

# The Sporting Page

## TRIPLE PLAY BY YANKS IS FIRST SEEN IN SEASON

### Crafty Lazzeri Sparks Play — Burleigh Grimes Banished for Beefing As Bees Trim Brooklynites

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Once again in first place in the American league, the Yankees already are a step ahead of their blistering 1936 pace.

As they man-handled their way to victory in the junior circuit yesterday, the Yankees skipped few team and individual batting honors.

Now they have achieved one peak they missed in their record-breaking 1936 climb with the major league's first triple play of the week-old season.

Last season the American league had seven to tie the all-time record, but the Yankees didn't have one.

Credit for setting the three-ply killing in motion goes to Tony Lazzeri, the crafty veteran from San Francisco.

Tough Tony has done a lot of neat jobs for the Yanks, but few have been neater than that in the eighth inning of yesterday's 7-1 defeat of the Athletics. The defeat showed the A's out of the lead and moved the champions into it.

With runners on first and second, Clubby Dean drove one of Johnny Broaca's offerings straight at Lazzeri. Tony elected to gamble, trapped the ball, then flipped it to Shortstop Frank Crosetti, his fellow San Franciscan.

Before the A's or the frost-bitten customers knew what was going on, Bob Johnson had been forced at second, Dean was thrown out at first and Wally Moses was tagged by Red Rolfe as he went into third. A likely rally had been nipped in the bud and Broaca's spell over the A's—he beat them four times last year—remained unbroken.

Though the weather man wailed out all but three games yesterday, those three provided enough excitement to go around. The Boston Bees' 9-5 trimming of the Brooklyn Dodgers was marked by Brooklyn Manager Burleigh Grimes' second consecutive expulsion from the field, bold Burleigh beefing too strongly at one of Umpire Larry Goetz's decisions.

In Boston, Bobby Doerr, 19-year-old Red Sox recruit second baseman from the Pacific Coast league, was benched by Washington right-hander Ed Lince in the course of Boston's 2-5 slaughtering of the Senators. Doerr went to a flub hospital for X-rays and observation.

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## FOOTS CREEK

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## Sport Graphs

Billy Hulén Says:  
Track and Field  
Revival Seen in Southern Oregon

Track and field athletics in southern Oregon high schools, dead for several years, are making a strong comeback. Even in the class B schools—Central Point, Phoenix, Jacksonville and Kerby—the rejuvenation is spirited.

Medford high of the class A institutions is probably the best example of what can be done by a determined group of athletes under an interested coach. The Tigers produced a team last year for the first time in many, and surprised everyone, including Coach Bill Bowerman himself, by taking second place in the Northwest Junior meet staged in Portland. In the district meet, Medford's variety outfit finished sixth in a field of 17, not bad considering that track had been overlooked here for many years.

This season, Bowerman has welded last year's junior team and variety hold-overs into the most powerful squad, according to past scores, of any aggregation in southern Oregon with the exception of Klamath Falls. It may be even stronger than the Pellans, for all anybody knows, although to date there is no method by which the two teams can be compared.

Bowerman has some real stars on the squad and it wouldn't surprise to see one or more of them cop first place in the state meet, to be staged in June. Russ Werner ran the half-mile last year in the junior meet in 2:08.3 to crack the record, and two weeks ago here stopped the distance in 2:09.3 to prove that he has lost none of his speed. It was his first race of the year, and he should better that time considerably as the season progresses.

Chris Barker, another member of last year's junior team and winner of first place in the mile at that meet, has clicked off some amazing times so far this season. Two weeks ago in the meet here, he beat Gordon McCollum of Grants Pass by eight feet in 4:52, and last Friday in Grants Pass ran a dead heat with the Caveman flyer in 4:46. The two rivals will fight it out again next Saturday when Medford high stages an invitational meet for southern Oregon schools.

Hobby Ettlinger, in the 100-yard dash, flew the distance in 10 seconds flat, Friday night at Grants Pass. That is near world record time, and just one-tenth of a second under the state record for high school runners.

That's the fastest timing Bobby ever stepped, and if he can do it again in the state meet, Medford will be practically assured of a first place.

Hill, Bowman and Luther, in the high and low hurdles, swept all three places in those two events here a couple of weeks ago, and last week in Grants Pass. Finch and Howard teamed with Hill to sweep the high hurdles. In two meets, Medford has not lost a point in either event and Coach Bowerman has his eyes glued on the state meet. He believes the tigers have an excellent chance to grab some points in both the hurdle races.

Sport fans of southern Oregon are due for a large week-end next Saturday and Sunday; the busiest, in fact, of the year.

