

Senators Assured of at Least Six Pitchers

Five Hurlers Already Signed; Collins Due

Calistoga, Calif. (Special to the Capital Journal)—There are still several question marks in the Salem Senator lineup, but the pitching staff for the 1953 season is pretty well lined up.

As the Solons swung into their second day of spring training today, five pitchers had already signed contracts, and another veteran ready to sign.

Jack Hemphill, righthander who was with Salem last season, is the latest pitcher to sign his name to a Senator contract. He had agreed to terms several days ago, so yesterday's signing was merely a formality.

Pitchers previously signed were Bill Bevens, Wayne Rick, Jim McGee and Dick Strongback. Lefty Bob Collins, one of the mainstays of the 1952 senators, will sign as soon as he gets to Calistoga. He is unable to report for a few days because of a foot injury.

Three young pitchers are trying out with the club in hopes of breaking into professional baseball. They include Larry Borst of Forest Grove, Ore., who made the trip to Calistoga with Bevens and infielder Lou Scrivens, both of Salem.

The Senators open their Grapefruit league with an exhibition game against Pocatello of the Pioneer league at Calistoga Thursday night. Manager Hugh Luby plans to use several pitchers in the game.

Yesterday's drills were confined to batting, infield practice, running, etc. A similar practice was to be conducted today, as the Senators took advantage of a warm Napa valley sun.

No Admission For Lebanon Softball Games

Lebanon—No admission will be charged for softball games this summer, the association's board of directors decided at their first meeting of the year Friday evening. Games were slated three nights weekly, with two games each evening. There will be six teams in the city league this year.

Five clubs are slated to open the season in mid-May. They include Dave Epp Furniture of Sweet Home, a new entry, Western Vencer, Cascades Plywood, Bill and Caps Sporting store, City Merchants, another new entry, and either Pastime or Elks Lodge will be the last entry.

President of the league this year will be Bill Dreschler, replacing David George. Bob Smith, Cascades Plywood official, was named secretary-treasurer.

The clubs will operate their own lunch stand again this year, with proceeds going to the association to promote local softball.

WU Golf Team Opens Season With Loss to PU

Portland—Willamette university's golf team got its 1953 season underway here yesterday, but it wasn't a very successful start.

University of Portland's golfers scored an overwhelming 17½ to ¼ victory over the Salem club swingers.

The match was played at Alderwood country club.

Northwestern 4th Big Ten School to Vote Against Pact

Evanston, Ill. (UPI)—The Northwestern University faculty committee on athletics has decided to vote against renewal of the Rose Bowl pact with the Pacific Coast Conference.

The announcement made last night brings to four the number of Big Ten schools who have said they will vote to reject renewal at the next meeting of the Big Ten Conference. Illinois and Ohio State favor continuing the agreement.

Indiana, Iowa, Purdue and Michigan have not yet announced definite action on the Rose Bowl proposal, but Purdue may come to a decision today.

A vote would block another agreement between the two conferences, with a majority needed to approve renewal.

F. George Seiberger, chairman of the Northwestern committee, said the vote for rejection yesterday was unanimous.

Salem Second, Woodburn 3rd In Hoop Fest

Woodburn—About 120 players and friends were present Saturday for the annual Four-square church Columbia-Southern Oregon inter-division basketball tournament at Woodburn.

The tournament was held at the Washington school gymnasium. The games started at 10:30 a.m. and continued until 7 p.m. Winners were Vancouver, Wash., first; Salem, second; Woodburn, third and Coos Bay, fourth. Other teams competing were Longview, Wash., Portland, Hillsboro, Oregon City, Dallas and Corvallis.

A sing-a-long at the church followed the tournament. Lunch was served at a snack bar at the gym during the day.

North Marion Plays At Banks Next Week

North Marion Union High School—North Marion's baseball team will play their first Yawama league game for the season, Tuesday afternoon, April 7, at Banks, 2:30 p.m.

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Paul Jenkins, Roseburg News-Review photographer, visited a practice session of the Roseburg high school track team last week, and decided to pose some shot-putters in action. Frank Purdy, RHS track coach, called to an energetic young fellow doing calisthenics, asking him to run over to the dressing room and bring back three shot. A few minutes later the lad dashed back... with three blank cartridges for the starting pistol.

Way Down There

Mike McCormick is worried about his new job as manager of the Wenatchee Chiefs in the 10-team Western International league. "What would I tell the folks back home if I should come in tenth?" wonders McCormick. "That's two places below the bottom."

Willie Could Do It

Despite the fact that Eugene's Jackie Puscus scored a convincing victory over Willard "Battling" Nelson of Salem in the Cherrian-sponsored amateur boxing card at the armory last week, Nelson has a good chance of winning the Oregon state lightweight title in Portland Wednesday.

Puscus, who has been fighting in the lightweight division, will probably join the featherweight ranks for the state AAU boxing tournament Wednesday.

