

# From the BLEACHERS

By AL LIGHTNER

Our Oregon State Beavers wound up their spring training the other day with a "flashball" game between Head Coach Lon Stiner's "regulars" and Assistant Coach Jim Carr's "seconds," and from the looks of who was present, the Beavers have the nucleus for a pretty fair outfit come fall. Only one catch, though. There's an awful heap of service calls coming up between now and September, and by that time most of those present for the flashball game may be miles and miles from Corvallis and in anything but football suits.



COACH JIM CARR

But what's this flashball? Well, according to Stiner, who originated it, it's closely related to touch football and allows any amount of passes to be thrown at any time to any player, lineman or back. The players use no pads but throw screen blocks, and all this tends to make it a tremendously fast game with an accent on good ball handling.

Truth of the matter on these mentioned lettermen is that Stiner expects some of them to be around next fall and visions his team as made up mostly of freshmen. And Carr, signed as freshman coach, will undoubtedly be Stiner's right-hand man now that a freshman is just as welcome on the varsity as a senior.

## Best in the State, That's What!

Boldly and without prompting or coaxing, Tommy Drynan, Vix football and track coach proudly announced the other day that his cindermen for next season would be the best prep track outfit in the state. Furthermore, the 1944 Vixs will dual with Portland's Grant high, undefeated in 11 years, if such a meet can be arranged, and will end all that supremacy but right then, according to Tommy.

Now that's quite a mouthful, and particularly a large order to be coming from a coach, of all people. They're usually just the opposite with the speltin. And after the football season Drynan didn't enjoy last fall, plus only better-than-average success with the trackmen this spring (they did win more than they lost), it makes us wonder if maybe Tommy hasn't been unprotecting his head from the hot sun these days.

Anyway, he says it's so and we don't think he says it just to make conversation. Maybe the 440-yard dash our Travis Cross turned in during the gym period kids' track meet sparked Drynan's sudden and sincere optimism. That and the fact that most of his trackmen this spring are all eyeing graduation next year and the year after. Cross, you know, being a basketball regular only, and not a professed trackman of any sort, went out and stepped the 440 in :56.8 during the interclass meet last week. Could be Drynan has visions of what our right-hand man could do if he really worked on the 440 event.

## The Sports Front—15 Years Ago:

May 26, 1928.—The mighty SHS juniors were too much for the sophomores ball club yesterday and won 5 to 3. Lineups for juniors—Morarty, c; R. Kelly, p; Seigmund, 1b; C. Kelley, 2b; Medler, 3b; Golden, lf; Bowen, cf; Turner, cf; Bell, rf. Sophs—Gelse, c; Pettit, p; Bone, 1b; Fropp, 2b; Graber, lf; King, rf; Adams, cf; Sugie, ss. . . . A large number of golf fans intend entering the Interstate tournament of the Northwest Furace Builders, to be held at Silverton June 15. Some of the notorious shots who will display their skill are "Hittin'" Berger of Salem and "Safety First" Eastman of Silverton. "No Par" Hillman, also of Salem, will be there, too.

## City's Major League Bowlers Hold Banquet, Elect Officers

Some 24 members of the Salem Major bowling league frolicked their way through the annual banquet-blowout last night in the "mural" room of "Pappy" Cline's coffee shop. League President Don Poulin presided over the gathering, but before the evening was out the annual election of officers was held and "Pappy" himself replaced Poulin as prey.

Other officers elected were Walt Larson, publicity; El Hamman, secretary-treasurer (succeeding himself), and Ellsworth "Ten-Pass" Hartwell, vice president. The new board of directors includes Clem Kertson, Mike Steinbock and George Seales.

The winning teams and players in the league just finished were awarded prizes following the chicken dinner.

Those who were there to join in the fun were Kertson, Monty Moore, Henry Mohr, Henry Barr, Bert Welch, Cline, Floyd McCarrroll, Seales, Ernie Garbarino, Hartwell, Fred Karr, Haman, Foulin, John Friesen, Joe Coe, Mike Steinbock, Harvey Page, Don Young, Hugh Wilkerson, Glen Woodry, Larson, Glenn Hoar, Bud Thrush and Ed Talbot.

In last Sunday's intersectional match between the Coffee Shoppers and Portland Central Allies here, the Clinemen triumphed 2814 to 2667. Coe shot a 628 series, Hartwell 528, Cline 604, Wilkerson 510 and Young 544.

## Ducks Expect Severe Loss

EUGENE, May 25 (AP)—AM but two of the 22 members of University of Oregon's co-champion northern division baseball team, including Captain-Elect Dick Burns, probably will be lost to the armed services before next season.