Saturday, the big invitational track and field meet, will be held on the Medford high field with athletes from Ashland, Roseburg, Grants Pass, Medford, Kerby, Phoenix, and probably others, competing.

The annual 20-30 club motorboat regatta will be staged on Emigrant lake Sunday afternoon. The best-known drivers and the fastest boats on the Pacific coast will enter.

Baseball fans Sunday will get their fill of the national pastime in three southern Oregon cities, with the opening of the Southern Oregon league season. Ashland will entertain Crescent City; Medford will travel to Grants Pass; and Roseburg will tangle with Glendale at Glendale.

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## BRITT'S ARM HOLD SUBDUES PETE IN MAIN MAT EVENT

After suffering plenty of punishment from that much-debated but still legal (in Oregon) arm-breaker hold, Pete Belcastro, the mad Italian from Weed, Cal., finally fell victim to Alvin Britt last night in the main event of Promoter Mack Lillard's weekly grappling card at the armory. It took Britt almost the entire one-hour time limit to gain the verdict, and before he finally did, Pete had given him some of his town medicine, much to the glee of the fans.

It was a rather peculiar situation last night, peculiar in the sense that for the first time in memory, Alvin Britt, ex-junior heavyweight champion of the world, was on the short end of the cheering. Belcastro, usually the villain, was the fair-haired boy in the eyes of the paying customers, making it perfectly obvious that, legal or illegal, local addicts would just as leave not witness the arm-breaker maneuver. In fact, Pete was cheered to a fare-thee-well when several times he reversed the order of things and cracked Britt's arm and neck across the top strand of the ring ropes.

The match was decided in two out of three falls, with Belcastro taking the first and Britt the next two. After about 20 minutes of milling around the ring, Pete slammed Britt into the ropes, caught him on the rebound, hoisted him up and over his shoulders, and promptly pinned his back to the carpet.

Britt took the next tumble in 18 minutes after weakening Pete with arm and neck-breakers over his leg and the rope. Pete was so damaged by the tactics that he was easy prey for a body press, and the third and deciding fall came a few minutes later in the same manner.

Britt, since his last appearance here several months ago, displayed a mettle and effective variation to the simple arm-breaker, to-wit, the neck-breaker. He maneuvered it in the same manner, but instead of cracking Pete's arm across the ropes or his leg, he used his neck.

Tools Estep, the flashy, handsome ex-champion of the Hawaiian Islands, took two out of three falls from Duke Pettigrove, the New Orleans man. The end came in a peculiar manner. With one fall each, Pettigrove, in true villain fashion, hung Estep by the neck between the top and middle strands of the ropes. With Estep apparently choking to death and the crowd in an uproar, Pettigrove scurried across the ring and got himself tangled in the ropes, stretching them tight to put pressure on Estep's neck. Estep finally got undone, and with Duke blissfully unaware of the fact, crept across the arena and dumped the villain's shoulders to the mat while he was still hanging in the ropes.

Estep was the first fall with a flying body across after plenty of dirt on the part of Pettigrove. The latter took the next tumble in the third round, with four punches to the groin and head, and the two hammered away until the finish in the fourth canto.

Cowboy Billy McEwen grabbed two straight from Pat O'Brien in the opening match, the falls coming in the second and third rounds. Although not the dirtiest grappler in the game, O'Brien displayed enough left-handed tactics to make the large crowd hate him vehemently. McEwen took the first fall with a Boston crab, and the second with a series of thundering body slams.

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## RUINS BAER'S COMEBACK PLAN



Tommy Farr, 23, British empire heavyweight champion, flung his arms high to accept the cheers of English fight fans after his victory in London over Max Baer, former world champion who was attempting a comeback. Betting odds were 3 to 1 against Farr before the fight. "I'm washed up," Baer said after the fight. This picture was transmitted from London by radio.

## Medford Tops Rifle Meet

With the ace shots of southern Oregon and northern California on the line Sunday, the Medford Rifle club came through with another undisputed win in all classes. Only Yreka, Cal., Merrill, Ore., and Medford entered teams in the five-man team match, the local club taking an easy first with 1961 out of 2090.

Yreka, 1946 and Merrill 1799. Added interest was shown in individual events.

C. R. Richmond	Medford	395	1st	Class A
Ivan Waddell	Medford	394	2nd	Class A
E. M. Tuttle	Medford	393	3rd	Class A
Leslie St. Clair, Jr.	Portland	393	1st	Class B
Lyons	Yreka	389	2nd	Class B
Mrs. S. M. Tuttle	Medford	388	3rd	Class B
Ralph Albee	Weed	383	1st	Class C
Ed Lull	Medford	381	2nd	Class C
Fred Sander	Medford	380	3rd	Class C

## ROOKIE THREATENS TO GRAB LEAD IN BOWLING TOURNEY

NEW YORK, April 27.—(AP) Frank Smith, a 23-year-old A. B. C. rookie from Solway, N. Y., is a late, but strong, entry in the tournament's all-events book.

