

# Byron Nelson Still Red-hot

### Tied for 1st Place In Canadian Tourney

TORONTO, Aug. 2—(AP)—Byron Nelson of Toledo, aiming for his 10th straight individual tourney triumph, and Vic Ghezzi of Atlantic City, N. J., tied for the lead today in the first round of the \$10,000 Canadian open golf tournament. Each shot a two-under par 68.

The hot favorite, Nelson started 20 minutes late for his tee-off time but was followed by a gallery of 1500. Until Nelson and Ghezzi shot their par-breaking rounds, Willie Goggin of White Plains, N. Y., took a temporary lead with a par 70.

Tied for the fifth were Jimmy Hines of Chicago, Stan Leonard of Vancouver, Herman Barron, White Plains, and Amateur Freddie Haas of New Orleans, each with a 72.



Titan Hanover, driven by Harry Fownall, leads at the first turn of the final of the two-section national trot at Gosheh, N. Y., going on to win the final heat. The hay cot is favored to win the Hambletonian August 5.

# Capital Post Legion Jrs. Eliminated From Tourney



Shortie sorties: Word from Woodburn says Newberg high, after losing Loren Douglas to Vancouver, beckoned Bulldog Boss "Jiggs" Burnett to come take over the athletic reins. But Woodburn high, conscious and appreciative of the splendid football-basketball record compiled by the ex-Willamette, nixed the deal. That fine Burnett record does entitle him to a larger field no matter how fond of him Woodburn might be. . . To fistic: Shop Foreman Claude Talmadge tells us Leo Lomski, once the famed "Aberdeen Assassin" as a welterweight but now fat 'n 40, now operates a battered old crabbing boat out of Waldport. His wealth is apparently all gone, but Lomski goes at his new profession in his 30-foot craft quite carefree about it all, says Claude. . . And Freddie Steele, the Tacoma pride and joy who battled his way to a world championship, is in a boat on the opposite side of the lake. Now a movie hero because ring warfare failed to alter his pretty profile, Steele grabs off in the thousands per week when on call in Hollywood. His most recent part is Stanley Ketchell in "Irish Eyes Are Smiling." The said he plucked \$2000 per week for playing it. Little wonder he quit fighting. . . Speaking of fisticuffing, though, saw it say those who didn't see it missed a laugh or two when Del Campbell and Walt "Shorty" Lebold whacked off their unadvised squabble during the Junior ball game at Leslie Sunday. The hottest action came when Mrs. L. went at Diminutive Del with waving purse, but a city gendarme intervened before blood was spilled. The guy who once said, "Whenever there's a ball game, tempers will flare," sorta knew what he was talking about, wot? . . .

### GI's Ask Prep Football Playoff Clarification

Re more arguments, we have a plea from PFC Eric L. Fitzsimons, formerly of 1391 Market street, Salem, but now somewhere in Germany, asking that a clarification of recent state prep football championship play be printed here to straighten out an argument.

"A couple of us former (and future, we hope!) Oregon lads got into a little debate over the Oregon high school football championship playoffs of the past few years," writes PFC Fitzsimons. "It seems that he claims Klamath 'falls on it recently, while I contend that the only time they played in the official playoff they were beaten by a Portland school. Could you straighten us out on the matter. I would like to know how many official playoffs there were since 1940, who played in those games, the scores and where they were played. You will be doing a couple of GI's a big favor if you will print the dope for us."

Briefly, PFC Fitzsimons wins the argument. Klamath Falls claimed the state championship in 1942 after an undefeated season under Frank "Jumbo" Ramsey, but the Oregon High Schools Activities Association did not sanction championship playoffs at that time. So K-Falls' claim was exactly that—a claim. The OHSAA didn't begin sanctioning titular tussles until 1943 in football, and that season saw Ramsey's Pelicans finish second best to Jerry Lille's Grant Generals of Portland, 6-0, in the mud at Multnomah stadium. That was the only time the Pelicans made the finals since the OHSAA adopted the official playoff system.

Last year saw another southern Oregon team, Medford, walk off with the championship at Multnomah stadium by turning back LaGrande, 14-0.

Hope that straightens things up, boys.

