

SPORTS

KAISER, KATONEN BOTH IN ACTION ON MAT PROGRAM

May Meet For Title In Future; Champ Faces Olson In Main Tilt Thursday.

When Jack Kaiser of Vancouver, Wash., lifted the Pacific Coast light-heavyweight mat crown from the Finnish brow of Paavo Katonen in Salem recently, he promised the latter a return match and a chance to regain the bauble.

Kaiser also made another promise, this one to Promoter Mack Lillard. It was a promise that he would, in the near future, defend his title in the Medford armory grappling ring.

Both Kaiser and Katonen are featured on Thursday night's armory program, and although they are not facing each other their respective matches may lead to an honest-to-goodness championship bout before many more weeks pass.

Kaiser, on tomorrow night's card, is battling Milt Olson of Milwaukee, Wis., in the one-hour top event, while Katonen is tangling with rough, tough Pat O'Dowdy in the four round middle contest.

If Katonen can get over the O'Dowdy hurdle, and any subsequent brawls in which he may become entangled, he will be in an excellent position to remind Kaiser of that promised return match. And, if Kaiser agrees, the chances are good that it will be staged in Medford, where Flashy Jack has said he would lay the toga on the line.

The main struggle figures to be one of the most sensational legitimate matches seen here in years. Both Kaiser and Olson are lightning-fast and know all the answers, and railbirds are

rating the go strictly even-up. Despite O'Dowdy's unorthodox matwork which verges on the brutal, Katonen is expected to put him in his proper place after a hard battle.

Elton Owen and Buck Davidson collide in the three-round opener.

ANGELS CERTAIN OF PENNANT AS BEAVERS BEATEN

By United Press

The Los Angeles Angels tonight dropped their home game with Seattle, 3-1, but clinched the Pacific Coast league baseball crown for the second consecutive season because the Oakland A's blasted the second-place Portland Beavers out of the race with a 4-2 win at Oakland.

The Angels won the pennant obliquely with the Beavers' defeat placing the Los Angeles team eight games ahead with seven yet to be played as the final week of coast ball got underway.

The San Francisco Seals crossed the plate twice in the seventh at San Diego to eke out a 2-1 win over the cellar-dwelling Padres, putting the Seals in a third-place tie with Seattle, while the Hollywood Stars squeezed out a 5-4 win over the Sacramento Solons.

Oakland won their game, and incidentally the crown for Los Angeles, in a fourth inning spree that saw four A's cross the plate on a series of singles and walks. Portland scored one run in the same bracket when Pitcher Damon Hayes walked a man with the bases loaded to force a run. The second Beaver tally came in the fifth.

The Oakland success brightened the team's chances of being among those present in the four-team post-season playoff for the governor's cup, the Seattle and San Francisco win kept those teams ahead of the Oaks. Score:

Portland 2 5 0
Oakland 4 9 2

HOW THEY STAND

American	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	76	61	.555
Detroit	75	61	.551
St. Louis	75	62	.547
Boston	73	64	.533
Cleveland	65	72	.474
Chicago	63	74	.460
Philadelphia	64	75	.460
Washington	58	80	.420
National	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Louis	95	39	.709
Pittsburgh	79	54	.594
Cincinnati	73	57	.562
Chicago	60	70	.462
New York	61	72	.459
Boston	55	79	.410
Brooklyn	55	80	.407
Philadelphia	52	79	.397
Pacific Coast	W.	L.	Pct.
Los Angeles	93	69	.574
Portland	85	77	.525
San Francisco	83	79	.512
Seattle	83	79	.512
Oakland	81	81	.500
Hollywood	80	83	.491
Sacramento	73	90	.448
San Diego	71	91	.438

Ex-Champ Appears Ready



Pat O'Dowdy will get a taste of how an ex-Pacific Coast light-heavyweight champion wrestles when he meets Paavo Katonen (above) in the middle event of Thursday night's Medford armory mat program. Katonen, tremendously powerful and a great scientific grappler, is favored to knock off his rough opponent.

GUS SONNENBERG DIES OF LEUKEMIA

Washington, Sept. 13—(U.P.)—The sporting world lost a familiar figure last night with the death of big Gus Sonnenberg, the former Dartmouth collegian, whose "flying tackle" won him fame and fortune in the professional wrestling game.

The 44-year-old wrestler, who had been serving in the navy as a chief specialist, died of leukemia at the Naval hospital at nearby Bethesda, Md. He had been hospitalized for almost eight months.

The squat, 235-pound Sonnenberg had been a familiar figure in wrestling for years and contributed greatly to the revival of the sport a decade or so ago. His record included victories over some of the top grapplers of his day, including Ed "Strangler" Lewis at the time Lewis was recognized as world's heavyweight champion.

Philadelphia, Sept. 13—(U.P.)—The Philadelphia Eagles of the National Football league, displaying a smooth and speedy running attack, crushed the merged Pittsburgh Steeler-Chicago Cardinal eleven 22-0 last night before 25,000 fans in an

exhibition game at Shibe park. Highlight of the game was the second tally when Jack Banta, navy dischargee and former Southern California back, took a punt on his 19 and raced 81 yards to score.

