

Gates Threatens To Take Scott's Dash Title Away

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South Salem's Jack Scott for some time now has been conceded the title of "Fastest Man in the Willamette Valley." He is now having his claim disputed.

In the Saxons' dual meet victory over Eugene last Friday Scott met his match. He finished behind someone for the first time this year in the 100-yard dash.

PREP PARADE

However, the sting of defeat was lessened somewhat for rapid Jack because the fellow who administered the defeat was one of his own teammates, Bob Gates.

Gates' victory seemed quite an upset to some but really it wasn't. According to South Coach Lee Gustafson, Gates consistently finishes in front of Scott in practice sprints.

"Gus" added, though, that the distance between the two is never more than a few inches at the finish line.

"With two more like them we could break the state relay record," Gustafson said.

A rare accident took place in the dash in which Gates and Scott. One of the South students, who was holding the finish string, forgot to let go when Gates hit the tape. The string left a nasty burn across Bob's neck.

Gates took the mishap in stride. A good-natured kid with a sparkling personality, this was his smiling comment on the incident.

"Do you see that fellow holding the string? He won a big scholarship for college the other day and he still doesn't even know how to hold a string."

North Salem's Grant Todd came up with a dandy pitching performance against Sweet Home the other day. He set the Huskies down on four hits in the Vixen's 4-1 victory.

In the process he fanned 12 batters, while walking only two.

Todd uses the Don Larsen no windup style and according to his coach, Bill Hanauka, has increased his control tremendously since he started using it.

Hanauka said after the game that he has been real pleased with Todd's work this year. "Grant is his own worst enemy, though," Hanauka said. "He worries an awful lot about how things are going and he is the worst 'stealer' on the team. What he needs is more confidence in himself."

If Todd lacks some confidence in himself, he is the only one who is skeptical on his ability. Certainly those who watched him toy with those Sweet Home batters the other day are real believers in his baseball talents.

Incidentally, anyone driving by Barrick Field nowadays shouldn't be alarmed if he thinks he sees the Salem Senators playing a game there.

North Salem recently purchased last year's uniforms from the Senators for use by its baseball team. The "new" attire was worn for the first time in the Sweet Home game.

North's track team may not be the most spectacular in the state this spring but the Vikings have a couple performers who may go a long way in District 8 and state competition this year.

Two of the most likely appear to be quarter-mile Dale Drake and 800 man Jim Litchfield.

Drake has run several fine races this year. His best 440 time in a meet is 52.5 but his coach Herb Johnson reports that he has toured the oval in 51.7 in practice.

For a comparison the defending state champion, Leroy Poindexter of Eugene, has a best 440 time of 53.3. Poindexter won his title last spring with a clocking of 50.9.

After the Eugene - South meet last Friday, Poindexter told a writer that his times haven't been too good this spring because "I haven't had any competition to push me."

Litchfield doesn't have an overly impressive time in the 800 this year, his best being a 2:06.9, but the potential is there.

Jim, a lanky kid with long legs, has a beautiful to watch stride which seems to carry him around the oval in a glide. In a triangular meet with Stayton and Serra early this week, he appeared to be on his way to a brilliant clocking.

He circled the oval the first time in 61 seconds flat and seemed to be picking up the pace on the second until he reached the final turn. The desire was there but the old muscles just didn't want to cooperate. They tightened.

Even though his pace involuntarily slackened on that last 100 yards or so, his time was still the aforementioned 2:06.9, a quite respectable mark for the race.

If Litchfield can put together an entire half-mile at the pace he was running before that "tie-up" he'll be tough to beat.

Stayton principal and track coach Joe Boyle got more misery out of the start of fishing season than just not catching any fish.

It seems that most of the boys on his cinder squad are rabid anglers and they all went out on the opening day. That was all right with Joe but what happened to them wasn't.

They turned up at school Monday morning with poison oak. It may sound incredible but the attack was so complete that only two Eagle varsity trackmen didn't catch it. Those two, miler Jim Morgan and quarter-miler George Tiger, were the only Eagle competitors against North Salem and Serra in that triangular meet here Monday afternoon.

That may serve as an explanation to many fans who are wondering why Stayton scored only 12½ points in the meet.

RELAYS CANCELLED
The Junior High City Relays, scheduled Thursday, were cancelled as a result of rain. The four track squads return to dual meet action next week.

Ray Says One Bout, That's All

Sugar Man Plans Dance Career Return

CHICAGO (UP) — Sugar Ray Robinson will hold his prized midweight championship for only one more fight.

Robinson, who gained the crown for the fourth time Wednesday with a fifth round knockout of Gene Fullmer, made it definite today that he'll be a song and dance man on the Broadway stage "next winter."

"I'll defend the title against Carmen Basilio, if the terms are right," he said, "and if I win, that's my last fight. If I lose, of course, I'd want to try and get it back."

But should Robinson lose, he would not be in the ring again. Instead, he would demand as part of the contract for a Basilio fight, and this then would become the finale to his 17-year career in boxing.

Should Robinson go through with his plans, it would be the second time he has given up a title to a stage career. He quit the ring in 1932 after losing to Joey Maxim in a bid for the light heavyweight title, but 30 months later he returned to boxing and in 1955 recaptured the 160-pound title from Bobo Olson.

Basilio, Robby To Tiff in NY, Netro Claims

PORTLAND, Ore. — The proposed Ray Robinson-Carmen Basilio fight will be held in Yankee Stadium in New York, Joe Netro, co-manager of Basilio, predicted here Thursday night.

"Robinson's awfully tough to pin down, so we don't know yet whether it will be in July or September, but Jim Norris is working on it now, and we should know in a week or two," said Netro.

