

Narrow Escape for Midget Driver



LOS ANGELES—Colby Scroggins of Downey, Calif., rolls over in his midget racer after collision in preliminary race. Scroggins' car flipped, spun around and finally came to halt with the driver pinned. He escaped serious injury, sustaining wrenched shoulder and bruises. At right, Marty Mazman of Fresno skims the wall to avoid hitting Scroggins. (AP Wirephoto)

College Comments . . .

By TOM YATES

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forte is track where he really soars in the high jump. Tarpinning, like all the aforementioned except Goodman and Owens, plays the backfield in football.

Appears that the Northwest Conference will be a pitchers league this spring in baseball, with Linfield's Del Coursey, Willamette's Andy George and Ray Hyde of Lewis & Clark leading the hurling parade. Coursey and George are both right-handers, while Hyde fires from the port side. . . The Wildcats appear ready to put up a formidable defense of their conference crown, with Coursey having plenty of assistance from Marv Scherpf and Carl Wickham, honorable mention selections last season in All-Star voting. Coursey was a first string pick. . . Dave Gray, who started out his collegiate career as an ambidextrous flinger, will be number one Bearcat pitcher behind George and could push big Andy for mound ace rating. Gray has been concentrating on right-hand deliveries.

Hyde Hurls in Pan-Am Games

Hyde recently returned from the Pan-American games where he pitched for Uncle Sam's nine in the Mexico City competition. The talented lefty performed creditably there and should be in great shape for the upcoming collegiate campaign. The U.S. team placed second to the Dominican Republic in the final standings, incidentally. Hyde was one of but four or five west coast players picked for this country's squad. His sterling work in the national semi-pro tourney last summer no doubt influenced his selection. . . Warren Smith, Pioneer coach, is reportedly looking for a banner year with his club bolstered by a pair of veteran semi-pro infielders. The L & C's get underway this afternoon with a pair against Portland State, while Linfield and Willamette open on Thursday and Friday against Oregon State and Oregon, respectively.

The big news this weekend will come out of McCulloch Stadium Saturday when the Willamette Relays will be run off. There'll be features galore and representatives from your favorite school, if they're within 200 miles of Salem, are practically guaranteed. And if you like to sit on record breaking performances you just can't miss with a field of 2,000-plus entered.

Russian Sports Paper Blasts Indoor Track Meets in U.S.

MOSCOW (AP)—The cigaret smoke in Madison Square and other United States arenas where indoor track meets are held is ruining European athletes, the Russians say.

This contention is published in Soviet Sports, Russia's leading sports newspaper. Russian sports fans also like to smoke, but Russia has few if any indoor sports arenas. Under a new policy, it is now building both indoor sports rinks and ice rinks.

Paper Admits Records The newspaper Soviet Sports devoted a three column article to the performances of United States track and field athletes.

It remarked that many new records were set, but complained that the American conditions were unfair to European stars who were invited to compete.

Soviet Sports also printed the named Audun Boyesen. The Norwegian stated, according to the newspaper, that American indoor track conditions ruined European athletes.

This may be one of the reasons that Vladimir Kuc, world champion Russian runner, did not accept an invitation to the United States for the winter track season.

Studies Said Reason The official sport explanation was that Kuc was too busy with his studies to go to the United States.

However, he did find time to go to France for sports events sponsored by Humanite, the French Communist Party newspaper.

Boysen is quoted in the Moscow press as stating that American indoor track meets remind him of a circus. He says, according to the Russian press, that "athletes are blinded by the bright lights and that the jazz music in the arenas blares loudly and the air is filled with tobacco smoke."

Seattle Buys Basgall From Hollywood Stars

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Outright sale of veteran second baseman Monte Basgall to Seattle in the Pacific Coast League was announced Tuesday by Robert H. Cobb, president of the Hollywood Stars.

Basgall had an early season slump and a heel injury toward the last of the 1954 season.

In contrast to 1952, when he hit .279 and drove in 63 runs, he batted .252 last year. The player is 32. The money amount was not disclosed.

Detroit Gains Finals In Stanley Cup Play

TORONTO (AP)—The Detroit Red Wings, powerful defending champions, swept into the final round of the Stanley Cup playoffs Tuesday night with a 3-0 victory over the Toronto Maple Leafs to score a whitewash in the best-of-7 semifinal series.

Shantz Beaned By Line Drive

(Continued from preceding page) rookies Ken Boyer and Bill Virdon smashed homers for the Red Birds. Joe Cunningham, who had first base for the Cards the latter part of last season, was optioned to Rochester of the International League.

