

# Sports

## SIZZLING CONTESTS IN BIG LEAGUES, FOR TOP OF HEAP

NEW YORK, July 27.—(A. P.)—The major league peaks have buckled again last week under first place eruptions of the leaders which continued to rumble threateningly last night.

Volcanic activity in both leagues altered summit tenacity for the fifth time in the American and for the seventh time in the National since the first week in July.

The Pittsburgh Pirates, flung from the crest early in the week, remounted the National pinnacle as it occupied by the San Francisco Seals, eighth place, Boston, shook loose the persistent Giants. Tumbled by a similar early American flare, fed by the St. Louis Browns, Philadelphia Athletics recovered later to regain the heights as rain compelled Washington to abandon the defense.

Statistical fans who brought forth paper and pencil today to recover the damage, consequently found both races still seething at the top with the Giants half a game nearer Pittsburgh in the National than they had been a week ago and Philadelphia grasping the American lead a little more securely than before the week's upheavals.

A single victory for Brooklyn in two weeks, carried home on the speed ball of Dazzy Vance with a record of 17 strikeouts, sufficed to hold the Robins in third place by a mere half game against the challenge of Cincinnati.

Playing the same number of contests without a defeat the uncertain Phillies dodged back to the top of the second division as the St. Louis tidal wave of early July gently receded.

Chicago Cubs, jarred, but not loosened from seventh place were still able last night to look down upon the Braves in spite of upward thrusts that have been made at New York and Pittsburgh.

Halted by Philadelphia and Cleveland, the St. Louis Browns gave back third place in the American to the Chicago White Sox, with Detroit still trailing both clubs in a hot, three-cornered scramble.

Cleveland, New York and the Boston Red Sox plodded on behind in that order with only mild objection throughout the week.

## LEFTY O'DOUL IS STILL LEADER IN BATTING HONORS

SAN FRANCISCO, July 27.—(A. P.)—Lefty O'Doul, hard-hitting outfielder of Salt Lake continues to lead Pacific Coast league batters with a neat average of .424, unofficial figures, including Saturday's games show. The league leader gained two points at the expense of Minky Krug's Angela during the last week of play.

Frank Brindell of the Seattle Indians holds second honors with the stick at a .411 average, and Paul Waner, San Francisco outfielder, is third with .409.

Wally Hood, Angel outfielder, is high man on his squad with .352. McCann, batting .341, leads the Beavers, and Brubaker is setting the pace for the Oaks with the same figure. M. Shea is stellar batsman for the Senators with an average of .332 and Warner leads the Vernon Tigers with .304.

Tony Lazare, Salt Lake shortstop tops the home run swatters with a total of 23 circuit clouts. Brantley Lazare with 25. The Bee shortstop also is the best base stealer in the league having pilfered 26 cushions. Second honors are divided between Hunnefeld, Portland, and Lane of Seattle, with 25 each.

Yesterday's Results.  
At Oakland 7-9; Portland 2-6.  
At Salt Lake 11-11; Los Angeles 1-9.  
At Sacramento 5-8; San Francisco 4-10.  
At Vernon 5-2; Seattle 3-1.



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## Genaro Logical Successor to Flyweight Crown; Villa's Death Adds to Death of Real Ring Kings

By NORMAN E. BROWN.

The tragic death of Panchito Villa, little Philippine brawler and flyweight champion of the world, leaves the championship affairs of fistiana more muddled than ever.

When Johnny Dundee surrendered the featherweight championship without a struggle and Benny Leonard, from his mother's shoulder, announced his retirement from the lightweight throne, the game was left with two kingless kingdoms—and without any kingly material in either one.

The heavyweight division has been in a semi-comatose condition ever since the movies and matronly started bidding for Jack Dempsey's time. The bantamweight championship crown has been turned into a toy balloon that is bounced about the heads of the little fellows every few days. Truly a sad state of affairs.

Frankie Genaro, until his sudden death, was trying to carry out the role of champion as if it were a game to be played.

First of all Villa won his title in a proper way. He met Jimmy Wilde, idol of Great Britain and flyweight champion of the world without a question, and knocked that game little Welshman out in seven rounds of real championship caliber fighting.

That was in 1922. Last year, instead of resting on his laurels, he engaged in 11 battles—between January and August. Then he returned to his



Frankie Genaro, native land to draw the honors due a home boy who had won fame. He

married, too. Then he returned to the game.

