

Sport Sparks

By RON GEMMELL

Now that everyone, including Aunt Hattie, the Society for the Prevention of Collar Button Losses, the Marx Bros., the Dionne quint, the 84th vice-president of the Amalgamated Button Works of America and the little boy in the corner house, has decided the respective 1941 champions of the American and National leagues, all that remains is for each circuit to play a 146-game schedule to arrive at a conclusion of its own . . . P. S.—This department likes the Yanks and the Dodgers, thank you.



MARION REGINATO

guy named Wild-William Harris . . . V. Gilmore, the Vik cinder-master, that there ever were such sprinters as Bill Smith, Rex Putnam, Bob Bailey and the Williams twins . . . Edward Augustus Donnelly, the bowler man, that there ever was invented such stuff as calories.

On his record, Bobby Hornig, the outfielder our Senators are procuring outright from Spokane, isn't the answer to the load of power needed in the Solon stick parade . . . The left-handed hitting outfielder connected for but 30 extra bases in 362 times at bat for the Spokanes in 1939 . . . He punched 17 doubles, five triples and one home run, hitting .286 and driving in 33 runs. However, such current Solons as Charles Baldy Petersen and Antelope Al Lightner say Hornig is a fleetfooted outfielder who punches the baseball straight-away, something on the order of Dwight Aden . . . And, he does do what hitting he does do from the south side of the dish.

Prep All-Stars Average 17

Average age of the 1941 all-state high school hoop quint: 17 plus . . . At 16, Klamath Falls' Marion Reginato, who played in the tournament three straight years, was the youngest . . . Average weight: 168 pounds, with Salem's Eddie Salstrom the lightest at 155 and, believe it or not, Astoria's Roy Seeborg—the heaviest at 175.

Reginato, who also plays a wing position in football and who heaves the iron nugget for the Pelican track and field team, intends to follow in Brother Vic's footsteps at Oregon . . . Brother Vic, it may be remembered, was one whale of an end for Tex Oliver's 1938-1939 teams.

OSC Coach Ralph Coleman would still like to see Bob Bergstrom give catching a trial in professional baseball . . . Bob, who still has a tendency to use a catcher's throw from his outfield spot, did some backstopping for Coley's 1934-35 teams, as well as some third basing and outfielding . . . Coleman thinks Bergstrom has the size, arm and smartness to go up the baseball ladder quicker as a catcher than as an outfielder.

George Farrell, who was beaten out of a third base job at Spokane last season by Nino Martinez, has been sent to Wenatchee by Seattle as a catcher . . . And Pete Jonas, the stubby ex-Whitman hurler who worked as a relief server for the Indians last season, has now decided to become an outfielder.

Ex-Valsetz Teammates Lee Fallin and Leonard Younce had quite a tete-a-tete when Younce faced Fallin in the Solon-Bevo game at Corvallis Friday . . . Younce, rated one of the best line backers on the Coast for the past two seasons, received a handsome contract, calling for \$165 per game from the New York Giants for pro football.

Left May not Be so Useful

The long left he used so beautifully to easily decision Powder Proctor isn't likely to prove as useful to Terrible Tony Kahut against Leo Turner in their titular tiff Tuesday night . . . Much more of a stand-up fighter than Leo, Proctor was made to order for that left jab and left hook . . . Turner, who does considerably more bobbing and weaving and who is considerably quicker at counterpunching, isn't apt to be so puzzled by the left as was the Powder Kid.

"Smead Jolley was, without meaning to be, one of the funniest men in baseball," writes Funnyman Al Schacht in his book, "Clowning Through Baseball"—a book every baseball bug should by all means read . . . Schacht, who evidently hasn't heard the Big Smudge is still playing and is still very, very funny, tells a yarn on Jolley when he was playing in Boston's Fenway Park, where a steep embankment in left field caused Jolley much trouble:

"It's quite a trip for a good fielder to climb that hill to make a catch, and for Jolley it was Waterloo. Every time he'd start up he was always sure to stumble and fall down . . . Faced with the futility of it all, the manager finally decided to take Jolley out one morning, and teach him how to climb. Smead was a good pupil and seemed to master it at once.