Dodgers Edge Braves The Brooklyn Dodgers edged the Milwaukee Braves 5-4 as Duke Snider's three-run homer in the first inning spoiled young Humberto Robinson's shutout record. Robinson had allowed only one hit in 12 innings in his previous outings.

The Chicago White Sox stranded 13 runners, but still managed to down the Boston Red Sox 5-3. Chicago broke a 3-3 tie in the fifth inning on Chico Carrasquel's single, a double by Bob Nieman and Johnny Groth's infield hit. Dick Donovan pitched six scoreless innings for Chicago after Boston tallied all its runs off Ted Gray in the third.

Leppert, Woodling Star Don Leppert and Gene Woodling drove in two runs apiece to spark the Baltimore Orioles in a 6-3 victory over the Philadelphia Phils. The Orioles scored all their runs off Robin Roberts and broke up the game with a four-run sixth inning.

Art Fowler and Jim Pearce held Washington to three hits as the Cincinnati Redlegs turned back the Senators 5-1. Ed Bailey homered for the Reds in the fifth inning and his single ignited a three-run uprising in the eighth.

The Chicago Cubs scored two runs in the seventh inning to outlast the Cleveland Indians 9-7. Al Rosen of the Tribe and Ernie Banks of the Cubs belted homers.

Decision Won By Sugar Ray

CINCINNATI (AP)—Sugar Ray Robinson, former welterweight and middleweight champion of the world, won a split 10-round decision Tuesday night over Johnny Lombardo of Mt. Carmel, Pa.

In winning, however, Robinson showed only an occasional flash of his onetime speed and lightning ability. There were no knockdowns. Robinson weighed 162 and Lombardo 153.

Lombardo forced the fighting most of the way and worked on the New Yorker's body throughout the bout. His left jab and left hook also bothered Robinson early in the fight but the former champion, fighting his third fight after a 27 month layoff, speeded toward the finish to gain the edge.

Judge Willie Purcell gave Lombardo 99 points and Robinson 96. Judge Paul Ptasari favored Robinson 97-93 and judge Joe Blink voted Robinson 98-94.

Kenny Lane Wins Bout on Decision

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP)—Kenny Lane, Michigan lightweight champion, danced to a unanimous 10-round decision over Armand Savoie before 1,635 spectators Tuesday night.

Both fighters weighed in at 139 pounds. Lane, recently named as 10th ranking lightweight contender, will take on lightweight champion Jimmy Carter in a title bout in Grand Rapids next June.

More Season Ticket Buyers' Names Released by Senators

Another list of names of season ticket buyers was released by the Salem Senators officials Tuesday. The baseball-minded fans of Salem pushed the season ticket sales to the 1000 mark during the past National Baseball Week and the Senators board of directors announced after a meeting Monday that there definitely would be a club fielded for the forthcoming baseball season.

Season ticket sales by the Senators Boosters Club will continue until the season opener at Waters Field April 26 with the Eugene club. After that date, no more of the special priced season ducats will be available to the public and tickets will have to be purchased on the single admission basis. This is being done to protect those who bought their season tickets early.

A new goal of 2000 has been set for sales by the Boosters Club.

When This is Reached, the Financial Strain on the Club Will be Greatly Lessened.

The latest list of season ticket buyers is as follows: Joe Adams, John Adlon, Harold D. Alderin, H. Anderson, Charles Barclay, Rob Barker, Charles Bower, H. C. Brunk, G. F. Burt, D. M. Campbell, Dr. Lewis Clark, Frank Evans, Warren Esell, Stanley Fagg, Julian Fallens, Jess Fehler, Clarence Franke, Ward Graham, J. M. Hansen, J. J. Harris, Ken Hay, E. B. Kasson, Delbert Kleen, Glen M. Looney, Meier & Frank Co., Wallace E. Monson, Nollie C. Nanes, Wilbur Noteboom, Optimist Club, Keith Powell, G. I. Putnam, Leo Reiman, John W. Riches, M. H. Saffron, N. E. Shaw, Norman E. Shaw, R. E. Smith, Virgil E. Starr, W. N. Stuart, and I. R. Young.

Misfit Adjusted . . .

Pete Runnels Sure Bet To Star for Nats Club

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP)—Pete Runnels figures this is his year. The Washington Senators' second baseman set a 300 or better average as his batting goal and off his play in spring training it looks as if he has a good chance to make it.

Viking Tennis Opens Friday

Coach Chet Goodman will send his North Salem tennis squad into their first match of the season Friday when they host the Corvallis High net stars at North Salem.

