

Sport Graphs

Billy Hulén Says:

Schroer Streak of Lightning On Baseball Paths

This half-pint, 18-year-old Del Schroer, the kid from Portland who currently is playing a considerable amount of shortstop for the State league Craters, is so gosh-awful rapid on the bases that when he takes off and shifts into high about all you see is a flash of something, then a cloud of dust as he socks the dirt at his destination.

Billy Ross, who managed Del and the Portland Jack and Jillers last season, tells us the youngster can do the century in "around :10.4" with his monkey suit on. That's traveling, my friends, but we don't doubt in the least after watching the lad burn up the base paths against Yreka Wednesday eve.

For example, in the second inning Del reached first on a boot. Alex McDonald, the next clubber, slapped a "charity-hopper" down to short and it looked like a cinch force-out at second base. But when the Yreka shortstop got the ball in his hands and turned to force Schroer at the key-stones, there was Schroer sliding into the bag. With no chance to make the play at second, the Yrekan then wheeled to fire to first, but by that time McDonald, who is no dray-horse himself, was practically crossing the bag. Thus, McDonald was given a basehit, and it was due entirely to Schroer's flaming speed.

Manager Sauer has lifted Schroer from eighth spot in the batting order, where he hit against Albany, and placed him in the leadoff position. He has a sharp eye, is a fair hitter and, of course, is really a streak of lightning. He should be an ideal number 1 batter. If he hit left-handed they never would get him out on ground balls.

Al (Wray) Lightner isn't hitting yet, nor is Joe Gray, and when they finally start finding the ball the Craters will present a much more potent offense. Lightner is still tied up in the shoulders and arms from a winter's hard work at Medford Corporation, but he says he is getting loosened up. Gray never was an early-season hitter, but when he starts to pound the horsehide it is well pounded. He should begin to hit shortly.

Lightner, incidentally, throws a terrific curve from the outfield, a point that Skipper Sauer is trying to remedy. Al has a very powerful arm, but his throws describe a wide arc because of the way he grips the ball and lets it go. He throws too much side-arm, and Sauer, who has one of the most accurate and strongest arms in baseball, has been showing Al how to whip the apple straight overhead so that it will stay on a line.

The Craters have already made plans for their Fourth of July pastime. They will play a two-game series with the Crescent City Merchants of the Southern Oregon league, at Crescent City.

MEDFORD TENNIS TEAM TO PLAY AT K. FALLS

The Medford tennis team, under management of H. G. Wilson, will travel to Klamath Falls Sunday for eight singles and four doubles matches with the Klamath netsters. The matches will start at 9 a. m. Members of the Medford team who will make the trip are Y. Maruyama, S. Maruyama, Roy Koyama, Clayton Lewis, Don Herried, Wilsie Pruitt, Del Cooley, Lon Chaney and Roland Halper.

COLLEGE BALL TITLE AT STAKE THIS WEEK

By the Associated Press
Oregon, Oregon State and Washington begin a battle today for the northern division Pacific coast conference baseball championship.

The Huskies meet Idaho at Moscow in the first of two games and wind up their season at Pullman against Washington State next Monday and Tuesday.

Oregon and Oregon State meet at Eugene today and at Corvallis next Monday.

Medford Ball Clubs Entertain Strong Foes This Week-End.

REDDING TO FACE CRATERS IN NIGHT FRAGAS SATURDAY

Rogues Play Host to C. City Sunday Afternoon—Leiber Hurls for Redding

Medford's two baseball teams, the Oregon State league Craters and the Southern Oregon loop Rogues, will serve local fanatics a heaping dishfull of their favorite pastime this week-end.

Saturday night, the Craters will play host to the Redding Tigers of the Northern California league in an exhibition game at the floodlighted fairgrounds park, with the contest starting at 9 o'clock sharp.

Sunday afternoon, the Rogues will entertain the Crescent City Merchants in a regular Southern Oregon league battle at the high school field at 2:30.

The Craters, who travel to Bend Sunday for a State league game, will be facing one of the best of the N. C. L. clubs in the Redding nine. Dutch Leiber, former Pacific Coast league curveball artist, does the flinging for the Tigers, who are managed by Leo Vistanier. The Redding infield will see McDonald on first, Wickert on second, Ted South on third and Roman on short. In the outfield will be LaGaste, Paulsen and South. Five of the Tigers are "imports" from Sacramento.

Smith To Pitch
Manager Lou Sauer of the Craters said that Willard Smith of Portland, recently released by Vancouver, B. C., of the Western International league, would do the hurling Saturday night against Redding, with Derrrel Slater, from the same club, catching. The rest of the lineup will find Al Fleishman or Pat Patterson on first, Sauer on second, Schroer on short, McDonald on third, Lightner in left, Joe Gray in center and Ed Ellertsen in right. Jerry Gaatneau and Fred Roberts will be ready to step into the hurling breach if needed. Pete Fox is slated to fling against Bend Sunday in the State league game.

