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CARL BELL BOSTON BEES' INFIELDER, ONE OF THE MAJOR LEAGUES' BEST FIRST-YEAR MEN

AND I'M HARDLY ACQUAINTED WITH THE BOYS! HE IS NEAR THE TOP AMONG THE NATIONAL LEAGUE HITTERS

Sport Sparks

By RON GEMMELL

Oh, oh—man-in-motion stuff, eh? . . . Yessir, that's what Saturday's scrum by the Bearcats revealed, and of course the fine hand of Hal Pangle must be guiding the new offensive. . . The Los Angeles Bulldogs, for whom Pangle was frontline star for two seasons, employed a man in motion on almost every play.

One peek at the Cat squad is all that is necessary to reveal just what the new Pacific Coast conference purify code has done. . . The Willamette freshman grid squad unquestionably is the best in the school's history, and at least a part of the reason must lie in the fact that Coast conference mentors have not been able to proselytize in the same heavy vein as heretofore. I wouldn't like to put Sir Spec Keene on the same spot as has a Portland scribe, who named the Bearcats to resume their championship ways in the Northwest conference this year, but I will say the Bearcat boys had the makings of a whole of a team by 1942. . . They may not set any rectangle afield this season (although they may spring a surprise or two, at that), but look out for 'em beginning next year.

Narrow Squeaks.

Two tournaments in the Salem Golf club tournament now under way had very, very narrow escapes in first round matches. . . Wiff Needham, after having Carl Cover down seven on the first nine, saw his advantage wiped out completely by the 17th, and had to bag the 18th to win. . . Wal Clime, Jr. was three up on Pat Patterson at the end of the first nine but was hauled to even keel when he came up for the 17th.

Honest John Warren, the Oregon Duckling mentor, will be doing his tutoring on crutches for a while. He fractured a kneecap in a fall. Jay Graybeal, the Pendleton Jackrabbit, is assisting Warren.

Only one triple play in the Western International this season, and it was pulled by our Senators. . . Antelope Al Lightner started it, snaring a line drive at first base, stepping on the bag and rifling a shot to third to trap a runner off there.

Our Senators topped the double play column despite the fact double killings were few after the Little Skipper left the lineup. . . The Legislators finished with 139 twin outs, to 125 for their nearest competitors, the Vancouver Caps. . . Ad: Our Senators' catchers were also charged with the most passed balls, an awful total of 37—11 more than their nearest neighbors, the Yakima Pippins.

When Yankee Scout Joe Devine said Al Lightner was one of the most improved ball players in the WL, he wasn't guessing. . . Lightner this season hit .301 as compared with .226 last year, and drove in 94 runs as compared with 57 in 1939. . . Only 15 players in the league drove home more tallies than the Antelope—Jolley, Escobar, Orteg, Quisenberry, Blinn, Harris, Falcon, McCormack, Bonetti, Stewart, Draxler, Weigand and Younker.

Orteg Backs Vote. Vancouver's Ray Orteg received your correspondent's nod for the third base spot on the loop all-star team, and the final

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Ump Flattened As Cincy Wins

Magerkurth Bites Dust as Reds Beat Brooks 4-3 to Near Pennant

Table with 4 columns: National League, W, L, Pct, Runs. Rows for Cincinnati, Brooklyn, St. Louis, Philadelphia.

Brooklyn's Results: Brooklyn 1-1, Cincinnati 1-1, Philadelphia 1-1, St. Louis 1-1.

BROOKLYN, Sept. 16.—(AP)—The Cincinnati Reds came close to clinching their second successive National League pennant today by downing the Brooklyn Dodgers 4 to 3 in ten innings with the help of a disputed play that caused an attack on Umpire George Magerkurth after the game.

After the Reds rallied to tie the score in the ninth with one run, they loaded the bases with one out in the tenth on Mike McCormick's double, a walk to Ival Goodman and an error by Pete Coscarart which caused all the trouble.

Frank McCormick grounded to short and Johnny Hudson threw to Coscarart, who dropped the ball while pivoting to throw to first in a double play attempt. Umpire Bill Stewart called Goodman out, but appealed to Magerkurth at third base when Manager Bill McKechnie and the Reds protested vociferously.

