

Sport Sparks

By RON GEMMELL

Already the world's most rapid pitcher, Robin Feller is now well on his way toward becoming the world's richest. Despite the amazing amounts Unk Sam takes away from him in taxes and what the speed cops take away from him in traffic fines, rifle-armed Robin should be able to buy his own doughnuts and coffee for several years to come. The \$20,000 for which his 1941 contract is reported to call tops the \$27,500 received by Lefty Grove at his peak, an amount which the boys generally hold as the previous high for pitchers, and an amount even I can see is \$2500 less.

Health is coming to the Iowa summer boy at the age of 28, when most young fellows are peering around in an attempt to find an old ladder upon which to get a toehold. It shows what can be done by throwing a baseball at a mark on your barn during your growing years. When you read a book?

No other ball player, Babe Ruth not excepted, earned \$30,000 as early in life, so it is to be wondered how far the Van Meter motor will soar. It isn't likely he will ever reach Ruth's \$50,000 top, for after all Robin cannot attract customers to the park more readily than Babe can a week, but he more than likely will pass such high men of the last 10 years as Gehrig, Greenberg and Cronin.

Gulls Are Hazardous.
Sea Gulls, it is now revealed, added to flood-stage hazards during the San Francisco match play golf tournament. As one teetotaler writes, the gulls not only outnumbered the gallery, \$46 to \$15, but, as they were army gulls from nearby Presidio, they were equipped with the new US army bomb which absolutely disdains a complete miss.

Speaking of golf, (although my own continues to be unplayable), Salem currently has a bad weather fairway army which seldom misses on a Saturday or Sunday. Some rain, hail, snow, sea gulls or what have you. It is manned mostly by the Old Guard, but a few conscripts and selectees are sometimes to be seen in the 10 to 20-man band touring the Salem course. Chief of the staff of the course, is Donator Hendrie, the game (pronounced douce) of all sports.

To see the aggressive, hairy-chested type of basketball he demands from his Vix players, one would never suspect Coach R. Mack to be a wary adept at bow-kicking a camp. Nevertheless, this writer solemnly swears he once saw Hank sit, complacently, for a solid hour and a half, during which time he drank four cups of tea and sunched delicate tea cakes with feet or feline delight.

Kegging Climbs.
Bowling has enjoyed the biggest growth of any sport during the past five years, and is continuing its upward advance. There are now 147,000 teams registered in the American Bowling Congress, as compared with 64,000 in 1937, and the latest release shows 3219 teams entered in the 1941 ABC tournament in St. Paul. An important factor in bowling's growth is the increased interest of women. Today the Women's International Bowling Congress has a membership of more than 100,000, as compared to 36,160 in 1938.

Latest denial of Happy Howard Maple, the great lawyer, is that he will not be second string catcher of the Senators. Inasmuch as he filled in nicely for the Spokane Indians a couple of years back, when the Indian coaching staff was at low ebb due to injuries, the many-jobbed gentleman might be able to work a few games in a pinch at that.

Inexperience contributed to Salem's defeat by the Rooks Tuesday night. The last half pressure, after the score was knotted through the marksmanship of Lewis Beck, caused the inexperienced Vix kids to tighten up to the extent they fuzed up their ball-handling and shooting. Other than that, the kids played pretty basketball.

Dick Ashcom Wins UO Grapple Title

EUGENE, Jan. 22—(AP)—Dick Ashcom, sophomore tackle on the 140 varsity football team, is heavyweight wrestling champion at the University of Oregon. Ashcom defeated Floyd Rhea, another griddler, in the finals of a tournament here last night. Other champions: Bill Elsasner, Portland, 112 pounds; Leonard Longan, Grants Pass, 126; Eugene Cobb, Portland, 126; Clyde Lee, Boring, 145; Don Varner, Portland, 158; Homer Thompson, White Bear, Minn., 165, and Al Samples, Klamath Falls, 175.

Mt. Angel Girls Bill Hoop Games

MT. ANGELO — In their first home game this season the Mt. Angel normal and academy basketball players will face the University of Oregon team at Portland Friday night. It will be the first local appearance of the Portland girls.

A contest between Academy basketball and the St. John's high school team, Milwaukee, is slated to open the doubleheader program.

EOCE Winner, 50-51
LAGRAND, Jan. 22—(AP)—The Eastern Ore. on College of Education basketball team defeated the Zulu Hotentots, an independent team, 53 to 51 last night.

