

From the BLEACHERS

By AL LUBNER

Irwin Harris, athletic publicity director with not much to do these days at Oregon State college, in long enough to eye a possible job on the sheet and tell that of all the Corvallis Spartan cagers he's seen play, "Slats" Gill thinks of Bob Labhart ace scorer for the Earl McKinney gang with 183 points in 23 games, as the most likely to succeed when and if he dons a college hoop suit.

Incidentally, Harris has something on what cooks at OSC re the coaches' setup now that spring sports have gone the way of football—bloody, to be exact—but it isn't for publication. OSC & Co. is hanging tough, so to speak.

However, a mite of first-hand information from Harris: Oregon State would NOT have quit football or spring sports had one more conference member school besides Washington hung on. He readily vows both Percy Lacey, the big boss, and Lon Stiner, the grid boss, were all for continuing until they saw there was nothing left but a pasting from the power-laden Washingtons. Can't blame 'em for that—there's no use in fattening up the lambs to toss to the lions; that is, unless the lions are on your side. In this case they weren't. . . . Be it "Admiral," "Seaman" or Yardsbird" Flesher, the Viking athletic department generalissimo returns from the Portland induction center with tidings that should make every happy 4-F begin to feel like Tarzan. Says Gurnee: "I'm convinced now—even your grandfather could get in—it's that easy." Meaning that just as soon as you enter the induction center portals, with or without crutches, cane, wooden leg, glass eye or one lung, you're "in," brother, and they don't mean "in" the building . . . Flesher's already learned something about navy life, although he doesn't actually report until that certain office in one corner of the armory calls him. They handed our man a mop, and to the tune of a whistled "Anchors Aweigh" he polished up the center's deck . . . More "mazyfied" athletes hereabouts—Mel Courtner and Roy Osuna, two of Andy Anderson's Dallas Dragon cagers. Osuna the one who pitched home the free toss which made Salem wish she "stood in bed" one Thursday night, and Keith Houk of Monmouth, also a prep cager of means . . .



RUBE SANDERS

Which Is Quite a Change in Things

Tourney tatlings: This makes the third time only in 25 years both Salem and Astoria miss the classic, both teams having chased at Willamette 22 times out of the 24 past. Only two times Salem missed the boat came in 1924 when an ineligible player was discovered on the Vik squad just before the meet and Independence high was awarded the berth instead, and in 1929 when Chemawa toppled the local hopes in pre-tourney elimination play.

Next team in line with most tourney trips is Eugene with 15, but alas, the Axemen won't be here this time either. Neither will Medford, with 13 trips, Baker and Klamath Falls with 11 trips each, and Tillamook with 10 jaunts. Strangely enough, little Ashland, conqueror of the state's southern section this season, will be making her 11th excursion to our village with a berth. And Springfield, looked upon as the team to stop this time, will be here for the first time in history.

As for the other teams, St. Helens has been here four times, Bend thrice, Corvallis seven, Pendleton nine, Oregon City seven and Washington of Portland twice.

Re this Portland entry, Al Stump of the Oregonian, handling the metropolitan prep stuff now that Frank Gianelli has gone air minded, says there isn't a star on the Washington quint but the team, functioning as a unit, is as formidable as they come.

Watch out for those kind. Remember back in '37? Little team hailing from Bellfountain had no individual stars, either, but as a unit it did rather well. Didn't it?

22 Points, and With Only One Arm

Guff 'n stuff dept.: No, the Sanders who hooped 22 points for Chemawa Indian All-Stars the other night isn't of Rube, he with the terrific athletic background—twice his son Bob. The Wilder who hooped 22 also is Warren "Lefty," all right, the one-armed gent who played so much end for Chemawa eleven a few years back. One-armed basketballers may be plentiful, but how many have you seen who could make 22 points in one game? . . . Ball clubs hard up for men? What do you think after reading the following, gathered from the 1944 Official Brooklyn Dodger roster report: "Infielders—Fred N. Ankeman, Jr., bats right, throws left, height 5-4, weight 130, age 31, played with Montreal last year where he batter .219." In ordinary times a guy with that stature and record would be shipped to a class "D" league—even if he did belong to the Dodgers . . . The Wendell Dethman and Mark Puddy who were coming this week to hoop with the Hood River team until Claude Cook's Ben Lava Bears made the classic a bit more wacky by upsetting 'em 28-22, are brothers of a couple of Oregon Staters—Bob Dethman of the Beaver Rose Bowl gridders and Harold Puddy of the more recent—and bowled—Beaver basketballers . . .

