

HIGHCLIMBER

By DICK STHITE

Friday, 13th!
A heavyweight champion of the world may turn deadly pale and his legs tremble at the sight of a white mouse. A star halfback may not be able to gain a yard around the ends where he galloped 50, 40 and 65 yards for touchdowns the week before—because he had his box washed.

But superstition in athletics is not confined to boxing and football. In fact baseball carries the most varied list of superstitions in the books, but athletes in all sports—men who have no fear of physical hurts—shudder and weep over hexes and hoodoo.

I managed to pick up a few items listed among local jinx:

Prink Callison, head football coach at the university, doesn't believe in superstitions, but plays safe during football season on "three-on-a-match" walking under ladders and things of that sort. Prink used to wear a particular necktie while at Medford high, but tossed it in the junk pile after a basketball defeat. It couldn't have been a gridiron loss, there weren't any.

Mike Mikulak is different, the former all-American fullback and now Webfoot backfield coach, will wear his green suit, go to a movie and eat baked ham for dinner the day before a game—if he followed the same pattern the previous week, another if—Oregon won.

Bob Officer, who has worked as assistant trainer to Colonel Bill Hayward, veteran Oregon and Olympic track coach for the past nine years, reports that Bill is not superstitious. He admits, however, a decided weakness for loads of hay, recalling one that didn't work—a 20-0 defeat at the hands of the Trojans in '33.

The feminine member of the Oregon athletic department admits that she always wears her slip inside out before a game to insure an Oregon victory. She declined the use of her name, but it's effective anyway—eh, what!

Bob Willshire, Drake pitcher, will wear a "holley" sock the entire season if he had worn it in an important victory. But he says he's not superstitious. Sid Milligan, Eugene's entrant in the U. S. Amateur golf tournament this month in Portland, always tees his ball up so that the face of the club hits the trade mark of the ball—it makes the flight longer and straighter.

Ray Glass, Eugene's No. 1 trap-shooter, always wears a torn and tattered shooting jacket that has long since been ready for the old-clothes man. But it's lucky, just like a certain brand of shells. Chuck Wiper, University high's sensational swimmer, has worn the same suit ever since he can remember. Although he has been patched dangerously, Chuck continues to wear the tank uniform in every meet.

Sailor Moran, coast middleweight wrestling champ, can predict the future of the mat by a study of the moon and stars. Yagui Joe, popular Indian grappler who appeared here years ago, went through quite a ceremony in order to assure himself of a triumph. He always put his right shoe on first, used a certain brand of rubbering oil and removed his trunk before his shoes after a victory. Art Purser, local bowler, will never bowl on the opposite alley from a split—he'll wait, it's bad luck. "Curly" is ball always puts an Indian box sign on an opponent.

Jerry Towne, an angler since he was strong enough to lift an angle worm (but he uses nothing but dry flies now) always returns the first fish of the season. His wife was rather peeved this year when he released a 12-incher and failed to catch another all day.

And those are just a few of the superstitions of local athletes and sportsmen. They've all got something they hang in, regardless of what they say. Mine? A John Doe split wing Royal Caschman and nothing else will do. I might as well not carry any other fly.

A few superstitions seen from the spar tree: Peter DePaulo always carries his baby's shoes on the front axle of his racing car. . . . Walter Hazen uses a red-haired eel. . . . Bobby Grayson once spent 12 bucks to rub a negro's head before a game. . . . Van Mungo won't allow anyone to mention the score or inning when he is working on the mound. . . . Jim Bottomley will wear the same undershirt for days if he is hitting the apple. . . . Carl Hubbell always places his glove on the first-base line face upward. . . . Buck Newsom keeps in luck by always placing his down. . . . Daxay Vance was once sentimental about an old shirt that fluttered in the breeze. . . . Eventually he was ordered to toss it away because it distracted the batters' attention. . . . Friday, 13th.

Hayward Field, Igloo To Get Timing Unit; Tidewater Donation

Hayward field, the university's new turf gridiron, will be equipped with a Western Union timing unit similar to the one used at Portland's Multnomah stadium, according to an announcement made Friday by Bill Handley, district manager of the Tidewater Associated Oil company.

The timing unit will be a portable unit which will be used for basketball in McArthur court during the hoop season.

Handley also said that his company was contemplating the installation of a portable loudspeaking unit which would be used both at Hayward field and the Igloo.

A short period, known as "civil twilight," different from astronomical twilight, is employed to designate the period when a certain amount of daylight still remains.