Cougars Outcage Ducks 50-47; Is Sweep of Division Series

Moscow Mentor Applies, Idaho

John Warren Mentioned as Twogood's Successor; Also Bob Fitzke

MOSCOW, Idaho, Jan. 22—(AP)—Out of the hedge-podge of conjecture on the University of Idaho athletic situation came authoritative information tonight that J. A. "Babe" Brown, Moscow high school coach, was the first to place an application in the hands of a special committee appointed by Pres. H. C. Dale.

Three vacancies appeared on the Idaho coaching staff when Forrest Twogood resigned as basketball and baseball mentor and Dale announced the release of Athletic Director-Football coach Ted Bank and Assistant Grid Coach Bob Tessier. Bank is to leave Sept. 1, the others July 1. Brown refused to confirm or deny the report, but friends said he had mailed his application last night—for which vacancy, none could say. His Moscow football teams have been undefeated by Idaho teams for two years and his basketball teams have been consistently high in the race for state honors.

The campus and town rumor factory has added the names of Slip Madigan, former St. Mary's coach, Orville Hult of Albion Normal school and Guy Wicks of the university's southern branch at Postville as candidates for Bank's job.

John Warren, University of Oregon freshman coach, and Bob Fitzke, Idaho graduate now coaching at Burley high school, were most prominently mentioned as possibilities for Twogood's position.

Lelivelt Funeral Is Set for Today

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 22—(AP)—Funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock Friday morning for Jack Lelivelt, Seattle baseball manager who died Monday night. The services will be held at Cathedral chapel. Pallbearers will be Frank Demaree, Eddie Taylor, Arnold Stutz, Truck Hannah, Gilby Campbell, Bob Ray, Spencer Harris and Red Kress.

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Second Half Rally Bags Allies Defeat Axis, Rattle

PULLMAN, Wash., Jan. 22—(AP)—A last-minute rally and successful stalling tactics in the final minute of play carried Washington State college to its fourth basketball victory of the year over the University of Oregon tonight by a 50 to 47 count.

Oregon led at the half, 26 to 22. Although it lacked the speed and smoothness of the game last night, which State won by a 47-45 score, the argument was just as close. The lead changed seven times in the first half and the score was tied four times in each period.

Reinstatement Is Asked by 3 Only

Other East West Gridders Ignore AAU; Hickey Case Balled

By BILL BONI
NEW YORK, Jan. 22—(AP)—Though all of them except Tommy Harmon are eligible for it, only three men who played in the New Year's Day East-West football game at San Francisco have applied for reinstatement as amateurs.

As listed today by AAU Secretary Dan Ferris, they are Howard Hickey of Arkansas, Stan Johnson of Washington State and John Sohn of Southern California. Johnson, a tackle, and Sohn, a guard were in the West's starting lineup, and Hickey was a West substitute.

As Ferris explained at the AAU convention last night, when the matter first came up, Harmon made himself ineligible for amateur competition by capitalizing financially on an athletic reputation, and any player competing with or against him would jeopardize his amateur standing unless he applied for sanction beforehand. Only one did, Fred Hartman of Rice.

But at the time Ferris also explained that, by the rules on his books, a man could apply for reinstatement after the game, and probably would receive it since it was a charity affair. Hickey's was the first application received. His case was submitted to the board of governors, of well over 100 members, and with almost all returns in there is only one vote against his reinstatement. Ferris said approval of Hickey's plea will establish a precedent, and will mean that all similar applications will be okeed without delay.

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By WHITNEY MARTIN
NEW YORK, Jan. 22—That man is here again, folks. You know, the fellow who is plotting to mechanize baseball. Already Ray Dumont has the game so you practically can run it from a switchboard, and now he has a camera to catch home plate so that when some outfielder comes tearing down the stretch, carrying 185 pounds, there will be no argument over a nose finish.

The camera will be concealed under the ground. In fact, that Wichita park will offer a strange sight when someone accidentally punches all the buttons at once and all the buried contraptions leap up at the same time.

In 1940 he adopted the leaping microphone to pipe player-umpire arguments to the fans.

This year he will try a magic-umpire on balls and strikes. Although what will happen if the

Bad Boys Split When Ilaki Hits Jackson; Lyons Takes Opener

One of the axis partners turned on the other, thereby paving a way for the allies' victory in Salem's rattle chamber Wednesday night.

Prince Ilaki, although trying to hit Ally Tax Hager, instead punched partner Bulldog Jackson in the snoot to start an inter-axis rivalry that resulted in a win for Allies Tex Hager and Elton Owen.

Jackson and Ilaki won the first fall of the team tussle, Jackson ousting Hager and then pairing with Hult to pummel Owen. Allies Hager and Owen came back to take the second, with Owens tying Ilaki's arms in the ropes and with Owens and Hager picking up Jackson and using his head as a battering ram to lower both Ilaki and Jackson.

