

Sport Sparks

By RON GEMMELL

Just as one tummyfull of vitamins won't sustain an ordinary specimen of homo sapiens for life, so won't a single ball game maintain a baseball team throughout a season.



CHARLIE BATES

But, gosh, our Senators did look right pert in that first one, didn't they? A few mistakes, yes, but on the whole their efforts were entirely satisfying.

The Helsner hurler still pitches two ball games in one and keeps folks a-guessing as to whether he'll walk or strike-out the more batsmen, but the southpaw mound citizen continued to display that he does have what it takes and can get the ball in there.

Catcher Eddie Adams served ample notice that Wisters won't be running around the satchel paths on our Solons, as they had a vicious habit of doing last year.

Outfielders Bergstrom, Petersen and Lightner gave evi-dence of enough speed and arm power to save Solon servers several digits in the ERA (earned run average) column during the season.

And the right side of the infield, whereat are stationed "Lanny" Lanifero and Charlie Bates, looms a strong contender to Yakima's Stamper-Reese combine for best-in-league honor. The Bates boy is so smooth at first base you don't realize he has any feet, which is something distinctly new for Legislators' lbers.

But it was the offensive punch displayed by Giffiths' supposedly punchless gang which sent customers home slightly gaga. Fourteen hits practically constitute a basketball in baseball. In this case, a May-day basketball.

Sincerity Felt. Standing with the 3000 folks who Thursday night bared heads and stood at rigid attention for well over a minute in silent tribute to the late George E. Waters, you could fairly feel sincerity that welled up out of the baseball plant he gave the community at a personal sacrifice of some \$60,000.

Many men who have risen to so-called higher planes in life would not have commanded the respect shown that crowd for the late George E., as he was intimately known by so many.

And yet, had he been present, it would have embarrassed him. For George E. was anything but a publicity seeker. The publicity angle was the one item that disturbed him most when he ventured into professional baseball a little over a year ago.

Practically his first words to your correspondent, in the first interview concerning his acquisition of a Western International league franchise, were: "Keep my name out of this as much as possible."

It took considerable cajoling to obtain his permission to do a little sketch for the Sporting News, national baseball publication. He just didn't want to be in the limelight.

What would have pleased Geo. E. much more than the tribute so spontaneously given him would have been the mere knowledge that some of Salem's youngsters and oldsters were able to attend a baseball game.

Time after time did he emphasize the fact he was building the ball park "for Salem and Salem people," of whom he held there were no finer, and not for personal gain.

And another thing: He'd have apologized to the Wenatchee management for giving the Chiefs such a beating.

He was that kind of a guy.

Pleased to Meetcha. Shake hands with Charles Ernest Bates, the nimble-footed fellow who is policing first base for our Senators, and who is number nine in this corner's Solon sketches. So sorry, you'll have to shake his left one, for that's the one he uses for such items as throwing baseballs, shoveling calories, etc.

Charles Ernest is 22, stands 6-foot-1, weighs 170 and his draft number is low enough that he expects to receive Uncle Sam's nod sometime this fall—but well after the baseball season is over.

Bates was born in Sacramento but attended Mission high school in San Francisco, where he played three years of prep baseball. Following his graduation in 1938, he

signed with the Chicago Cubs and was farmed to Moline, Moineau sent him to Jeanneret, Louisiana, of the Evangeline circuit, but Jeanneret was well fixed for a first baseman and let him go. He signed on with Oakland in 1939 and was farmed to Tucson of the Texas wheel. In 70 games there he hit .338 and was second best fielding first baseman in the league.

Last season he was sent to Idaho Falls, where he hit .290 in 131 games and led the league in fielding with a .981 average.

He's single, gals, but you might consider him a poor marital investment in that his hobbies include two of the type that keep husbands away from home consistently—fishing and hunting.

Injuns Top WI League WESTERN INTERNATIONAL W L Pct W L Pct Spokane 2 0 1.000 Yakima 0 1 .000 Salem 1 0 1.000 Wenatchee 0 2 .000 Tacoma 0 0 1.000 Vancouver 0 2 .000 Salem-Wenatchee, rain. Yakima-Tacoma, rain. Spokane 10, Vancouver 7.

