

Nelson Seen as Threat for Title in 1956 Hardtop 100-Lapper Here Saturday Night



DONNIE NELSON

Although he isn't listed in the "top ten" of the current hard top driving leaders in Oregon, the veteran Donnie Nelson of Portland might easily steal the big show at Hollywood Bowl Saturday night when the souped-up bumper buggies decide the 1956 Northwest quarter-mile championship.

In the last hard top program here, the mid-season title card for Hollywood Bowl, Nelson drove to victory in the 50-lap finale. He was still going strong at the end Saturday night's quarter-mile title go, which will be over the 100-lap distance, which will not only be a supreme test for Nelson, but also for the other 23 entries slated to take the "go" flag in it.

Others who have won hard top main event victories here this season, over the 35-lap route, are John Farley of Tillamook, Ernie Koch of Vancouver, Fred Connet of Eugene and Dick Pace of Vancouver. Pace is currently leading the "top ten" in the hard tops driving division. Others behind him, in order, are Don Gurth of Vancouver, Cecil Hunt of Eugene, Jim Roberts of Eugene, "Wild"

Bill Hyde of Portland, the 1955 champion, Koch, Jim Basley of Eugene, Dick Gaboury of Portland, Clarence Schmidt of Sweet Home and Connet.

All will be present Saturday night. Valley Sports promoter Ron All, who secured the Northwest quarter-mile title card for Salem for the first time, expects to have around 40 entries from all over the Oregon-Washington area for this one. They'll be attracted by the largest cash prize purse in local auto racing history, a whopping \$1,500.

Time trials for the card will get under way at 7:45 p.m. It will be during these trials that the entries battle for positions in the following races, including the 24-car "100" for the championship.

The bowl racing strip is undergoing a complete checkup this week as officials get it into top shape for the meet.

Salmon Boats Converting... Fishermen at Astoria Stirred Up Over Tuna

ASTORIA — The albacore tuna appearance off the Oregon Coast is creating something of a stir in Astoria.

Earlier reports that substantial quantities of the fish had been caught within 100 miles of the coast were bolstered Wednesday when a Columbia River Packers Assn. boat, the Kiska, reported taking about 300 tuna Wednesday.

Some 40 albacore averaging about 20 pounds were landed early Wednesday about 75 miles east of the coast. About 17 boats, mostly converted dragnets, were sighted in the area between the mouth of the Umpqua River and Newport and from 30 to 100 miles offshore.

Last Friday and Saturday, however, the Brown Bear radioed that it had landed 24 albacore trolling about 175 miles off the coast. Monday, they landed 60 more about 150 miles west of Yaquina Bay.

Salmon Boats Converted

A boat owned by Frank Parker put out from Astoria for the tuna grounds early Wednesday, and at least six other salmon trawlers are converting their boats, hoping the albacore reports prove a strike.

Fishermen here recall the last large take of albacore in the 1940s, when the inshore run disappeared almost as fast as it had appeared.

SPORTSMAN'S DIGEST

By Hal Sharp

SALAMANDERS ARE EXCELLENT BAIT

OVER 100 SPECIES OF SALAMANDERS PHIBAT STREAMS, PONDS, ETC. OR THEIR EDGES IN DARK RETREATS UNDER LOGS, WET DEBRIS, AND ROCKS THROUGHOUT MOST OF NORTH AMERICA. THESE LIZARD-LOOKING AMPHIBIANS HAVE NO SCALES OR CLAWS, DIFFERENT COLORS VARY IN LENGTH, COLOR, SIZE, AND SOME HAVE EXTENSIVE BILLS. CHECK LEGALITY AS BAIT WHEREVER YOU GO.

Shanty Picked For Boat Race

DETROIT — A power-packed speedboat that roared over a five-mile course at speeds nearing 150 miles an hour Tuesday was named Wednesday to defend America's hold on the historic Harmsworth Trophy.

The boat, Shanty I, representing the Seattle Yacht Club, will match speed and stamina with the Canadian challenger, Miss Supercat, of London, Ont., in the best of three 35-mile races beginning this week-end.

The first two races are scheduled for Saturday and Monday, starting at 5:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. A third, if necessary, will be run Tuesday.

