

SPORTS TRAIL

BY WHITNEY MARTIN

NEW YORK, April 15—(P)—We are picking the Cleveland Indians to win the American League pennant, a selection which probably will come as quite a surprise to the Indians, who will look around to see if we are talking about somebody else, then blurt incredulously: "Who, me?"

In fact, the selection is quite a surprise to us, as just the other day we privately picked the Yankees. However, it was one of those flash picks, or guesses, such as you'd blurt "four o'clock" if somebody asked you the time and you didn't know it.

We've thought a lot about the Yankees since, and even read Frank Graham's fine book on them to see if there might be some reason we could pick them again, but no dice.

Frank covers everything but the 1943 season, and although he cites Joe McCarthy's genius as a builder, we think the building job he faces this year is too much even for him.

The choice of Cleveland is made with a full knowledge of the team's shortcomings, and the fact it has failed to win before when it was a better team. However, the other teams were better then than they are now, too, and whatever club wins the pennant won't be as good as pennant winners of the past. It will just be the best horse in a plater race.

We'll string along with Detroit for third place, largely on the Tiger pitching staff, and for fourth we'll take the Browns, who surprised even the Browns by finishing third last year.

For the second division we like the Red Sox, White Sox, Senators and Athletics to finish in that order. The Red Sox, second the past two years, have been hit hard by the war, and although their pitching has been on the upgrade, their outfield looks like yesterday's gardenia. The outfielders are exhibit "A" of the manpower shortage.

We pick the White Sox for sixth chiefly because they are bound to be better than the Senators and Athletics. They finished sixth last year for practically the same reasons.

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the undersigned, HOMER W. EGAN, Executor of the Estate of ALBERT J. EGAN, deceased, has filed in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Marion County, his Final Account, and that said Court has by an order thereof, designated Tuesday, the twentieth day of April, A.D. 1943, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon of said day at the Circuit Court room in the Court House at Salem, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections to said Final Account and the settlement of said Estate, at which said time and place all persons objecting shall appear and show cause, if any there be, why said account should not in all things be allowed and approved, the said estate settled and closed, and the Executor discharged.

HOMER W. EGAN, Executor of the Estate of ALBERT J. EGAN, Deceased. LYLE J. PAGE, Attorney for Estate. First Published, March 19, 1943. Last Published, April 16, 1943. M 19-26-A 2-9-16.

Wakefield Vs. Stankey for Most Valuable

By JUDSON BAILEY
NEW YORK, April 15—(P)—One result of baseball's shortened spring training season has been that little has been heard of the rookie marvels the major league clubs used to unveil in the south. Their number is fewer this year, but they are present nonetheless and the competition for honors as "rookie of the year" seems likely to be as spirited this season as ever in the past.

The best known newcomer, perhaps, is Dick Wakefield of the Detroit Tigers because two years ago he achieved considerable fame by auctioning his services around the major leagues till the Tigers finally signed him for approximately \$50,000. He was named the Texas league's most valuable player last year, playing with Beaumont.

The outstanding National league rookie appears to be infielder Eddie Stankey of the Chicago Cubs, who was the batting champion and most valuable player in the American association last year at Milwaukee.

Brownies Nip Cards, 6 to 5

ST. LOUIS, April 15—(P)—Even though Chet Laabs hit two home runs, the St. Louis Browns barely emerged with a 6 to 5 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals Thursday.

Pitchers on both teams were free with bases on balls, issuing 17. St. Louis (N) 100 010 020-5 8 1. St. Louis (A) 101 010 20-6 3 0.

Munger, Follet (4), Krist (7), Lanier (8) and O'Des, W. Cooper (5); Sanford, Peterson (4), Sunders (7) and Hayes.

Oldest Grocer Retires, Silverton

SILVERTON — Julius Alm, Silverton's oldest grocer in point of continuous service, has announced that he will close "shop" on May 1. Scarcity of help and the bewildering new methods of conducting business are reasons given.

"You can't sell groceries when you can't get them. And you need a little help to sell the few you do get," Mr. Alm said this week.

The veteran grocer reached his four score age point during the past year, but spends every day at the store. He said this week that he thought he would enjoy the retirement and that this would give him time to garden and visit his friends.

Additional

Sports

Vikings, Corvallis In Dual Trackfest

Salem high's track and field Vikings open Salem's cinder season this afternoon on Olinger oval by taking on the Corvallis Spartans in a dual meet starting at the after lunch hour of 1:30.

The Vikings, with only one full meet behind them, are again tabbed to take another loss. Beaverton waylaid the SHS boys 85 to 24 last week at Beaverton, and a mixup in the starting time of Wednesday's triangular meet at Chemawa got the Viks to the Indian oval in time for only four events.