Jack Hinkle, the league's second leading ground gainer last year, counted the first Philadelphia points when he smashed around left end from the 15-yard line on the ninth running play of the game. Mal Blecker, another ex-Southern California star, scored the last touchdown when he climaxed a 61-yard drive with an eight-yard smash through center.

ORTIZ RINGS UP TKO IN 4TH HEAT

Los Angeles, Sept. 13—(U.P.)—Manuel Ortiz headed back to his farm in El Centro, Cal., today, the world's bantamweight champion still in his pocket after his fourth-round technical knockout last night over Spunky Luis Castillo.

It was Ortiz' 11th title defense, and he disposed of the Mexican contender in 11½ minutes of almost nip and tuck battling.

Referee Mushy Callahan stopped the fight in the fourth round after Ortiz cut Castillo's left eye with a couple of smashing rights. A doctor crawled into the ring examined the eye, and ordered the bout stopped.

Both Ortiz and the Mexico City challenger had been slugging it out evenly until Castillo's eye started spurting blood.

HARDY IS NAMED TROJAN CAPTAIN

Los Angeles, Sept. 13—(U.P.)—Trojan Jim Hardy, sensational quarterback who threw three touchdown passes against the University of Washington Huskies in last year's Rose Bowl game today took over as captain of the 1944 USC squad.

His election yesterday made him the second quarterback to hold this position at Troy. Morely Drury, long-remembered USC star, headed the squad in 1927.

This is Hardy's third year on the Trojan varsity. A naval ROTC trainee, he will receive an ensign's commission in February.

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CARDINALS LOSE TWICE TO BUCS; FLAG UNCLINCHED

New York, Sept. 13—(U.P.)—The New York Yankees, leading the tight American league pennant race by a scant half game—hardly enough to cheer about—lay their slender margin on the line tonight against the Philadelphia Athletics.

The Yanks, boasting 13 victories in 19 starts against the "A's" this season, were favored to swell their margin to a full game over the idle second place Detroit Tigers. But Manager Joe McCarthy, remembering full well how the Athletics beat the St. Louis Browns three out of four games when the latter were in first place on their last eastern road trip, was set to send his best pitcher after tonight's victory.

Hank Borowy, who has beaten the Athletics in all five of his starts against them this year, was McCarthy's choice to increase the Yankee margin in the only American league activity scheduled until Friday.

In yesterday's only National league games, the Pittsburgh Pirates defeated the St. Louis Cardinals twice, 5-3 and 6-5 for their sixth and seventh wins over the league leaders in their last eight games.

The Buc's double victory deprived the Cardinals of their opportunity to attain mathematical certainty of clinching the flag.

SERVICEMEN TO SEE WORLD SERIES FILMS

Chicago, Sept. 13—(U.P.)—Fifteen cameramen and technicians will make a 2000-foot two-reel movie of the 1944 world series and the American league will distribute hundreds of prints to

armed forces on the battlefronts, the league's promotional director, Lew Fonseca, announced today.

The league's pictures of the 1943 series were shown to more than 3,500,000 servicemen and 2,000,000 civilians, Fonseca said.

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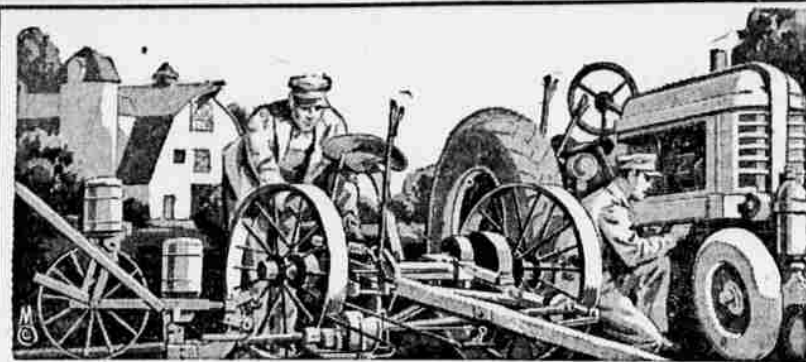
HURRICANE SIDETRACKED

Miami, Fla., Sept. 13—(U.P.)—A mighty hurricane in the Atlantic, with gale winds in its center estimated at 140 miles an hour, veered to the northwest today, apparently eliminating all danger to Florida east coast cities, but the weather bureau here warned that it may

now slam against either the Georgia or Carolina coastal cities.

WEATHER

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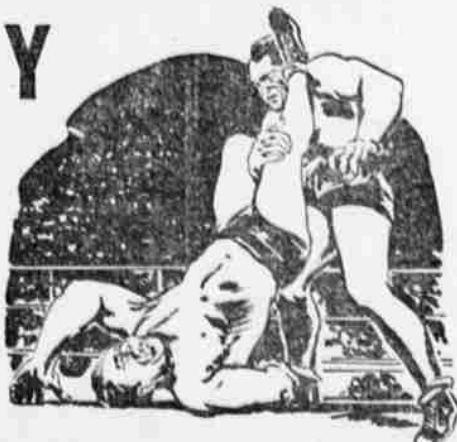
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