

Senators to Open Spring Camp Today

Three-Week Grind Due, Corvallis; Beard Optimistic Over Chances

Salem's 1949 baseball Senators, pre-season version, invade Corvallis today to open the three-week spring training camp. The aspirants, numbering some 23 contracted players, will report to Manager Bill Beard throughout the day. Beard will waste no time in issuing equipment for an opening drill, perhaps this afternoon on the Oregon State college field.

The new Solon skipper was in town Wednesday to go over last-minute details with Business Manager George Emigh. Both Beard and Emigh expressed optimism over the club's chances in the Western International league. "If the young pitchers will come through for us," Pitching third base and right field appear to be the only spots on the club now worrying Beard.

Jess McWilliams and Wayne Peterson, obtained via trades recently, will have first crack at the third base post. The other infield spots seem well filled with Bud Peterson at short, Al Spaeter at second and Jim Wirt at first. Mel Wasley and Bob Cherry are outfield certainties, but it will be up to Jim Olson to prove his worth as a gardener if he is to hold down the other spot, right field. Olson is the converted pitcher.

The only Class B or better experienced hurlers due for the camp are Bill Odom, obtained from Grand Rapids, and 1948 Salem holdovers Gene Peterson, Jim Foster and Ray McNulty.

Gilmore Names Hill Runners

The following Salem high triads have been named by Coach Vern Gilmore to gallop in the annual Hill Relays at Portland Friday:

100-yard relay, won by Salem last year—Roland Patton, Jack Loftis, Buzz Covatt and Jim Jensen. Distance medley—Dick Adams, Ron Walters, Gordon Hamilton and Ron Cocking. Sprint medley, won by the Vikings last year also—Bruce McDonald, Dale Olson, Ron Hall and Tom Bridges. Alternates are Warren Mulkey for the sprints and Conrad Booz for the distances.

The Vikings won their division of the relays in 1948 and although Gilmore isn't expecting a repeat he has six men, Patton, Loftis, Jensen, McDonald, Olson and Hall, who helped bring back the victory last year.

SPORTSLIGHTNER

by Al Lightner

Doing a little with a lot: At last report, Spokane had exactly three players, including Mgr. Jim Ellinger, on the roster. Too bad Salem doesn't play the Spokes first. . . . Howard Hobson, during the weekend NCAA pitch at Seattle told us his Tony Lavelli definitely will play pro basketball next season. . . . The New York Knickerbockers want Oregon State's Cliff Crandall to do the same thing, but the Astoria red head hasn't mixed or needed it. This Harold Goheen, a Salem high junior has shown such promise as a skier that his friends predict a fine future in the sport for him. He's already a sharpie in both the downhill and slalom arts. . . . Frenchy Uhalt, longtime Coast leaguer is the new manager at Fresno in the Cal-State loop. . . . Hank Bartolemei, one of the more popular Salem Senators for a couple of seasons even though his best shot wasn't hitting, is destined for Tacoma as a San Diego farmhand. . . . Seattle Mgr. Jo Jo White is keeping both Sammy White, the ex-Washington Huskie and Gene Helma, the Vancouver Caps shortstop on the Suds varsity. Both did dandy in spring operations. . . . WIL Umpire in Chief Johnny Nenezich told us in Seattle he was ready for another busy campaign in the loop, which will be his seventh, and that he was "breaking in" Tim McCullough, the Northern Division basketball official. Tim has had little baseball experience, but Nenezich is spending considerable time teaching him the ups and downs of umpiring. . . . Other WI arbiters of 1948 who will be back are Bill Husband, Max Skulnik and Ed Mathiu. . . . Levi (Chief) McCormack and the Spokane management couldn't agree to terms, so the big Indian outfielder won't be with the Injuns after all. . . .



