

Tides, Cramps Cut Swim Effort

TACOMA (AP) — Bert Thomas kicked up rooster tails down Puget Sound for nearly nine hours Thursday in his Seattle-Tacoma swim attempt — but finally bowed to tides and cramps just short of his goal.

The hefty lugger was hoisted aboard accompanying craft at 6:41 p.m. off Dash Point. The stadium swimmers of Tacoma's Commerce Bay lay just around the corner.

Big Bert, affectionately called "Tacoma's polar bear," was whipped by strong tides and cramps in his right leg. He vowed to try again.

His progress after walking into the 4th degree water in Seattle at 11:45 a. m. was excellent until about 8 p. m., when the tides began changing.

Thomas is the only man to ever try the Seattle-Tacoma swim. He failed once before. He also failed several times before becoming the first man to conquer the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

Boxer Faces Theft Charge
LOS ANGELES (AP) — Boxer Raymond Grigo of Denver, who fights as a welterweight under the name of Ray Greco, was ordered Thursday to appear for arraignment in superior court April 20 on three counts of robbery.

Matchmaker Jack Lenard of the Hollywood Legion Stadium, where Greco is booked for the main event Saturday night, said he confirmed the boxer's identity with the district attorney's office.

Lenard said Greco had never been arrested before and until convicted, will be allowed to fill his engagement.
Greco, released on \$2,500 bond, allegedly three times robbed a service station operator, Fred S. Long, of \$30, \$25 and \$50.

The robber, Long said, simulated a gun, and on his second try, inquired casually, "got any money tonight?"

Long said that while the robber never threatened him, he got "fed up." Last March 17 officers staked out and arrested the alleged suspect.

Stayton Nips Cascade, 3-2
STAYTON (Special) — The Stayton Eagles went two extra innings here Thursday before downing the Cascade Cougars 3-2 in their Capital Conference baseball clash.

The win gave Coach Roger Dasher's Eagles a 3-0 record in loop play. Bob Stewart's losing Cougars now have a 2-1 mark.

Bob Weddle's single and stolen base, a sacrifice and a wild pitch by Jerry Pflug brought in the winning run in the ninth. Weddle got two of Stayton's four hits. Gary Downer had three of Cascade's nine blows, one a triple.

In a Junior Varsity track meet here Thursday, Stayton downed Albany High 7 1/2 to 3 1/2. Cascade 02 000 001-3 4 2 Pflug and Lacey; Hendricks, Carrick (4) and Smith, Ware (7).

Owen Plans Triple Tag Go
Matchmaker Elton Owen is planning one of his rare triple tag team tagles as the wrestling main event at the Armory Tuesday night, he announced yesterday.

"I haven't got them all signed yet," he explained, "but I hope to have Larry Chene, Rickie Waldo and Herb Freeman on one side, and Bull Montana, Pedro Godoy and Tommy Phelps on the other."

Montana and Godoy won a regular tag team battle with Chene and Waldo via disqualification this week, and both Freeman and Phelps joined in the wild, post-match scuffling in the ring. Freeman is the outstanding youngster who recently made his Salem debut, and who is a five weight-lifter. Phelps' first Salem appearance this week impressed fans as he is definitely a main eventer, as a rough and tough one at that.

Perini Eyes British Game
LONDON (AP) — Lou Perini, president of the Milwaukee Braves baseball club, came to Britain Thursday with a revolutionary plan — baseball for Britain and cricket for the United States.

Doing Okeh With Padres

Old, New Freshen Majors

Ball Clubs Near End of Training

By JACK HAND
NEW YORK (AP) — New names like Don Buddin, Charley Neal and Ted Kazanski and old familiar names like Hank Sauer, Larry Doby and Early Wynn are in the news Thursday as the ball clubs near home on their long spring training junkets.

Washington played a home game Wednesday night and Cincinnati and Baltimore showed before the home fans Thursday. Over the weekend all major league parks will see action except in Boston, Detroit, Philadelphia, St. Louis and New York's Polo Grounds.

