

Keith Browns Meet Grimshaws Tonight

All State Moundsmen Compete As Crofoot and Hamlin Duel

It's off to more state tournament softball was tonight for our local Keith Brown bunch, one of four outside teams participating with 13 Portland entries in the chase for the state title at the Rose City's Buckman field.

Tonight at 8:30 the Brownmen play the strong Grimshaw Tire outfit of Portland which boasts the pitching of Archie Hamlin, former all-state chucker and leading moundsman in the Portland vicinity.

From the Bleachers

By Travis Cross
Pinch-hitting for Al Lightner

We're wondering how the pros and cons of the heavyweight vs. light heavyweight wrestling controversy is going to come out. Maybe you didn't realize there was one, and for that matter neither did we, but it was certainly something to see the eyes of the light heavies light up when they heard the bigger men were coming to town.

There's more jealousy afoot than is apparent and both groups have the suspicion that Salem isn't large enough to draw for both shows.

There's a definite distinction between the two types of exhibitions and it appears in other forms than the weight chart. The light heavies get about much quicker and stage a fast-moving, often hilarious match. On the other hand the giants prefer to waste little energy and they battle each other by matching strength against strength.

We're hoping that no ill feelings develop locally because we think both shows have their merits. One of the angles, incidentally, behind the sudden scheduling of the heavies, was for armory rental. It sounds queer at first, but Ira Pilcher is in charge of the armory and after losing Friday night dances, Pilch has attempted to bring in something worthwhile and at the same time keep the armory financially on its feet. The boxing and wrestling commission stands behind both Pilcher and Elton Owen, the Tuesday night showman, and we think the fans will.

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Speaking of Lewis again, we've been asked what the object was with which he was pictured in Wednesday's edition. That was a contraption made of railroad freight springs that Lewis uses to train for his pet hold.

Bartush Well Versed

Strangler Ed Lewis has apparently convinced Portland that he's nearly as good as he ever was. At least L. H. Gregory, Oregonian sports chief, said recently "Strangler Ed was the most colorful of all great mat men. Over his long career he drew more spectators than any other that ever lived; he traveled further—was the original pioneer civilian long-distance flier—and he was far and away the top showman of the game."

Reading between the lines we gather Greg rates Lewis on a par with Jimmy London at the PRESENT time.

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Benefit Is Problem

Sunday's session of junior league baseball has been set as a benefit performance but just how league directors plan to put over the collection of contributions, they themselves aren't certain. Two boys, one playing for the Redwood club and another for Schroek's have received injuries which ran into quite a sum considering the nature of the injury.

One of the lads broke his leg sliding into a base while the other obtained infection in a hand wound, the latter expense running in the neighborhood of \$50. Two suggestions are offered by the league directors, one being to charge admission at the gate and the other to pass a hat. One way or another it's a worthy cause and inasmuch as no admission has been charged all year, fans would probably contribute willingly.

Fans Await Return of Heavyweights Here Friday Night

Indication of a large turnout and two and a half hours of scientific, rough and rugged wrestling was evident Wednesday as fans looked forward to the first heavyweight exhibition here in many years.

The 46 of 8 has scheduled an all big-name card for Friday night when Ed "Strangler" Lewis, the former world's heavyweight champion and expert showman, takes on Cliff Theide, 240 pound muscle man from Portland. In the other half of the double main event, Billy

Bartush, 230 pounds of matman, meets Jack Ross, 240. All four wrestlers are widely recognized and the holds employed by Lewis and Bartush are nearly as famous as their originators. Lewis uses the deadly strangle hold through which he forces opponents into submission while Bartush utilizes a peculiar type of grapevine hold, one that is executed from a standing position.

The possibility is good that a series of matches will be slated here, immediately after big

name grapplers like Jim London and Billy Kusisto appear in Portland. Promoter Ira Pilcher is working with the Western Athletic club with offices in Portland and Ted Thy, bigwig of that organization, assures Pilcher of full cooperation providing local fans find this Friday night's show interesting.

Tickets are reported going fast at Maple's sports store where they are on sale although a great many patrons are certain to await the opening of the box office. The curtain-raiser event, tabbed to start at 8:30, will feature so-

ber-faced Chief Thunderbird, the quick moving Vancouver Canadian, against Clyde Mysalaj, the good looking grappler from Minneapolis.

All fighters excepting Theide, who resides in Portland, are making a northwest tour while another delegation from their "stables" are touring California. International game accompanies each wrestler and an outstanding record of popularity has followed their footsteps. A weekly Portland billing has met with tremendous success in the Rose City.

Hunters Given Longer Season

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9—(AP)—Hunters will have a longer open season on ducks this fall and more ammunition to shoot them with.

Liberalized regulations for shooting migratory game birds were announced today by Interior Secretary Ickes, after which war production board sources estimated that about 65 per cent of the normal ammunition supply will be available for civilian purposes between now and October 31. Last year the supply was about 12 1/2 per cent of normal.

