

# Cleveland Grid Rams Toss Towel; Others to Continue

## From the BLEACHERS

By AL LIGHTNER

Pete McCaffery informs that brother Pvt. Frank, also a former village softball star in the good old days, is due home on furlough ere long from his chores in the tank division at Camp Hood, Tex., and claims the vacation can't come soon enough. "He likes the army," says Pete, "but, oh, that Texas!" So just list Pvt. Frank along with most all the other Oregonians forced on Texas for training—they say the Lone Star state is a good place to be from—period . . . Keep your eyes peeled for more heroic work by the PT boats and don't be surprised if you read where Ex-Willametteer Ensign Joe Murray was one of those in on the "party." Joe writes that he has "one more week" at the Portsmouth, RI, PT boat training school before "showing off." "Can't tell you where, but they say the weather is grand there—and boy, do I look forward to it." Murray also says former sidekick Larry Drury has been transferred back to San Francisco . . .



JIM BOCCHI

### What Our Ex-Senators Are Doin'

Call this "What Our Ex-Senators Are Doin' in the PCL" if you like:

Charlie Petersen, whom the Frisco scribes dote on calling "The One-Man Ball Club," got himself a hit, scored a run and handled 10 putouts and 2 assists while playing first base for Lefty O'Doul's nine the other day in an exhibition game. Pete also started one double play and completed two others.

And Big Ron Smith hurled three heats for Hollywood against Los Angeles Sunday getting credit for a 4-3 win before 5000 fans in a Navy relief game at Hollywood. The Angels got one tally off Smitty. Eddie Erault fired the last three frames of the game and was touched for two runs by the Seraphs. And Hal Sueme, former Vancouver backstop, caught the latter part of the game for Los Angeles.

Reports from San Diego say Alf Calitieux is having a little trouble ironing out the muscular kinks he picked up doing construction work over the winter.

### Bocchi Still Goin' to Town

Courtsier Jim Bocchi of Klamath Falls, to be remembered as he got kipped when the All-State basketball team was announced, but was good enough to almost personally give the Pelicans their first tournament title in history, has other talents we see by pecking at the KF Herald-News. In an inter-class track session the apple of Howard Hobson's eye heaved the shot 38-feet 5-inches to win that event; sailed the discus 138-feet 8-inches (which, incidentally, is 4 inches over the state prep record) to win that event also; pitched the javelin 139-feet 7-inches to cop that chapter and then wound up things by taking first place in the high jump with a hop of 5-feet 6 1/2 inches. The article doesn't say what Bocchi was doing in his spare time.

And Ralph Foster, the bespectacled Pelican speedster guard who did make the All-State five, showed where he gets that cage court speed by nabbing the 100-yard dash in .10.3.

As Bocchi's age is listed as 18—well, they have basketball and track teams in the army we've been told.

(Baseball, too, we hope, as we're expectin' any day now.)

### Grounders and Pickups:

Ensign Dwight Aden in town over the weekend to have the young heir christened . . . Don't think there's a lot of "I hate you" stuff amongst the boxing teams at Camp Adair? Just get Sports Editor Pvt. Bob Ruskauff of the Camp Adair Sentry to tell you about it—you'll be convinced. "Those outfits don't like each other in big pieces," says Ruskauff . . . "If Frankie Dierickx can do it maybe we can too," chimes Clint Cameron and Bill Hanauka. Meaning that if Dierickx can hook on with Portland for six weeks this summer after his school's out, the Willamette "new deal" battery of Clint, the ex-Salem and Spokane man, and Bill, Brooklyn Dodger farmhand, figure they can do the same. Both expect enlisted reserve calls won't come until sometime in July, so wouldn't mind spending the couple months in between school out and call to arms on a Coast league club. They're going to try it at least. The door's open for Cameron, as he's a free agent. Hanauka must first obtain permission from Boss Branch Rickey before he messes with another club . . .

### Pro Golfers, Women in Same Boat When 'Fessin' Up Ages

By ROBERT MOORE

RICHMOND, Va., April 6-(P)—You can take it from Wee Bobby Cruickshank that professional golfers are just as touchy as women about telling their ages, but he doesn't mind admitting that "old Father Time is catching up with me."

The "wee Scot" of golf had just missed a difficult shot, and he took time out to talk about his favorite subject.

"Looks like I'm slipping," chuckled the short, stocky Scotsman, who gives 700 lessons a year as pro at the Country club of Virginia. "But I'm getting old—48! Course, I'll keep on pecking away as long as I'm able to get around with one of these things."

"You know, it's funny about golfers. They're even worse than women."

"I've been playing with some big fellows for years, and right today, I don't know how old they are. Several of them were only 37 or 38 until this war broke out. I'm not going to tell you their names," Cruickshank grinned.