BOWLING SCORES

Halverson Construction took two of three from league - leading Nicholson Insurance in last night's Commercial League session at Perfection, and all other matches also wound up in 2-1 decisions, Hartman Bros. downing Paulus Taggers, Woodburn tripping Senator Barber Shop and Goldie's turning back Hammis by that count.	Duffus 178 150 140-466 Scales 210 177 197-574 Totals 914 886 824 2024
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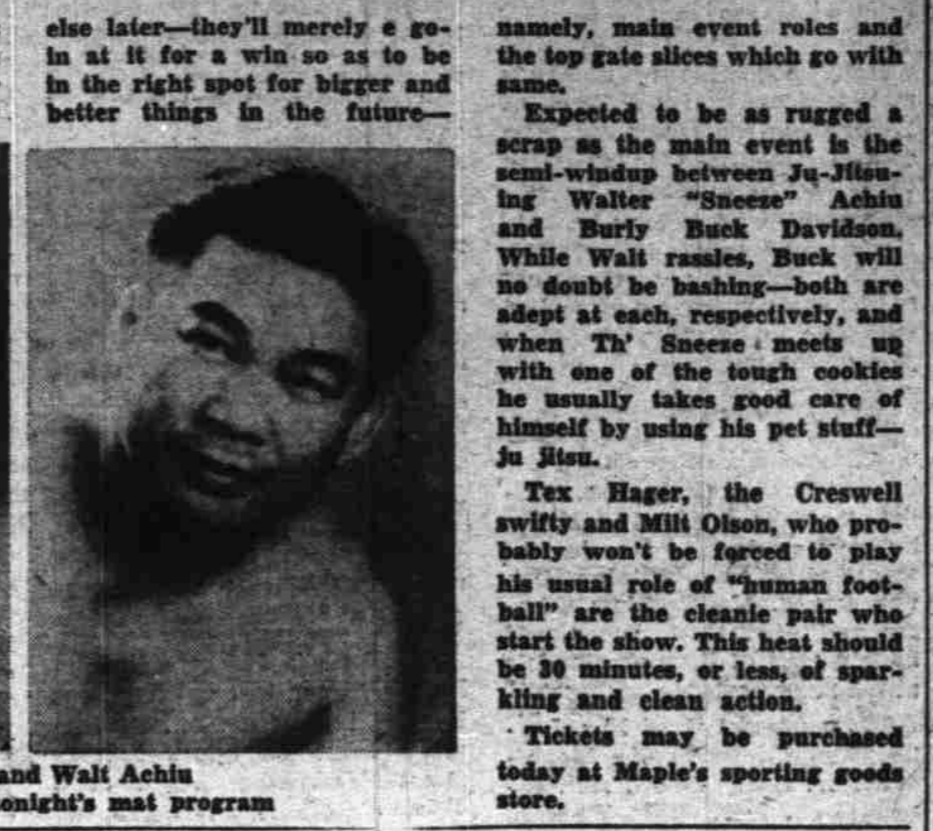
CHICAGO, March 13—(AP)—Nate Bolden, 174, Chicago, knocked out Freddie Griggs, 196, of Memphis in the second round of a scheduled...

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Kiser-McEuin Scrap Tops Tonight's Bicep Bee at Armory

Two rascals' heels against two heroes and a pair of swift cleanes opposite one another constitute tonight's muscle show at the Ferry Street Garden, this week's edition of the Tuesday bashing bees ready and waiting the 8:30 p.m. opening bell.

