

Strikes

By Paul Deutschmann

Lady keepers of Eugene will get a chance to show their stuff the next two Sundays during the annual Women's City tournament. The affair, an all-handicap meet, will open Sunday, April 4, at the Recreation with team competition.

The doubles and singles matches will be held the following week, April 11, at the U-Bowl. Entry lists for the events were scheduled to close last Saturday.

The 275 club, which hasn't been picking up much talent this year, must have been putting on a membership drive last week, because two new members were added to the rolls of Eugene's "super-bowlers."

The two were Virgil Jones, recent winner of the city scratch title, and Hal Young, operator of the Eugene Recreation.

Jones, who has been flirting with the high mark for some time, finally came through Sunday afternoon, with nine straight strikes, a nine-pin hit, and a spare for 279.

By the same score, Young added his name to the exclusive club roster. He rolled the 279 in a match against Roy Rasmussen and Ralph Bricker Saturday evening.

A crippled Tacoma bowler, Red Wakefield, is credited with rolling one of the highest eight-game scores ever made in the north-west. Wakefield scored 1,736—an average of 217 per game—Sunday evening in the Seattle Recreation tournament.

U-BOWL—Slips and Slides are in local league first place, 22 won, 13 lost. Hoosier Hot Shots have 21-15; Pin Twisters 20-18; Ritz Rollers 19-17; Midgits 15-21; and Spares 11-25.

With two series to go, Virgil Jones service has a three-game lead in the Super circuit. The Jones boys have won 23 and lost 13. If they win, the team will be one of the few to repeat a first-half victory. Pennywise has an outside chance 20-16; Johnson 19-17; Guard and Junior Chamber 18-18; Richfield 18-20; Dotson and SP 15-21.

KORE lead the U-Bowl ladies league with 26-10; Pennywise 24-21; Dotson 20-18; C & S 16-20; Wintergarden 14-22; M & W 8-28. The ladies have three more nights of league bowling.

With two weeks to go Pennywise of the Moose league have a comfortable four-game margin, with 26 won and 10 lost. In second, up from fourth place, is U-Bowl, with 22-14. Wintergarden and Health Spots are tied with 21-15. Bristol has 17-19; Clingman 16-20; Poles 14-22; White 7-29.

RECREATION—The outcome of a match between Consolidated Freight and General Petroleum may decide the Willamette league second half winner Monday evening. The Freighters have won 24, lost 12, for a 5-game margin. If they win one, they have at least a tie, and two games will put them in. The Oilers have won 19 and lost 17. Down the line are Medoland, 15-21, and Texaco, 14-22, winners of the first half.

Split-pickers of the Willamette league last week was H. G. Johnson, General Petroleum, who nipped the 4-10.

If the trophies were ready Eugene Plywoods could take them home, because they have won the West Coast circuit crown already with 28 won, 8 lost, 8 games ahead of the pack. Booth-Kelly has 20-16, as does Springfield Plywood, while Veatch has 4-32.

Closest Recreation race at this stage is the Major league, where Goodyear has a three-game margin over Southern Pacific, winner of the first half. The Goodyear keepers have won 23, lost 13, as compared with SP's 20-16. The leaders play this Wednesday. Chiamont has 19-17, Pennywise and Clingman's 18-18, and Cokes 10-26.

The chips are all hauled in for the McKenzie league also with Beeson-Hall out of reach. The B-H five have won 25 games and lost only 11. P. K. Pak is in second with 18-18, DeNeffes, first-half winners, have 16-20; and Rubenstein, 13-23.

Hal Davis of California Rates Best Among Great Sprinters

By DAN MCGUIRE

BERKELEY, Cal., March 29.—(AP)—Gentlemen, you can have your Paddock, Owens, Metcalfe, Wykoff, Kirksey, et al., we'll take Harold "Prince Hal" Davis.

Yes, they've all worn at one time or another the sobriquet of "world's fastest human," but we'd put our bankroll, such as it is, on Prince Hal of Berkeley if the years were rolled away and the greatest sprinters of all time gathered for one magnificent race.

Fate deemed that Davis should come along when other top-flight sprinters are at a premium and for a lad who thrives on competition that is an unfortunate situation. Prince Hal likes to pour it on only when his rivals are fast enough to get out in front of him at the stake.

Take a look at his record. In three years of college competition—two at Salinas junior college and one at the University of California—he has been defeated just twice. Last year he won 24 consecutive races and reeled off a 9.4 century which is still up for consideration by the international A.A.U.