TIM McCULLOUGH

Don't Boot the Guy Before He Deserves It
The eyebrows are up and the who-the-heck-is-that-guy? question already is worn out since Oregon State named its new football boss as LeVerne (Kip) Taylor. Sure enough, he's one you wouldn't have guessed for the job in a hundred tries. But despite the kicking around he'll get by alumni and other patriots of the Orange even before he arrives at Corvallis, we must believe he must have something on the ball as a coach or he wouldn't have been selected by Spue and Co. The guy isn't any Frank Leahy or Paul Brown by reputation, perhaps only because he hasn't had the chance. He gets that opportunity now and all hands should stick with him until he proves he can't hack it as a Coast conference member.

Taylor is no doubt well versed in the Michigan State style of play, as taught by Clarence (Biggie) Munn and Forest Eveshevski. And as that seems to be what the Oregon Staters have wanted all along, perhaps he'll work out much better than expected by those who have their doubts now. . . .

Mataya Hacks It in Three Major Sports
The days of Coast conference athletes participating in other than one sport are supposed to be over, but apparently Washington State's Frank Mataya hasn't heard of it. He quarterbacks Phil Sarboe's footballers, does some forwarding on Jack Friel's cage squad and puts the shot for Jack Mooberry's tracksters. In fact, he almost shoved the iron ball right out of the WSC field house the other day in an indoor meet. He made 48' 1" to crack an 11-year record for the meet. . . .

Salem's new outfielder Bob Cherry, with Denver of the Class A Western loop in 1947 made only six errors in 114 games as outfielder. At 18 he hit .255, including 14 doubles, eight triples, five homers and 60 RBI's.

Sweeney's Gains Don't Offset the Losses
The Parent Portlands are off on their PCL binge and most hands, other than those belonging to the "experts," figure Bill Sweeney will make a pennant team with them. If he does, then they should toss Mme. D. McCullough Lee out on her ear and let him be mayor. Of course there are many who would toss Madam Lee out anyway. But add up Sweeney's losses in 1948 personnel—Mayo Smith, Herm Reich, Duane Pillette, Fenton Mole and Charley Silvers, to name five—and compare 'em with his gains—Jim Gladd, Dick Sinovic, Leo Thomas, Marty Krug and Joe Brovia, to name five—and you have little reason to believe other than those who label the Bevos as threats had best go have their marbles counted. Of course the club may come up with some help. Then again it may not.

You can bet whatever the help is, if there is any, it will be something somebody else didn't want. The Portlands, still have their bad habit of being tied up with a major league club that has to supply Class Triple-A help to at least three other outfits before it reaches down to kiss the Bevos. . . .

Seals Edge Bevos, 7-6, as Race Opens

Five-Run Fifth Frame of DiBiasi Fatal; Sweeneys Outth Winners

SAN FRANCISCO, March 30—(AP)—Rookie Reno Chesno's line drive single to center field scored Arky Vaughan in the last half of the ninth inning tonight to give the San Francisco Seals a 7 to 6 victory over Portland's Beavers in the opening game of the Pacific Coast league season.

The Seals collected only seven hits off five Portland hurlers while the Bevos were nicking Southpaw Cliff Melton for 11. Melton gave up three runs in the first two innings and then spun on to the win as his mates unloaded five runs in a big fifth frame.

Vince DiBiasi started for Portland and was chased to the showers in the Seals' explosive fifth frame. Fleming, Mooty, McIrwin and Joyce were others in the Portland pitching parade.

Joe Brovia picked up three singles to pace the Bevos at bat. Eddie Basinski picked up a triple and Rookie Outfielder Dick Sinovic came through with a double which knocked in a run.

The opening day attendance was listed as 10,000.