Substitute Ready

As a further precaution against uncertainties of unlighted class speedboat racing the committee in control announced that should any mishap befall Shanty I between now and next Friday noon, she would be replaced by the Detroit-owned Miss E. S. II. The committee reported a group of marine and engineering experts found the Detroit craft also in excellent shape and qualified to make the defense.

However, for this year's race, the first in five years for the Harmsworth plaque, each competing country is permitted only one entry. In former years as many as three were allowed for each country.

Exceeds 117 MPH

In Tuesday's qualifying trials, Shanty I, driven by Lt. Col. Russell Schlee, of the Air Force, averaged 117.25 miles an hour around the five-mile Harmsworth course. Unofficial timers clocked the boat at close to 150 miles an hour on the straightaways. They noted that Schlee also seemed to take the turns at a speed faster than any craft ever before had made them on the Detroit River.

Detroit's Don Wilson drove Miss U. S. II over the required single lap of the five-mile course at a speed of 105.522 miles an hour.

The Canadian challenger's owner, J. Gordon Thompson and his son, James, have not disclosed what speed potential the craft has over an elliptical course such as is laid out in the Detroit River.

The International Harmsworth Trophy was brought to America in 1920 by Gar Wood.

Archie Moore Takes Bride

SAN DIEGO — Prize fighter Archie Moore announced Tuesday he has married Joan Hardy, a New York model. It is the fourth marriage for the light heavyweight champion, who's about 40.

Moore said the marriage took place Monday in Ensenada, Mexico.

He and his bride, 24, will honeymoon at his ranch near Ramona, Calif.

He is scheduled for a Sept. 8 exhibition boxing-wrestling bout at Ogden, Utah with Roy Shire, a wrestler.

"I'm happier than I've been in my life," Moore said. "This is for keeps. Joan and I have been going together for the past six years."

Marilyn Bell To Try Again

VICTORIA, B.C. — Toronto's Marilyn Bell will make her second attempt to swim the Juan de Fuca Strait Thursday taking off from the Washington State side in an effort to swim to Victoria.

Marilyn, 18-year-old swim ace beaten down by the strait 12 days ago, will attempt to bring her Lakeshore Swim Club and Canada a two-way victory over the strait.

Last Friday morning, clubmate Cliff Lumsdon completed an 11-hour swim from Victoria's Horse-shoe Bay to Green Point on the American shore for the first north-south crossing in history.

Marilyn now can become the first Canadian to make the complete south-north crossing and will be aiming at Bert Thomas' time record. Thomas, a Tacoma logger, was the first person to swim from Port Angeles to Victoria and his time of 11 hours, 17 minutes stands as the current record.

Marilyn's handlers have not announced the exact time and position of her departure in order to avoid the upsetting fanfare and crush of boats that accompanied her first swim.

Lakers Drub Ems

KLAMATH FALLS — The semi-pro Klamath Falls Lakers, scoring 13 runs in the sixth inning, surged over Eugene of the Northwest League, 16-10, here Wednesday night.

The victory gave the Lakers a record of two victories in three games with Eugene and a season mark of 29 wins in 34 contests.

This Dogie Headed for Last Roundup



Dean Oliver, shown in action during a call-roping feat, is slated to be among the country's top cowboy stars who are to perform during the annual State Fair here September 1-8. The nightly rodeo returns to the Fair this year after a two-year absence.

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo

TOO BAD IT HAVEN'T GOT A CENTER WALL—IT'D LIKE THE PICTURE WINDOW IN THE BACK INSTEAD OF THE FRONT—

CEILING LOOKS A BIT SAGGY—HOW MANY BATHS IN THE HOUSE? OUR FRIENDS' HOUSE HAS FOUR! NOT A VERY BIG LIVING ROOM, IS IT?

DID THEY COME TO LOOK AT THE HOUSE, OR JUST KNOCK IT DOWN? HE SAYS—THAT'S PAR FOR A YEAR FROM THE LOOKS OF HIM—

TAKE IT EASY, MAMA—THEY'RE JUST TRYING TO GET OUR PRICE DOWN—

IT'LL TAKE MORE THAN A LOT OF WIND TO LIFT THE MORTGAGE ON THIS SWEET HOME—HEH-HEH—

THE ONLY PROSPECTS THAT REAL ESTATE GUYS BROUGHT HERE ARE CLAM DIGGERS—

PUTTING UP WITH THE HOUSE-LOOKERS WHO'VE NOTHING SUITS—THE HATLO HAT TO MACGREGOR AND ELORA—

Mexican Pair Upset Yank Net Favorites

BROOKLINE, Mass. — Mexican Davis Cup ace Francisco Pancho Contreras and Mario Llamas overpowered 1955 finalist Jerry Moss and Bill Quillian for a straight set victory Wednesday in the first major upset of the 73rd National Doubles Tennis championships at Longwood.

