

Practice Rounds for National Open Thursday Start-Laffoon Leads

NARROW FAIRWAYS TALL HAY FIELD LIKED BY RUNYAN

Chicago Star Shoots Under Par—Tony Manero Hopes to Retain Championship

BIRMINGHAM, Mich., June 8.—(AP)—The tall and thick "hay crop" which borders the fairways of Oakland Hills Country club for the 41st annual national open which starts Thursday holds no terrors for Paul Runyan of White Plains, N. Y.

Runyan, who tips the beam at 140 pounds and stands about five feet six, boasts the nickname of "Little Poison," due to his ability to hit "em down the middle and into the hole with the least possible trouble.

Runyan's face beamed as he finished his first practice round yesterday, and today he disclosed the reason.

"I hope," he said, "that they let that crop grow tall enough to hide Bobby Cruickshank. When the rough is tough, and the fairways narrow like these, we have a chance against the long hitters. No long hitter can turn loose all his power and keep 'em down the alley on a course like this, and if they get into the rough there's a bunch of us short hitters who are generally down the middle, who will be heard from."

Runyan displayed his ability to beat the long hitters when conditions are right by defeating Craig Wood in 1934 for the professional golfers' championship at Buffalo, and that same year he was goldfod's big money winner.

Runyan did not post a score in the practice round.

Ky Laffoon, the Chicago Cherokee, paced the practice round yesterday with a 69, three under par, after missing a four-foot putt for a birdie on the last hole. He turned in four birdies, and was over on the tenth when he three-putted.

Tony Manero turned in a 75 in his first tour of the course and said he believed he had a chance to retain his title. The champion had three birdies, missed a two-footer for another, and was over on several holes.

Other practice rounds yesterday included: Ted Longworth, Portland, Ore. 78; Harold (Jug) McSpaden, Winchester, Mass. 72; Tony Penna, Itasca, Ill. 78; Sam Sneed, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va. 74; and Johnny Farrell, Springfield, N. J., 74.

Far for the Oakland Hills layout, which boasts narrow fairways and lightning fast greens, is 36-36-72.

Top-notchers who have engaged in practice rounds, but posted no scores, include Byron Nelson of Reading, Pa., Frank Walsh of Morton Grove, Ill., Ed Dudley of Philadelphia, Macdonald Smith of Glendale, Calif.; Vic Ghezzi of Deal, N. J.; Billy Burke of Cleveland, Gene Sarazen of Brookfield, Conn., and Johnny Goodman of Omaha, Neb.

WADDELL AHEAD WEEK-END SHOOT

Two weeks' absence from the home range resulted in a lack of high scores for the Medford riflemen Sunday when a 395 by Waddell rated first place. Both Richmond and Shelby Tuttle suffered a loss when their targets were found to be short a shot, cutting them down a possible ten points.

Plans are under way by club officers to inaugurate an annual outdoor club shoot, with several matches at different ranges. Included in this will be a forty shot match for outdoor smallbore qualification for marksmen, sharpshooter and expert rating. Medal and merchandise awards are also planned, with special provision made for members who qualify as tyros in local and national matches.

Today's scores were:

50 yd. 100 yd. Total
Ivan Waddell 108 108 306
Mrs. Ivan Waddell 197 108 305
S. M. Tuttle 197 107 304
Pete Pomeroy 198 105 303
Otto Howard 196 105 301
Ed Lull 196 103 299
C. C. Gall 194 103 297
C. R. Richmond 197 100 297
Mrs. E. M. Tuttle 193 107 299
Shelby Tuttle 185 101 286
Hilbert Young 189 106 295
Low Lull 187 100 287

HOW THEY STAND

(By the Associated Press.) Coast League.

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
San Francisco	42	24	.636
Sacramento	41	25	.621
San Diego	37	31	.544
Los Angeles	34	31	.523
Portland	32	32	.500
Seattle	30	35	.462
Oakland	25	42	.373
Missions	23	44	.343

American League.

New York	15	410
Cleveland	23	18 290
Chicago	24	17 585
Detroit	24	20 545
Boston	18	18 500
Washington	19	24 442
Philadelphia	15	28 395
St. Louis	13	38 258

National League.

New York	28	17 422
Chicago	26	18 591
Pittsburgh	24	17 585
St. Louis	22	19 537
Brooklyn	19	21 473
Boston	18	22 450
Philadelphia	16	26 381
Cincinnati	14	27 341

Scores Yesterday

(By United Press.) National League.

R.	H.	E.	
Cincinnati	4	7	1
Brooklyn	5	11	0
L. Moore, Hollingsworth, Derringer and V. Davis; Henshaw and Phelps.			
Pittsburgh	2	5	2
New York	5	11	1
Brandt, Bowman and Todd; Gumbert and Mancuso.			

Chicago at Boston, played former date.

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American League.