### Cameron Still Waiting

"Doc" C. C. Higgins, who's probably as interested in where they are and what they're doing these days as is the next gent, tells that Athletic Specialist Clint Cameron is still rapping the agate for his San Diego Naval Training Station nine. The former Willamette and Senators handsome Dan is currently waiting at a \$15 clip and the club itself has lost but one game in 50 starts this season. "Thirty-nine wins in a row," grins Doc. . . Imagine a San Diego NTS vs. Fort Lewis Warriors tilt would be worth seeing, wot? . . . Speaking of strong GI athletic teams, the basketball powerhouse boarding Camp Adair naval hospital attaches of last



FRANK RAMSEY

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### Yeaters Down Elfstroms, 8-3

Elfstroms, first half champions with an unblemished record, dropped their third game in as many starts in the second round last night at Leslie when they fell before the heavy-hitting Yeaters to a tie for second spot in the race with West Salem, with a chance to knot-up the league race next week when they take on the leading Clough-Barrick outfit.

Dick Norton hit a homer for Elfstroms last night but lacked his usual effectiveness on the mound. A five-run third frame sailed the game away for the Appliance men who played with but eight men in the lineup. Delbert Davis, regular thirdacker, turned in a nifty job behind the plate, rubbing for the injured Richard Howard, regular receiver.

Elfstroms' (2) AB R H Pct. Olney, m. 2 0 0 Gortz, lb. 2 0 0 Elms, c. 1 0 0 Conroy, ss. 2 1 1 Norton, p. 3 1 1 Bouck, 3b. 3 0 0 Gibson, c. 2 0 0 Davis, c. 1 1 1 Nelson, m. 1 0 0 Boyer, 2b. 3 1 1 Rogers, 1b. 2 0 0 Erickson, 1b. 0 0 0 Sloan, 2b. 1 0 0 Finley, 1b. 2 0 0 Holden, 2b. 2 0 0 Godman, p. 2 2 2 Walker, 2b. 1 0 0 Totals 17 0 1

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Umpires: Zeller and Rock.

### Devil Diver Retired

NEW YORK, Aug. 2—(AP)—Devil Diver, regarded as one of the best handicap horses in the country, was retired to stud today because of a recurrence of an old foot injury suffered in the 1941 Pimlico futurity.

winter will look like a high school team alongside the quint planned by the same outfit next winter, were told. The gobs are getting a center "of the Red Rocha type," tells our informant, and after remembering what they'll have to fit around such a center nothing more need be said. . .

# Beavers Annex Third Straight

### Pulford Registers 18th Win of Season

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE W L Pct. Portland 18 45 55 Oakland 18 44 46 Seattle 12 51 50 San Diego 18 40 40 Sacramento 12 53 53 Los Angeles 18 33 33 San Francisco 18 34 34 Hollywood 18 33 33

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 2—(AP)—Portland made it three in a row for the series over Hollywood 9 to 3 tonight, pounding three Star pitchers for 12 hits while Don Pulford of the Beavers was nipped for only eight scattered safeties. It was Pulford's 18th win against eight defeats. A six-run fifth frame iced the contest for the Beavs.

Table with columns for AB, R, H, E for both teams and a Totals row.

Summary: Errors: Barton. Losing pitcher: Marshall. Hits: off Marshall 1 in 5 innings; earned runs: Pulford 3; Marshall 4; Intlekofer 3. Bases on balls: Pulford 6; Marshall 2; Intlekofer 2. Intlekofer 2. Sharp 2. Left on bases: Portland 9; Hollywood 10. Passed ball: Krause. Two-base hits: Richardson, Moran, Owen. Three-base hits: O'Neill. Stolen bases: Steiner, Pulford, Barton. 2. Runs batted in: Moran, Williams, O'Neill 2, Nunes, Shone 2, Demaree, Barton, Adams, Fausett. Double play: Nunes to O'Neill to Barton. Time 2:15. Umpires: Engeln and Ford. Attendance 4960 (unofficial).

# Rickey Wants 7 Arc Games

BROOKLYN, Aug. 2—(AP)—President Branch Rickey of the Brooklyn Dodgers today offered to sign a five year agreement with the New York Giants and Yankees, setting a limit of seven night games a season for each of the three ball parks.

"I am strictly a seven-game man for night baseball," said Rickey. "We probably could set an Ebbs field attendance record this season by adding more night games but it wouldn't do any good in the long run."

Neither Presidents Horace Stoneham of the Giants nor Larry MacPhail of the Yankees had any comment but both were believed favorable to Rickey's proposal.

# Flying Swedes Victors Again

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 2—(AP)—Gunder Haegg and Arne Andersson, Sweden's great distance runners, continued their winning ways today. Haegg won the two-mile run at Stockholm stadium in 9:12.2 while Andersson captured the 1000-meter run and was timed in 2:22.7.

