

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS

## Rain Could Bog Down Hill Gail

Louisville, Ky. —(U.P.)— They were praying Thursday for it to "come up mud" Saturday in the Kentucky Derby and bog down hotshot Hill Gail to throw the 78th running of America's greatest racing classic into a wide-open scramble.

If it is fast and dry, it will be Hill Gail against an expected field of from 13 to 15 rivals with Calumet's latest cannonball an 8 to 5 choice. But the weatherman cheered the chilled hearts of the other hopefuls with a forecast of rain for the \$100,000 mile and a quarter race.

No less than eight of Hill Gail's forlorn opponents could move up in goosy going. If it is dry, they figure, the bouncing long-tailed son of Bull Lea will run away and hide just as he did in last Tuesday's Derby trial.

### Four Top Mudders

But, if it's wet, they also figure, any one of these—Gushing Oil, Happy Go Lucky, Cold Command, Sub Fleet, Eternal Moon, Cannonball, Brown Rambler and newly-arrived Swoop—can stay with him in heavy going.

Four of these rank as top-notch mudders — Gushing Oil, Sub Fleet, Cold Command, and Happy Go Lucky.

If it doesn't come up wet, the only hope of the desperate crowd of challengers is for a \$100,000 sacrifice play. All the trainers agree that somebody — mainly the front-running Pintor or Count Flame—will have to go out with Hill Gail and melt the early run out of him. If not, they believe, he will go on top and run away from the struggling pack.

## Redkey Standout In Squad Tussle

Corvallis —(U.P.)— Spring football practice was over for the Oregon State college Beavers Thursday.

Left halfback Bob Redkey, heretofore used mainly on defense, provided a surprise yesterday by leading the Blues to a 29-0 victory over the Orange in an intrasquad game that concluded the 20-day spring drills.

Redkey passed twice for blue touchdowns, one a 55-yard aerial to Jack Pinion.

## Beavers Purchase Conatser, Eggert

Portland —(U.P.)— Two Portland Beavers, Clint Conatser and Don Eggert, were purchased outright Thursday by the Portland Pacific Coast league baseball club.

Conatser, an outfielder who performed for Hollywood last year, came from the Pittsburgh Pirates, and third baseman Eggert, a Texas league performer last year, came from the St. Louis Browns.

## LONE PINE VICTOR

The Lone Pine middle grades baseball team defeated Jackson school of Medford 9 to 2 in a game at Jackson on Tuesday.

## County Track Meet Slated Here Friday

High school track and field men in Jackson county will appear in their biggest meet so far this season when they contend in the annual county scramble on Friday.

The meet will begin at 2:30 p.m. at the Medford senior high field.

Absent from the tangle this year will be the 1951 champion, Gold Hill high school, which amassed 189 1/5 points to take the honors last year, no longer exists as such. High school students from that community now attend Crater high school, a Class A competitor.

However, the coach of last year's champs, Ed Knapp, will direct the meet. He is now mentor at Crater.

## Main Contenders

Phoenix and Rogue River, with their depth, are expected to be the main contenders this time. They were second and fourth, respectively, last year. Jacksonville, third in 1951, will have a number of entries in the meet, as will Talent. St. Mary's of Medford is not expected to enter. Plans of Butte Falls and Prospect were not learned this morning.

There should be a number of interesting events in the Friday fray. Competition in the hurdles is expected between big Jim Boulter, Rogue River, and Jim Perry, Phoenix. Ron Craig, winner in both high and low sticks last year, is a doubtful entry in the events. He had been working afternoons and may not be considered in shape for the races.

## Chuck Fisk Top Hitter

Seattle —(U.P.)— Chuck Fisk, Oregon State's 18-year-old freshman shortstop, led Northern Division collegiate batters Thursday with a robust .563 average.

Official statistics showed his nearest competitor was Idaho's veteran Bruce McIntosh, who had a .522 mark. Oregon's Earl Averill Jr., was leading in the home run department with three and in runs batted in with 13.

Seven hurlers posted 1-0 records, but Don White of Oregon State and Bob Bell of Washington each has won two and lost one.

## WEATHER

By United Press  
North California: Generally fair Thursday and Friday but few showers in mountains Thursday.

Craig may see relay and discuss action.

Ray Hiner, Rogue River, Colorado B champ last year, and Jim Holt, Phoenix, are seen chief batters in the dashes. Max Hite, Phoenix, Boulter and LeRoy Clay, Jacksonville, are high jump contenders. Junior Taylor, Jacksonville, is looked upon as a strong entry in the mile and half-mile.

Because of the meet, baseball games slated originally for Friday, are being played today. They are Prospect at Phoenix, Rogue River against St. Mary's at Medford and Jacksonville at Talent. Prospect and St. Mary's will play a makeup game here next Wednesday.

## Marty Marion's Batting Average Among Leaders

New York —(U.P.)— In the twilight of his career, Marty Marion finally has begun to knock the daylights out of the ball.

Marion, the new peppercot of the St. Louis Browns—even at 34—shook his head in baffled amazement as he noticed the .324 figure alongside his name in the batting averages Thursday.

"I didn't know I was up that high," he grinned. "It just goes to prove, though, the older you get, the smarter you become. Maybe, I'm just placing the ball a little better, that's all."

"Why man, I hit only .264 during 11 seasons in the National League, so I didn't figure to be up there with all those big sluggers when I came over to this league."

