

Springfield Millers In No-Name Family

The No-Name athletic league was back in the six-team groove again yesterday with the announcement by Loop President Gusner Flesher of Salem high that the Springfield Millers are now a full-fledged member. The Lane county Millers, up and coming as class A athletes in the state prep picture, John Eugene, Corvallis, Albany, Salem and Bend to round out the league. Bend's Lava Bears were voted in a few weeks ago and along with the Millers replace Oregon City and Milwaukie, the two northern teams which seceded during a meeting here last winter.

Springfield Superintendent of Schools Eugene Sikke, a former Salem man, oked the new move which will see his school

gradually break away from competition in the District 6 league. John Young is head coach of Springfield football and basketball teams and Kernel Buhler is his assistant. Buhler is also chief of the tracksters.

The Millers will engage in round robin football and basketball schedules with league members next season and will be represented here Friday when the league cards off its annual track meet on Olinger oval. The Springfield school is said to boast an enrollment of around 600 students and fields teams in all major prep sports, including baseball. The Millers were hot contenders for state basketball championship laurels two years ago and placed two players on the All-State team.

Eastern Nags Dropping From K-Derby Ranks

Coughs and Injuries Eliminate Eligibles

NEW YORK, May 15.—(AP)—Kentucky derby candidates from the east, began to fade today as an epidemic of coughing spread through the barns at Belmont park and other trainers declared their horses were not of the caliber for the mile and one-quarter race at Churchill Downs, June 9.

Heading the list of three-year olds forced to the sidelines by the coughing is William Ziegler, Jr.'s Esteem, winner of only one race last year but a colt that gave every appearance of developing into a distance runner. Trainer Matt Brady said he had given up hopes of getting the son of Stimulus-Esposa in shape for either the derby or Freehand.

The coughing epidemic also hit Earl Sande's First Stage and had other trainers worried. Sunny Jim Fitzsimmons, three times winner of the derby with Gallant Fox, Omaha and Johnstown, said his Johnsport from William Woodward's Bellair stud was not a derby horse.

William Heits' Pericles, the \$66,000 yearling who didn't start last year, worked seven furlongs in 1:31 and a fraction but pulled up sore. The costly colt is rated a very doubtful starter.

30-Round Card Set for Amateur Bop Bee at Armory Friday

It's to be 30 rounds (or less) in 10 matches at the armory Friday night when sponsoring Capital Post No. 9, American Legion produces its amateur fistic frolic for the benefit of veterans of World War II. Legion Boxing Chairman Ira Flicheh and Aide Paeky McFarland made the announcement yesterday. Twenty assorted battlers from Williamette U, Salem high, Chemawa Indian school and McFarland's now defunct boxing school will engage in the 10 three-rounders. Added to and completing the

card yesterday were the following matches: Curtis Stacona, 116, Chemawa, vs. Duane Amen, 117, Salem; Terry Francis, 159, Chemawa, vs. Robert Reust, 158, Salem high; and Glen Fritzler, 158, Chemawa, vs. Donald Beitz, 164, Salem high. Previously matched bouts are Joe Frie, 157, Chemawa vs. Danny Valdes, 158, Salem; Arthur Johnson, 152, Chemawa, vs. Orval Hern, 150, Salem high; Leslie Bill, 155, Chemawa, vs. Cliff Sexton, 138, Salem high; Bob Saticum, 155, Chemawa, vs.

Ev Siasa, 152, Salem; Bruce Davis, 146, Willamette, vs. Jim Ayres, 148, Willamette; Ralph Lemon, 155, Willamette, vs. Guy Poorman, 160, Willamette, and Don Rochon, 176, Willamette, and Brad Young, 178, Willamette. All six Willamette switsmiths were applauded for sparring engagements on the school's Happy Hour program a few weeks ago. The Salem high battlers saw considerable action during the school's heavy intramural milt program over the winter.

Flicheh also announced yesterday that all seats for the benefit program will be sold at the armory Friday night on a first-come-first served basis. There will be no reserved or ringside sections and all seats go at \$1 a throw, tax included. All proceeds other than the costs of transporting and dining the fistic family will be turned into the Legion post's fund which is to go toward the entertaining and comforting of returning or visiting World War II veterans.