Smith, who rolled a series of 726, while bowling with the Solway team yesterday, was making his second appearance in the big tourney. In 1935 he bowled a three-game series at the Syracuse A. B. C. and yesterday became a full-fledged tournament bowler with games 193-277-266.

Smith has a chance to take over the all-events lead. He needs a total of 1513 in the singles and doubles aiming to catch Walter Ward of Cleveland, all-events leader, with 2-039.

Harian Ingalson and Emil Ring, Rockford, Ill., hung up a 1279 total to top the day's double scoring, while Mike Struka and Tony Slanina, Chicago, relinquished their doubles title with a 1208 total, 142 pins less than the mark which won the crown for them last year at Indianapolis.

Don Smalley of Cincinnati totaled 679 to lead the singles scoring.

## SCHMELING HAS HOPE OF HEAVYWEIGHT BOUT

BERLIN, April 27.—(AP)—Max Schmeling won't give Jimmy Braddock another invitation to come over to Germany and fight, but he still hopes to figure in heavyweight championship affairs this summer.

He explained that last night before he and his trainer, Max Machon, sailed for New York where they have a title bout scheduled on June 3. Braddock, at the last report, intended to ignore that matter and go through with a battle with Joe Louis in Chicago June 22.

Schmeling, however, said he is confident that "things will be all right, after all."

## LEVINSKY, DOYLE AT EVEN MONEY

LONDON, Eng., April 27.—(AP)—Even money was the best you could get today on either contestant in tonight's "battle of the brains" between Jack Doyle, the Irish tenor, and Chicago's Kingfish, Levinsky at Wembley stadium.

Nobody seemed to have clear idea which was likely to win, but there was a feeling it might be a lot of fun since Doyle said yesterday that brains would be the deciding factor and he possessed the better set of thinking equipment.

The Kingfish promised to knock Doyle cold for making such a crack.

Observers who have watched the past training day by day said there is little to choose between them either intellectually or pugilistically.

Some 16,000 fans were expected to attend tonight's doings.

The Kingfish, weighing 302, will have about 30 pounds weight advantage.



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## FIVE BERTHS OPEN IN BASEBALL CLUB AS OPENER NEARS

So far as Manager Mike Balkovick of the Medford baseball team is concerned, five positions are still wide open as the club commences daily practice sessions for the Southern Oregon league opener at Grants Pass next Sunday. Daily, from today through Saturday, the locals will workout at the fairgrounds field at 3 p. m., and all applicants are urged to report.

Only four posts are definitely clinched, the manager reported today. They are at second base, where Wally Rickett will hold forth; shortstop, where Dick Lewis will be stationed; third base, where Donny Donovan will perform, and behind the bat, where Balkovick, himself, will see action. First base, the starting pitcher, and all three outfield berths are still "up in the air," he reports.

With four better-than-fair pitchers to choose from, the husky skipper is still undecided upon who will fill the starting assignment against the strong Meroments, Ray Erickson and Alvin Merritt, both right-handers, did the twirling against Weed last Sunday and looked about on a par, Balkovick reported. Ray Trugate, member of last year's staff, made the trip to the California city, but saw no action because of his condition. He has hardly touched a ball so far this year, Larry Pepper is the other mound candidate, and looks good, Balkovick says.

All the above pitchers are right-handers, and the manager is literally praying that Grants Pass will come up with a right-handed hitting club. So far, little word has been received from the Merchants regarding their roster outside of the fact that it will be composed mainly of youngsters. Manager Jud Pernoll will produce a strong team, however.

The first base battle seems to be between Hoffman, a lanky youngster, and Sammy Van Dyke. Van Dyke, according to Manager Balkovick, has the edge at the plate with Hoffman fielding the initial cushion in better style. Which one will get the call depends upon performance during practice sessions this week.

In the outfield, Virgil Swanson, from his sensational day against Weed Sunday in which he hit a home run and a triple and came up

speaking world for a solid year and was translated in 12 countries. After graduating from college, Halliburton set out, without resources, to live the experiences he had read and heard about and put them down in a book. He climbed Matterhorns and Fujiyama, ran the original marathon, swam the Hellespont, lived on an entire summer with preachers on Devil's Island, took a two-year flying tour around the world in his own airplane, fought pirates and even joined the French Foreign Legion.

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