

SMOKING BALL WILL FEATURE SERIES HURLING

Big Three of Athletic Mound Talent Specialists in Speed — Cub Mainstays Also Have Pendant for Fast Twirling.

By Alan Gould
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NEW YORK, Oct. 2.—(AP) The world's series battlefront of 1929 is perfectly arranged for an iron-man pitching performance with George Earnshaw of the Athletics, and Pat Malone of the Cubs, picked as the leading candidates for the role.

These two fast-ball right-handers have thrived all season on plenty of work. They have finished stronger than any of their curving mates and the probability now is that they will face one another at the opening day at Wrigley field next Tuesday. Malone, at least, seems a certainty, although Connie Mack would not hesitate to switch to Robert Moses Grove if the willowy southern pitcher showed a sudden return to his mid-season form.

The schedule for the series is so arranged that it would be altogether possible for Malone or Earnshaw, assuming they are the first game selections, to twirl four games, still having three days of rest between each assignment. This, of course, would hinge on the series going the limit of seven games. Two days of traveling and the Sunday rest in Philadelphia, give the pitchers more than the usual amount of time to recuperate.

The one certain thing so far as the pitching is concerned is that it will be a fast-ball series. The "big three" of the A's, Earnshaw, Grove and Babe Werber, all have tremendous speed. So have the main Cub trio—Malone, Guy Bush and Charley Root.

Otherwise the vital factor of mound work, considered 60 per cent of any world's series battle, is largely speculation. When he is "right," there is no better pitcher in either league than Grove, but the portender has been off-form since July. The Jack Sox pounded him all over the park in his last appearance. It will be an especially heavy blow to the A's if Grove does not regain his form for the series. He is the ace of the staff and Mack's chances of victory are generally considered to depend on whether he is "right."

Guy Bush was the Cub ace until around the middle of August, but he hasn't lasted a day since then until yesterday when he dropped a close decision to the Reds. Werber has been erratic; so has Root, although the latter pitched a 1-0 shutout this week.

Any one of several lesser lights in the pitching casts may come thru if the stars fade. The A's have off Jack Quinn and his split-finger. The Jack Sox pitching line-up consists of Walter Johnson and Grover Cleveland Alexander were rookies but he still has enough stuff to join those two stars in the world's series hall of fame. The Cubs have Hal Carlson, a fourth right-hander of long experience, in reserve, along with Sheriff Blake and Arnie Nebr, the old Giant southpaw.

If it comes to a close between relief men, Mack can rely on Hommel, Shores and Ebanke.

Home Run Hitters Ready for Charge on Series Ramparts



This is the lineup of sluggers for the 1929 world's series. Based on the season's showing, the Cubs appear to have an edge since Wilson and Hornsby have hit about 15 more homers than Simmons and Foxx.

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NEW YORK, Oct. 2.—(AP) After sizing up the pretentious home-run hitting brigade marching into the 1929 world's series, you get an idea that after all this talk about the fine points of pitching and fielding, it may be nothing more than a matter of brute strength.

There's no denying that home-

run hitting is going to count heavily in deciding the series. That would be the case regardless of combatants, for this is an era of homers — even the pitchers hit them.

But when great sluggers like Hack Wilson, Al Simmons, Rogers Hornsby and Jimmy Foxx are headed for the classic it is time to give additional consideration to what the damage may be.

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Grove, Earnshaw and their fellow pitchers will be facing Hornsby and Wilson, two of the league's high men in the home-run business, and such shock troop sluggers as Ritz Stephenson and Kill Curler.

Malone, Root and company will have some dangerous looking arms waved in their faces, too, for Simmons and Foxx carry the front line home-run attack for the Athletics.

LEAD OF STARS SHORN BY LOSS TO DUCKLINGS

Mahaffey Hands Hollywood 3 to 0 Lacing As Mission Reds Down Indians By 12 to 2—Seals Surprised By Senators.

(By the Associated Press.)
The Hollywood Stars, trying to pluck the feathers of the Portland Ducks in an effort to hold on to the Pacific Coast league lead and to stave off the advance of the San Francisco Mission Reds, found themselves in troubled waters today.

All the Stars were able to get from Portland in the nine-inning battle at Los Angeles was a basketful of duck eggs. The opening of the duck hunting season meant nothing to the Stars, for the Ducks won with a 3 to 0 score. Leroy Mahaffey was the fair-haired lad who won for Portland, allowing the league leaders one tiny single for all their efforts. On the other hand, the Ducks gathered eight healthy swats.

