

# HIGH CLIMBER

By DICK STRITE

Bruce Hamby's University of Oregon "Duck Dope" went into the mails today—a little later than the California, Stanford and Oregon State mimeographed pamphlets, but a well gotten-up printed 16-page 1940 football prospectus. The cover, a four-color job, shows John "Buck" Berry in typical ball-packing pose.

While Hamby's product isn't as complete in detail as some of the others, the booklet is very readable and includes all the vital facts regarding the team (vital facts up to and including spring practice, at least).

It certainly isn't necessary for Hamby—like some of the other public men—to evade the issue as to how Oregon stacks up with other conference teams, because he tells in his own words that Tex Oliver has only two returning starters—Jim Stuart, tackle, and Hymie Harris, end.

Bruce's lead story reads: "Many new faces and new personalities will be presented by the University. . . . But in the third graph he gets a little bolder by saying that at the conclusion of the spring practice season Tex came up "with a light and extremely mobile unit which in the final spring exhibition contest appeared well fitted to capably perform the colorful and wide-open 'Oliver Twist' brand of football."

He also makes note of that fact that while Stuart and Dick Ashcom, probable starter at right tackle are the only 200-pound-plus linemen rated as probable starters, the team should prove as stubborn defensively as the 1939 club that was ranked the second strongest defensive team in the league, next to Southern California's Rose Bowl champions (rated by the American Football Statistical Bureau).

The prospectus gives the following probable starting lineup (also based on spring practice): Harris and Bill Regner at ends, Stuart and Ashcom, tackles; Ray Segale and Val Culwell, guards; Erling Jacobsen, center; Chet Halliski, quarter; Berry and Len Isberg, halfbacks, and Marsh Stenstrom, fullback.

But there's a long time between spring practice and the opening of the following season, and changes appear inevitable. Just as an example, Jack McCarty, KORE sportsman, returned from his vacation in southern California this week with the rumor that Paul Sedor, a Wyoming boy who played at Santa Ana junior college last year, will come to Oregon. . . . The lad, who weighs around 240 pounds and plays tackle, was reported virtually wrapped up and delivered to the Trojan campus. . . . There have been other such rumors and there will be more before practice starts September 12—and some of them will materialize. Then again, on a 50-man squad it's almost certain that a few men will develop beyond expectation and replace likely starters.

Dick Horne and Jim Harris are both corking good ends, Frank Boyd is the best punter on the squad and may move into a starting halfback berth, the critics predict that "Butch" Nelson, a Salem boy from the Frosh ranks, may give Stenstrom a contest at fullback, and Roy Ell, another yearling may contest Halliski's right to the quarterback post despite the fact that he weighs only 178 to Chet's 198.

And so on down the line. Just what Oregon has to give to its football followers will not be known until the test under fire.

The injury sustained by our Buck Buchwach at the dog races in Portland (no the dogs didn't think he was the rabbit) is more serious than first believed. . . . In fact, the water on the elbow may curb Buck's literary talents for some time. . . . He planned to "summer" at Rockaway until school starts, but must remain in Eugene and have the arm treated. . . . Buck, incidentally, informed us that Morrie Jacobs, sponsor of last year's championship softball team, caught a beautiful salmon during his vacation on Puget Sound. . . . Buck says the fish. . . . Don Kirsch, Oregon's promising infielder, attended the Eugene-Albany game here last Sunday. . . . He reports the torn shoulder muscle suffered playing with the Silverton Red Sox is well on the way to recovery. . . .

Jean Eberhart, director of athletics at Southern Oregon College of Education gets an outstanding associate in Stephen Edvard Epler, inventor of six-man football. . . . Epler will become dean of men and instructor of educational administration and sociology at the Ashland school. . . . Tom Colasunno, former Mohawk high jumper who retired from the coaching field after the past school year, has passed entrance examinations for the aviation unit of the United States navy and will report to the Sand Point, Washington, school immediately.

