

Training Site Ready, Says Luby Amateur Boxers Appear At Salem Armory Tonite

Callisto, Calif. — (Special to the Capital Journal)—Salem amateur manager Hugh Luby looked over the spring training site of the Salem Senators Wednesday, declared it ready, then departed Wednesday morning for the Bay area.

Luby planned to spend all day Wednesday contacting owners and managers of Pacific Coast league teams in hopes of completing arrangements for player help. The Senator manager was also anxious to talk with

pitcher Bob Collins and catcher Art Thrasher, who have not yet signed their 1953 contracts. Both are living in the Bay area now. The Salem Senators will train at the Napa county fairgrounds for the second straight

year. A few chilly winds are still whipping in from the snow-covered mountains surrounding the Napa valley, but the playing field is in good shape, and ready to take on some hustling baseball cleats. While in Callisto, the

Senators will be quartered at the Fior 4 Italia hotel, about a ten-minute walk away from the ball park. Spring training is due to open Monday morning, but a few players are expected to check in to Callisto late this week, and work out informally.

Amateur Boxers Appear At Salem Armory Tonite

With the state AAU boxing championships in Portland just a week away, amateur fighters from throughout Oregon will get in their late tune-up bouts tonight in a Salem Amateur boxing card at the Salem armory, starting at 8:15.

Proceeds from tonight's bouts will go to help pay expenses for the Oregon championships to the national AAU tournament in Boston.

Headlining tonight's card, from the standpoint of interest to Salem fans, probably is the Willard Nelson-Jimmy Puscus battle. Nelson is the local favorite, while Puscus is a promising young battler from Eugene.

Virgil (Curly) Dyer, another home-town favorite, will be seen in action tonight, appearing against either Johnny Cole of the Portland FAL club or Gerry Forch of the Portland Air Base.

A few minutes before the start of the card, as the youthful leather-wingers will meet in the dressing room, as usual, and matches will be made on the basis of the boys' ability, their condition, etc.

The Tongue Point Naval station boxers, who have taken home many trophies from the Salem armory, are returning again tonight. Sig Unander, state treasurer, will present a special trophy for the most outstanding boxer on tonight's card.



Wrestling Fans Attack Kindred After Match

Wrestler Don Kindred and at least three fans took swings at each other following last night's main event between Kindred and Tony Ross at the Salem armory.

The Negro wrestler had just defeated Ross in the third and deciding fall of their match. The fans were riled at Kindred for the tactics he had been using during the entire match with Ross.

When Kindred won the third fall after a lot of hair pulling, it was more than some of the fans could stand. As Kindred stepped from the ring, two fans leaped at him, scuffling with him near the ring. Kindred didn't hesitate to protect himself.

While being escorted to the dressing room by a Legionnaire, another fan took a poke at Kindred. Kindred made a leap for him, but was calmed down long enough to get him downstairs and out of trouble. In preliminary matches Jack Kiser defeated Jack Lipscomb and Buck Weaver drew with Gino Nicolini.

Fights Tonight Will Be

(Battling) Nelson, popular young Salem boxer, will be seen in action during tonight's amateur boxing card at the Salem armory. Nelson meets Jimmy Puscus, rising star from Eugene. The card, which will include at least 12 amateur fights, starts at 8:15 p.m.

2994 Fails to Make Top Ten in ABC Meet

Chicago (AP)—Radiart Corp. of Cleveland, bettered its 1952 team total Tuesday night with 2,994, but still failed to make the top ten in the American Bowling Congress tournament. The Cleveland team's 1952 total was 2,914 and the quintet went on to score heavily in the minor events to take the crown with 9,343.

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Fight Talk Former Heavyweight Champ James J. Braddock (right) chats with Rocky Marciano in Holland, Mich., where the latter is training for a title defense match with Jersey Joe Walcott in Chicago April 16. Braddock complimented the present champ on his "combination" punches. (UP Telephoto.)

Gambling Suit Against Rupp May be Dismissed

Lexington, Ky. (AP)—An attorney who filed a half million dollar lawsuit for alleged gambling losses and named Kentucky Basketball Coach Adolph Rupp, a codefendant, Wednesday asked dismissal of the action. J. A. Edge last week filed

the suit naming the coach, gambler Frank Costello of New York and Ed Curd, former reputed Lexington bookmaker. The motion did not state why Edge asked that the suit be dismissed. Judge H. Church Ford set April 15 for a hearing.

Thirty-Nine Cars Entered For '500' Race

Indianapolis (AP)—Five new entries Tuesday raised the field to 39 for the 57th annual Indianapolis 500-mile auto race May 30. The entries included three of the outstanding young drivers of recent years.

Walt Faulkner of Long Beach, Calif., who twice has held the non-competitive record for the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, was named to drive for Sid Street, Kansas City, Mo.

Mike Nazaruk of Freeport, Long Island, N.Y., second in the 1951 race, will drive for Lee Elkins of Kalamazoo, Mich. Elkins entered a second car without a driver.