Ham Theft Brings Year

PORTLAND, April 15—(P)—Convicted of stealing a 14-pound ham with a ration stamp value of 128 points from a Portland store, Charles O'Donnell, 42, was sentenced to a year in jail Thursday. Municipal Judge J. J. Quillin, who pronounced sentence, recently sent a man to jail for six months for stealing a half pound of butter. At that time he promised severe sentences in cases involving theft of rationed foodstuffs.

Soldiers Thump San Diego Nine

SAN DIEGO, Calif., April 15—(P)—San Diego's Padres ran afoul of the tough Ft. Rosecrans nine Thursday, dropping a 13 to 8 decision to the soldiers in a battle of errors and base hits. Ft. Rosecrans 301 103 131-13 23 3. San Diego 440 000 010-9 12 6. Nelson, Chapple (2) and Anderson; Lamanske, Merkle (17), Ellis (8) and Salkeld, Ballinger (8).

GREENSBORO, Md. —(P) Greensboro voters will conduct a referendum Saturday to decide whether to permit hogs to be raised within the town's corporate limits.

Legal Notice

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE Notice is hereby given that Elisabeth S. Swanson, by order of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Marion County, has been appointed administratrix of the estate of Edwin Leroy Swanson, deceased. Any persons having claims against said estate are requested to present them with proper vouchers to said administratrix at the office of her attorneys, 310 Pioneer Trust Building, Salem, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice. Dated, March 19, 1943.

ELISABETH S. SWANSON Administratrix of the estate of Edwin Leroy Swanson. SAM F. SPEERSTA RHOTEN & RHOTEN Attorneys for the estate of Edwin Leroy Swanson, deceased. 310 Pioneer Trust Building Salem, Oregon. M 19-26 A. 2-9-16

Ex-WIL'ers Dot Draft-Riddled San Diego Padres Lineup

By HARRY J. FRAWLEY
SAN DIEGO, Calif., April 15—(P)—San Diego's staff of veteran moundsmen will have to turn in many A-1 pitching performances if the Padres, weakened by the loss of I-A draft registrants, remain in the Coast league first division this season. The staff of twirlers isn't overworked, but if experience counts Manager Cedric Durst's pitchers should rank as top-notchers.

Southpaws dominate the pitching corps, with Rex Dillebeck the only holdover from 1942. Frank Lamanske, 34, who had served 16 years on the mound was acquired from Boise's Pioneer league club.

Another veteran is Jim Brillheart, 37, purchased from Shreveport. Chet Johnson, the other persider, was acquired from Tacoma of the Western International league.

Dependable right handers are Frankie Dasso, and Charles Schanz, up from Tacoma, formerly with San Francisco.

Should Catcher Bill Salkeld have another big year as he did in 1940 when he hit 20 home runs and 20 doubles, the Padre stock might climb. Boomed as a fence buster, Morry Abbott, also from Tacoma, has rattled the boards in spring training, but his fielding has made him a

doubtful starter in right field. Jack Whipple, a 1942 holdover, has been outshining Abbott for the sun field job. Walter Lowe, up from Boise, will hold down first. Lowe pounded two home runs against Los Angeles in an exhibition game. He formerly was with Spokane in the Western International league. Eddie Wheeler is at second, but isn't strong at the plate.

Shortstop is well taken care of with the return of Jack Calvey. Johnny Hill, I-A in the draft, is absent from third base, and Durst will try Al Caliteaux bought from Salem, and George Morgan and Art Hoberg, both of Pasadena, at the spot. Del Ballinger, also in I-A, and George Detore, will help Salkeld with the catching. Detore is in defense work and may

not get draft board permission to play baseball. Swede Jensen and Hal Patchett are outfield holders, but Jensen is I-A. The main ifs with the Padres are pitching and draft board requirements.

We're In the Money

Feather Fist Flingers Eatin' Regular Again in Big Town

By SID FEDER
NEW YORK, April 15—(P)—After a quarter-century of borrowing the horse-players' lament—"some days you can't make a quarter"—as their own, the featherweights have received such a shot in the arm here lately that they now rank with the lightweights as the top moneymakers on bash boulevard.

What with one thing and another—the war's inroads on heavier divisions, the development of a "new face" like Wee Willie Pep, and the recent upsets in the division—the 125-pounders have advanced to a spot where they're eating regularly, as a group, again. It has even come now to the point where Promoter Mike Ja-

cobs, who once shuddered at the mere mention of featherweights, is actually bidding against Boston promoters for the return bout between Wee Willie Pep, who owns half the world championship, and Sal Bartolo, who came close to whipping Willie a week ago. Mike also has been trying to land the match between Pep and Jackie Callura, who owns the other half of the crown.