The managers anxiously await a chance to see how the new phenoms look against a background of double or triple decked stands and how they perform on big league fields.

One of the Best
Buddin, one of the best of the new rookie crop, already has the good word from Mike Higgins, Boston manager, that he will open the season as regular shortstop for the Red Sox. That leaves Billy Klaus, the 1955 wonder boy, to fight it out with rookie Frank Malzone for third base.

Much has been written about Neal, Brooklyn's new second baseman. Now it becomes definite that he has chased junior Gilliam out of the infield, at least temporarily. Gilliam promptly moved to left field when Sandy Amoros was injured and hit so consistently that he will open in the outfield, where he played part of last season.

If fans remember Kazanski at all, it would be as the bonus shortstop who didn't make it with the Phillies. He's back again, this time as a second baseman and a regular in the Phils' infield. Ted, 22, still must prove he can hit big league pitching.

Pleasant Surprise
The St. Louis Cardinals have been a pleasant surprise in spring training with the best record of any team in the majors. If Hank Sauer can provide the type of righthanded power hitting that he showed Wednesday against Chicago's White Sox in Denver, they can be rough. Big Hank followed Stan Musial's hammer with one of his own off Jack Harshman.

Wynn was rapped for seven hits and four runs, including a homer, by the New York Giants in his tune-up for the regular season. Mike Garcia was no ball of fire in his late inning relief work, and Bob Lemon has pulled a leg muscle.

Fielder Benched
The Milwaukee Braves, already plagued by Gene Conley's chronic tendonitis, had to bench centerfielder Bill Bruton, who was hitting only .111. That gave manager Charlie Grimm a chance to move rookie Woe Covington into left field while replacing Bruton with Bobby Thomson.

Unless the pitching tightens up, Ernie Banks will have to hit three homers every day to keep the Chicago Cubs in the ball game. Cub pitchers allowed 297 runs in the exhibitions, an average of more than seven per game. Russ Meyer, ex-Dodger, Warren Hacker and Bob Rush all have been treated roughly.

GOLF TOURNEY CANCELLED
PENDLETON (AP) — The Pendleton Open golf tournament, an annual affair here since 1947, will not be held this year or next while the Pendleton Country Club builds a new course.

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City Archers 2nd in Meet

Results of the March team match of the Oregon Bow Hunters Indoor Archery Tourney were received by the Redwing Bowmen of Salem. The Bowmen placed second and the Rogue River archers and the Rogue River archers and the Rogue River archers and the Rogue River archers.

Braves Lick Tigers
BALTIMORE (AP) — Rookie Gino Cimoli substituted for Duke Snider Thursday night and drove in five runs while two southpaw pitchers also trying to make the Brooklyn Dodgers held the Baltimore Orioles to four hits for a 7-2 exhibition baseball victory.

Chuck Topham and Ken Lettman each gave up only two hits to the Orioles before 22,548 fans in nippy weather of 30-50 degree temperature.

Tide Table
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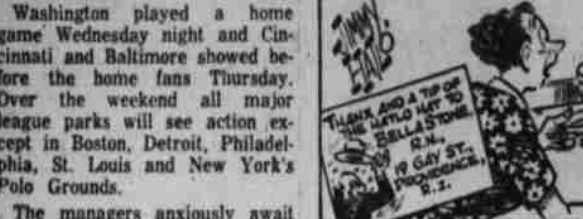
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Bunn Hearn is in his 27th season as baseball coach at North Carolina.

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Orioles' Roster Suffers

Bonus Players Burden Bench

BALTIMORE (AP) — Manager Paul Richards said Thursday other club owners are sitting back in "amug satisfaction" as they watch "the Baltimore Orioles suffering" with four bonus players, but predicted he'd have his inning later.

"I wouldn't have one of the bonus players give us his money back and release him if I could," Richards told the Baltimore Sports Reporters Assn.

He said Jim Pyburn, an outfielder, and Tom Gastall, a catcher, have shown the most improvement of the four bonus players signed last year.

But he said the other pair, Wayne Causey, third baseman, and Bob Nelson, outfielder, "are more likely to be stars."

