

SAFE ROBBERS OF PORTLAND ENGAGE IN HEAVY EVENING

PORTLAND, March 16.—(AP)—A wave of safe robbery swept over southeastern Portland last night and left four wrecks in its wake. One safe was taken from a store and has disappeared without a trace. The losses will amount to at least \$500, police said, with the possibility of other unreported cases.

When clerks opened the Woodstock Cash Grocery this morning there was no cash and no place to put any. The safe had been carried away during the night. Owners said there was more than \$200 in cash and checks in the storeroom.

For the fourth time in 18 months the safe of the McCready Lumber company was robbed and \$30 stolen. The cash register of the Patton-Meyer market was wrecked and more than \$100 taken.

Detectives were working on the safe of the Francis Feed company to determine whether there had been any losses there. The combination lock was broken from the safe last night, but it was not known whether the money compartment was reached.

BUSTER BROWN STORE IS ATTRACTIVE NEW BUSINESS ADDITION

Sketches from the life of Buster Brown and his dog Tige accompanied a large number of local residents from the new Buster Brown shoe store on South Central, which opened its doors to Medford shoppers today. Illustrated verses, woven around the activities of the Tam o' Shanter boy, color the wrapping paper used in this unique piece of business.

MOLLIE SONGER IS CALLED BY DEATH

Mrs. Mollie Songer, native daughter of Jackson county and a well-known Ashland resident, died today at a Portland hospital, following a short illness.

WRIGHT PLAYERS AT BAPTIST CHURCH

One of the most interesting attractions to be in southern Oregon in the way of Biblical plays will be presented at the Baptist church on North Central avenue, at 7:30, Monday evening. The famous California-Wright players will give "The Tent Dwellers," with a cast of five.

EAKER BEHIND TIME ON LONG PLANE HOP

WASHINGTON, March 16.—(AP)—The war department announced that Captain Ira Eaker, attempting a dawn to dusk flight from Brownsville, Texas to the Canal Zone, left Guatemala City, Guatemala at 2:17 p. m., central standard time, two hours behind his schedule. Doubt was expressed he would end his flight before 9 p. m.

The Noted Dead

NEW YORK, March 16.—(AP)—Major General Daniel Appleton, retired publisher and soldier, died last night at a private sanitarium at White Plains. He was 77 years old.

Sports

REDS HAVE TOO MANY PLAYERS LITTLE TALENT

Twenty-Five Candidates for Hill and Outer Garden—Few Show Big League Stuff—Picinich Is Problem This Year.

By Brian Bell. Associated Press Sports Writer. OHLANDO, Fla., March 16.—(AP)—Manager John C. Hendricks of the Cincinnati Reds is glad that the National league season will not open for a full month and that he will have 60 days after that to reduce his active personnel to 25 players. The manager resembles the old lady who lived in a shoe. He has so many pitchers and outfielders he doesn't know what to do. He has 25 for the mound and outer defenses with few of them palpably premature in seeking major league places.

Manager Hendricks also would like to know how good Val Picinich will be in 1935. The eleven-year-old catcher had his best year in 1934, catching nearly 100 games and batting over .300 for the first time in his major league experience. If Picinich, who has been slow to sign and has lost the benefit of early training, can repeat his last season's performance, Jack believes his club is as good as in the first division.

No change will be made in the infield. Louie George Kelly will play first, unthreatened by his co-worker of last season, Wally Pipp. Hubby Critz, promoted to captain of the ship, at second and Horace Ford, at short, will have a chance to break their record-breaking double play performance. Charlie Dressen is the leading candidate for third base, in the absence of Joe Stripp, convalescing from an appendicitis operation.

Three Show Ability. The outfield assignments are not so easy. Three recruits have shown ability and five of last year's outfielders are back. Only one, Jack Hill, a California university player, seems a year or two away. Crabtree, Swanson and Shaner certainly have a chance to push the former regulars completely out of the picture, although the ability of Curtis Walker to play the treacherous Cincinnati right field, places him in better position to defend his place than his fellows.