He has smashed or equalled all the records set by the leading sprinters of yesterday and is co-holder of the world's mark for the

Oregon's 1943 Baseball Opener Against Linfield Tuesday

Game Booked For 3 O'clock

Caviness, White Lost To Webfoot Ball Club

A crippled University of Oregon baseball team, champions of the northern division, Pacific coast conference, makes its 1943 debut here Tuesday afternoon on Howe field against a question-mark Linfield College nine. Game time is 3 o'clock.

The Webfoots, under the leadership of Dick Whitman while Coach Howard Hobson is in the east, have a complete battery combination out of action. Bill McKevitt, only experienced catcher, was put out of action a week ago with a broken arm. Last Saturday Bob Caviness, talented freshman southpaw pitcher, was added to the hospital list when he crashed into Reserve Catcher Haines and lost three teeth and suffered cuts about the mouth.

To add to a troublesome outfield situation, Bill "Whizzer" White, veteran outfielder on the 1941 squad who returned to school this winter, packed up his baggage and left the campus Sunday to report to the army air corps. His departure leaves Whitman and Hobson with only one experienced gardener—Dick Burns who also carries a first-basing assignment when Captain Johnny Bubalo moves from the initial sack to the mound. Caviness was also a potential first-base and outfield prospect.

Only positions that present no worries to the mentors are the infield berths where all of last year's members return—Bubalo, Don Kirsh at second, Bob Farrow at short and Bill Hamel at third. There are also numerous infielders among the newcomers, including Barney Koch and Art Murphy who may be shifted to the outfield along with Tom Oxman, Bill Skade and Bob Aiken.

Roy Carlson, freshmen catcher who played with Bend in the State league last summer, is expected to be behind the plate Tuesday. Whitman is expected to use three hurlers three innings each—Nick Begleries, only veteran; Whitey Lokan, up from the 1942 freshmen, and Bubalo.

Little is known about Henry Leever's Wildcats which are believed to be built around Tom Hansen at first and Bob Bolen in the outfield. Linfield, however, can be expected to present a formidable lineup.

Detroit, Boston Hockey Leaders

Detroit's National Hockey league champions rallied for three last-period goals Sunday night to defeat the Toronto Maple Leafs 4-2 and take a 3-to-2 edge in their best-of-seven series at Stanley Cup playoffs.

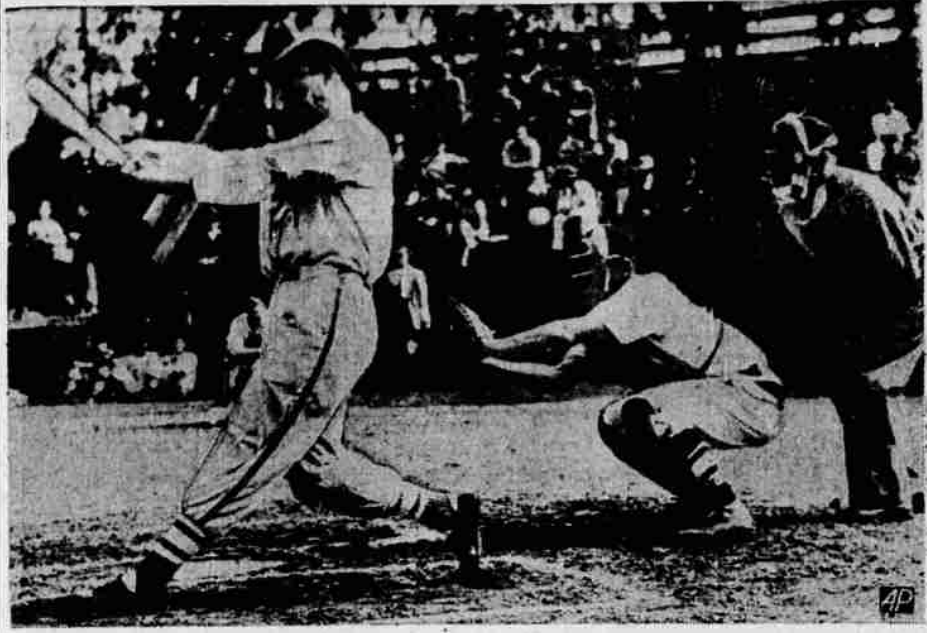
The teams go to Toronto for the sixth game Tuesday and return to Detroit Thursday, if necessary, to close the series. Montreal, trailing the Bruins, 3-1 in the series B set, invades Boston Tuesday in the fifth game and returns home April 1, if necessary.

Toronto's last-minute strategy of sending six forwards on the ice backfired and enabled the Wings to triumph by a score identical with their other victories.

