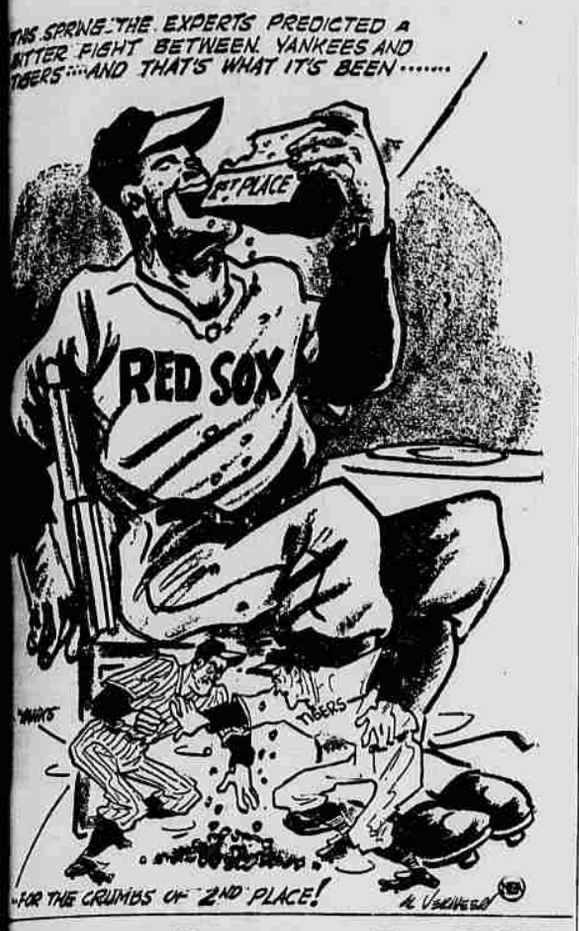

Nelson Looms As PGA Tournament Favorite

PORTLAND, Ore.—(U.P.)—Beat Nelson and take the money!

That's the cry here today as the nation's outstanding golfers prepared for the 1946 PGA tournament, which gets under way on Monday with the 36-hole qualifying round.

Tournament Manager Freddie Corcoran said today that most of the professional stars figure that Nelson, defending champion, definitely is the top threat. He not only won the crown in 1945, but also way back in 1940.

"It will take long, straight driving to win this contest," Corcoran told United Press. "The fairways are narrow and the rough is in such bad shape that if your ball goes off the main stem it is just as good as lost."

Along with Nelson in the "straight driving" class is Vic Ghezzi, the 1941 champion and the early odds point to these two to meet in the finals.

Nelson, suffering from a back injury, admits he doesn't like to compete in match-play tournaments, but as the records show, he hasn't done too badly in them.

Among the darkhorses in the tournament are a pair of comparative unknowns—Armand Farina, Schenectady, N. Y., and Clarence Doser, Scarsdale, N. Y., both of whom have been impressive on the tournament swing this summer.

Lawson Little, Monterey, Calif., former amateur and open champion, will be playing in his first PGA tournament, as will Chick Harbert, the long-driving star from Battle Creek, Mich.

Four former champions will be competing in this meet: Ghezzi, Nelson; Sam Snead, who won in 1942, and Bob Hamilton, 1944 champion. Greying Denny Shute also is entered, but has failed to show here.

All of the golfers entered, with the exception of Defending Champion Nelson, will have to qualify.

Sixty-three qualifiers and Nelson will start match play on Wednesday.

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Portlanders Break Swimming Records

SHAKMAK STATE PARK, Ind.—(U.P.)—A new set of champions reigned today after the first day's activity in the senior championships of the national AAU women's swimming meet.

Not one of last year's winners successfully defended her title, although Ann Curtis, San Francisco, 1945 100-meter free style champion, coasted to an easy victory in the 1,500-meter free style division.

The other winners were all new to the victors' circle.

New records were set in three events. Brenda Helser, Portland, swam the 100-meter free style race in 1:07.2, a new AAU mark.