"That same afternoon, during the game, a fly ball was hit to left field and Jolley, confidently, went tearing up the incline. But he got up too far. He reversed himself, started to take a couple of steps down to catch the ball, tripped and flopped headfirst . . . He returned to the bench at the end of the inning, hurt and angry:

"You're a lot of wise guys," he shouted. "You showed me how to get up the hill but nobody was smart enough to teach me how to get down."

Women's Record Broken by Lane

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J., April 12—(AP)—Jean Lane of Wilberforce (Ohio) university bettered the women's world indoor 200-meter record tonight by a full second in dethroning Stella Walsh of Cleveland's Polish Olympic club in the national senior women's indoor track and field championships.

Miss Lane, outdoor national sprint champion, was clocked in 25.1 second in finishing ahead of Miss Walsh, Olympic star and holder of the outdoor 200-meter mark of 23.6.

State Middleweight Crown on Block for 8th Time as Kahut Defends It Against Turner

Oregon's two-year-old middleweight boxing title will be risked for the eighth time when Champion Terrible Tony Kahut defends it against Ex-Champion Leo "The Lion" Turner in Salem's sock palace Tuesday night.

For Kahut, who won the belt from Buddy Peterson by way of a 10-round decision last February, it will be the second defense in two months. The Woodburn wallpaper successfully defended his title against Powder Kid Proctor, 11th Portland negro, last March 4.

The belt, created by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Boxing club, came into existence January 2, 1939, when Peterson was awarded it following his defeat of Alex Kid Watson.

Subsequently, Peterson defended it against Turner, then lost it to Turner, who in turn successfully defended it against Walter Blackwell and Sig Barlund, but who lost it back to Peterson June 6, 1940.

The title has yet to change hands on a knockout or technical knockout. Each change has been by the full-route decision. Turner, however, twice scored knock-



LEO "THE LION" TURNER

Griffiths' Gang Whips Bevos Again, 9 to 3

Huskies' Coach Asks Underdog Role for Bears

By GAIL FOWLER

SEATTLE, April 12—(AP)—It was a day of haste for Al "Admiral Stoneface" Ulbricksen today—hastening to get on the train and hastening to get on record as pleading first for the underdog role.

Ulbricksen and his University of Washington varsity, junior varsity and freshman crews entrained late today for California and the Oakland estuary where Washington rows California next Saturday in the annual Pacific Coast regatta.

The crews took a final spin on Lake Washington before student managers stowed the gear and loaded the shells into a railroad car. Between times, Ulbricksen explained why he felt his national champions should be regarded as underdogs.

"On comparative training performances, you've just got to pick California," Ulbricksen began.

"The Bear varsity has rowed an announced time trial of 14:59, and if the facts were known, probably covered the course even faster than that. The course record is 14:48.4. Our best trial was 15:50. Deduct the reasonable time difference for tidalwater racing, as California did, and dead-water racing, as we did, and California still shows an appreciable edge.

"The California Jayvee was but three lengths behind the varsity when that 14:59 was rowed. That means the Cal Jayvee trial was 16:20. Here again one must take into consideration the difference between tide and dead water, but certainly the difference was not one minute and ten seconds."

Silver Foxes Win From Gresham

SILVERTON—(AP)—"Pop" Delay's baseball boys maintained their winning streak Friday in the Big Nine baseball league when they defeated Gresham on the Gresham field, 8 to 2. Silverton's second team also won, 8 to 1.

Toolson Tosses Shutout Win For Bearcats Over UO, 6-0; Johnny Kolb Fractures Ankle

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, April 12—(Special)—Willamette U's Bearcats rallied late here today to score a 6 to 0 baseball victory over the Oregon Webfoots, but the win was a costly one.

Johnny Kolb, veteran infielder, sustained a broken ankle in a slide into second base in the eighth inning, and was pronounced as definitely out of the lineup for the balance of the season.

Earl Toolson, freshman right-hander, kept the nine hits he allowed well scattered and was given near perfect support.

The Bearcats broke up the hurling duel between Toolson and Oregon's Pete Igoe in the eighth inning, scoring twice as the result of as many errors. They added four more in the ninth on First Baseman Richards' home run and Bill Walker's triple.

Toolson, although he walked five and hit one, struck out 11. Clint Cameron, third baseman, led the Bearcat batters with three blows in five trips, one a double. Only Buck Berry, who got two singles, touched Toolson for more than one blow.

