

# The Sporting Page

## PETE PINS TROUT; BRITT FLIPS POLE IN HECTIC BOUTS

Pete Belcastro rammed one hard knee into the groin of Sailor Dick Trout with the falls standing one apiece last night at the Medford armory, and that was the end of Promoter Mack Lillard's weekly grappling card main event.

It seemed that everyone in the house saw Pete break what appeared to be the winning hold with that foul punch—everyone but Referee Ray Frisbie. Sailor Trout had the Mad Italian dead to rights after a bleeding dropkick straight to the knier. He was squaring atop the Weed roughneck and just about to pin his shoulders to the carpet when Pete lashed out with the dirty blow. Trout took it in the groin, doubled up in agony and in a few seconds it was all over, with Belcastro straddling the game sailor boy and leering at the crowd.

For fully ten minutes after, the customers roared and ranted, but so far as Frisbie was concerned, he didn't see the foul blow, so what about it?

Trout took the first fall of the sensational match in one minute. He reared out of his corner at the bell and started throwing dropkicks. Pete's favorite punch. Beating Belcastro at his own game, Trout connected with five in a row all to the stomach and chest before Belcastro ran like a baby for the ropes. Trout grabbed him by the head and brought him back into the ring in a hurry; then hammered two more efficient, and Trout gained the tangle with a body press, although Pete was already flat on his shoulder blades after the seventh dropkick.

Pete didn't have much chance to display his infamous dirt in that first fall, but he made up for it by taking the second in about 17 minutes. He opened the book and all the foul stuff in the world was exhibited by the Mad Italian in those 17 minutes. He finally grabbed the fall after blinding the blonde, clean wrestling Trout with finger nails raked across the eyes, the payoff coming after a series of tremendous heaves against the ropes in which Pete caught the sailor on the rebound with his shoulder, hoisted him up and over and slammed him to the canvas.

Although the arm-breaker over the ropes is supposed to be barred in the local ring, Alvin Britt used just that to defeat Joe Smolinski, the Polish Palooka. Nobody seemed to care, least of all the Medford boxing commission. Smolinski had been so dirty himself, that the illegal use of the rope arm-snapper by Britt seemed tame and mild in comparison.

Britt took the first fall in the first round with many reverse body slams; Smolinski grabbed the second in the second stanza after roughness the like of which has never been seen locally. A body slam did it, but it was really choking, eye-gouging, finger-twisting, hair-pulling, biting and scratching that put the ex-champion in a state where he was easy prey for the slams.

Britt acted like a gentleman well into the third round before Smolinski's dirt got the best of his conscience. Finally, throwing caution and all sense of fair play to the winds, Alvin grabbed Smolinski's arm and broke it over the ring rope. With

## Artist Captures Jamboree Spirit



**WASHINGTON D.C. JUNE 30 JULY 9**

THIS happy Scout portrayed on Norman Rockwell's painting for the official poster of the National Scout Jamboree typifies the spirit of friendship and adventure which will be the lot of 25,000 American boys who will camp with Scouts of other lands on 350 acres at Washington, D. C., loaned them by Congress for their Jamboree from June 30 to July 9. In the shadow of the Washington Monument a tented city will be the scene of the greatest demonstration of Scouting ever held in the new world. The national grand review and President Roosevelt's welcome will attract large throngs to the nation's capital. Other principal events include a Convocation at the Washington Monument on the evening of July 4 and a world brotherhood pageant to be held in connection with the closing campfire.

## RICHMOND, CONGER HIGH WITH RIFLES

Clyde Richmond's 200 at 10 yards, and Lew Conger's 200 at 80-yard targets were highlights in Sunday's rifle club shoot, with several other creditable scores being registered and six members going 300 out of 400 or better.

There will be no record firing on the local range until June 6.

Next Sunday a majority of the Medford club will enter the second match of the year of the Southern Oregon-Northern California Rifle League at Yreka, Cal. The following week-end, the last of May, will see a number of local riflemen attending the annual small-bore matches of the Oregon State Rifle Association at the Clackamas range near Portland.

Sunday's scores:

50-yd. 100-yd. Total
Clyde Richmond..... 198 200 398
S. M. Tuttle..... 199 194 393
Mrs. Ivan Waddell..... 199 196 395
Mrs. S. M. Tuttle..... 199 198 397
Ivan Waddell..... 199 194 393
Ed Lull..... 198 192 390
Pete Pomeroy..... 195 193 388
Otto Howard..... 196 191 387
Lew Conger..... 200 185 385
Shelby Tuttle..... 199 189 388
C. C. Gail..... 191 192 383
Hilbert Young..... 187 185 372

## 1936 CELLARITES LEAD 1937 RACE

By the Associated Press.

The 1937 Pacific Coast baseball league race is just the reverse of what it was a year ago today. The four top notch teams today were the circuit's outstanding cellar contenders a year ago.

Sacramento, in seventh place May 12, 1936, and sinking rapidly, is just behind the first place San Francisco Seals who were running a poor fifth in '36. Both teams have been the most consistent winners of the current season.

Los Angeles, now in third place, held honors and San Diego, youngest team in the league and in fourth place today, was sixth a year ago.

The Oakland Aacorns were having things their own way a year ago. Seattle was second, Portland, eventual pennant winner, third and the Mission Reds fourth. But today—Oakland is just one jump ahead of the eighth place Mission Reds. Seattle has slipped into sixth place and Portland is fifth.

The Missions and Oakland open a cellar series in Oakland today. Seattle goes to San Diego, Los Angeles invades San Francisco and Portland will test the powerful Sacramento outfit.