The unseeded Mexicans joined U.S. tennis fortunes for the second time within a month by registering a 6-4, 6-4, 6-4 second-round triumph over Moss and Quillian, seeded No. 5 off their showing last year in reaching the finals.

Power Stops Americans

Contreras, 22-year-old University of Southern California student, and his 28-year-old partner subdued the young Americans with sheer power. Last month the Mexicans upset Sam Giammalva and Barry Mackay, the No. 2 tandem in the U.S. Davis Cup team, for Mexico's only victory in the American Zone Cup finals.

Quillian, from Seattle, Wash., had his service broken in the ninth game to pave the way for the Mexicans' first set victory. Contreras and Llamas clinched the match by breaking through Moss' service in each of the last two sets.

French Bow in Rally

Giammalva and Mackay, seeded No. 6, in the national tournament had to rally to defeat Paul Remy and Pierre Darmon, members of the French Davis Cup team, 6-1, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4, 9-7.

In the women's division top-seeded Louise Brough of Berkeley, Calif., and Mrs. Margaret Osborne du Pont of Wilmington, Del., seeking their 11th national doubles championship, breezed past Joan Johnson and Jeri Shepard, both of Los Angeles, 6-4, 6-1.

Janet Hopps, Seattle, Wash., and Diane Wooten, Santa Barbara, Calif., defeated Sissy Leach, South Africa, and Mrs. Robert Haillet, France, 6-2, 6-1.

NBA Requests Moore Fight

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threatened delay of a title opportunity for Archie Moore until next summer when he will be a year older and also to protect Patterson's position.

Patterson broke his right hand in beating Jackson in New York June 8.

Johnston Says Wait

"We'll have to wait and see what happens," said Charley Johnston, Moore's manager. "If The Doctors turn him down again then we'll have to await the outcome of the Baker-Jackson fight. Everything is contingent on those two things."

"As far as we're concerned, Archie is the heavyweight champion right now," added Johnston. "Archie has had 10 fights this year already which is more than the rest of those guys have had altogether."

OSC Improves Parker Field

OREGON STATE COLLEGE, Corvallis (Special) — Oregon State's Parker stadium is undergoing a minor face-lifting as it prepares for its fourth football season. The 27,000-seat plant, which replaced venerable Bell field in the fall of 1953, has received several minor improvements aimed at providing better facilities for the spectators.

With the addition of another new parking area, the stadium can now boast the second-best parking facilities on the coast. The physical plant of the college has recently completed filling in the area between the stadium and the Philomath highway, which will handle 200 cars. Crushed rock will be placed on the surface for this fall, with hard-surfacing slated for next summer.

In the stadium, a part of section 13, running from the 50 to the 35-yard line, has been set aside as the "President's Box," where guests of the institution will be entertained during the three games played in Corvallis this fall. Season tickets will be sold in the enclosed area, while visiting teams will be given the area below the President's Box.

Concession facilities are also marked for improvement, with increased serving space. The stadium turf, under the management of Groundskeeper Dan Granneman, is in the best shape since the stadium was constructed. The roadway around the stadium has been hard-surfaced to better show off the field.

Ticket Manager Jim Barratt reported that advance ticket sales are continuing to run ahead of previous years, with the biggest demand for season tickets. On single-game sales, the OSC-Washington game in Portland is still ahead of other games on the OSC home schedule.

Eddie Lane Hired For WSC Trainer

PULLMAN, Wash. — Eddie Lane, former trainer at North Texas State and assistant at Southern Methodist, Wednesday was hired as athletic trainer at Washington State College.

Lane, who receives a master's degree from SMU this week, succeeds Bucky Walters, who resigned to become a physical education instructor at Sacramento State.

Lane, a 27-year-old native of Ohio, is expected to arrive on the WSC campus next week to get oriented before football practice starts Sept. 1.

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