Nancy Merki, Portland, set a new American record in the 300-meter individual medley. Her time, 4:29.9, shaced nearly to and a half seconds off the old mark.

Suzanne Zimmerman, Portland, broke the 200-meter backstroke record. Her time was 2:48.7.

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1945 Champs Win

WICHITA, Kas. — (AP) — Enid, Okla., Enidairs, 1945 national champions, opened the 12th annual national semi-pro baseball tournament Friday night with an 8-4 victory over Bemiston, Ala.

A capacity turnout estimated at 10,000 watched the game.

Cottage Grove Takes District 15 Opener

COTTAGE GROVE — Perrin Hocker of the Knickerbocker nine held the Rainbow Grill Club of Roseburg to four hits here Friday night in the first game of a two-out-of-three series to determine the District 15 entrant in the state softball tourney. Baughman, catcher for the Southerners, hit two of the four hits.

The winning club gave the 453 paid customers a poor fielding exhibition, being charged with 13 errors. The Roseburg crew was charged with two.

Gordon Elfing, first baseman for Knickerbocker, knocked in the two winning runs with his single in the last of the sixth. Frank Suiter was the leading hitter with three hits in three times at bat.

The second game of the series will be played at Roseburg Monday night, with the third game at Cottage Grove Tuesday night, if necessary.

Score:

		R	H	E
Knickerbocker	120 103 0	7	8	13
Rainbow	211 100 0	5	4	2

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Miller Lumbermen Win First Cascade Contest

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Standings	W	L	Pct.
Hills Creek Billies	5	2	.714
Giustina Reds	5	2	.714
Snellstrom Braves	3	4	.429
Miller Lumbermen	1	6	.143

Sunday—Hills Creek vs. Snellstrom, 2:30 p.m.
Wednesday — Giustina vs. Miller's, 8:30 p.m.
Friday—Hills Creek vs. Miller's, 8:30 p.m.
Sunday — Giustina vs. Snellstrom, 2:30 p.m.

It was a long evening—Friday night at Civic Stadium where the Miller Lumbermen at long last found the right combination and hit the jackpot for a rousing 17-3 victory over the first-half Cascade Baseball League champion Snellstrom Braves.

The winning combination was the effective pitching of Shortstop Bud Fortier; the 15-hit attack off three Snellstrom hurlers; creditable fielding. True, the Braves furnished little opposition, and they didn't enjoy absorbing the sound whipping.

A couple of weeks ago when the star-studded Snellstroms suffered their first decisive defeat of the season, they took it lightly, expecting to bounce back with even more power than displayed in making the first-half race a runaway. But the ptiching has gone sour, the fielding is jittery behind the moundsmen, and the sluggers have tightened up in attempting to make up the difference at the plate. It hasn't worked, and the Braves are now "dormie two" with only a mathematical chance to tie Hills Creek and Giustina for the second-half flag. A victory for either the Billies or Reds in their next two tilts will eliminate the Braves and force them into a championship playoff—and the Braves meet the Billies Sunday.

Fluke Hit Starts Fireworks

Opening as a mound duel between Fortier and Lefty John Day, the hurlers allowed one hit each until the fourth. A fluke hit by Jack Gordon touched off the fireworks in the fourth with one away.

Gordon skied one of Day's pitches and it landed between the mound and the plate—bouncing behind the plate where Umpire Norv Libby ruled the ball hit Catcher Del Hoff before hitting foul territory. Gordon went to second on the play. Eddie Adams singled and Bill Carney hit an infield single to fill the bases. Lou Kotnik then hammered a single to center, his second of four blows for the evening, scoring two runs. Bob Dunn singled through the box, scoring Carney. Walton grounded out, advancing both runners and then Fortier singled to score two more runs—five for the frame. John Linde replaced Day on the mound and Bill Hamel collected his first of three hits. Bill Moye flied out to end the big inning.

Two walks and Hoff's single scored one Brave in the last of the fourth.