Vandals Have Two Left

MOSCOW, Idaho, March 29.—(AP)—The University of Idaho track team, which will have its first meet of the season Saturday in dogs against Washington State at Pullman, has just two veterans on the squad.

All the rest are in the army. "I lost a whole track team to the army last week," Coach Mike Ryan declared. The two lettermen left are John Thomas, half-miler, and La Mar Chapman, two-miler.



JOE DIMAGGIO PLAYS BALL FOR THE ARMY—Private Joe Dimaggio, making his first diamond appearance since he doffed his uniform as a New York Yankee outfielder for Uncle Sam's olive drab, went hitless as he helped the Santa Ana Army Air Base nine defeat Fullerton Junior college, 6 to 4, at Fullerton, Calif.

Pittsburgh Pirates Are Given Rest After Good Performance

(Associated Press)

MUNCIE, Ind.—The Pittsburgh Pirates, so surprised Manager Frankie Frisch in Sunday's intra-club game that he ordered another contest for today.

The regulars, with Elbie Fletcher at first, Pete Coscarat at second, Frank Gustine at short and Bob Elliott on third, handled 45 chances without a miscue.

REDS LIKE USHER
BLOOMINGTON, Ind.—Manager Bill McKevitt of the Cincinnati Reds is confident that Bob Usher, 18-year-old speedster picked off the California sandlots, will be a great outfielder some day. Usher placed second with

Eddie Dyer Named Cardinal Farm Boss

COLUMBUS, O., March 29.—(AP)—Eddie Dyer, former manager of the Columbus Red Birds in the American Association, today was expected to take over most of the duties formerly handled by Branch Rickey for the St. Louis Cardinals.

Dyer was named "coordinator of minor league clubs" by club president, Sam Breadon, in the first major Cardinals' front-office appointment since Rickey left to become general manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers.

In his first year as manager of Columbus last season, Dyer piloted the club to victory in the Association playoffs and "Little World Series."

Henry "Nick" Cullop, former major and minor league player, will succeed Dyer as manager of Columbus. He played with the New York Yankees in 1924-25 and part of 1926, and with Washington, Cleveland, Brooklyn and Cincinnati in following seasons.

Coast Clubs Move Into Full Training

(United Press)

ANAHEIM, Cal.—The Los Angeles Angels were into their second day of spring training for the Pacific coast league season today after a light workout yesterday under the eye of Manager Bill Sweeney.

Among the veterans who reported were catchers, Harry Land and Eddie Fernandez, pitchers Ken Raffensberger and Pete Mallory and infielder Charlie English.

HOLLYWOOD—The Hollywood Stars officially opened their spring training season yesterday on their home grounds at Gilmore Field. New manager, Charlie Root announced the signing of three new players—Jimmy Davis, a veteran from Texas; Todd Davis, graduate of a Star rookie school, and Charles Giunt, formerly with Topeka in the Western Association.

SAN FRANCISCO—The San Francisco Seals reported 24 men either in Spring training camp at Seals Stadium or on their way as the squad started its second week of workouts. Bruce Ogrodowski worked out yesterday.

LEWISTON, Ida.—The Seattle Rainiers are working mostly the younger pitchers, Rodney Sooter, Joe Demoran, Bob Molitor, and McKinnon.

Eighteen players have turned up for training so far. Biggest gap is still on the pitching staff. Hal Turpin has not decided whether he will sign again with the Rainiers.

SAN JOSE, Cal.—Hopeful eyes today were turned toward big Roy Easterwood, Portland Beavers catcher, to fill the batting role left by loss of Ted Norbert.

Norbert, the club's 1942 leading hitter, was traded to the American Association Milwaukee team for four players.

Tex Hager Captures Mat 'Battle Royal'

Tex Hager, the popular Creswell grappler, won a surprising victory over five formidable foes, in the "battle royal" wrestling feature at the Pearl Street arena Saturday night before a capacity crowd. The "Creswell Cyclone" went into the finals against the "Hoosier Hot Shot," Jack Lipscomb, and won in straight falls—both on technical verdicts by Referee Elton Owen.

The six-man free-for-all was one of the hottest ever held here, despite the absence of Pierre LaBelle, new French matman who failed to make stage connections from Portland. Elton Owen substituted and Tommy Roblin, all-coast fullback from the University of Oregon, substituted as referee in the opening part of the skirmish.

Owen was the first eliminated, suffering from a fist attack at the hands of Lipscomb, his hated rival, the current king of northwest villians and coast light-heavyweight champion. Ernie Piluso was the second eliminated and he was followed by Bulldog Jackson and George Wagner, in that order.