SPOKANE, May 2-(P)—The Spokane Indians outpunched Vancouver's Caplanos to take over the Western International league leadership Friday night, playing through a rain of basehits and raindrops for a 10 to 7 victory.

All other league games were rained out. Si Greenlaw, on the hill for the Caps, hit a single, double and triple in a vain effort to save his own game, but masterful relief hurling by Hank Anderson of Spokane earned the victory for the league champions.

Vancouver 7 11 2 Spokane 10 15 1 Greenlaw, Weir (6), Goldman (9) and Lingua; O'Flynn, Anderson (5) and Roche.

Zivic Crushes Marteliano NEW YORK, May 2-(P)—In the closest thing a decision could be to a knockout, welterweight champion Fritz Zivic of Pittsburgh outpointed and outslugged Tony Marteliano of New York in 10 rounds tonight, leaving the east side boy draped over the ropes as the bell ended the final round. Both men weighed 149½ pounds, over the class limit.

Before a disappointing crowd of 6000 in the New York coliseum, where they're not accustomed to paying a \$3 top for their fights, Zivic gave Marteliano a boxing lesson for six of the first nine rounds, then drove the lesson home with both hands in the tenth.

Cards up There by Accident? not on Your Life! Southworth's Ideas Bear Fruit By WHITNEY MARTIN NEW YORK, May 2-(Special to The Statesman)—The St. Louis Cardinals are up there in first place in the National league, and it's no more an accident than a flower in a flower pot. They're there because a little guy had a big idea.

Tacoma Here for Solon Series; Chiefs Washed out, 2nd Game

Old "Precipitation Pete" puddled up George E. Waters park to the extent the Wenatchee Chiefs hightailed it hence without meeting our Senators in the second game of the two-game opening WI series Friday night, and as this was thumped out of a typewriter he was still spouting quite drizzily.

Tacoma's remodeled Tigers, who topped Yakima 2-0 in their opener, are scheduled to open a three-game skein with the Legislators here at 8:15 tonight, but continued lowering skies forecast another probable postponement. The Tigers were washed out of their second game at Yakima, also.

Pip Koehler, the new Tacoma skipper, who comes to the Tigers fresh from piloting Akron to the championship of the class C, Mid-Atlantic wheel last season, brings almost an entirely new club to Salem.

Recognizable to Salem fans, however, will be Morrie Abbott,



PIP KOEHLER

who started with the Tigers last season; John Linde, utility man who was with our Senators a short spasm in 1940; and Gene Kiley, who worked the center patch for the 1940 Tigers.

Tacoma's inner defense, from catcher on out, is strictly 1941 and is made up entirely of optioned ball players. Catcher Ed Botelho comes from San Francisco; First Baseman Bill Gray from Hollywood, Second Baseman Mel Skelley from Oakland; Shortstop Jack Hanson from Los Angeles; and Third Baseman Ray Perry from San Francisco.

Tiger twirlers whom capital city fans will recognize include Del Holmes and Paul Smith, elongated flippers who were with Vancouver last season, and Earl Porter and Mill Cadinha, standby moundsmen of the 1940 Tiger team.

Koehler and gang is scheduled in here through Sunday. A doubleheader is on tap Sunday, beginning at 6:15 p. m.

Viking Golfers Top Prep Meet; Sederstrom Low

Topped by Bob Sederstrom, who fired a medal-winning 76, Salem high's golf team led the nine-school state high school golf tournament at the half-way mark Friday night.

The Vik foursome, of Bob Burns, Sederstrom, Chuck Beardsley and Freddie Bradshaw, turned in a team score of 336—two shots under second place University high's 338 and three shots better than Eugene high's 339. Bend was in fourth place with 347, Albany in fifth with 349, Corvallis in sixth with 351, Marshfield and Parkrose tied for seventh with 379 and Silverton eighth with 388.

Second 18 holes of the tournament are scheduled to begin at 9:30 Saturday morning, over the same Salem Golf club course treated to a steady drizzle that contributed to the high scores in Friday's opening rounds. Scores by teams: Salem-Burns 80, Sederstrom 76, Beardsley 83, Bradshaw 97. University-Taylor 80, Everett 84, Dubois 85, Kelley 85. Eugene-Nicholson 86, Richardson 78, Fisher 84, Hubbard 81. Bend-S. McGary 78, Moore 80, Chambers 86, J. McGary 94. Albany-Roberts 78, Ralston 87, McRayolds 80, Ryals 95. Corvallis-Roth 84, Devine 88, Burrier 84, Hill 92. Marshfield-Day 80, Drollinger 86, Elliot 85, Lietz 97. Albany-Eaton 86, Blue 83, Inglis 95, Watson 101. Silverton-Harmon 87, Dickman 90, W. Adams 98, D. Adams 113.