Whirly Holds Derby Record

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (P)—Whirlyaway, the champion money winner and star of Warren Wright's Calumet farm stable, set the Kentucky derby record in 1941 when he ran the mile and a quarter in two minutes and one and two-fifths seconds.

It was Whirlyaway's flashing over the final quarter of a mile in the almost unbelievable time of 24 seconds that gave him the record, for two other derby winners equalled his time up to the mile mark in the big race.

Both Twenty Grand in 1930 and War Admiral in 1937 made the mile in 1:37 2/5, but Twenty Grand took 24 2/5 second to run the last quarter, giving him a total time of 2:01 4/5, while War Admiral coasted through the last quarter in 25 4/5 second for a final time of 2:03 1/5.




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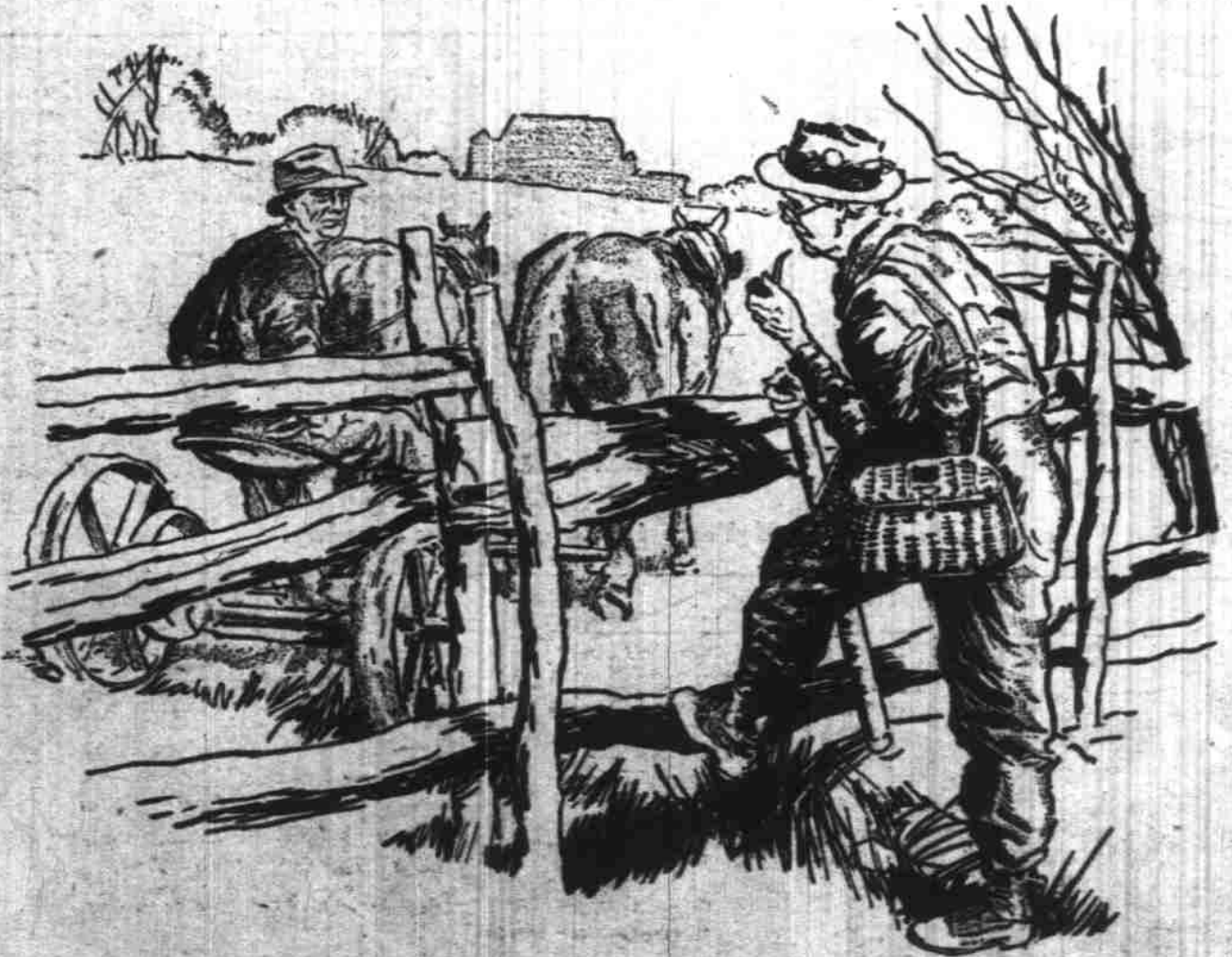


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