Five more Miller runs were chalked up in the fifth. Linde gave up four walks and along with two errors the Lumbermen produced three runs before Bill Hanauska came to the rescue. The husky righthander forced in another run with a walk and then Hamel batted in two more with a single before Moye and Gordon struck out to end the inning.

Hamel, DeAutremont Triple

A walk, Gale Smith's double and an error gave the Braves an unearned run in the sixth. Hamel tallied another Miller run in the seventh when he tripled and scored on a wild pitch. A single by Hanauska and a triple by Charley DeAutremont, his third hit of the game, produced the final Snellstrom run in the last of the seventh.

Twelve batters came to the plate in the Miller's merry-go-round ninth inning—manufacturing six runs on four hits, three walks, a wild pitch, a hit batsman and an error.

George Walker, going hitless in two official trips to the plate for the Braves, dropped his league batting lead to the Lumbermen's Adams, who hit "one for two" and gained a .400-.393 edge over Walker. Lou Kotnik, who will miss being a batting title contender by a single game, moved ahead of everyone with a "four for six" performance to boost his average to .406.

Box score:

MILLER'S	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Hamel, 2	7	3	3	3	3	0
Moye, ss	6	1	1	5	3	1
Gordon, 3	5	3	2	0	3	0
Adams, c	2	2	1	3	1	0
Ward, c	3	0	0	0	0	0
Carney, 1	4	3	1	12	0	1
Kotnik, rf	6	3	4	2	0	0
B. Dunn, lf	3	2	1	1	0	0
Walton, cf	3	1	1	1	1	0
Fortier, p	5	0	1	0	5	0
TOTALS	43	17	15	27	15	2

SNELLSTROM	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
DeAutremont, cf	5	0	3	1	0	0
P. Taylor, 3	3	0	0	0	2	0
Schwab, 2	5	0	0	2	4	1
G. Walker, lf	2	1	0	2	0	0
Leininger, ss	4	1	0	5	2	1
G. Smith, 1	2	0	1	6	0	0
D. Taylor, rf	3	0	0	0	1	0
Hoff, c	3	0	1	11	0	0
Day, p	1	0	0	0	0	0
Linde, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hanauska, p	2	1	1	0	0	1
Lightner *	1	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	31	3	6	27	9	3

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SNELLSTROM .....000 101 100— 3

Runs batted in—Kotnik 4, Dunn 2, Fortier 2, Hoff, Hamel 2, Ward, Walton, DeAutremont. Triples—Hamel, DeAutremont. Doubles—Gordon 2, Smith. Sacrifices—P. Taylor. Stolen bases—Smith. Double plays—Schwab to Smith. Left on bases—Miller's 11, Snellstrom 9. Earned runs—Miller's 12, Snellstrom 2. Struck out by—Day 2, Hanauska 9, Fortier 3. Walks off—Day 3, Hanauska 3, Fortier 5, Linde 4. Hit by pitcher—Hoff by Fortier, Walton by Hanauska. Wild pitches—Linde, Hanauska. Pitching summary: 6 hits, 5 runs off Day in 3 2-3 innings; 1 hit, 5 runs off Linde in 1-3 inning. Losing pitcher—Day. Umpires: Norv Libby, plate; Murph Christensen, bases. Time: 2:14.

Cards Meet Browns In Linn-Lane Tiff

With only a game with Brownsville and a postponed game with Lebanon still unplayed and needing only one victory or a Springfield defeat to clinch the Linn-Lane League pennant, the Junction City Reds will take a rest Sunday while the other six teams in the league battle.

The only game which might have a bearing on the pennant picture is the Springfield-Brownsville tussle at Springfield. If the Cardinals lose the flag will be safe in Junction City.

Other Sunday games will find Lebanon at Harrisburg and the Eugene Eagles at Sweet Home. All games will start at 2 p.m.