Ump Is Downed. Magerkurth ruled Goodman was safe, filling the bases, and his decision stood in spite of a vocal storm from the Dodgers which ended only with the banishment of Manager Leo Durocher from the field.

On the next play Catcher Bill Baker drove a liner to left and Mike McCormick scored the deciding run. . . After the game hundreds of the 6782 fans swarmed into the field. One of them shook Magerkurth's hand, but another rushed up and started a fist fight. The towering umpire, at least 6 feet 3 inches tall and weighing probably 225 pounds, was knocked to the ground and wounded by his smaller foe until the other umpires and uniformed ushers rushed to his aid.

Cincinnati 4 3 9 1 Brooklyn 3 2 10 1 Thompson, Berge (9), and Wilson, Baker (9); Davis and Franks.

Bucs Beat Giants. NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—(AP)—Brooklyn did all their run on homers, the Pittsburgh Pirates wobbled to a 7 to 6 victory over the New York Giants today in their final meeting of the season.

The Pirates rushed into the lead with a three-run circuit blow by the fifth inning in the second round, and another of the same by Maurice Van Robays in the third. When they scored what proved to be the deciding margin, a home run by Pep Young in the fifth, the only tallies that Bax Butcher and yielded the Giants were two homers by Mel Ott, bringing his total to 19 for the year.

Philadelphia 4 3 9 1 Pittsburgh 7 7 1 New York 6 7 1 Butcher, Brown (7), Klinger (8), and Davis; Lohrmann, Carrington (4), Lynn (8), and Panning.

Phils, Cards Split. PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 16.—(AP)—The lowly Phillies won their 46th victory of the season, more than any other team in the league, by beating the St. Louis Cardinals 3 to 2 today in the first game of a double-header. They lost the second, however, 7 to 1.

St. Louis stopped his former St. Louis clubmates with five hits in the opener, and a double by Joe Merty off Mort Cooper in the ninth led to the winning run.

First game: St. Louis 3 5 1 Philadelphia 2 7 3 Cooper and Owen; St. Johnson and Miller; Warren (8).

Second game: St. Louis 7 8 0 Philadelphia 1 6 8

Patty Berg Takes Open at Portland. PORTLAND, Sept. 16.—(AP)—Patty Berg of Minneapolis, former national women's champion, toured the tragically ravaged Country club course in 17 strokes, one under par, today to capture the Oregon Women's Golf association invitational open.

Miss Berg carded a 36 on the first nine and a 39 on the second. Other leaders included: Mrs. Mary West Wagner, Portland, 71; Nancy Hurst, Portland, 80; Ellamase Williams, Chicago, 80; Mrs. Opal S. Hill, Kansas City,

San Jose Beaten By Texas Eleven. SAN JOSE, Calif., Sept. 16.—(AP)—College football, with an international flavor, blew into the west coast tonight along with a rainstorm in a game that saw Texas Art and Industries defeat San Jose State college 10 to 6.

A crowd of 10,000 fans, filling the Spartan's stadium, witnessed a first period shower which put the field in slippery condition. The boys from the southwest, playing the fast and furious type of football typical of that section of the country, pushed over a touchdown in the second period and followed this sudden score with a field goal in the third quarter.

Santa Clara Backs Work for Utah Opener



'Cat Football Goes Razzle-Dazzle As Second Week Opens; Al Walden, George McGlinn Supply the Punch

Wide-open, swift-breaking football is in the making out Sweetland way, where yesterday a 46-man Willamette Bearcat squad buckled down to its second week of intensive pre-season preparation.

Spearing the dash of Spec Keene's new, throw-caution-to-the-winds attack are stumpy Al Walden, moved to the fullback spot to take full advantage of his ability to get under way right now, and George McGlinn, the slashing halfback.

At 170, Walden at first blush might be considered a heavy-hitter, but the necessary pounds for boom duties at the fullback spot, but the many-muscled LaJolla, Calif., youngster has the weight spread on a 5-foot-6 frame and hurtles it with tremendous leg drive.

Never, in the four previous years, has he mentored Salem high football teams, has Coach Harold Hawk appeared as glum over prospects as he does when he considers the current turnout from which he must fashion an eleven by September 27, the date upon which Tillamook invades for the first test of the season.

Hawk faces the tremendous task of completely rebuilding his backfield, where not one member of the 1939 foursome is on hand, together with the problem of replacing some standout linemen as Vern Wadsworth and Bill Butts.

