

SPORTS

ALBANY, Ore., April 15. — (P) — Linn county's balance on hand this week was \$553,095, compared with \$401,564.79 at this time a year ago, County Treasurer Grover C. Nance said. Use Mail Tribune want ads.

MAJOR FLINGERS ARE HIT HARD IN SEASON OPENERS

Dizzy Dean's Fancy Offerings Belted for 14 Hits—Warneke Also Sent to Showers Under Barrage

By Andy Clarke
Associated Press Sports Writer.

The long trek down summer's baseball lane was under way today with the batemen marching triumphantly at the head of the procession.

The sun came down like a benediction yesterday after rainy April weather that had disrupted spring training schedules and the baseball faithful thronged eight major league ball parks to see America's national pastime ushered in with fanfare and the crash of numerous baseballs.

Babe Spectator
With President Roosevelt throwing out the first ball at Washington and Babe Ruth, the retired sultan of sweat, sitting on the sidelines for the first time in many a year, some 205,000 fans, the largest aggregate crowd in five years, jammed into parks in the two major circuits.

The largest gathering was at the Polo grounds in New York where 55,590 saw the Giants come from behind to defeat Brooklyn 8-5. Hal Schumacher, the pitcher who was supposed to have the Indian sign on the Dodgers, retired to the showers before his mates, riding on homers by Mel Ott and Dick Bartell, overcame the efforts of Eddie Barrows, veteran Dodger hurler and went on to win in the late innings.

Capital Game Close
The closest game of the day was played in Washington where the Senators nosed out the New York Yankees, 1-0. Buck Newson of the Senators and Lefty Gomez of the Yanks put on a scorching pitching duel until the ninth inning when Cecil Travis, stunted and fast Reynolds slapped out a two-bagger that decided the issue.

In Cleveland, Lynnwood Rowe started the champion Detroit Tigers off on the right foot when he shut out the Cleveland Indians 3-0 before 18,200.

Even Dizzy Dean had little to crow about. His fancy offerings were plastered for 14 hits in six innings as the Cubs defeated the Cards 12-7. The hurdling Chicago ace, Lon Warneke, also had to duck as 13 hits rang off rival bats during his seven innings of service. Billy Herman, Cubs second baseman who led the league with 57 doubles last year, banged out three to signalize this year's defense of that honor, besides getting a home run and a single.

Cronin Hints Two
There were new murmurings around Boston about the shortstopping of Joe Cronin of the ploughshare jaw, who booted two as his expensive Red Sox outslugged the lowly Athletics to gain a 9-4 verdict.

In Cincinnati it was Paul Derringer, No. 1 hurler for the Reds, who was treated rudely. The Pirates bat-

PECK AND ARABIAN WILL VIE FOR SHOT AT PETER'S TITLE

Prince Sikki Ibn Ali Hassan Mihalakis and Francis Patrick Howard Peck, wrestlers each holding wins over Pacific Coast Junior Heavyweight Champion Pete Belcastro, will clash in the main event of next Monday's card at the Armory for the chance to meet Belcastro for the belt the following week. Promoter Mack Lillard announced today.

Belcastro, who was angered when Referee Ray Frisbie awarded Peck the nod two weeks ago on a technicality, and further irked Monday night when Mihalakis won on what Peck considers a fluke (Belcastro injured his back when he missed a flying drop-kick) has been stung out of his eagerness in defending his belt and has expressed willingness to meet, and beat, both of the challengers in one night if necessary.

The championship belt, valued at several hundred dollars, will be forwarded to The Mail Tribune offices and securely locked in the safe, to be taken out only for display at the coming elimination bout. The winner of the Peck-Mihalakis fracas will meet Peck for the title and the belt, on Monday, April 27.

Belcastro, cognizant of the risk he is running in posting the title, has asked to be skipped in the matching next week, and has taken to the northern California hills for a rigid training grind for the championship battle.

Two All-American football stars will tackle each other on the same card next Monday, when George "Wildcat" Wilson, Washington's All-American halfback of 10 years ago, tries his line plunging against Danny Sayvich, honor guard at Utah in 1920.

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FANDOM AT RANDOM

By Dick Applegate

It is hard baseball on the way out? Reports come in from all over the country that hard ball leagues are faltering a beginning to melt under the hot sun of competition from softball, kitenball, kaxball, cathall, or whatever you want to call it. The old-timers and those who are now playing hardball will hotly protest such a conclusion, and it is true that hardball will probably remain in the big cities as the piece de resistance on Sunday afternoons and during the summer.

But whether they believe it or not, softball is stealing the limelight. For one thing, baseball in its general meaning, is no longer a game. It is a profession, and while it still remains a sport, it ceased being a game a long time ago in any center where it is played extensively. Big money controls a large part of it, and the center of interest is no longer the sportsmanship of the thing, but the amount of money that can be raked in over the turnstiles.

Kitenball suffers under no such indictment. It is all game, the players play for the fun there is in it and not the money. Most of the games are free, and in a town like Medford a spectator will go and see about half the players as friends, not as public spectacles. It costs next to nothing to start a kiten ball game; there is not expensive outfit for the game can be played in any size field, and best of all, it can be played after supper in the evening when the players can get their day's exercise.