A few weeks ago, while suffering from the infected teeth which eventually caused his death, he went into the ring against the advice of physicians. He went in because he believed a champion should. Blows taken on his head in that bout did not help the infection, of course.

Now he is gone. But one logical heir to the throne Villa held now looms. He is Frankie Genaro, holder of the American flyweight championship.

After a few bouts in this country, in which he showed his greatness as a fighter, Villa was given a chance at the American flyweight title held by Johnny Buff and defeated the little war vet. That was in 1922. Two years ago, before he got a crack at Wilde, Villa met Genaro for the defense of the American title and lost to Frankie, who still holds it.

**Bout Long in Making**  
A match between Genaro and Villa has been in the making for many months. They were destined to meet last year, but an accident to Villa, I believe it was, prevented the meeting. Villa was willing to give his rival a chance at the crown.

Villa must be ranked as one of the hardest hitting little fellows the game has ever known. His specialty was a double punch delivered with his left. He hooked it to the stomach or heart and then with the speed of a riveting hammer, sent it to the jaw. That was the blow which felled Wilde.

## MEDFORD TO PLAY EUGENE GOLFERS HERE ON SUNDAY

Word has been received by the tournament committee of the local Oaklawn Club that the Eugene Country Club will send a representative aggregation of golfers to compete with Medford players next Sunday, August 2nd.

Eugene is said to have the best golf team in the state outside of Portland and the local players will be practicing industriously this week on the local links in an endeavor to win this match.

It is not known at this time just how many players Eugene will send here, but possibly 25 men will arrive and all golfers of the local club are urged to be present at the course next Sunday morning ready to play. Local players will be selected in the order of their handicap.

## SALT LAKE CROWDS SEALS FOR LEAD IN COAST RACE

SAN FRANCISCO, July 27.—(A. P.)—The climbing Salt Lake Bees took two more ball games from the Angels yesterday, thereby advancing a little nearer to the position on the pinnacle occupied by the San Francisco Seals. The Bees won the first game by an 11 to 1 score and took the second 11 to 9. The Salt Lake club added seven games to their win column last week, while the Los Angeles club was forced to content themselves with two victories.

While the Bees were taking two games the Seals had to be content with divided honors. The Solons took the first contest 5 to 4 and the Seals got the matinee by a 10 to 8 count. The series ended even, each team won four games.

The Seattle Indians took a thorough lacing at the hands of the Vernon Tigers, dropping both ends of a double bill, 5 to 3 and 2 to 1. The teams divided the series, 4 and 4.

Oakland and Portland also divided their double header, the Oaks taking the morning game, 7 to 2, and the Beavers winning the afternoon contest 6 to 0.

Rube Yarrison allowed the Oaks but four hits in the second contest. The series ended 4 to 4.

## OREGON TOWN NEAR ROSEBURG THREATENED BY FIRE ON SUNDAY

ROSEBURG, Ore., July 27.—The town of Wilbur, eight miles north of Roseburg was threatened with destruction yesterday, when the D. P. McKay store was burned to the ground. The McKay family, which resides in the rear of the store was away on a picnic, so the origin of the blaze has not been learned. Nearly two score of tourists stopped to aid the residents of the town in fighting the fire, which started to spread over a wide district by burning the tall grass and this timely help, coupled with the aid of five Mexican section hands who formed a bucket brigade, which was successful in keeping the fire confined to the store building. The building, stock of goods and household effects were completely destroyed, the loss being in the neighborhood of \$6,000, partially covered by insurance. In addition to this loss, two telephone poles were burned down breaking the wires and interrupting communication for a period and the intense heat melted the pavement on the highway in front of the building so that repairs will be necessary there.

## WIRELESS LIGHT TO BE DISCUSSED IN LOS ANGELES

LOS ANGELES, July 27.—(A. P.)—Wireless electric light, synthetic rubber and the war time possibilities of poison gas are among the many important topics to be discussed by scientists and inventors at the 70th annual meeting of the American Chemical Society opening here August 3.

Among the approximately 1000 delegates expected there will be men who, though little known to the general public, are engaged in laboratory work which is responsible for almost daily changes in the country's industry methods.

Demonstrations of the radio transmission of electric power by Dr. W. R. Whitney, research director of the General Electric, will constitute one of the most spectacular features of the convention from the layman's point of view. Dr. Whitney has carried his experiments to the point where he is able to make an electric light bulb, held in a man's hand and not connected with any wires, burst into radiance several feet from the source of power.