A knee injury is expected to keep Barney Kock out of the military. Bob Caviness has been classified 4-F because of a hearing defect.

## 'Corrected' Balls



National league President Ford Frick holds two "corrected" 1943 baseballs in his left hand and an earlier "dead" model in his right as he displayed the new models in New York. Covers of the balls have been cut to show the difference in the effect of the cement used on the yarn.

## Coast Guard Smears Bucs

BALTIMORE, May 25 (AP)—The Pittsburgh Pirates of the National league had a rude shock Tuesday when the Curtis Bay coast guard depot nine blasted out 22 base hits to defeat the big leaguers 16 to 8 in an exhibition game.

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Ballett, Schuman (3), Brandt (6) and Baker; Kerr, Smith (5) and Norris, Paulick (6).

# Shaughnessy Visions Grid Boom After the War

Shaughnessy Visions 4-31-1 Sport  
PITTSBURGH, May 25 (AP)—Clark Shaughnessy, soft-spoken "T" formation stylist who hopes to put the rear back into Pitt's Panthers, predicted recently that college football would enjoy the greatest boom in its history in the years after the war.

"These boys are going to have a lot of steam to get rid of when they return, and football is the first they'll turn to for rough-and-tumble competition," said the former Chicago, Stanford and Maryland coach as he laid the groundwork for Pitt's spring (beg pardon, summer) drills beginning June 28. He added: "The state of physical fitness of our modern armies is so high and in such enormous quantities—it's difficult to picture just how big this boom will be. But it'll dwarf anything we experienced after the last war."

Turning to the more immediate outlook, Shaughnessy said: "The game, of course, will be strictly second fiddle to the war, but he added, "Pitt, I know is going to play. After all, the public can't fret and worry about the war 24 hours a day. There's got to be some diversion."

He said the task of the coaches was to make the boys physically fit. "Who wins doesn't matter," he remarked. The bulk of this year's squads, Shaughnessy predicted, will come from 17-year-olds and deferred students, including 4-Fs.

"Pitt," he said, "will welcome anybody, even the faculty, to come out. We don't care if they have never seen a football before."

What kind of team will the Panthers have?  
"I don't know—we're just living from day to day."

## Breakfast Ball Proves Bust; Padres Beaten

Only 500 On Hand For Morning Game

SAN DIEGO, Calif., May 25 (AP)—Pitcher Roy Joiner's tenth-inning double started a rally that carried Hollywood to a 4 to 2 victory over San Diego Tuesday in a morning coast league game for aircraft swing shifters.

Ray Younkers started the extra inning by walking, and went to second on a sacrifice and tallied as Joiner doubled. Butch Moran singled Joiner home.

The 11 a. m. starting time failed to attract off-duty aircraft workers, a crowd of only about 500 attending the city's first breakfast baseball offering.

John Dickshot opened the second for the Stars with a double. Brooks Holder walked, and Bill Knickerbocker sacrificed. Both scored on a single by Younkers. The Padres tallied once in the same inning on a single by Al Cailleaux, a walk to Bill Salkeld and a single by Pitcher Earl Chappell.

San Diego knotted the score in the fifth on singles by Earl Wheeler and George Detore and Hal Patchett's sacrifice.

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Joiner, Younkers (10) and etae Joiner and Brenzel, Younkers (10), Chappell, Johnson (10) and Salkeld, Ballinger (10).

## Beavers Close Spring Sports As Successful

OREGON STATE COLLEGE, Corvallis, May 25 (Special)—With the exception of tennis, Oregon State's spring sport teams had very successful seasons. Following the northern division championships in track, golf and tennis last weekend, the Beaver spring teams have put away their equipment for the year.

Coach Ralph Coleman pronounced one of Oregon State's best baseball clubs in recent years. The Beaver singers tied with Oregon for the division pennant with 12 wins and four losses.

A surprising second place in the northern division meet highlighted the Orange track season. Grant "Doc" Swan's Beaver thincindals trounced Oregon in the relays, 6 to 2, and dropped close dual meets to Washington and Oregon, 70% to 60% and 71% to 59%, respectively.

Decisive wins over Washington State and Idaho and second place in the division meet at Seattle was the record hung up by Slat's Gill's golfers. Only loss was in a dual meet with the Huskies.