Art Cross, of Laporte, Ind., who won the "Speedway Rookie of the Year" award for finishing fifth in his initial "500" start last year, was nominated by Ray Brady, Norristown, Pa.

Brady named Len Duncan, Flourtown, Pa., to make his first Indianapolis start in a new car called the Kalamazoo Special.

All five cars entered are conventional four cylinder, rear drive vehicles.

IWLA Sports Show at Armory Next Weekend

Anticipating the largest attendance in three years, the Salem Izak Walton League of America sports show will be held Saturday and Sunday in the Salem armory.

Over twenty exhibitors will display the latest in sporting goods, from trout flies to outboard motors. If special interest will be a line braiding machine, which for the first time will allow many sportsmen to witness details of line construction.

In addition to the wide display of hunting and fishing gear, there will be exhibitions of duck calling, retriever handling, plug and spin casting, archery, and continuous outdoor movies. "You'll Remember Oregon," a colored picture of the entire state, will be a highlight of the show.

The show, the only one of its kind in the northwest this spring, will be from 1 to 10 p.m. on Saturday, and 12 to 7 p.m. on Sunday.

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Matthews-Beshore Bout Rescheduled For April or May

Portland (AP)—New date for the postponed scrap here between Freddie Beshore and Harry "Kid" Matthews has been set for either April 25 or May 5, according to Tex Salkeld, National Boxing Club promoter.

Salkeld announced the new dates after a long-distance telephone conversation with Jack Hurley, Matthews' manager. The fight was postponed when Matthews became ill. He will have his tonsils removed early next week.

Johnston Hurt As Oregon State Loses to Cal

Berkeley, Calif. (AP)—Pinch-hitter Tom Keough doubled to center, stole third base and home in the ninth inning yesterday to give California a 4-3 exhibition baseball win over Oregon State college.

Keough, regular Bear right-fielder who had been sidelined with a strained shoulder, reached second when Beaver Centerfielder Bud Shirliff and second baseman Dan Johnston collided going after Keough's short fly. Johnston received a slight concussion.

Cal Pitcher Al Matthews took over on the mound in the ninth and put out two OSC batsmen to receive credit for the win. Norm Wellman was the loser. Johnston of the Beavers slapped out three singles in four trips.

Oregon State 3
California 4

Ez Charles Prepares for Layne Fight

San Francisco (AP)—Former world heavyweight champion Ezzard Charles sparred two rounds with partner Andy Walker yesterday in preparation for his forthcoming bout here against Rex Layne.

He also went a couple of fast ones with his longtime sparring partner, Al Smith, and said he would keep it at every afternoon until the fight next Wednesday.

Araujo Favored Over Red Top

Cleveland, O. (AP)—George Araujo of Providence, R.I., is better than a 2 to 1 favorite today to defeat Teddy (Red-Top) Davis in their featured 10-round bout tonight and win a shot at the lightweight championship of the world.

Promoter Larry Atkins said the winner of the nationally televised bout at the arena tonight would get a crack "within 60 days" at the winner of the match between Champion James Carter and Tommy Collins at Boston April 24.

Bearcat Starting Lineup For Saturday Uncertain

Coach John Lewis still is undecided on a number of positions with the season's opener looming Saturday for his Willamette University baseballers. The Bearcats' curtain-raised games against the State Prison Grays.

Lewis probably will utilize most of his hurlers in the opener—meaning that Andy George, Benny Molt, Mickey Coen and Dave Gray all will see service.

In the catching department Harvey Koepf, a one-year letterman, has the inside track but in the event he is switched to first base, Les Akeo, freshman from Hawaii, would be the nominee for receiving duty.

Fete Reed, Eric Klepp and Sam Haina all are in the fight for the first base post—but if none of these lads fill the bill Koepf will be switched.

Second base is one of the few positions definitely filled, with Dave Perlman, a three-year monogrammer, the choice. At shortstop it looks like Elmer Haugen, a Salem kid, but Haugen is under the breath of the draft and in the event he is

called in the berth may go to either Bill Nelson or Jack Servinas, both freshmen.

Possibilities at third base are Tex Kirkendall, Jerry Doan and Stan Kersel. Kirkendall is a freshman, Kersel a soph and Doan a transfer.

In the outfield Duane Shield and Denny Elssasser are front-line prospects and other candidates are Chuck Lewis, Gary Hold, Rod Haler, Chuck Naoni and Mike Munz. Another possibility, Bob Platenburg, is temporarily out of the running because of a shoulder injury.

Lewiston Opens Spring Training

Lewiston, Idaho (AP)—The Lewiston Brones opened spring training for the 1953 Western International league season Wednesday.

Eleven players were in camp for the start of General Manager Bill Brenner's conditioning program. Nine more were expected during the day and Brenner said as many as 35 may be on hand by the end of the week.

Oakland Owner Praises Coast Loop No-Draft Rule

By GAYLE TALBOT
Phoenix, Ariz. (AP)—At least one Pacific Coast League owner is convinced his circuit has made definite progress toward eventual big league status in the year since it obtained an "open" classification and was given a means of protecting its promising young players from the draft.