Five lettermen have returned for the tennis team and will be the nucleus for the Viking squad.

Returning lettermen are Dave Socolosky, Marv Rhine, Keith Boyer, Jim Hardie and Lee Weaver.

The complete tennis schedule for the Vikings is as follows: April 1, Corvallis here; April 5, open; April 8, Lake Oswego, there; April 12, South Salem at North Salem; April 15, OSC Rooks here; April 19, open; April 22, Eugene here; April 26, OSC Rooks at Corvallis; April 29, open; May 3, at South Salem; May 6, Corvallis there; May 10, Oswego here; May 14, Eugene there; May 27-28, state meet at Corvallis.

World's Champ Skaters Ready

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP)—Two nice-looking youngsters who recently won world championships will defend their U. S. titles in the National Figure Skating Tournament at Broadmoor Ice Palace, opening Wednesday.

The tournaments runs for four days and it seemed pretty certain that Hayes Alan Jenkins and Tenley Albright will each pick up another national championship Saturday night.

Jenkins, a student at Colorado College here, has won the world crown three times. Miss Albright, of Boston, became the nation's top feminine amateur skater after lipping an attack of polio when she was little.

Jenkins may get his toughest competition from his younger brother, David, also a Colorado College student, who played third in the world event at Vienna.

Miss Albright's rivals in senior women's skating include Carol Heiss of New York, Miggs Dean of Detroit and Patricia Firth of Tacoma.

Pep Finishes Training Sked

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Willie Pep, featherweight ring veteran, finished his training at a downtown gymnasium Tuesday for his nationally televised bout with young Gil Caddilli at Parks Air Force Base Wednesday night.

Beaten only six times in his long career, Pep appeared to be sharp and ready for the scheduled 10 round outing. Pep, former featherweight champion who'll be 33 next September, has won 189 fights while losing six times and drawing once.

Five of the veterans' losses were by knockouts—three at the hands of Sandy Saddler. He was stopped, too, by Tommy Collins and Lulu Perez.

Caddilli, fighting out of Sid Flaherty's San Francisco stable has had only 26 fights in his short career but has won 21. He has been beaten three times and held to draws twice.

The bout, to be televised by CBS at 7 p. m., PST will be staged solely for Air Force personnel at the Parks base in nearby Pleasanton. The auditorium seats about 3,500.

Bonus Pick Wants Job With Minors

AP Newsfeatures CLEARWATER, Fla. — Tom Qualters, the \$40,000 bonus pitcher picked up from McKeesport, Pa., High a year ago last June, holds a major league record that may never be matched. He's not proud of it, however.

Qualters, a 190-pound six-footer now 20, sat through 154 games with the Philadelphia Phillies last season without pitching an inning.

"I'm tired of sitting," said Qualters. "I go out on option in June. That's when I lose my bonus player designation. I'll be glad to go to the minors and pitch anywhere."

Qualters broke into the majors in 1953 against the Cardinals. He faced six batters. Four made hits, one walked and the other was hit by a pitched ball. He was charged with six earned runs and has yet to get his first man out.

"The Phillies have been fighting for a money position the last two years and I can't blame them for not using me," Qualters reasoned. "Last year I worked in three exhibition games against the Athletics, Terre Haute and a Fort Wayne semi-pro team. I won all three games."

"Maybe it's a good thing I broke in the way I did. I've got a lot to work on. I was just throwing that day I faced St. Louis. I didn't know a thing about pitching."

DYKES WINS BOUT MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP)—

Bob Dykes, 162, of Miami, started slowly as usual Tuesday night but rallied in the late rounds to score a unanimous 10-round decision over Gus Rubicini, 100½, of Toronto, Canada.

If he does, he'll go a long way toward easing Manager Chuck Dressen's worries over lack of a capable shortstop and sundry other weaknesses.

Runnels Likes Second A misfit at short himself for the last three years, Runnels has come into his own at second. Furthermore, although he's not a long ball hitter, he's doing all or more than Dressen wanted when he shifted Pete to cleanup in the batting order.

Going into Tuesday's game Runnels sported a .351 average against major league pitching and is living up to potentialities expected of him since he joined the Senators. Vice President Calvin Griffith says: "Every team in the league except the New York Yankees has tried to get him from us. He's our most sought-after possession."

Runnels likes the cleanup spot and figures that will help his batting average. He says that pitchers "can't give you so much 'junk' when you're hitting behind baserunners." For that reason he believes he'll pound out more run-producing blows.

