

'Beaned' Mickey Cochrane, Detroit Manager, Seriously Injured

SINUS INFECTION FEARED IN WAKE SKULL FRACTURE

Tiger Boss Hit by Ball Hurlled by Pitcher Hadley — No Immediate Danger of Death.

NEW YORK, May 26.—(AP)—Danger of infection of the sinuses caused added concern today as three physicians and surgeons sought to save the life of Gordon (Mickey) Cochrane, Detroit baseball manager, who was struck in the right temple by a ball thrown by Irving (Bump) Hadley in yesterday's game against the New York Yankees.

Cochrane's condition was pronounced satisfactory in a bulletin issued this morning at St. Elizabeth's hospital but the danger of infection was noted. The bulletin read:

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"Mr. Cochrane has a fracture of the skull and a mild cerebral concussion. At present he is comfortable and there are no indications for an operation. The fracture unfortunately connects with one of the sinuses and a possibility of infection is therefore being considered. His condition is satisfactory."

The bulletin was signed by Dr. Byron Stookley, Alexander Nichol and Robert Emmet Welsh, who is staff physician for the Yankees. Cochrane was "beaned" in the fifth inning of yesterday's game. With the count three balls and two strikes, Hadley threw a high fast one. Cochrane attempted to duck but he appeared to fall in the path of the ball. He was knocked unconscious and carried to the dressing room on a stretcher and thence to the hospital.

Mrs. Cochrane took a plane from Detroit last night and arrived this morning. It was later learned the Tiger manager has three fractures. During the night he suffered a slight hemorrhage and ointments were administered. Physicians said it would be necessary to keep Cochrane absolutely quiet for at least 48 hours, which means no operation will be performed in the meantime.

In Cochrane's last previous time at bat in the game, which the Yankees won 4-3, he had hit a home run.

Yankees physician, Dr. Robert E. Welsh, said there was no immediate danger of death. Walter O. Briggs, Tiger owner, named Coach Del Baker acting manager of the team. Baker was manager last year when Cochrane was out of the game with illness.

Cochrane's injury is closest to a major league diamond fatality of this kind since another Yankee pitcher, Carl Mays, hit Roy Chapman, shortstop of the Cleveland Indians, at the polo ground in 1920.

Ill health, injuries and hard luck have been Mike's constant companions since he started his brilliant career with the Philadelphia Athletics in 1925.

Mickey is a throwback to the old type of manager, a constant and desperate fighter for whom no game is won or lost until the last out is made. Last year he worried and fought so hard it brought on an attack of hyperthyroidism and he caught only 44 games.

As a player Mike has been one of the great catchers of his time, some say of all time. He is fast and he can hit. Since he broke in he has hit under 300 only four times, has compiled a 320 life-time average. Twice he has been voted the most valuable player in his league.

Cochrane went to the Philadelphia Athletics from the Portland Coast League club.

Sport Bills Lined Up For Elks Picnic
Featured by 30 rounds of boxing as displayed by the cream of CCC battlers in this district, the Medford Elks lodge will stage their annual picnic Sunday, June 13, at the picnic grounds on Rogue river.

Other entertainment features will be several softball games being arranged by Bill Bowerman. While Elks are coveting all day and evening, their ladies will take over the Elks temple, which will be open to them.

The picnic is being held on Sunday for the first time this year to enable more Elks to attend.

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ST. MARY'S CLOSES 1936 ATHLETICS WITH 500 PER CENT

The first full year of ambitious athletic competition for St. Mary's high school of Medford, now history, saw the Crusaders under the coaching of Wallace Rickert, wind up their campaign with an even 500 percentage from 12 wins and the same number of losses.

St. Mary's teams, while winning no championships, nevertheless gave exceptionally good accounts of themselves, and hung up one record that will take a lot of shooting-at to tie. It can't be beaten. In January, Coach Rickert's fine basketball team journeyed to Grants Pass to tangle with the high school frosh team of that city. When the hectic evening (for Grants Pass) was finally over, the scoreboard read, St. Mary's 22, Grants Pass 0. It was that rarest of basketball feats, a clean shutout, and the locals had to play really great defensive basketball to accomplish it.