## Mrs. Gibson Learns Son-in-law's Death

HOPMERE — Mrs. Gibson Osborn received word Sunday of the death of her son-in-law, Agusta Fowler, 57, of Sidney, who died Saturday after a lingering illness. Mr. Fowler is survived by his widow, Mable Osborn Fowler; two sons, Rodrick and Robert; one daughter, Edna; several sisters and brothers. He was born and raised near Wheatland and will be buried Wednesday. Rose Lawn funeral home is arranging the service in Salem at 11 a. m.

## Adair Civilians Buy \$71,825 in War Bonds

CAMP ADAIR—Since January 1, 1943, civilian employees at Camp Adair have set a new record by purchasing a total of 2750 war bonds representing \$71,825 maturity value. These bonds were issued at the post finance office and distributed to each employee through the sub-agents of the post war bond office.

## Parrish Athletes Awarded Sports Numerals

Fifty-four boys received numeral "43" Tuesday morning in an award assembly at Parrish junior high. The numerals were awarded for participation in the intramural program held during the school year. Athletes were awarded on a newly founded point system this year, the high 16 in the seventh grade, high 16 in the eighth and high 22 in the ninth being awarded. Coaches Frank Brown and Bob Kuecher made the presentations.



Pvt. Jess Finley of McLean, Tex., takes a dive from his bronco during the rodeo staged by servicemen at Camp Roberts, Calif., recently. The rodeo was listed as entertainment for the post, but from the looks of things above it was anything but for Pvt. Finley.

## 'Nother Comeback

## Market Wise Wins Ballot

NEW YORK, May 25 (AP)—Market Wise, conqueror of Whirlaway in the 1942 Suburban Handicap, won his first race in two starts as a five-year-old Tuesday as he captured the mile and an eighth of the Ballot Handicap at Belmont Park.

Coming from behind, Market Wise scored by a neck over Bojys. Soldier Song trailed by a length in third place as Shut Out, leading money winner last year, faded after setting the early pace.

Market Wise, a 5 to 1 shot, ran the distance in 1:49 3/5 under 126 pounds.

## Elliott Quits Columbia U

NEW YORK, May 25 (AP)—Dr. Edward S. Elliott, director of athletics at Columbia university since 1931 and a member of the university staff since 1912, will retire next month and will be succeeded by Ralph J. Furey, now assistant director and former outstanding athlete at the university.

## Trappers Fire Finale Sunday

Lead-sprayers of the Salem Trappers club will engage in their final merchandise shoot for the duration next Sunday, May 30, on the club range. Secretary Clarence Townsend announced yesterday. A large turnout is expected to join in the finale.

## Sacs 6, Oaks 0

SACRAMENTO, May 25 (AP)—Bud Byerly, Sacramento right-hander, handcuffed the Oakland Aacorns with five hits to give the Solons a 6-0 triumph in a Pacific Coast league contest here Tuesday. Byerly also drove in three of the Sacramento runs with a double and two singles.

## Zivic-LaMotta Match Postponed to June 10

PITTSBURGH, May 25 (AP)—The ten-round fight between Frankie Zivic, the former welter king, and Jake LaMotta, of New York, originally scheduled for Monday night, was postponed again on account of weather Tuesday, this time until June 10.

## Just A Reminder, Jimmy



Jimmy Dykes, loquacious manager of the Chicago White Sox, ponders advice sent in by an admiring fan to the effect that silence is golden. Dykes should know—every time he argues with an umpire it usually costs him something.

## 'Hi'ya, Stranger'

## No Blood Spilled as Novikoff Meets Wilson; He Plays Today

By DAVE HOFF  
CHICAGO, May 25 (AP)—Cub Manager Jimmy Wilson, sitting in the empty stands at Wrigley field, met his long-errant, ex-holdout fly chaser, Lou Novikoff, Tuesday in an encounter short on ceremony and equally shy on words.

Novikoff sauntered casually off the field, where he was working out with the injured Clyde McCullough and some 80 girl performers of the All-American Softball league, and approached the box where Wilson sat discussing his last-place Cubs.

"Hello, James," sheepishly greeted Novikoff, dripping perspiration.

"Hello, Lou," said Wilson, warmly but without excitement. "Are you in shape, Lou?" he asked suddenly.

Novikoff patted his streamlined stomach affirmatively, then hesitated. "Maybe need a little batting practice," he grunted.

"You heard about Les and Fry of Cleveland, didn't you?" Wilson demanded gruffly. "Get hit in the wrist during spring practice, couldn't lift a bat for days. But he's been leading the league, or darned close to it, all spring, hasn't he?"

Novikoff's face gleamed in a wide smile. He grabbed his glove, raced onto the field, and began a ferocious throwing drill with McCullough. Wilson grinned.

