

Sport Sparks

By RON GEMMELL

Remember the pair of dukes here pictured? They belong to that red-thatched, freckled-faced, slightly constructed windmill softball hurler from Pendleton, Harvey Griffin. He's the lad, if your memory is with you, who last year pitched the Pendleton Bucks into the semifinals of the state softball tournament—shutting out McMinnville on a one-hit in the quarterfinals.

He, and his peculiar, wrist-cocking delivery, are coming back to Salem city next week for the seventh annual state softball session, and his record thus far bids no good for the 15 other teams that will be in the battle along with the Pendletons.

The little guy, who is undoubtedly the best "stuff" server ever to show in Salem, just finished pitching his team to the district 16 title in La Grande—establishing a record of 37 strikeouts in 16 innings. In his two tournament appearances here last year, Griffin struck out 14 and 15, a total of 29 in 16 innings.



GRIFFIN'S GRIP

Has Help This Year.

His religious affiliation last year prevented him from pitching the semifinal game Friday night of the tournament, and it probably was a mighty good thing for Salem's Square Dealers that he didn't. This year, should he move the Bucks as far as the semifinals Friday night, he'll have adequate assistance to take the team through that period his religious belief doesn't allow him to work.

In Don Skinner, so State Director Dwight Adams says, Pendleton now has a second softball server almost as good as Griffin. Both have pitched no-hit, no-run games this year—not just once each but several.

Smokey Adams, in fact, places the Pendleton team high among his three favorites to cop the seventh annual session. The three: The Bonville Engineers, with oldtimer Biff Geoghegan and Salem's Bob Willis doing the pitching; Portland's Joe Mann outfit, with Archie Hamlin pinwheeling 'em across; and Pendleton's Bucks, with Griffin and his back-handed grip.

Skip Protects 'Em.

I wonder, mates, if you've noticed how much more effective Little Skipper Bunny Griffith's batting is in exhibition games than it is in regular league contests, and if you've deducted the reason? For instance, Little Skip collected two blows in the San Diego game and three in the Portland contest, his third in the latter driving home the winning run.

A little close observation during the regular league games will, I think, give you the answer. While he's free to hit for himself in those exhibition encounters, you'll notice he's always trying to help some of his boys along in league games, where the game records are getting into the books for owners and managers of higher leagues to see.

Instead of hitting straight away for himself in circuit clashes, the skip leans over backward in attempts to put that ball behind the runner, to give a runner the advantage of the hit-and-run and, in general, to do everything he can to help out the averages of everyone else on the club but himself.

Spokane-Salem Record.

Contrary to my earlier statement, El Cockey Brewer has lost two games to the league-leading Spokes. It had slipped from mind that he was charged with the loss in the 11th inning game here that the Wigwag team and Brewer's complete record against the Indians to date reads: Six won, two lost; 67 innings pitched; allowed 21 runs; allowed 58 hits.

Also contrary to general opinion, Spokane has won one series from our Solons. The Wigwag took the July 9-10 series at Spokane, winning the first game 8-7 and the second 13-4 before Brewer bobbed up with a five-hitter to set them down 5-1 in the odd game.

If Roy Helsel succeeded in stopping Lelshman's larriper last night, our Solons' record with the Indians today reads: Salem with 13 wins, Spokane with 10. Or, if Helsel was unsuccessful, Salem with 12 wins, Spokane with 11—still giving the Solons the edge. Up to last night's deciding game in that series, Salem had won one five-game series, 3-2.

Softball Tourney Drawings Set

Kids, Dealers Play Tuesday

Salem Entries in Lower Bracket; Portland 9s all in Upper

Both Salem entries in the seventh annual state softball tournament, that tees off next Monday night on Sweetland, drew lower bracket positions and won't see action until Tuesday night of the meet, so drawings released last night by state association officials reveal.

Salem's number one representative, Square Deal, will meet the district eight champion, either Independence or Woodburn, and Salem's number two team, Kennedys, will meet the district 16 champion, Pendleton, at 8:30 and 9:30, respectively, Tuesday night.

The luck of the draw placed all three Portland entries in the upper bracket, with Portland's number one and number two teams meeting in the first round, at 9:30 Monday night.

The drawings, as released by State Director Dwight Adams following a state association meeting here last night:

Monday, 7:30—District 4 (St. Helens, Astoria) vs. district 11 (Albany, Corvallis).

Monday, 8:30—District 3 (Portland number three) vs. district 15 (central Oregon).

Monday, 9:30—District 1 (Portland number one, Joe Mann) vs. district two (Portland number two).

Monday, 10:30—District 5 (Hillsboro, Forest Grove) vs. district 13 (Medford, Ashland, Grants Pass).

Tuesday, 7:30—District 7 (McMinnville, Yamhill) vs. district 6 (Oregon City).

Tuesday, 8:30—District 16 (Pendleton) vs. Salem number two (Kennedys).

