

Flatbush Rookie Gives Bums Lead

By JACK HANDBY
(Associated Press)

Freshman Harry Taylor, whose third straight pitching victory coincided with Brooklyn's arrival in first place, is hailed in Flatbush as the man who could pitch the Dodgers to the National League pennant.

Beaten in his first big league start at Cincinnati, May 13, Taylor did time in the bullpen, relieving five times before Manager Burt Shotton gave him another starting chance against the New York Giants. Taylor humiliated the Giants' home run sluggers, 14-7, with a five-hitter and followed with another of the same against St. Louis, besting Harry Brecheen, an old Dodger jinx.

Fritz Ostermueller, who has taken particular delight in beating Brooklyn consistently since Branch Rickey tried to send him back to the minor leagues in 1944, was his opponent Thursday. Taylor turned in his best effort, a two-hit, 3-0 victory over Pittsburgh.

The win boosted the Dodgers into the lead because the Giants and the Chicago Cubs, who had been tied for first place, split a doubleheader at the Polo Grounds.

After Paul Erickson of the Cubs had tamed the Giants with three hits in a 5-1 opening game, Mel Ott's gang slashed away at three Chicago throwers for an eight-run third inning to even matters with a 9-3 decision. Monty Kennedy, sent right back after being knocked out Wednesday, came through with his fifth win.

Cincinnati's Ewell Blackwell ran his victory total to seven by shutting out the Phillies, 6-0, with six hits, the Reds flattening Ken Raffanberger with a five-run first inning. Harry Gumbert's fine relief pitching enabled the Reds to take the second game, 6-3, for a clean sweep of the doubleheader in which Grady Hatton collected a total of six hits. Cincy hopped into fifth place on the day's work.

St. Louis' Marion's homer with two on in the ninth enabled the St. Louis Cardinals to pull out a 5-3 decision over Boston's Johnny Sain. The Cards now are within three percentage points of the seventh-place Phils.

The New York Yankees continued to crush the American League leading Detroit Tigers, 7-0, on Spud Chandler's three-hit work. Three out of four over the Tigers left the Yankees only one game behind the Bengals.

Jesse Flores' three-hitter boosted Philadelphia's A's into a third-place tie with Boston and Cleveland on a 5-2 win over Chicago's Edgar Smith. Early Wynn of Washington shut out Cleveland, 3-0, with six hits in a game marred by an injury to Manager Lou Boudreau of the Tribe. Boudreau left the game with a side injury in the third inning.

Boston and St. Louis were not scheduled.

FISH TALES —By DICK STRITE

The biggest Redside seen in these parts since Courtney Towne had to tear the bottom out of his boat to "kill" a gigantic below Geoducks some five or six years ago was caught in the Leaburg Lake Wednesday by Roy McCracken of Springfield.

The big trout, measuring 25 inches and weighing 5 pounds, 12 ounces, promises to win the "big fish" contest of the season. McCracken caught the trout on a No. 12 single-egg hook and a pound and a half test leader. It was one of two fish Ford Danner's customers at the Chateau had been trying to catch all season. McCracken was fishing with Roy Billings of Springfield and both caught their limits—another 16-inch, two 12-inchers and the remainder between eight and ten inches.

The May flies are starting to hatch down in the coast country and fishermen on the lakes are getting excellent evening fishing. Ten Mill and Big creeks are also good. Fair trolling for sea trout continued. Boasting the finest bass fishing in the state, the coastal lakes are producing excellent catches. The "Sportsman" also reports that salmon fishing should be good on the Siuslaw this year because the commercial fishermen are doing well at sea.

This should be a banner weekend for the angler, what with the recent rains and the opening of Diamond Lake Saturday and Gold Lake next Tuesday. Davis, the exclusive fly lake, and several others will not open until June 28, however.

Even before the recent rains, which are certain to improve angling conditions, fishing fortunes showed improvement. Last Friday, Saturday and Sunday provided Willamette and McKenzie fishermen with excellent sport and good luck. The best catch we heard about was made by Carl Baker and Tom Powers, a couple of Izak Walton who are equally good with the oars as with a fly rod. . . . Of a limit catch made on the McKenzie last Friday, 14 were between 12 and 18 inches.