The canasta squad produced the finest record of any other Crusader team, winning eight battles and losing four. It was invited to the annual Oregon state Catholic high school tournament in Portland, and was defeated in the opening round by a larger, more experienced Mt. Angel high five. John Estes, stocky guard, was given honorable mention on the all-tournament selections and all players were commended for their excellent sportsmanship.

Also during the basketball season, St. Mary's new \$4000 gymnasium was dedicated, with the Crusaders defeating the Klamath Falls CYO team 22-21 in an overtime period.

For the first time in history, St. Mary's had a regular football coach, and counting a practice game with Medford junior high, won one game, tied one, and lost three. Also for the first time, letters were awarded members of the pigskin aggregation.

This spring, St. Mary's applied for and was admitted entrance into the Jackson county class B baseball league, the first time a Crusader team had ever been affiliated with the class B group. The ball club won three games and lost five, and was improving rapidly at the end of the season.

With no athletic budget at the school with which to draw on to purchase equipment, the Crusaders, nevertheless, outfitted themselves in complete football and basketball regalia solely through the sale of tickets to games and admissions. The school has in its possession now, about \$300 worth of uniforms, balls, bats and other athletic paraphernalia, and the teams from the opening of school in the fall until the final baseball game this spring have been self-supporting.

Another feature of the athletic program carried out by Coach Rickert and school heads was the recognition given St. Mary's by Catholic colleges up and down the Pacific coast. Rickert received letters from Loyola university in Los Angeles, Santa Clara and University of Portland stating that athletes from the local institution would be recognized as coming from a fully accredited high school, and given every opportunity to make good on the college teams.

Coach Rickert, general agent for the Providence Life Insurance company here, donated his time and coaching ability to the school for no cash remuneration whatsoever, receiving his payment in the joy he got from working with his athletes and lifting St. Mary's to a higher athletic plane.

Especially pleased with the Crusaders' affiliation with class B high schools of the county, Rickert said at the conclusion of the baseball season, "Students of St. Mary's join with me in expressing their appreciation for the good sportsmanship shown by the class B schools in our first year of association."

Following are the football and basketball records for the year:

| Football | |
|------------------------|----|
| 13 Medford junior high | 47 |
| 0 Medford junior high | 14 |
| 0 Central Point high | 7 |
| 0 Ashland junior high | 6 |
| 0 Ashland junior high | 6 |
| 25 | 40 |

| Basketball | |
|-------------------------|-----|
| 28 Ashland junior high | 11 |
| 22 Medford junior high | 21 |
| 15 Sophomore B | 10 |
| 23 Grants Pass Frosh | 0 |
| 40 Ashland junior high | 10 |
| 22 Talent high | 10 |
| 22 Klamath Falls CYO | 21 |
| 9 Medford junior high | 30 |
| 22 Roseburg junior high | 26 |
| 13 Medford junior high | 26 |
| 27 Grants Pass Frosh | 8 |
| 11 Mt. Angel high | 26 |
| 262 | 205 |

HOW THEY STAND

(By the Associated Press)

| Team | W. | L. | Pct. |
|---------------|----|----|------|
| San Francisco | 35 | 16 | .686 |
| Sacramento | 33 | 20 | .623 |
| San Diego | 30 | 23 | .566 |
| Los Angeles | 28 | 24 | .538 |
| Portland | 23 | 26 | .469 |
| Seattle | 21 | 29 | .420 |
| Oakland | 18 | 34 | .346 |
| Missions | 18 | 34 | .346 |

| National | | | |
|--------------|----|----|------|
| Pittsburgh | 19 | 10 | .655 |
| New York | 18 | 13 | .581 |
| St. Louis | 16 | 12 | .571 |
| Chicago | 16 | 14 | .533 |
| Brooklyn | 14 | 15 | .483 |
| Boston | 12 | 15 | .444 |
| Philadelphia | 11 | 19 | .367 |
| Cincinnati | 10 | 18 | .357 |

| American | | | |
|--------------|----|----|------|
| New York | 18 | 10 | .643 |
| Philadelphia | 15 | 11 | .577 |
| Detroit | 16 | 13 | .552 |
| Cleveland | 12 | 13 | .480 |
| Boston | 12 | 13 | .480 |
| Chicago | 12 | 13 | .480 |
| Washington | 13 | 17 | .433 |
| St. Louis | 9 | 18 | .333 |

