

Sportsfair

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A note from Don Kelleit, General Manager of the Baltimore Colts, reveals that the National Football League club is "definitely not going to play any preseason game on the Coast this year, but there is always a possibility for future years." . . . It wouldn't surprise, however, if Portland pro grid promoter Harry Glickman came up with the Colts in 1958.

The draw would be a natural, particularly if the opponent would be the Los Angeles Rams, with four Oregon boys in action—George Shaw and Jack Patena of the Colts, and Norm Van Brocklin and Dick Daugherty of LA. . . . Just to see a couple of local boys duel at quarterback in an exhibition game would be well worth an evening's look.



BUNNY MASON
Defends Open Title

Another NFL team that could find fertile preseason territory in Portland would naturally be the Washington Redskins, with Oregon State's Sam Baker and Oregon's Dick James on hand to juice up the box office. . . . Since George Preston Marshall, Skin owner, drum-beater and debater par excellence, has never been known to look a gift dollar in the serial number, their appearance in the Northwest could also be more than a wild dream.

Next Monday through Wednesday, Salem Golf Club pro Bunny Mason goes for his second straight pot of gold in the Oregon Open, being held at Portland's Waverly Country Golf Club. . . . Bunny, of course, won the title in 1956 when his 283 topped the field at the Eastmoreland layout, also in Portland.

This year's \$2,400 prize money will be divided down the line, but the winner picks up \$500 for himself. . . . Other local hopefuls include Bob Prall, who couldn't keep the cash if he won as he's an amateur, and Paul Sundin, Mason's assistant.

Bunny feels that the Waverly course is comparable to Eastmoreland, with the former "having more traps" but shorter than the 1956 site. He figures that a 286 score will win if it's rainy weather, and if the sun shines, a 283 should stand up. . . . Among those with the best chance to unseat Mason are Harold West, Bob McKendrick and Ray Honsberger.

Two ex-Salem preppers are among the batting leaders for the Oregon Frosh baseball team. South's Dale Jones is hitting .368, while North's Ed Syring has a .348 mark. Syring, playing second base, is the co-leader in runs batted in with eight, while Jones, in the outfield, has seven. . . . Aided by their efforts, the Ducklings are still undefeated going into Saturday's game with the OSC Rooks at Corvallis.

Although the Salem Senators have committed 17 errors in the first six games, they have managed at least one double play per outing, which must prove something. . . . Tom Mulcahy, Lewiston pitcher, whom the Solons knocked from the mound, Wednesday night, is the baseball coach at Gonzaga. He is an ex-Zag basketball letterman, too, and compiled a 9-3 record for Spokane last season. Mulcahy won't be ready for full-time duty with Lewiston until the college spring term is over, May 28.

Eastern Oregon College, in the Oregon Collegiate Conference, has reportedly offered the football coaching position to Joe Proulx, the Redmond head man. Proulx, how is said to be interested in the Prineville post vacated when Keith DeCourcy moved to The Dalles. . . . Earlier, EOCE almost lost Archie Dunsmoor from its coaching staff. He was all set to take a junior high job in Eugene, before the LaGrande school came through with a mighty healthy salary increase.

If a baseball manager ever comes up with a defense for the base on balls, the world is his plum. . . . Willamette Coach Johnny Lewis is the latest to sing the blues about those free rides to first. He figures that walks cost Willamette two games, on its recent four-loss trip, and contributed greatly to a third defeat. . . . "We just can't lose any more games, now, if we hope to stay in the Northwest Conference race," is the way Lewis summed up the jaunt.

Because of a schedule mixup, Willamette and Pacific meet in only one game at Bush Park, Saturday, instead of the original two. . . . This was Pacific's year to host the Bearcats twice in baseball, although the schedule called for WU to be at home for a pair against the Badgers. To correct this oversight, the same two teams will play at Pacific on Monday, and again on Friday, May 10. Random Thought: Wonder how many of the beautiful girls—pictured by many newspapers in scanty outfits but complete with creel, pole, and water and used to boost the opening of the angling season—know how to clean fish?