Because the waterfowl population is on the rise, the season will be 80 days instead of 70, and hunters will be allowed a bigger daily bag of mallards, pintails and widgeons than last season.

This was pleasant news for both sportsmen and farmers, since those fast-multiplying varieties not only are major game birds but also wreak major destruction on crops, according to the fish and wildlife service which drew up the regulations.

There was bad news for some hunters who had campaigned for the use of live decoys. This practice will continue to be taboo, as well as the use of bait such as corn.

The WPB sources said an order will be issued soon liberalizing the present limitation of civilian ammunition and specifying how much an individual can obtain.

Open season on wild ducks, geese, brant and coot will be September 20-December 8 in the northern tier of states, October 14-January 1 in the intermediate zone, and November 2-January 20 farther south.

The daily bag limit of ducks remains at ten, except that each hunter is allowed an additional bag of five mallards, pintails and widgeons, singly or in the aggregate. If the day's bag includes five or more from these species, the general limit is automatically increased to 15. A hunter, for example, could shoot 15 pintails in a day. But if he bagged only two pintails and no mallards or widgeons, his general limit would be 12.

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STATESMAN SPORTS

By Nelson, Jug McSpaden Vie On Portland's Course Today

PORTLAND, Aug. 9—(AP)—Lord Byron Nelson and Harold "Jug" McSpaden take time off from their championship-grabbing tournament play here Thursday afternoon to participate in an exhibition match at the Portland golf club.

The two headliners in the nation's golf meets will make the round of 18 holes with two Portland links experts—Ted Longworth and Larry Lamberger.

Both Nelson and McSpaden are on their way to Spokane where they will participate in the PGA open. They have wired Spokane that they will arrive Friday for final practice before teeing off in the \$20,000 chase.

Having just completed competing in the \$5000 Beverly Hills link outing, the two national fairway figures will be staunch favorites to capture Spokane tourney play. A large gallery is anticipated to witness the match.

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Portland Wins In 10 Innings

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LOS ANGELES, Aug. 9—(AP)—President Clarence Rowland of the Pacific coast baseball league today announced fines of \$50 against Manager Harry Owen and \$25 against shortstop Jack O'Neil, both of Portland, for use of profane language last Sunday during the Beavers' series with Los Angeles. Rowland said Owen also failed to leave the bench soon enough when ordered by the umpire to quit the game.

The defeat was the second straight for the Seals against the Beavers and it knocks Lefty O'Doul's men four games away from the league leading Los Angeles outfit.

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Bombshell Hits Pro Gridiron Situation

Signing of McAdams Gets Blast From Redskins; Bombers Reply

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Aug. 9—(AP)—The Pacific coast's private professional football war, started when the American league was formed this year in opposition to the Pacific coast circuit, now threatens to become national wide.

A bombshell was tossed into the situation today when George P. Marshall, owner of the Washington Redskins, informed the American league that Dean McAdams, former University of Washington star, stands suspended for five years, under the by-laws of the National league in which the Redskins operate, for signing with the Seattle Bombers, a member of the new league on the Pacific coast.

According to Marshall, McAdams is the property of the Redskins, having been traded recently by the Brooklyn Dodgers for Bob Masterson of the Washington team.

Other statements and counter-statements flew thick and fast. McAdams, the center of the controversy, was quoted from Seattle as saying he has no commitments with the Redskins and told Marshall he did not expect to return east this fall and added: "I'm not jumping any contract with the Redskins. I never had any signed contract. I understand other national league players will play Pacific coast football this fall."

Hardly had McAdams' statement hit the wires when Jerry Giesler, famed criminal attorney of Los Angeles and president of the American league, let out this blast: "I am not cognizant of any contract irregularity concerning McAdams. We are going to do what's right, but at the same time we are not going to be intimidated. Ours is a policy of fair play and cooperation with all other leagues in the best interest of sports. This is no time in my opinion, for inter-sports fights. But we are not going to be moved by threats or intimidations such as are indicated by Mr. Marshall, whose attitude does seem a little unfriendly coming from one who is accepting California's hospitality."

Marshall is here with his team that is doing its summer training in San Diego. Informed of Giesler's statement, Marshall countered with: "Either the man has been misquoted or is misinformed."

Weekly golf engagements today will center around the Blind Bogey tournament which has been scheduled by the Salem golf club tournament committee, Chairman Bill Goodwin said Wednesday.

The fall tournament, dates to be announced later, is taking shape rapidly and all indications point toward a successful title chase.

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In Doghouse



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"You can't just assume a league," Layden said on his annual visit to Philadelphia, "every day I hear or read of one league or another being formed here or some place else, but that still doesn't bring a league into being. I'm afraid it's impossible to discuss intelligently a thing that doesn't exist. If another eastern league is organized and operates a season or two, then will be the time to give it consideration."

Layden had been asked to comment on the possibility of competition for the Philadelphia Eagles here. Jack Abrin, Philadelphia manufacturer, holds a franchise in the newly projected United States league and plans to field a team under the name of Philadelphia Quakers after the war.

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