Quarter-Finals Reached In Golf Tournament

ABBOTT DUSTED BY PITTSBURGH STEEL WORKER; 3-1 COUNT

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 13.—(AP)—Four battle-hardened survivors of the national public links national championship entered the semi-final round of the tournament today over the long Harding golf course.

Carded for 36 holes of match play, out of an original field of nearly 200 golfers entered from all parts of the nation, the quartet was paired as follows:

Andrew Sawedko, Pittsburgh, Pa., vs. Bruce McCormick, Los Angeles. Don Erickson, Alhambra, Cal., vs. Frank Toranzo, Sacramento, Cal. Sawedko, better known as Andy, is the 20-year-old Polish steel worker who blasted the title hopes of De-fending Champion Pat Abbott of Pasadena, Cal., 3 and 1.

Bruce McCormick, Los Angeles fireman whose features remind you of Crooner Rudy Vallee, reached the semi-finals yesterday at the expense of Alex Muragin of Honolulu, by the score of 3 and 3.

McCormick, city champion of Los Angeles, offered a strong threat to Sawedko, whose game is as stern as his occupation—steel.

In the other bracket, Don Erickson, the "gas house" lad, was favored over his formidable foe, Toronto, crack member of Sacramento's public links championship team. Erickson, who once outstayed the onlookers by capturing a round of the Los Angeles open with a sub par 67, eluded his southern California neighbor, Seward Hoon of Santa Monica, 4 and 3, yesterday.

Toronto stroked his way into the semi-finals by trouncing slender Vernon Gilstrap of Berkeley, Cal., 5 and 4.

FISHING PROSPECTS FAIR FOR WEEK-END

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 13.—(AP)—Valley and mountain fishing for the coming week-end was predicted as only fair in most places, sportsmen having the best chance in beach and near-coast waters, the state game commission said in its weekly bulletin.

Reports by counties included: Marion-Polk—Lake region in eastern Marion not too good during past week. Nice catches reported on spinner and bait from North Fork of the Santiam. Limit catches averaging nine inches taken from Pickrell creek.

Lane—Fishing in eastern half of county not as good as earlier in season. Lower Willamette good, but up-river poor. Salt creek good and improving. Grasshoppers used successfully in streams of Row river basin. Lake areas still good, and mosquitoes considerably abated. Fishing in general not very good in western half. Triangle lake and Lower Indian and Deadwood creeks fair. Good fly fishing in North Fork to Siskiyou.

Tillamook—Light rains in past week have improved angling. Prospects for coming week excellent.

Deschutes—Trotting with flashers or bait fishing successful in East and Paulina lakes; small spinner or black bait fly good on upper Deschutes river. Above Deschutes bridge, small trout like Royal Coachman in the evening. Good catches in Nash and South Twin with bait fishing or trotting with flashers.

Baseball Standings
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
PACIFIC COAST

	W	L	Pct.
San Diego	50	56	.588
Sacramento	78	57	.578
San Francisco	72	63	.533
Los Angeles	71	64	.526
Portland	68	63	.519
Oakland	62	74	.456
Seattle	57	77	.425
Missions	51	83	.375

	W	L	Pct.
Chicago	65	37	.637
New York	58	45	.564
St. Louis	55	44	.556
Pittsburgh	53	47	.529
Boston	49	54	.476
Cincinnati	41	57	.418
Brooklyn	40	59	.404
Philadelphia	42	62	.404

	W	L	Pct.
New York	70	30	.700
Boston	58	41	.588
Detroit	57	42	.576
Chicago	61	45	.573
Cleveland	46	51	.474
Washington	45	53	.459
St. Louis	32	67	.323
Philadelphia	29	69	.296

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 13.—(AP)—Big George Earls, who used to breeze them past the batters without much trouble, pitching for Connie Mack's American league pennant-winning Athletics seven years ago, is pitching for a Philadelphia sand-lot team this year, but just the same he's "happy."

"I'm perfectly satisfied," the "Big Moose" said. "When I quit the Cardinals at the end of last season there were two things in the back of my mind. First, I wanted to be home with my family. Second, I wanted to be my own boss. Pitching semi-pro ball satisfies both ambitions."

Earls, a former Swarthmore college star before he gained prominence with the A's, has won 13 games and lost two on the sand-lots to date.

About two-thirds of the world's coffee is grown in Brazil.



