

Ben Hogan Returns To Give Nelson Title Test

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Chicago, July 24 — (U.P.) — Lt. Ben Hogan today returned to the big-time golf circuit he ruled for three straight years to find out if his successor, Byron Nelson, is really the greatest player the game has ever known.

Hogan, a little, sloe-eyed Texan with a power-packed swing, entered the army air force in 1942 after being golfdom's leading money winner for three consecutive seasons. He has obtained leave to play his first major tournament this year in the record-rich \$60,000 all-American championships, now under way at the Tam O'Shanter Country Club.

Hogan Hot

Booming his drives off the tee as usual, Hogan shot a seven-under-par 65 practice round yesterday to tie the Tam O'Shanter course record and give warning that he is anxious to cut short Nelson's record winning streak during the all-American Open.

I just wanted to come and see how good Byron has become during my absence," he cracked. It was after Hogan entered the service in 1942 that Nelson began the winning streak which

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BILL DIETRICH IN VINDICATION WIN OVER YANKS

New York, July 24—(U.P.)—It was simply a well-pitched 1 to 0 victory in 11 innings over the Yankees but it gave Blinky Bill Dietrich of the Chicago White Sox as big a thrill as the no-hit, no-run game he twirled back in 1937.

It was a victory of vindication for the 35-year-old right-hander, who has been beaten 19 times by the Yankees during his long American league career. And it couldn't have come at a more opportune time. The bombers were dropped into the second division for the first time since mid-June of last season while Manager Joe McCarthy remained away from the club, contemplating his resignation.

Also helping to "button up" the race were Louis (Bobo) Newsom, the "turnabout" pitcher of the A's, and unsung Ed Klemman of the Indians, who knocked out the leading Tigers and the runner-up Senators in night games.

Newsom, who has won four straight games after dropping 12 in a row, topped the Tigers with a 1-0 four-hit job.

Klemman pitched and batted his way to victory, beating the Senators at Washington, 2 to 1. The Pirates made 17 hits, including homers by Jim Russell, Bob Elliott and Bill Salked in an 8 to 5 victory over the Braves at Pittsburgh. Tommy Holmes, holder of the new National league consecutive games batting mark, dropped out of the lead as hot hitter in the Majors after going hitless in his fourth straight game. He now has been at bat 18 straight times without a hit.

There were no other games in either league.

Double Birdie Chalked Up In Portland Play

Portland, Ore., July 24 — (U.P.)—The golfing rules may not contain a "double birdie" but Bob Perry of Portland certainly scored one in the City Golf Championship qualifying round.

His second shot on the 12th hole hit a robin and killed the bird.

That was birdie No. 1.

The ball veered out of bounds, struck a curbing and bounded back to the fairway, from where Perry pitched to the green and sank his putt for birdie No. 2.

M.P.'S DRILL FOR THURSDAY CLASH

Back at Camp White after a weekend trip and two victories over strong Camp Tule Lake and Klamath Falls marines, the 752nd M. P. battalion knuckled down this week for their game here Thursday with the guardsmen from Tule Lake. The game will be played on the high school diamond.

Friday the MP's will meet the Camp White team from the city league in a contest beginning at 8 p. m.

Last Saturday's 5 to 3 win over the Tule Lake camp came after an early lead in the first inning, brought in by hits of Plum and Schwartz. Sunday's was the MP's seventh straight win in two weeks of play as they tallied a 6 to 2 victory over the marines with outstanding defensive play.

HOW THEY STAND

City Softball League

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Camp White	5	1	.833
Littrell Parts	4	2	.667
Silver Dollar	3	3	.500
Jennings	3	3	.500
752nd MP	3	3	.500
Junior Chamber	3	3	.500
Ordnance Shop	2	4	.333
State Guard	1	5	.167

Pacific Coast League

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Portland	72	41	.637
Seattle	65	48	.575
San Francisco	57	58	.504
Sacramento	57	57	.500
Oakland	55	59	.482
Los Angeles	52	61	.460
San Diego	53	63	.457
Hollywood	45	69	.395

National League

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Chicago	52	32	.619
St. Louis	49	38	.563
Brooklyn	49	38	.563
Pittsburgh	47	42	.528
New York	46	45	.505
Cincinnati	40	41	.495
Boston	41	46	.471
Philadelphia	25	67	.272

American League

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Detroit	47	35	.573
Washington	44	37	.543
New York	42	39	.519
St. Louis	41	39	.513
Chicago	43	41	.512
Boston	43	41	.512
Cleveland	38	43	.469
Philadelphia	29	52	.358

Closing time for Sunday Too Late to Classify 4:00 Saturday afternoon. Please remember.

JAYCEES TANGLE WITH ORDNANCE IN CRUCIAL TILT

GAMES TONIGHT
Jr. Chamber vs. Ordnance Shop
State Guard vs. Silver Dollar

Winding up city league play this week, tonight's baseball games pit the Junior Chamber team against the Ordnance Shop nine in a game the Jaycees must win in order to place in the Shaughnessy play-offs scheduled for July 31 and August 3. Second game of the doubleheader matches State Guard against Silver Dollar.

