

Senators Blanked by Yakima in First Camp Clash

Medford Wins Relays Title



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SPORTSLIGHTNER

Happen to have around \$250 you don't know what to do with? If so, you might form your own private "Dean Benson Fund," spending the two-fifty to send the Willamette U hurdling whiz-bang to the Drake Relays in Iowa later this month. Benson doesn't get to go, unless a sudden angel flits in on feathery wings... Chances are they'll again televise the Drakes nationally; so you'd get to see the best guy in action... Dean spent part of his recent spring vacation in California, and while there worked out with the Stanford Indians at Palo Alto. To show just how ready he is, he was clocked in 14.3 for the high barriers during his best romp there... The annual talk of the NCAA basketball regionals will be taken from Oregon State is now afoot. But confidentially, OSC athletic officials don't give a hoot whether they're burdened with the cage classic again or not. Putting it over amounts to a tremendous job, and the school gets nothing for it. Also, some of the visiting outfits usually bang things up around Corvallis. Benton Hotel Manager Ray Babt told that "considerable damage" was inflicted on his premises during the U of San Francisco victory celebration last month, and campus rules and regulations have been ignored... This year's tourney at Corvallis put a \$40,000 profit into the NCAA coffers, alongside the \$43,000 of 1935. The only reason the '35 figure wasn't matched was because the Corvallis fire marshall taboed overloading the Coliseum as was the case a year ago... NCAA brass will think twice before taking the tourney from Corvallis, for that one annually makes more loot for the association than any one of the other three held at the same time...



3 Records Topped In Meet

5th Place Goes To South Salem

EUGENE (U) — Medford High School won its 12th championship at the 19th annual Hayward Relays here Saturday.

The Medford squad rolled up a total of 63 points to win the title for metropolitan schools, easily outstripping Grants Pass which was second with 44 points.

Cottage Grove scored 60 points and won the championship for smaller class A schools.

The two-day competition drew a record field of 1,300 prep athletes. The meet opened Friday with Myrtle Point winning the class B title and Sherwood taking the class C championship.

Three New Records

It was Medford's eighth straight victory and its 12th in 15 years of competition. Cottage Grove's win was its first.

Three records were set in Saturday's competition.

The Medford mile relay team of Pete Kerschaw, Loren Christine, Wilcey Winchell and Mike Russell, had a time of 3 minutes 30.0 seconds, topping the 1949 record of 3:31.1 set by Franklin of Portland.

In the class A division, a Bend two-mile relay team of Al Erickson, John Schneck, Dick Nickle and Dal Halmer had a time of 8:37.6. The old mark of 8:44.7 was set by Marshfield in 1954.

South Salem Fifth

Don Wayne of North Bend threw the javelin a record 171 feet, 6 inches in class A competition. The old record of 163 feet, 9 inches was set by Keith White of Sweet Home in 1954.

Team scores:

Metropolitan — Medford 63, Grants Pass 44, Beaverton 31, Jefferson 29 1/2, South Salem 19 1/2, Klamath Falls 17, Albany 14, Eugene 12 1/2, Franklin 12, Springfield 11, Marshfield 11, Lincoln 10, Cleveland 9 1/2, Roseburg 9, Rosevelt 8, Hudson's Bay (Vancouver, Wash.) 7, Grant 6, Washington 6, North Salem 2, Fort Vancouver (Wash.) 1, Benson 1.

Class A—Cottage Grove 69, Redmond 43, Ashland 38, Bend 35, North Bend 37 1/2, Central Point 31 1/2, Sweet Home 21, Oswego 18, Corvallis 12, Prineville 11, Lebanon 5, Shelton (Wash.) 0.

No Black Crepe for These Two Clubs

How wonderful it is these hectic professional baseball days to see such talents as there is at Spokane and Portland. Bing Crosby and the famous Spokane Athletic Round Table stepped forward with financial valleys that doesn't only assure the baseball Indians of a future, but also will eventually provide them with a new and needed ball park. Portland's move into new surroundings at Multnomah Stadium, after all these years in rickety old Vaughn Street, will do big things for the Beaver bank account also.