Wall, Gene Littler Take Divot Lead

FORT WORTH, Tex. (AP)—Twenty-one players were within four strokes of each other today as Gene Littler and Art Wall, a couple of hot-streak putters, led the \$25,000 Colonial National Invitational with 2-under-par 68s. In the closest first round in the 11-year history of the tournament, Wall, the elongated man from Pocono Manor, Pa., who is known as the champion of the holes-in-one, and Littler, the Californian on the comeback trail, topped the 48-man field by a stroke. Billy Maxwell, Odessa, Tex., and Bob Rosburg, San Francisco, were tied at 69, and six players, including Ben Hagan, Fort Worth's golf great favored to win the tournament for the fifth time were grouped at 70. The subpar rounds equaled the highest number ever shot in the opening 18 holes and the golfers said emergency rules given them by officials because of the condition of the 7,021-yard Colonial Country Club course—it had rained for 14 straight days—made possible the low scores. The players are allowed to improve the lie and lift balls embedded in the rough. Littler also said the wet greens that held the ball also helped. Littler went a year without winning a tournament before he hit the big money in the Tournament of Champions at Las Vegas three weeks ago. He said he had suddenly found a flaw in his swing and corrected it. "I was using the body turn," he explained. "I was moving laterally through the ball."

JOE PALOOKA



CHISOX, BRAVES STAY IN LEAD

Roberts Shines as Phils Win

By FRED DOWN
United Press Sports Writer
It's plain today these obitaries of Robin Roberts' demise as a star pitcher were somewhat premature. Three straight losses this year on top of last season's so-so 19-18 record had the experts counting Robin "out," but the burly Philadelphia Ph 111's right hander proved Thursday night he's still "got it" with a 4-2 victory over the Chicago Cubs in which he allowed only three hits and struck out 13. The strikeout total was the highest of Robin's personal career and established a major league high for the current campaign.

The Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
Team	W	L	Pct.
Chicago	10	2	.833
New York	8	5	.615
Boston	8	6	.571
Cleveland	7	6	.538
Kansas City	7	6	.538
Baltimore	6	8	.429
Detroit	6	9	.400
Washington	4	12	.250

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
Team	W	L	Pct.
Milwaukee	11	2	.846
Brooklyn	9	4	.692
St. Louis	7	5	.583
Cincinnati	7	5	.583
Philadelphia	7	6	.538
New York	6	8	.429
Pittsburgh	4	10	.286
Chicago	3	10	.231



ROBIN ROBERTS
Not "Dead" Yet

Phils 4, Cubs 2
Roberts, who had a 433 earned run average after losing his first three starts, retired the first 12 batters to face him and struck out six of them. Dale Long, acquired from the Pittsburgh Pirates Wednesday, broke the spell with a homer in the fifth and Lee Walls, obtained in the same trade, knocked in Chicago's other run with a triple in the seventh.

The Milwaukee Braves took a two-game hold on first place with an 8-5 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates, the St. Louis Cardinals scored a 3-2 win over the Brooklyn Dodgers in a four-hour and 45-minute, 16-inning marathon and the Cincinnati Redlegs downed the New York Giants, 9-7, in the other

Braves 8, Pirates 5
A 10th-inning error by Pittsburgh shortstop Gene Baker, obtained in the deal with the Cubs, set up a three-run rally that carried the Braves to their 11th win in 13 games. Hank Aaron had five

hits in six tries as Lew Burdette won his third game of the year with relief aid from Red Murr. Johnny osted tied the game in the ninth with a three-run pinch-hit homer.

Cards 3, Brooks 2
Don Blasingame singled home Eddie Mikis in the 16th to give the Cardinals their marathon win over Brooklyn and their fifth consecutive triumph. Herman Wehmeier went the first 12 innings for the Cardinals before giving way to winner Larry Jackson.

Yanks 3, KC 1
The Yankees took over second place in the A.L. when Tom Sturdivant scattered seven hits. The world champions scored their winning runs in the third on rookie Tony Kubek's triple, a walk to Mickey Mantle, Yogi Berra's sacrifice fly and Bill Skowron's single.

Redlegs 9, Giants 7
Don Hoak, who set a major league mark by striking out six times a year ago May 2, drove in five runs with four hits in Cincinnati's third straight victory. Hoak's fourth hit, a single through a drawn-in infield, knocked in the two ninth-inning runs that gave the Redlegs the decision.

Chisox 6, Solons 1
Walt Dropp's grand-slam homer was the big blow for the White Sox as Dick Donovan went the distance with a five-hitter for his first win. Dropp's blow came after

er a homer by Roy Sievers produced a 1-1 second-inning tie and dealt Chuck Stobbs his fourth straight loss of the year.