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Baseball

AMERICAN	W	L	Pct.
Boston	80	34	.702
New York	66	46	.589
Detroit	63	47	.573
Washington	55	58	.487
Cleveland	56	59	.483
Chicago	50	63	.442
St. Louis	47	63	.427
Philadelphia	33	79	.295

NATIONAL	W	L	Pct.
Brooklyn	69	43	.616
St. Louis	65	43	.602
Chicago	57	53	.523
Boston	54	53	.505
Cincinnati	50	59	.459
New York	48	62	.436
Philadelphia	47	61	.435
Pittsburgh	44	61	.419

COAST	W	L	Pct.
San Francisco	93	48	.660
Oakland	90	53	.629
Los Angeles	75	65	.536
Hollywood	73	67	.521
Sacramento	74	69	.517
San Diego	61	84	.421
Portland	49	89	.355
Seattle	49	90	.353

W.I.L.	W	L	Pct.
Wenatchee	72	47	.605
Bremerton	63	46	.578
Salem	65	50	.565
Tacoma	61	53	.535
Yakima	54	59	.478
Spokane	48	56	.462
Vancouver	46	66	.411
Victoria	43	74	.362

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Diamond Dusters

JOE GORDON (New York Yankees)

AB	RBI	H	Pct.	PO	A	E	Pct.
293	30	67	.228	211	264	13	.973

DICK WHITMAN (Brooklyn Dodgers)

AB	RBI	H	Pct.	PO	A	E	Pct.
205	24	54	.263	143	4	0	1.000

BOBBY DOERR (Boston Red Sox)

AB	RBI	H	Pct.	PO	A	E	Pct.
446	95	130	.291	318	365	10	.986

ELMER MALLORY (Los Angeles Angels)

AB	RBI	H	Pct.	PO	A	E	Pct.
230	7	49	.213	158	181	14	.960

WIMPY QUINN (Los Angeles Angels)

AB	RBI	H	Pct.	PO	A	E	Pct.
112	6	37	.341	258	66	5	.986

HOWARD FOX (Cincinnati Reds)

G	W	L	Pct.	IP	R	H	SO	W
4	0	0	.000	5	10	10	1	5

AB	RBI	H	Pct.	PO	A	E	Pct.
0	0	0	.000	1	1	0	1.000

Seals Defeat Luckless Bevos

(Associated Press)

The condition of the funny bone in Giant Cliff Melton's left elbow may count heavily in the San Francisco Seals' drive down the stretch for the Pacific Coast Baseball League pennant, and Manager Frank "Lefty" O'Doul decided to test it Friday.

With the Seals coasting happily along toward the flag at the expense of the seventh-place Portland Beavers, O'Doul nominated Melton, his second ranking hurler, for his first try this month.

Frank Seward hung up his 13th win against eight losses as the Seal bats pounded out an 8-1 drubbing of the Portland Beavers, the fourth straight win in their seven-game series, with three tilts remaining. Seward allowed four hits, one of them a homer by Harvey Storey. San Francisco boomed over four runs in the fourth frame and tallied a solo each inning thereafter.

The victory boosted San Francisco to four games ahead of the second-place Oakland Acorns, defeated, 5-2, for the first time in four engagements with the Sacramento Solons.

Hollywood's Stars continued their challenge of Los Angeles for third place by turning back the Seattle Rainiers 8-6, evening their series at two games apiece. Los Angeles came from behind in the ninth on a three-run rally to subdue the San Diego Padres 8-7.

Scores:

		R	H	E
Los Angeles	300 110 003	8	10	2
San Diego	303 001 000	7	12	3

Chambers, Dobernic (3), Osborne (8) and Williams; Kennedy and Rice.

Seattle	000 003 300	6	14	1
Hollywood	003 008 00x	8	11	2

Perez, Cuccurullo (7), Bittner (7), Gregory (8) and Unser; Soriano, Orphal (6), Hill (8) and Beard.

Oakland	000 000 011	2	7	1
Sacramento	000 203 00x	5	11	0

Bearden and Raimondi; Fletcher and Marcucci.

Portland	000 100 000	1	4	2
San Francisco	000 411 11x	6	14	2

Barrett, Diblasi, (9) and Souza; Seward and Ogrodowski.