The Brooklyn Dodgers are pulling another circus stunt (one that may prove valuable to major league baseball clubs in the future) by making their western swing by air. . . . We make an early football prediction—that U. S. C. will lick Washington State, and Oregon State will not go through its season undefeated. . . . With our record of football prognosticating, both could be wrong. . . . We close with Eddie Brietz's "It's Just a Thought": "I wonder if the Yanks went stale From drinking too much Ruppert's ale."

# Disputed Eugene-Albany Playoff Game Must be Replayed

## Prexy Wilhelm Says No Contest

### A's To Play Sunday Afternoon At Albany

George Wilhelm, president of the Oregon State baseball League, today announced that the first game of the Eugene-Albany State League playoff was no contest and must be played over. The game was won by Albany by a 4-3 score as protested by Eugene Manager Monroe Dean when Umpire Buzz Nonken reversed his decision on a play at the plate which gave the Alcos the winning run.

After a triangular communication between Wilhelm, Business Manager Frank Fassett of Eugene and Manager "Mac" McReynolds of Albany, the contest was definitely scheduled to be played at Albany Sunday afternoon, starting at 2:30 p. m.

No doubt Eugene's young left-hander and Albany's youthful pitcher, Jack Richards and Glenn Elliott, respectively, will hook up in another pitching duel. In the protested game Richards almost had a well earned victory already in his pocket until Jimmy Robertson drove in the tying run with a double in the last half of the ninth.

The disputed play was in the last half of the final inning when Albany rightfielder Carl Shoots tried to steal home with the winning run. Eugene pitcher Jack Richards continued his wind-up and pitched to Catcher Norval Libby who touched Shoots out at plate. A loud and long protest arose from the Albany dug-out when Umpire Nonken raised his hand indicating that the runner was out. But the Albany protest was nothing compared to the outburst from the Eugene dugout when the decision was changed and the run allowed to count.

Wilhelm announced that two Portland umpires, with "Spec" Burke as umpire-in-chief, would officiate the contest. He explained that the action of Umpire Buzz Nonken in last Saturday's game was in violation of rule 56 which gives the umpire right to change his decision after a protest has been filed by either the offended team's manager or captain.

Nonken, according to Wilhelm, admitted that he was confused and wasn't quite sure what had happened. The league president said that Nonken, after calling the runner out, failed to make any motion to the contrary and that too much time had elapsed (that he didn't change his verdict until charged by the Albany players and management) between the time he first called Shoots out at the plate and then allowed the run to count.

The Alcos have a one game lead in the playoff by virtue of last Sunday's 10-2 victory over the Athletics in Eugene. Another victory will give them the crown while a victory for the Athletics will necessitate another game.

There was no doubt about the Albany victory Sunday. The big Albany bats shelled three Eugene pitchers for 14 hits while Oscar "Red" Miller was limiting the Eugeneans to seven hits.

## Pat Comiskey-Baer Battle Announced

NEWARK, N. J., Aug. 21.—(AP)—Clowning Maxie Baer and poker-faced Pat Comiskey strapping young Paterson heavyweight, will tangle in Jersey City next month for the right to fight champion Joe Louis "sometime next summer."

The bout was announced in San Francisco last night by Jack Kearns.

## Grouse Season Opens In Three Counties

PORTLAND, Aug. 21.—(AP)—The Oregon State Game commission Tuesday announced the season for Sooty or Blue Grouse will open in Willowa, Union and Baker counties next Sunday, Aug. 25.

The commission said the season will be open until Aug. 31 and that the bag limit will be four birds in any one day, but not more than eight in any seven consecutive days.

## Bob 'Bullet-head' Kennaston To Meet Jack Hagen Thursday

Sergeant Bob Kennaston's bullet head is expected to present a definite problem for Jack "Headlock" Hagen when the Louisiana grappler meets the tough ex-marine in the 30-minute opener of Promoter Herb Owen's professional mat show at the armory Thursday night. The famous headlock expert failed to win his return appearance here last week when he was held to a draw by Joe Lyman, sensational Redmond, Ore., youngster.