New Trotting Mark Credited To Luck Piece

GOSHEN, N. Y., Aug. 13.—(AP)—The records show that Henry Thomas won the Hambletonian with Shirley Hanover, but the popular 47-year-old trainer of Hanover, Pa., says it was five-year-old Patricia Sheppard who was largely responsible for the record-smashing triumph.

Thomas carried in his hip pocket a four-leaf clover and letter sent him by the little daughter of Lawrence B. Sheppard, part owner of the Pennsylvania breeding farms.

In trotting the first mile in 2:03.4 and the second in 2:01.3-4 Shirley not only turned in the fastest time ever registered by a winner in 12-year history of the rich strike but carried on in the way of her famous mother—Hanover's Bertha. The latter won the 1930 Hambletonian and later in the same year set her mark of 1:59.5.

The victory, achieved before a crowd of 35,000 after the race had been postponed from Wednesday, was worth \$19,916.92 with an additional \$900 going to the three partners as nominator of the winner.

Shirley Hanover was given little chance in the auction pools, where Paul Bowser's DeSota of Boston was favored. She commanded no better than 10 to 1 respect to win the first heat.

Willing, Dolp Shoot 72's in Trial Tests

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 13.—(AP)—Narrowed fairways and traps made more menacing at the Alderwood course, scene of the National Amateur tournament Aug. 23-28, failed to rattle the shot-making of Dr. O. F. Willing and Vincent Dolp yesterday.

The Portlanders, both entrants in the approaching Simon pure classic, turned in perfect par cards—72's—in practice rounds, proving that despite alteration of the course to make it more difficult for the tournament, par is still not out of reach.

Bill Castleman, Louisville, Ky., the only out-of-state to test the course yesterday, missed par by one stroke, carding 73.

Winchester, previously known as Rienti, was the favorite was charger of Sheridan.

The heavens are divided into 80 constellations, 48 of which were known to the ancients. The remainder were discovered mostly during the 16th and 17th centuries.

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McLemore At Wichita For Semi-Pro Baseball Tourney

By HENRY McLEMORE
(United Press Staff Correspondent)
WICHITA, Kan., Aug. 13.—(AP)—This is the land of Alfred Mossman London.

Lane High Schools Have Big Turnover In Coaches; Lowell Releases Kingsley; Bergstrom Replaces Cone at Junction

(EDITOR'S NOTE: After a turnover of close to 90 per cent in high school coaching positions in Lane county, this department has under consideration a classified column for schools without coaches and coaches without schools.)

Junction City high school Thursday had its fourth coach since the close of the school year this spring. Bob Bergstrom, former Oregon State college basketball and baseball star and former Astoria high athlete, was signed as coach and director of physical education. The change was forced on the new union high school when Woodburn high refused to release Eldon Cone, appointed last week, from a signed contract for the coming year. Jim Watts, former Thurston coach, had signed but accepted the Roseburg post last month. Martin Stryker, 1930 mentor, moved to Estacada.

Simultaneously, the Lowell high school board released Virgil Kingsley from a similar contract to enable the former Linfield college star to accept a position as coach and superintendent of the Oakridge high and grade school.

Other shifts made during the summer months in Lane county high schools follow:

St. Mary's—Father Richard Carberry to Portland. Francis Coghlan to Mt. Angel.

Oakridge—Gilbert Sprague to Myrtle Creek.

Coburg—Bob Henigan to Rainier. Blue River—Genevieve Beaman to Thurston.

Mapleton—Walter Beck to Coburg. Mohawk—Fred Beck to Junction City.

Triangle Lake—Walt Dennis to Rogue River. Eugene Lincoln to Lincolnton.

NEW YORK'S Giants obtained a capable and long-distance cleanup hitter in Wally Berger, shown at the finish of his swing, in their June deal with the Boston Bees, but he hasn't supplied sufficient punch to keep the Chicago Cubs from taking a commanding lead in the National League.

BOYD KO'S Hayes in Professional Debut

TACOMA, Aug. 13.—(AP)—Wild Bill Boyd, former all-heavyweight champion, celebrated his professional debut here last night with an impressive one-round knockout of Wex Hayes, Portland, Ore., negro.

Boyd, who weighed in at 181½, sent Hayes to the canvas with a flurry of punches. The negro rose unsteadily at the count of nine and was floored again for the full count.

I am going to Lawrence stadium to night, along with 17,000 other people, and I am going to train my liquid blue eyes on the games that are played. If they are good I promise to say so. If they are bad I promise to say so. Frankly, I am hoping they will be good because the city of Wichita, I have been given to understand, has a small but efficient group of tarriers and featherers who handle those gentlemen who find fault with their semi-pro baseball congress.