Dyer Has Good Chance, Too

Virgil Dyer, another bright Salem prospect, is in the flyweight division. Salem could wind up with two state champs Wednesday. Nelson and Dyer are both capable of winning the titles in their respective weights.

Not an Olympic Year

The AAU will crown state champions in only eight weights this year, compared to 10 last year. The weight classes were broken down into 10 divisions last year to correspond with Olympic weights. The 1952 Oregon AAU championships were tryouts for the United States Olympic team.

Maybe, If You Hurry

Incidentally, any young boxer who wants to enter the state AAU tournament in Portland Wednesday might squeeze in as a last-minute entry by calling Bob Dreyer, phone 45083. He'll take care of the necessary registration, and see that you get transportation to Portland.



Firth Is First Patricia Firth, of Seattle, Wash., scrapes up the ice with her skates as she comes to a stop after winning first place in the Junior Ladies class during competition for the U. S. Figure Skating championship, held at Hershey, Pa. (AP Wirephoto)

Oregon State Team Back; Plays Willamette Thursday

Oregon State College, Corvallis—Oregon State's potentially-strong baseball team returned home Monday, after a successful five game exhibition jaunt into California, where the Beavers won three and lost two against stiff opposition.

While on the pre-season trip, Coach Ralph Coleman's men split a two-game series with Fresno State, lost a single contest to California and whipped both San Jose State and Grant Tech of Sacramento.

The Beavers resume action this week with three more exhibition games. Willamette plays here on Thursday, the Beavers meet Oregon at Eugene on Friday and entertain Lewis & Clark here Saturday. Northern Division action doesn't get underway until April 17.

Coleman appeared well pleased with his club's performance in California and was especially happy with the work of his four-man pitching staff. Norb Wellman

turned in a masterful three-hitter against the strong Fresno team Saturday, and Dalley Brem, Corky Coleman and Jim Nierman all did well. Wellman and Brem are mainstay holdovers from last year, but Coleman and Nierman are pitching their first varsity ball.

Only bad luck on the trip was the costly injury to Danny Johnston, regular second baseman, in the game at Berkeley. Johnston collided with outfielder Bud Shircliff going after a fly ball and suffered a slight concussion. Latest reports from the California campus hospital Monday indicated that Johnston would remain under observation for several more days. He suffered no serious consequences as the result of the concussion, but because of other complications was forced to remain a while longer.

Taking Johnston's spot in the lineup has been Doug Wray, sophomore from The Dallas. Johnston may be lost to the Beavers until conference competition starts.

Coleman is still searching for a first-line left fielder. Shircliff has the centerfield position all sewed up and Jim Ruggles is looking good in right, but the Beavers need more consistency in the other outfield berth. Right now, it's still a toss-up, with Jim Jenks, Jack Plinton, Jim Withrow and Stan Hays the leading contenders for the job.

Large Funeral Planned for Jim Thorpe

Lomita, Calif. (UPI)—A friend of the late Jim Thorpe, great all-around Indian athlete, said today Thorpe would have a large funeral, "the kind he deserves."

C. E. Harrison, close friend of the big Indian, who died at the age of 64 Saturday of a heart attack, said the body will lie in state so "everybody can see him, especially the kids, whom he loved."

Harrison said the Helms Athletic Foundation and a mortuary operator, David J. Malloy, would make funeral arrangements soon.

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Portland Opens Coast League Season at LA

(By The Associated Press) The Pacific Coast League, now 51 years old, begins another campaign Tuesday with indications pointing to a close race among three or four teams and three new managers on the scene—Bobby Bragan at Hollywood, Augie Galan at Oakland and Gene Desautels at Sacramento.

The 1952 champion Hollywood Stars are guests at San Diego in a day-and-night double header with Lefty O'Doul's Padres; Portland's Beavers oppose Los Angeles at Los Angeles in a night game; San Francisco's Seals invade Sacramento for an afternoon contest, and the formidable Seattle Rainiers are visiting the equally formidable Oakland Aorns Tuesday night. Governor Earl Warren will throw out the first ball at Sacramento.

Kindred Faecs Yamato in Armory Main Event Tonite

Don Kindred, who defeated Tony Ross in the main event of last week's professional wrestling card at the Salem armory, tonight takes on Tor Yamato in the armory main event.

Kindred utilizes head butts as his chief weapon, while Yamato's favorite is a sleeper hold and judo tactics.

Jack Kiser, who looked good in defeating Jack Lipscomb, will meet George Drake, a tough young prospect from Catalina, in the semi-final match.

The opener, slated for 8:30, sends Chester Wallick, brother of the well-known Leo, against Frank James. Young Wallick has been thoroughly trained by his brother in all of the leverage and ring master that

First Baseball Game of Season Played Today

The first baseball game in Salem this year was taking place at Olinger field today, with the Salem Viking facing Molalla in a 3 o'clock contest.

Molalla is rated as one of the stronger teams in the Willamette Valley league. Salem's team is laden with stars of last season's Northwest champion American Legion team.