PORTLAND'S MULTNOMAH ATHLETIC CLUB got off to a good start in the women's National A. U. swimming meet in that city when Brenda Helser, right, and Joyce MacRae, both representing the club, came in one-two in the 110-yard free style race.

## 65 Year Old Texan Wins Grand American Clay Target Crown

By FRITZ HOWELL  
VANDALIA, O., Aug. 21.—(AP)—Sportsdom will travel a long way before it finds another champion with the background, color and "heart" boasted by trapshooting's new North American clay target king—65-year-old Forest McNeir of Houston, Tex.

Lela Hall, the charming housewife from Strasburg, Mo., won her fifth North American feminine crown yesterday at the 41st Grand American and Fred Tomlin, of Glassboro, N. J., grabbed his fifth professional title, but all the talk today around the big cartridge carnival was about McNeir.

The Texan, wearing a high-stiffly starched collar, paid no attention to the high wind as he cracked 200 straight to beat the best in the land for trapdom's toughest title. It was the only perfect count of the day, and it gave McNeir a championship he had tied for in 1920 and 1935, only to lose in shootouts.

But today he wore the royal robes, and the trapshooting world will tell you he won 'em the hard way.

Four years ago he fell from a building in Houston, suffering a broken back and a crushed left arm. His left hand was amputated at the wrist, but when McNeir regained consciousness he had the hand sewed back on. The fingers failed to function, and two inches of flesh and bone are missing from the arm, but he asks no odds of anyone.

Surgeons told him he probably would never shoot again, but two years after his accident he was back at the "Roaring Grand" with a caddy to carry and load his gun. He fired the entire program.

## Joe Gordon . . .

WHAT HE DID TUESDAY

AB	RBI	H	PO	A	E
4	0	2	2	0	0

Second game.

AB	RBI	H	PO	A	E
3	0	1	4	0	0

HIS SEASON'S RECORD

AB	RBI	H	PO	A	E
422	70	127	174	234	24
Fielding %	A	E	Per.		
.234	200	13	276		

## 35-Year-Old Corbett III Wins Decision

FRESNO, Cal., Aug. 21.—(AP)—There's life in the old boy yet, even if Young Corbett III, former world welterweight champion, is approaching the age of 35 when he will automatically be barred from California's rings.

"Young" Corbett mauled Sheik Rameek, a 21-year-old middleweight, for 10 rounds to win a decision from Referee Fred Bottaro before 7500 fans in an outdoor fight here last night.

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## Diamond "A" Blanked With One Hit

### Canners Topped By Bonneville

Expert Pitching Tops State Softball Play

By DICK STRITE  
SWEETLAND FIELD, Salem, Ore., Aug. 21.—(Special)—Eugene's 1340 state softball tournament entrant had a shorter life than usual, by at least several minutes as the Diamond "A" Cannners fell before the Bonneville Army Engineers here Tuesday night in the second night of first-round tourney clashes. Several thousand spectators were still on hand for the last of four night contests and watched "Biff" Geogesen shutout the local aggregation, 7 to 0, in exactly 55 minutes.

Geogesen, a tournament veteran, virtually handcuffed the Eugene city titleholders and Lane-Douglass-Coos district representatives. And the former Portlander had the second no-hit, no-run game of the evening within his grasp. With two away in the final inning, Wayne Phillips, Eugene center-fielder, bounced one down the third-base line and beat out the infield bingle for the only hit of the game.

Earlier in the evening, Harvey Griffin, Pendleton wrist-whipping twirler, hurled a no-no game in giving his Elk teammates a 2-0 triumph over Kennedy's Kids, Salem's No. 2 entrant. In other first-round games Tuesday, Oregon City pounded out 13 hits off Bill "Speedball" Jones to wallop McMinnville 9-5 after the Firemen had taken a 4-0 lead in the first two frames. Salem's champions, Square Deal, romped through Woodburn's weak club by an 8 to 1 count.