Cincinnati lost the services of two good pitchers, Red Lucas and Dolph Luque, last season and Manager Hendricks thinks it unlikely that he will be visited by such a catastrophe again. Pete Donohue was late starting and Jack thinks the Texan will be able to move off in high gear this year. Eppa Rixey, tallest of left handers, Jake May, another southpaw, much lighter than a year ago, and Ray Kolp complete the veterans.

Roy Meeker, formerly with the Athletics, may make the major league grade at last, after serving long years in the minors. Ken Ash, farmed to Columbus, has returned with more experience. Of the youngsters coming up full of hope and confidence, the work of Elias Johnson, graduate of Rock Island in the Mississippi Valley league, has been impressive. Johnson, who is not yet 21 years of age, seems wise in pitching beyond his years.

Bill Kemmer, who pitched for New Haven a year and was overlooked by the majors, was brought from Newark by Cincinnati and has a great chance to make good. Another prospect is Marvin Guat, who was drafted after he had a trial with the Cardinals and was sent to Dayton.

EDWARDS THROWS TRAFFIC OFFICER

WALLA WALLA, Wash., March 16.—(AP)—Taking advantage of an accidental fall which dazed him, Billy Edwards, Kansas City pouncer upon Chet Wiles, Portland traffic cop, to take the only fall in their wrestling match here last night. Using his knuckle hold, Edwards finished Wiles for the evening and he was unable to come back.

MAN O' WAR'S SON TOUTED TO TAKE COFFROTH STAKE

SAN DIEGO, Cal., March 16.—(AP)—There's going to be a real horse race tomorrow afternoon, when Starter Marshall Cassidy gives the signal for the big field in the \$125,000 Coffroth handicap, stellar event of western racing to leave the stalls at the head of the four-furlong chute for the long grind of a mile and a quarter. That was a firmly established fact today in the minds of every horseman and expert of racing now here. And in the crowds that have come for the race, there are many who are classed as real experts.

The opinion had got about that the great Man o' War's fine son, Genie, sent out from New York by Gifford A. Cochran of Mt. Kisco, N. Y., under the guidance of "Uncle Henry" McDaniel, trainer, might not be able to make a good showing. He had not shown much in his races here. But today the buzz of every conversation at the track centered on the brilliant workout, which the big colt turned in yesterday with his Coffroth jockey, Willie Kelsey, and the full Coffroth impost of 122 pounds on his back. His mile in 1:37, unofficial, of course, but caught by several watches, was a fraction better than the track record for that distance, held jointly by Little Chief of other days and the brilliant Ervrat of this spring, now out of the Coffroth, because of an infection, which took him out of training. So they all figure now that Genie is going to do a lot of running tomorrow.

so, also, it is believed, will a bunch of other fine horses, somewhat less famous than Genie, who has done a lot in the east, but track heroes just the same. These include Senator J. N. Camden's big Hydromel, a stretch-running giant; Vermajo, hero of a big battle in the New Orleans handicap this winter; Doctor Wilson, western colt, who won last year's Tiannan derby; Voltair, hope of the Wingfield, Nevada, stock farm; Jugger, an eastern crack, of the Goodale stable; Harry Vane's brilliant Golden Prince, who started out as a selling pinner and now has risen to heights never predicted for him a year ago; Valkyr, young mare from the same stable as Genie; W. R. Coe's Algonquin, who recently has shown a lot of speed; Rudolph Spreckles' Soother, on whom some of the best experts pin much hope; Alexander Pantages, owned by the theatrical man for whom he is named, and several others.

WILL PLAY FINAL TOURNAMENT GAME JUNIOR HIGH GYM

With semi-final games scheduled to be played this afternoon between Coos River and Malin and between Drain and Central Point, the Southern Oregon normal school basketball tournament will go into the finals tonight at the Ashland junior gymnasium. The victor will be the champion of secondary high schools in Lake, Klamath, Jackson, Josephine, Douglas, Coos and Curry counties.