The Craters will workout at the fairgrounds park at 5:30 this afternoon. The skipper wants all players to report for a stiff batting drill.

First place in the Southern Oregon loop will be at stake when the Rogues clash with Crescent City. Last Sunday, while the locals were bouncing Grants Pass, 5 to 4, Crescent City was grabbing an 8 to 7 victory from Rogue River.

Hess On Mound
Paul Hess will be on the mound for the Rogues, who will field a slightly revised lineup. Pat Patterson, according to Manager Paul (Hooser) Hoffard, will be on first base, and Orv Hampel will hold down short in place of Mickey Miller and Jimmy Lewis, respectively. Remainder of the lineup will be Hal Adams, catcher; Gitzen, second base; Cook, third base; and Hoffman, Catherwood and Hoffard in the outfield.

Ray Koll, little lefthander and brother of the University of California's Mike Koll, will pitch for Crescent City.

In other Oregon State league tilts Sunday, Toledo will play at Hills Creek, and Albany will travel to Klamath Falls for a Saturday night and Sunday afternoon series, the Sunday game being the league affair. Eugene draws a bye.

In the other Southern Oregon league game, Rogue River will play at Grants Pass.

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HOW THEY STAND

(By Associated Press)

National			
	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Louis	22	9	.710
Brooklyn	22	12	.647
New York	17	14	.545
Chicago	14	15	.483
Pittsburgh	12	15	.444
Cincinnati	14	18	.438
Boston	12	19	.387
Philadelphia	10	21	.323
American			
	Won	Lost	Pct.
Cleveland	25	12	.676
Chicago	19	12	.613
New York	19	17	.528
Boston	15	15	.500
Detroit	16	17	.485
Philadelphia	14	19	.424
Washington	14	21	.400
St. Louis	11	20	.355
Coast			
	Won	Lost	Pct.
Sacramento	33	11	.750
Seattle	26	19	.578
San Francisco	23	23	.500
San Diego	22	23	.489
Hollywood	20	24	.455
Portland	18	25	.419
Los Angeles	18	26	.409
Oakland	18	27	.400

Lochinvar Has His Books



John West, Stanford university Golden Gloves boxing champion, and Miss Mary Helen Linger announced their plans to be married shortly after he arrived in Kansas City from the west coast. The 1,500-mile motorcycle trip of Earl Lee Archer, University of Arkansas sophomore, from the Kentucky Derby to Kansas City, a trip inspired by Miss Linger's blonde attractiveness, was a closed—if not forgotten—incident. West and Miss Linger shown.

Tiger Coach Launches New Plan for Prep Track Meet

Stymied in his attempt to arrange for an abbreviated track meet between Oregon's prep champion runners and hurdlers and California high school athletes at the Compton, (Cal.) junior college invitational meet June 6, Coach Bill Bowerman of Medford high today turned his attention to trying to promote a similar meet in San Francisco or Los Angeles.

Officials of the Compton meet notified Bowerman that it would be impossible to place on the program events pitting the Oregon champs against the California boys, due to the fact that the program already was completely filled. Immediately upon receiving this bad news, Bowerman launched his attempt to promote the idea in other California localities.

The Tiger mentor last night sent telegrams to the physical education and athletic directors of San Francisco and Los Angeles public schools, and to the state physical education director at Sacramento. The telegrams inquired on the possibilities of arranging such a special track meet.

In addition, Bowerman sent air-mail letters to Curley Grieve, sports editor of the San Francisco Examiner; William Leiser, sports editor of the Chronicle; Art Cohen, sports editor of the Oakland Tribune, and to the sports editors of the Los Angeles newspapers, asking that they aid in promoting the meet.

All six of Oregon's champion runners and hurdlers have signified their desire to make the trip to California for the proposed meet. Wally Still of Mac high, state 100 and 220-yard dash champion, wired Bowerman yesterday that he was ready to go. Previously, the following had sent the same sort of telegrams: Ken Wilson of Alsea, miler; Stuart Schweizer of Adrian, low hurdles; Leslie Peake of Milwaukie, half miler; Ray Johnson, quarter-miler, and Andy LaMarr, high hurdles, both of Medford, are breathless with anticipation.

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DEFLATED BROOKS RETURN HOME TO ENTER DOGHOUSE

By Judson Bailey
Associated Press Writer
The Brooklyn Dodgers, who paraded into the west last week pointing arrogantly to their record as 1940's leading road team in the National league and to their six victories in seven games away from home in the east this year, are sinking back to Flatbush today with a string of tin cans tied to their tails.