With only Lipscomb, Wagner and Hager remaining, it looked like curtains for the champ when Wagner lifted Lipscomb into the air for an Australian piledriver. But at the peak of the fall, Hager drop-kicked Wagner and Lipscomb tumbled down on top of "Gorgeous George" for the fall.

Wagner, the cry-baby meanie, and Jackson staged a colorful battle in the semi-final, going to a draw without a fall.

Although Hager won on two fouls, he gave a fine performance against Lipscomb who took a terrific beating from all opponents throughout the evening. The verdicts given by Referee Owen further widened the relationship between the two matmen and there was a knock-down and drag-out battle in the dressing room following the finale.

Lipscomb again challenged Owen to enter the ring in a mat match, and Owen demanded that Lipscomb meet him with gloves. At the same time Wagner renewed his challenge of Lipscomb to a championship match which is expected to be the headline attraction of next Saturday's show.

Spring Football Gets Portland Taboo Sign

PORTLAND, Ore., March 29.—(AP)—Spring football practice will not be held at the University of Portland, Coach R. L. "Matty" Mathews, director of athletics and head football coach, said today.

He emphasized, however, that other spring athletic activities would continue. Football training is different, he said, because many of the boys were working in war industries after school.

Mel Ott Holds Many National Loop Marks

NEW YORK, March 29.—(AP)—Runs, hits and errors from the 1943 National league green book: The senior circuit has contributed a total of 113 men to the armed forces. Maybe it isn't justice, but the lowly Philadelphia Phils head this honorable department with 17 players pitching for Uncle Sam. Brooklyn's Dodgers contributed 16, the St. Louis Cardinals and the Cincinnati Reds, each 15; the New York Giants and Boston Braves, each 14; the Chicago Cubs, 13, and Pittsburgh Pirates, nine.

A good bet for prize rookie of the year is the Dodgers' Puerto Rican gardener, Luis Rodriguez "Country" Olmo. With the Richmond Colts last season, Olmo led the league with a .337 batting average and 92 runs batted in. Aging infielders note: Pistol Pete Reiser of the Dodgers, and now of the army, didn't hit into a single double play in 125 games last season.

Superstition may have its points, at that. Claude Passeau of the Cubs wears 13 on his back, gave up 13 home runs last season and ranked 13th on the pitchers' list in that ignominious department.

Teammate Bill Lee remained the toughest twirler to hit for the circuit. Big Bill in 220 innings allowed only four round-trippers—one for every 55 innings.

The jade tome emphasizes one mighty reason why the New York Giants pulled up to third place last season. His name is Mel Ott. Little Mel's 30 homers made him the round-trip king for the sixth time; he scored 118 runs to pass the century mark for the ninth time, and set all-time league records of 445 homers, 1648 batted in, 1444 bases on balls, 10 years for 100 or more walks, eight years for 30 or more homers in a season and for the 43rd time hit two homers in one game. It is rumored that the little pilot also helped the bat boy.

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Giant Players May Be Stopped by New Rule

NEW YORK, March 29.—(AP)—After watching one towering player bat away 17 rival shots in a single game, officers of the National basketball committee have decided to cut down the tall athlete's defensive prowess.

The officers approved an experiment for next season whereby it will be a violation "when a player touches a try for goal on its downward arc above the level of the basket."

Mikan Knocks 17 Away
Announcement of the experiment followed by only three days the performance of George Mikan, DePaul university's 6-foot 8-inch center, who flipped aside 17 Dartmouth shots in the opening round of the Eastern National collegiate playoffs in Madison Square Garden.

Experts said at least 11 of the attempts would have tumbled through the hoop except for Mikan's "goal-tending." Dartmouth was defeated by the Chicagoans, 46 to 35.

The experiment was not written into the rule book but will be tried at various times next season and then considered for inclusion in the laws at the 1944 meeting.

Other changes, also labeled "experiments" because they were not written into the rules but will get a trial period of one-year, would eliminate the freethrows after a double foul, unlimited substitution, and bring minor equipment variations.

Only Officers Meet
Only officers, headed by committee chairman, J. W. St. Clair of Southern Methodist, met because of the travel restrictions.

The coaches' organization meets today but will adjourn in time to see Toledo university and St. John's battle for the National invitational title at the garden.

Tuesday evening, Wyoming will oppose Georgetown for the NCAA championship and on Thursday night the winners of the two tournaments will oppose each other in a Red Cross benefit.