Oregon City advanced into the second round and will meet Pendleton while Square Deal will play Bonneville in the next series of tournament tests.

Griffin's no-hitter was well-earned while a hitless performance by Geogesen would have been handed him on a "golden platter." Even his one-hit pitching was as unearned as six of the seven runs his teammates gathered off Basil Wilson and Verne Adams, Eugene chuckers. The Bonneville moundman had poor control, walking five batters, but played the Eugene "sluggers" for a gang of suckers for his change-of-pace pitches. It was a pitiful thing to see—players who had batted in the 400's in city competition "kill" a nothing ball.

The Cannners did no worse than several other Eugene state tournament entrants, making the usual number of misplays as the one earned Bonneville run indicates. Phillips Gets Only Hit

While Diamond "A" had a man on second in both the first and second innings, it wasn't until the final frame that they seriously threatened. With one out, Courtnie Towne drew a walk. Ed Wellnitz popped out to second, but it was then that Phillips came through with Eugene's only hit of the game. Herb Hamer pounded a high fly to center field to retire the side and leave two runners stranded.

Bonneville scored one run in the first canto when Schlaffe hit a blooper off the bat handle—a bingle that went for two bases. Stremick beat out a hunt to first and the Engineers had "ducks on." Danielson walked to fill the bases and then Reimer grounded out to

## Zale, Soose Bout Tonight

By TOM SILER

CHICAGO, Aug. 21.—(AP)—Tony Zale, hard-punching product of the Gary, Ind., steel mills, is putting everything but his middleweight title on the line tonight in a 10-round outdoor battle with Billy Soose, Scranton, Pa.

The fight will be Zale's first appearance since he knocked out Al Hostak, the National Boxing Association's champion, in Seattle a month ago. Soose out-fought Ken Overlin, recognized in New York as the champion, in his last bout.

Although Zale cannot lose his N. B. A. title tonight, he stands to lose a tremendous amount of prestige and see his string of straight victories broken if Soose wins. The former Penn State college champion rates as a smooth boxer and sharp puncher. Zale is a crowding battler who totes a terrific body punch.

The Gary youth is a 7-to-5 favorite to win and an even money choice to end the bout in less than 10 rounds.

A victory tonight for Zale would set the stage for a battle with Overlin with the outcome clearing up the muddled middleweight division title situation.

## Helser Pitches Well But Loses

(Associated Press)

Frank Volpi's two homers in a free hitting game gave the Wenatchee Chiefs a 13-11 victory in their Western International league contest with the Vancouver Capilanos in Wenatchee Tuesday.

Volpi hit a circuit clout in the sixth inning to tie the count and hammered out another in the eighth with one aboard to assure victory.

In another free hitting game the Yakima Pippins defeated the league leading Spokane Indians 18-14 in Spokane. Both teams used three pitchers.

Johnny Stamper led the Yakima sluggers with five singles in seven trips to the platter.

George Farrell's homer with two out in the last of the ninth gave the Tacoma Tigers a 1-0 victory over the Salem Senators in Tacoma.

It was a brilliant mound duel between Roy Helser, Salem southpaw, and Ray Medeghini, a right hander, until Farrell's blow. Medeghini gave up only three hits and Helser six.

## Creswell Registers Shutout In Grove

Shutout

CRESWELL, Aug. 21.—(Special)—In the soft ball games played Monday night at Kelly field, Eagles upset the Knickerbockers, 8 to 6. This is the second league game that Knickerbockers have lost. In the night cap game Creswell walloped McCoy's 16 to 0. This is the first shut-out game in League play.

## Leaders Gain In Major Loops

Second Place Teams Lose Doubleheaders

By BILL WHITE  
Associated Press Sports Writer

A lot of experting has been done to show how the Brooklyn Dodgers and the Detroit Tigers can win the big league pennants. But the fact remains that Cincinnati and Cleveland still are getting ready to entertain the World series crowds.