Welterweight champion Basilio and his party arrived here Thursday night for an exhibition tour that will include non-title bouts at Medford, Ore., May 6; Portland, May 16, and San Francisco, May 27. Opponents have not been named.

Basilio said he was confident he could defeat Robinson, who won back the middleweight crown Wednesday night by knocking out Gene Fullmer at Chicago.

"I intend to lick every fighter I meet, and if I can hit a man I can hurt him. And put this down, Robinson can be hit," Basilio said.

Seattle Boat 4th Qualifier For Apple Cup

CHELAN, Wash. — Miss Bardahl of Seattle Thursday became the fourth boat to qualify for Sunday's Apple Cup hydroplane race on Lake Chehalis.

The Bardahl, piloted by Norm Evans, qualified with laps of 105, 102 and 84 miles per hour for a 97 mph average, just two miles per hour over the required speed.

Choppy waters and engine troubles prevented other qualifying runs. Miss Thriftway, Mavekick and Hawaii Kai qualified Wednesday.

The choppy water, however, did not prevent Seattle designer Ted Jones from taking the newly-constructed Miss Thriftway Too out for a test spin.

"I haven't been so excited in 20 years," Jones said. "This was the greatest ride I've had in my life. I can go into the turns at 160 miles per hour and come out at 130. We will kill off all the other boats."

Boosters Set Up Ducat Pay Plan

The Salem Senator Boosters and directors are heading gear to sell at least \$15,000 worth of season tickets, announced Friday morning, a system whereby a purchaser can buy his ducat on the easy payment plan.

Stevens and Son Jewelers, 390 State St., will handle this phase and a person can buy a season's seat for 50 cents down and a year to pay—with no interest or service charge levied. Taxes are also available at Jay's Drive-In, where each one sold brings a steak dinner from the establishment, and at the Waters Park ticket office.

Season tickets are \$30 for an entire family, \$25 for two persons and \$20 for one person. One can also buy a 16-ticket book for \$10.

The Boosters have set a \$30,000 goal for the sale of season ducats. At present, just over \$14,000 has been sold, which means that about 600 more tickets is the goal for the drive which closes June 1.

The Boosters and directors have also scheduled their next meeting on Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. at the Marion Hotel.

Ski Prospects Good

HOODOO BOWL (Special)—Friday morning's ski report from here showed three feet of snow at the base of the hill, a temperature reading of 40 degrees and clear skies. The chairlift and coffee shop will be open Sunday for the skiing season, which is heading into its seventh month, although the close is due soon.

ANYBODY'S RACE Three Teams Tied in PCL

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Los Angeles	11	7	.609	
Hollywood	11	7	.609	
Vancouver	11	7	.609	
San Diego	10	8	.556	1.5
San Francisco	10	8	.556	1.5
Sacramento	9	9	.500	3.0
Portland	8	10	.444	4.5

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Top spot in the Pacific Coast League goes up for grabs again Friday night, with Los Angeles, Hollywood and Vancouver tied at the top and Seattle only .014 points off the pace.

While Hollywood was ending Los Angeles' exclusive claim on the lead by beating the Angels, the Stars overtook the Angels 4-3. Thursday night, Vancouver was toiling 16 innings for a 5-4

victory over San Diego. Seattle dumped San Francisco, 8-4, in the only other game played. Rain postponed Sacramento's tilt with Portland.

Hollywood's Bennie Daniels blanked the Angels through eight innings but weakened in the ninth and filled the bases. Three runs crossed before reliever Hugh Pepper got Wally Lammers to pup up for a third out.

Start Quickly
The Stars opened the first inning with two runs off Ron Negray on three walks and a double by R. C. Stevens. They made it 3-0 with an unearned run in the fifth and scored the winner in the seventh on singles by Carlos Bernier, Leo Rodriguez and Paul Pettit.

The 3-hour 55-minute marathon at Vancouver proved an even bigger thriller as San Diego came from a 4-0 deficit in the ninth and tied it up on two home runs and blasted. Dave Pope belted the first, good for three runs, and Stu Locklin followed with another.

The Mounties, who trailed the league last year and didn't rate a nod in pre-season predictions, loaded the sacks in the 12th and 14th frames, but Padre reliever Jim (Mudcat) Grant wriggled out of the spot each time.

He caught in the 16th on Jim Marshall's single, Cal Segrist's sacrifice and an intentional walk to Tito Francona and Jake Crawford's liner to right field.

Bamberger Wins
George Bamberger, fourth Mountain hurler, was the winner, blanking San Diego for five innings.

At Seattle, catcher Ray Orteig sparked the Rainier's third victory over the San Francisco Seals in four games. In four trips, Orteig doubled twice, tripled and collected four RBI's, scoring three himself.

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Machen, Joey Maxim Slate Bout Tonight

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — A change of pace in sports—at least for this derby town—takes place Friday night when young Eddie Machen takes on aging Joey Maxim in a nationally televised heavyweight fight.

The 10-round match, first to be held on derby eve since 1940, isn't expected, however, to draw many of the thousands here for the Kentucky Derby away from their favorite topic.

Machen, an undefeated 24-year-old, is a 2-1 choice to stop the comeback try of Maxim. A slugger, Machen enters the scrap with 20 straight victories, 14 by knockouts.

The heavy-hitting Machen earned a unanimous decision over Maxim at Miami Jan. 25. The Oakland, Calif., fighter is rated No. 2 among the heavies.

Maxim, who's rated as 35, is a former light heavyweight champion. The veteran from Cleveland, Miami and several other stops has been virtually idle for two years after losing the light-heavy title.

His record shows 82 decisions, 21 knockouts, 4 draws and 24 defeats over a long career of 110 pro fights.

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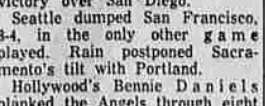
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