Sport Graphs

Billy Hulén Says:

One Bad Inning Cause of Crater Defeat Every Game

Manager Mike Balkovick of the Medford Craters is no believer in jinxes of any kind, but if his ball club doesn't stop dropping Southern Oregon league battles in just one bad inning, he will most certainly develop into the most rabid jinx believer ever seen in these parts. To date, the Craters have lost three games out of three played, and in every one of them it has been a single-inning outburst of left-handed maneuvers on the part of Medford players that caused the damage. The locals seemed to perform to perfection through eight frames of baseball, but in one inning can destroy all the good work done in the other stanzas.

To make it even worse, twice this year the bad innings have come with two men out and just when it seemed Medford would romp in for their cuts with no runs scored against them. It wouldn't be so bad, the husky skipper says in effect, if we could lose them by playing bad ball all through the game. But, to go sky-high in just one inning every Sunday and kick the battle away is almost too much to laugh about.

It isn't that Balkovick blames his ball players for booting them in the clutch. He doesn't. He realizes that nobody feels so badly about critical errors as the players themselves, and also that mistakes that let in runs aren't made on purpose. What gets under his skin is the fact that the errors always occur when everything seems well under control, and with no apparent blow-up in sight.

There was that Ashland game May 16 for instance. The Craters took the field in the last of the fourth resting on a 4-1 lead and everything looked rosy. Ager, for Ashland, singled to start the inning, and after Schoep lined to Swanson, Ager was forced at second by Simpson, making it two away. Hess walked, but still there seemed to be no danger. Tim Baldwin lofted an easy fly into right field that Ray Lewis would catch in his hip pocket 99 out of 100 times. This was that once he would miss. He dropped the ball and when the inning was over, the score was 5-4 for the Lithians. It was the ball game.

At Glendale last Sunday the blow-up came in the fourth inning, also. With two men out and two on, a hurried throw by Wally Rickert on a

slow roller to Virgil Swanson got away from the latter, and a pair of Loggers clustered across the plate on the play. Two more counted in the same inning, and Glendale was on its way to an unearned win, unearned so far as counting across runners with baseshit was concerned.

One bad inning May 2 in the league opener at Grants Pass was all it took to defeat the Craters, the business happening in the third frame when the Merchants bunched four hits, two of the scratchers to the infield, with two errors and a wild pitch to score seven times.

One of these days, Manager Balkovick says grimly, Medford won't have a bad inning, and when that day comes, its opponents will be in for a considerably tough afternoon.

High hopes of the Southern Oregon league's two Jackson county outfits to get in the pennant chase and stay there are burning hot at present. Medford, as before mentioned, has yet to win a game and Ashland has copied only one in four starts.

Both clubs will be strengthened greatly when colleges in the northern part of the state close their doors for the summer. The Craters will get Bob Smith, southpaw firstbasemen from University of Oregon, and Ashland will be helped by the return of Cliff ("Chief") McLean and Bob Hardy, battery mates at the Eugene school. Hardy will help out the Lithians erratic pitching staff no end.

Contrary to opinions of certain Ashland citizens, Lowell Brown is one of the most erratic hurlers to ever hurl a beautiful battle one day and blow his top the next. So far this year he has turned in two beauties, against Medford and Roseburg, and two typical southpaw performances, against Crescent City, and Grants Pass. When Brown is good, he is plenty good. And, when he is lousy, he is plenty lousy. He fanned 15 Medfordites on one of his good days and allowed Roseburg three measly hits on the other. But, against Grants Pass last Sunday, he was nicked for plenty of baseshit and had to be jerked by Manager Leonard Hall, and facing Crescent City in the league opener was blasted from the box midway through the game.

With Lanky Bob Hardy helping out their pitching and McLean adding plenty of power at the plate, Ashland should be one of the strongest clubs in the circuit the second half, if not at the tail end of the first.

Fresh Season Ends.
EUGENE, May 26.—(AP)—The University of Oregon Frosh track team, minus Jim Buck, sprinter, will close the season Saturday in a dual meet with the Oregon State College Rooks.

