

SPORTS

Wyatt Misses Hall of Fame By One Blow

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Labor Backs Baseball Tilt

Salem-Spokane Tilt Due to Start at 6:15

Tonight's union labor program at George E. Water's baseball park will be in two parts: first, the Western International baseball game between the Salem Senators and the Spokane Indians at 6:15. With that affair concluded, the vocal and instrumental music, the speaking and the comedy turn of A. Murray O'Flynn of Spokane will be presented.

The largest crowd of the season is anticipated and a portion of the net receipts will be turned over to service men's organizations.

Twilight Ball Fails To Draw Coast Fans

San Francisco, Aug. 21 (AP)—The war-decreed inauguration of twilight baseball in the Pacific Coast league brought a light turnout—in more ways than one. Out went the lights last night in San Francisco's Seals stadium on the first pitch of the eighth inning. And out went thousands of fans—to other spots than the ball parks—everywhere a league game was played.

Seattle, which beat Portland 8-5 and the approach of darkness by an even closer margin at Seattle, had the only hopeful explanation. Only 1,601 fans, many of whom ate cold box suppers, were in the stands in contrast with 3,233 at the last night game. But club officials pointed out there was a special army relief program at nearby Longacres race track.

In San Francisco, where fans vainly have been going to night

Relief Hurler Seeks Chance As Regular

New York, Aug. 21 (AP)—Arc Adams of the New York Giants is the unsung pitching hero of the 1942 baseball season and, as usual—there's a bit of pathos in his unrecognized success.

Adams, a chunky, fair-skinned brown-haired guy from Iron City, Ga., is like most indispensable cogs in any typically American organization. He's such a great and dependable relief pitcher that his value in that post prevents him from being raised to a starter—a major league starter—the goal of every flinger in organized baseball.

Ace Adams is certain to make the headlines this year as the greatest workhorse in modern major league history. It appears now that he will play in more than 56 games, breaking the joint record held by Christy Mathewson (1908) and Hugh Mulcahy (1937).

Last night Adams made his 49th appearance of the season, taking the mound in the eighth inning of the Giants-Dodgers game at Ebbets field. And the Giants still have 35 games to play—with their lamentably uncertain pitching staff.

Adams, who has the modified drawl of a Georgia cracker dipping lengthwise in metropolitan milk, isn't much interested in this workhorse record. But when we mentioned the word "starter" in the Giants' oven-hot dressing room at Ebbets field, he snapped at it like a hungry turtle.

"Sure, I'd like to be a starter," he replied eagerly. "That's the real job." Adams' brown eyes glistened as he pictured himself a regular starter, with four or five days of rest between mound assignments. Then his eyes dulled, and he said:

"I guess I won't be a starter for some time, because they need me to work the way I am doing. And if that's the way I can help the club most, it's okay with me," he added.

Chicago Grid Ace Injured

Evanston, Ill., Aug. 21 (AP)—Bill Decorrevent's hopes of returning to football stardom on the same gridiron where he rocketed to unparalleled heights as a high school performer were crushed today when a knee injury forced him to withdraw from practice with the college all-stars.

The Northwestern university halfback suffered the injury during a drill for the all-stars game with the Chicago Bears August 28 and immediately was withdrawn from a list of available performers by head coach Bob Zuppke.

"The knee looks pretty bad right now," Decorrevent said. "I'll not only miss a chance to play against the Bears, but likely will be forced to take things easy for at least three weeks with it."

The all-star contest with the Bears is at Soldiers Field and as a senior at Chicago's Austin high school Decorrevent was the magnet that attracted 100,000 fans to the giant stadium for a scholastic title game.

Long Hauls for Athletes Probed

Washington, Aug. 21 (AP)—Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson warns that sporting events which entail long-distance travel by a large number of spectators must eventually be curbed because of the strain they place on the nation's transportation system.

"As the pressure of war becomes stronger, it is obvious that our normal recreations and sporting events must be re-examined," Patterson said.

"The whole problem revolves around the question of transportation and is now under the study of Joseph B. Eastman, director of the office of defense transportation."

Albany Dickering For Lewis Club

Albany—Decision to cooperate with Camp Adair in bringing to Albany the Fort Lewis Major leaguers for a baseball benefit game August 29, was reached at a meeting here Thursday, under the leadership of James W. Jenks, acting president of the Oregon State baseball league.

At the meeting it was disclosed that the recreation division at Camp Adair is willing to assume most of the financial risks, on condition that a game is arranged for Salem, Sunday, August 30.

At Thursday's meeting it was disclosed that as an additional attraction the Camp Adair soldiers will draw upon their own talent for a floor show which in itself, it was agreed, would attract a crowd.

All net proceeds will be used to purchase athletic equipment for Camp Adair soldiers, who are in dire need of much more such facilities than are now available, Chairman Jenks said.