'Cats, Pilots Play Today Too much mist—of the type that "mist" California and hit Oregon—for Willamette and Pacific to play their Northwest conference doubleheader here Friday, but the Bearcats and Portland U Pilots play at Geo. E. Waters park at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The Bearcat-Badger clashes were rescheduled for next Tuesday afternoon, beginning at 1:30. In addition, Coach Spec Keene announced his team would play the Albany Alcos of the State league here next Wednesday night at 8:15.

DOGERS RESUME BROOKLYN, May 2-(P)—The Brooklyn Dodgers took up their winning ways today as though they never had been interrupted and crushed the Chicago Cubs 7 to 3 behind the four-hit hurling of skillful Whitlow Wyatt.

It was the fourth straight win after one defeat for the lean righthander, who was invincible after a faltering start. Chicago 3 4 2 Brooklyn 7 11 1 Lee, Page (8) and McCullough; Wyatt and Owen.

Pirates, Giants Tie NEW YORK, May 2-(P)—The Pittsburgh Pirates and New York Giants battled for three hours and 21 minutes to no avail today until darkness finally halted their struggle in a 7-7 tie at the end of 13 innings.

Gabby Hartnett, former Cub star and manager, made his first start of the season as catcher for the Giants and doubled home two of New York's tallies in their four-run third inning. Billy Jurges homered in the fourth and Mel Ott hit his fifth roundtripper of the season with one on in the fifth.

Pittsburgh 7 12 2 New York 7 12 4 Newell, Wilkie (6), Lanahan (8), Lanning (8) and Lopez, Davis (8); Gumbert, Carpenter (8), Adams (8) and Hartnett.

Albany Receives Semipro Tourney WICHITA, Kan., May 2-(P)—Transfer of the annual Oregon State semi-pro baseball tournament from Portland to Albany was confirmed today by Ray Dumont, national semi-pro baseball congress president.

The tourney will start July 4 and the Oregon champion will play the Washington tillet at Everett for the regional crown. The national tournament will be held here Aug. 15-27.

Sports

Salem, Oregon, Saturday Morning, May 3, 1941

Injuns in Amerk, Cards In Nat Going Berserk; Both Continue Skeins

NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDINGS W L Pct W L Pct St. Louis 12 3 .800 Boston 8 9 .400 Brooklyn 14 8 .377 Chicago 5 8 .385 N. York 8 7 .533 Philadelphia 5 11 .313 Cincinnati 8 8 .500 Pittsburgh 4 10 .286 Cincinnati-Boston, rain.

AMERICAN LEAGUE STANDINGS W L Pct W L Pct Cleveland 13 4 .768 Detroit 7 5 .467 Philadelphia 10 3 .771 Washington 4 10 .273 N. York 11 7 .611 Philadelphia 4 11 .267 Boston 8 7 .533 St. Louis 3 10 .231

PHILADELPHIA, May 2-(P)—The St. Louis Cardinals strengthened their grip on the National league lead today by winning a 2 to 0 over the Phillies for their seventh straight victory, unveiling a rookie pitcher of considerable promise.

Righthander Howard Krist, who won 22 games for Houston and set a Texas league earned run record of 1.71 last year, gave the Phillies only five hits, two of them—and both the losers' runs—coming in the ninth inning. He walked only one man, hit one batter and struck out four.

The triumph was the 12th in 15 starts for Billy Southworth's club and kept them well ahead of the second place Brooklyn Dodgers who also won. Philadelphia 4 9 1 St. Louis 15 5 0 Krist and Mancuso; Podgajny, Beck (6), Tamulis (9) and Warren.

CHISOX CRACKLE CHICAGO, May 2-(P)—The Chicago White Sox set off a string of firecrackers under the New York Yankees in the sixth and seventh innings today to break up a sensational pitching duel between the veterans Red Ruffing and Ted Lyons.

