

Sport Sparks

By RON GEMMELL

Swift stuff: Four Salem Senators ex-officio are now in the State league. . . Red Randall is with Hills Creek, while Keesee's Peterson, Alan Wray and Teddy Kerr are with Medford. . . Hank Luisetti, Stanford's greatest hoopster, may play for the San Francisco Olympic club next winter.

Watch the grid material flock to Willamette this fall now that Roy Scrivens Keesee's secret mission to the land of the lei has born fruit. . . Uh-huh, and watch to see how many of the current Bearcat gridgers, who have only one year of competition left, attempt to lay out next year. . . And, could you blame them?

On May 9 this corner wrote a little piece concerning the Oregon State's 1940 football prospects. . . The piece, identical and in quotations, appeared in the rival Salem daily Tuesday of this week 12 days later. . . It had been picked up by Fred Hampson, AP sportster for Oregon, and sent out for afternoon papers. . . Nice to know the rival thinks so highly of our stuff.

Eight baseball championships in as many years. Left the record of Woodburn Coach Hal Chapman. . . His first nine, the Independence junior high club, won the Polk county grade school championship. . . His 10th, Wapinitia team won two Wasco county B titles and his Pacific college of Newberg nine won four Willamette Valley Intercollegiate championships.

Bevs Win All

Johnny Weismuller, greatest swimmer of his day and famed Tarzan of the movies, is now a full-fledged aquadiver. . . Which, gentls, is to say he will play the male lead in Billy Rose's Aquadude at the Golden Gate exposition this summer. . . Right when France apparently is in dire need of personnel for its motorized units, two soldiers are given leave to participate in the 600-mile Memorial day auto race at Indianapolis, a place where the mortality rate is as high as high as it is at the war front.

Who in the audience can remember when either Oregon or Oregon State has before in a single year made clean major sports sweeps over the other?

We can't be sure that circumstance is very likely to happen this year. . . The Beavers need only one more baseball win from the Webfoots to accomplish it, and Mr. Elliott is pretty much a cinch to bag that win for them.

The Beavers busted the Ducks in football, 19-14; won three of four basketball games; won the annual Oregon-OSC relay; won the annual Oregon-OSC track and field meet; and currently hold two baseball victories with two games yet to be played. . . It has, in fact, been a skookum year for the Corvallis collegians all the way around.

They have won three major northern division championships, the football, basketball and baseball titles. . . Winning mentors were Lonnie Stiner, Slats Gill and Ralph Coleman. . . In addition, the Beavers fielded an undefeated freshman football team.

About all the Beavers left the Ducks was a few knickknacks, such as the golf and swimming titles, plus a little hope for the future.

Washboard Outfield

Correction: Spec Keene's 14 Willamette football machines have an all-game win mark of 67. . . They lost 42 and tied four, and one-half of the losses were to Pacific Coast conference teams. . . Their first international (so to speak) victory is expected on December 6, 1941.

Crack of the week dept: "Just when washboards are considered outmoded they build one into the whole outfield in George E. Waters park. . . That hard, rough outergarden is the reason, lest you've been wondering why those one-base blows that have bounced past outfielders have been recorded as two baggers instead of fielder's errors.

Unless he gets himself in far better fettle than he was in his last appearance here, Buddy Peterson — to be brutally frank — has about as much chance with Leo "The Lion" Turner when they meet June 6 in the Vets' big open air show at Waters park as a quart of ice cream at a kids' picnic. . . Buddy, at his best, might give the champ some trouble, but Buddy hasn't been at his best since the first time he fought Turner.

There is a young broker named Otto, Who says: "When the market goes blotto, "A glass of good Ale "Cures blues without fail—"RAINIER FOR GOOD CHEER is my motto!"

Rainier ALE
A Lift Without A Letdown

Bill Davis, Distributor
Salem

Bearcats Grab Caldwell Opener 7 to 2

TRIBE'S HOPE

By Jack Sords



MEL HARDER, CLEVELAND QUARTERBACK AT THE START OF THE SEASON, GETTING READY TO JOIN FULLER ALLEN AND MILNAR AS THE TRIBES STARTING PITCHERS

MEL RECENTLY TOOK THE HILL FOR THE FIRST TIME THIS SEASON AND ALTHOUGH HE HAD TO BE RELIEVED, SHOWED MUCH OF HIS FORMER GREATNESS

Fairway Flyers Form Teams For Dual Matches, Tourneys

The city golf tournament is history, except for a few flinty finals, but much major competition lies ahead of Salem's more expert dugger diggers in the next few weeks.

Sunday of this week the Oswego Country club will send a 20-man team to Salem and, recalling last year's double defeat at Oswego's hands, Secretary John Varley has been at some pains to line up his "first team" to oppose the "elevator boys" from Portland's suburbs.

The Salem team will include Hendrie, Lengren, Cover, Petre, Pekar, Powell, Cline, Nash, Waterman, Potts, Woody, Gustafson, Utter, Painter, Skelley, Flannery, Day and about three more yet to be signed up. The return match will be in August.

The Willamette valley eight-man team tournament is scheduled for June 30 at Eugene and Walt Cline, Jr., "Pat" Patterson and Bob Utter are members of a committee to line up a Salem team for entry in this competition. They have posted a ladder to determine the personnel of the team. Players not on the ladder may challenge those who are, and those low on the ladder may challenge those higher. The original lineup is in this order: Cline, Olinger, Utter, Jim Russell, Bob Powell, Lengren, O. Beardsley, Hendrie, Bob Burrell, Patterson, Albrich, Dr. Verne Miller, Cover, Mapes, Scales, Nash.

The state employees golf team will go to Kelso a week from Sunday, on June 2, to meet a similar team from Olympia. This will be a one-match competition this year instead of the spring and fall competition held previously. There have been some challenges on the ladder Captain Bob Taylor posted several weeks ago. About 40 golfers will make the trip.

The society, organized in 1925 by secondary school principals in Washington, DC, has over 1600 members. Salem is number 1686. Its purpose is to foster scholarship among athletes, stimulate a desire for balanced training, elevate sportsmanship ideals and develop outstanding leaders.

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Summer Ahead

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