They're in the doghouse because of losing six straight at Pittsburgh, Chicago and finally St. Louis, where they handed over the circuit lead to the Cardinals. Many of the Dodgers chums are shouting "them bums"—and the tumult is so great that if the returning warriors could hear it they might delay their arrival until after nightfall tonight.

The Dodgers lost again, 7-6, yesterday but they showed they are not yet cowed. Brooklyn outthit the Redbirds, 13-11, and went down battling.

The Cincinnati Reds meanwhile took a 6-4 victory from the New York Giants. Ernie Lombardi hit a home run in the first inning with the bases loaded and Frank McCormick pounded his eighth of the season with one on in the third.

The Cleveland Indians edged out the Washington Senators, 4-3.

The Chicago White Sox held determinedly to second place in the American league by whacking the Philadelphia Athletics, 4-1, behind the six-hit hurling of John Rigney.

Bob Munerief and Jack Kramer combined in a five-hit hurling job for the St. Louis Browns, who beat the Boston Red Sox, 4-1.

This enabled the New York Yankees to advance into third place by capturing their third straight victory. They beat Detroit, 6-5, with Bill Dickey hitting his third home run in four days.

Scores Yesterday

By the Associated Press

National
Cincinnati 6, New York 4.
St. Louis 7, Brooklyn 6.
Boston at Pittsburgh, wet grounds.
Philadelphia at Chicago, rain.

American
Cleveland 4, Washington 3.
Chicago 4, Philadelphia 1.
New York 6, Detroit 5.
St. Louis 4, Boston 1.

Coast
Seattle 5, Oakland 3.
Portland 7, Hollywood 3.
San Francisco 9, San Diego 6.
Sacramento 11, Los Angeles 7.

Western International
Tacoma 10, Wenatchee 2.
Yakima 7, Spokane 3.
Vancouver 9, Salem 6.

Use Mail Tribune want ads.

BUDDY BAER AND BOMBER SET FOR TONIGHT'S FIGHT

Washington, May 23.—(P)—Buddy Baer had a 35 3/4 pound weight edge on Joe Louis today as they weighed in for their heavyweight title bout in Griffith stadium tonight.

The challenger tipped the beam at 237 1/2 pounds while Louis scaled 201 3/4.

Except for a brief "hello" no words passed between the two.

By Gayle Talbot
Washington, May 23.—(P)—Before a somewhat distinguished capital audience tonight, Joe Louis will play another stop on his "farewell tour" of the heavyweight circuit before he puts away the five-ounce gloves and has himself fitted for an army uniform.

After tonight's bout with Buddy Baer, which will mark the 17th defense of his title, the negro heavyweight champion plans to fight about twice more this summer and then see if he can't rustle himself a commission. He has gained the consent of his managers and plainly is looking forward to his "vacation" from the grind.

Tonight's crowd promised to be large and noisy. Promoter Mike Jacobs, having watched the advance sale for some days, forecast a total gate of \$125,000, which would be terrific for Washington. Several cabinet members and a bevy of senators and such will be at the ringide.

"The only trouble," Mike grumbled "is that most of the guys around here who can afford to buy \$15 seats want passes. Boy, what a list."

AD LISKA SCATTERS 9 HITS TO TROUNCE HOLLYWOOD, 7 TO 3

By the Associated Press
Ad Liska, who has pitched more baseball games this year than any other flinger in the Pacific coast league, now joins the leaders in the number he has won.

The little sidarm artist, only member of the Portland mound corps with a better than even average, achieved his seventh victory last night, scattering nine hits to defeat Hollywood, 7-3. He thus moved in beside Tony Freitas and Al Hollingsworth of the virtually invincible Sacramento Senators, each of whom also has come out on top seven times.

The Portland victory, its first in three tries against the stars this week, had the effect of lifting the Beavers from eighth to sixth place, ahead of Los Angeles and Oakland.

The Angels lost their third straight to Sacramento, 11-7, to

decline from sixth to seventh, and the Oaks dropped their second in a row to Seattle, 5-3.

San Francisco unseated San Diego from third place with a 9-8 decision.

The scores:
Hollywood 3 9 1
Portland 7 9 3
Bittner, Osborne and Brenzel; Liska and Schultz.

Horses vs. Tractor
Oconto, Wis., May 23.—(P)—Farmer George Donlevy sold his horses and bought a tractor

because a team ran away, dragging him under the wheels of a wagon. Then the new tractor hit a stump and toppled over him, injuring his arm.

Closed Corporation
Aten, Neb., May 23.—(P)—Said teacher Ruth Clark to cousin Carol Clark: "School is dismissed for the summer." And that ended the school year for Cedar county's one pupil, one-teacher and one-family school.

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