Jay Graybeal, ace halfback on the 1936 yearling grid team, will replace the ailing Buck in the short runs.

College Golf.
EUGENE, May 26.—(AP)—A four-man team will represent the University of Oregon at the coast conference northern division golf tournament in Seattle this week-end.

BOWLING

Medford bowlers took three of the four team matches rolled against four teams from Klamath Falls at the Smokehouse alleys Sunday afternoon, with one match ending in a tie.

In the mixed doubles, R. Semon and Mrs. Sherwood took first place with 998. W. Jones and Mrs. Martin second with 983. E. Kessler and Mrs. Kessler third with 959. K. Powell and Miss Worley fourth with 919, and A. Hemstreet and Mrs. Semon fifth with 871.

Following are the scores:
Minnesotans, Klamath Falls.
Spivey 177 151 146 474
Stadin, B. 183 122 116 421
Falk, C. 193 147 169 509
Westin, L. 120 109 140 369
Lundin 139 120 125 384
Totals 722 649 696 2107

Economy Lumber.
English 140 134 154 428
R. Greene 192 160 144 496
Stewart 185 137 136 458
Brandon 164 226 183 573
Overmeyer 155 155 136 446
Totals 846 802 773 2401

Denny's Place, Klamath Falls.
Haight 170 188 162 520
Cheyne 201 131 149 481
Durant 205 195 169 569
Metzalf 160 128 158 446
Jackson 155 175 147 477
Totals 891 810 805 2495

Smoke House.
Daly 200 166 187 553
B. Greene 202 158 147 507
Hemstreet 206 168 137 511
Kessler 125 160 165 450
Jones 191 203 167 561
Totals 934 875 795 2602

Netted Gems, Klamath Falls.
Durant 156 202 170 528
Jackson 158 153 153 464
Spivey 181 183 117 481
Westin 166 184 170 520
Standin 120 158 177 455
Totals 781 880 767 2428

Schuse Vintage.
Dumas 213 146 170 529
Powell 178 203 176 557
Semon 190 160 160 510
Marshall 165 154 132 451
Rezepps 143 176 120 439
Totals 889 830 758 2469

Klamath Falls Ladies.
Worley 169 185 160 504
Durant 104 103 115 322
Martin 158 125 161 444
Jackson 150 126 131 407
White 130 129 89 348
Totals 711 686 646 2025

Medford Ladies.
Pruitt 168 171 166 505
Kessler 160 168 175 503
Semon 136 121 167 424
Jones 175 158 134 467

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|----------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Sherwood | 199 | 173 | 156 | 530 |
| Totals | 838 | 791 | 800 | 2429 |

PITTSBURGH FEARS RUSH OF GIANTS

(By Associated Press.)
The Pittsburgh Pirates began to cast a few anxious glances back over their shoulders today.

The Buccaners, leading the National league race since the season started, didn't have any such worries as the Detroit Tigers, who were trying to recover from the shock of yesterday's serious injury to Manager Mickey Cochrane, but they had sufficient reason to peek at the Giants.

When Van Lingle Mungo, Brooklyn's bad boy, machine-gunned the pirates into 2-1 submission yesterday, it was the third straight setback for the Pirates' season, the manager celebrating his release from suspension, drove home the winning run himself, and held the Bucs to six hits for his fifth victory.

The Giants collected 16 hits to rout the Reds, 9-3, and gain their fourth successive triumph. As a result the New Yorkers were only two games behind Pittsburgh.

Detroit's loss of Cochrane overshadowed their loss of a single game, 4-3, to the Yankees.

The Yankee powerhouse widened its first place advantage in the American league to two games as the Athletics lost a 4-2 decision to Cleveland.

The Yanks defeat of Detroit and Cleveland's victory over the A's left the last three teams closely bunched. The Tigers were third, a game and a half behind the Athletics, and the Indians another half game back in fourth place.

The Red Sox handed the Browns their eighth defeat in nine starts, 4-2. Ted Lyons, spacing seven hits, led Chicago's White Sox to a 9-3 triumph.

The Cubs kept pace with the Giants in their pursuit of Pittsburgh by beating the Phillies, 9-3.

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