Meanwhile the Mission Reds, winners of the first half of the season, cut the two-game lead of the Stars in half by defeating the Seattle Indians, 12 to 2, at Recreation park there, and thus confirming all expectations. It had been predicted that Hollywood would find difficulty with the Portland club while the Missions would have things their own way with the Seattle tribe.

The Seals, playing Sacramento in the capital city, were handed a surprise package in the form of Sacramento's loss to the Senators. It was one of the rare occasions Sacramento has won from the San Francisco club.

Pete Daella of the Oakland club defeated Charley Home of Los Angeles in a tight pitching duel at Emeryville, which ended 4 to 3. The seventh inning was a lucky one for the southern team. Parker flogged one over the right field fence to ride around the park, bringing in three tallies.

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DIAMOND BATTLER WILL GET WAGES FOR ROUGH STUFF

TULSA, Okla., Oct. 2.—(AP) Art Shires, stormy petrel of the Chicago White Sox and baseball's most celebrated pugilist of the last decade, is to have a chance to display his fistie prowess in the ring.

Teddy Hayes, associate of Jack Kearns and a famous trainer of fighters, in Tulsa with Al Pay, who meets Babe Hunt here October 8, announced today he had taken Shires under his wing, would put him in training immediately and start him fighting this winter.

Hayes met Shires in Chicago last week and learned that the baseball battler, who has had great success in his bare knuckle engagements with other ball players, including Manager Lena Blackburne of his own team, was ambitious to become a boxer. He took Shires to a gymnasium and watched him work with the gloves.

"Shires weighs 192 in perfect condition and has the build of a fighter," Hayes said. "He has great courage and the utmost confidence in himself and his ability to make good in the ring."

Scrambled Egg Formation for Surprise Tactic

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2.—(AP) Coach Lou Little of Georgetown, has a new formation he calls the "scrambled egg." The huddle starts off the formation. Then each man wanders about, apparently aimlessly on the field. At a signal from the quarterback the play re-formation. Little believes it will catch many an opposing team napping.

HORNSBY FATTENS BATTING AVERAGE IN LONE CONTEST

BY WILLIAM J. CHIPMAN
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With a cold rain along the Atlantic seaboard preventing the few eastern games scheduled in the major leagues yesterday, baseball action was confined to Cincinnati, where the Reds posed out the champion Cubs by a score of 3 to 2.

The game furnished Rogers Hornsby an opportunity to collect three singles in four times at bat, lifting his batting average three points to .380.

The outburst carried him to seven straight hits against the Rhineland pitching corps before Red Lucas stopped him in the eighth inning. The Rajah got four out of four on Sunday, winning the game by 1 to 0 with his 29th home run. He still has a fine chance to oust Babe Herman of Brooklyn from second place in the National League batting derby, but only a phenomenal spurt could carry him past Frank O'Doul, the '69 opponent to Hornsby's throne, with a neat mark of .395. Herman hit .384.

It was Lucas' 19th victory for the seventh-place Reds and Guy Bush's seventh defeat for the champions. Fewer than 500 fans paid to see the fun.

PROPOSED FOE OF O'GRADY HELPLESS AGAINST LENHART

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 2.—(AP) Fred Lenhart, Spokane light heavyweight, had an easy time defeating Benny Hill, San Francisco, in the main event here last night. After Hill went down twice in the first round and was badly battered around in the second and third, Lenhart stopped the bout in the fourth round. Hill failed to lay a glove on Lenhart during the engagement.

Johnny Bray, Centralia, won on a foul over Jimmy Bech, Tacoma, in the second round of the six-round semi-final. Johnny Trubbs scored an easy six-round decision over Urley Smith, Mickey Dolan and Jack Broze punched their way to a four-round decision in the best bout of the card.

Benny Hill is scheduled to fight here in a short time with Gene O'Grady of Ashland in a main event bout at the Armory under the promotion of Joe Bickershoff of Klamath Falls, and was announced as one of the best fighters in the northwest. O'Grady may find Hill easy as he won a decision over Lenhart in a Klamath Falls bout last summer. However, the Spokane Lenhart may be another fighter than O'Grady met in Klamath Falls in a torrid 10-round bout.

JONES RESPECTS OREGON STATERS GRIDIRON POWER

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 2.—(AP) Another stiff scrimmage was in line for the University of Southern California grid eleven today, evidence that to Coach Howard Jones, the Oregon State pigskin experts who appear here next Saturday, are too threatening in appearance to be taken anyway but seriously.

Using the military shift, which Coach Paul Schissler of the invaders imported from New York university last fall, and revised, the Spartans gave Jones's Trojan varsity a lesson or two in the way of some snappy offense formations.

The U. S. C. eleven also was working on pass plays, so apparently absent last Saturday in the game with the University of California at Los Angeles.