Tigers 7, Red Sox 5
Rookie Don Lee gained his first major league victory for Detroit with the aid of a three-run homer by Charley Maxwell that featured a five-run fourth-inning uprising. Tom Brewer suffered his second loss of the year for the Red Sox, who played without the services of slugger Ted Williams, confined to his hotel room with a cold.

Parrish Adds Mo Fitzsimons To 57-58 Staff
Maurice (Mo) Fitzsimons, well-known physical education instructor at Marshfield Junior High School, will become a teacher and football coach at Parrish Junior High in Salem next fall.

Braves Beaten For 1st Time
The Eugene Emeralds handed Tri-City's Braves their first defeat of the Northwest League season Thursday night.

Courtney, Manager Say There's No Rift
The blow tore the nail off the little finger of Courtney's throwing hand. According to Courtney, X-rays taken in Chicago Thursday showed the hand was broken. According to Drensen, the X-rays revealed a minor fracture of the little finger.

Bad Weather Idles Senators

Yakima Series Next Project For Salem '9'

LEWISTON (Special)—The Salem Senators, enjoying Thursday night off, left here Friday on the way to Yakima, where Manager Bill Brenner is scheduled to take the mound as the Solons open a four-game series against the Bears tonight.

An all-day rain, Thursday, wiped out the third and final game of the Lewiston series. So the Senators, aboard their three-station wagons, this morning departed for Yakima and a second series against the rugged Bears.

Yakima won the opening set, 3-1, in Salem last week, and currently lead the third-place Senators by only one game. Brenner's charges, who will be strengthened for the Bears, hope to reverse that count in the Friday-Saturday-Sunday action.

Helping Salem, considerably, against Yakima will be the addition of catcher Harvey Koepf and centerfielder Jack Dunn. Both were scheduled to join the team, for the first time, on this road trip. Otherwise the 15-man Senator squad was pronounced "in good shape" by Brenner.

The Salem club is to return to Waters Park late Sunday or early Monday, immediately following the close-out of the Yakima series. The Senators meet the Prison Grays at the penitentiary on Monday, then open a week's home stand against Tri-City on Tuesday and intra-state rival Eugene on Friday.

Gregg Sets Pace
For the six games played thus far, outfielder Jerry Gregg boasts the fastest Salem batting mark, .667, on six hits in nine trips. Among the players who have performed in all action, first baseman Karl Kuehl is the pacesetter with a .417 average. Kuehl also leads the team in hits, 10, while Ted Rhodes is tops in runs batted in, six.

In the pitching department, Vern Kindsfather heads about everything—2 victories, 19 strikeouts, 11 walks, 18 innings pitched and the lowest earned run average, 2.0. He is due to pitch the finale of the Yakima series, following Brenner, Andy George and Willie Neal in that order.

Season's Salem statistics:
Batting: ab r h 2b 3b hr rbi pct
Neal 41 13 9 0 0 0 2 667
Kuehl 30 10 10 0 0 0 4 333
Dunn 20 7 4 0 0 0 2 200
Kindsfather 18 2 2 0 0 0 2 111
Brenner 10 3 1 0 0 0 0 300
George 10 3 1 0 0 0 0 300
Rhodes 10 3 1 0 0 0 0 300
Koopf 10 3 1 0 0 0 0 300
Carnell 10 3 1 0 0 0 0 300
Maltbie 10 3 1 0 0 0 0 300
Lauritsen 10 3 1 0 0 0 0 300
Hrenner 10 3 1 0 0 0 0 300
George 10 3 1 0 0 0 0 300
Rhodes 10 3 1 0 0 0 0 300

Pitching: ip r er so hb w l era
Kindsfather 10 7 4 10 11 2 0 2.0
Neal 8 8 2 5 3 1 0 3.0
Dunn 6 8 2 5 3 1 0 3.0
Walker 10 10 4 1 0 0 0 3.5
Rhodes 10 10 4 1 0 0 0 3.5
George 10 10 4 1 0 0 0 3.5

SOFTBALL SCORES
Trinity Methodist 10, First Christian 1
Englewood RTR, Calvary Baptist 3
First Baptist 14, Pruitland RTR 1
Free Methodist 10, Grace Lutheran 0

Manager, Trainer Glum About 'Duke'

Duke's Status Still in Doubt As Kentucky Derby Nears

LOUISVILLE—Ben Jones, Calumet Farm's general manager, left, scratches his head as his son, Jimmy Jones, the farm's trainer, leans glumly on the stable gate as they wonder about the plight of their Kentucky Derby horse, Gen. Duke.