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Keneston Revenge Match Set Tonight

Job Keneston, the battling ex-Marine sergeant, will tangle with Indian Ike Cazell in the main event of tonight's wrestling show at the armory. The battle looms as one of the most bitterly contested grudge battles in recent armory history.

The match, a rehash of last week's bloody battle which saw Keneston on the receiving end of a punishing attack, is expected to draw a capacity crowd of fans, most of whom will be hoping to see the Indian villain soundly beaten.

Georges Dusette' will meet Joe Wolf in the semi-final and Joe Lynam will battle Mike Nazarian in a special event. Bulldog Jackson and Jack Kiser will meet in the opener.

Salem Solons To Play Here

The Salem Senators, erstwhile leaders of the Western International League, will invade Eugene Monday night of next week for an exhibition game against the Cascade League All-Stars. The skirmish will mark the appearance of a club from organized baseball since the Senators defeated the Eugene Athletics 5-2 before 3500 fans at Civic Stadium in July of 1942.

Next week's game, to be presented by the Eugene Active Club for the benefit of its "1947 State Tourney Fund," is expected to attract an even larger crowd at the unusually popular prices of 75 cents for adults and 25 cents for children.

The Senators, now resting in third place in league standings but still definite title contenders, are rated much stronger than the 1942 aggregation. The Portland Beavers' farm club is managed by Ted Gullic, popular Portland slugger who is batting at a .333 clip for Salem.

One of the Senators appeared here earlier in the season—Catcher Woody Salmon who played with the Snellstrom Braves before being granted a $1000 bonus by the Senators. Salmon and Firstbaseman Duane Crawford top the Senator hitters at the present time with .352 averages. Thirdbaseman Eddie Wheeler is third with .347.

The Cascade Stars will be managed by Don Husband, Activian and one of the local semi-pro league's directors. Husband hopes to gather together the strongest possible club and is confident his aggregation can decision the Western International leaguers. Personnel of the aggregation will be announced later in the week.

Under the direction of Art Campbell, the Activians will stage a pre-game ticket-selling campaign with a goal of 5000.

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Yakima Stars Enter WIL Fifth Spot

(United Press)

The Yakima Stars moved into undisputed fifth place in the Western International League after handing the top-of-the-heap Wenatchee Chiefs a double trouncing, 7-6 and 11-6.

Tacoma's Tigers took a twin bill from the slipping Spokane Indians, 18-3 and 8-7. Vancouver blasted Salem, 12-7, and Victoria defeated Bremerton, 6-4, in other games.

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The tongue of a fish has no muscles and therefore it cannot be moved.

Three Top National Teams Suffer Loss

BY CORNELIUS RYAN

NEW YORK—(U.P.)—It appeared today that Jim Gallagher, general manager of the Chicago Cubs, hollered wisely but too loudly last week when he squawked that eastern National League teams appeared to go into a faint when they see the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Gallagher's point was that the Cardinals and Cubs trim the Dodgers, who thereupon gain back a fat lead by gobbling Boston, the Giants and the Phils—all of whom play well against the Cards and Cubs. Gallagher particularly reproached the Phils, who had been tipped over 12 times in a row by the Dodgers at that time.

The finger of scorn worked, because the Phils rose up the next day and trounced Brooklyn twice. Friday the Phils, giddy with their new power, licked the Dodgers again, 4-2, snapping a four-game winning streak for Brooklyn.

But Gallagher, who still hopes his Cubs can edge into the pennant, couldn't enjoy the result. The Cincinnati Reds, who used to go into a faint at sight of the Cubs, heard his remarks and took them personally, and whipped Chicago 3-2.

One game of the scheduled Cardinal-Pirates series was rained out, and at night Ken Heintzelman foiled the St. Louis effort to gain a game by stopping the Cards on two hits, 3-0.

The Boston Red Sox virtually extinguished any Yankee pennant hopes by beating the second-placers, 4-1, shoving New York 13 games behind. Mickey Harris went the route to win, beating Spud Chandler.

Detroit moved to within two games of second place by trimming Chicago, 3-1, on Virgil Trucks' six-hit pitching.

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