At present, it is the rebuilding of the backfield that is causing Hawk the most grief. Available material is willing but most of it is decidedly on the light side and, of course, lacks experience.

Yesterday's scrimmages found Dave Traglie, an end last season, working at the blocking back post; Bill Eisey, reserve quarterback last season, at fullback; Johnny Hoffer, who worked at a halfback spot with one of the sophomores teams last year, at right half; and Dutch Simmons, who entered school in mid-year of 1939, at left half.

Champion Jenkins Whips Montgomery

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Sept. 16.—(AP)—Lightweight Champion Law Jenkins, with his fistie career "on the spot," rallied in the last round tonight to win a ten-round decision over Bob Montgomery, local negro youngster, before a crowd of 15,000 in Shibe park. Jenkins weighed 137; Montgomery 127.

The slim Texan got up off the floor to do it, however, Montgomery, who fought out of a half crouch and battled somewhat on the style of Henry Armstrong, dropped Jenkins in the third round for a knockout, cut his left eye in the same heat, and generally worked on that eye the rest of the way.

It was a dead-close fight, with Jenkins, after taking the early rounds, immediately began intensive drills. The lattermen include Halfback Sammy Dansuka, Tackle Ben Bearchum and Blocking Back Harold Joseph. New men include Ted Hoover, 205-pound fullback, who played three years for Toledo high; Preston Davis, Gorge Rice, Pete George and Allen Warren, all promising guards; Bill Maxwell and Dick McCoy, centers; Loyd Brewer and Clarence LaRoque, halfbacks; and Rueben Shaiter, Edgar Saluska, Frank Charles and Adrian Arnold, tackles.

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Detroit now Half Game Away; Bombers Trail by Four Games

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CLEVELAND, Sept. 16.—(AP)—Connie Mack's Athletics would find the torrid American league flag chase into a tighter knot today, snapping a nine-game losing streak to split a wash-day bargain bill with the league-leading Indians. The standoff cost Cleveland half of its one-game advantage over Detroit.

The Tribe, with Moll Harder retiring after the first 20 batters in order, smashed Philadelphia in the opener, 5 to 3; but Johnny Babich's six-hit twirling was too much for the Indians in the nightcap and the Athletics squeaked out a 4 to 3 triumph.

First game: Philadelphia 3 6 1 Cleveland 5 3 0 Ross and Hayes, Wagner (4); Harder and Pytkak.

Second game: Philadelphia 3 7 0 Cleveland 2 6 0 Babich and Hayes; Eisenstat, Dobson (9) and Hemeyer.

Newsom Times Solons. DETROIT, Sept. 16.—(AP)—Talkative Louis "Bo-Bo" Newsom kept the Detroit Tigers in the thick of the American league pennant fight today with a five-hit 9-3 decision over the Washington Senators.

The big fellow, winning his 19th triumph of the season against the four defeats, kept the Senators, who had dumped the Tigers out of first place yesterday, in check throughout, only easing up to allow three hits and two runs in the seventh.

Thus the Tigers, breaking a two-game losing streak, climbed to within a half-game of the league-leading Cleveland Indians when the latter divided a twin bill with the tail-end Philadelphia Athletics.

Washington 3 5 2 Detroit 9 11 1 Kraskauskas, Hayes (4), Carraquel (8) and Ferrill, Early (4); Newsom and Telbetta.

Browns Slaughter Yanks. ST. LOUIS, Sept. 16.—(AP)—The St. Louis Browns slaughtered the New York Yankees 16 to 4 today as the world champions came apart at the seams and faded farther from the American league pennant picture.

The giant-killing Brownies who took a twin bill from the Yanks Sunday, blasted Marine Russo out of the box in the first inning in the midst of a seven-run explosion and continued their bombardment against Bump Hadley, Lefty Gomez and Steve Sundra.

New York 16 15 2 St. Louis 4 10 3 Russo, Hadley (1), Gomez (6), Sundra (7) and Dickey; Kennedy and Swift.

CHICAGO, Sept. 16.—(AP)—The Boston Red Sox gave the recently revived pennant hopes of the White Sox a jolt today, defeating Chicago, 6 to 2, behind the five-hit pitching of Jack Wilson.