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## Sport Graphs

**Billy Hulen Says:**

**Crater Infield Lured to Hilt by Employment Offer**

Well, Hilt has gone and done it. And, right after the dire warning set forth in this column last week as to what would happen if they kept on attempting to entice Medford hill players away.

Donny Donovan, the Craters little third baseman who fires bullets across the diamond, finally folded before the high pressure Hilt offer of a job in his sawmill. So from now on, Donovan will do his national pastime with the lumber town club in the Northern California circuit.

Arnold Bauman, big southpaw pitcher who saw service with Medford three years ago and who is managing the Hilt team this season, was in town Saturday evening and reported that citizens of Hilt were in a state bordering on downright anger over the rap taken at their practices of luring players from Medford. In fact, Bauman stated, some of the Hilt citizens were so put out with the piece that we would probably receive one or more letters on the subject.

To date, no letters have been received, but we are waiting patiently. If there is anything this department likes, it is letters on a subject. Also, there is no preference as to subject; it can be anything from the predominance of southpaw catchers in the major leagues to the price of refrigerators at the north pole.

Anyway, Donovan pulled freight out of Medford Saturday and will work in Hilt, where he will do his ball-playing. Bauman said that he was offered a job

and nothing more, which we believe, coming from Bauman.

With the loss of the crack third sacker, Manager Balkovick of the locals will be forced to juggle his club around considerably. Sunday at Ashland he had Wally Rickett on third, Virgil Swanson at Rickett's old second base position, and Dick Hoffman at first, where Swanson had been holding forth. The combination worked fairly well, with only Hoffman contributing errors, which he made up for by his home run drive over the center field wall.

That may be the way Medford will line up Sunday when the turf field is dedicated at the high school against Glendale. The locals showed not too much power at the plate Sunday and Balkovick will work the club overtime on batting practice every day this week.

Although the huge skipper has not definitely made up his mind regarding the Crater pitching situation for next Sunday, the odds are 10 to 1 it will be Larry Pepper in there on the firing line.

The youngster, one year out of Talent high school, has a curve ball often read about but seldom seen. Its sweetest thing glimpsed in southern Oregon for many moons, so help us, Pepper delivers that huge hook either side-arm, over-hand or under-hand, and the results are usually about the same—a strike or a slow dribbler to the infield.

In addition to his amazing curve ball, the youngster has a fair amount of speed on his hard one. A couple of times against Ashland he fired one in there that really amazed, and two of the seven batters he whiffed in his 2-3 innings of oil went down on three straight pitches. They all broke their backs on the curve, however, which floats up to the plate occasionally and then comes up looking like his fast one. With that change of pace, and the excellent control he possesses, Pepper should win plenty of ball games for Medford before the season is over.

Ray Erickson, Medford's starting hurler, looked good even though giving up 10 hits. He has a nice fast ball and a sharp curve, sharper than Pepper's, but what he seems to need is better control. Erickson was ahead of the batter almost all the time, but grooved pay balls with the count two strikes and no balls and two strikes and one ball. Lithian hitters

socked them, and that was that; including, of course, several errors in critical moments.

## KLEPPER SEEKING TUTTLE'S SCALP

LOS ANGELES, May 18.—(AP)—W. C. Tuttle, novel-writing president of the Pacific coast baseball league, was confronted today with a demand for his "immediate resignation."

The demand came from William H. Klepper, Seattle club owner, who hotly charged Tuttle with "general incompetence and unfitness for the job."

Point at issue, baseball circles reported, was Tuttle's action in the Seattle-Oakland game April 8, halted in the eighth inning on account of rain.

Umpires Frank Valerio and Ray Snyder ruled that resumption of play was impossible and credited Seattle with a victory as of the end of the seventh inning when the score was 8 to 3.

Manager Bill Meyer of Oakland protested because the game was halted in the middle of an scoring rally when the score was 9 to 5. Tuttle overruled the umpires and ordered the game played off later from the point where it was halted. The teams have not made this play-off.

Klepper, departing for a conference with H. W. Lane, San Diego baseball impresario, announced he was asking W. G. Bramham, president of the National Association of Minor Leagues, to reverse Tuttle's decision.

## Scores Yesterday

By the Associated Press

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the crowd shouting its unreserved joy, he pounced on the groveling Joe and slammed his back to the mat.

Jimmy Goodrich whipped Sammy Feback in two out of three falls in the opening event. Feback, a newcomer from Kansas City, Mo., was no match for the former Notre Dame football star, although he did take the second fall in that round with a body scissors. Goodrich garnered the first with a series of Irish whips and wound up the bout in the third round when he fell over backward while Feback was dangling on him after having clamped on a body scissors. As Goodrich fell backward, Feback was unable to let go the hold, and his shoulders were flat to the carpet.

## BRITISH CONTENDER NEARING U. S. SHORE

ABOARD COAST GUARD CUTTER FAUNCE, off Massachusetts, May 18.—(AP)—An American escort steamed east from New Bedford, Mass., before dawn today to guide T. O. M. Sopwith's Endeavor II to a noisy welcome at Newport, R. I., scene of the British yachtman's second challenge next August for the America's cup.

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## TIGER ATHLETES SEEN AS THREAT

PORTLAND, May 18.—(AP)—Young athletes from Oregon and Washington will dig their spikes into the Grant bowl cinders tomorrow afternoon for the eighth annual north-west junior track and field competition.

Among the top threats to Grant high's championship among the 135 schools invited to enter are Coach Bill Bowerman's Medford boys. Bowerman, former coach at Franklin of Portland, has developed some of the outstanding junior performers in southern Oregon.

Forest Grove, led by broad jumper Schultz, is expected to bid for the title. Schultz leaped 23 feet, 3 inches in the district 6 meet.

Corvallis high's regulars, all eligible for junior competition, are likewise in the running for the championship.

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