R.	H.	E.	
Washington	5	9	2
Cleveland	17	15	2
Cascabel, Links and Hogan, Millies; Whitehill and Pytlak, Becker.			
New York	3	4	0
Detroit	4	8	0
Games and Dickey; Wade and Hayward.			

Philadelphia

R.	H.	E.	
Philadelphia	5	9	2
Chicago	12	16	0
Furbville, Williams, Pink, Gumbert and Hayes; Dietrich, Brown and Sewell.			

Boston

R.	H.	E.	
Boston	8	6	0
St. Louis	9	12	2
Ferrill and Berg; Hildebrand and Huffman.			

HANKINSON OUT WITH FOOT HURT

Duke Hankinson, the heavy-hitting third baseman from the University of Oregon who joined the Medford Craters last Sunday to help them grab their first Southern Oregon league victory, probably will be lost to the team for the remainder of the season, it was announced yesterday by Dr. LeRoy C. Jensen.

Hankinson received a badly sprained ankle Sunday, and although X-ray pictures yesterday showed no broken bones, the physician said the ball player would limp for at least six weeks, and expressed doubt that he would be able to play any more ball this year.

Hankinson received the injury as he was rounding second base in the fourth inning after hitting a home run with one man on. He slipped on the grass, half-stumbled, then kept on to cross the plate. He finished the game, but with a decided limp.

With the announcement of the loss of Hankinson, more bad news was received by Manager Mike Balakovic. Virgil Swanson stated he would be unable to make trips with the club.

Swanson's hours at the postoffice are so arranged that he goes to work at 4:30 p. m. every day, which precludes any out-of-town playing. Last Sunday he had to leave the game in the seventh inning so that he could report for work on time.

Closing time for Too Late to Classify Ads is 1:30 p. m.

SMASH ON NOGGIN WITH CHAIR PUTS FINISH ON POLE

Belcastro Wins Wild Go Before Big Crowd— Sailor Trout Wins Classy Tussle

Before the largest and noisiest crowd of the current grappling year, Pete Belcastro bashed a chair over the tough skull of Joe Smolinski to rapidly halt what was billed merely as the middle event last night at the Armory, but which will actually go down as one of the wildest brawls ever staged here, or any place else.

Until the Mad Italian broke up the furniture in the third round, along with the Polish Palooka's crumpled, the huge outpouring of spectators were as limp as rags from witnessing the grudge battle between the two villains.

Before this gets any further, it better be reported that in the main event, Cowboy Duke Chick, as per usual, gave Monte La Due the last spin after 29 minutes, which was all that was necessary. In the opener, Sailor Dick Trout dropkicked Jack Sterlich into submission in two straight tumbles.

Back to the middle squabble; there has never been anything like it since the old, old days of the Red Demos. Belcastro feuded, Pete was substituted at the last minute for the Black Dragon, who injured his arm in Spokane last week, and if the fans were disappointed in the change of program, they can get their money back from now until doomsday, and Promoter Lillard will grin as he shells out.

Hating each other plenty, the two "dirt" boys came out at the opening bell with no thought of wrestling holds in either man's head as the count, and punched high, low and everywhere. Belcastro sailed out through the ropes three times in the hectic first round lighting, on the second bounce, in the third row ringside in the laps of two dismayed women.

Then it was Smolinski's turn, and he took two counts of 18 from the fourth row of spectators before he was finally able to clamber back in the arena.

Pete got the Palooka back in the ring and pressed his shoulders to the mat via several clumps to the chin with doubled-up fist. That was in the first round.

Smolinski came back to grab a fall in the second stanza, with no change in ring tactics on either wrestler's part. Joe, grunting and growling all the time, rised Belcastro with horrible blows to the head, and tugging dogs to the stomach.

The mayhem continued with unabated fury in the third round, and about half way through, the pay-off came. After terrific battering with both sprawling around and getting tangled in the ropes, Pete kicked the Palooka out of the ring and onto the aisle alongside the broadcasting table.

Joe picked up a chair and clambered back into the battle-zone. Pete, in the meantime, had hoisted the chair, and as Joe slid through the ropes and advanced along all fronts, the Mad Italian let him have it, square on top of the dome. The chair wilted in a hundred pieces, while Smolinski settled to the carpet with a contented sigh. Pete kicked him once before receiving the ref's pat on the back.

The opener between Sailor Dick Trout and Jack Sterlich, the strong Austrian, was exceptionally fast and clean. Trout took the first tumble in the initial round with sensational dropkicks to the head and body in 20 seconds, and ended the match in the third frame with the same thing, after about five minutes of great action.

The Chick-LaDue affair was the

PITTSBURGH DROPS TO THIRD PLACE, YANKS LEAD CUT

NEW YORK, June 8.—(UP)—The Pittsburgh Pirates, after leading the National League for more than a month, dropped into third place today when they were handed their fifth straight setback, 5-2, by the New York Giants.

