



MEDFORD GUN CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS FOR COMING YEAR

Daniels Remains As President, Pease Secretary—Ambitious Year Ahead Includes State Trap Shoot

After listening to the report of its most successful year since organization, the Medford Gun Club, at its annual meeting and banquet at the Hotel Medford last night, held annual election of officers whose duties will be to guide the club's most ambitious program yet attempted, the Oregon state trap shoot to be held here June 13 to 16, inclusive.

T. E. Daniels and E. W. Pease were re-elected president and secretary-treasurer, respectively. George Porter, one of the most active supporters of the club, was elected vice-president. Other directors chosen were Clarence Kads, Ron DeVore, Sid Newton, Elmer Wilson, Ray Coleman and William Bates.

Outstanding accomplishments set forth in the report for 1934 included a 33 per cent increase in targets thrown over the preceding year, a total of 43 shoots held in 1934, several splendid improvements in the club's property, including the planting of a lawn with automatic sprinkling system and installation of water service to the property, and the winning of the D class championship of the Pacific International Trapping Association at Reno, Nev., in July, by George Porter.

He'll Be in There

—By Pap



The titles of "vice-president" and "assistant manager" may tickle Babe Ruth's vanity, but the little clause in his three-year contract with the Boston Braves which calls for a share of the profits—if any—is for more important to the Babe—and to National League fans. It means that the big fellow will be in there swimming from his above-tops just as often as he possibly can.

His personal appearance on the field, meaning participation in exhibition games and championship contests, is vital to the interests of the club and the Babe as well. That's where his greatest value lies. Ruth is still the greatest drawing card in baseball, even though he has played only a few games in the field.

The change to a National League uniform enhances his magnetism. In his new pastures, fans of the senior circuit will flock to see him with renewed interest.

Connie Mack is one of those who believe Ruth is not through as a player. The venerable Connie thinks Babe should be able to take part in at least 100 games. The Babe feels the same way about it. On the trip

to the Far East with Mack's barnstormers, Babe played every inning of every game in all sorts of weather. He not only topped the American leaguers in hitting but set new records with his long distance homers.

Giants His First Foes.

When Ruth gets down to St. Petersburg to train with the Braves, he will find his former mates, the Yankees, nearby. More than that, with the Braves he will oppose the Yankees in nine exhibition games before the championship season gets underway in Boston.

Ruth's and Boston's first rivals in the regular National League season will be the New York Giants.

His first appearance in New York as an enemy in 16 years, or since he last played there with the Red Sox in 1919—will take place on April 23 when the Braves invade the Polo grounds.

National league fans look forward with delight to the occasion when the Babe steps up to the plate to take a cut at the fast one of Dizzy Dean or his little brother, Paul. Many other leading pitchers in the older league who in the past have regarded themselves as fortunate because they

did not have to face the mighty clouter will have to take their chances with the big fellow's heavy artillery now and then. It will be a new thrill for them, for while the Babe has slowed up—his big hat will always pack too much dynamite to be trifled with.

A Chance at Baker Bowl.

About the only National League park fence Ruth has never had an opportunity to shoot at is Baker bowl in Philadelphia. Curiously enough, the right field wall in the Philly ball park is very short and made to order for the Babe. He had to do a National League uniform to get the chance for which he so often expressed a desire.

Babe Ruth's baseball salaries, claimed by his \$100,000 contract for 1934 and 1932, already have totaled over \$1,000,000. His activities off the diamond must have swelled his income an additional \$300,000.

Colonel Jake Ruppert, who paid the Red Sox \$125,000 for Ruth in 1920 surrendered the greatest drawing card in the history of the game without getting a cent in return, just because he felt the Braves' offer was the opportunity the Babe sought.

TOLO SHARPSHOOTER GETS BIRDS OF PREY

TOLO, March 15.—(Sp.)—Birds of prey should give Charles Standford of this place a wide berth. During 1934 he brought down 55 hawks and three huge brown owls. He is getting a good start on exterminating feathered killers during 1935 as he has already accounted for six big chicken hawks.

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RING BEHEMOTHS BATTLE TONIGHT

NEW YORK, March 15.—(AP)—The super-dreadnaughts of Pittiana, Primo Carnera and Ray Impellitteri, will meet in Madison Square Garden's reinforced ring tonight for a 10-round

about that sets a new high in total tonnage.

Carnera, at 260 pounds, impellitteri at 258, and Jack Dempsey, slated to referee, at 200, will try the staying powers of the ring to the utmost.

Impellitteri, approximately six feet and a half tall, has a fractional edge over Carnera in height.

Carnera, former world's champion, has such a wide advantage in experience that he has been made a 3 to 1 favorite. "Da Freeman" expects to end matters in a few rounds.

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HAMAS SUFFERS INJURY TO SPINE

LONDON, March 15.—(AP)—Steve Hamas, New Jersey, heavyweight, not only lost his chance to fight Max Baer for the championship when he was stopped by Max Schmeling in Hamburg last Sunday, but he may suffer even more serious consequences, according to a Berlin dispatch to the Daily Express by Trevor Wignall, boxing critic.

Hamas is showing serious effects of the grueling battle, and it is feared he suffered a spinal injury. His condition has become so serious he was unable to accept an invitation to visit Chamberlain at Munich, Wignall reported.

"Before he left Hamburg he had practically lost the use of his legs," the dispatch said. "Even his speech has been slightly affected."