Tuesday, 9:30—District 8 (Woodburn, Independence) vs. district 9 (Salem number one, Square Deal).

Tuesday, 10:30—District 14 (Bonneville) vs. district 12 (Eugene).

Solons Outslug Indians, 18-15, to Take Series -32

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Kennedy's Kids Sked Portland 9

P-Bs Play Conservatives in Nightcap; Full Pre-Tourney Week Billed

Kennedy's Kids and a Portland aggregation at 8:15, plus the Pade-Barrick girls vs. the Vancouver, B.C. Conservatives, is tonight's doubleheader softball bill at Sweetland.

It marks the first of a four-night softball stand preceding the state tournament, climax of which will come Thursday and Friday nights when the P-Bs play the Oldtimers and the Conservatives for the benefit of a fund they hope will carry them to the national softball tournament in Detroit next month.

The Kids will have had two tough games under their belts at the conclusion of this week's play, for they tangle with another Portland team as a preliminary to the Pade-Barrick-Oldtimer clash Thursday. Square Deal also has two pre-tourney warmup games this week, playing a Portland team Wednesday and Friday nights.

Waterfowl Season Upped to 60 Days

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Hunters of migratory waterfowl will have 60 days of hunting this fall instead of 45 as last year, and can begin shooting at sunrise instead of having to wait until 7 a. m.

Secretary Ickes issued the new regulations today governing the hunting of ducks, geese, coots and jacksnipe but provided a shorter season on woodcocks and reduced the bag limits on geese, mourning doves and whitewing doves.

The hunting season in the northern states will be from October 1 to November 29; in the intermediate zone from October 15 to December 14, and in the southern zone from November 2 to December 31, inclusive.

The secretary said that an increase for five consecutive years in the duck population made it possible to liberalize the hunting rules but added that "we cannot yet be sure that the day of stringent regulations is past."

Rampaging Pirates Continue to Win

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 12.—(AP)—The rampaging Pittsburgh Pirates continued their hot pace tonight by beating the Cincinnati Reds and Bucky Walters, 4 to 2, before a wild crowd of 42,354 fans that overflowed into the outfield. It was their 11th triumph in 12 games.

The main 1600-seat grandstand and a secondary grandstand were demolished. Owner Bert Bagley estimated the loss at \$25,000. There was no insurance.

The under dog grandstands burned in less than an hour and volunteer fire fighters never had a chance. Vancouver's fire fighting equipment was not used because the park is outside the city limits.

The park, built shortly before the turn of the century, was the scene of the first auto and horse races in the northwest. Dog races were held there four years ago, but closed after being declared illegal.

Except for the midjet auto races the past two weeks, the park had been idle for the past four years.

Grants Pass Wins Last Year's Title

GRANTS PASS, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Grants Pass won last year's Southern Oregon league championship with its 3 to 0 shutout of Crescent City at Crescent City yesterday.

The game also sent Grants Pass into a tie with the coast city in the 1940 league standings. The playoffs will be started here Sunday.

When league officials got around to drawing for last year's playoffs both teams had been banned. So it was agreed that this year's series determined the 1939 championship.

Roseburg blanked Gold Hill, 10 to 0, in yesterday's other league game.

Aron, Kaplan Fight Draw

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Milt Aron, 150, Chicago, and Mike Kaplan, 147, Boston, two leading contenders for Henry Armstrong's welterweight championship, fought to a 10-round draw here tonight.

SPORTS

RON GEMMELL—Editor

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Underdog in Tonight's Tiff



BOB PASTOR

Best in Big Boy Boxers Goes On Tonight; Conn Given Edge

RENO, Nev., Aug. 12.—(AP)—Ray Carlen, manager of Lou Nova, contender for the heavyweight championship, said here today that he had challenged the winner of the Bob Pastor-Billy Conn fight at the Madison Square Garden tomorrow night.

By SID FEDER
NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—(AP)—With a September shot at Joe Louis as the somewhat painful reward, Billy Conn and Bob Pastor fight it out in the Polo grounds at 9 p. m. (EST) tomorrow in a battle bringing together the two best boxers among the "big" fellows in the ring today.

As a fight, it figures to be the classiest exhibition of ring science since Tommy Loughran and Jimmy Slattery waged their 15-round duel 13 years ago, but the cash customers aren't taking to it. Most optimistic estimates are that 20,000 will contribute to a gross gate of \$50,000.

Conn Slightly Favored
Although Pastor went 11 rounds with Louis before the bomber's depth charges exploded on him, the betting fraternity has made the light heavyweight champion from Pittsburgh the favorite. The odds, however, have nose-dived steadily, and Billy the Kid probably won't go to the ring at better than 5 to 6, with even money a possibility.

I like Conn to win over the full 15-round derby distance, but by a margin as close as the American league pennant race. The odds, however, have nose-dived steadily, and Billy the Kid probably won't go to the ring at better than 5 to 6, with even money a possibility.