The "Duke" was due to go through a workout today to determine if he could run in the big Saturday event. The horse injured a foot earlier this week in the Derby Trials. (AP Wirephoto)

Parrish Adds Mo Fitzsimons To 57-58 Staff

Braves Beaten For 1st Time

The Eugene Emeralds handed Tri-City's Braves their first defeat of the Northwest League season Thursday night.

The Emeralds made every one of the paltry three hits they got pay off in handing Tri-City a 3-1 loss, the first in seven games for the league-leading Braves.

In the only other game of the night, Wenatchee edged Yakima, 6-7, Salem at Lewiston was postponed because of wet grounds.

Zeke King's single, a ground out and Herm Reich's single gave the Emeralds their first run in the second inning. The Braves tied it up in the fourth, then Eugene got two more runs in the sixth on a walk, a triple by King and a wild pitch.

Wenatchee scored six runs in the fourth inning on five hits. The losing Bears' big inning was the first when they got five runs on a single and six walks.

The shortscores:
Eugene 610 002 000-3 3 2
Tri-City 000 100 000-1 5 0
Marten and Gauthier; Aldridge, Giordano (8) and Martin.
Wenatchee 200 000 000-8 14 6
Yakima 210 000 100-7 5 2
Crosby, Kinsley (1), Michael (7) and Lauenberg; Miller, Roberts (4) and Gonzaga.

Courtney, Manager Say There's No Rift
The blow tore the nail off the little finger of Courtney's throwing hand. According to Courtney, X-rays taken in Chicago Thursday showed the hand was broken. According to Drensen, the X-rays revealed a minor fracture of the little finger.

"We sent Courtney back home for more X-rays just to be sure," Drensen said. "That's the way we operate."

Both Drensen and Courtney said they just as soon forget their run-in ever occurred.

"I was mad because I hurt my hand," Courtney said. "I muttered something in the dugout about how I only play once every four, five days and that one time I have to hurt my hand. Drensen heard me and made a comment. I guess after that one word just led to another."

Drensen denied every saying he planned to trade Courtney because of the incident.

COURTNEY, MANAGER SAY THERE'S NO RIFT

By RAY AYRES

United Press Sports Writer
LOUISVILLE, Ky. (UP)—Wearing a special shoe on his bruised left front foot, Calumet Farm's Gen. Duke faced an early morning workout at Churchill Downs today that was to determine if he is fit to race in Saturday's 83rd edition of the Kentucky Derby.

Nine other three-year-olds, including Gen. Duke's stablemate, Iron Liege, were entered Thursday for America's premier horse race, but the real drama was unfolding in barn 15 at the famed Downs.

Quartered there was "The Duke," who until last Tuesday was the heavy favorite for the Derby. However, he came back to the barn after finishing second in the Derby Trial with a sore foot, thereby turning Saturday's classic into a wide open race.

Trouble Not Located
Ben Jones, the trainer emeritus of Calumet Farm who already has saddled six Derby winners, admitted he has been unable to locate the trouble spot. But he decided

late Thursday to "take him on the racetrack and see if he can run." However, even if Gen. Duke passes today's test, Jones indicated he may not decide definitely on whether to start the colt in the Derby until the absolute deadline—45 minutes before Derby post-time.

Cautious optimism was the keynote at the barns of the other trainers in comparison to the mantle of gloom hanging over the Calumet Farm "infirmary."

Jim Fitzsimmons had high hopes of winning the Kentucky Derby for the fourth time with Bold Ruler, now the favorite for the mile and one-quarter classic.

Ready To Go
"After his workout yesterday he is as ready as he'll ever be. We wanted him to stretch out his legs and he did fine," said the 82-year-old dean of American trainers.

Johnny Nerud, trainer of Ralph Lowe's Gallant Man who has gained so much local support he may wind up second choice, was highly pleased with the condition of the colt.

And so it went along shed row. Other trainers were convinced their horses were at their best and just as certain there was a tough horse race ahead of them—so tough the winner may have to break Whirlaway's 2:01 2-5 track record to take the winner's purse of \$109,200.

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