Senator Standings

Team	W	L	Pct.
Western International	71	47	.602
Vancouver	71	47	.602
Tacoma	64	57	.529
Salem	51	65	.440
Spokane	52	69	.430

Baseball Scores

Game	Score
Pioneer League	Boise 7-12, Ogden 5-6
Pacific Coast	Sacramento 9, Los Angeles 4
National League	Brooklyn 8, St. Louis 5
American League	St. Louis 6, Cleveland 2

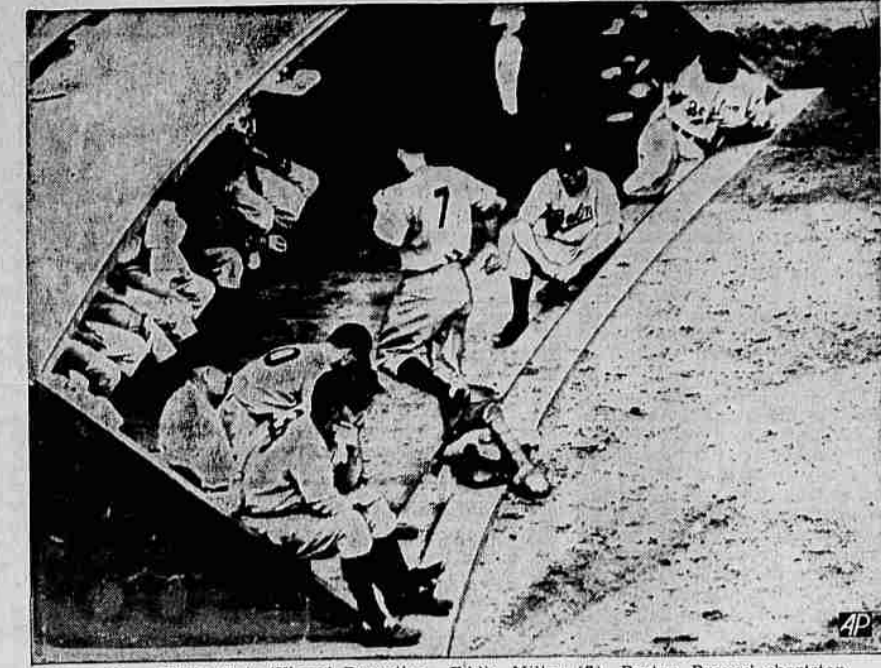
Air Mechanics to Drop Grid Game

Washington, Aug. 21 (AP)—All competitive football scheduled at army schools were air corps mechanics get their training have been canceled in an order possibly presaging further cuts in the widespread military sports program.

Major General Walter R. Weaver, commanding general, wrote the school heads under his command that inter-school or inter-camp football would interfere to much with the urgent training of technicians needed for the air forces.

Major League Leaders

League	Player	Team
National League	Batting	Williams, Boston, .351; Gordon, New York, .337
	Runs	Williams, Boston, 102; DiMaggio, New York, 93
American League	Home runs	Williams, Boston, 26
	Runs	St. Louis, 22



Home Run Hitter Gets 'Warm' Reception—Eddie Miller (7), Boston Braves shortstop, gets an indifferent reception from his teammates as he trots into the dugout after hitting a home run with one of his mates on base in the fourth inning of a game with the Giants at New York. New York led, 6 to 0, at the time, and won the game, 10 to 2. (Associated Press Photo.)

Skits and Scratches

By Fred Zimmerman
Capital Journal Sports Editor

Those fans who had their hopes built up of seeing a world series baseball game without the necessity of traveling across the continent might as well give up the idea. For there is little likelihood that the annual classic will get outside the confines of Manhattan island this year. Perhaps it is just as well that the championship games are not to be put on wheels. To this writer such an arrangement would cheapen the affair, even though a cut of the gate for war relief purposes might provide a good peg upon which to hang it.

It is not entirely too silly to suggest that this year's classic may be the last for the duration. Gene Tunney's suggestion that we really get down to the business of fighting and veer away from the route to "wonderful nonsense" may be well worth heeding. Sports have a place in the scheme of war preparation for their morale building effect, but promoters who would tie their kites to "benefit" schemes will bear watching.

College Football Asks Financial Assistance

By Harold Classen

New York, Aug. 21 (AP)—College football, which one coach said made its biggest war contribution "in turning out well-conditioned young men for the country's armed forces," also intends to help financially. Already the University of Oklahoma has dipped into its athletic funds for a \$50,000 war bond, Ohio State has promised \$25,000 and the military and naval academies have sold the broadcast rights for their game for \$100,000 with the sum going to the two services' relief funds, as Associated Press survey discloses.

The Ohio State contribution is to be a part of the Big Ten plan in which the nine football-playing members of that circuit have promised to earmark all receipts above expenses for overseas touchdowns. Ohio State later announced that no matter how small its grid profits might be, its check would be for at least \$25,000.

Virtually every school is planning to aid financially, somehow, although none knows if the sport will be played in 1943, and everyone knows that football, in most cases, supports the entire collegiate sports program.