Baseball news, when financial matters are involved, it is usually draped in black crepe these days as clubs fight like gladiators to retain an oft-bare thread of existence. Some don't even make it, and it seems to be a never ending struggle comparable to that which plagues the guy who makes \$50 a week and has to spend \$60 to live. So it's a real pleasure to note that at least two minor league clubs aren't hanging on the ropes with feet dangling over oblivion.

When Johnny Lewis' Bearcats beat the Oregon States here last week, they dined the guy Ralph Coleman figures as his best pitcher. He's Lowell Pearce, the former Salem High and Vince Genoa Legion star who as a sophomore turned out to be No. 1 pitching boy with the O-States last season. Pearce has already been given the tentative starting role for the States in their conference opener with Oregon on the 20th... And speaking of the Bearcats' Coach "Coley," a call is out to all former Oregon State baseballers to be sure to attend the "Ralph Coleman Day" festivities at Corvallis May 4. That's the day they may tribute to Ralph on his 25th season as baseball menter, and that evening there is to be a buffet supper at the Corvallis Country Club. Both Howard Maple and Wes Schumler are to be the emcees for the big occasion, and The Oregonian's veteran L. H. Gregory will be the main speaker.

They Just Won't Let Him Forget It

Greg will undoubtedly dig far back into Coleman's career for part of his talk, relating a sunny afternoon in Portland when Ralph was a youngster trying to make the grade with the Coast League Beavers as a pitcher. It was a tie game and a close one. The enemy had a runner on third with the winning tally. Suddenly the third base coach yelled at Ralph that he wanted to see the ball, as he figured that the jittery young Beaver hurler might have scuffed it up a bit. Obligingly Coley flipped the ball toward the coach, who immediately jumped out of the way and let it roll toward the stands as the winning run scampered over the plate.

Coleman has never lived down that true incident, and chances are he'll bear all about it again during his big night. Right along with the hundreds who will be present.

Short staff: Doyle Perkins, the dynamic Washington Husky basketball guard is now the No. 1 raqueteer on the school's tennis squad... Uncle Hugh Luby plans to start all night games at Waters Field at 7:45 o'clock this season... Needles is now 2-1 in the California Future Book for the May 5 running of the Kentucky Derby, and next lowest are Career Boy at 4-1, Head Man at 5-1, Count Clee and Pinter Lea at 6-1 and Terraz at 8-1... Chuck Esseglin, the bulky young outfielder with the Iowa Senators in '34, who is now with Sacramento, has been named to the Stanford U football "Hall of Fame." Chuck was a tremendous linebacker when a rab-rab boy at the "Baseball Spectacular" on TV today. It should be a whopper for any ball fan... New Kansas U canteen coach Dick Harp, who takes over for Phog Allen, isn't new at the job at all. He's actually been handling the Jayhawk coaching details for a number of seasons, as Allen's assistant...