### Leslie Swim Today

A swimming meet has been scheduled for Leslie pool at 3 p. m. this afternoon. Age groups will include 12 and under, 13 and 14, and over 14 for boys and an unlimited class for girls. Events will include backstroke, breast stroke, free style, and diving.

# Baseball's BIG SIX

Table listing players and statistics for the 'Big Six' teams.

### Box Score

Box score for the game between Portland and Hollywood.

# Hager, Davidson Get Mat Main Eventer

### Perseverance has its reward

Masterful Tex Hager, the little swifty from Creswell, who gets tops billing in villages like Chicago, Omaha, Cheyenne and way stations, but doesn't seem to rate more than semi-windup specials for his coastal efforts, at last draws down the top spot on Matchmaker Elton Owen's weekly bleep program next Tuesday night at the armory. The fast-moving gent with the big chest who has been dishing up one good match after another in his recent appearances, and who is actually one of the best read rasslers of the circuit's pack, gets his main eventer with another unannounced but right capable crumcher, Burry Bucke Davidson. Their hot, 30-minute



TEX HAGER Gets Armory Main Event

Hager's efforts of the recent past have earned him a main event and the shins can be said for bowlegged Davidson. Bucke is in the same class with Hager—he seldom produces a poor match although being of the opposite type grappler. Davidson isn't beyond a few gouges, kicks or punches on the snoot now and then.

Matchmaker Owen announces in setting his matter that "neither Hager or Davidson are the 'name' type of wrestler around here, but I'm sure the Salem fans will agree both put out plenty of fast and hot action in their matches. I believe a Hager-Davidson match will prove to be one of the best."

The balance of the card is to be announced as it is signed up later in the week.

# Tiges, Yanks, Win; Chicago Gains 1/2 Game

### Marino Pieretti Cops Tenth Mound Verdict

DETROIT, Aug. 2—(AP)—A pair of timely homers by Eddie Mayo, his second and third in two days, drove in four runs today as the Detroit Tigers stretched their winning streak to six games—longest this year—by beating the St. Louis Browns 6 to 0.

Al Benton scattered seven hits in making his 10th victory his fifth shutout.

Nick Etten's three-run homer in the first inning gave the New York Yankees a 3 to 1 victory over the Red Sox. Red Ruffing pitched a seven-hitter in winning his second straight for the Yanks. The win left the Yanks still five games behind the Tigers, who won two, however.

Mickey Haefner won his ninth and Marino Pieretti his tenth game of the season when they set the Philadelphia Athletics back in the twilight double header in Washington by identical scores of 2-1.

Lew Kner was the victim of Haefner in the first game while Steve Gerkin suffered his tenth straight defeat at the hands of Pieretti.

Pat Seery's third-inning homer with the bases loaded was the feature of the 13-7 trouncing the Cleveland Indians handed the Chicago White Sox as the tribe moved into fifth position. Pete Center was credited with his fifth victory after starter Allie Reynolds was knocked out of the box. Johnnie Humphries of the pale hose was charged with the loss.

In the only senior league tilt scheduled Paul Derringer stopped Pittsburgh with three hits as the Chicago Cubs moved five and a half games ahead of the National league pack with a 1-0 victory over the Pirates to gain an even split in a two-game series. It was the 12th victory of the season for the veteran Derringer.

AMERICAN LEAGUE table with columns for team, W, L, Pct., and scores for various games.

Graphic for 'Oregon Statesman Sports' featuring 'Al Lightner' as the 'MAJOR LEAGUE Leaders'.

NATIONAL LEAGUE table with columns for team, W, L, Pct., and scores for various games.

# Brig D'Or Bags Longacres Race

SEATTLE, Aug. 2—(AP)—Brig D'Or, inconspicuous in earlier starts, found the freshest plover Longacres track to his liking today and rambled to an easy victory in the \$1200 Monmartre handicap. Second in the mile gallop was Palmera T and Dennis F, coupled with the winner in the betting, was third. Brig D'Or paid \$8.40, \$3.50 and \$3.60. The pari-mutuel handle for the day was \$175,715.

### Wenger-Burrell Win

Arvela Wenger, Dallas, and Jim Burrell, Salem, teamed to gain first place in the weekly mixed golf feature at Oak Knoll course last night. The pair shot a net 73 in the handicap event. Ruth Baughn and Pete Stoltenberg, both Dallas, won prizes for the longest drives, while Al Cleveland took the door prize.

