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Tri-City Being Built Mostly on Hopes

By GIL GILMORE
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Kennewick, Wash. (P) — The

Tri-City Braves, under homeownership and a new management, are being built mostly on hopes this year—hopes of catching up with the rest of the Western International

The rest of the pitching staff consists of limited service men and rookies. Top prospects are Dale Bloom, Dick Piedmonte, and Marian Hill, all hurlers from lower leagues with fair wor loss records.

The only holdovers are Bill League and hopes of landing Kostenbader (0-3) who played two more pitchers and an equal so little he is still classed as a number of hard-hitting out-fielders. (3-7) reliefer who quit in mid

As things stand now, they have but two pitchers qualified for starting roles. They are Jesse Dobernic, onetime White Vancouver last season, is the

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the prospects of teams in the purchased from Toronto, and 300 hitter on the roster at the Bob Snyder. 14-14 pitcher for Vancouver last season.

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The rest of the pitching and has indicated he intends to continue attending the University of Washington. Joe Sca-

lise, who has asked for volun-tary retirement, has been put up for sale along with Charou-Negotiations to buy John Kovenz, .306 hitter last year,

failed when Kovens said he would not play for the Braves. He was offered for sale by Cleveland. The best hope for a hitter is Jack Warren, former catcher

for Seattle, but who can fill an outfield spot. Warren hit .305 for Seattle in 1950 and then quit to play semi-pro ball when he did not get the pay he thought he was entitled to.

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Defensively, the Braves will have a strong infield. Vic Buccola, veteran first baseman will hold down that sack. Vanni has a wide selection for the other three spots. Ray Tran will fill one—most likely shortstop.

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Ernie Sierra, a flashy infielder, formerly with Poca-tello, and Terry Carroll, WSC graduate formerly with Yuma, Ariz., will compete for second. Tommy Marier, holdover from last year, will again be on third. But none of these players are expected to be strong at the plate.

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The catching spots are also well filled. Nick Pesut, last well filled. Nick Peaul, last season's most popular Brave, will be No. 1 again and Rube Johnson, who was recently dis-charged from the Army, will

Most of the Braves' troubles can be traced to the long ne-gotiations for the sale of the gotiations for the saie of the club by Dick Richards, then general manager, and other stockholders. The money-raising campaign and the dealing lasted into January and the Braves were unable to established to establish a second of the club.

This means the club has had to buy all of its players outright. The club also faces the problem of staying under the salary limit when no higher classification club is

paying part of the salaries.

Although some \$33,000 was raised through the sale of stock, this money barely covered the cost of the club and franchise and various league fees. Money to buy players in recent weeks has come from the sale of advertising signs and booster

By Walt Ditzen Midget Races At Jantzen **Beach Friday**

Warmer weather was hoped for by race officials for Friday night and the scheduled opening of midget racing at the Jentzen Beach arena, the in-itial quarter mile running of the double main event midget program with time trials set for 7:30 and the twin program an hour later.

A full field of cars is ex-pected, including Don Olds, winner of the Seattle opening event; Shorty Templeman, last event; Shorty Templeman, last year's champion without a 1953 main event win, and Bob Gregg, the barefoot Camas, Wash, chauffeur, who har ac-cumulated an Offenhauser third and second in two out-ings in the early midget season.

Russ Congdon is slated to have his white No. 44 Califor-nia car on hand for the Jantzen nia car on hand for the Jantzen opening, as will Gordy Youngstrom be in We Beck's No. 17 wheezer. Del Fanning, Lew "Balloon Foot" Florence, Mel McGaughy, Smokey Blake, Cactus Jack Turner, Red Anderson, Wade Althuser, and many other top northwest drivers will be on hand for the Offenhauser half of the double fenhauser half of the double main event program.

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Ford entrants include Wild
Bill Hyde, Gory Livingston,
who captured the opening
Speedway contest, Dick Deahl,
Chuck Tontz, Palmer Crowell,
Gerry "Pogo" Lundquist, Frankie McGowan, Curley Steeves,

Opening on Friday night will versity's insurance firm. Opening on Friday night will initiate a new evening for the Jantzen Beach arena, and is expected to be rewarded with a larger field of cars than the "I think grants-in-aid and midgets have ever seen on the part time work for students quarter mile oval. quarter mile oval.

Bearcats Play Linfield Twice This Weekend

On top of the Northwest Conference standings with two straight wins, Coach John Lewis' Willamette Bearcats re-Braves were unable to estab-lish a working agreement with any major league or Coast ies against the Linfield Wild-

The Bearcats host the Wildcats Friday, then go to Mc-Minnville to wind up the series

Saturday afternoon.
Willamette made its initial willamette made its little '53 conference splash last weekend with a pair of wins at the expense of the Pacific Badgers. The Bearcats took the first engagement at Forest Grove by an 11-3 count, then made a sweep with a 6-2 win at McCulloch Field Saturday. Andy George hurled a five-

hitter in the first contest and Mickey Coen chalked a four-hit hill performance in the sec-ond contest. Tex Kirkendall, the big freshman third baseman, was the big stick man for the Lewis club Saturday as he poked a homer and two singles good for three runs batted in. The batting leader in the Friday contest was out-fielder Denny Elsasser with a double and pair of singles.



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It's Robbery St. Louis Browns' centerfielder Ernest in the sixth inning at Chicago. Attempting to nail him is White Sox' Neilie Fox (left). Watching play from behind is Sox' catcher Sherman Lollar. Umpire is Grover Froese. The Sox wen, 1-0. (UP Telephoto)

Compensation

Denver (P .- A court award of workmen's compensation to for his room, Nemeth said, an injured football player sub jected financial aid for athletes to searching review Tuesday at Denver University.

Improvements in the midget cars has been noticeable in the first outing on the half-mile injury already allowed by the payments of \$11.87 for a back injury already allowed by the State Industrial Commission first outing on the hair-mile track, although many of the State Industrial Commission cars did not appear because of the necessity for higher gear the necessity for higher gear The case was appealed to the Supreme Court by the uni-

ruling a student typist could fall and break an arm in a gym class and be entitled to workmen's compensation. This is going to pose a lot of prob-

Nemeth, a former fullback and line-backer, said his spine was injured permanently dur-ing spring practice in 1950 in

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intersectional battles. filing a claim for benefits. He said the university then was paying him \$50 a month for work done at the campus ten-

Coast Schools To Play Teams From 5 Leagues

nis courts and deducting \$10 a

month for meals. He fired a

furnace and cleaned sidewalks

Los Angeles (U.D) — Pacific Coast Conference football teams play opponents from five other conferences in intersectional games next fall, according to the 1953 conference football schedule.

The schedule, released yes-terday by Commissioner Victor

Schmidt, shows that the

Five games have been slated Central had 87½ points, Dalwith the Skyline Conference,

Now a Vending Machine to Dispense Worms

Denver # — In case you had any lingering doubts, it is indeed a mechanical age.

Cabinet-maker J. C. Dorsey of Denver turned up Monday with what he calls a "boon to fishermen" — a machine dispensing worms. You drop in a quarter and out come 30 fishing worms, packaged in a can.

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Dorsey spent two months of spare time work converting a juke box into a worm dis-

Central Wins Three-Way Meet

Monmouth - Central high chool won a three-way track meet with Dallas and Sheridan PCC and Big Ten clash in eight on the Oregon College of Education track here Monday.

with the Skyline Conference, three with the Big Seven, two with the Southwest Conference, one with the Ivy League and eight with other teams.

Gerald Reynolds led the Central victory with 13 points. He won the high and low hurdles, and finished second in the 220-yard dash.



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