The consolation tournament in which losers of the tournament will take part, will also be decided this evening and will be played between Gold Hill and Powers at 7:30, followed by the championship game at 8:30.

Scores for the second round of the tournament are as follows: Port Orford 28, Coos River 29, Malin 29, Riverport 17, Central Point 28, Phoenix 20. Scores of the consolation games follow: Riddle 26, Gold Hill 24, Sams Valley 24, Rogue River 23, Powers 24, Glendale 19, Kerby 14, Talent 21, Sams Valley 25, Powers 31, Talent 17.

L'BARBA WINNER IN SUNDAY BOUT

SYDNEY, New South Wales, March 16.—(AP) Fidel Labarba, of Los Angeles, former world's flyweight champion, knocked out Willie Smith, South African boxer, in the twelfth round of a bout here today.

DALLES DAZZLED BY FAST ATTACK OF MEDFORD MEN

(By Arthur Perry) SALEM, Ore., March 15.—(Special Correspondence) The Medford team has been playing under wraps. In the second half of the Dalles game and three points behind, they came out from their shell long enough to pile up a safe lead. A lightning passing attack left the Dalles flatfooted, and McDonald, Garnett, and Moran poured in the counters. They held The Dalles scoreless in the third quarter, and well into the final quarter. Then Hoverman, who has been off his stride, and Melvin were taken out, and second string men substituted.

Melvin is not playing up like last year. His floor work is just as flashy, but he has missed many easy shots. Had he continued to date has been the best point maker. Hoverman has been having trouble with the inner mechanism, due to drinking Salomon water. No wonder the legislators brought their own.

The Astoria team is rated by many as a team to beat Washington, and they will have their chance tonight, the results of which will be known ere these lines are printed. They are as big as the Medford team, and fast, and shoot baskets from all angles and all places. They may not beat Washington, but they will whittle down their stamina, as they set a terrific pace from the first whistle. The Medford team will have a 24 hour rest before the final game tomorrow.

72 YEAR OLD BOWLER TURNS IN 672 TOTAL FOR PIN TOURNAMENT

CHICAGO, March 16.—(AP)—Jack Horr, 72-year-old bowler from Bedford, Ohio, may not be as spry as he used to be, but he can show many of his juniors how to heave a bowling ball.

SACRAMENTO SOLONS HAVE 4 WET HURLERS

LOS ANGELES, March 16.—(AP)—The Sacramento club will have a monopoly on the spitball pitchers in the Pacific coast league, four moist ball hurlers being on the Senator roster.

FRANK'S Comedians Tonight Sunday Night IN The Armory

Presenting "Watch Your Step Betty" PRICES 10c 25c 50c SATURDAY NIGHT IS BARGAIN NIGHT

MEDFORD ROOTERS MUCH IN EVIDENCE AT CAGE TOURNEY

(By A. C. Allen) SALEM, Ore., Mar. 15.—(Special) Medford has, as usual, about the biggest representation at the state prep school basketball tournament outside of Salem.

Besides the big rooting section of Medford students, there are many adult supporters. Among those whose voices are heard as well as whose presence is in evidence are Bill Warner, Peachy Lemon, Alf Weeks, Mr. and Mrs. John Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Nee, Mr. and Mrs. John Mann, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Strang, a couple of Pippitts, Charlie Cass, Eads and others. Smudge Perry is on deck, while the writer of this and Jimmie Allen claim that attendance, distance considered, they cannot be beaten. They have attended seven straight tournaments here.

All eyes were on Melvin Wednesday when he came on the floor. He looked somewhat pale, but seemed to stand the graft without trouble. He was not "on," but most of his trouble was due to the fact that McLaughlin rode him unmercifully. He was dogged everywhere.

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