All NW Managers Hold Title Chance for 1956

By JACK HEWINS Associated Press Sports Writer

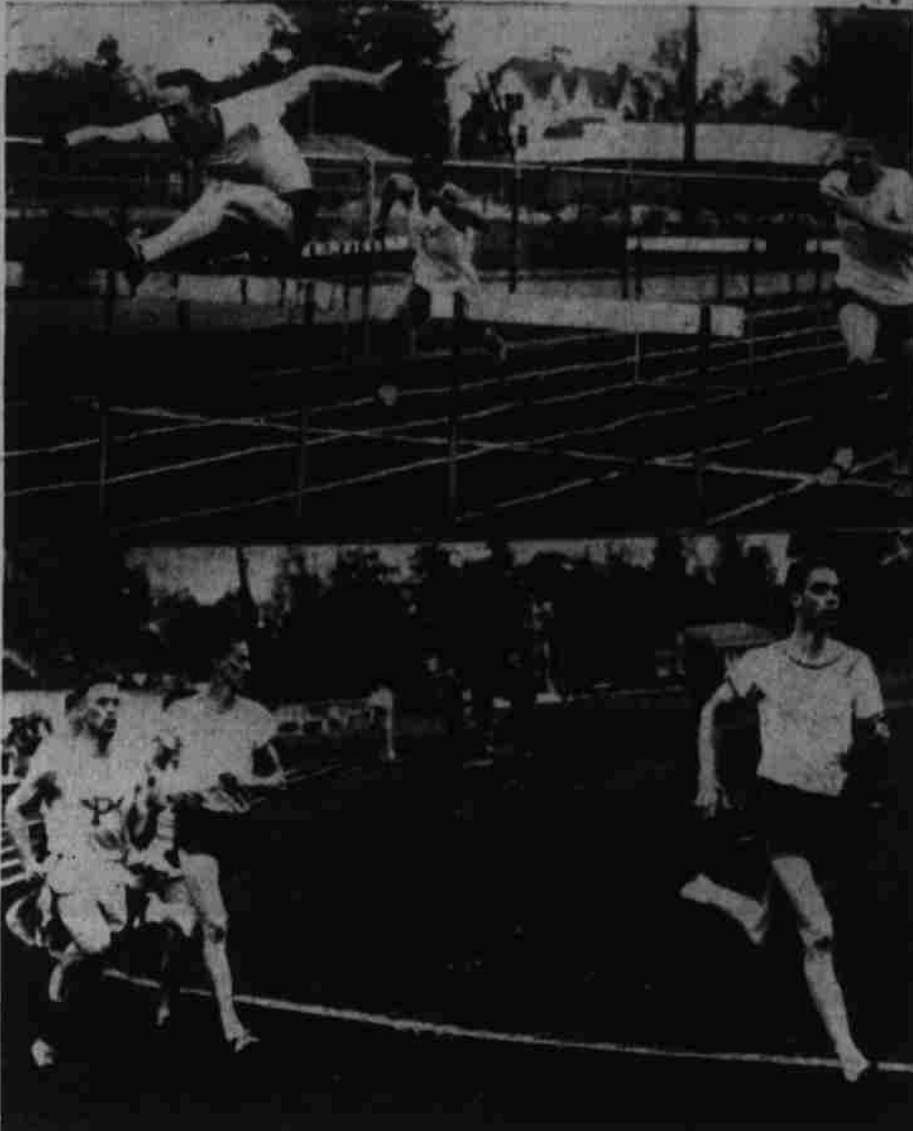
In this spring of the year when the sun comes out and the flowers bloom and every team is a certain pennant winner, the Northwest Baseball League is grooming seven new champions in training camps strung from the city of Wenatchee to the village of San Jose.

And from Ranford to Calistoga, from Petaluma to Napa and even as far as Santa Cruz the managers are wearing rose tinted spectacles and the rookies are dreaming of the Day 1 Play in the World Series.

Of the league's Lucky Seven, only Wenatchee's Chiefs had enough faith in the weather to train at home. And there in the money warmth of Recreation Park on the first day of training manager Ed Vanni spoke: Luby Likes Pitching

"This is the best looking group

Bearcats Show Way in Track Meet



It was all Willamette during these two races in Saturday's meet with Portland U at McCulloch Stadium. In above photo WU's ace hurdler Dean Benson left Portland's Ben Talley and WU's Johnny Ray far behind in taking high barriers victory in 14.3. In lower photo Don Miller of Willamette took brief lead in the 500, as Portland's Walt Spriggs and Dale Hartman trailed. But Hartman came on to win with brilliant stretch drive. The Bearcats had an easy afternoon, winning 83-28. (Statesman Photos.)

Homers Help Badgers ... Bearcats Split Twin Bill With Pacific U

Willamette splits its Northwest Conference doubleheader with Pacific at McCulloch Stadium Saturday as the Bearcats took the first game, 7-4, and the Badgers won the second, 9-3, with the help of a grand slam home run by Bob Gehrts. It was the opening conference games for the two teams.

Willamette had two big innings in taking the opener. Coach Johnny Lewis' team scored three runs in the first frame and added four more in the third.