Giants, Bums Grab Another On Win Binges

10th in Row Snared By Amazing Dodgers

NEW YORK, May 15.—(AP)—They're all alike to the New York Giants who swept to their 10th victory in 11 completed games today by edging out the Chicago Cubs, 5-4. Only a tie with Boston and a defeat by the St. Louis Cardinals mar their record since April 29. Meanwhile, Brooklyn matched the longest winning streak of its career under Manager Leo Durocher by reeling off its 10th straight success at the expense of the Pittsburgh Pirates, 6-3, in a night tilt.

The 1943 gang that finished third also copped 10 in succession but the performance of the motley 1945 crew is considered even more remarkable.

Little Vic Lombardi, an untried southpaw who never pitched higher than class B before this season, earned his third decision by hand-cuffing Frankie Frisch's Bucs with five-scattered hits before 25-828 customers.

Van Mungo failed to get the route for the sixth straight time for the Giants but once again old reliable Ace Adams sauntered in from the bullpen to save the ball game. Mungo outlasted Paul Derringer, the Cubs' ace, who folded in the fifth to yield four runs after holding the Giants to a lone single by Nap Reyes in the first four heats. Reyes ran his streak to six hits in six official at bats with a pair of one-basers.

Phil Weintraub joined Mel Ott at the head of the home run class with six, a clout that actually won the game although it was just another run when it came in the sixth.

Buster Adams' homer with two on in the eighth pulled the Cards out of the bag with an 8-7 shatter of Boston. The Braves battered Rockies Stan Partenberger, Ken Burkhardt and Jack Creel for 13 bwoes, including three doubles and two singles that gave Tommy Holmes the league batting lead on a 5 for 5 afternoon.

In the other night game the Phillies dropped a 7-3 game to Cincinnati with Rookie Frank Dasso of the Reds recording his second victory. Seven unearned runs spelled the Phils' doom as Charley Schanz was charged with his fifth straight setback.

All American league games, including those scheduled for night tilts were washed out.

SPORTSLIGHTNER

by Al Lightner

Irony dept:
After umpteen years and five deposed managers, a complete change in ownership and the sudden realization that the Western International loop didn't grow exclusively, Portland's Beavers are at last the class of the Coast circuit and are sailing toward a pennant. So what? So they suddenly find out the Bevo ball park not only cuts off a Portland street illegally but is also a fire trap, first class, inflammable enough to raise a serious groan from the fire chief! Bitter pills for all these years. . . Re those Beavers, if the old baseball byword "play 500 ball on the road and you'll win the pennant" is gospel, they're as good as in the blue chips already. The last two weeks' jaunt southward by Marv Owen & Co. netted 11 wins against only three defeats. That's batting a riproarious .786 for that road trip. . . To football: Grid-hungry Portlanders may be overjoyed that Oregon State has returned to football, but they'll be forced to visit the OSC campus this fall to see games after all. That is, if the present ODT rule demanding that athletic contests be played solely on the home fields of either contestant is still in effect then. Multimom stadium isn't the Bevo's home pasture. Which means all home games for OSC will be played at Bell field, Corvallis. . . Suppose you noticed too that if same ODT rule isn't changed there will be no bowl games next January 1 and quite probably no world series in October. Nothing much at present says the rule will be changed. . . To track: Overlooked in accounts of the 19th annual prep carnival was the unwanted but always present tragedy of the meet. One pops up every year, worse luck. This time it befell Claude Cooke's Bend Lava Bears and their promising pole vaulter George Rasmussen. Tabled as one of the top vaulters of the state and twice conqueror of the 12-foot 3-inch level which set a new record Saturday in the event for one Art Bakke and another Lloyd Hickok of Portland, Rasmussen suffered a pulled muscle in Friday's water-soaked qualifying trials and "went out" Saturday at far below the height to which he is accustomed. Satisfaction is gained for all interested, however, with knowledge that Cooke's pride and joy is but a junior with another year of prep vaulting coming up. . .



DON JOHNSON

Very Much in Evidence
Speaking of these state track meet whammies, Salem high's annual visitor was much in evidence this time too. A few in the past have seen superb miler Floyd Runtan fail in his event, excellent hurdler Max Bibby stumble in his and Sprinter Bob Weber pull up lame in the 1944 meet. Those are merely three of many hope-blasting remembrances.