Odel Lake produced some excellent fishing last weekend, the report received was that one party caught more than 30 good-sized fish using muscies as bait.

The Turtles at Log Cabin Inn report the finest catches of the season on the upper McKenzie Monday and Tuesday and that Linton Lake has proven good. . . . Frank Bigelow of Belknap Springs won the "big fish" contest for the last week with an 18-inch. . . . Charlie Claudick of Portland, veteran rolcaster, made several limit catches, all over 15 inches in length.

There has been considerable criticism of the 16-fish limitation in Oregon by the "traveling anglers," these hardy fellows who forsake their own angling waters for those in other parts of the state. They claim the bag limits are too small to warrant long trips, limiting them to 20 fish on any one trip. . . . There are lots of fellows who would be delighted with 20 fish and there are others who release most of the fish they catch. Angling, after all, is not a "meat" producing activity, but one that is supposed to provide recreation rather than to fill the frying pan.

If you listen to the executive director of the newly-formed Better Fishing, Inc., one Fred Maly of Chicago you'll be convinced there are plenty of fish and angling paradises in every section of the country. Besides he claims, according to the United Press, that nature will care for the stocking of most lakes—that it's impossible to kill them off. He claims the fish population hasn't decreased, but that the fish are getting smarter than they used to be and aren't always suckers for a worm or a hook.

We'd like to know the reason for such an organization. Either the BFI has the wrong plan on things or the UP writer couldn't grasp what Maly was attempting to put across.

The McKenzie River area lost one of its most lovable and respected residents last week when John Milliron died instantly in a canoe accident. John was without a doubt one of the hardest-working boatmen on the river and he prided himself on his ability to reach the most inaccessible waters on the river—despite his age. He was the dean of the McKenzie River Guides and although his age was listed at "about 65" we are certain John invited us to celebrate his 65th birthday with a boat trip some five or six years ago.

John was never idle. When not boating he was cutting timber and growing on his property in the hills near Nimrod. He had planned to build a home in that area—a home that will never be built. John Milliron had a host of friends and we wonder if it would not be appropriate to erect some kind of a memorial plaque in his honor along the river, possibly at Cook's Rapids.

Spartan Coach's Charge Gets Heated Denial From Big Nine

CHICAGO, June 6.—Athletic spokesmen for Big Nine schools heatedly denied Thursday that "anybody is paying anybody anything to play football" in the Western Conference.

Some of the coaches and athletic directors sputtered with indignation at charges made by Clarence Munn, Michigan State College football coach, and indicated that Michigan State College would not be involved in the controversy.

Spokesmen for some of the Big Nine schools declined comment, refusing to "get involved in another one of those controversies," the others wanted to make several points clear:

1—They thought Munn's statement "unkind" and not likely to lead to favorable reaction at a later date to Michigan State's bid to enter the conference.

2—Big Nine athletic directors didn't want to increase the conference membership at this time, anyway.

3—There's no such thing as an athletic scholarship in the Big Nine. At Northwestern and other conference schools athletes, just like non-athletes, may receive tuition scholarships on the basis of need or top grades. Northwestern athletic director Ted Payson said.

Commissioner Kenneth Wilson, said that conference officials "went all over the scholarship matter" in a meeting with President John H. Hannah at the conference summer meeting last week. He declined to elaborate.

Miller-Mickey Tandem Wins in Grove Golf COTTAGE GROVE — Twelve persons played in the regular two-foursome at the local golf course this week, Barbara Hill and Kenneth Mickey winning, with George Ross and Belle Burkholder as runners-up. Foursomes held each Tuesday, beginning 7 p.m.

Ben Hogan Tired, Nears End of Tournament Trails--Fraley

By OSCAR FRALEY
NEW YORK, June 6.—(AP)—

Ben Hogan, the miniature Irishman who ranks with the all-time golfing giants, has just about reached the point where he is ready to retire from tournament play.