PORTLAND		SAN FRANCISCO	
AB	PO A	AB	PO A
Basinski, 2b	4 2 2	Holder, rf	4 1 1
Rucker, lf	1 2 2	Vaughan, cf	3 0 0
Sinovic, rf	5 1 1	Restell, cf	3 3 0
Brovia, lf	5 3 1	Rocco, lb	3 0 2
Storey, 3b	3 0 0	Storey, 3b	3 0 0
Thomas, lb	4 1 1	Chesno, 2b	4 1 3
Gladd, c	4 0 8	Nicely, ss	4 0 2
Zak, p	0 0 0	Artes, p	0 0 0
DiBiasi, p	2 0 1	Melton, p	3 0 0
Fleming, p	0 0 0		
Wentz, p	0 0 0		
McIrwin, p	0 0 0		
Mussen, c	0 0 1		
Mooty, p	0 0 0		
Burgher, p	0 0 0		
McIrwin, p	0 0 0		
Joyce, p	0 0 0		

Totals 37 11 26 9 Totals 34 17 14
—Struck out for Fleming in 8th.
—Struck out for Zak in 8th.
—Struck out for Mooty in 9th.

Errors—Storey, Thomas, Zak, Chesno. Runs batted in—Brovia, Rucker, Shofner, Restell, 2, Holder, Vaughan, Wenner, Sinovic, Chesno. Catcher's balk—Parlee. Two base hits—Rucker, Sinovic. Three base hits—Basinski, Sweeney. Passed pass—Parlee. Losing pitcher—McIrwin. Impires—Ford, Muffart and Gordon. Time of game—2:46. Attendance—10,000 (est.).

Rainiers Top Angels
LOS ANGELES, March 30—(AP)—Seattle's Rainiers, named the club to beat for the 1949 Pacific Coast league pennant, opened the season today by clubbing four Los Angeles pitchers for 15 hits and a 9-7 victory. Topcast weather held the crowd down to 5,410 paid attendance from the 7,500 expected. Seattle 000 105 210—9 15 3. Los Angeles 301 030 000—7 9 0.

Schanz, Karpel (6) and Grasso, Warren (7); Wyse, Anthony (6), Ihde (8), Watkins (9) and Malone.

Solons Beat Oaks
SACRAMENTO, March 30—(AP)—Sacramento's Solons hammered out 10 hits off two Oakland hurlers to capture their Pacific Coast league inaugural 5 to 2 here today. An overflow crowd of 12,202 jammed the new Solon ball park. Joe Marty drove in four Sacramento tallies, three of them with a 390 foot homer.

Oakland 000 001 010—2 7 0. Sacramento 100 040 00x—5 10 2. Gassaway, Zidich (5) and Raimondi; Salvo and Kerr.

Stars, Padres Tie
SAN DIEGO, Calif., March 30—(AP)—Hollywood and San Diego played to a 3-3 tie tonight in their Pacific Coast league opener, which was called at the end of the seventh inning on account of wet grounds.

Hollywood 000 102 0—3 3 1. San Diego 010 001 1—3 7 0. (Game called end of 7th, wet grounds).

Moulder, Maltzberger (7) and Unser; Flores and Ritchey.

Indian Ranks Upped to Seven
SPOKANE, March 30—(AP)—The Spokane Indians of the Western International league had seven players today and the beginnings of a home field. Work started on rebuilding of the stands which burned last summer. The new stands will be made of steel.

Roy Hotchkiss, new co-owner of the club, said seven players reported as the team opened spring training in Woodland, Calif. Three others from the 1948 team are expected in camp this week and six are holdouts.

Fighter Quit Ring Too Late
SAN JOSE, Calif., March 30—(AP)—One of baseball's oldest major league veterans died here today. He was William Henry Bernhard, 78, onetime Philadelphia and Cleveland pitcher.

Bowling
MAJOR LEAGUE: Goods (2)—B. Valdez 580, Barr 538, Karr 487, D. Page 662, H. Page 537, Cline's Coffee Shop—Cline Sr. 557, Braden 421, Oakland 572, Cline Jr. (2) 465, Young 422, Clark (1) 167.

Cupboard Cafe (3)—Henderson 555, Haugen 550, McCluskey 611, Evans 680, Glodd 567, Pink Elephant (1)—Merrich 522, Bone 541, Garbarino 447, Boyce 578, Murdoch 616.

Woody's Furniture (2)—Olinger 472, Fremont 371, Perry 437, Ickchen 596, Adolph 510, Salem Hardware (1)—Thee 537, Brennan 466, Reeves 316, Phillips West 526.