"I'm a realist," declared the energetic Brick Laws of Oakland. "I know we can't go big league immediately. But we will gradually build, especially with boys from the Coast who have no real desire to go East and would prefer to stay near their homes, other things being equal."

Laws, in support of his belief, disclosed that only one member of this year's Oakland squad declined to sign a contract which would exempt him from the next major league draft.

"I was surprised," he said, "but maybe I had a good selling point. In the case of the young players I think I convinced them they would be better off playing three full years here and then, when they're ready, being sold to a big league team for \$50,000 than being drafted right off for \$10,000 and then being farmed out."

"Certainly I intend to go on selling to the big leagues, just the same as they sell to each other. But I want to be able to keep the nucleus of a strong team for the benefit of my fans instead of being stripped every year by the draft."

It was a bitter experience of Laws which led to the Coast League demanding and getting, with the blessing of Commissioner Ford Frick, the clause through which it

can protect its youngsters for three years. He bought an outfielder, George Meikovich, for \$25,000 and then saw him snapped up by Pittsburgh for \$10,000 in the next draft.

"Now that I have protection I can afford to buy such a player," Laws said. "In fact, I paid the New York Giants a very good price for Outfielder Bill Howerton, whom I expect to be a real batting star for me. I am even helping him build a house. He's getting a good salary, he's happy and he says he never wants to go back to the big league. You might be interested in knowing that only two players on our entire squad will receive less than the \$5,000 major league minimum this year."

Figure Skating Championships Open Today

Hararey, Pa. (AP)—The United States figure skating championships opened a four-day run Wednesday with world champions Tenley Albright and Hayes Alan Jenkins seeking a clean sweep of this year's triple crowns of skating.

Miss Albright was the first to start in pursuit of her goal, competing with the other senior women in the school figures. While Jenkins was to start his bid later Wednesday, Each won the North American title of their class in Cleveland, O., two weeks ago. The other major crown, the Olympics, is not in competition until 1956.

Bearcat Golf Squad Set to Open Season

The Willamette University golf team, this season under the mentorship of Coach Jerry Frel, will launch the campaign March 30 in a match with the Portland University Pilots at Portland.

The Bearcat linksters, defending champions of the Northwest Conference, will again be headed by Bill Wiltenberg, Portland senior and one of the Northwest's best young swingers.

Other members of the squad are Ken Byrnes, Dick Church, Kent Myers, Ellis Von Euchen and Warde Bligh.

The remainder of the WU links schedule: April 12—Portland university at Salem; April 14—Oregon State at Corvallis; April 16—Lewis and Clark at Salem; April 21—Linfield at Salem; April 28—Pacific at Forest Grove; April 30—Portland State at Portland; May 5—Lewis and Clark at McMinnville; May 11—Pacific at Salem; May 12—Portland State at Salem; May 15—Northwest Conference meet at Salem.

Kiner Likes Looks of John and Ed O'Brien

Havana (AP)—Ralph Kiner, slugging star of the Pittsburgh Pirates, has put his stamp of approval on the twin rookies, Johnny and Eddie O'Brien.

The 22-year-old former basketball standouts at Seattle University "take a good cut at the ball," Kiner said. Watching the 5 feet 9 athletes clear the left field fence with booming drives, Kiner declared:

"I'm surprised that both are able to step up and hit the ball with authority after more than six months without playing."

Exhibition Baseball

(By The Associated Press)
Cleveland (A) 11, San Diego (PCL) 8.
St. Louis (N) 2, Cincinnati (N) 1.
Philadelphia (N) 4, Chicago (A) 3.
Philadelphia (N) 1, Washington (A) 4.
Milwaukee (N) 4, Philadelphia (A) 1.
Brooklyn (N) 3, Montreal (NL) 4.
Chicago (N) 10, St. Louis (A) 4.
New York (A) 3, Boston (A) 8.

Fights Last Night

Los Angeles — Carlos Chavez, 195, Los Angeles, outpointed Bobby Whir, 192, Los Angeles, 10.
Tampa, Fla. — Danny Medina, 197, Tampa, knocked out Nash Kurchan, 187, Turkey, 1.
Miami Beach, Fla. — Joe Blackwood, 190, Patterson, N. J., outpointed George Benton, 194, Philadelphia, 10.
Washington — Jolly Sims, 194, Washington, stopped Edith Green, 182, Kansas City, Mo., 8.
White Plains, N. Y. — Elsie Reed, 197, White Plains, N. Y., knocked out Billy Lepido, 183, New York, 7.
Brooklyn (Midwest Grey) — Arthur Perley, 195, New Orleans, outpointed Harold "Baby Face" Jones, 197, Detroit, 10.
Paris, France — Gephon Kolmet, 200, Biddford, stopped Billy Wilson, 200, Banzer, 4.
Bobby Dawson, Paris, outpointed Gordon Hassel, England, 10, middleweight.

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