It was Chicago's first loss in nine starts and their fourth loss in 19 games. The White Sox aided Wilson by an inept exhibition in the field, committing five errors.

Boston 6 2 0 Chicago 2 5 5 Wilson and Desautels; Dietrich, Appleton (8), Brown (9) and Treach.

Drynan Issues 27 Suits at Parrish. Three letters were numbered among the 27 prospective Parrish junior high graders to whom Coach Tommy Drynan issued uniform letters yesterday.

Letters included Robert McLaughlin, Leonard Yarnall and Bob Warren. Others issued suits were: John Wherill, Langan, Carroll Maxwell, Glen Widos, Ed Brande, Don Stiffler, Stettie, Martherts, August Mahrt, Jack Downing, Wilford Beard, Dale Rech, Melvin Mortimer, Utah Smith, Moran, Bob Mentzer, Ray Cherry, Carl Sloby, Schilker, Ernie Fouts, Buren, Coon, Owsa Garland.

Daily workouts will not begin until class schedules have been arranged. Savold Wins Early. DES MOINES, Sept. 16.—(AP)—Les Savold, hard-punching Des Moines pugilist, knocked out Andy "Kid" Miller of Sioux City in the first round of their scheduled eight-round fight here tonight with a smashing left hook.

Grid Grist. PULLMAN, Wash., Sept. 16.—(AP)—Long on the end and short in the center, Coach Babe Hollingbery today switched veteran Francis Risk, Washington State college football pass receiver to the pivot position in an effort to balance up the Cougar line.

Earle Stone, 195-pound senior from Oswego, Ore., probably will set the regular call at center with Risk as the main reserve, Hollingbery said.

The return of Dale Gentry, Walla Walla basketball star and end, permitted the shift. Gentry earned a letter two years ago but did not play football last season.

Hunter Likes Tackles. SPOKANE, Wash., Sept. 16.—(AP)—Coach Fuzzy Hunter drove his Gonzaga university Bulldogs through a three-hour practice today as he tried more than a dozen shifts in players in seeking a combination for his opening game against the College of Idaho squad here Saturday night.

After the workout, Hunter said he was more than pleased with the showing of Ed Johnson, Bill Braun and Bill Dindorf, all new men, in the tackle position, a spot which had been noticeably weak.

Coaches Propose Moving of State Hoop Tournament

LA GRANDE, Sept. 16.—(AP)—An Eastern Oregon Coaches association committee is studying proposals to move the state high school basketball tournament away from Salem.

George Allison of Baker, elected president Sunday, said two alternate plans have been suggested. One would rotate the tournament from year to year among various sections of the state. The other calls for meets at the University of Oregon and Oregon State college in alternate years.

Eight Remain in Salem Golf Chase

Five are Veterans; Two Are Dark Horses Who Get Decisive Wins

Five veteran campaigners, the medalist, and two dark horses, remained in the running for the Salem Golf club's 1940 championship this week as the club tournament moved into its second round. Of the championship fight survivors, three have held or now hold local championships and two others have been finalists in past tournaments. Aside from "Whiff" Needham, medalist, the unknown quantities are Jim Russell, who defeated Bob Burrell in the first round, and Frankie Albrich, who won over John Creech.

To make the outcome even more uncertain, these two "dark horses" won the more decisive victories, indicating that they are capable of giving the veterans tough competition. With this array of sharpshooters in the title chase, neither bracket is an "easy" one and some tight battling is in prospect.

Following is the pairing for the second round of play which must be completed by Sunday night:

Championship Flight Needham vs. Russell, Olinger vs. Clime, Painter vs. Utter, Albrich vs. Hendrie.

Cover vs. Burrell, Longren vs. Patterson, Bonestele vs. Victor, Creech vs. Scates.

Second Flight Crews vs. McLeod, Burns vs. Alley, Thomson or Nagel vs. Bates, Parker vs. Potts.

Third Flight Hamen vs. Linn-Hall, Curtis vs. Lynn-Hall, Nagel or Thomson vs. Pekar, Petre vs. Eyre.

Fourth Flight McCallister vs. Korwin, Fisher vs. Gustafson.

League Baseball

Table with 4 columns: Pacific Coast League (Final Standings), W, L, Pct, Runs. Rows for Seattle, Los Angeles, Oakland, San Diego.

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