I am not a man who likes being tarred and feathered. I was tarred and feathered once by a group of Georgia enthusiasts who objected to my celebrating by 21st birthday by voting republican.

This is my first trip to Kansas and it is not a great deal different from other parts of the country. In my 21 hours here I have met several men who know Sweet Adeline, played all their golf shots, and thought Dimaggio had a hell of a long way to go before he was another Ruth.

Thus ends my first dispatch from Kansas. Tomorrow, if I am not stricken by some dread prohibition disease, I will give you further accounts of my adventures.

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CLINGMAN-HIGAMI TANDEM WINS TEAM WRESTLING BATTLE

Two thousand voices roared approval Thursday night at the armory when a wrestling tandem composed of Otis Clingman and Tetsuji Higami defeated a pair of villagers—Sandy MacDonald and Bob Castle in a team wrestling match, the headline attraction of Herb Owen's weekly mat show.

Not content with a defeat, the meemies turned on the winning pair following the final decision of Referee Harry Elliott. But as hundreds ting on Castle's neck and Clingman and Higami virtually "battered them off," eliminating the "king of fireworks with the Japanese midnet sitting of Castle's neck and Clingman standing with his foot planted on MacDonald's mid section. It might have been an ancient scene of fallen and conquering Roman gladiators.

The supporting card was a gradual "build-up" to the main event. Bob Cumming and Bobby Rogers wrestled 30 minutes with lightning fast action to a draw, each man taking a fall. The semi-final saw Champion Sailor Moran and Andy Tremplin batter each other from pillar to post for 30 minutes without either man capturing a fall.

Villains Win First
The team match was packed with color and drama. Both teams had apparently decided methods of attack. At one time during the initial fall, which was as mild as a church social compared to the two final periods, Higami took Castle and Clingman downed MacDonald, each using a hammerlock and landing blows simultaneously. The little Japanese took a bad beating. He was first tossed from the ring by MacDonald and then Castle bounced his head squarely on the mat.

But Clingman was the first to go as the meemies ganged Otis while Higami squirmed helplessly on the mat. Clingman went out in six minutes and it took only an additional 30 seconds to dispose of Tremplin as the teammates bounced him from one to another with terrific blows to the face and body. MacDonald and Castle were the winners in 7 minutes.

The initial victors displayed a gridiron shift as the striving for the second and deciding fall. Castle strangled Clingman with a towel, but Otis broke loose and turned the same trick in his opponent. It took 5 minutes for MacDonald to be counted out after Higami had given him a damaging Japanese armbar. Clingman finishing him with a series of shoulder biffs.

The two cleanies combined their efforts by downing Castle in 20 seconds to win the second fall in 5½ minutes.

Higami really went to town in the final frame, keeping his team in the match with jiu-jitsu. Clingman tossed MacDonald out of the ring and Higami did the same to Castle. Blasting Bob returned for a slugfest with the Japanese. Both were out on their feet as they landed repeatedly on each other's chins. Clingman finished the job on Castle that his partner started, in 8 minutes with a press.

Although eliminated, the punch-drunk Castle returned to the ring several times, always ending in the ring-side seats. Clingman and Higami worked on MacDonald and had the Scotsman down in 10 minutes.

Tremplin's draw with Moran was made possible by Andy's knowledge of the sailor's winning fall—the jack-knife which he secured several times to Moran's surprise. While Andy out-wrestled and outslugged his opponent, Moran used his illegal tactics to advantage in staying off sure defeat. Tremplin was on top when the 30-minute time limit elapsed.

The opener was a fast, closely contested match. Cummings took the opener in 15 minutes with an Indian deathlock. The second went to Burns in 12 minutes with a series of head-snappers. The final three minutes went to a draw.

L. A. FAN HELD
LOS ANGELES, Aug. 13.—(AP)—Accused of hurling a liquor bottle at a prize fight and injuring movie comedian Chico Marx and his wife, Theodore Watts, 27, negro, was held in default of \$1500 bail today pending his preliminary hearing next Monday.

For every thousand feet of height from the ground, the temperature drops 3 degrees.

Plan to Floodlight Falls of Multnomah
PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 13.—(AP)—Plans for installation of floodlights at Multnomah Falls on the Columbia river highway to illuminate the scenic cascade for the pleasure of night-time travelers were disclosed in a letter to Mayor Joseph Carson from the East Side Commercial club yesterday.

The club is willing to raise funds, the letter said, and the project awaits only permission of officials.