Hogan, like many of his illustrious predecessors, is deathly tired of the competitive fairways and greens. Others who reached that breaking point, where they actually hated the game, were Byron Nelson and Henry Picard—and they didn't hang around long afterwards.

The Bantam Benji is hanging

loosely on his small frame, and it is an effort for him these days to last through a long tournament.

He passed up two lucrative competitions this week just to sneak in some rest for the strain of the two big ones coming up. That, for a pro, is near the end of the road.

Picard had reached the top and apparently had a long, pleasant path of victories ahead of him when he stepped out.

"I just found suddenly that I hated the game," he said. "So I quit."

That also was Nelson's reaction. The boys are saying that Lord Byron should have hung around to prove his greatness against the strengthened fields after cleaning up during the war years. You can smell a lot of sour grapes in that one. Nelson's scores during those years when the competition was lean were records in many places and he had been a headliner since 1934.

So after 12 years of tournament golf, Nelson stepped down at the age of 35. Hogan, who took to the tourney trail four

years later than Lord Byron, will be 35 in August. Needless to say, neither of them have to worry about finances.

But here is one of the reasons why they couldn't last as long as such old timers as Walter Hagen, Leo Diegel or Gene Sarazen.

In the early days of the P. G. A., the pros had but about a dozen tournaments a year.

Now there are 23 tournaments on the spring-summer schedule alone.

Little Ben has earned his rest, let's hope he enjoys it.

Portland Beavers Humble Oakland in Twinbill

San Francisco Regains First

(Associated Press)

Out of the revolving door known as the Pacific Coast League race the San Francisco Seals came first Friday.

It could have been Oakland, or Los Angeles. But the Seals staggered out first.

Thursday night's dizzy doings: The Seals, through the south-paw graces of Big Cliff Melton, sailed through the Sacramento Solons, 6-1. It was a four-hitter of Mountain Music Melton tossed at the Solons, and Joe Marty's homer was the only run for the Seals. Five runs off Al Smith in the eighth broke up the southpaw duel. Dino Restelli homered for the winners.

The Angels moved into second place, a half game back, by way of Red Adams' six-hit, 3-1 victory over the San Diego Padres. Adams bested Al Olsen and George Caster, who gave up eight blows, two of them homers by John Ostrowski and Ed Sauer. The Padres scored in the ninth on a last-surge rally that missed with the tying runs on base.

Oakland, like most visiting teams at Portland, had a rough night with the Beavers, absorbing a pair of drubbings, 9-2 and 18-2, with merciful midnight halting the second game at eight innings and sparing the Oaks further embarrassment. The first game was only seven frames.

The berserk Beavers clubbed Oak twirlers for 13 hits in the opener, 21 in the curfew piece. With such backing, it was a breeze for Vic Raschi and Roy Helser. Raschi allowed but three hits in the first game.

The fallen Oaks, losing their third straight to the Portlanders, woke up to find themselves third, 1½ games off the pace.

The other PCL contest saw the Seattle Rainiers walloping Hollywood, 6-1, and supplanting the Stars in seventh place. Hollywood, of course, fell downstairs into the cellar again.

Big Sig Jakucki, spinning a no-hitter until Jim Deland smashed a circuit drive in the seventh, gave up only four hits in all.

Scores:

Oakland	000 000 0-2	3 1
Portland	400 000 14-18	21 2
Seals	000 000 0-1	1 0
San Francisco	000 000 0-1	1 0
Los Angeles	000 000 0-1	1 0
San Diego	000 000 0-1	1 0
Sacramento	000 000 0-1	1 0
Seattle	000 000 0-1	1 0
St. Louis	000 000 0-1	1 0

Records Predicted to Fall in Compton Meet

COMPTON, Cal., June 6.—(AP)—Track and field stars from across the country Friday gathered in this suburban community for the eighth annual Compton College relays.

Despite the absence of such standout stars as sprint-ace Mel Patton and broad-jumper Willie Steele, cinder-fans predicted a "record disregard of records" by such speedsters as Herb McKenley, Illinois; Ed Conwell, New Jersey; Lloyd Labach, ex-Wisconsin, and others.