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FIVE BEST TEAMS OF CCC WILL OPEN DISTRICT TOURNEY

First Game Slated for 2:00 P. M. Saturday in High School Gym—Final Contests Scheduled Sunday

The five crack teams of the Medford CCC district will be in Medford Saturday to open the tournament that will decide the district champion.

The tournament will start at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon in the high school gymnasium with two games slated for the afternoon session. The meet will be continued with two more games Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock and will be concluded with the two final games Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Here are the teams listed in the tournament, each having won ten straight games to take its sub-district title. The Detachment team won four straight to take the smaller Medford zone title.

Local basketball fans are invited to attend the tournament free of charge and it is hoped a good crowd will be on hand. While the local fans have had little opportunity to see the outside teams in action, they have had several occasions to see the Detachment outfit in action.

Neigart is captain of the Headquarters team. He played on the Albany high school team for two years and then played on independent teams for two seasons before playing for Southern Oregon Normal in '31, '32 and '33. He is the second high scorer for the season.

Hogan, Detachment forward, played three years at Washburn, Nebraska, and 2 seasons of independent basketball at Sioux City, Iowa. He is the season's high scorer and high point man of the last eight games.

Hamm, another Detachment regular, played two years with the Missouri Military Academy at Mexico, Missouri, and two years with the St. Louis YMCA. He also played in the Roseville, Calif., commercial league.

Gallatin, who played for four seasons with the Diplomat club, San Francisco, is another regular. Leeper, who saw regular service this season, will be unable to play in the tournament because of an injury. He played two years with the Westport high school and one season with the Portland YMCA.

Woods, a regular, was injured early in the season but recovered and is playing a good game now. He played for three years on the Alsea high school outfit.

Upchurch, who played a seasons at Timeswell and Versailles, Illinois, is another who will see action.

Sam Van Dyke, of the Medford high team, will referee the games and Dr. D. E. Wiedman, district educational coordinator, will umpire.

ALL-STARS QUINT HUMBLER CHAMPS IN HECTIC TUSSLE

St. Mary's All-Stars Last Night Took the Russ Brown "Champions" Into Camp, by the Top-Sided Score of 61-24 in a Wild Scramble that Left Stewart, "Champion" Center with a Broken Bone in His Chest, and Bob Lewis, Saint Guard, with a Badly Skinned Face. Aside from those two casualties, there were no injuries other than bruises.

While not the bloody affair it was expected to be, the tussle was at least one of the funniest ever played here, with the two teams knocking each other down, tackling and blocking in the best football tradition. Faint glimpses of basketball were exhibited from time to time by the All-Stars, but the remainder was just rough and tumble horse play.

No difficulty was encountered by the Saints in scoring at will, so most of the time was devoted to showing the "Champions" that they could play football too, when the occasion demanded. Every player on the floor took his turn at sliding on his joints in an effort to recover the ball at one time or another.

One of the funniest moments in the game was when a "Champion" dribbler got stalled in front of Trill, Saint forward. Trill kicked the ball out of the opponent's hands into the waiting ones of his own team-mates, who promptly tore down the floor and scored. Other wild moments came on tip-offs, when one man would fall to jump, but content himself with pushing his opponent off his feet while still in the air.

Little things like this helped to make the party go, as did the way Stewart sat on Lewis when he got him out of the boundary line under the basket. The referee finally noticed that there were only eight men on the floor, and by that time the two on the outside had become hopelessly entangled, and it took a couple of minutes, and some pinching to see whose legs were whose, before the game could go on.

Reverts sent in during the closing moments to stop the slaughter were Sam Van Dyke, Lewis Campbell and Ray Lewis for the "Champions."

COLORED PHENOM SAYS HE'S READY FOR SHOT AT MAX

DETROIT, Mich., March 15.—(AP)—Champion Max Baer, in the modest opinion of young Joe Louis, is a "wild swinger" who can be hit.

The 20-year-old negro, the "brown bomber" whose dynamite-laden fists have ripped him to a spot in the front ranks of heavyweight contenders, would like a match with Baer this summer. There's no suggestion of boastfulness when he draws: "I believe I can knock him out or decision him in 15 rounds."

Louis said his manager, John W. Roxborough, feels he needs more experience, but Joe doesn't agree with him.

"I've got confidence in myself," he said. "I've got confidence in myself no matter who I would step into the ring with. I've never seen Baer fight in anything but an exhibition, but I did see the pictures of the Baer-Carnera fight several times, and I don't believe Baer could hit me enough to hurt me. I really don't."

"Baer should have knocked Carnera out—and I think he was trying to put him away long before the fight was stopped in the eleventh. I could have stopped Carnera quicker—I just know I could. I don't think Baer could hit me no solid punch—and I don't think anybody can hit much harder than I do now—anyway."

"I'd like to meet Baer before I get whippers. Why? I'll be 21 in May and I think that's old enough to fight anybody. I'll never punch any harder than I do now and if I can't get matches with other good boys—why, skip them guys and get shot of Baer first."

Schmeling and Carnera are the best heavyweights in his path to a shot at Baer, Joe believes. Art Lasky of Minneapolis, he says, "can be hit with yo' eyes shut—with any hand."

Louis will fight here March 29 and in Chicago April 12. His opponents have not been selected.

The two quintets will meet here again tomorrow night.

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