All of them, he said, still are a couple of years away from being major leaguers. The Orioles had to keep them on the roster for two seasons and unable to have them play regularly in the minor leagues because they were paid a bonus for signing.

Richards' remark about the "amug satisfaction" of the other clubs was in answer to a question whether he thought there is any chance the bonus rule may be changed.

In his second year as manager of the Orioles, Richards said he wouldn't guess where they might finish, but does feel the team "will be better than it was at any time last season."

Cards Foresee First Division

DENVER (AP) — Members of the St. Louis Cardinals, in a self-evaluation poll, Thursday picked themselves to finish in the National League's first division after a dismal seventh-place 1955 season.

A conviction of stronger pitching, added experience for young players and a better team spirit were the chief factors for the optimism expressed by veteran squad members.

The return of Vinegar Bend Mizell, southpaw hurler, from the Army, the progress of third baseman Ken Boyer and addition of veteran pitcher Ellis Kinder and outfielder Hank Sauer drew mention in the poll.

Manager Fred Hutchinson also came in for his share of bouquets as one player commented: "Hutch is no softie, but as (coach) Bill Posedel said, he doesn't demand respect — he commands it."

Beavers Date Pilots

CORVALLIS (AP) — Oregon State baseball team will be out to even the score Friday in a scheduled pre-conference baseball game with the University of Portland. The Pilots defeated OSC, 9-4, at Portland Wednesday.

On Saturday the States have a doubleheader scheduled with Portland State College here.

Ken Venturi's Quote Rapped

MEMPHIS (AP) — "I hope," said Cary Middlecoff, "that the kid was misquoted. Getting a reputation as a crybaby is no way to start off in golf."

The former Memphis dentist, now one of golf's top pros, was referring to reported complaints of young Ken Venturi who blew a four-stroke lead in the Masters Golf tournament to lose out to Jackie Bloom.

The San Francisco amateur was quoted as saying among other things that he was "lonesome" and didn't have anyone to talk to on Sunday's disastrous final round.

A protégé of Byron Nelson, Venturi had been paired with his friend, but a switch placed him with Sam Snead.

"I can't quite understand his 'lonesome' complaint," Middlecoff told Memphis Commercial Appeal sports columnist David Bloom. "It's really ideal to be quite alone and at the Masters the gallery is well controlled."

"I can see that he'd have liked to have been paired with Nelson, but the tournament committee controls those matters. As to his three late starting times, well, I might remind him that I had four, but that's part of the game, too."

Middlecoff, who won the Masters last year, finished one stroke in back of Venturi and two behind Burke.

SPORTSMAN'S DIGEST

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ABOUT 1/2 TO 3/4 OF A DRY FLY LEADER'S END SHOULD SINK, IF IT FLOATS, IT'S SHADOW SCARES FISH. PERHAPS ALL OF WET FLY LEADER SHOULD SINK IF YOU'RE FISHING SINK. A NEW LEADER, OR ONE SPOOLED ONTO GRASED FLY LINE, HAS A FILM THAT RE-SISTS SINKING. IT MUST BE REMOVED TO SINK QUICKLY. "LEADER-SINKS" CAN BE BOUGHT IN A TACKLE SHOP, OR YOU CAN FIX YOUR OWN MERELY BY FILLING A SMALL MEDICINE BOTTLE WITH A HOUSEHOLD DETERGENT POWDER TO USE: WET FINGERS AND RUB A PINCH OF POWDER ONTO LEADER.

MILD REMOVES FILM, ALSO, BUT IT MAY ROUGHEN THE LEADER.

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Members of the team for the Bowmen were Bob Hinkle, Ed Isaac, Jean Bennett and Bob Norton. Hinkle also placed second in the instinctive men's division.

The March match was the final for the winter season.

The Redwing Bowmen have closed their indoor range at the Keizer skating rink and are now working on their field and target ranges. The field range is located five miles from Salem on Eagle Crest Road in West Salem, and the target range is located at the (airgrounds).

The club will conduct a statewide invitational field tourney here May 20.

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