Acme Motors (3)—M. Hartwell 550, Nuber 618, Braden 520, Steinbock 483, E. Hartwell 594, Capital Bowling (1)—Poulin 522, Wilkerson 618, Kay 483, Priesen 519, Coe 529.

High Water: Cafe took individual honors tonight with 245 game and a 600 series. High team series 3012 by Cupboard Cafe.

The Standings
COAST LEAGUE
W L Pct.
San Frisco 10 1000 Los Ang 10 1 1000
Seattle 10 1 1000 Oakland 10 0 1000
Sacramento 10 0 1000 San Diego 0 0 000
Portland 0 1 000 Hollywood 0 0 000
Wednesday's results: At San Francisco 7, Portland 3; at Sacramento 5, Oakland 2; at San Diego 3, Hollywood 3 (called end 7th, wet grounds).

Kaizer-Frazier Tells How to Win \$1,000 Toward Purchase of a New Car

How would you like to win \$1,000 toward the purchase of one of America's most copied NEW cars—a 1949 Kaiser or Frazier? Just stop at Teague Motor Company at 355 N. Liberty, pick up an entry blank and enter the great new \$145,000 Kaiser-Frazier contest. Deadline is midnight, April 10th.

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Watch for the New Mercury Outboards

Checkup Time Starts for Mgr. Beard



When Salem Senators Manager Bill Beard checked into town Wednesday, prior to opening spring training today at Corvallis, he paused to look over the pitching arm belonging to Elmer Childers (right), of Lexington, Ky., one of the rookie hurling prospects on the roster. Business Manager George Emigh gets into the act (left). Childers, 24, has had a little pro experience with Alexandria, La., of the Evangeline league as an outfielder. (Don Hill photo).



By Don Harger

There is a small lake not far from Vallejo, California. It is an artificial lake that was used in days gone by as a reservoir for the city of Vallejo. Back in the roaring twenties some sporting gentlemen from the city leased it for a private duck club. It was well planted with wild rice and other aquatic growth.

Don Harger, one of the group saw possibilities of gaining a bit of revenue for the maintenance of the club. Black bass were planted and did well. Then crappies followed and they also did well.

During the months of May, June and July the public was allowed to fish the water provided they purchased a permit for the three month season. Boats were available with a caretaker in charge. It was one of the bright spots in the San Francisco bay region. The bass would take a surface popping bug with regularity and the 2 to 4 (Continued on page 16)

Beaver Cagers To Be Honored

OREGON STATE COLLEGE, Corvallis, March 30—(Special) Oregon State's great basketball team, Pacific Coast conference champions and holder of fourth place in the final national NCAA ratings, will be honored at a testimonial banquet in the Memorial Union ballroom here Tuesday evening, April 5. Thirty Staters, local alumni club, is sponsoring the event with the help of Corvallis civic organizations. Six hundred tickets at \$1.75 apiece are available. Tickets may be secured by sending checks or money orders to Bob Knoll, alumni manager, Memorial Union 110, Corvallis.

License Sellers May Get Break

The senate voted Wednesday for a house bill to let county clerks, hardware stores, sporting goods stores and other firms selling game licenses get paid for selling them.

But the two houses adopted far different versions. The senate would tack on an extra 10 cents for licenses costing less than \$5 and 25 cents for licenses costing \$5 or more. The license seller would be allowed to pocket the extra cash. The house voted to give the seller 3 per cent of the cost, which would be deducted from the price of the license. The bill will go back to the house for consideration of the senate's plan.

In both cases, the county clerk's share would go into the county general fund.

Kramer Nips Riggs

LONDON, March 30—(AP)—Jack Kramer of Montebello, Calif., the U.S. professional tennis champion, scored his second straight victory over Chicago's Bobby Riggs today at Wembley Empire pool, 7-5, 5-7, 10-8. The crowd of 9,000 was the largest ever to witness a professional tennis match in England. In the other feature singles match, Ecuador's Pancho Segura downed Denny Pails of Australia, 6-4, 6-4.