The Bearcats got their three in the first on singles by Jerry Ziegelman, Ed Lipscomb and Dale Patton and a double by Jerry McCullister. In the fourth, Bill Nelson walked, Lipscomb was hit by the pitcher and Jerry McCullister doubled both home. Vic Backlund singled to score McCullister and Ziegelman singled to score Patton.

Pacific scored once in the seventh and then in the eighth Bill Thorpe homered with two on for the final runs.

Gino Pieretti was Willamette's winning pitcher, allowing six hits and striking out three.

Pacific also used two big innings in winning the second game. The home run by Gehrts with the bases loaded came off loser Dan Feller in the fifth inning. Four singles by Bill Braun, Don Brenneham, Gehrts and Thorpe and a double by Ed Ramsdell accounted for four more runs in the sixth.

Willamette scored two in the second inning when Frank Caruso hit a triple with Backlund on base and Wes Malcolm sacrificed to score Caruso. They got another run in the fifth off a walk, Ziegelman's single and a long sacrifice fly by Gary Burd.

Woods Wins Elks Semifinal Match

Dusty Woods, the talented golfer from McMinnville, ousted Bill Sundstrom, 3 and 2, in a semifinal match in the championship flight of the Elks Golf Tournament at the Salem Golf Club Saturday. Two other golfers gained the finals in the first flight of the tourney as Saturday proved to be the feature day for the tourney.

Woods was two under par at the end of the 16th hole where the match ended. Woods was one under par at the end of the first nine and Sundstrom one over.

Prall May Forfeit

Woods will now go into the finals against either Barney Hodak or Bob Prall. Hodak and Prall were to have played their semifinal match Sunday but prall is tied up with the University of Oregon team at Medford and will probably not be able to make the trip back to Salem in time to play. This would give Hodak the match by forfeit, which means that he will play Woods next Sunday in the championship match over 36 holes.

In first flight action Saturday Dick Hiller defeated Bert Victor 1 up as Hiller shot a one under par round. The most grueling match of the day, however, was Kent Meyers victory over Pat Miklia - in a match that carried to the 28th hole.

Eight Extra Holes

Meyers' win came on the eighth extra hole after he had halved the first seven extra holes with Miklia. Both were two under par at the end of the regulation 18.

All 21 flights in the Elks tourney will be narrowed to the finalists after Sunday.

The STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Pct.
San Fran	1	1	.500
Seattle	2	1	.667
Vancouver	1	1	.500
Portland	2	2	.500
Sacramento	1	1	.500
San Diego	1	1	.500
Hollywood	1	1	.500

Wampler Nabs Lead in Open

GREENSBORO, N.C. (U) — Poker faced Fred Wampler, of Indianapolis, matched the Starnum Forest course record with a seven under par 64 Saturday to come from nine strokes off the pace and take the 54-hole lead of the Greater Greensboro Open golf tournament by one stroke Saturday.

Wampler's 288 total left him one stroke ahead of Sam Snead of White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., who had a five-shot edge on the field after 36 holes, and Frank Stranahan of Toledo.

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Hirsch, Fears Ink Contracts

LOS ANGELES (U) — Two of the Los Angeles Rams' greatest assets, end Tom Fears and Elroy (Crazylegs) Hirsch, Saturday ended all speculation about retiring from the National Football League wars this year. They signed new contracts for 1956.

Hirsch, with 10 seasons of pro ball behind him, retired for a time last year but went back into action at the start of formal league competition.

Fears has been threatening to quit for several seasons. Last year, his eighth with the Rams, the former UCLA hero was the third among the NFL receivers, with 44 to his credit.

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Colts' Shaw Takes Portland Bride

PORTLAND (U) — George Shaw, rookie quarterback for the professional Baltimore Colts football team and Patricia May Phillips of Portland were married here Saturday.

The morning ceremony was held at St. Rose Catholic Church.

Shaw, former Portland high school star who went on to a standout football career at the University of Oregon, was drafted by the Colts and was their regular quarterback last season.

Hitting Scaree In Mix

Espe Shines in First Trip to Hill

PETALUMA, Cal. — (Special) — The Yakima Bears won a 7-0 exhibition baseball victory over the Salem Senators here Saturday afternoon in the first spring training camp outing for the Oregon club. Both outfits are in the Northwest League.

