

Sports

Baseball Cracking Down On Money-Laden Outfits

New York, Feb. 1.—(U.P.)—Taking a business as usual attitude, the major leagues moved today to crack down on members in their midst with overloaded bankrolls as well as the bumper crop of rookies flushed by the sight of victory money.

A special committee of the two leagues recommended for adoption at the majors' meeting opening today a rule that any player paid a bonus for signing be made subject to the waiver rule if his employers decide he has not, or can not, make the grade.

In other words, a prize rookie picked off the campus of some college or the loom line of a spinning mill cannot be bought up for a neat sum and then farmed out for his prep work. The St. Louis Cardinals, for instance, could not give a player a bonus for signing and then farm him out to Columbus without the rest of the clubs in the league passing on him.

The celebrated case in point was Dick Wakefield of the Detroit Tigers who was signed off the University of Michigan campus for \$52,000 (with an automobile thrown in, some people say). The Tigers had him out to pasture for two years before

KENASTON WANTS CHANCE ON MAT

Sgt. Bob Kenaston, former marine from Gold Hill and ex-junior heavyweight champion of the world, has decided to attempt a wrestling comeback and has issued a challenge to anyone. Promoter Mack Lillard said today.

Joe Lynam, coast champion, and Jack Lipscomb have been signed for the six-round main event. Lipscomb has been after a rematch ever since losing to the Redmond flash two weeks ago. Lynam took the belt from the ex-Hoosier some time ago.

HOUSE OF DAVID WILL PLAY HERE

The House of David basketball team, one of the most colorful touring casaba crews of the nation, will meet the Ashland Elks on the Medford high school court Thursday, Feb. 14. It was announced today.

The whiskered basket tossers are touring the west coast on their way to California and have agreed to accept the date here. They will play an all-star team at Grants Pass Feb. 13.

The Elks, conquerors of the Klamath Falls Marines, are considered one of the strongest independent teams in this part of the state.

Tornado Set For Conference Clash With Grants Pass

About 35 members of the Medford high school basketball squad were to leave by bus at 5:30 p. m. today for Grants Pass where they will engage the Caveners in a Southern Oregon conference game.

Medford, unbeaten in league play, will be gunning for its fourth circuit victory and the second win over Grants Pass.

The junior varsity will tangle with the Grants Pass JV's in the preliminary. Their rivalry has become almost as strong as that between the contestants of the main game and a hot battle is expected on the smaller Grants Pass floor.

Junior High Downs Grants Pass Frosh

Medford junior high basketball team romped to an easy 40 to 25 conference victory over Grants Pass Frosh there Wednesday afternoon. Neidermeyer and Relch tied for high honors with nine each while Williams paced the losers with eight.

Grants Pass eighth graders squeezed out an 18 to 17 win in the preliminary.

Junior high cagers took a 41 to 17 practice win from the Jacksonville Frosh here yesterday while the Medford eighth graders were whipping a similar team from Jacksonville 32 to 5. Medford travels to Roseburg for a game tonight.

WOOD, RUSSELL CLASH IN FEATURE NET MATCH

Miami, Fla., Feb. 1.—(U.P.)—Sidney Wood of New York and Alejo Russell of Argentina were to meet today in the featured singles match of the University of Miami tennis tournament.

Johnny Mack Brown Here Sunday



Johnny Mack Brown talks it over with his "side-kick" Raymond Hatton in "Flame of the West," coming to the Rialto Sunday for a three-day engagement. Kay Francis in "Divorcee," is the added feature.

CHANDLER URGES HEAVY SPENDING

Philadelphia, Feb. 1.—(U.P.)—Baseball Commissioner A. B. Chandler asked organized baseball last night to spend millions of dollars on a world-wide program of sandlot games for the good of the game and of war veterans.

The commissioner told the 42nd annual banquet of the Philadelphia Sporting Writers association that the sandlot program was "an obligation to the new generation," and that it would set the standard for the major leagues of tomorrow.

Chandler shared the spotlight with Canadian-born Meryll Frost, 1945 Dartmouth football co-captain who was chosen the most courageous athlete of the year.

Elks Quint Licks Illinois Valley

Ashland, Feb. 1.—Ashland Elks turned back the Illinois Valley Ramblers by a 55 to 20 score here last night in an infantile paralysis benefit tilt. The Elks piled up a 16-0 first quarter lead and were ahead 18 to 7 at halftime.

Southern Oregon College of Education downed a stubborn and hard-fighting Mobilgas team from Medford 54 to 40 in the preliminary.

CHARLES BOTTJER TOPS RIFLE CLUB SHOOTERS

Charles Bottjer, with a 381 score, was high man at the weekly practice shoot of the Medford Rifle club. The rifle club practices each Wednesday and the pistol club on Friday nights. Both groups use the range at the Merrick building on North Riverside avenue.

Jimmie Bolton shot a 378 for second place. Octavia Waddell was third with 377 and Lew Conger and Phil Whitlock tied for fourth with 375.

BOWLING

An all-star men's team from Camp White defeated Burgoyne's of Medford, women's state champions, in an exhibition match here Wednesday night. Total pins for the camp were 2524 while the champions bowled a total of 2289.

New York, Feb. 1.—(U.P.)—Baseball's senior circuit—the National League—has its 70th birthday party tomorrow.

BOY TRIES SUICIDE

Benicia, Calif., Feb. 1.—(U.P.)—Howard Shankles, 13, was in a critical condition in Vallejo Community hospital today after shooting himself with a 22 caliber rifle when his mother refused to let him stay home from school.

WITNESSES TELL OF BEATINGS IN JAP PRISON CAMP

Yokohama, Feb. 1.—(U.P.)—Prosecution witnesses today described how former Japanese prison camp Commandant Asao (the Ferret) Fukushima ordered an American prisoner of war confined to the guardhouse until he died of starvation and blinded another by an unprovoked beating.

Omura Camp Interpreter Diagaku Kozasa testified that Fukushima used belts and bamboo sticks to beat prisoners. He said he saw Wm. H. Knight of Warsaw, N. Y., tied outside a guardhouse for three or four days until he got "very thin and looked like a sick man."

Cpl. Walter R. Johnson of McPherson, Kans., allegedly died of starvation after Fukushima ordered him confined to a guardhouse, and Kozasa said a beating given Hollan O. Moyer, McCrae, Ga., resulted in the

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MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE—THREE

latter's loss of one eye. In the atrocities trial of Kitano (the Bull) Ishida, the prosecution rested its case after the defendant took the stand in his own defense.

Ishida admitted he beat S/Sgt. Thomas Melody of Los Angeles "about three times" with a bamboo club because Melody, who was playing a musical instrument at the time, failed to salute him.

Texas' pecan crop in 1943 was only 19 million pounds. Forty-three million pounds were harvested in 1944.

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