Willamette . . . 6 8 1
Oregon . . . 0 9 4
Toolson and Robertson; Igoe and Calvert.



JOHNNY KOLB

Rook Janoso, Optionee Lieb Heave Hot Stuff; Play Mavericks Today

By RON GEMMELL
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Not until the seventh stanza did the Oregon State Beaver batters get a ball out of the infield on our Senators, who spanked the collegians for the second straight day, 9 to 3, at Geo. E. Waters park Saturday afternoon.

Steve Janoso, a raw rookie from Pennsylvania by way of a CCC camp, shut the door in the Beavers' faces for the three innings—allowing them but one scratch infield bingle. The black-thatched, square-riggered rookie exhibited a smoky quick one and a fair-to-middlin' curve.

Gordie Lieb, long, loose righthander who comes here on option from Portland, sizzled no-hit ball by 'em for the next three stanzas. Although wild with it, Lieb stoked the platter with more and quicker stuff than has yet been shown by any solon server.

Ray Elliott, hometown, didn't fair quite so well. He was touched for five hits and all three of the Bevo runs in the last three frames, although none of them was earned.

Some 500 spectators ogled the exhibition clash, which saw the Solons tally all of their runs in the first four heats, and which saw Skipper Griffiths keep the boys running the bases at every opportunity.

Outfielder Bob Bergstrom, another Portland Beaver optionee, drove in three more runs, to go with the three he batted home at Corvallis Friday, on two singles and a triple. One of his bingles was a beautifully placed bunt along the first base line that scored Antelope Al Lightner clear from second base on a hit-and-run sign.

Phil Salstrom, who handled nine chances faultlessly at short-stop, including three double-play balls, started the Solons off in the first frame with a double deep to right. Walks to Petersen and Lightner, Bergstrom's long fly and a sharp single by Jack Warren, rookie receiver from Portland, put two tallies across.

The Solons scored once in the second, on Oravec's single, an error, Salstrom's sacrifice and Petersen's fly; twice in the third on a boot, Bergstrom's hit-and-run bunt and Shinn's outfield fly; and (Continued page 7)

Portland . . . 5 14 0
Sacramento . . . 4 7 1
Harrell and Hawkins; Freitas and Griik.

Second game:
Portland . . . 5 7 0
Sacramento . . . 11 15 2
Hilcher, Gonzales (2), J. Hawkins (4) and F. Hawkins, Annunzio (5); Tuberville, Cyrulewski (2), Dobson (2) and Griik.

Oaks Rally Wins

OAKLAND, Calif., April 12—(AP)—Oakland put on a three run rally today to come from behind and defeat the San Francisco Seals 7 to 5 in a rousing baseball finish here today.

The Seals were leading 5-4 when the Oaks went to bat in the 8th. Gudat opened the inning with a single, Dunning reached first on an error by Pitcher Larry Jensen. Duke Marlowe, left hander, replaced Jensen and yielded a single to Pinch Hitter Peel, scoring Gudat. Conroy was safe on a fielder's choice, Dunning going out at third, but Pitcher Stan Corbett filled the bags with an infield single. Jack Salvason, bespectacled hurler in the role of pinch hitter singled to score two runs for the winning margin.

Corbett twirled good ball, except for a shaky second and third frames when the Seals scored a total of three runs off three hits and three walks.
San Francisco . . . 5 7 1
Oakland . . . 7 13 1
Jansen, Marlowe (8) and Ogdrowski; Corbett and Conroy.

Play Opens in NW PGA Meet

TACOMA, April 12—(AP)—Northwest sectional qualifying for the 1941 National Professional Golfers' association championship will be held Monday, May 19, over the Waverly Country club course, Portland, Chuck Congdon of Tacoma, president of the Pacific Northwest Professional Golfers' association, announced today.

Qualifying will be 36 holes, medal play. In conjunction with sectional qualifying will be the Pacific Northwest Professional Golfers' association closed championship. Al Zimmerman, Alderwood, Portland, is defending champion.

"Fan," 105, Is Ready For Baseball Opener

CYNTHIANA, Ky., April 12—(AP)—Charles Rieckel, who claims to be 105 years old and the nation's oldest baseball fan, said today he hoped to attend the Cincinnati Reds' opening game Tuesday in Cincinnati if his health permits and weather conditions are good.

