hamerley won the dubious honor of competing in the women's doubles finals against the invincible Mrs. Sarah Palfrey Fry, of Brookline, and Alice Marble, of Beverly Hills, winners for the past two years. The British girls qualified by defeating Helen Jacobs, of Berkeley, Calif., and Dorothy Workman, of Los Angeles, 6-1, 6-2.

## Chestnut Winner Of Travers Race

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y., Aug. 19—(AP)—The historic Travers Stakes, the race which was supposed to settle everything about the three-year-olds, didn't prove a thing today when George D. Widener's game chestnut, Eight Thirty, won the 70th renewal of the classic, and \$14,575.

Johnstown was scratched, and the anticipated duel between these two standouts of the three-year-old realm had been the only factor to make the mile and a quarter gallop important. With Big John out of it, because of a heavy before-dawn rain, Eight Thirty, winner of six of his last seven starts, waltzed away from Hilldale stable's Sun Lover and Conn Smyth's Sir Mariboro, the only two colts willing to go against him.

## Smart Trick Winner

CHICAGO, Aug. 19—(AP)—On a sloppy track which resulted in the scratching of four horses, Morris Vehn's Smart Trick won the \$5,000 added Beverly handicap at Washington park today with a smashing six lengths margin over the odds-on favorite, Flying Lili.