The ability to win when a victory is most needed seems to be the strong point of both teams—and it was never better demonstrated than Tuesday.

The Reds were faced with the red-hot (for a day) Giants and the Dodgers were willing—nay, anxious—to whittle the St. Louis Cards down twice and thus get within 2½ games of the Rhinelanders. But today's standings will show the Brooks are 5½ games back, thanks to the Reds' stirring finish over the Giants in a 3-2 thriller and the Brooks' double loss to the Cards, 3-0, and 4-3.

Pinch Hitters Hit

The Jints' bill Lochman had his 10th victory practically in his pocket when the Reds unleashed a four-hit, ninth-inning attack that went like this: Pinch hitter Lew Riggs doubled and scored Linus Frey's single. Frey advanced on Ival Goodman's double and they both rode home on Frank McCormick's long single to left. The victory thus went to Junior Thompson—his 12th of the campaign.

After the Dodgers bowed to Clyde Shoun's six hit pitching in the first game at St. Louis, Hugh Casey came apart at the seams and cost them the second game. The nightcap was tied at 3-all, thanks to a pair of Dodger homers by Pete Coscarart and Dolph Camilli and there was one out in the Cards' half of the eighth. Then Johnny Mize singled, Enos Slaughter walked, Joe Oregano made the second out, and then on eight straight balls pinch hitters Lon Padgett and Stu Martin walked to force in the winning run.

Claude Passeau racked up his 15th win of the season by pitching the Cubs to a 4-0 decision over the Phillies. He gave up only three hits and issued no walks for one of the day's best performances.

Dick Lanahan wasn't quite as effective but he hurled the Pirates to a 6-3 decision over the Boston Bees, to end a six-game losing streak, as DeWalt Garms continued his sensational hitting getting three blows to boost his average for the last 27 games to .419.

Keltner Good at Boston

If the Indians want to clinch the American league pennant quickly, they ought to play the rest of their games at Boston's Fenway park where Ken Keltner is usually good for a batting spree. He had one yesterday in leading the leaders to an 11-6 victory over the Sox. His round tripper with the bases loaded was the lustiest blow in the game that gave Bobby Feller his

## Rainiers Lead 16½ Games

(Associated Press)

A home run, with two outs sent the Seattle Rainiers into 15½ games ahead of the Coast league field today.

Pinch-Hitter Spencer's eighth inning explosion, the champion Rainiers moved ahead to beat their nearest competitor, Los Angeles, 6 to 4.

It also ended a four-game streak and let Pitcher Ted Retzlaff win his league-leading total of 21.

The Angels clung to their game grip on second place, ever, because the Oakland Athletics fumbled away to a 5 to 4 defeat at the hands of Hollywood.

San Diego edged ahead in battle for fourth place by beating the Caboose club, Portland, 3, with Wally Hebert allowing Beavers seven hits.

Sacramento, contending the Padres for a place in the season playoff, shared the feature with the visiting San Francisco Seahawk, opening 12 to 0 and dropping finale 3 to 1.

The Seals, always good to laugh, in one inning of the game played with only eight out was it discovered the fielder Brooks Holder was in the clubhouse.

The Seals got 19 hits in their game with the Seals were miffing five errors. The apparent reason the Seals buckled down to errand in the short second game of Frank Dasso held the Seals to six safeties.

22nd victory, though he didn't

The Yanks climbed into a place tie with the Chicago Sox by earning a double victory over the Detroit Tigers and 4-2. Old Charley Root's young Ernie Bonham batted a very good game. That the Tigers 4½ games back at the

The White Sox had trouble the Athletics, winning the game 6-1 with a five-run ninth but losing the second in the tenth when Wally stole home with the winning

The Browns' Elden Aaker marined the Senators to a 4-0 feat—the fifth straight setback Washington.

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