EOCE Beaten

LaGRANDE, Ore., April 12—(AP)—The Mission, Ore., Indians defeated Eastern Oregon College of Education, 6 to 5, in a baseball game today. Errors proved costly for the Collegians.

'Pins' Down Statesman Bowling Championship



Lou Cross, center, who Saturday night put away the first annual Statesman singles bowling championship on the Perfection lanes. Presenting the titular trophy to Cross is Wallace A. Sprague, secretary of The Statesman Publishing Co., while Ed Donnelly, bowling editor, looks on.—Statesman photo.

Cross Cops Statesman's Bowling Tournament

Salem Softball Opens Monday Commercial, Industrial Spring Loops Set; 10-Game Skeds Drawn

Spring softball swings into action in Salem this week, with the Commercial circuit playing Monday and Wednesday and the Industrial Tuesday and Thursday.

All games are slated for Olinger field diamonds, starting at 6:15 p.m. in both leagues. The loops close a month from Monday, in time to start the summer program.

Both circuits have 10-game split schedules, with the winners of each half to play for the title after the regular slates have been played.

Commercial schedule:

April 14—Golden Pheasant vs. Stubby Mills, Bob Elfstroms vs. Blue Lake, Hazel Dell vs. Kiwanis.
April 15—Blue Lake vs. Kiwanis, Stubby Mills vs. Hazel Dell, Golden Pheasant vs. Bob Elfstroms.
April 21—Kiwanis vs. Golden Pheasant, Bob Elfstroms vs. Stubby Mills, Hazel Dell vs. Blue Lake.
April 22—Blue Lake vs. Stubby Mills, Hazel Dell vs. Golden Pheasant, Kiwanis vs. Bob Elfstroms.
April 28—Bob Elfstroms vs. Hazel Dell, Stubby Mills vs. Kiwanis, Golden Pheasant vs. Blue Lake.
April 30—Kiwanis vs. Hazel Dell, Blue Lake vs. Bob Elfstroms, Stubby Mills vs. Golden Pheasant.

Industrial schedule:
May 3—Golden Pheasant vs. Bob Elfstroms, Stubby Mills vs. Hazel Dell, Blue Lake vs. Kiwanis.
May 7—Bob Elfstroms vs. Stubby Mills, Golden Pheasant vs. Kiwanis, Hazel Dell vs. Blue Lake.
May 12—Kiwanis vs. Bob Elfstroms, Hazel Dell vs. Golden Pheasant, Blue Lake vs. Stubby Mills.
May 14—Golden Pheasant vs. Blue Lake, Stubby Mills vs. Kiwanis, Bob Elfstroms vs. Hazel Dell.

Warmerdam Tops Mark

PALO ALTO, Calif., April 12—(AP)—Connie Warmerdam, former Fresno State track star, went to 15 feet 2 1/2 inches to better his own unofficial world record in the pole vault today in the Stanford university-Olympic club dual meet.

Warmerdam, competing for the Olympic club of San Francisco, hit the new high mark on his third attempt. His previous mark of 15 feet 1 1/2 inches was set last year at Fresno.

Jackson Slated To Meet Eto

The inimitable Bulldog Jackson, one-time pride of the Yukon and for many years the toast of Pacific coast grappling circles, takes on bulbous Tro Eto, Japanese villain, in a villain vs. villain scrimmage at Salem's armory Wednesday night.

These ruffian ruffians battle over the full hour route at the top of an American Legion card which also includes Sneeze Achu, the Chinese jiu-jitsu artist, against Billy McCuin, the bombastic badman and Prince Ilaiki, Arabian aristocrat, against nimble Jack Kiser of Vancouver.

Women are to be admitted free, said Promoter Herb Owen in announcing the program.

Schwab Optioned To Wenatchee

PORTLAND, Ore., April 12—(AP)—Portland baseball club officials said today they had released Dutch Lieber, veteran pitcher, and had suspended Frank Reiber, catcher, at his own request.

Reiber made the request because his throwing arm failed to respond to treatment, they said. Arland Schwab, infielder, also will leave the team, going under option to Wenatchee of the Western International league.

