

LOOPING THE LOOPS

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ST. LOUIS, Mo. — Manager Billy Southworth of the Braves was vigorously rubbing a bit of tonic on his graying hair; Coaches Bob Keely and Bucky Walters were lacing up their shoes.

Jimmy Brown, the Braves' loquacious coach, grinned and remarked to Dr. Charles K. Lacks, the team's trainer-physician, busily working on Third Baseman Bob Elliott:

"Is that Jake on the table again having his leg rubbed?"

The doctor smiled, gave the big black and blue spot on Elliott's leg another tender rub, smacked him on the back and said:

"Come on, get up and give a good man a chance to get a little attention."

Elliott turned his head, looked at the tall man beside him, grunted and remained flat on his stomach. "That cripple in again?" he said.

Earl Torgeson, long, lithe first sacker of the Braves, was busy with a bottle of dark brown stuff, trying to paint his back and sides. He was attempting to do the job with little cotton pads on the ends of small sticks—and not having much success.

"Here, let me give you a hand," we said, taking the swab. It was then we noticed an eight-inch crescent scar which ran from the top of his left shoulder to his left breast, an ugly cut. We grimaced.

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"And what's that?" we asked, pointing to a ten-inch jagged scar running down his left leg. Torgeson smiled again.

"That's where they got the gristle to tie my shoulder together. . . Took some of the white covering off the muscle, live tissue, and used it as a lace, like an ordinary shoestring."

"And what's this?" we asked, pointing to the cotton swab with which we had painted his back and side.

"Oh, that's so the tape won't stick. It's a tincture of benzoin. Ever since Cliff Chambers hit me in the back I've had to have it strapped. (A few days earlier the Pirate pitcher had hit Torgeson—and a day later "dusted" him, cursing a rhubarb between the clubs.)

"What else?" we inquired.

The big first baseman hesitated. "Nothing—just a bad knee, a twisted ankle and a broken nose."

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Successful Defense Mrs. Bowman Takes OGA Title; Yost in Men's Finals

EUGENE, Ore., July 15—(AP)—Mrs. Lyle Bowman successfully defended her Women's Oregon Golf Association title today by scoring a 1 up victory over Grace DeMoss.

The Portland woman came from behind to win and turned in one of her most sparkling performances in turning back the medalist challenger from Corvallis.

Miss DeMoss was 2 up over Mrs. Bowman at the end of 37 holes. But the grueling 36-hole pace turned against the younger woman, who on six previous occasions has lost in tournament play to the Portlander.

The 1949 title was the fourth OGA trophy in the past five years of play for Mrs. Bowman. She won it the hard way here today.

On the last hole Grace was on the green in two, but the defending titleholder pitched her shot and the ball rolled to within 14 inches of the cup. It was over there, but the Corvallis girl went ahead. She miscalculated the putt and the ball was 12 feet short of the hole.

Her next one missed, skimming the edge. Mrs. Bowman's putt was straight for a birdie two on the hole and the title.

The last upstate challenger was eliminated from the men's tourney as two Portlanders swept in to the finals.

Long-hitting 19-year-old Bob Atkinson, who upset the defending champion, Ron Clark earlier in the tourney, was the last upstate challenger. He was the last upstate challenger.

Steady Dick Yost, a favorite since the opening round, grabbed the other final spot with a 7 and 6 victory over Matt Hatala, Portland.

Atkinson and Yost will meet in a 36-hole test for the title tomorrow.

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Sportsters of Old What They're Doing Now:

Back in 1936-37-38 Salem was well represented in Pacific Coast conference football and baseball at the U of Oregon in the person of left halfback and outfielder Jimmy Nicholson. Jim had been a standout in both sports at Salem high before graduating in 1934.

At Oregon he played two years as a regular under Prink Callison and a third under Tex Oliver, and all told was one of the better ball carrying backs in the PCC.

Now approaching 34 years of age (birthday next Tuesday), Jim is really the James H. Nicholson, Inc., insurance firm of Salem. He's also a city alderman and has been for the past few years.

Jim says the toughest football rattle he was ever in came in 1937 when the Ducks took on the California Bears at Multnomah stadium in Portland. The Bears, who made up the Rose Bowl gang of that season—Vic Bottari, Johnny Meek, Sam Chapman, Bob Herwig, etc.—galloped over Jim and his mates 32-0.

Silverton's to Host Semi-Pro Tourney

SILVERTON, July 15—(AP)—The 15th annual state semi-pro baseball tournament will open here Tuesday with 16 teams in the chase. It will be a double-elimination tourney, continuing 16 nights.

The title is held by Banks, which again will be in the field, although without the services of Pitcher Jim Hudson, who won four tourney games last year.

No fewer than eight teams are favorites this time. They include Albina Fuel and Archer Blower teams of Portland; Silverton, Eugene, Corvallis, Reedsport, Roseburg and Central Point.

The others in the field are Prineville, Tongue Point, Mt. Angel, McMinnville, Gaston, Forest Grove and Molalla.

There will be two games each night, seven-inning affairs up to the semi-final round.

Tuesday—Albina Fuel vs. Molalla; Silverton vs. Forest Grove. Wednesday—Prineville vs. Tongue Point; Mt. Angel vs. McMinnville.

Thursday—Corvallis vs. Gaston; Archer Blower vs. Eugene. Friday—Reedsport vs. Roseburg; Central Point vs. Banks.

Arlington Won By Greek Song

CHICAGO, July 15—(AP)—Greek Song, a chestnut colt owned by Donald T. Ross, Wilmington, Del., charged from ninth place to win the \$77,275 Arlington classic by a nose today in possibly the most thrilling finish in the history of the race.

Under a masterful ride by Jockey Ovie Scurlock, Greek Song closed with a tremendous stretch drive to conquer Alfred G. Vanderbilt's small but courageous filly, Bed O' Roses, only filly in the 10-horse field.

Your Host, winner of the \$100,000 Santa Anita derby, and a badly beaten favorite in the Kentucky derby, finished third, a length back of the leaders.

Fourth place went to Clifford Moores' Hawley, Oil Capitol, 8-5 favorite, lumbered in sixth.

A crowd of 26,652 witnessed the thrilling finish.

Greek Song earned \$58,950 for his stirring triumph, which gave him two stakes victories in succession. He recently cored in the \$40,000 Dwyer Stakes at Aqueduct.

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Table of Coastal Tides

Tides for Taft, Oregon, July 1950. (Computed by U. S. Coast & Geodetic Survey, Portland, Oregon.)

PACIFIC STANDARD TIME

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