

# The Sporting Page

## MINOR LEAGUES' HOUSE IN ORDER DECLARES CZAR

Cash Registers Working, Players Protected and Game On Business Basis Club Owners Behaving,

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 9.—(AP)—William G. Bramham, 65-year-old president of the National Association of Professional Baseball leagues today declared his baseball house to be in order.

Here for the annual meeting of the association which ends this afternoon, he said in an interview, the cash registers are working, club owners are behaving, players are protected, and baseball is on a business basis.

"And everybody's happy," contributed L. H. Addington, publicity man for the organization, "the owners, the players and the public."

47 Leagues Now  
When Bramham, whose annual salary is \$20,000, was made czar of the minor leagues in 1932 there were only 11 of them. Now there are 37.

In 1938 there were 15,500,000 paid admissions to minor league games, said Bramham, a jump of two million over the previous year, and about five million more than the major leagues accounted for.

"There is no enterprise in the country," said Bramham, "which shows such a remarkable comeback as baseball."

He said the increasing attendance figures are proof the public knows baseball is a legitimate business run by honest men.

When the baseball men gathered earlier this week for the annual convention of the National Association of Baseball leagues, things looked good for big league swapping.

Bill Terry of the New York Giants and Manager Gabby Hartnett of the Chicago Cubs organized headed the list.

Terry traded outfielder Hank Linder, catcher Gus Mancuso and shortstop Dick Bartlett to Hartnett for shortstop Billy Jurges, catcher Ken O'Dea and outfielder Frank Demaree.

The St. Louis Cardinals revived interest temporarily by selling pitcher Ray Harrell to the Cubs and exchanging outfielder Frenchy Bordagaray for outfielder Dusty Cooke of the Cincinnati Reds, but that was about all.

SPokane Hockey Team UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP  
By The Associated Press

The real news in Pacific Coast league hockey circles wasn't the fact the Portland Buckaroos won another last night, beating the Vancouver Lions 8 to 0, but the sale of the Spokane Clippers.

Art Rud announced he had sold the club tenants to Roy Hotchkiss and H. H. Gilkey, Spokane business men, subject only to the approval of the league president.

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IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR JACKSON COUNTY  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ERNIE MAY TERHILL, DECEASED.

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## Engineer Baseball Trade



William (Memphis Bill) Terry (left), manager of the New York Giants and Gabby Hartnett of the Chicago Cubs light up at New Orleans and grin after swapping three-for-three players at a "hot stove" session. Hartnett boasted: "You were gyped plenty." And Terry came back with "If I hadn't liked the deal I wouldn't have made it." Figuring in the trade were shortstop Billy Jurges, catcher Ken O'Dea and outfielder Frank Demaree of the Cubs for outfield Hank Linder, catcher Gus Mancuso and shortstop Dick Bartlett of the Giants. (AP Photo.)

## MEDFORDITES WIN BRUINS, BACKERS IN POSTAL MATCH LACK CONFIDENCE

Medford rifle club's first and second teams both scored a victory over the Coos Bay rifle club in the first stage of a three-week postal match, fired last week. Totals of the coast club were 1364 and 1284, as against 1405 and 1326 for the local riflemen, a margin of over 40 points in favor of both Medford teams. With two more matches to be fired the final results may be quite different, however.

In the club program last night Cecil Gall emerged high man with 389x400 in the four-position handicap event. Mrs. C. C. Gall and Clyde Richmond were also high in the scoring.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Includes Cecil Gall (389), Clyde Richmond (378), Mrs. C. C. Gall (378), Mrs. Ivan Waddell (378), Mrs. M. Tuttle (378), Mrs. Whitlock (378), Mrs. Lull (378), Mrs. Shelly Tuttle (363), Mrs. Ivan Waddell (363), Mrs. S. M. Tuttle (364), Otto Howard (364).

## Says Oregonian Unfair

It is unkind of the Oregonian to belittle the Medford Mail-Tribune for its comment upon the recent election, in which comment the southern Oregon newspaper made statements altogether in harmony with those which appeared synchronously in Portland's leading exclusively morning newspaper.

The morning paper's comment would indicate it has not been a constant reader of the M-T as it should have been to entitle it to criticize, or that, having read, it did not understand what it read.

