

Sports

BATS TO CRACK AT FAIR GROUND IN NEW LEAGUE

Ashland and Klamath Falls Join Medford in Amateur Circuit—First Game Set for Sunday—Two Teams in This City.

Formation of a baseball league in southern Oregon, embracing the cities of Ashland, Klamath Falls, and two teams in this city, is now underway, and the first game will be played at the fairgrounds next Sunday afternoon between Medford and Ashland.

The Owen-Oregon Lumber company will provide a second team in this city.

The league will be conducted on a profit-sharing basis with no salaries. Ten per cent of each game's receipts will be put in a pot for the champion. The balance will be divided after expenses are paid, between the two teams, 60 and 40 per cent.

The league will have a president, who will be a sort of a dictator, with the power to take a team's share of the gate receipts if it violates the rules.

The league is being backed in this city by Court Hall and Paul Taylor, and in Ashland by Polk Nulinger.

Klamath Falls started to play in a league with Bend, but discovered it could not stand the financial strain of imported players and long trips.

The idea of the league is to have teams composed entirely of home players and each team will sign an ironclad agreement that it will import no semi-pros, or use semi-pros in any of the games.

There is plenty of baseball material in this city, but so far this year they have been venting their surplus baseball energy on kitten ball. Among the players available are Jack Hughes, Bud Conlin, Mahoney, Clarence Dunn, Harry, Freddie Dunn, Don Herriot, Bill Morgan, Al Melvin and others.

The Owen-Oregon company has a strong list of available players.

The Ashland team will draw its players from the Normal school, and has a strong team ready for action.

Klamath Falls is in the same boat. They have plenty of ball players.

It is expected that the leaders of the league movement will hold a meeting this week, and formulate a schedule.

The promoters of the plan will ask for no financial support from business men, except that they come to the games.

Paul Taylor will probably be manager of the local team, with Court Hall as chief advisor and factotum.

All those interested have pledged themselves to keep the league on a strictly amateur basis.

STANDINGS OF THE CLUBS

| National League | | | |
|-----------------|----|----|------|
| | W. | L. | Pct. |
| Chicago | 18 | 9 | .667 |
| St. Louis | 18 | 10 | .643 |
| Pittsburgh | 14 | 11 | .560 |
| Boston | 14 | 12 | .538 |
| Philadelphia | 11 | 13 | .458 |
| Cincinnati | 11 | 16 | .407 |
| New York | 9 | 15 | .375 |
| Brooklyn | 9 | 18 | .333 |
| American League | | | |
| | W. | L. | Pct. |
| Philadelphia | 18 | 8 | .704 |
| New York | 16 | 9 | .640 |
| St. Louis | 17 | 11 | .607 |
| Detroit | 18 | 14 | .563 |
| Cleveland | 13 | 14 | .481 |
| Chicago | 12 | 18 | .400 |
| Washington | 8 | 17 | .320 |
| Boston | 8 | 20 | .286 |

Fights Last Night

By the Associated Press.
New Orleans—Eddie Kid Wolfe, Memphis, outpointed Don Davis, Chicago, (10).
New York—George La Rocca, New York, won on foul from Jack Remault, Canada, (10); Benny Touchstone, Florida, outpointed George Neron, New York, (10).
Columbus, O.—Billy Rose, Cincinnati, outpointed Tur Phillips, Erie, Pa., (10). Eddie O'Dowd, Columbus, stopped Jackie Willis, Buffalo, (5).
Cedar Rapids, Ia.—Herbert "Baby" Stribling, Macon, Ga., outpointed Eddie Ballatin, Chicago, (10).

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CELLAR BATTLE BY GIANTS AND DODGERS SEEN

National League Fans Witness Unusual Spectacle—Cubs Retain Lead By Support for Bush—Haines Continues Wins.

By Herbert W. Barker, Associated Press Sports Writer.

It has been a long time since National league fans have had an opportunity of watching the New York Giants and Brooklyn Dodgers battle it out for last place at this more or less late date in the season while the Boston Braves and Philadelphia take up the burden of making some kind of a showing against the undeniably stronger western clubs. But that is just what they are watching now, unless they decline to let themselves believe what their eyes tell them.

In recent years when the center of National league strength has rested west of the Alleghenies, the Giants and, to a lesser degree, the Dodgers, have been able to master the strongest defenses for repellent western thrusts. This year these two clubs have made a sorry showing while the surprising Phillies and the still more surprising Braves have at least put up some sort of a battle to remain within striking distance of the three leading western clubs—Chicago, St. Louis and Pittsburgh. This condition may, and probably will, change, but it has been an interesting phenomenon in a season full of strange occurrences.

The Cubs maintained their hold on the lead by downing the Pirates, 6 to 1, behind Guy Bush's five-hit pitching yesterday. The Cubs made their eight hits off Steve Swetonic, coach.

At Cincinnati, Jess Haines recorded his 14th straight league victory in two seasons when he pitched the Cardinals to an easy 5 to 1 triumph over the Reds. Haines finished the 1928 season with nine consecutive triumphs and has added five straight this year.

At Brooklyn, the Wilbans trounced the Giants, 6 to 1. William Watson Clark, young left-hander, giving the men of McGraw only two hits. Only in the fifth did Clark falter. In that frame two singles and a sacrifice gave the Giants their only run. The Dodgers pounded Karl Hubbel out of the box in the third, but were stopped by Ralph Judd, a rookie.

Cold weather forced postponement of the Braves-Phillie battle at Boston. Only two American league games were scheduled, the Athletics strengthening their hold on first place by downing the Boston Red Sox, 5 to 1, while the St. Louis Browns were beating Chicago, 6 to 3.