Jack "Pin-up Boy" Kiser, trickster par excellence and built like the guy who holds simply the big round ball on his shoulders, returns to wait in the main event with Billy "Bust 'Em" McEuin, the Texas tooth-rattler who manages to be as popularly unpopular as Kiser is popular. Blond Jack, who knows and can use every legitimate hold in the rascals' handbook earned tonight's top spot by virtue of his thrilling win over Toughie Porter last week. McEuin, since recuperating from an illness three weeks ago, has bounced back meaner's ever and last week plastered Mitt Olson to retain headliner roles. Kiser and McEuin won't be rascals' for "winner take all," for so much in bonds or for the right to meet somebody else later—they'll merely e go in it for a win so as to be in the right spot for bigger and better things in the future—



Jack Kiser and Walt Achiu
Two tusslers on tonight's mat program

Expected to be as rugged a scrap as the main event is the semi-windup between Jq-Jilising Walter "Sneezie" Achiu and Burlly Buck Davidson. While Walt rascals, Buck will no doubt be bashing—both are adept at each, respectively, and when Th' Sneezie meets up with one of the tough cookies he usually takes good care of himself by using his pet stuff—ju jitsu.

Tex Hager, the Creswell swifly and Mitt Olson, who probably won't be forced to play his usual role of "human football" are the cleanup pair who start the show. This heat should be 30 minutes, or less, of sparkling and clean action.

Tickets may be purchased today at Maple's sporting goods store.

Major Nines Shiver, Shake, Open Spring (?) Train Grind

Many Problems Face Reporting Baseball Men

NEW YORK, March 13—(AP) Spring rains, spring thaws, a bit of spring fever and the ever present manpower complications greeted the players today as the major leagues began their third wartime training grind.

The two New York clubs, the world champion Yankees in the American loop and the cellar-dwelling Giants of the National loop, were hardest hit during the day in the draft derby.

Mel Ott, opening his third term as boss of the Giants, told his players at Lakewood, N.J., between showers he had been reclassified 1-A but had no idea when he might be called up. Ott, 35 years old and a father, spent the past winter in a New Orleans shipyard.

The Yankees, restricted to callisthenics at Atlantic City by rain, received word that First Baseman Nick Etten, only expected returning regular of their 1943 infield, also had been classified 1-A. He said that he did not expect to be called for examination until mid-summer. Etten, however, reported to Manager Joe McCarthy.

Washington, assembling at College Park, Md., had to be content with a light drill in the University of Maryland armory when the thaw ran drain made the diamond more suitable for mud pies.

But it was a different story in Indiana. At Bloomington, Bill McKechie routed his Cincinnati Reds out of bed at 7:30 a.m. and had them sweating in the Hoosier fieldhouse by 9 a.m. to get his hirelings in the proper collegiate atmosphere, he opened the session with a pep talk.

At nearby Lafayette, Lou Boudreau of the Cleveland Indians assigned Russ Peters to second base and shifted Jimmy Grant, an infielder in recent years, to the outfield. Mike Nymkic, six-foot, eight-inch right handed pitcher, was the first Indian to appear on the practice field in uniform.

At Frederick, Md., Connie Mack and five coaches were occupied by sending six pitchers through their early paces. The flingers included Fred Peeler, up from Salisbury, NC, and Bert Kuczynski, former Penn State athlete and lately of the marines.

Herb Penick, general manager of the Philadelphia Nationals, issued an ultimatum to Outfielder Ron Northey, who returned an unsigned contract. Northey, a pipe fitter's helper at Camden, NJ, was told that the "next move is up to you. We have offered our limit."

Branch Rickey, chief of the Brooklyn Dodgers, provided some good news. He reported that Curt Davis, veteran right hander, had agreed to terms and Ott countered the announcement of his reclassification with one that Cliff Melton and Harry Feldman, both hurlers, had initiated their contracts.

