

Ultimatum on Salem Senator Team is Wrong

(Continued from preceding page) were made, but much too late to do any good. Some of the help turned out to be 4-F also, as it was obtained from, of all places, clubs that were having a woe of time winning in the Class D Far West circuit. Emigh's policy was not to buy or sign the seasoned and capable player for the few round dollars he would cost. The Edo Vanni deal proved this. Instead he went for the culls released by other WIL clubs after they strengthened up, and for the hirelings who couldn't stick in a Class D circuit.

True enough Emigh purchased Pete Tedeschi from Denver and paid a fairly fancy price for him, plus transportation from Denver. But what Emigh didn't know at the time—everyone else in the league knew of it but decided to let George run his own show—was that Tedeschi had fully made up his mind to quit the pro game and was merely looking for a free ride home to San Francisco. He got it, by way of Salem and Emigh's generosity.

Liska hollered long and loudly for a third baseman when he had to pull Mel Wasley in from the outfield in mid-season. He finally got him a couple of weeks before the season was over. The third-baser was Lee Shinn, who had played for the Senators 10 years ago.

The Hurley Bell incident was another great move. If you'll recall the publicity at the time, Hurley was the big negro all-around man Emigh announced he had secured from one of the major darkie leagues around Chicago. "He'll knock down a few fences in the league with his hitting, and can pitch good too," were Emigh's words.

Bell failed to show for two or three weeks and a worried Emigh spent money trying to find out what had happened to him. He finally showed up the night the Salem played Portland here, and if you missed seeing him you really missed one of the season's highlights. He might have been able to tear down a fence with a line drive 20 years ago, but his best shot now would be to take an axe to it. Old Hurley was a massive laugh for the audience that night. But he was a far cry from being a helpful player.

Actually Hurley Bell can be found hanging around most any horse racing track. We've seen him for years at Portland Meadows and at Gresham. And we've seen him just as often at Lone Oak track at the fairgrounds, where he spent all of last week playing the ponies.

Little wonder Liska finally gave up. Ad's managing left something to be desired at times we'll admit. But at least he tried and begged all season long for the type of ballplayers he knew he wanted. It wasn't his fault he didn't get them and had to be stuck to suffer with what he was given.

There are other items also. Most of the players visiting the beer and whiskey pubs every night; players visibly going through the field and being allowed to continue playing; spoken resentment over the way they were being handled, etc., etc. We could have printed them as they happened, but didn't. We could have also written of the many folks who flatly refuse ever to go to the park again so long as the Portlands and Emigh have anything to do with it. But we omitted that also.

But no longer do we hold back the punches. Not after the ball clubs they've been putting in here year after year and then blaming Salem folks rather than themselves. And not after hearing through Bill Brenner, one of our oldest and best friends that Emigh had told him the reason for Salem's poor attendance again this season was "Lightner's unfavorable publicity."

Whether or not the club will be sold to the local interests now supposedly dickering for it we don't know. We sincerely hope it will be, as if the club is handled right it can and will make money for its owners. But if it comes to pass that it is purchased locally, we just as sincerely hope that stipulations are made in the contract that anyone now attached to the Portland organization be charged double to get into the park hereafter.

We've had about all of that outfit we can stomach.

VANDALS SHOWN MISTAKES
MOSCOW, Idaho, Sept. 11—(AP)—The University of Idaho football Vandalists stressed ball handling and passing today as Coach Dixie Howell showed his charges what they did wrong in last Saturday's workout.

They'll Do It Every Time By Jimmy Hatlo

Rods Await Title Races

Oregon's 1950 roadster racing championships for both Class A and B cars and drivers rolls forth at Hollywood Bowl next Saturday night and should amount to the heftiest auto speed offering of the season in Salem. Just how many cars will be on hand to seek the titles will not be made known by the Roadster association until midweek. But when the field is set, racing enthusiasts can expect plenty of action from it.

The program is to be double-barreled to the extent that championships are to be won by both A and B cars in all events, right from the trophy dashes on through the huge 75-lap Class A mainer. Even the heat ramps will be in two portions. The Class B buzz buggies are to romp 25 laps for their main event.

Inasmuch as the Class A finale is to be a 75-lapper, new racing rules permitting the cars to enter the pits for fuel, tire changes, etc., will be in effect. Time trials for the big event, expected to draw the curtain on hot rod racing here for the season, will get under way at 8 p.m. Saturday.

Coaches Moan; Schwartz Thinks Scant Reserves'll Hurt Cards

By Russ Newland
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 11—(AP)—Members of the northern California football writers association, with coaches as the guest speakers, held their first meeting of the 1950 season today. The same old refrain, with a few new lyrics, "We're weaker than you think," was heard and could be entitled: "Game of Day" Sked For Week is Listed.

Radio Station KSLM has announced the Mutual Network's "Game of Day" baseball broadcasts for the balance of the current week as follows:

Tuesday, Cincinnati at Brooklyn. Wednesday, New York Yankees at Cleveland Indians. Thursday, New York Yankee at Detroit Tigers. Friday, Boston Red Sox at St. Louis Browns. Saturday, New York Yankees at Detroit Tigers. All games start at 1 p. m. Salem time with the exception of Saturday's. That one will start at 11 a. m.