The resulting 8 to 1 victory boosted the Sox back into second place in the American league, half a game ahead of the Yanks. New York 1 5 1 Chicago 8 7 1 Ruffing, Peek (8), Stanceau (7) and Dickey; Lyons and Tresh.

TIGERS RAMPAGE DETROIT, May 2-(P)—Detroit's hitters stayed hot for a fourth straight day and with Schoolboy Rowe turning in a pitching gem and Rudy York firing his fifth home run the Tigers massacred the Philadelphia Athletics, 15 to 1, in the series opener today. Philadelphia 1 7 2 Detroit 15 17 2 Potter, Harris (3), A. Johnson (8) and Hayes; Rowe and Sullivan.

SOLONS BAG BROWNS ST. LOUIS, May 2-(P)—Young Sid Hudson's pitching stamina and the batting of veteran Catcher Rick Ferrell gave Washington a 7 to 4 victory over the Browns today in 12 innings.

Hudson, winning his first game against three defeats, went the entire route and Ferrell drove in four of the Senators' runs. Washington 7 14 2 St. Louis 4 10 1 Hudson and Ferrell; Auker, Trotter and Swift, Grube.

LEAGUE BASEBALL American Association Milwaukee 4, Louisville 3. Toledo 12, St. Paul 5. Kansas City 11, Indianapolis 6. Minneapolis 11, Columbus 10.

Where Plutocratic Ponies Gallop Today



Scene of Churchill Downs, Louisville, Ky., where the cream of the country's race horses vie in the famous Kentucky derby today. Approximately 100,000 are expected to witness the Blue Grass classic.

Molalla Cops Big 9 Track, Field Session

SILVERTON—Molalla edged out Chemawa by three points in the first annual consolidated Big Nine league track and field meet, held here Friday in a steady drizzle that kept times and distances considerably below par for the most part.

Molalla scored 43½ points to 40½ for Chemawa. Gresham took third place with 28, Sandy fourth with 19, Silverton fifth with 12, Woodburn sixth with 8, Parkrose seventh with 5 and Canby eighth with none.

Hepler, of Molalla, contributed the only two outstanding marks. He tossed the discus 139 feet, 8 inches to top that event, and heaved the shot 44 feet, 6 inches to win another first. He also took second place in the javelin, giving him 13 points and top individual honor for the day.

Results: 120-yard high hurdles—Won by Riggs, Gresham, in 1:39; Lewis, Silverton, second; Lyons, Sandy, third; Davis, Molalla, fourth. 100-yard dash—Won by Berger, Chemawa, in 1:29; Davis, Molalla, second; Naabe, Gresham, third; Harrison, Gresham, fourth.

200-yard dash—Won by George, Chemawa, in 3:11; Stone, Gresham, second; Bellamy, Woodburn, third; Young, Gresham, fourth. 440-yard dash—Won by Porter, Parkrose, in 2:38; Dickey, Molalla, second; Wilson, Gresham, third; Asbury, Woodburn, fourth.

220-yard dash—Won by Berger, Chemawa, in 2:52; Nickless, Chemawa, second; Dickey, Molalla, third; Halter, Woodburn, fourth. 200-yard low hurdles—Won by Riggs, Gresham, in 2:44; Amos, Silverton, second; Lyons, Sandy, third; Nelson, Gresham, fourth.

880-yard run—Won by McKnight, Molalla, in 2:28; Stone, Gresham, second; Sorrenson, Woodburn, third; Adolph, Chemawa, fourth. Pole vault—Won by Mudrow, Sandy, in 17' 4"; Berger, Chemawa, second; Shields, Molalla, third; King, Sandy, fourth.

200-yard jump—Won by Davis, Molalla, with 18' 11"; McKnight, Molalla, second; Phelps, Woodburn, third; Compston, Sandy, fourth. High jump—Won by Eddon, Chemawa, in 4' 7"; Compston, Sandy, second; Orr, Silverton, and Gien, Molalla, tied for second.

200-yard dash—Won by Hepler, Molalla, with 1:38' 8"; Herr, Silverton, second; Hepler, Molalla, third; Finley, Chemawa, fourth. Shotput—Won by Hepler, Molalla, with 44' 6"; Jackson, Chemawa, second; Hodel, Sandy, third; Herr, Silverton, fourth.