Interesting in connection with the coming game is the fact that seven of the Oregon State squad are married, while the U. S. C. team boasts six bachelors.

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Sacramento	36	61	.371
Seattle	25	72	.258

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Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Chicago	95	52	.646
Pittsburgh	86	64	.573
New York	82	66	.554
St. Louis	76	73	.510
Philadelphia	74	81	.474
Brooklyn	70	81	.461
Cincinnati	65	85	.436
Boston	54	97	.358

WARNER NAMES GRIDIRON SQUAD

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Cal., Oct. 2.—(AP) Coach Pop Warner prepared in earnest today for the 1929 grid campaign after having whittled down a battalion of Cardinal aspirants to a regular squad of forty-nine. Stanford met California in their first conference battle.

The list of men chosen for the varsity was announced as follows:

Left end: Preston, Worden, Craig, Albertson, Wittenau.
Left tackle: Artman, Klaban, Johnson, Burke.
Left guard: Driscoll, Huels, Wilson, Reynolds, McLeod.
Center: Hineske, Albertson.
Taylor, Moonow, Mann.
Right guard: Hager, Dawson, Foster, Hardin, Ingram.
Right tackle: Tandy, Bogue, Thompson, Steinbeck.
Right end: Mulber, Neill, Bush, Pike.
Quarter: Fleishacker, Murphy, Carey, Marks.
Left half: Frontrup, Moffat, Bishka, Marks.
Right half: Rotherick, Clark, Winick, Yagoff, Laine.
Fullback: Smalling, Sinkins, Hillman, Allen.

LEO LOMSKI DECISIONS SAN FRANCISCO BOXER

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 2.—(AP) With a court injunction restraining county and city officials from interfering with the boxing matches, Leo Lomski, Aberdeen light heavyweight, won a slashing six-round decision over Cowboy Jack Willis of San Francisco here last night.

Tony Taliercio of Walla Walla scored a technical knockout in the fourth round of the six-round semi-final over Gene Gaudette of Yakima. They are heavyweights.

Tommy Jeffers of Chehalis won a four-round decision over Mike Griffin of Seattle.

COBB FAVORS A'S TO DEFEAT CUBS

NEW YORK, Oct. 2.—(AP) Back from Europe, where he spent his first vacation in a quarter century, Tyrus Raymond Cobb immediately jumped into the world's series discussion with a prediction that the Athletics would beat the Cubs. Superior pitching and the experience contained in Connie Mack's head will win the series for the Athletics, the erstwhile "Georgia Peach" believes.

"The Cubs have no one to stop Foxx, Simmons and Miller," said Cobb. "If Chicago doesn't like speed, as I understand they don't, Grove can be called upon at any time in a short series."

35,000 APPLICANTS GET NO SERIES SEAT

CHICAGO, Oct. 2.—(AP) Approximately a million and a half dollars' worth of "reverts" are being made ready for the mails at the offices of the Chicago Cubs. At the same time, under registered mail, will go forth tickets to those fortunate enough to obtain seats for the two, and possibly three, games to be played here.

A check of unfilled orders showed nearly 35,000 applications turned down. Virtually all requests were for two tickets to each of the three games, representing \$1,250,000 worth of business the club was compelled to turn down for lack of seating facilities.

In addition, President William Hesch estimated that between \$250,000 and \$300,000 was returned to 25,000 persons who sent for more than two tickets.

Fights Last Night

(By the Associated Press.)
INDIANA POLIS — George Kewin, Chicago, and Billy Ross, Cincinnati, drew, (19).
DES MOINES, Ia. — Tony Legett, Des Moines, knocked out Frankie Ferro, Philadelphia, (3); Tack Shaddon, Omaha, Neb., outpointed Britt Gorman, Minneapolis, (10).
LOS ANGELES — Long Tom Hawkins, San Diego, outpointed Al Walker, New York, (10).
LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Joe Egan, Louisville, knocked out Tony Scaturers, Chicago, (12).

not a knock in a tankful

STANFORD STRONG BOY WILL OPPOSE OREGON

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Cal., Oct. 2.—(AP) The first conference game of the season here Saturday between Stanford and Oregon universities will offer an opportunity to at least one aspiring gridiron warrior for honors in the field of battle this year.

Phil Neill, 185-pound Stanford end, who can toss a 200-pound tackle like a sack of beans, will replace Johnny Preston, who is on the injured list, and thus get his chance to become the first 1929 freshman to win a regular position with the varsity. Neill, in the game against the San Francisco Olympic club last week proved a revelation to Coach Pop Warner. He will be the first new boy in the starting line-up Saturday.

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