As the third fall started, Ilaki rolled Owen out of the ring long enough for him and Jackson to take back. Jackson grabbed his arms and held him up for Ilaki to punch. Ilaki missed Owen, hit Jackson and the fun, which ultimately resulted in an ally victory, began.

Red Lyons took two straight falls from Danny McShain in the other half of the double main event, winning the first on a foul and the second on a leg stretcher.

Viking Grapplers Defeat Silverton

Salem high's wrestling squad, winning 15 of 22 matches, defeated an inexperienced Silverton squad here Wednesday night.

Results:
115-lbs.—Ritchie, Salem, decision Huddleston, Silverton.
125-lbs.—Lyons, Salem, fall in 2:33 over Terry, Silverton; O. Wilcox, Salem, decision Jackson, Silverton; W. Lundy, Salem, fall in 3:18 over Walker, Silverton; Lang, Salem, fall in 1:32 over V. Lundy, Silverton.

135-lbs.—Andress, Salem, fall in 1:31 over O. J. Foot, Silverton; Boyd, Salem, decision J. Sembe, Silverton; Mickey, Salem, fall in 2:45 over Harmon, Silverton; Y. a. d., Salem, decision Locke, Silverton.

145-lbs.—Rhodes, Salem, decision Simmons, Silverton; Howe, Salem, decision J. Sembe, Silverton; England, Salem, fall in 3:41 over Findley, Silverton; England, Salem, fall in 2:52 over Tokstad, Silverton; Mickey, Salem, fall in 1:59 over Rue, Silverton. Ekman, Silverton, decision Howe, Salem.

155-lbs.—Mudd, Salem, fall in 1:50 over David, Silverton; Mudd, Salem, fall in 2:27 over J. Sembe, Silverton; Domogolia, Salem, fall in 2:27 over Reed, Silverton; Domogolia, Salem, and E. Lundy, Silverton, draw; Dalka, Salem, 3:30 over Dunnigan, Silverton.

Heavyweight—Herr, Silverton, fall in 1:25 over Titus, Salem; Norton, Silverton, fall in 2:00 over Titus, Salem.

Free throws missed: Anderson, Anderson, Townsend 2, Zimmerman, Dosskey.

Referee, Steve Belko, Idaho; umpire, Ned Nelson, Washington.

Parrish Outhoops Yanks, 26 to 16

Parrish's Pioneer pointers clung to second place in the City intramural loop Wednesday on the strength of a 2-0 victory over the sophomore Yankees.

Travis Cross chucked in eight points to top the Parrish offensive, but took second to J. Johnson of the Yankees, who tucked in nine, for scoring honor.

Parrish 26 16 Yankees
Cross 8 1 Whittemore
Morgan 4 9 J. Johnson
Brandt 5 1 Hudson
Parrish 2 1 Adams
Chapman Priem

Subs for Parrish: Wenger 5, Warren 3. For Yanks: Fox 2, L. Johnson 2.

Ghosts too Much For the Angels

MT. ANGELO — The Ghosts and Angels, believe it or not, battled here Wednesday night. The Ghosts, according to the basketball scoreboard, won by a 44 to 42 score. Ghost Bear Dun dunked 22 counters.

Mt. Angel's Preps, paced by Aanan's 12 points, defeated St. Paul 51 to 27 in a preliminary.