It is true the M-T has been an ardent supporter of the new deal, and equally true that it has slipped away from unswerving support, but the Oregonian grievously errs and does a rank injustice when it infers the attitude of the M-T is one that has been acquired since the recent vote was counted. So far as support of republican winners is concerned, the M-T is not one of Os Wea's Johnny-come-latelys to which the morning paper referred in lighter vein.

THIS writer chanced to be a visitor in southern Oregon during the late campaign and was at some pains to learn political trends in the territory where circulates the Mail Tribune. Too often to be considered lightly was the comment that southern Oregon would give a majority to men and measures supported by the Mail Tribune. That influence was reported even in Josephine county. Election returns proved the truth of such comment. The Republican candidates supported by

the M-T carried southern Oregon handsily.

THE Oregonian belittles the value of the Mail Tribune to republicanism. Some have been so unkind as to suggest doubt as to the value of support of the Oregonian. It is unkindness of the Spectator, not joined, but might do so if the Oregonian would drive to another field an influential newspaper which wishes to support republican candidates and does not hesitate to criticize the president and the administration to which it once gave unswerving, possibly unreasoning, support.

Any newspaper with the influence of the M-T is a republican newspaper when it supports, and aids in the election of, republican candidates. It should be encouraged instead of belittled.—The Portland Spectator.

REAL FURS LANGUISH AS IMITATIONS GAIN  
BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP)—Dyeing of rabbit skins to look like possum, raccoon, skunk, muskrat and fox is called a threat to Indiana's \$500,000 fur business.

Games Warden Thom Flors said that the sale of genuine pelts will be small this year because fur processors are going strong for imitations.

American exports of chewing gum in 1937 totaled 3,182,000 pounds valued at \$1,177,000, or more than double the 1933 figure.

## Magazine Averages All-American Polls To Find Favorites

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—(UP)—The magazine Newweek today announced a consensus all-American football team—made up by taking the 16 all-America teams picked by various newspapers and news agencies and averaging the vote for each player.

The team:  
Ends: Holland, Cornell, and Young, Oklahoma; tackles: Belnor, Notre Dame; and Wolff, Santa Clara; guards: Heikkinen, Michigan; and Smith, Southern California; center: Aldrich, Texas Christian; backs: O'Brien, Texas Christian; Goldberg, Pittsburg; MacLeod, Dartmouth, and Bottari, California.

## JONES BOYS TO FEUD ON MONDAY MAT CARD WITH BRITT BROTHERS

The three Jones boys, who scored such a tremendous "hit" with local grappling fans last Monday night will have a chance to further their popularity next Monday evening in the Medford armory. Two of them, Tony and Tuffy, collide with Floyd and Alvin Britt, and if the House of Jones comes out of the weekly scuffle victorious in those two bouts the key to the city will probably be theirs. Floyd and Alvin are liked by nobody.

Tony, the 200-pound "barrel" clashes with Floyd in the one-hour main event, and the affair is an honest-to-goodness grudge match. After beating Little Brother Mike Jones last Monday, Floyd raked a tremendous clout on the back of the neck by Big Brother Tony, and thus was born a definite hatred between the two.

Brother Tuffy tangles with Brother Alvin in the middle event, and the family feuding is expected to show signs of lessening. In the opener, Little Brother Mike takes on Spider Kelly of Oakland, Cal., a clean and scientific workman.

## LAST CHANCE FOR GUNNAR BARLUND

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—(AP) Gunnar Barlund, the much enduring Finn, will get what may be his last shot at the boxing big time against Roscoe Toles, the big Detroit negro, in the Hippodrome tonight.

The Gunnar, after beating Buddy Baer and Alberto Lovell, was on the way up until Lou Nova stopped him a couple of months ago. Now he must beat Toles in tonight's ten-rounder to hold his place as a ranking heavy.

Toles is far from a soft touch. He is a tough fellow who never has fought in New York because, the gossip says, the boys are afraid of him. This is unlikely, but he is a thunderous hitter. He fought Jimmy Adamschick and gave that over-rated fighter such a beating he had to go to the hospital.