Details of the proposal were worked out by Frank Murphy, Portland electrical engineer, and have received approval from the city. Ray E. Garner, president of the club, closed.

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Drakes Prepare For Hillbillie Battle Sunday

Manager Bill Green is whipping his Eugene Drake baseball team into shape for next Sunday's vital State League game against Hills Creek at Swimmers' Delight. The Drakes distinctly recall two previous meetings handed them by the Hillbillies—7 to 3, and 8-4 in 11 innings. The game has little bearing in the league pennant race, but the winner will retain a mathematical chance to capture the final half title. The loser will be eliminated without even an outside chance to complete the season on top of the standings.

Although the hitting and fielding prowess of the two teams is expected to have much to do with the eventual outcome, both managers are mulling over the problem of hurling selections. According to latest dope, Manager Bill Greene will pin his hopes on Leroy Mattingly and Lawrence Laird will count on Bud Manney to work for the Hillbillies.

Mattingly has yet to start a league contest, but was impressive in taking over relief duty and beating the Giant Collegians last Saturday. The former University of Oregon hurler has been ill most of the season but was out of bed three days when he beat the Giants but is expected to be in top shape by Sunday.

Manney worked in both previous victories over Eugene, relieving Craig in the opener and hurling the entire 11 innings of the second.

No changes in the usual lineup are expected with the possible exception of Clarence Gustina in the Eugene outfield.

PORTLAND BEATEN BY SEALS, 5 TO 2
(By United Press)

San Diego and Sacramento, running one-two in the Pacific Coast league and separated by only one and one-half games, squared off against each other Friday in a "life and death" eleven-game series that will determine league leadership.

Sacramento went into the struggle fresh from three straight wins over the Mission Reds in the first half of the split week schedule. The Solons snatched from two defeats in three starts against the second division Oakland army. After four games at San Diego, the teams plied to Sacramento to play seven more.

Another series starting Friday, third place San Francisco took on Seattle. Los Angeles moved over to Portland, and the Missions remained at home to entertain Oakland.

Nick Colburn's ninth-inning double, his second of the game, sent Art Garbaldi scampering home with the run which enabled Sacramento to run out the Missions, 6-5, in sweeping the series.

Floyd Oshold, Oakland right-hander, turned in one of his best games in stopping San Diego's attack for a 4-2 win.

The San Francisco Seals tightened their grip on third place with a 5-2 win over Portland to take the series, two to one. Bill Shores hurled a six-hit game for the Seals, while his mates got to Ad Liska for two runs in the first and three in the ninth to win.

Los Angeles also took the odd game of its series by beating Seattle, 8-2. The Angels finished Clarence Pickrel early and kept up their attack on Oshold, a newcomer.

HILLS CREEK CLUB HAS HEAVY HITTERS

The Hills Creek baseball club, State League opponents of the Eugene Drakes at Swimmers' Delight Sunday, boasts a team having average well over the 300 mark, according to statistics released by the Hillbillie management Thursday afternoon.

While some of the marks do not line up with official league figures, showing some records less than official figures, the Hillbillies have an enviable batting record.

Averages of State League games follow:

	AB	H	Pct.
Craig	4	2	.500
Laird	2	1	.500
B. Kelley	37	18	.486
Cheney	27	11	.407
Wright	40	16	.400
G. Kelley	40	15	.375
Horn Parks	18	8	.333
O'Connell	33	8	.242
Havner	35	9	.257
Horn Parks	30	7	.233
Thompson	41	9	.220
Manney	18	2	.111
Parry	0	0	.000
D. Taylor	2	0	.000
Fassett	2	0	.000

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DIMAGGIO BLASTS HOMER NO. 34 AS YANKS. SOX SPLIT

NEW YORK, Aug. 13.—(AP)—The New York Yankees were in luck as the American league pennant race as a team can get without much winning it.

Three more great hitting days by Tetsuji Higami and Otis Clingman haven't anything to do with the world championship. During those 16 days they all tried to do it. The Yankees came out of the gate, they broke the White Sox for straight, and challenged the Red Sox three out of four.

With 34 games left, the Sox are break even—win 27 and lost 27—still win. It would take 19 out of 37 baseball for the Sox to finish in front and 26 out of 37 for the White Sox to do it.

The Yankees came out of the gate with a 11-1 victory over the Sox. The Sox pitched the Sox to a 5-1 triumph in the Sox's 6th game. The Sox pitched the Sox to a 5-1 triumph in the Sox's 6th game.

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