Cruickshank, who has played golf in nearly every country in the world, thinks that the greatest player who ever took a swing at a golf ball is foxy Walter Hagen.

The biggest money winner of 1927, Cruickshank thinks he may take the coin-pocketing

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## Session Opens With Surprise Move; 9 Left

By CHARLES DUNKLEY  
CHICAGO, April 6-(P)—In a surprise move, the Cleveland Rams dropped out of the national football league Tuesday for the duration, but the owners of the remaining nine clubs voted to continue despite a terrific manpower shortage.

The club owners of the pro league voted to allow the co-owners of the ram, major Fred Levy and Lieut. Daniel Reeves, to suspend operations on the plea they were in the armed services and could not conduct the affairs of the team.

Cleveland players will revert to the league, to be disposed of among the remaining clubs. Charles "Chili" Walsh, the Rams' new coach, estimated 14 or 18 players would be available for the pool.

The withdrawal leaves four teams in the eastern division of the league—the Chicago Bears, Chicago Cardinals, Green Bay Packers and Detroit. Cleveland finished third in the western division last year and seventh in the league, winning five and losing six.

The league voted to defer its annual draft of college players until Thursday due to the delayed arrival of Gus Dorais, Detroit city councilman and new coach of the Detroit Lions.

The national league drafts collegians only after their classes have graduated. Tuesday it was argued that with many college stars in the services their classes would be graduated before they returned from the war and that the league should change its rules so as to establish rights to such players even though they had not completed three years of college competition.

### Pekar to Boss Local Linksmen

Officers for the "Weekly Whacky" golf tournaments—those every Thursday affairs the Mens' club linksmen take part in at the Salem course—were announced Tuesday. Millard Pekar will handle the presidential duties and take charge of the eats every week, and Harry Gustafson, Ross Coppock and Rex Kimmell will act as the tournament committee.

It was also announced that qualifying rounds for a city-wide spring handicap tournament will start next Saturday and Sunday on the South River road layout.

Just which kind of Thursday frolic will be held this week is to be announced later.

### Beavers Award Five Paddlers

OREGON STATE COLLEGE, Corvallis, April 6—Major swimming awards have been given to five members of Oregon State's tank team for the 1943 campaign. They are Wellton Hershberger, Hugh Smith, Vic Simpson, Jack Swartz and Emmett Woodward. Coach Walt Adrian's merman had a mediocre season, defeating Washington State and losing two to Oregon in dual competition and tying with Idaho for fourth place in the Northern division meet at Pullman.

**Pringle vs. Liberty**  
PRINGLE—If the weather clears enough to get in some practice the Pringle softball team will play at Liberty on Friday.

**OL' '98' RETURNS**  
LITTLE BUICK

Tommy Harmon, who made the number 98 famous as an All-American halfback at Michigan, now uses that number as part of the insignia on his army bomber. LA. Harmon is now on active duty.

# Sewell Philosophic Over Discouraging Outlook for Brownies

By OSCAR KAHAN  
CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo., April 6-(P)—Always the war-torn Alabama gentleman, Manager Luke Sewell of the St. Louis Browns was philosophic Tuesday over the discouraging outlook for his team, which once was highly regarded as a pennant contender.

"You don't know anything about anything this year," he said. "We're never going to know where we stand from one day to the next so we'll just have to be prepared for anything."



LUKE SEWELL

### Bearcats Mix With Webfoots At UO Today

After some three weeks of hit and miss practice because of the bad weather and a win and a tie over the State Pen nine already behind them, Coach Spec Keene's Bearcat haliburgers swing into scheduled action today at Eugene against the University of Oregon Ducks.

The modernized 'Cat club, boasting a top-notch collegiate battery in Hurier Bill Hanauka and Clint Cameron, will be decided underdogs against Howard Hobson's exceedingly strong Webfoots. Such lettermen stars as Pitcher Nick Begleries, who'll probably swirl for the Ducks today, John Bubalo, Don Kirsch and Dick Hamel dot Hobson's lineup.

Besides Hanauka and Cameron, both revitalized ex-professional players, Keene's club has but three lettermen—Second Sacker Art Baird and Outfielders Ben Schaad and Don Barnick. Barnick only recently turned out with the squad after recuperating from a broken foot.

The balance of Keene's starting nine includes Wes Saxton at first base; the Molalla pair—Bud Larson and Don Hilton at short and third respectively and Gordon Kunke in the outfield with Schaad and Barnick.

In a tune-up practice tilt Tuesday on Sweetland, the "Regulars" tripped the "Fannigans" by a 10 to 5 count. Yes, Keene has just enough players out for the sport to form two teams.

Superlative betting by Regulars Schaad, Saxton, Cameron, Hilton and Larson featured the intra-squad affair, with one of Saxton's blows being a tremendous homer. Schaad also rapped one for the circuit.