In big cities as well as small, twilight leagues are springing up, and thousands of men will be out playing instead of watching some professional doing it for him. You've heard thousands of people say they like to play baseball but don't give a rap about watching someone else play it, if you've been around Medford long, you know that's true.

The smarter of the hardball players are availing of the current and playing softball as long as the season lasts. There are still some who will play baseball if they aren't paid a cent for it, and one of the nice things about a softball schedule is that it doesn't drag along all summer. The season gets started about now and rarely lasts until past June 10. That leaves the rest of the summer Sundays for fishing, swimming and other pastimes that the automobile has given the American public.

If baseball dies as our national sport (if it is not already dead), the automobile killed it. Time was when there wasn't much else to do on Sunday but go to a baseball game. It took all day to drive old Dobbyn out to Bybee bridge and back, if you expected to spend much time on your picnic. The drive to Ashland was a harrowing experience, and not to be tackled every week-end. So, the family packed up and went to the ball game.

OLYMPIC FUNDS SOUGHT HERE BY LAWRENCE BRAGG

Now, with Crater lake only two hours away, the little woman stomps her foot and refuses to any longer sit in a splintery grandstand, under a blistering sun, and watch a baseball game. She'd rather be out along some stream where the kids can wade and she can relax. And gradually the old man is beginning to see eye to eye with her on that. Baseball can't be killed that easily, and that's where softball comes in. Sort of eating cake and keeping it, too.

With the winter Olympics now completed at Garmisch-Partenkirchen and the regular events due to get under way soon, the drive for funds to send the American representatives to Berlin has started. Lawrence Bragg, orchardist, writer and sportsman, has been selected as the representative of the American Olympic committee in this district, and has started his drive for taking subscriptions for the affair.

Said Mr. Bragg today: "The American Olympic representatives are not subsidized in any way, but are sent to the games solely by popular subscription. Many countries draft funds from various departments to finance the Olympic contestants but in the past the subscription method has proved satisfactory in this country."

A strong representation from the western United States will be on the American Olympic team, Mr. Bragg stated, and urged that contributions be made by those interested in sending a strong delegation, amply financed.

All of the funds raised by the subscription drive will be forwarded 100 per cent to the committee in charge, with no part abstracted for promotion purposes. Contributions as small as 50 cents will be welcomed. Mr. Bragg said, adding that a \$5 subscription will be a big boost. "Five dollars from each of 100 apartments will get one athlete to the Olympic games and back—well equipped, transported, housed, fed and coached, to do his best to carry the Stars and Stripes to victory," he said.

"Our athletes, with ability to win Olympic laurels, with all the technical skill, physical prowess, competitive strategy and courage and determination, lack something we can give them," Mr. Bragg pointed out. "Youngsters less than 20 years of age, they have not yet begun to earn their way in the world. They cannot pay their own Olympic expenses. Our opportunity is to help them catch this tide of youthful adventure at its Olympic flood. We can give them a hand and share in their adventure."

The local man may be reached by telephoning 611-J-6.

PLAN MATCH WITH EUREKA GOLFERS

Harry McMahon, member of the tournament committee of the Rogue Valley Golf club visited in Eureka, California, Sunday, making plans for the annual home-and-home matches with the Humboldt Country club of that city.

The match will be shot on the local course within the next 30 days. McMahon stated upon his return, with at least 35 golfers from the California city attending.

Eureka won on their own course last year, and the year previous the Medford golfers turned in a win on their own course. If that situation holds true this year, although McMahon stated that Eureka is bringing their best swingers on their northern invasion this year.

Eureka put on a splendid entertainment for the Medford team last year, and this spirit will be returned this year when they visit this city. The entertainment committee is planning a big reception.

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(By the Associated Press.)

Home-runs played a prominent part in Portland's 10-4 shellacking of Los Angeles. John Clayton hit a four-run swat with the bases loaded, and John Frederick drove in one when he homered. Steve Mesner of Los Angeles also hit all the way.

A base on balls by Seattle's young Don Osborne walked in the winning run, gave the San Francisco Seals a 10-inning game, 4-3, and dropped the Tribe into third place.

Helped by some poor baseball by the Sacramento Solons, the Mission Reds moved into second place in the standings on a 3-4 win.

Bernie Devielros' error and Ed Wells' left-handed slow balls gave the San Diego Padres a 3-2 victory over the pace-setting Oakland club.

Standings:

Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Oakland	12	8	.708
Mission	11	6	.647
Seattle	11	7	.611
San Francisco	8	7	.533
San Diego	8	10	.444
Portland	7	10	.412
Los Angeles	6	11	.363
Sacramento	4	11	.267

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It still is. Crisp little dot and flower chintz for warm weather frocks. Red-rambler-rose chintz for summer bedrooms. Chintz slip-covers for dining-room chairs. Chintz blinds when you take the winter draperies down.

Right now is the time to do your chintz-choosing. Or gay cretonnes and bold blocked linens . . . clothes at special after-Easter savings . . . porch and lawn furniture . . . garden tools . . . ALL the things you'll need and enjoy this summer.

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