Table of Coastal Tides

Tides for Taft, Oregon, March, 1949. (Compiled by U.S. Coast & Geodetic Survey, Portland, Oregon.)
Mar. 31. HIGH WATER LOW WATER
1:07 a.m. 6:1 7:43 a.m. 2:0
1:38 p.m. 5:2 7:26 p.m. 6:4

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Heavy Battle Set, Portland

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Grapefruit League

PHOENIX, Ariz., March 30—(AP)—Sid Gordon potted two home runs today as the New York Giants whipped Pittsburgh, 11 to 4, in the opener of a three-game series Johnny Mize also hit for the circuit, his third in two days.

The loss, Pittsburgh's fourth in 17 spring games, snapped a 10-game winning skid.

BRADENTON, Fla., March 30—(AP)—Sparked by sensational Al Dark, who drove home six tallies with a pair of inside-the-park homers and a single, the Boston Braves staggered to a 12-11 verdict over the St. Louis Cardinals today.

EL PASO, Tex., March 30—(AP)—Hank Arft's double in the eighth drove in what proved to be the winning run as the St. Louis Browns today defeated the Chicago Cubs 5 to 4.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., March 30—(AP)—Joe Dinaggio made his first appearance in the starting lineup today as the New York Yankees edged the Cincinnati Reds 7-4 in 11 innings. Dinaggio played six innings and went hitless in three times at bat.

BEAUMONT, Tex., March 30—(AP)—The Brooklyn Dodgers opened a tour of the Texas league today with a 14-2 victory over the Beaumont Exporters before an overflow crowd of 7,000.

Federal Aid at Stake

Game Group's Tithing Tie-Up May be Ended

The house and senate game committees will meet today to make plans for removing the state game commission from the state tithing law.

The department of the interior is expected to recommend that \$290,000 a year in federal aid to the state game commission be denied unless the game commission quits tithing.

Under the tithing law, the game commission pays about \$55,000 a year into the state's general fund.

Robert Rutherford, Washington, D. C., told the game committees he is recommending to the secretary of the interior that the federal funds be withheld unless the game commission quits tithing.

Rutherford is in charge of allocating the game funds to the states.

Rutherford said here today that he expects the secretary of the interior to make his ruling tomorrow.

The game committees met with Rutherford today. Governor Douglas McKay also was there.

Duck Vaulter In Texas Meet

EUGENE, March 30—(AP)—Oregon pole vaulter George Rasmussen left here today for the annual Texas relays at Austin. Coach Bill Bowerman said he thought Rasmussen had a good chance to win. He said Rasmussen has cleared 13 feet, 9 inches in practice. That was the winning height in last year's meet here.

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The hopeful aspirants are Johnny Joe Kahut, the pride of Woodburn, and Baby Dutch Culbertson, lean Los Angeles Negro mitt artist, who will vie in a ten-round tilt. Their scrap April 5 will be the third meeting between the two and promises to be the most thrill-filled yet. The first two were donnybrooks, one a draw and the other a decision for Kahut.

Matchmaker Tex Salkeld has announced that the preliminary card will consist of two six-round bouts and a pair of four-rounds. Tickets go on sale at J. K. Gill's Friday.

College Ring Tournay Slated

SACRAMENTO, Calif., March 30—(AP)—More than 50 western college boxers will compete in the Pacific Coast intercollegiate boxing tournament here tomorrow and Friday nights.

The following teams are represented: California Aggies, California Poly, Chico State, Eastern Washington, Gonzaga, San Francisco State, San Jose State, Santa Clara, California, UCLA, Idaho, and Washington State. Nevada's three-man team withdrew.

Cat Trackmen In Meet Today

Willamette university's track and field crew for the 1949 campaign will be born today right after the annual Intramural meet, starting at 3 p.m. Coach Jerry Lillie expects to have a good idea of just what he has in the way of runners, jumpers and weightmen after he looks over all hands in the 'Mural conclave.

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