The Chicago Cubs, who were idle, moved into second as the Giants got to Brandt and Bowman for 11 hits while the Pirates were held to five scattered blows by Harry Gumbert. The New Yorkers were paced by Second Baseman Burgess Whitehead who had a perfect day at bat—three singles in three trips which drove in three runs. Gumbert aided his own cause with a home run and a single.

In the only other national league game, the Brooklyn Dodgers shaded the Cincinnati Reds, 5-4, a double by Woody English in the tenth sending home the winning run. The Dodgers were leading 4-2 going into the ninth, but Ernie Lombardi's 400-foot homer into the left field stands with a mate aboard evened the count. Babe Phelps opened the Brooklyn half with a short single over the infield, then opened the Brooklyn half with a short single over the infield, then completed the circuit when English batted in the third row ringside in the laps of two dismayed women.

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BIG CROWD SEES FIRST SOFTBALL UNDER THE ARCS

Tonight's Schedule. Timber Products vs. Al Piche. Hughes and Underwood vs. Catholic Young Men.

Before a crowd estimated at 750, Medford high school's newly lighted football field was dedicated last night with gala ceremonies.

Ten softball teams of the Commercial League—120 fully uniformed players—paraded in front of the huge grandstand led by the high school girls' drum corps and each club was introduced to the spectators via a loud-speaker hookup operated by Russ Acheson.

Following the introduction of the teams, Lamports and the high school aggregations blasted the lid off the Commercial league season in a thriller, with Lamport's winning in one extra inning, 10-9.

In the feature game of the evening, an all-star team from Medford defeated the Grants Pass All-Stars, 16-1. Singler and Colton hurled for the locals and allowed only two scattered hits, while Medford was nicking Cron, Grants Pass pitcher, for 13 solid blows.

Knips, Medford centerfielder, led the attack with two doubles and a single in three trips to the plate, and Luman collected a triple and single in four attempts.

Medford scored eight runs in the first inning with the aid of two hits, by Singler and Knips, four bases on balls, and three errors, and from then on was never in danger.

Four more failures were driven across in the fourth on hits by Smith, Balkovick, Luman, Knips and Harrington.

In the opening league battle, Lamport's scored one run in the eighth inning to break a 9-all deadlock. Kleeves tripled and scored on an error at third base for the winning run.

Oliver did the Lamport chucking, and was nicked for 7 hits, while Prady, on the mound for the high

school, was touched for 18 by the Lamports.

E. H. Hedrick, city school superintendent, announced today that the six-team service league would get under way next Monday. All games from now on would cost 10 cents, he said, with kids under 14 admitted free provided they procure their season pass. Holders of season tickets would also be admitted free.

It was also announced that Helms Fuhrer had taken over the sponsorship of the high school team in the Commercial league. Any other club wanting a sponsor was asked to contact Hedrick, who stated that a local business firm was ready to back an outfit.

The new lighting system, recently installed at no cost to the school district, was considered excellent in every respect, turning the fine turf field and entire stadium from night to day.

Games will be played every night in the week with the exception of Saturday and Sunday, with the schedule running nine consecutive weeks. There will be four games each night after the Service league swings into action.

Score of games played last night:

Team	R.	H.	E.
Lamport's	10	18	6
High School	9	7	4
Batteries: Oliver and Lennard; Prady and Root.			
Medford	15	13	4
Grants Pass	1	2	6
Batteries: Colton, Singler and Harrington; Cron and Mitchell.			

Scores Yesterday

(By the Associated Press.) Coast.

Teams traveling.

National.

Brooklyn 5; Cincinnati 4.
New York 5; Pittsburgh 2.
(Only games played.)

American.

Cleveland 17; Washington 5.
Detroit 4; New York 3.
St. Louis 9; Boston 6.
Chicago 12; Philadelphia 6.

See Mail Tribune want ads.

Injunction Hearing Set

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PITTSBURGH, May 30.—(AP)—Denny Shute of Boston successfully defended his Professional Golfers' championship here today by defeating Harold "Jug" McSpaden, Winchester, Mass., one up in a stirring 37-hole battle. Shute became the first champion in 8 years to confirm one victory for Shute confirmed one or more things that needed no confirmation in the land, and one of the best players of his time.

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IMPORTANT TRAIN SCHEDULE CHANGES Effective June 13

SOUTHBOUND:

Beginning June 13, departure times of our southbound trains will be as follows:

The SHASTA, which now leaves Medford at 7:00 P. M., will leave at 6:45 P. M., 15 MINUTES EARLIER THAN AT PRESENT.

Southern Oregon local No. 329 will be named the ROGUE RIVER, and will operate on the same schedule as at present, arriving Medford at 8:15 A. M.

NORTHBOUND:

On and after June 13, leaving times of our northbound trains will be as follows:

Southern Oregon local No. 330 will be named the ROGUE RIVER, and will operate on the same fast schedule as before, leaving Medford at 8:05 P. M.

The SHASTA, which now leaves Medford at 8:51 A. M., will leave at 9:15 A. M., 14 MINUTES LATER THAN AT PRESENT.

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