The Junior Chamber men met their first defeat in three weeks last Friday at the hands of Littrell Parts, taking the short end of a 9 to 3 score. Tonight will be the last chance for the Jaycees to re-new their winning streak as this Friday's contests match Camp White versus the 752nd M.P.'s Battalion and Littrell Parts against Jennings.

The State Guardsmen lost their game last Friday to the 752nd M.P.'s when Britton walked 7 men and allowed 6 hits to give the battalion a 6 to 1 victory.

A Medford girls' softball team will meet the Camp White girls at 7:30 tonight on the high school field.

BEVOS AND SUDS CLAIM INTEREST

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The battle of the bulge in the Pacific Coast League baseball standings gets under way in earnest Tuesday with some interesting results anticipated.

Premier clashes of the week for the next eight games will be staged every night in Sick's Stadium between the pacesetter Portland Beavers and Emil Sick's Seattle Rainiers currently in second place, seven games behind the Rose City aggregation.

Down in the city by the Golden Gate, San Francisco entertains the Oakland Acorns from across the bay. This series will be for tenancy of fourth place.

A makeshift San Diego team plays at Sacramento. The Padres who blow hot and cold depending upon the team they field may, with a little luck and the same team three nights in succession, effect some changes in the league standings.

Hollywood and Los Angeles tangle at the former's field with the Seraphs given the edge in view of their recent showing at home.

DOUBLES CHAMPS

Philadelphia, July 24—(U.P.)—Dorothy Head and Barbara Scofield of California, were the doubles champions of the annual Pennsylvania and Eastern States tournament today. Miss Head of Alameda, Cal., and Miss Scofield of San Francisco won their finals matches yesterday, defeating Nancy Corbett of River Forest, Ill., and Peggy Walsh of Lima, Pa., 6-1, 6-4.

Closing time for Classified Ads 8:30 a. m.—Too Late to Classify 12:15 p. m.

THE LIP, STENGER MAIN CANDIDATES FOR YANKEE PILOT

New York, July 24 — (U.P.) — The best managerial job in baseball—Joe McCarthy's post with the New York Yankees—was open for bid today, with Leo Durocher of the Brooklyn Dodgers and Casey Stengel of the Kansas City Blues among the most frequently-mentioned candidates.

The names of Pitcher Charley Ruffing of the Yankees and Catcher Bill Dickey of the U. S. army and the Yanks also were discussed.

That McCarthy's job will be open no later than the end of this season seemed certain. The 58-year-old Irishman went to his farm near Buffalo, N. Y., today and said that after a rest there perhaps he would feel well enough to continue managing the Yanks for the rest of the season.

McCarthy Worries

Yankee President Larry MacPhail disclosed yesterday that McCarthy had resigned, pleading that he could not eat or sleep because of worry over his team, which now is in fifth place. McCarthy was asked to reconsider, but it was believed that at best he would only finish this season.

Durocher, scrappy Dodger pilot, was the natural suggestion as replacement, since he is a "MacPhail man." It was MacPhail who made "Lippy Leo" manager at Brooklyn, and Durocher's flamboyant personality suits the showman in MacPhail, who wants a colorful club that will draw the crowds.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

By United Press
New York — George (Sonny) Horne, 160½, Valley Stream, N. Y., outpointed J. G. Wilkens, 111, New York, (8); Ernest Barnwell, 156, Brooklyn, outpointed Johnny Harvey, 161½, Port Chester, N. Y., (8).

Chicago—Gene Roberts, 123, Danville, Ill., stopped Dickie Miller, 130, Peoria, Ill., (2); Bert White, 135, Chicago, outpointed Vic Gade, 140; Cleveland, (5); Bob Satterfield, 173, Chicago, knocked out Herman Hayes, 170, Chicago, (1).

Pittsburgh — Doll Rafferty, 134½, Milwaukee, stopped Sammy Parrotto, 132, Pittsburgh, (9); Mickey Quack, 119, Pittsburgh, outpointed Ozzie Peguese, 118, Youngstown, Ohio, (8).

EX-SPY SUICIDES

With the U. S. Seventh Army in Germany, July 24 — (U.P.) — Ludwig Kuehner, former mid-western leader of the German-American Bund, committed suicide in a jail cell at Mosbach last Wednesday after confessing that

he acted as a spy for the German consulate in Chicago.

MARIA MONTEZ ILL
Hollywood, July 24 — (U.P.) — Maria Montez, screen actress, today was in St. Vincent's Hospi-

tal recovering from "a bad cold," her husband, Actor Jean Pierre Aumont, said. Miss Montez was advised by her doctor to go to the hospital after she returned from a mountain resort with a mild attack of bronchitis.

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