

# CUE BALL

THE ONE . . . THAT PICKS 'EM OFF

## THE MONEY'S WORTH

Beaver baseball fan gets his money's worth at Vaughn street stadium when the Portland appleknockers contest an issue as they did last week, with the league leading San Francisco Seals. From the lowly cellar, the Lucky Beavers reached out to shake the top rung of the ladder, and divid-

ed the week's series.

It wasn't a case of Portland rounding into magic form overnight as much as a matter of chukkers and teammates hitting a stride that left its partisan fans hoarse and flustered and well satisfied that the evenings in the grandstand were not entirely wasted.

Jim Tote, newly come by a Beaver uniform via New York Yankees option, was a crowd pleaser, as were many another, particularly in the home run department.

## SLUGGING ANGELS

This week, the Beavers resume their magic against the slugging Los Angeles nine, after having divided a series against them week before last. And Portland promises to be a little stronger, in the mound department, than it was in the last go-round.

The Angels have the reputation of being the club that will knock the socks off Portland. It was a refreshing change, in the sunny Southland, for the swathcutting bats of Harv Storey, Fenton Mole and Silvers to knock pre-game guesses askew.

On the mound, DiBiasi and Liska are two whose absence really hurts. DiBiasi's injured wrist is about healed up and he may be able to muster for a few innings this week. Liska, colorful submariner chucker, is mending from a chipped elbow, but isn't back in uniform yet.

Tommy Bridges, the grand old man of the mound, is always a trump card. And games like that of last Sunday, when he pitched a shutout, explain just why he is so considered.

Starting time for evening games, by the blessing of later sunsets and daylight saving, revert to the 8:30 schedule. Afternoon double headers, of course, are still at 1:30.

## BEAUTIFUL HORSES

The horses were beautiful. The crowd was enthusiastic. And in every way, the Portland Hunt club's 48th annual race meet, held at the Garden Home track, was the sort of sporting event that a person goes away talking about for days.

Held Saturday and Sunday, the meet included 24 events. Not entirely a top-hat horse show, cowboy races were featured along with the more graceful events that starred thoroughbreds.

Weather, on Sunday, was perfect and a large crowd lived thru the thrilling events that unfolded. On the last jump of the 1 1/2 mile steeplechase, one horse went all the way over, on top of the rider. According to announcement, no bones were broken and the condition of the rider was not said to be serious.

Among rider-participants were many young girls, some of whom looked to be of high school age. In this department, the value of the meet as a recreational project proved high.

## LEGION THROWS STAG

For the strengthening of junior Legion baseball money reserves, the Beaverton post of the American Legion threw one of its traditional stag parties, in the new hall on Washington street, near Farmington road. Tom Ramsdell, co-chairman of the Legion sports committee, handled arrangements.

The crowd was good-sized and included a cross-section of the local business circle, along with guests from neighboring communities. Featured in the affair were refreshments and entertainment of various sorts.

It is believed, noting the success of its first such event, that others of a like nature will be staged in the future.

## NOT ALL DUFFERS

Entered in the East Tualatin amateur golf tournament, qualifying rounds for which are being run off up to and including June 20, are golfers with better than passing golf ability, according to Jack Welby, of the Beaverton junior chamber of commerce arrangements committee.

Tallies submitted for the setting of handicaps indicate that a duffer will have to have a good day to cop prize tokens. We have seen better than 25 entry blanks and the qualifying round deadline is still some three days away. Entry will be accepted up to June 20, with handicaps allotted on the basis of 18 holes played on the Forest Hills course.

Merchants throughout the east end of the valley have been supplied with entry forms, and such blanks have also been printed in this newspaper.

Only restriction is an age qualification of at least 18 years and residence in the Tualatin valley east of Reedville. Membership in the junior chamber of commerce is not essential to participation.

## MANY POINTS OF VIEW

Some are right and some are wrong.

It will take the evening of June 23 to decide just who is who and why. But sports fans, experts, wise guys of the fight game and just plain, unobessed men and women have their ideas on just who will be the heavyweight champ of the world on the dawn-breaking morning of June 24.

We have heard the flat predictions of Jack Kearns, manager of Joey Maxim, that Walcott is sure to repeat—but definitely—in giving Joe Louis the misery he had in the last tangle. Other actives in cauliflower circles repeat this theme, with gestures. Yet, it's beyond anyone's guess.

An internationally known sports writer, Paul Gallico, who has figured prominently in the Fourth Estate at a long list of sporting events, recently unpolished a "fifth factor" as the guide to his crystal-ball gazing.

This fifth factor, Gallico points out, urges him to predict that Louis will knock Joe Walcott out in the early part of their fight. The four standard measures by which pre-fight judgment picks the probable winner are given as 1. capabilities of both contestants; 2. respective records; 3. physical condition and training by the principals and 4. their mental condition.

The fifth factor is what people are thinking and what element of the story might cause truth to follow the patterns of fiction and tip the balance against everything else.

Gallico says that his examination of the fifth factor prior to the first Louis-Walcott fight caused him to advise friends of the possibility of a terrific upset.

Well, every man to his own devices!

## ALL STAR TALENT

Tex Salkeld, fight promoter who always pushes back the limitations to give the fans their money's worth, comes up with an all-star bevy of talent for the big boxing card set for the auditorium on Tuesday, June 22.

Heading the presentation, for ten rounds, will be Joe Kahut and Joe Maxim. The local wallpaper

will be primed for a showing against Maxim, who rates as the world's third-ranking heavyweight. And the visitor will have his artillery sharpened up to ease the needling irritation of a draw recently registered in the South against an up and coming fighter Pat Valentino.

A ten-round semifinal will start Jack Snapp, of Klamath Falls, against LeRoy Wade, of San Francisco, two competent middleweights. Snapp's last appearance netted him a decision over Al Hostak, former world crown holder.

Jesse Hall, popular Los Angeles slugger, will be out to even things with Jack Huber, San Francisco, who won a decision from him in Fresno, recently. It will be for six rounds.

Jack Chase, popular veteran, tangles with Eddie Ward of Chicago, in another six-round middleweight tangle and one more bout—four rounder—will complete the night's offering.

After a short layoff, boxing revives with a vengeance, at the Portland punch emporium.

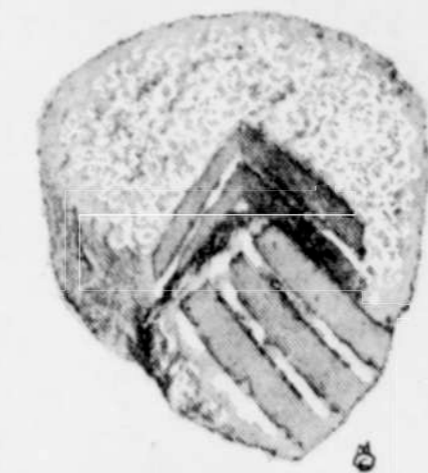
## PREP FOOTBALL START

The 1948 prep football season will zoom off to a flying start, August 28, when the Oregon All-Stars meet the Portland All-Stars, in a benefit pigskin tussle sponsored by the Al Kader temple of the Shrine. The Shrine's hospital for crippled children will be the recipients of all game proceeds.

The two teams will be made up of the pick of the crop of high school gridiron aces. Some changes have already been made in the initial lineup schedule but each vacancy is filled by another eager football lad.

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