Eddie Rommel held the Red Sox to six hits in giving the A's their fifth consecutive victory and a lead of two full games over the Yankees. Charlie Huffer went the route for the Sox, allowing only eight hits but passing ten men.

The Browns got to Thomas and Walsh for 11 hits while Sam Gray was limiting Chicago to 10, well scattered. It was Gray's first victory in his last four starts.

The Yankees engaged in an exhibition game at New Haven, losing 3 to 2 to the Eastern league club of that city.

TERRIBLE COSSACK DISABLED BY SELF

KANSAS CITY, May 21.—(AP)—Matros Kirilenko, known as "the terrible Cossack," New York wrestler, suffered concussion of the brain and dislocated right shoulder in a match here last night with Ed "Strangler" Swin. Kirilenko

plunged out of the ring onto a concrete floor when Lewis evaded one of his head-long rushes. He was taken to a hospital where physicians said his condition was not serious.

The accident occurred after two minutes and 30 seconds of wrestling. Lewis had taken the first fall in 28 minutes with a crotch and half nelson and Kirilenko had won the second in six minutes and eight seconds with a body hold and arm lock.

SAL SARIO GOES WAY MEXICAN RING ASPIRANTS

Tod Morgan Turns Back Hope of Latins in Decisive Battle—Left-Handed Off Balance By Champion in Eight Rounds.

By Victor G. Sidler, Associated Press Sports Writer.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., May 21.—(AP) The fate which apparently has decreed that no Mexican shall hold a world's ring title have denied another challenge from that Latin-American race.

To the futile attempts of Aurelio Herrera and Joe Rivers, great Mexican fighters, to ascend the throne, there was added another today, that of baby Sal Sario, boyish San Bernardino, Cal., ringman. Sario's quest for the junior lightweight crown was decisively repulsed here last night by Tod Morgan, slim, elusive king of that division. Morgan won by a wide margin from the 19 year old Mexican who had flattened some 55 of his 15 opponents. The title holder romped off with eight of the ten sessions.

Baby Sal's challenge was ripped to shreds by the jabbing, slashing left hand of the champion, against which he had absolutely no defense. Morgan's long left jab found its way to Sario's head and body repeatedly keeping the Mexican's head tilted back and his weight balancing on his heels. When Sario tried to fire his short, jolting rights, he found that great weapon nailed securely to his side, by the ringwise Morgan.

In two rounds, however, Baby Sal saw realization of his hopes almost come true. He took the third and eighth sessions, and had the champion in distress in both. In the third he nailed Morgan with several lefts and jarring rights and Tod went down. The champion, claiming a foul, weathered the storm, however. Again in the eighth Baby Sal had the titleholder in distress as the result of three more of his six-inch rights.

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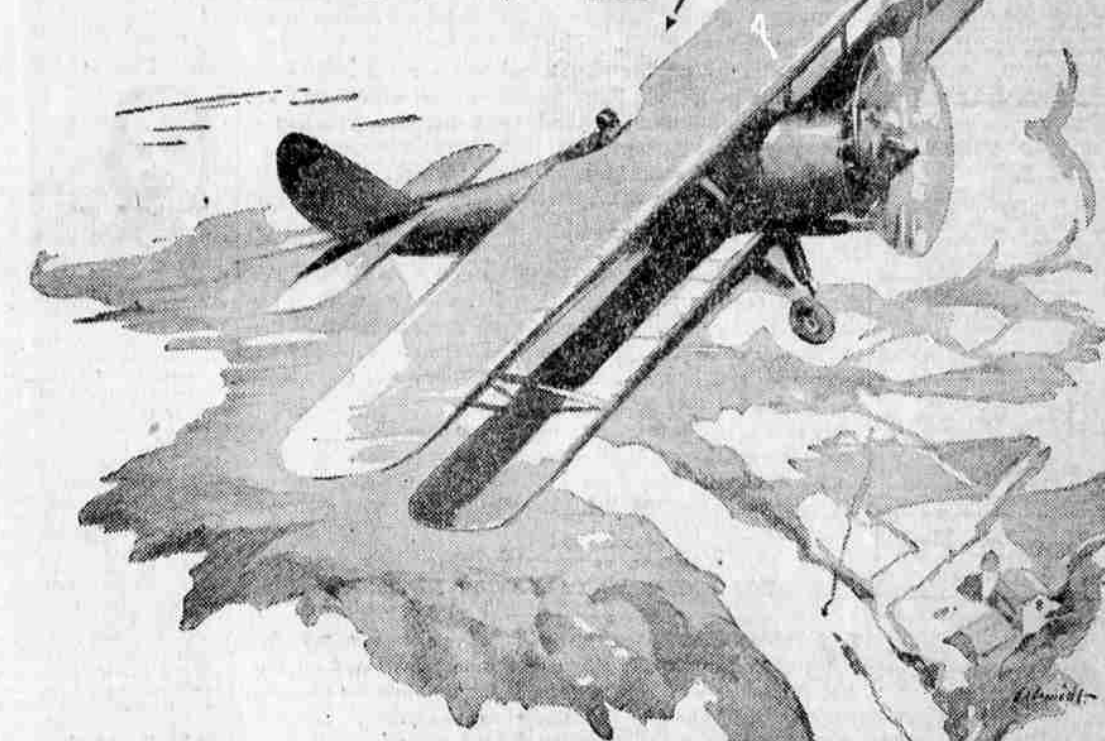
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