"He'll be in left field against the Giants Wednesday," he said.

## Franklin Vs. Grant For Portland Title

PORTLAND, May 25 (AP)—Franklin and Grant high schools will fight it out Wednesday for the Portland high school baseball league championship. League-leading Grant was noted out by Washington, 7-5, Monday, while Franklin was beating Commerce, 7-1.

## Three Pay Fines

WEST SALEM—A suspended fine of \$1 was imposed upon William Pearson for parking on the sidewalk. H. O. King was fined \$5 for allowing his dog to run at large. Frank J. Junta posted a \$5 ball for violation of the basic rule. The ball was forfeited.

# Sports

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## Connie Mack Sees Hot Pennant Chase

Usually Cautious Athletics Boss Busts Loose With Much Optimism

By JACK SMITH

PHILADELPHIA, May 25 (AP)—The hottest American league race in years—one of the good old-fashioned kind with close games, underdog upsets and a finish drive calculated to make the hair tingle and the spine stand on end—was forecast Tuesday by baseball's most reluctant prognosticator.

Connie Mack, who among all the moguls is least inclined to get himself out on a limb, reviewed the record of the first six weeks of the season, concluded that even his Athletics have eluded out of their decade-long doldrums and now have a pennant chance, and said:

"It looks like anybody's race to me. The teams are all pretty evenly matched and I would say that this will be the closest campaign we've had in years. Any club can win, or finish last."

"I've seen them all but Chicago, and they tell me Chicago has started to go after a ball beginning, to me, the best club in the league right now, from a playing standpoint, is Washington. They gave us such a trouncing. But of course, we weren't up to bat when we played them."

"I myself am more hopeful and optimistic for the Athletics than I have been in several years. It's been so many years that I felt we didn't have a chance against certain teams. Now I feel we can win against any team in the league."

The sage of the league, who won the last of his pennants in 1931, emphasized that he wasn't saying he expected to collect another this year. "I'm just saying that anything can happen."

"This," said Connie, "is going to be a great season."

## Golfing's Loss Tennis' Gain

NEW YORK, May 25 (AP)—Tennis, as a game for ordinary players rather than tournament stars, is benefitting at golf's expense. It's the shortage of gasoline.

That's the opinion of Samuel Hardy, a former Davis Cup team captain and head of the tennis department of A. G. Spalding & Company.

"People can't drive out to the country clubs to play golf, so they're turning to tennis for exercise," Hardy pointed out Tuesday. "They may not like the game better, but they're playing it anyway. Tennis clubs generally can be reached by street cars and the public courts are going full blast even though we haven't had good weather for weeks."

Although tournament tennis this year likely will be a sketchy affair, Ward forecasts a post-war boom.

Husky's loss to the national collegiate net title at Philadelphia late in June.

## Huskies May Enter NCAA

SEATTLE, May 25 (AP)—Coach Hec Edmundson reported Tuesday that entry of three of four of his University of Washington trackmen in the national collegiate meet was under consideration.

Heading the list of possibilities, he said, was Bob Smith of Centralia, sprinter. He placed second in the 220 Saturday as Washington won the northern division title.

Bob Odman, star Husky tennis player, will compete for the national collegiate net title at Philadelphia late in June.

## Suds Ball Brags Boxing Prorietor

SEATTLE, May 25 (AP)—Bill Mulligan, business manager of Seattle's Pacific Coast league baseball club and a member of the original state athletic commission, disclosed Tuesday his entry into the fight promotion game.

He said he would head the Rainier athletic club, with an eye on several big outdoor fight cards here this summer.

## Today's Probable Major Moundsmen

NEW YORK, May 25 (AP)—Probable pitchers in the major leagues Wednesday (won-lost records in parentheses):

American League  
Detroit at New York—Newhouser (1-1) vs. Donald (0-1).  
Cleveland at Boston—Bagby (5-1) vs. Hughes (2-2).  
Chicago at Philadelphia—Lee (0-1) vs. Arntzen (1-1).  
St. Louis at Washington (night)—Muncrief (1-1) or Niggeling (1-1) vs. Pyle (3-3).

National League  
Brooklyn at Pittsburgh—Macon (3-1) vs. Gornicki (1-2).  
New York at Chicago—Lohman (3-2) vs. Derringer (1-3).  
Philadelphia at Cincinnati (night)—Gerheuser (2-2) vs. Walters (2-3).  
Boston at St. Louis (night)—Javery (3-1) vs. Lanier (1-2) or M. Cooper (3-2).

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