The Chicago, Boston and St. Louis clubs of both league won't begin their rehearsals until later. The Detroit Tigers start their unkinging process at Evansville, Ind., tomorrow, and the Dodgers take up at Bear Mountain, N.Y., Wednesday. Pittsburgh's opening is slated for Thursday.

Central Prep Catholic King

PORTLAND, March 13—(AP) Central Catholic of Portland trounced St. Mary's of Eugene, 46-21, yesterday to gain the state Catholic class "A" basketball crown.

Star of the Sea, Astoria, captured the class "B" championship by edging St. John's of Milwaukie, 25-23. Sacred Heart of Tillamook swamped Sacred Heart of Salem, 29-5, in the class "B" consolation tilt.

The grade school CYO title went to St. Mary's of Eugene, with a 28-9 victory over St. Francis.

The favored St. Mary's entry from Eugene defeated Mt. Angel Preps 31-29 in a semifinal game, dethroning the Preps as champs.

ST. MARY'S (31) (29) MT. ANGEL
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Portales (6) C (6) Traeger
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Bartholomew (9) G (3) Wolt
Mt. Angel sub-Faulhaber 1.

Thursday Golf Called Off

In lieu of the state basketball tournament to be held on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week, there will be no regular Thursday golfing play by members of the Salem Golf Mens club, announced Club Committeeman Bill Goodwin last night.

Some kind of a novelty tourney will be held over the weekend instead, added Goodwin, and weekly play will revert back to Thursday starting next week. Just what kind of tourney will be held Saturday and Sunday will be announced later.

Hellships Cop AAU Meet Trip

PORTLAND, March 13—(AP) Albina Hellships will represent Oregon in the National AAU basketball tournament at Denver.

The Hellships, upset by Commercial Iron Works 26-31 yesterday afternoon, came back in a night game to trounce the Ironmen, 38-24, and capture the state AAU title.

Gary Named Prexy TYV Athletic Loop

OREGON CITY, March 13—(AP) John L. Gary, West Linn school superintendent, was new president of the Tualatin-Yamhill Valley Athletic League today.

William Maxwell, McMinnville, was elected vice-president; Hubert Armstrong, Newberg, secretary-treasurer.

Sideshow Odd Angles On Day's News

SAN JUAN, PR—(AP)—After four years in the marines, a stretch in a steel mill, six years of pounding a police beat in Minneapolis, and two years in the navy, Aviation Ordnance Chief Laverne Irving Wolt, jr., has become an expert at crocheting.

A husky who doesn't regard his hobby as funny, he concentrates on fancy napkins which enliven otherwise functional mess tables.

Constantino Winner

HOLYOKE, Mass., March 13—(AP)—Lulu Constantino, 133, of New York, scored a one-sided decision tonight over Angel Aviles, 139, of Mexico, in a 10-round bout.

NAME Wrong in "Hall of Fame" But Cy Young Still Right Guy

PEOLI, O., March 13—(AP)—Denton True "Cy" Young, who breezed out of these Tuscarawas county hills in 1890 to set the major leagues agog for 22 seasons with his pitching wizardry, is spending these days on a farm just a mile or two from the place where he was born.

He'll be 77 on March 29, and the old diamond hero's activities are limited to a few farm chores and an occasional speaking engagement.

First pitcher to win his way to the hall of fame, he's listed incorrectly on the Cooperstown scroll as Denton Tecumseh Young. His middle name, True, was in memory of a captain under whom his father served in the Civil war.

"You so-and-so," screeched his spouse. "Holding out \$10 a week on me, huh?"

Speaking on the "Tecumseh" hall of fame, Young grinned and said: "That's not my name, but I think I'm the guy they mean."

And well he might think that, for although he's been out of baseball since 1912 the record books still have a host of "bests" behind his name.

Cy was 23 years old when he took his first stab at pro baseball, with the Canton, O. club in the old Tri-state loop. That was in 1890, and before the league folded in early August he had pitched 26 full games and finished 10 others.