Javelin—Won by Jackson, Chemawa, with 144' 7"; Hepler, Molalla, second; Harrison, Gresham, third; Herr, Silverton, fourth. Relay—Won by Chemawa; Gresham, second; Molalla, third, Sandy, fourth.

SALEM BOWLERS STILL LEAD PORTLAND, Ore., May 2-(P)—Wednesday's night's 2725 total posted by Pade's five of Salem, continued to lead the Northwestern International Bowling Congress Friday.

Among doubles teams in the competition last night were: L. D. Kitchin-V. D. Perry, Salem, 999; E. T. Hartwell-Rex Adolph, Salem, 1073; H. M. Olinger-C. E. Forman, Salem, 1107.

Up-state singles results: Salem—Kitchin 557, Perry 516, Hartwell 515, Adolph 466, Olinger 552, Forman 442.

WOMEN POST WINS IN GOLF TOURNEY Mrs. A. A. Nowels and Mrs. R. A. McLoughlin paired to win the class A division of the best-ball tournament staged by the Salem Women's Golf club Friday, firing a 73.

Mrs. Ralph Hamilton and Mrs. Ross Coppock paired to tack B division with a net of 79, and Mrs. Frank Patters and Mrs. H. K. Stockwell took down C division top place with a 78.

Mt. Angel Bills Aurora Sunday MT. ANGEL—Mt. Angel will play its second home Willamette Valley league game at Emmer ball park here Sunday afternoon at 2:30, with the undefeated Aurora nine as the opponent.

Having lost both the opener with St. Paul and the game at Molalla last Sunday by narrow margins, the local club hopes to get a win from the strong Aurora team next Sunday.

SUNREZE RIBBON Ice Cream THIS MONTH'S SPECIAL FLAVOR FRESH STRAWBERRY

League Baseball American Association Milwaukee 4, Louisville 3. Toledo 12, St. Paul 5. Kansas City 11, Indianapolis 6. Minneapolis 11, Columbus 10.

Grooms Threaten to Strike, Owner Flails Conditions Of Track on Eve of Derby

LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 2-(P)—A batch of trouble started to cook up at Churchill Downs tonight, just when everything had looked dandy for the 67th running of the Kentucky derby tomorrow with a wide open field of 11 three-year old princes of the turf.

First off, Owner Lou Tufano announced flatly that the Downs' racing strip was so hard he would scratch his Marketweek, winner of last week's Wood Memorial at Jamaica, unless it rained before post time for this richest derby in history. This would leave ten, to run, headed by the "big boys", Porter's Cap, Our Boots and Whirlaway, with an expected crowd of 100,000 cheering them on and old man weather promising neither rain nor mud.

And right on top of that, it was learned the grooms in the barns beyond the backstretch have several complaints and have threatened a "strike" for two hours before the first race is called to the post unless they're satisfied. The grooms demand better plumbing facilities for themselves and a flat rate of \$10 for each winning mount one of them leads from the stable to the paddock. Neither side would make any official comment tonight, but the management was reported ready to talk things over when the grooms made their "beefs" official.

In the clubhouse for today's races, Tufano was all worked up over the track conditions. He pointed out that a roller, run over the strip today, would be used again tomorrow and that "the surface is as hard as concrete."

"I'm not taking any chances hurting or ruining my colt for ninety Kentucky derbies," the Long Island (New York) paving contractor shouted. "The way I feel now, we pull out unless it rains before the derby and the soggy day."

Keizer easily topped the A division, scoring 117 points to 79 for Woodburn, 32 for Salem Heights and 16 for Liberty.

Auburn ran off with the B division, scoring 59 points to 32 for Hubbard, 29 for Turner, 24 for Rikley, 22 for West Stayton, 21 for Middle Grove, 16 for Swegle, 13 for Brooks, 12 for Hazel Green and 1 for North Santiam.

Competition was closer in the C division, where Aurora's 55 points topped Gervais' 49 by only six points. Others: North Howell 38, Fruitland 21, Fairfield 14, Cloverdale 13, Ankeny 12, Clear Lake 10, White 8, Pratum 5, Lake Labish 5, Pringle 5.

Keizer, Auburn, Aurora Win Keizer, Auburn and Aurora topped divisions of the annual Marion county grade school track and field meet, held at the state fairgrounds Friday despite the soggy day.

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