His .351 average could have been .385 in the "grapefruit league" except for rain that washed out two hits he got in a game against Cincinnati. Although he doesn't normally get too many extra base blows, he's banged out five in the 13 hits to his credit in exhibitions. These include a homer, a triple and three doubles.

College Gals' Tourney Set

LAKE FOREST, Ill. (AP)—The 11th annual Women's National Collegiate Golf Tournament will be held June 14-18 at Shoreacres Golf Club with Lake Forest College host school officials announced Tuesday.

Polly Martin, of the Lake Forest college women's physical education staff, is tournament head. She is a former Ohio State University golfer and four-time participant in the collegiate meet.

A field of 50 contestants, including 1953 champion Pat Leaser of Seattle University, is expected to enter. Among other favorites is Nancy Reed of Peabody (Tenn.) College, 1954 collegiate champion.

The tournament is being held north of the Mason-Dixon line for the first time in three years. It has been sponsored the last two years by the women's college of the University of North Carolina, Greensboro, N. C.

Church Ball Loop Slates First Meet

The Salem Church Softball League will hold an organizational meeting Thursday night at 8 p. m. in the YMCA to lay plans for the summer softball program, it was announced Tuesday by Carl Greider, secretary of the league.

All managers of the league should be present, said Greider, so that playing dates and league openers can be planned. Election of officers is also planned Thursday night.

Bob Oeshe, president, and Marlon Van Tassel, vice president, are present officers of the league.

Suds Wallop Stars 10 to 5

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP)—George Schmees led the way Tuesday with five hits in five trips as the Seattle Rainiers walloped the Hollywood Stars, 10-5, in a Pacific Coast League practice baseball game.

Schmees also drove in two runs and scored a pair. He got a material assist from Art Schult who drove in four runs with two hits in five trips.

The Stars helped, too, with four errors made while two pitchers were giving up 13 hits.

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They'll Do It Every Time



Eagles Host Cascade, Gervais in Track Test

A three-way track meet will be held at Stayton Thursday afternoon when the Eagles host Cascade and Gervais in their Capital League cinder opener. The meet will start at 3:30 p. m.

Both Coach Joe Boyle's Eagles and Coach Ordie Hoye's Gervais Cougars have an impressive list of returning vets. The Cougars have 13 lettermen back while the Eagles return with 11.

The Gervais lettermen are Ron Kappinger, hurdles and pole vault; John Inlow, 440; Eldon Andrus, 880; Don Reeling, hurdles; Gary Williams, javelin; Darrel Climer, pole vault; Don Thompson, 440; Darrell McCall, broad jump; Rex Cutsforth, mile; Ken Leith, 800; Dick Scholz, sprints; Jack Reis, high jump, and Bob Founkshorer, javelin.

Prospects Listed Listed as top prospects for the Cougars are Phil Mahony, 440; Bob Fosholm, mile; Don York, sprints; Arnold Vohland, mile; Jack Burgett, shot and javelin; Gary Uppendahl, shot and discus; Jerry Manning, high jump, and Brownie Wampler, high jump.

Boyle's returning vets are Durwood Dark, shot and discus; Robert Fery, hurdles; Darrel Gohl, shot and discus; LeRoy Johnson, pole vault; Bob Key, 440; Floyd Lengacher, high jump; Carl Stang, broad jump; Robert Garland, 800; Bob Roy, discus and pole vault; Don Small, high jump, and James Tjeyer, broad jump.

Others that Stayton will be counting on are James Morgan, 880; Tom Mack, mile; Ed Hofstorf, hurdles; Dick Garland, sprints, and Ernie Yargus, mile.

Following the three-way meet Thursday, the three schools will enter the Willamette Relays with some 100 other high schools Saturday.

Los Angeles Raps Marines 15 to 2

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. (AP)—Boss Bill Sweeney used his newcomers from the Chicago Cubs today and his Los Angeles team whipped Camp Pendleton's Marines, 15-2.

Don Elston, Bob Talbot and Don Robertson all figured prominently in the Angel victory. All arrived this week from Chicago. Elston became the first Los Angeles pitcher to go the distance. He gave up six hits, whiffed seven and walked two.

Witte, who now has completed his Army hitch, earned letters in football, track and wrestling in his sophomore year. He is from Klamath Falls.

John Witte Back At Oregon State

CORVALLIS (AP)—Tackle John Witte, who had a standout sophomore year before going into the Army two years ago, returned to the Oregon State College campus Monday.

Witte, who now has completed his Army hitch, earned letters in football, track and wrestling in his sophomore year. He is from Klamath Falls.

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