## Fights Last Night

By The Associated Press  
PITTSBURG—Fritz Zivic, 148, Pittsburgh, outpointed Vincent Pimpinella, 151, Brooklyn (10).  
CHICAGO—Johnny Barbara, 149, South Bend, Ind., outpointed Jackie Burke, 147, Ogden, Utah, (10).  
NEW YORK—Pedro Montano, 139, Puerto Rico, technically knocked out Vincenzo Servino, 136, Stamford, Conn., (2).  
PHILADELPHIA—Wally Sears, 175, Mineville, Pa., outpointed Al Ettore, 197, Philadelphia (10).  
WRESTLING  
By The Associated Press  
NORTH BERGEN, N. J.—Jimmy London, 205, New York, defeated Chief Little Wolf, 218, Trinidad, Colo., 41-05.  
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## Sport Graphs

Billy Hulén says:  
District Teams Should Have Big Basketball Party

With basketball almost ready to crowd King Football completely out of the sports picture for another year, this department today gives birth to an idea. Although the brain-child is not exactly original, having been put into effect with much success in other parts of the country many times it is new to this territory. We believe it could be developed and produced here—such success.

In a nutshell, the idea is this: why don't the district B maple court teams of Ashland, Grants Pass and Medford stage a big combined basketball jamboree shortly before they open league action, with all quintets appearing in the same gymnasium the same night? Other basketball circuits have been doing that for years, and the result has been a booming get-away from the barrier for the remainder of the season, a nice piece of money for the participating schools, and a shot of cash-a-juice in the arms of fans, who have a hard time shifting their enthusiasm from football to the winter sport.

The three teams, who will fight it out in this district for the honor of entering the state tournament, could all swing into action at the jamboree. And, to add another quintet to the party so that all would play an equal amount of time, the Central Point High school Pointers, two-time class B county champions, could be invited. Thus, you would have the three class A teams of the district and the best class B quintet of the past two years all displaying their stuff before undoubtedly a capacity crowd, no matter where the thing was held.

Our idea would be to slate each of the four teams to play two quarters, opponents to be determined by a draw. For instance, if the names of Ashland and Medford were drawn from a hat, they would oppose each other the first quarter. Central Point and Grants Pass would take the floor for the second period. For the third quarter, Ashland or Medford would again cut loose against either Central Point or Grants Pass. The final stanza would see the two remaining teams in action. In that manner, each of the four teams would play two quarters of the game against two different opponents.

Attempts were made by Coach Bill Bowerman this fall to arrange a similar jamboree for the Southern Oregon conference football teams, but at that time Klamath Falls and Ashland already had games scheduled on the only open date available to Medford and Grants Pass. The plan fell through. However, regarding this basketball jamboree idea, if negotiations were opened immediately it probably could be arranged, as no team has completed its schedule as yet.

Bowerman's plan for the football shindig was to split the gate receipts exactly four ways, with a quarter share going to each of the four schools. The same thing could be done with the four basketball clubs, and if we have any idea of what constitutes a great sport attraction, the slice of dough going to the quintets would be considerable.

Medford, with its central location and the larger seating capacity of its high school gymnasium, would be the logical location for the jamboree. Travel by the competing teams would be cut to a minimum; Grants Pass would be forced to come only 32 miles, Ashland 12 miles and Central Point merely a stone's throw. And, with those teams would come basketball fans, highly important in the scheme of things.

If such a cash-a-carnival won't pull an absolute capacity crowd through the portals, we will gladly

eat this typewriter. It would be the most colorful one-night basketball show ever seen in the county, and couldn't help but produce increased interest among the citizens. At this point, we will turn all further details over to Coach Russ Acherson or Principal C. G. Smith of Medford high, and sincerely trust they will carry on.

Tomorrow, like last Saturday, will be altar pickin' for the great I. Pickem. With only the Oregon State-UCLA brawl in Los Angeles on the football slate, the prognosticator will have an easy time of it. Even if he misses he won't be disgraced, because you can't belittle a guy who fails to correctly call only one game a week. Here it is:

UCLA-Oregon State: Despite reports from Corvallis to the effect that Lon Stiner's Beavers are getting big-headed and taking this ball game too lightly, Mr. Pickem can't see anything but an Oregon State victory. Only hope for the Bruins is Kenny Washington, who might take a notion to run wild on the ground and fly high, wide and handsome through the air. Anyway, Oregon State 6, UCLA 0.