This time the jinx came early to sideline Vaulter Lyle Williams, High-jumper Dick Gatke and Discus-wielder Art Gottfried even before the district meet. Javelin-tosser Don Wilson then fell down in the spear event Friday and the crack SHS relay team was victimized the same day by a collision in the stretch while attempting to qualify. Oh yes, Half-miler Bob Macy joined the navy last week, too.

Considering that the marks of which each of those mentioned are capable would have definitely coped points in Saturday's payoff, Salem would have won the state championship by a comfortable margin, Portland schools or no Portland schools. It's fact.

And the wonder of it is, Coach Tommy Dryden hasn't a gray hair in his head! His fingernails are at half-mast, however.

Liberty Girls Honor Mothers

LIBERTY—A special Mother's day observance was held Friday by the 4-H club girls of the seventh and eighth grades. Mrs. May Lucas is leader for the clubs and teacher of these two grades.

A pantomime of "Mother March" was presented. The grand-mother was portrayed by Irene Hewitt. The reader was Dorothy Gregory.

Participating also were Billie Jean Mahoney, Wanda Billings, Sabra Blankenship, Betty Lou Nowlin, Esther Barker, Donna Plenge, Doris Lane, Elizabeth Hockett and Diane Heitman.

James Bishop, Marion county 4-H club leader, spoke to the members and their guests. Miss Florence Berndt, principal, presented a full 4-H scholarship from the school health club to Charles Austin; Doris Lane received the scholarship given by United Growers cannery; Wanda Billings, the Woman's club half scholarship.

Tea was served in the school's lunch room, with Irene Hewitt and Wanda Billings presiding at the table.

The 4-H Sewing I club, for which Mrs. Mary Lovett is leader, presented each mother present with a corsage they had made.

OSP Softball Outfit On Proud for Bookings

Is the Fort Lewis Warrior nine tough? What would you think when a fireballing New York Yankee chattel like Portland's Don Johnson is listed as third string on the Warrior mound staff? Chicago's Bill Fleming and Pittsburgh's Lloyd Dietz are the team's top fingers. Youthful Johnson, who pitched his Albina Hishipp to the state Legion ball championship at Woodburn two years ago and is now advertised as a certainty for future greatness with the Yankees, pitches in the No. 3 hole for the GF's.

F. W. "Bill" Loos, in charge of the comeback softball campaign at the penitentiary, is after, any and all competition he can find "in the Willamette valley extending from as far north as Oregon City to as far south as Junction City," he writes. Interested softball teams from such nearby villages as Dallas, Silverton, Albany, McMinnville, Corvallis, etc., are asked to contact Loos at OSP—object, a full schedule of softy engagements for what looks like a right good prison team.

Ruthenia Seeks To Join Soviets

LONDON, May 15.—(AP)—The Czechoslovak press bureau announced tonight that an autonomous government had been formed in Carpatho-Ukraine (Ruthenia) and was seeking union with Russia.

For the present, the bureau said, this group still is recognizing the authority of the Czechoslovak government, whose leaders already have expressed belief an amicable agreement could be reached with Moscow in line with the wishes of the population.

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Acorns Rally, Snare Opener

OAKLAND, May 15.—(AP)—Oakland staged a four run rally in the eighth inning tonight to defeat Sacramento, 7-5, in the opening game of their Coast league series. Sacramento 210 000 002-5 12 Oakland 020 100 04x-7 15 1 Porter, Power and Marcucci; Gilmore and Rainaldi.

COAST LEAGUE STANDINGS

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Last night's results: at Hollywood 6, San Diego 10; at Oakland 7, Sacramento 5. Only games played; San Francisco at Seattle, Los Angeles at Portland, open tonight.

Legion Ball '9 For Silverton

SILVERTON — (Special)—The Silverton American Legion post Monday night voted to sponsor a Junior baseball team this season, it was announced Tuesday. Guy "Pop" DeLay, coach of the Silverton high school team, will also coach the Juniors.

Expected to be made up mostly of players now participating on the high school team, the Silverton Junior nine will compete with Woodburn and Salem, and perhaps Dallas in the local district.

A Silverton town team, to be coached by Paul Reiling, is also a certainty for the summer.