### OSC 9 Nips Adair, 3 to 1

CORVALLIS, ORE., April 6-(P)—Oregon State opened the baseball season here Tuesday by nicing out a Camp Adair infantry team, 3 to 1.

The Beavers scored single runs in the third and fourth innings, the first on Walt Kirschner's single and an infield error, and the second on Ray Oberst's single and Don Bower's triple.

The soldiers nicked Beaver Pitcher King Louderback for their only two hits in the sixth inning, good for one run.

John Mack added the clinching tally for Oregon State in the eighth, singling and coming home on two infield outs.

**Camp Adair** ..... 1 2 3  
Oregon State ..... 3 8 2  
Payte, Fahner, Stevens and Ferret; Cecil, Frazer, Louderback, Frahier and Koelandt, Welmer.

### Rainiers Engage Cougar Ball Club

SPOKANE, Wash., April 6-(P)—The Seattle Rainiers, training at Lewiston, Idaho, will meet Washington State college here Wednesday and again Thursday at Pullman. After the game here the team will hold three workouts in Lewiston before leaving next Tuesday for San Diego to open the season April 18 against the Padres.

### Detroit Pitcher Manders Resigns

ADEL, Ia., April 6-(P)—Hal Manders, 25-year-old pitcher for the Detroit Tigers, said Tuesday night he is through with baseball for the duration. Manders, who is classified 3-A, said he has taken a job on a stock farm near here.

### Oregon Staters Open Against Duck Nine Friday

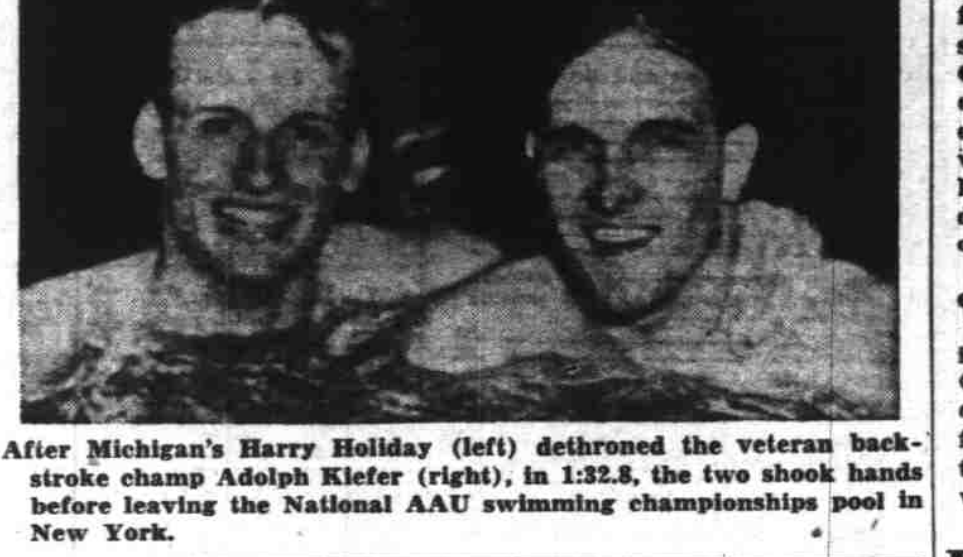
OREGON STATE COLLEGE, Corvallis, April 6—Weather permitting, Oregon State's inexperienced baseball team will open its 1943 northern division campaign against the defending champion University of Oregon club at Corvallis Friday afternoon. Game time is set for 4 p. m. The two clubs will play a return contest at Eugene the following day.

# Sports

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### Victor and Vanquished



After Michigan's Harry Holiday (left) dethroned the veteran backstroke champ Adolph Kiefer (right), in 1:32.8, the two shook hands before leaving the National AAU swimming championships pool in New York.

### NOTES FROM THE Spring Ball Camps

LEWISTON, Ida., April 6-(P)—Manager Bill Skiff of the Seattle Rainiers announced Tuesday the signing of a home-town boy, Bill Katsilometes as an outfielder with the Pacific Coast league club. Katsilometes, who left pro ball in 1940 and has been employed in Lewiston since, will join the club Thursday or Friday.

Mel Harder, Chubby Dean and Al Smith were the Cleveland selections, each working three rounds.

INDIANAPOLIS, April 6-(P)—The Pittsburgh Pirates defeated the Cleveland Indians, 5-3, in an exhibition game before 1,000 fans Tuesday.

FRENCH LICK, Ind., April 6-(P)—Manager Jimmy Dykes was demanding more polish of his Chicago White Sox Tuesday as they got ready for a resumption of the informal training series with the Chicago Cubs, Wednesday. Pitchers in particular got a hefty going over.