Wyoming defeated Texas University, 58 to 54, at Kansas City Saturday night to represent the west in the NCAA playoffs. St. Johns tumbled Fordham, 69 to 43, and Toledo mastered Washington & Jefferson, 48 to 39, before the Garden's largest basketball crowd—18,419.

Washington Opens Springfield Football; 20 Lettermen Due

SEATTLE, March 29.—(AP)—The University of Washington opened its spring football practice today, faced with the virtual certainty that most of the veterans on hand will probably be in some branch of the armed forces by next fall.

For that reason, Coach Ralph "Pest" Welch says that the ordinary garden variety of campus collegian were welcomed along with the polished performers.

About 20 varsity men from last year's squad plus a number of last year's freshmen were on hand for the five-week drill.

The training program will be designed to put participants into physical trim to play football or fight Japs, whichever turns up first, Welch said.

RED SOX FIND COMBINATION

MEDFORD, Mass.—Skeeter Newsome and Eddie Lake, new second base combination of the Boston Red Sox, were the talk of the camp today for their brilliant exhibition of fielding in yesterday's workout.

BRANCATO WITH A'S

WILMINGTON, Del.—Al Brancato, who was the regular Philadelphia Athletic shortstop until he enlisted in the navy a year ago, played with the Mack reserves yesterday against the regulars. He was here on a brief visit.

Dunaway, Fischer Golf Co-Medallists

Forty-five golfers are scheduled to tee off this week in opening rounds of the annual Eugene Country club handicap tournament with 32 qualifying for play in the championship flight and a crack at the "President's Trophy" won last year by Harvey Roe. Thirteen other golfers will vie in second and third flights.

Medallist honors in the tournament were shared by Larry Dunaway, 82-10-79, and Dr. J. I. Fischer, 83-11-72. The lowest gross score was posted by Don Leal, defending club champion. Roe had to be content with an 86-11-75, while his finalist opponent of last year, Grover Kel-

say, posted an 83-10-73. The beaten 18 in the championship flight will make up the first flight and consolation rounds will be held in all flights, according to Wendell Wood, club professional. Competitors are requested to arrange their own matches by contacting scheduled opponents. All first-round matches must be completed by April 5.

Handicap play will be under a seven-eighths difference play, strokes as they appear on the card. First-round pairings, including gross scores and handicaps, follow:

Lou Jennings Wins Frisco Golf Crown

SAN FRANCISCO, March 29.—(AP)—Lou Jennings of Portland, Ore., added the San Francisco amateur golf championship to his list of titles today.

Jennings, former Oregon champion and Portland city titlist, defeated Pat Casey of San Francisco, 3 and 2, in a scheduled 36-hole final round yesterday.

At the end of the first nine, Jennings was one down, but picked up three holes to lead by two at the finish of the first 18. At the 34th he led by three, and the match stopped. Jennings card by strokes was two over par for the 34 holes played.

Injuries Fail to Dampen Enthusiasm Of Ice Hockey Fans

DETROIT, March 29.—(AP)—It takes more than physical hardship to dampen the ardor of Mr. and Mrs. Lou Reese of Lansing, Mich., for ice hockey. They sat along the boards at Olympia Arena last night watching the Detroit-Toronto Stanley Cup game. In the second period Mrs. Reese was cut by a wild-flying puck. She went to the first-aid room for four stitches. Just as she was returning to her seat her husband was struck on the nose by another puck. He went out for two stitches. Bandaged, they were reunited to cheer through the third period as Detroit rallied to win 4-2.

Sally Green Announces Table Tennis Title

ST. LOUIS, March 29.—(AP)—Sally Green of Indianapolis today holds her fourth consecutive United States women's singles table tennis title and Petty Officer Third Class Bill Holzhichter of Great Lakes is new champion in the men's singles division.

Miss Green won from Mrs. Cloutier of Arlington, Mass. Holzhichter defeated Tiber Hazi of Washington, D. C.

Benefit Crowd Sees Crosby Defeat Hope

LONG BEACH, Calif., March 29.—(AP)—More than 4000 fans crowded close yesterday to see Crooner-Actor Bing Crosby and Olin Dutra defeat Comedian Bob Hope and Jimmy Thomson, pro 3 and 2 in an exhibition golf match for the benefit of Los Serranos naval hospital.

Snead Still Socks 'Em

CORONADO, Calif., March 29.—(AP)—Service in Uncle Sam's navy hasn't dulled Sammy Snead's golf game.

The long-hitting professional, now attached to the Coronado naval training station, won the county open tournament with a pair of 67's. His 134 total was 10 strokes under par.

Bill Foley, defending champion and Lancy Williamson tied for second with 144's.

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