Rangers Book Opener

ESTACADA, Sept. 11—(Special)—The Estacada Rangers open their 1950 football season Friday night at White Salmon, Wash., with the White Salmon eleven. Coaches Don Bryant and Truman Osburn of the Rangers are busily preparing the young and green team for the starter. In past games between the two rivals each side has won once. White Salmon will be favored in the "rubber" clash inasmuch as the Rangers have but six lettermen and only a light sprinkling of prospects for the entire season.

New 'C' Circuit Setup Considered

LA GRANDE, Ore., Sept. 11—(AP)—Formation of a Tri-State semi-pro baseball league next year was tentatively approved here yesterday. Representatives of six cities indicated they would have teams. They are Penstet, Ore., Walla Walla, Wash., Lewiston, Nampa, Weiser and Payette, Idaho. They said they would try to interest La Grande and Baker in entering teams to play a 20-game schedule. Weiser spokesman favored organization of a class C league, but the others voted to play at least one year of semi-pro ball to determine whether it would be a financial success.

Look and Learn

By A. C. Gordon

1. What was the first permanent colony on the mainland of the United States?
 2. How old is a septuagenarian?
 3. What fraction of a ring is pure gold if it is marked "14k"?
 4. What ancient Greek was always searching for an honest man?
 5. By what other name in the music world is the double-bass known?
- ANSWERS**
1. St. Augustine, Florida.
 2. Between 70 and 79 years of age.
 3. 14/24, or 7/12 pure gold.
 4. Diogenes.
 5. Contrabass.

Padres, Oaks In Top Series

The Coast league's marathon baseball chase enters its final month this week with crucial series scheduled to start in three California cities. First, the league-leading Oakland Oaks, six games ahead of the second place San Diego Padres, commence a full week of play at San Diego Tuesday night. Seattle and San Francisco, battling for fourth position in the standings which is now held by the Rainiers by three percentage points over the Seals, get together for the week at San Francisco.

The Portland Beavers, after a brief rally during the last week at Seattle, face the seventh place Los Angeles Angels at Los Angeles. The Angels are 3 1/2 games behind the sixth place Beavers. In the other series it will be Hollywood's third placer at Sacramento.

Vico Recalled By Tiger Club

SEATTLE, Sept. 11—(AP)—George Vico, the Seattle Rainiers' regular first basemen, was recalled today by the Detroit Tigers of the American league but will not report until next spring. Earl Sheely, general manager of the Seattle Pacific Coast league club, said the Tiger management wanted to take one more look at Vico in spring training.

The Rainiers have been attempting to buy Vico outright, and may make another effort to land him if he fails to make the grade in the big leagues.

TORGESON STANDS OUT

PULLMAN, Wash., Sept. 11—(AP)—Lavern Torgeson, captain-center of the Washington State football squad, sparked the Cougars in their practice session today. Coach Forest Evashevski worked the squad on light dummy drills and specialties such as kicking, passing and point after touchdown.

SPORTSLIGHTNER

(Continued from preceding page) who was fiddling out a musical number on the crowded avenue. "Always like to help those poor unfortunates," Phill informed a couple of his strolling softball cronies.

The same two pals practically had to lasso the outfielder and sit on him that same night when, while visiting a nightery (for sightseeing purposes only, mind you), the same blind man was seen at the control of a (shhh) slot machine (shhh). Wouldn't have been so bad had the machine been a nickle grabber. But it happened to be a four-bitter and its sightless opponent, with his scyring-eye dog at his feet and a burly body guard behind him was pumping four-bit pieces into the thing just as fast as it would swallow 'em. What's more, he had his pockets jammed with ammunition, including Phill's wayward quarter. . . .

Sheldon Used Head in Winning Trophy

And then there was Jimmy Sheldon, the local links whiz who was playing in the pro-amateur meet at Clarkston, Wash. Jim used his head in winning a trophy there, you might say. While tromping along the fairway during a match he was conked on the top of the head by someone's badly aimed brass shot. The blow almost decked Sheldon (just about scalped him too), but he managed to survive enough to win his cup. . . .

Raslin' Matchmaker Owen says he'll soon have remembered Rowdy Rufus Jones back again to help stir up the mayhem on Tuesday night's at the armory. Rowdy Rufe is the darkey who a few years ago had some of the customers throwing a little of everything at him, including a knife one night. He's also the same gent who nearly turned white one evening when someone touched off a firecracker as he was being escorted from the ring by police. Rufe thought it was a pistol shot, at him.

The guy can't help but provide additional tempo for the Owen shows here. But we disliked seeing the departure of Ruffy Silverstein, the ex-army captain and national collegiate grappling champion. There was a man who perhaps made more of an impression on the clients than anyone Owen has brought forth in 10 years. Ruffy had to go back to Chicago suddenly, but before leaving said he definitely would be back. . . .

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