## BOWLING

Results of City league bowling matches at the Medford alleys last night were: Zoric 4, Union Oil 0; Weeks and Orr 3, Hohlweg 1; Monarch 2, Union Oil 2, and Hubbard 3, Mail Tribune 1. Scores follow:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Includes Zoric Cleaners (Newland 208, Lyons 143, Marshall 178, Fabrick 155, Saylor 182), Union Oil (Bean 169, R-sborough 132, Caster 97, Patterson 109, Sanderson 116, Handrop 64), Hubbard (T. Wray 135, T. White 116, V. Swanson 184, Fields 164), Tribune (R. Gilstrap 200, Latham 83, Krous 138, D. Green 149, Murray (A.) 165, Handicap 21).

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## ELDERLY GOLFERS MEET IN PLAYOFF

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 9.—(AP)—Otto Hackbath of Cincinnati and Fred McLeod of Chevy Chase, Md., met in an 18-hole playoff today for first place honors in the second annual seniors' golf tournament over the Augusta national course.

The two veteran professionals ended in a deadlock with cards of 154 yesterday. Jack Hutchinson, of Golf, Ill., winner of last year's inaugural tourney, and McLeod, national open champion of 1908, led the Seniors into the final round yesterday, but Hutchinson faltered on the last 18 and came in with a 158.

## Dempsey Given Neil Award For Betterment of Boxing

By Jack Cuddy  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—(UP)—Jack Dempsey, the old "Manassa mauler," was voted the first annual Edward J. Neil memorial award last night by the New York Boxing Writers' association for having done the most for the betterment of boxing during 1938.

Dempsey was selected for the trophy during the most unusual meeting in the association's history—a banquet at which Dempsey and his former arch rival, Gene Tunney, Manager Ray Carlen for allegedly trying to boost young Lou Nova up to the heavyweight ladder too rapidly. Manager Carlen made a spirited defense.

Armstrong Second  
Dempsey won the award by 20 votes to 11 over "Two-Crowns" Henry Armstrong. Heavyweight Champion Joe Louis received but one ballot. The plaque will be presented to Dempsey later at the association's annual dinner. The award is a memorial to the late Edward J. Neil, the Associated Press boxing writer and war correspondent who died from shell wounds in Spain on Jan. 2. It will be given annually to the active or former boxer who contributes most to the sport each year.

Dempsey was selected because he campaigned constantly in various sections during '38 for the improvement of boxing.

The vote was taken after Dempsey, Tunney, Manager Carlen and heavyweight Nova adjourned from the meeting in Dempsey's tavern. Tunney, the first speaker, said he doubted Carlen's good judgment in matching the young California heavy for 15 rounds with Tommy Farr of Wales at Madison Square Garden on Dec. 15.

Where Will He Be?  
Tunney continued, "He may beat Farr. But if he does, where will he be? He'll be close to the top before he's ready for a fight with Champion Joe Louis."

Dempsey echoed Tunney's sentiments and asked Nova, "How many fights have you had?" Handsome young Nova replied, "I've had 26 professional and 15 amateur fights."

Dempsey chuckled and said, "Why, you're just a baby in this business." Manager Carlen, surprised and irritated, told the gathering, "I've certainly been put on the spot here today. But I don't feel that I'm a greedy manager. Like Tunney and Dempsey are trying to make out, I gave up my business in California and put all my eggs into one basket—Nova. He'll make me or break me."

## SEMI-PRO CLUBS SET LIMIT OF 16 PLAYERS

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 9.—(AP)—Directors of the National Semi-Pro Baseball congress voted here today to limit clubs affiliated with the congress to 16 players in 1939.

The chief reason for the new play-off limit, Mickey McConnell, executive secretary of the congress said, was to keep clubs from signing too many players and thus keeping an excessive number of players inactive.

## BEARCATS WIN FROM BASKETBALL CHAMPS

SALEM, Dec. 9.—(AP)—Oregon A.A.U. basketball champs, the Pacific Packards of Portland, were defeated last night by Willamette University Cadets, 43-30.

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