Patton developed a muscle cramp while equalling the world's record 9:4s in the 100-yard dash for the University of Southern California against the University of California at Los Angeles last Saturday.

Trojan Coach Dean Cromwell scratched him from all events to save him for the national collegiate meet.

In Patton's absence, Conwell, who set a British record of 9.8 on a London dog track two weeks ago, was favored in the 100-meter. McKenley was picked for the 220-meter race.

Possibly the greatest duel will develop between Les MacMillan and Illinois' Bob Rehberg in the 1500-meter.

USC's Al Lawrence and UCLA's Bill Laceyfield were considered the top contenders in the broadjump, with Steele, of San Diego, Cal., out with an injured heel in the field.

Four shot-putters in the field have recorded better than 53-foot tosses, although Wilbur "Moose" Thompson, Los Angeles Athletic Club, is the odds-on favorite by virtue of his best mark of 54 ft. 9 in.



MOTORCYCLE RACING LEADERS are these three jockeys, left to right, Ray Wolf, who won the class "A" main in the last race meet; Ray Hyland, high-point scorer in the last meet, and Hubey Simons, point leader for the season. All will vie at Benton-Lane Speedway Sunday. (Wiltshire engraving).

Third Cycle Race Meet Set Sunday

Only 12 points divide the first and seventh-place positions in the series of TT motorcycle races being staged at the Benton-Lane Speedway and the drivers of the fast-moving cycles will go at it again Sunday. Time trials start at 12 noon.

Hubey Simons of Portland, winner of the class "A" main event in the first meet, is the current point leader with 65, closely followed by Casey Jones of Springfield and Ray Hyland of Eugene, each with 63 points. Ray Wolf, winner of the class "A" main in the second meet, is next with 62 points, followed by Doug Rambo of Portland with 59, Roy Burke and Red Rice, both of Portland, with 53 points each.

Other leading point-scorers are Louis Asenzil, of Portland with 37, Gene Theissen of Eugene and Walt Larsen of Portland, both with 34, and Lon Skinner of Medford with 27.

Sunday's race meet will be the third of a series of six to be staged on the quarter-mile track halfway between here and Corvallis.

Par Takes Beating in Capital Open Tourney

WASHINGTON, June 6.—(AP)—Par was just something nobody paid any attention to Thursday in the \$10,000 National Capital Open golf tournament.

Three golfers came in with 66's, six under par.

Jimmy Thomson of Chicope Falls, Mass., had 31-35; E. J. Harrison of York, Pa., had 34-32, and Sam Sneed of Hot Springs, Va., got a 32-34.

But they weren't in any position to do much bragging.

Thirty golfers, out of a starting field of 104, bettered par—an unusual record considering that the Prince Georges course is a respectable, 6,778 yards long.

A stroke behind the three leaders were:

Bobby Locke, of South Africa, who along with Sneed, is favored here; Ed Oliver of Wilmington, Del.; George Payton of Hampton, Va., and William Griffin, a local amateur, who is captain of the Georgetown University golf team.

Baseball

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Standings	W.	L.	Pct.
Brooklyn	25	18	.581
Chicago	24	17	.571
New York	24	18	.571
Boston	23	20	.535
Cincinnati	23	21	.521
Pittsburgh	18	23	.439
Philadelphia	19	25	.432
St. Louis	18	24	.429

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Standings	W.	L.	Pct.
Detroit	25	17	.593
New York	24	18	.571
Cleveland	23	17	.569
Boston	21	21	.500
Philadelphia	21	21	.500
Washington	18	20	.474
Chicago	20	23	.464
St. Louis	18	23	.441

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

Standings	W.	L.	Pct.
San Francisco	27	20	.569
Los Angeles	27	20	.569
Oakland	26	21	.552
Portland	21	26	.444
Sacramento	22	24	.478
San Diego	22	24	.478
Seattle	20	26	.435
Hollywood	20	27	.426

WESTERN INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Standings	W.	L.	Pct.
Bremerton	27	20	.569
Spokane	26	21	.552
Victoria	26	21	.552
Oakland	25	22	.526
Tacoma	25	22	.526
Vancouver	21	25	.457
Yakima	20	26	.435
Wenatchee	15	33	.300

U-Bowl Bowling

The Four Jokers defeated the Cold Shots, 3-1 in Social League bowling at the U-Bowl alley Thursday night. In other matches the Putti-Putti team washed the Kiddie Keglers, 4-0 and the Tinklers did the same to the Bees.