The Vikings have another game scheduled this week. They take on Lebanon here Friday.

Moore Defeats Frank Buford

San Diego (UPI)—World light heavyweight boxing champ Archie Moore hung another scalp on his belt today after scoring a ninth round TKO over Frank Buford in a 10-round non-title main event here.

Moore, 182, St. Louis, hammered mercifully at the body of Buford 208, Oakland, until the latter turned away in pain in the ninth round.

More floored Buford for a fourth count in the first round for the only knockdown.

Pari-mutuel wagering is conducted in 11 states.

Informal Shoot Conducted at Salem Gun Club

C. G. Hiltbrand and Larry Imlah, both of Salem, hit 24 out of 25 targets in informal shooting at the Salem Gun club Sunday.

Other scores: Gid Newton 23x25; G. Neitling 42x50; N. Peters, 44x50; Bill Rauscher 33x50; D. Neitling 63x75; Lred Leisi 19x25; Bill Matl 20x25; C. Ford 42x50; Allen Newton 12x25; Kink Steinberg 39x50; Fred Davis 36x50; Joe Adams 20x50; Gordon Hull 24x50, C. Ferguson 33x50.

In the Oregon Journal telegraphical shoot, the three-man Salem team posted a score of 72x75. Each of the three shooters shot a 24. They were C. G. Hiltbrand, Larry Imlah and Gordon Hull.

TIDE TABLE

Tides for Yall, Oregon—April, 1953 (Compiled by U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, Portland, Ore.)			
	High Waters	Low Waters	
31	12:31 a.m. 8.1	7:13 a.m. 0.4	
	1:31 p.m. 5.2	8:58 p.m. 1.9	
April 1	12:25 a.m. 6.2	7:18 a.m. 0.1	
	3:03 p.m. 5.0	7:35 p.m. 3.2	
2	1:22 a.m. 6.3	8:26 a.m. 0.0	
	2:49 p.m. 4.7	7:54 p.m. 2.6	
3	1:52 a.m. 6.4	9:09 a.m. -0.1	
	3:40 p.m. 4.5	8:26 p.m. 2.9	
4	2:28 a.m. 6.4	9:50 a.m. 0.2	
	4:41 p.m. 3.3	8:02 p.m. 3.0	
5	3:14 a.m. 6.3	10:38 a.m. 0.0	
	5:30 p.m. 4.3	10:07 p.m. 3.2	
6	4:12 a.m. 6.1	12:02 p.m. 0.8	
	7:01 p.m. 4.3	11:30 p.m. 3.3	
7	5:24 a.m. 6.0		
	8:01 p.m. 4.7	1:08 p.m. 0.8	
8	6:45 a.m. 5.8	1:04 a.m. 2.0	
	9:30 p.m. 5.1	2:09 p.m. -0.1	
9	8:06 a.m. 5.6	2:24 a.m. 2.4	
	10:25 p.m. 4.8	3:01 p.m. 0.9	
10	9:17 a.m. 5.8	3:30 a.m. 1.8	
	10:10 p.m. 6.2	3:50 p.m. 0.7	
11	10:22 a.m. 5.9	4:26 a.m. 0.7	
	10:47 p.m. 6.7	4:56 p.m. 0.2	
12	11:22 a.m. 5.9	5:17 a.m. -0.2	
	11:24 p.m. 7.1	5:16 p.m. 0.7	
13	12:17 p.m. 5.8	6:06 a.m. -0.1	
		6:58 p.m. 1.1	
14	12:01 a.m. 7.3	6:53 a.m. -1.2	
	1:13 p.m. 6.6	6:39 p.m. 1.8	

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Oppose Each Other Heavyweight Title aspirants

Layne (left) and Howard Charles is attempting to turn the car on its wheels as Layne applies the brakes. They will meet in a 16-rounder in San Francisco April 1. The winner will challenge the victor of the Marciano-Walcott title swap April 16. (UP Telephoto)

Both Sides Predict KO For Charles-Layne Fight

San Francisco (UPI)—The battle of words in the Esnard Charles-Rex Layne fight slated for tomorrow night ended today with both sides predicting a quick knockout.

Charles, the former world's heavyweight champion, was an 8-5 favorite to win and thus take a 2-1 edge in the series between the two top contenders for the crown now worn by Rocky Marciano. Charles won the first fight with a knockout in the 11th round; Layne took the second match by decision.

Tomorrow's battle, a scheduled 16-rounder, will be witnessed by a sell out crowd of 7,200, in Winterland Arena and by countless other millions on a national CBS television hookup. Because of the local sellout, the bout also will be televised locally, starting at 7 p.m. PST.

"Charles is a new man," says his manager, Tom Tannas. "We expect to win by a knockout in the early rounds."

Marv Jensen, manager of Layne, was just as confident. "Layne will win by a knockout. Don't forget he has the toughest left hand in the business."

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