Discussion of processes for the manufacture of synthetic rubber will also hold a more than usual interest for the layman, due to the layman's habit of running rubber-tired automobiles and the recent phenomenal rise in rubber prices, which threatens to

## FEARS BALANCE OF POWER IN AMERICAS

WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass., July 27.—(A. P.)—Dr. Leo S. Rowe, director general of the Pan-American union at Washington asserted at the institute of politics today that a distinct trend toward a balance of power exists in the Latin-American countries today—and may have an disastrous consequences as has the balance of power in Europe.

Conducting the discussion at a round-table conference on outstanding problems in inter-American relations, Dr. Rowe said in part:

"The first of the great problems confronting the American continent is to ascertain how it will be possible to avoid the balance of power system in its European form. We must devise a way of preventing that."

Sick folks often seek health while running away from it.

## WILLAMETTE R. BRIDGE WILL BE OPEN NOVEMBER

EUGENE, Ore., July 27.—Indications are that the new Pacific highway bridge across the Willamette river, the only break in the highway in Oregon at the present time, will be open to travel about November 1, according to word from the foreman of the bridge crew, today.

The first steel for the bridge will be placed about August 1. Pouring of the concrete for the third pier above the water line was completed yesterday and within a few days the piling for the last pier will have been sunk. After the piling is sunk a six foot fill of cement will be dumped into the bottom of the pier, after which the cofferdam will be pumped so that the remainder of the below water fill can be made.

The crew will be split as the steel work starts half working with the steel and the remainder putting in the sidewalk and railing for the 1700 foot trestle at the western approach.

## CRISIS AVERTED IN NAVAL DEADLOCK CHURCHILL GIVES IN

LONDON, July 27.—(A. P.)—If the morning newspapers are correctly informed the threatened resignations of the lords of the admiralty have been averted by the surrender of the "economy group" of the cabinet, headed by Winston Churchill, chancellor of the exchequer, to W. O. Bridgeman, first lord of the admiralty and the sea lords.

Mr. Churchill, as guardian of the treasury, had insisted that the country could not afford to lay down more than two new cruisers this year and three next year.

The admiralty, after modifying its original demands, took a stand on the building of four cruisers this year and three next. The papers say that Premier Baldwin will announce the admiralty is willing to cut naval expenditures in other directions and assuage the closing of the Chatham-Falmerock and perhaps the Gibraltar dockyards to offset the cost of the cruisers.

LONDON, July 27.—(A. P.)—Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin today announced in the house of commons that the British government's naval construction program included two cruisers to be laid down in October, two next February and three yearly thereafter, making four cruisers to be constructed this fiscal year and three next.

The British government also has

decided upon annual construction of nine destroyers and six submarines, together with certain auxiliary vessels, beginning with the financial year 1926-27, this program to be continued during the normal life of the present parliament, Baldwin announced.

Some of the new cruisers will conform into the existing 10,000 ton type and the remainder will be smaller and less expensive, of a type approximating 8000 tons, to be designed by the admiralty.

The additional expenses this year, which Prime Minister Baldwin estimated at \$27,170 (about \$2,600,000) above the present navy estimates, would be met by the admiralty by savings under other departments and by funds which are likely to accrue by not spending money appropriated.

U. S. HAS MORE THAN HALF OF TELEPHONES IN WORLD

LOS ANGELES, July 27.—Statistics compiled here recently by the Southern California Telephone company show that the United States, with approximately 16,000,000 instruments, leads the world in telephone develop-

ment. Of the world's telephones, 63 percent are in the United States, 26 percent in the countries of Europe and 11 percent in countries of other continents.

In European countries the average number of telephones is 12 for each 1000 inhabitants, while in the United States the figures show that there are 131 telephones for every thousand.

The statistics revealed that in cities in the United States of 50,000 population or over the average number of instruments was 377 for each 1000 inhabitants. Atlanta City, N. J., shows the greatest development, having 383 phones per 1000 persons. Omaha, Neb., with its 284 per 1000 is second. Pasadena, Cal., with 275; Des Moines, Ia., 267; Lincoln, Neb., 262; and San Francisco with 259 ranks third, fourth, and fifth in the order named.

Chicago ranks thirteenth with 234 telephones per 1000 population; Boston is twenty-fourth with 222, and New York City, despite the fact that it has more instruments than Berlin, London, Paris, Liverpool, Rome, Antwerp, Brussels, and Shanghai combined, ranks in forty-third place.

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