Shakes off Poulin in Final Games, Collects Trophy

Lou Cross shook off the veteran Don Poulin midway of the fourth game, held his margin throughout the fifth, and emerged the champion of the first annual Statesman singles bowling tournament at the Perfection alleys Saturday night.

Cross, with a 26-pin handicap, was nine pins up on Poulin, his only competitor for the big money at that time, going into the final game. Both banded down 168 pins in it to give Cross the title by total margin of 995 to Poulin's 886.

For his effort, Cross collected \$46.80 and a trophy emblematic of the title from The Statesman Publishing Co. The trophy was presented by Wallace Sprague, secretary.

Poulin pulled down \$29.25 for second place. Steele, of Woodburn, who finished third, received \$17.55. Fourth place Lee Tallman and fifth place Orville Towe received \$11.70 each in addition to trophies, and Bud Straw received a trophy for sixth spot.

A near-capacity crowd witnessed the playoffs.

Hildebrand Is Handball Tops

TACOMA, April 12—(AP)—Bruce Hildebrand, of the Washington Athletic club, Seattle, captured his second straight Pacific northwest AAU handball championship today by defeating Frank Riback of Portland, 21-18, 20-21, 21-6, on the Tacoma Elks club courts.

Don Lewis and Ted Jensen, smooth working Portland combination, staged a successful defense of their doubles crown by turning back another Portland team, John Cebula and C. McAllister, 21-13, 21-8. Cebula and McAllister, both past 40 years of age, gave their younger rivals a strenuous battle during the early stages of the match, but were unable to maintain the pace.

Willamette's team placed as follows:
Mile run—Gardner, fourth.
440-yard run—Macey, second.
100-yard dash—Ellis, fourth.
120-yard high hurdles—Hogensen, fourth.
Shotput—Cookingham, third, 41 feet, 2 1/2 inches.
220-yard dash—Putnam, second; Williams, fourth.
Pole vault—Putnam, first, 12 feet.
Two-mile run—Moses, third.
220-yard low hurdles—Ellis, second.
Discus—Cookingham, second, 118 feet; Bettin, third, 116 feet, 9 inches.
Relay—Willamette, first, (Lily, Williams, Putnam).
Broad jump—Bailey, third, 20 feet, 3 inches; Furro, fourth, 19 feet, 10 inches.

Gresham Billed

SILVERTON—Gresham's track team will come to Silvertown Wednesday for a regular scheduled track meet, according to Ken Hewitt track coach.

Utter's Putter Sends Him Into City Meet Finals; Drops Cline, 1940 Champ

Utter's putter. That's all there is to the story. Bob Utter just couldn't miss on the greens Saturday afternoon as he eliminated the defending champion, Walt Cline, jr., 5 and 4 to reach the finals of the city golf tourney. John Creech and Jim Russell will meet in the other semifinal match today and the winner will play Utter in the 36-hole finals next Sunday. The Salem-Silvertown team match will also be played next Sunday forenoon and some of the contestants will join the gallery for the afternoon round of the city championship final.

Utter was two under par when Saturday's match ended on the 14th hole. He had four birdies, on the first, sixth, 12th and 14th. Even so, Cline was very much in the running though always behind, until they played the 11th hole. Having won the 10th, he was only 1 down at that point. But Utter took the next four in succession and the match was over, his birdie on the 14th clinching it.

Cline was only one over par on the first nine, but he won only the fifth and tenth holes.

The winner in one flight of the city tournament, the 14th, has already been determined. Rogers defeated Allen in the final. In most other flights, one of the finalists has been selected. Winners of Saturday matches, semifinals unless otherwise indicated, included:

First: Lengren beat Shafer 1 up.
Second: Estey beat Potts.
Fourth: McCrary beat Martin 1 up.
Fifth: Kitzmiller beat Schooley 3 and 1.
Sixth: Hawk beat Sanders 3 and 1.
Seventh: Baldock beat Curtis 2 and 1 (quarterfinal).
Eighth: Hamilton beat Mickelson 3 and 1.
Ninth: Siegmund beat Coppock 4 and 2.
Eleventh: Hoffman beat Harrison 6 and 5. C. Dyer beat Dryman 3 and 1.
Twelfth: Abst beat Mason 3 and 1.