The game was originally scheduled for Napa, the Senators' training base, but was shifted to this city because of the rainy weather and wet grounds at Napa. The contest was played over the eight inning route, by agreement.

The two clubs will play here again Sunday afternoon, as Salem has cancelled its game at Napa with the Oakland Lucky Lagers because of the poor condition of the Fairgrounds field. Four days of rain have left it in soggy shape. The weather hasn't been good here, where Yakima is in training, but it hasn't been bad enough to call off any games.

Manager Hugh Luby's Senators were limited to four hits by two Yakima pitchers, Veteran Dick Young and hard-throwing rookie Manny Escalera. Yakima got eight off three Salem flingers, Ross Ruge, Gary Espe and Gene Rodrick, in that order.

Of the three Espe looked sharp. In his three innings he yielded nary a run or hit, struck out one and walked one. Lefty Ruge was victim of most of the damage. He was blasted for five runs in the second inning and another in the third. Rodrick gave up the (Cont. page 12, col. 4)

Portland Bows To Seals, 3-2

SACRAMENTO Blanked By Seattle 6 to 0

SAN FRANCISCO (U) — Red-haired Gordie Windhorn, outfielder from Oklahoma City, got a pass to first with the bases loaded Saturday to give the San Francisco Seals a 3-2 Pacific Coast League baseball victory over Portland. Kemmerer, Adams Duel

The Seals moved into the bottom of the ninth tied at 2-2 after San Francisco's Russ Kemmerer and the Beavers' veteran Red Adams had put on exhibitions of tight pitching in the clubhouse—albeit allowing 19 hits between them.

Windhorn went to the plate as a pinchhitter for a pinchhitter.

Portland had knotted the score in the seventh on Dick Young's 410-foot triple and a single by Luis Marquez.

In the ninth, Bob DiPippo walked, Tommy Umphlett beat out a bunt and catcher Eddie Sadowski was purposely walked by Adams. Seals manager Eddie Joost sent in Larry DiPippo to bat for Jim Mahoney, whereupon Royce Lind relieved Adams on the mound. Joost then sent in Windhorn for DiPippo.

Preps to Use 12-Foot Lane Next Season

PORTLAND (U) — The new 12 foot free throw lane will be used in Oregon high school basketball games next season, the Oregon School Activities Assn. board of control announced Saturday.

The 12-foot lane, used by college teams last season, was adopted by the National Basketball Rules Committee for high schools starting with the 1957-58 season, with a provision the new lane could be adopted on a statewide basis for the 1956-57 season at the discretion of the individual states.

Tom Pigott, executive secretary of the OSA, said a questionnaire sent to all Oregon high schools showed 190 in favor of the change for next season, and only 65 opposed.

The change will be unofficial until the OSA holds its annual spring meeting next month. Pigott said he made the advance announcement to give schools time to complete repainting of their basketball floors.

Bailey Paces Duck Victory

EUGENE (U) — Jim Bailey, Oregon's 1955 NCAA mile champion, won the two-mile event in a time of 9 minutes 16.7 seconds in a four-way track meet here Saturday.

It was the second two-mile race of Bailey's career and he appeared fresh at the finish. He originally had been scheduled to run the 800 but ran the two-mile instead when Bill Dellinger, 1954 NCAA mile champion, developed a cold and was unable to compete.

Bailey's victory aided the Oregon varsity squad in winning the meet with a total of 62 1/2 points. The Oregon Frosh had 42 1/2, Lewis and Clark 20 1/2, and the Portland Track and Field Club 2 1/2.

Rooks Win Again

CORVALLIS (U) — The Oregon State College Rooks posted their second straight baseball victory over Lower Columbia Junior College here Saturday. The score was 4-2.

The Rooks opened their 1956 season with a 5-1 victory over the same team Friday.

MEET POSTPONED

MOSCOW, Idaho (U) — The Idaho-Washington State track meet, originally scheduled for Saturday, has been postponed until Monday to allow drying of Neale Stadium here.

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