Weaver, Parks In Title Fight

COMPLETE PROGRAM
Main event — Herb Parks vs. Buck Weaver (Pacific Coast junior — heavyweight championship)
Semi-final — Jack Kiser vs. Al Sazs.
Special — Leo Karlinko vs. Jack Carter.
Opener — Georges Dusette vs. Buck Davidson.
Referee — Jack Mitchell.

Buck Weaver, the sensational ex-Indiana University football star, will get his big chance Saturday night at the armory when he meets a contemporary Herb Parks for the junior-heavyweight wrestling championship of the Pacific Coast. The title bout is the headline attraction of the regular Saturday night wrestling show.

Two other top challengers for Parks' coast title will meet in the semi-final when Jack Kiser, the St. John's Adonis, takes on the speedy and smooth Hungarian, Al Sazs.

A special event will feature Leo "Mad Dog" Karlinko in his first appearance here in three years. He will meet the up-and-coming Australian flash, Jack Carter. The curtain-raiser at 8:30 p.m. will pit Georges Dusette against Buck Davidson.

Parks has defended his crown successfully against the onslaughts of Pierre LaBelle and Ernie Piluso and Saturday night's battle with Weaver will be his second title defense in as many weeks. Parks has embarked on a campaign to mow down the large group of wrestlers who claim to have a legitimate shot at the title coming, stating contemptuously that he will put his title up once a week until he has gone all the way down the line or until he loses it.

Weaver may be the end of the line for the bombastic British Columbian. The Kentuckian has established himself as one of the most popular bone-benders ever to appear at the armory and he has not yet lost a match anywhere on the coast. His specialty, the flying mare with a spine-numbing backward flip, has been about the most effective wrestling innovation seen here in years. Saturday night's outing will be Weaver's first chance at the junior-heavyweight title.

The three supporting bouts all are top-flight attractions with title contenders appearing in every one.

Major Leaders

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Player and Club	AB.	R.	H.	Pct.
Walker, Philadelphia	142	21	52	.373
Slaughter, St. Louis	128	25	57	.361
Mize, New York	153	44	52	.340

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Player and Club	AB.	R.	H.	Pct.
Boudreau, Cleveland	134	20	45	.363
DiMaggio, New York	145	30	52	.351
Spence, Washington	109	15	37	.349
Home runs: Mize, Giants, 14; Keller, Yankees, 13; Miller, Reds, 12.				
Runs batted in: Torgerson, Braves, 37; Mize, Giants, 37; Keller, Yankees, 36.				

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Spokane Takes Second

(United Press)
The Spokane Indians grabbed the second spot in the Western International League race Thursday by virtue of a 7 to 5 defeat over the Tacoma Tigers.

The second game was postponed because of rain, as were games between Vancouver at Salem, Victoria at Wenatchee and Bremerton at Yakima.

Garden Punchfest on KUGN Tonight



Classy Tony Janiro of Youngstown makes his middleweight debut when he clashes with Jacob LaMotta (above), high-ranking Bronx brawler in a ten-rounder at Madison Square Garden tonight.

Janiro was a lightweight when he started his pro career three years ago. He later established himself as a top-flight welterweight. Now he is moving into the 160-lb. division. Tony has won 50 out of 62 fights but in tackling his first middleweight, he has picked a tough nut to crack.

LaMotta is one of boxing's most unusual physical specimens. Jawbone Jake is a human block of granite. He belongs to the mauler class and is a smashing body puncher. The Bronxite has agreed to make 155 pounds for his meeting with Janiro.

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