Proctor, Ryan On Kahut Card

PORTLAND, May 15.—(AP)—The May 25 boxing show semi-wrapup will feature Middleweights Jackie Ryan, San Francisco, and Powder Proctor, Portland Negro, Matchmaker Joe Waterman said today.

Ryan's eye injury, received against Leo (The Lion) Turner, resulted in postponement of the bout, originally set for this week. Proctor won his last three fights. Sailer Joe Kahut and Moose Kennedy will fight the main event.

Medford and Klamath Argue Highway Merit

PORTLAND, May 15.—(AP)—Two opposing delegations -- one from southern Oregon districts bordering highway 99, the other supporting Willamette route, US 97 -- argued advantages of their roads as the main inter-regional link today before the state highway commission.

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When the weatherman again forestalled the Sox-New York

Wagner Nails Leone for Win

Georgie Teams With Ringpost for Nod

Gorgeous Georgie Wagner, man of muscles, turkeys and bathrobes (and mat tricks) teamed up with the northeast ringpost at the armory brawl last night, and between the two they flattened Antone "Ape" Leone in the main heat of the weekly razzlin' show.

The brawl between the two nasties was strictly as advertised while it lasted, a whooperoo. Touch and go all the way with the first one getting to the ropes using 'em or the first to grab hair grabbing it, the mix had the customers howling the 20 minutes it lasted. Georgie won both "falls", the first with a series of hammerlocks which brought an "uncle" from the burly Leone and the second by ramming the Leon pate flush into the ringpost as a climax to rowdy-dow on-the-floor scuffling. Mr. Leone wears an "egg" on his head today — at least he had one there last night after being finally subdued from a post-match rampage which had all paying hands hanging around in expectation of more glee-ful action. It was quite a match and loaded with laughs as no one really cared much who bopped the blazes out of who.

The semi-wrapup was an all-Paavo Katonan show, and the newly returned Finn gave a super exhibition of bruising grappling in taking the only fall in 30 minutes from "Sailor" Hogan of the Coast Guard. The winning fall came via Katonan's pet "hangman" hold. The rugged Finn tossed the book at smaller Hogan and reminded the clients he's still just about as rugged as they come.

Handsome Kenny Ackles whipped off his best performance since bobbing up in the circuit by taking the only fall in 30 minutes from rough and tough Tony Motelli in the opener.

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STATESMAN SPORTS

By Al Lightner, Sports Editor



Washington Catcher Fernin Guerra (left) waits for the ball as Tony Cucinello, White Sox third baseman, slides home safely in the 7th inning of a game in Chicago. Art Passarella is the umpire. The Sox won, 5-1. (AP Wirephoto).

Griffith Declares Rickey Dictating to Negro Leops

WASHINGTON, May 15.—(AP)—Clark Griffith said today he challenged the right of Branch Rickey to set himself up as a "dictator" of negroes in baseball. The 75-year-old owner of the Washington Senators disclosed in a statement that he has written other major league officials that Rickey, head of the Brooklyn Dodgers, is trying to "set himself as the guiding light behind a new colored U. S. league."

Griffith said Rickey issued an "ultimatum" to the Negro American and National leagues to join the proposed U. S. league "or else."

"Mr. Rickey is attempting to destroy two well organized leagues which have been in existence for some time and in which colored people of this country have faith and confidence," Griffith said. His criticism of the Brooklyn man was based principally on an interview with Rickey about Negro baseball published by the Pittsburgh Courier.

"Griffith added that 'Mr. Rickey seems to have fallen for propaganda handed him by men who have not made good in the National and American (Negro) leagues.'

Padres Defeat Twinks, 10-6

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., May 15.—(AP)—San Diego took a free-throwing contest from Hollywood tonight, 10 to 6. The Padres fell on the offerings of Jim Sharp in the fourth and counted five tallies. John Marshall succeeded Sharp. The Stars gathered 11 safeties themselves.

San Diego 010 500 210-10 15 1 Hollywood 121 011 000-6 13 1 Wendoff and Ballinger, Sharp, Marshall and Hill.

Pimlico Track Opens Today

BALTIMORE, May 15.—(AP)—The belated spring racing season gets under way tomorrow at Pimlico, with Christiana Stables' Megogo and H. Guy Bedwell's Sollure drawing 19,000 attention in the inaugural feature. The \$5,000 Baltimore spring handicap. A crowd of 15,000 is expected to be on hand at post time.