Georgetown and George Washington, both located in Washington, have combined on a plan of sending 2,500 tickets to a different camp for each home game and consigning another 1,000 to the capital city USO.

Duquesne and Fordham have announced that a 25 cent war stamp must be purchased before the person with a pass will be allowed to enter the stadium, a plan which probably will become nation-wide.

Another practice which will be almost nation-wide is that of letting uniformed men obtain seats at cut rates. Almost all schools have set 50 cents as the price for a ticket to service men.

Salem Softball Opens Playoff

Golden Pheasant and Keith Brown teams of the Salem softball loop will open the playoff series at 6:30 this evening on Sweetland field. Harold Smith and Bob Freeman are expected to do the chinking for their respective teams.

Winner of this evening's engagement will meet the Paper Mill Office club Monday night for the right to clash with the Papermakers in a two out of three series. The club that comes out on top will be entered in the state tournament to be held at Corvallis.

Intimation that inter-school basketball for the Klamath Falls Pelicans may not materialize this coming winter is made by Bob Leonard of the KP Herald-News. There will be no buses for hauling athletes this year, while operators of private cars will not be in favor of donating rubber to the cause. Klamath is in an unfavorable geographical condition in connection with its opposition insofar as rail transportation is concerned. To make the trip to Medford by rail the Pelicans would either have to travel south to Black Butte, Calif., and take the old Shasta route north from there, or travel to Eugene and then double back to the southern Oregon metropolises.

Just what will happen to the Viking program has not been determined. So far, however, there has been no public indication that either basketball or football will be curtailed. The No Name loop is quite a compact affair and with the exception of Corvallis, rail transportation could be used by all members. However, it would probably be necessary to make overnight stops in several instances, thereby increasing the cost of operations.

If another nature depended upon coaches, athletes and sports directors to reproduce themselves, it would soon be a feminine world. The latest arrival is little Callie Jean, eight-pounds plus daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al Lightner. It is understood the Senator business manager was so sure that a male baby would arrive at the Salem General hospital he wagered a hat on the occurrence. So Al lines up with Spec Keene and Leslie Sparks in the matter of keeping the world populated with girl babies. She might make an excellent first baseman at that—probably wouldn't squawk when the scorers gave her an error on an easy chance at the initial bag.

Stravens in Australia
Gervais—Private Clarence Stravens writes his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stravens. He spent his Fourth out at sea, had a wonderful trip. But he misses Oregon's summer and fruit. Also he has moved since arriving in Australia to a new address.

One hundred thousand acres in Northern Ireland will be devoted to flax growing next year.

Runs batted in, Leininger, Buccola, Stamper, Aden 2, O'Flynn. Two base hits, O'Flynn, Myers. Three base hits, Cameron, Stolen bases, Cameron, Cockroft, Pulkins, 3, Calteaux, Buccola 3, Myers. Double plays, Stamper to Pulkins in Buccola. Left on base, Salem 13, Spokane 11. Bases on balls, off Moore 5, off O'Flynn 2. Struck out, by Moore 5, O'Flynn 4. Passed balls, Elliott. Time of game 2:03. Umpires, Reese and Moran.

Short scores:
Tacoma, 4, 031 000 000—4 5 4
Vancouver, 130 010 600—11 15 4
Brant and Sumner, Holmes and Stanz.



Champion Plow Girl—Miss Patricia Aitree (above), 17, who operates a 70-acre farm near La Center, Wash., defeated nine male competitors in a three-state regional plowing contest at Beaverton, Oregon. The attractive high school miss took over operation of the farm when her father took a job in a war industry. (Associated Press Photo.)

Adams to Report For Navy Training

Albany, Aug. 21 (AP)—Dwight Adams, Albany high school coach and physical education director, has received instructions to report at the Chapel Hill, U. C. naval pre-flight training school next Thursday for indoctrination as a lieutenant, junior grade. Adams, who also is state softball association tournament director, will be unable to attend the tournament starting at Corvallis Sunday.

Adams, a Willamette university graduate, was coach at Dallas before coming to Albany. While here he coached basketball and baseball and was to have filled the football post this year, the job having been vacated last winter when the army called Tommy Swanson, a reserve officer, into active service.

Luncheon Club Rests

Monmouth—The Monmouth Luncheon club, which meets weekly on Tuesday at Monmouth hotel has adjourned to Tuesday noon, September 22. The date coincides with the fall opening of the Oregon College of Education.

Consumer expenditures for commodities during 1942 is estimated by the department of commerce at \$52 billion.

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Player	AB	R	Pct.
Richards	280	60	.321
Taormina	171	52	.304
O'Connell	90	28	.311
Callaux	410	117	.285
Petersen	380	104	.274
Leininger	437	118	.270
Baltrom	120	31	.258
Robbe	157	37	.236
Soderburg	89	20	.225
Moore	43	13	.302
Smith	98	18	.182
Babich	42	8	.190
Breust	21	3	.143
Crow	14	2	.143
Kiliani	12	0	.000

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