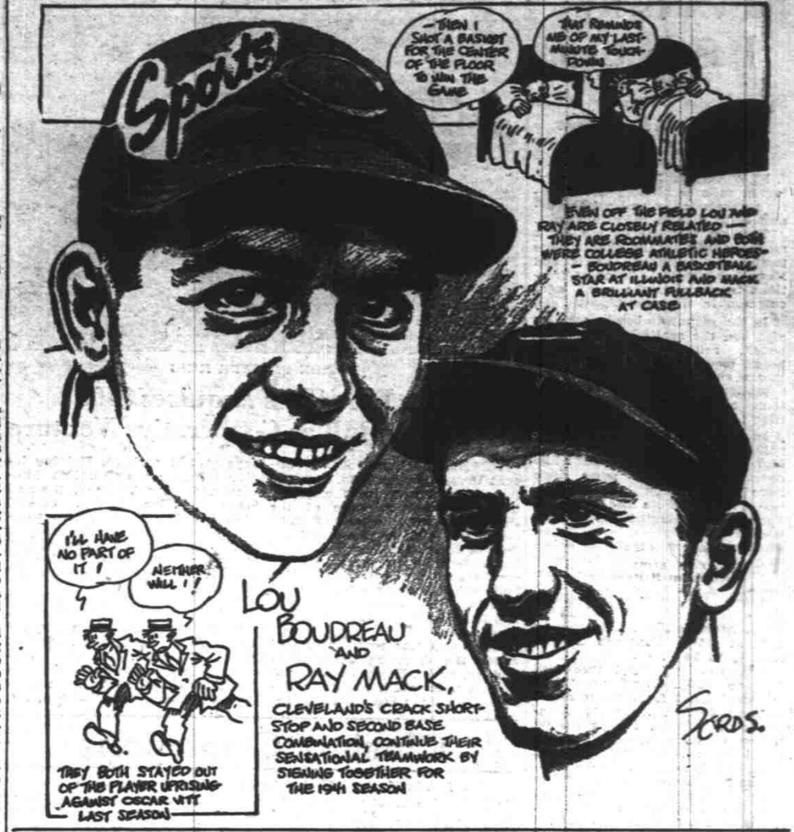
Ghost 44 42 Angels
White 4 3 Bean
Dunn 22 2 Nichols
Sullinger 10 4 Bonney
Wood 5 6 Kaminsky
Wilkinson 2 6 Kuppenbender

Subs for Angels: Barta 9, O'Halloran 4, Woodman 2, Robertson 2, Smithrude 6.
Referee: Saalfeld.

On close plays, Dumont says, the films will be developed immediately, and at the feature night games the lights in the park will be turned off and the pictures projected, in slow motion, on a huge screen in the outfield.

Dumont admits that, for all the trouble involved, the showing of the pictures probably won't change an umpire's decision. Pictures or no pictures, an umpire always is right, isn't he? Or isn't he?

"However," Dumont adds, "the pictures are bound to cause that much more discussion, pre and con, by the fans, and after all that's creating an added interest in the game. If the experiment is successful we'll have cameras concealed at every base in 1943."



Salem, Oregon, Thursday Morning, January 23, 1941

Billy Edwards, Pioneer in Grapple Hokum, Dies; Famous for Punching Dempsey, Who Returned Compliment

DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 22—(AP)—Villainous Billy Edwards, a side-burned old wrestling figure of 51 years ago who pioneered in mat hokum by taking a punch at Jack Dempsey just for the hell of it, ended a violent, 32-year career in a county hospital today.

The squat and bald heavy-weight who rose from circus sawdust to the original hokum, died in a hospital 32 hours after his automobile had collided head-on with a truck.

Basal skull fractures and internal injuries caused his death. Old Billy, a glowering, convulsing figure in the ring who was the greatest wrestling attraction the southwest ever knew, was really a gentle guy.

Just a misunderstood showman, insisted the multitude of friends of this cauliflowered veteran of at least 1000 matches.

Dempsey Popped Him
Sweet William panicked the sports world several years back with the famed Dempsey incident. The Manassa Mauler, who had just been retired by Gene Tunney, came into Dallas on a barnstorming tour as a wrestling referee.

Spack in the middle of the Edwards match, with 5000 jammed into the old fair park livestock pavilion, Edwards suddenly stopped gnawing and beating on his opponent and turned on Dempsey.

Victoriously he ripped off Dempsey's shirt and then planted a mild right on the former champ's ear. Just a little showmanship, you know. But Dempsey misunderstood.

He countered with a crushing blow that landed full on Edwards' rather robust proboscis. The old wrestler crumpled to the floor—came back into this world some 20 minutes later.

"Had to eat soup for three days," he grinned later. "I was couldn't chew. But what a gas!"

Angels Schedule Pilots 3rd Time

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St. Boniface Wins From Sacred Heart

SUBLIMITY — Although badly crippled by injuries, St. Boniface high's hoop team defeated Sacred Heart academy of Salem 19 to 11 here Sunday.

Sacred Heart's B team defeated St. Boniface Bees 23 to 12, while the Sublimity Townies, in a third game, dropped an 87 to 9 loss to St. Joseph's.

Playing rules, he points out, are the same as for organized baseball. It's only in the window dressing that the semi-pro game differs.

Everything and everybody is organized, down to the umpires and scorers. There are hundreds of district tournaments over the country, 48 state championship events, a player-contract system, and a national association of leagues.

But getting back to the photo-finish, we can paint a vivid mental picture of some tough-hided old sumps like Bill Klem pointing a gnarled finger at the machine and bellowing: "Liar."

Bowling Scores

Table with columns for City League, Acme Auto Wreckers, and Bow's Place. Lists names and scores for various bowlers.

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