Building Supply Tops Postoffice
Building Supply took the Postoffice nine to a 14 to 11 beating last night in a wild 14-error infield league ball game. Darkness in the last innings accounted for the many errors.

Building Supply 14 11 3
Postoffice 9 5 11
Ritchie and K. Brown; Shedeck and Scott.

Legal Notice
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all whom it may concern, that Philip Corbett has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Florence E. Corbett, deceased, by the County Court of Marion County, Oregon, and has qualified as such administrator, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and required to present the same, verified as required by law, with the proper vouchers, to the administrator by depositing the same with the Clerk of the above entitled Court, within six months from the date of this notice.

Date of Notice and date of first publication, August 13, 1940.
PHILIP CORBETT
Administrator of the Estate of Florence E. Corbett, Deceased.

CALKINS & CALKINS,
Attorneys for Estate.
Aug. 13-20-27; Sept. 3-10.

American Association
(By Associated Press)
Milwaukee 4, Toledo 3.
St. Paul 2, Indianapolis 11.

Indians Take Circuit Lead

Senator Swing

Follow Salem's Senators with this page. Daily betting averages.

Feller Hurls 20th Win as Cleveland Moves Into First Place

AMERICAN LEAGUE W L Pct
Cleveland 44 38 536 Chicago 52 52 500
Detroit 45 387 Wash. 46 58 488
Boston 57 48 538 St. Louis 48 65 414
N. York 58 515 Philadel. 40 68 368

CHICAGO, Aug. 12.—(AP)—The supposedly weak-batting Cleveland Indians blasted 13 hits, including three home runs, today to beat the Detroit Tigers, 8 to 6, and break their first-place deadlock.

Bob Feller pitched his 20th victory as he limited the heavy-hitting Bengals to seven safe blows before 23,720. Hal Newhouse was routed in the first inning and was charged with the defeat.

Feller, the first hurler in the majors to reach the 20-game mark, fanned seven Tigers and was in serious trouble in only one inning—the seventh when he walked three men in a row. Barney McCosky doubled in two runs and another Bengal scored on an infield out.

Hal Trosky poled his 21st homer in the first inning with one runner on and Beau Bell followed with his third circuit smash of the year. In the fifth Roy Weatherly drove his fifth round-tripper over the right field wall with one on.

Clay Smith was called in after Cleveland's three-run outburst in the first inning and he gave up eight hits and five runs. Tom Seals and Freddy Hutchinson finished for the losers with an inning each.

RENO, Nev., Aug. 12.—(AP)—Jimmy Webb's double after Bob Kennedy walked and Clint Brown sacrificed him to second gave the Chicago White Sox a hard-earned 6 to 5 victory over the St. Louis Browns tonight as the victors left 17 men stranded on the bases, one short of the league record.

Chicago 6 16 1
St. Louis 5 10 2
Knott, Brown (7) and Tresh; Auker, Trotter (8) and Swift.

'Cyclists Stage Tough Hill Climb

A climb, with grades varying from 60 to 80 per cent, provided a tough test for motorcyclists who entered the competitive climb, sponsored by the Salem Motorcyclists club and held on a hill of the old Illinois golf course Sunday.

Results:
45 inch class C—First, John Martinovich of Portland, 227 feet; second, Emil Kreofsky of Portland, 215 feet; third, Doug Rambo of Portland, 192 feet.

45 inch expert—First, "Monty" Montgomery of Chehalis, 243 feet; second, Jim Nelson of Portland, 247 feet; third, John Martinovich, 243 feet.

74 inch class B—First, Roy Burke of Portland, 260 feet; second, Emil Kreofsky, Montgomery and Martinovich in tie at 240 feet.

Results by Jolley in 6th.
Score by innings:
Salem 004 0 11 3—18
Spokane 602 0 2 5—15

Errors, Brewer; Robertson, Shinn, Runs batted in, Aden, Jolley 3, McCormack 2, Falconi, Roche, Windsor, Harris 7, Lightner 4, Williams 5, Stickle, McGinnis 4, Shinn, Robertson, Brewer, Petersen, Kinnaman. Two-base hits, Stickle 2, Jolley, McCormack, Falconi 2, Harris, Lightner, Shinn, Kinnaman. Three-base hits, McGinnis. Home runs, Harris, Williams, Stolen bases, McGinnis, Double plays, Robertson to nls, Double plays, Robertson to Knoll to Harris, Shinn to Knoll to Harris. Left on bases, Salem 5, Spokane 7. Bases on balls, off Windsor 4, Helsel 1, Brewer 4, Jones 1. Struck out, by Brewer 2, Windsor 2. Hits off Helsel 5 in 1/2 innings, 6 runs; off Windsor 7 in 4 plus innings, 7 runs; off Jones 4 in 1/2 innings, 5 runs. Hit by pitcher, by Brewer, Windsor, Balk, Brewer. Winning pitcher, Brewer. Losing pitcher, Jonas. Time of game, 2:05. Umpires, Clark and Nelson.

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