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo., April 6-(P)—The St. Louis Browns stirred memories of 1942 mid-season hitting spree with an 11-3 spring training practice game Tuesday.

SEATTLE, April 6-(P)—Coach Al Ulbrickson Tuesday scheduled a two-mile time trial Saturday for the University of Washington crews, which must be rebuilt from bow to rudder.

### Cardinal Pair Get Bunged Up

CAIRO, Ill., April 6-(P)—Pitcher Morton Cooper, star righthander of the world champion St. Louis Cardinals, and Capt. Jimmy Brown went to St. Louis Tuesday for medical attention.

COLEGE PARK, Md., April 6-(P)—Washington Tuesday completed its deal with the Philadelphia Athletics for the purchase of Outfielder Bob Johnson. Clark Griffith, president of the Senators, made a cash settlement. The amount was not announced.

Cooper worked through batting practice and complained of continued soreness in his back, injured last winter in a fall.

The Senators will go to the naval academy at Annapolis Wednesday for a game with the Middies.

### Meissen Gives Up, Goes Home

LOS ANGELES, April 6-(P)—Meissen, the great flog of the American turf, is headed home to his native Peru, where he reigned and raced as a champion.

Duquesne last week announced the abandonment of all sports for the war's duration.

The great thoroughbred—he stands 17 hands—was brought to this country by A. T. Jergins, Hollywood turf director and wealthy oil man, at a cost of more than \$100,000.

Duquesne's teams at Duquesne won 268 games against 97 defeats.

Jergins scoured south America for a horse which could win Santa Anita's pre-war \$100,000 golden gallop. He bought Meissen in Peru and he groomed the big fellow to become a "dream horse" of the turf.

### Davies Takes Prep Cage Job

PITTSBURGH, April 6-(P)—Charles "Chick" Davies, nationally known as basketball coach at Duquesne university since 1924, Tuesday night was elected basketball coach of the Homestead high school, where he also will serve as a teacher.

Davies' teams at Duquesne won 268 games against 97 defeats.

But the dream turned into a nightmare when Meissen proved to be a dismal failure on American tracks.

### Coasters Make Good White, Mayo Regarded by Mack As 'Makings' of A's Outfit

By SID FEDER  
WILMINGTON, Del., April 6-(P)—The tip-off on the Philadelphia Athletics this year is that Connie Mack believes Jo Jo White, up from the Seattle Rainiers but once of the Detroit Tigers, and Eddie Mayo, late—very late—of the New York Giants and Boston Braves, are the "makings" of his ball club.

### Durdan Held By Pneumonia

CORVALLIS, April 6-(P)—Don Durdan, heavy hitting outfielder and all-around sports star, will be missing from the Oregon States lineup for the opening Pacific Coast Northern division conference contest with Oregon Friday. Dr. Waldo Ball, team physician, said Durdan contracted pneumonia while on a recent fishing trip.

Durdan's illness was discovered Sunday.

The great State athlete's loss is a tough one for Coach Ralph Coleman's nine as Durdan was counted on to hold down an outfield berth on the club. He led the team in hitting last season with .340.

### Limit Cleared On Salmon Bag

PORTLAND, April 6-(P)—The state game department called attention Tuesday to new salmon fishing regulations which have resulted in some confusion among fishermen.

The state bag limit for salmon is five fish in one day for each angler, the department said, but in the Columbia and its tributaries the limit is three fish.

The department said the Columbia regulation was made to conform with Washington regulations since the two states jointly control the river.

### UW Oarsmen In Time Trial

SEATTLE, April 6-(P)—Coach Al Ulbrickson Tuesday scheduled a two-mile time trial Saturday for the University of Washington crews, which must be rebuilt from bow to rudder.

The prospective varsity and junior varsity crews, defending Pacific coast champions, turned in favorable time trials last fall, but calls to military service have taken much of the huskies' rowing talent since then.

Andy Galbraith, who rowed No. 2 in the junior varsity last year, has been holding down the stroke position regularly in the varsity boat.

### Bums Lecture; Bobo Shows Up

BROOKLYN, April 6-(P)—While a majority of the Brooklyn Dodger baseball team made a tour of Long Island defense plants in the interests of the bond buying campaign Tuesday, Bobo Newsom came from Bear Mountain to join the club.

The overweight pitcher, who didn't sign his contract until last week, had been left there to get into condition.

The Dodgers cancelled their game with Newark Tuesday and spent the day talking and answering baseball questions in numerous plants.

Snyder to AA League  
COLUMBUS, O., April 6-(P)—The American association Tuesday acquired umpire Raymond W. Snyder, 44, of Hollywood, Calif., from the Pacific Coast league. Association President George M. Trautman disclosed.

Dallesandro got his circuit clout off Rookie Vernon Stone, who relieved Rookie Roy Malloy in the sixth.

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