Maryland's four major tracks are sponsoring the joint 10-day meeting which ends May 26, and the state racing commission today gave formal approval for the historic Freekness, to be run in a special one-day return June 16, a week after the Kentucky derby.

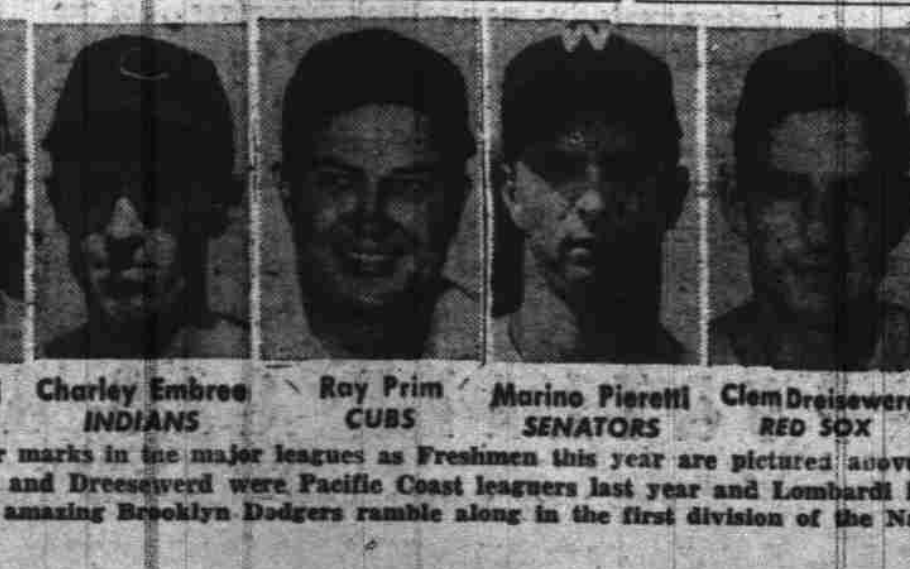
Baseball's BIG SIX

Player	ERA	R	H	Pct.
Flynn, Club	16	57	37	.433
Holmes, Braves	20	85	37	.433
Out, Giants	24	78	26	.285
Giant, Dodgers	18	84	36	.275
Cucinello, WS	17	60	25	.287
Stephens, Browns	17	61	23	.281
Care, Washington	22	68	20	.257

Russ batted in National league — Lombardi, Giants, 21; Weintraub, Giants, 20; Glantz, St. Louis, 18; Pratt, St. American league — Derry, Yankees, 19; Egan, Yankees, 17; Rinks, Senators, 16. K.C. Athletics 14 home runs; National league — Out, Giants 6; Weintraub, Giants 4; Lombardi, Giants 3; Workman, Braves 3; American league — Stephens, Browns 2; Derry Yankees 4, St. Johnson, Red Sox 4.

Top Jockey Deferred

MIAMI, Fla., May 15.—(AP)—Deferred by his draft board until mid-June, Ted Adkinson, America's top jockey in 1944 with 287 winners, leaves for New York this week to resume riding. The deferment was granted because Adkinson is to become a father shortly.



Six rookie fingers making their marks in the major leagues as Freshmen this year are pictured above. Pirelli, Prim, Embree, Cecil and Dreesewerd were Pacific Coast leaguers last year and Lombardi is the youth who is helping the amazing Brooklyn Dodgers ramble along in the first division of the National league.

Master Bobby Shows 'Em How

LAKELAND, Fla., May 15.—(AP)—Bobby Jones, the former grand slammer, needed an eagle three on the 18th hole of an exhibition war bond golf match here today to give his team an even break, and that's exactly what he got.

His mashie niblick shot from 25 yards off the green took one bounce and dropped into the hole, evening the score and nullifying birdies registered by Sammy Snead, one of the game's top pros, and Cpl. Bobby Walker.

The Atlantan shot a two-under par 70, while Snead broke the course record with a 66 that included eight birdies. Christiansen toured the course in 68, Walker had a 75.

Friel Solves Problem

FULLMAN, May 15.—(AP)—Coach Jack Friel, faced with seven games in the few days before school closes at Washington State college, said today he plans to convert two Tacoma infielders into pitchers for the two games here this week-end with McCaw hospital of Walla Walla.

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