He hopped straight from that defunct club to Cleveland, then in the National league, and made his debut with a three-hit 8-1 win over Chicago. Over his 22 years he pitched 874 games, winning 511 and losing 313. No other hurler has ever been that busy, or that successful, over such a stretch.

STATESMAN SPORTS

By Al Lightner, Sports Editor

Balmy Climes Not Necessary Avers Connie

Sees Clubs Staying In North After War

FREDERICK, Md., March 13—(AP) Heedless of possible repercussions from Florida and California chambers of commerce, Connie Mack let fly today with the declaration he believed the war and travel restriction had taught major league baseball clubs it wasn't necessary to travel to far away camps for spring training.

"I don't think we'll ever go off to distant camps again," said 82-year-old Connie, while the rain poured and a chill March wind blew. It was the first day of training for the Philadelphia Athletics—1000 miles or more from their usual quarters—and 15 hours of steady rain had turned the ball park into a morass.

"However, as Jack Dumm used to say," Connie continued, "I think any pitcher can get into shape in two or three weeks provided he keeps in condition during the winter."

"Personally, I don't think we'll ever again put in six or seven weeks 'way down south. When it comes right down to it, it's the individual—and a player can get into condition in any climate if he decides to do so."

"No doubt it would be a little better to train in a warmer climate, but I can't see that it makes a great difference."

With 17 of a squad of approximately 30 on hand, Mack sent them onto the field after the rain ceased.

Huskies Place Two Northwest Star Cagers Picked

PORTLAND, Ore., March 13—(AP)—The Washington Huskies placed two members on a northwest all-star basketball team selected by sports writers of the area in a poll announced by the Oregonian today.

Chosen as the season's five outstanding players, regardless of league, were Jim "Shoot-Shoot" Baker, Gonzaga Navy Pre-Flight school; Bill "Cruiser" Morris, Washington; Urgel "Slim" Wintermute, former Oregon ace now player-coach of Portland's Albina Hellships; Gail Bishop, ex-Washington State who now of the Fort Lewis reception center; Jack Nichols, Washington.

Second team nominations: Bob Hamilton, Oregon; Len Fyne, Idaho; Roger Wiley, Fort Lewis Reception center; Bob Graf, Seattle Alpines; Ernie Gettel, Pacific university.

Sactus Start 35 Strong (?)

SACRAMENTO, March 13—(AP) Five players from last year's Sacramento roster were among 35 who appeared for the first day of practice in the Coast League park here today.

They were Manuel Vias, diminutive outfielder of San Francisco, who was a regular most of the 1943 season; Fred Hensley, regular third-baseman; Herman Pilette, pitcher and coach; Jim MacFaden, 17-year-old relief pitcher of San Diego; and John Pintar, pitcher.

Pintar is employed at McClellan field here and is expected to toil for the Solons only when the team plays at home and in Oakland and San Francisco.

Jack Angle, a utility infielder who had been counted in this year's plans, reported he had passed his physical and is awaiting navy duty.

Basora Bashes Smith by TKO

PHILADELPHIA, March 13—(AP)—Jose Basora, the pounding Puerto Rican, hammered out a technical knockout over Harold Smith in 2:20 of the third round in a scheduled 10-rounder at the Arena tonight. Basora weighed 155½, seven pounds more than Smith.

Smith, formerly of Detroit but now fighting out of Philadelphia, was dropped twice for nine counts before the referee halted the fight.

Baldock to Return From Washington

State Highway Engineer R. H. Baldock will return here probably Wednesday from Washington, DC, where he appeared at a congressional hearing on a bill appropriating \$3,000,000 for postwar highway construction.

Oregon would receive approximately \$18,000,000 annually for a period of three years after the close of the war.

Jeffra Outpoints Rubino Easily

BALTIMORE, March 13—(AP) Baltimore's Harry Jeffra, former world's bantamweight champion, gave Frankie Rubino, New York, an artistic boxing lesson tonight to take a 10-round unanimous decision.

Jeffra, who also formerly held the Maryland-New York version of the featherweight title, weighed 129; Rubino 133.

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