WASHINGTON table with columns for player, score, and prize.

# Grid Practice Start Slated For Sept. 8th

### Northern Schools to Set Back Opening Day

SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 2—(AP)—Five northern division schools planning to reenter Pacific coast competition this fall after a war-enforced layoff of two years, will start workouts on September 8, Graduate Manager Earl Foster of Washington State college announced today.

Foster, making the announcement after talking to athletic representatives from other schools, said although it was agreed at the June conference meeting that southern and northern division schools would issue grid tots on Sept. 1, the northern schools had decided on a delay to allow players to stay longer in essential industries and on farms.

Southern schools are expected to call squads together Sept. 1, he added.

The participating schools in the northern division will be Idaho, Washington State, Washington, Oregon and Oregon State.

Coach Phil Sorbe, meanwhile, reported he had heard from nearly 70 grid hopefuls. "The WSC team will almost be a fresh ball club," Sorbe said. "We'll have a lot of young kids on the squad, a handful of veterans and a few returned war vets."

Rod Giske, letterman guard, is due back and Sorboe may gain the services of Dick Abrams of Belingham, transfer from Stanford university.

# Leo Estey Ist, 'Ruddles' Play

Leo Estey earned 22 points with his 34 score and copped first place in the "ruddles" tourney at the Salem golf club Thursday night. Bob King and Harry Gustafson with 21 ruddles finished in a tie for second. There were 22 entries.

# Louisville Gets Bosox Infielder

BOSTON, Aug. 2—(AP)—Ben Steiner, who until recently had played most of the season at second base, today was released on option by the Red Sox to the Louisville farm club. There was no further word from the Red Sox management but the move prompted numerous queries as it left the club one under the 25-player limit.

# Sports Trail

By Whitney Martin

NEW YORK, Aug. 2—(AP)—The alert Earl Hilligan, the American league's advertising manager, points out that Tony Cuccinello of the White Sox might be the first third baseman in the league's history to win the batting championship.

"Cooch" might do it, at that, although the race promises to be closer than your next breath right down to the wire, with the winner's average nothing to make Ty Cobb envious.

If the top average for the league is .335 or thereabouts it will not be surprising, and there are fellows who played in the Majors 10 to 15 years and retired with lifetime marks better than that.

The honor roll of A.L. batting champions includes 29 outfielders, seven first basemen, five second basemen and three shortstops.

Catchers, like third basemen, are not represented.

Not that there haven't been stout stickmen among the third basemen. It just so happened that some of them were around when it took a mark of about .400 or better to take the title, and infielders, Rogers Hornsby and Larry Lajoie excepted, just don't hit .400.

With fellows such as Lajoie, Ty Cobb, Tris Speaker, Harry Heilmann and George Sisler around a player had to be well over the .350 mark to even be close to the champion, although there have been scattered years when the averages dropped so alarmingly it seemed that the pitchers must have been tossing up leather-coated rocks.

Ebb tide for the batters was in 1905, when Elmer Flick of Cleveland captured the title with a meager .306. That followed an average of .381 Lajoie compiled the year before.

With Ted Williams and Joe DiMaggio, who between them cornered the crown for three years, in the service the last two years the winning mark dropped to figures comparable to the prospective winning average this year, Lou Boudreau of the Indians was the winner last year with .327, and Luke Appling, winner in 1943, was only a point better.

The golden opportunity for the third sacker, of course, was the year Flick hit .306, but the best any third baseman could do that year was the .276 registered by Jimmy Collins.

One of the better-hitting third basemen was Frank "Home Run" Baker of Connie Mack's famed \$100,000 infield, but when he hit .334 in 1911 the average was good only for seventh place.

When it is considered the average winning percentage for the 44 years of American league play is .375, it readily is apparent why in most seasons marks of .340 or .350 were good only for honorable mention.

Cuccinello may be just the lucky guy to come along, at the age of 37, when a mark of 40 points below the over-all average hits bings.

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Large advertisement for Schaefer Drugs, featuring 'The Original "YELLOW FRONT" Drug and Candy Special Store' and listing various products like 'Schaefer's Kidney Pills 50c', 'Schaefer's Social Ointment 50c', 'Schaefer's Nerve and Bone Liniment 50c and \$1', 'Schaefer's EAT ICE CREAM', 'Schaefer's CORN REMEDY', 'Schaefer's TOUGH BEARD', and 'Schaefer's NELSON'S BABY POWDER'.