"The season's young yet, though. Ain't no sense in getting too excited this early. A lot of things can happen between now and October, you know."

In the field, the lanky, loose-limbed "Mr. Shortstop" still has few peers. He has played in 10 of the 12 Brownie games so far, has yet to make his first error in the American league and is credited by Manager Rogers Hornsby as the man "who keeps our infield together."

Marion, the ex-Cardinal manager who failed to take part in a single game last season because of an ailing knee, still feels he will play in at least 125 games for the Browns.

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## Big Year Seen for Jansen, Maglie in Giant Campaign

By UNITED PRESS  
Sal Maglie and Larry Jansen, distinguished New York firm of curve-ball manufacturers which negotiated 46 victories in 1951, appear headed for even greater returns this year.

Off their blazing starts, the Giants' "twin-stoppers" could be the first 1-2 pitching combination to total 50 victories in one National League season since Paul Derringer and Bucky Walters won 52 for the Reds in 1939. Both are far ahead of their 1951 paces when they finished with 23 victories each.

Jansen noticed this second victory of the campaign Wednesday with a neat three-hit, 4 to 1 victory over the Reds less than 24 hours after Maglie had won his third game with a three-hitter over the same team. Jansen didn't win his second game last season until May 8 and Maglie didn't win No. 3 until May 9.

## Further Advanced

As a team, the Giants are even further advanced. A year ago they had lost 12 games, won only four and had just snapped their 11-game losing streak. Now they are three games over 500—a pinnacle they did not reach in 1951 until June 13.

Jansen, facing only three men in seven of the nine innings, needed only a little offensive support and rookie second-baseman Davey Williams supplied it with two doubles and two singles in five at-bats. Hank Edwards' home run deprived Jansen of a shutout just as his first of the season had spoiled Maglie's shut-out bid the previous night.

The Dodgers, Phillies and Braves, meanwhile, were disappointed by shabby mound performances.

## Schoendienst Homers

For the Dodgers, big Chris Van Cuyk failed to last one inning and Carl Erskine was also pummeled as the Cardinals rapped out 14 hits for an easy 14 to 2 victory. Red Schoendienst's grand-slam highlighted the Cardinal attack which gave sturdy Gerry Staley easy sailing toward his fourth victory of the season without a loss.

The Phillies were sadly disappointed when Bubba Church was knocked out of the box when the Cubs scored seven runs in the third inning. The Phillies battled back to send the game into extra innings only to lose, 9 to 8, in the 12th when Bob Addis doubled across Bob Ramazotti. Church, a 15-game winner in 1951 who failed to get into shape this spring, was making his 1952 debut.

Manager Tommy Holmes of the Braves had an even sorer performance to ponder as he watched five pitchers issue a to-

## tal of 12 walks as the Pirates snapped their 10-game losing streak with an 11 to 5 triumph.

## Marines Stal Show

A pair of famous Marine Air Corps captains stole the spotlight in the American League games.

Ted Williams hit a seventh-inning homer off Dizzy Trout in his final at-bat to give the Red Sox a 5 to 3 victory over the Tigers while Gerry Coleman had two hits in each game, including a triple in his last at-bat, as the Yankees beat the Browns, 4 to 1, after bowing in the first game of their double-header, 9 to 4.

Williams and Coleman may have completed their baseball careers as both go on active duty in the Marine Air Corps the Friday morning Coleman "completed his season" with a .405 batting average while Williams' 4 to 3 in other AL games.

## Howard Winner in Invitational Grade School Track Rivalry

Howard school won the invitational grade school track meet staged yesterday by Medford senior high school on the Medford oval.

The victors won both seventh and eighth grade divisions in the meet and Elk-Trail was second in both.

Howard posted an overall score of 129. Elk-Trail tallied 72, Oak Grove 34, Lone Pine 21 1/2 and Shady Cove 20 1/2.

In the seventh grade division scoring was Howard 66 1/2, Elk-Trail 40, Lone Pine 15 1/2, Shady Cove 13 1/2 and Oak Grove 6 1/2. In the eighth grade group results were Howard 62 1/2, Elk-Trail 32, Oak Grove 27 1/2, Shady Cove 7, Lone Pine 6.

RESULTS:  
(Seventh Grade)  
60-yr. dash—1st, Waite (E-T); 2nd, Uridel (H); 3rd, Stearns (L-P); 4th, Maxwell (H); 5th, Cooper (E-T); 6th, 100-yr. dash—Waite (E-T); 2nd, Uridel (H); 3rd, Stearns (L-P); 4th, Busch (E-T); 5th, Reeves (H); 112 ft.  
220-yr. dash—Waite (E-T); 2nd, Nienow (T); 3rd, Henshaw (S-C); 4th, Bailey (M); 5th, Caddell (S-C); 31 ft.  
440-yr. run—1st, Bailey (H); 2nd, Lillywhite (H); 3rd, Eastgate (S-C); 4th, Dusenberry (E-T); 114 ft.

Baseball throw—1st, D. Breazeale (H); 2nd, Day (H); 3rd, Greb (L-P); 4th, Huckaba (H); 5th, Busch (E-T); 209 ft.  
Shot put—1st, Rogers (H); 2nd, Cranston (T); 3rd, Henshaw (S-C); 4th, Turpin (O-G); 5th, Gilman (H); 35 ft. 6 in.  
Broad jump—1st, D. Breazeale (H); 2nd, Dusenberry (E-T); 3rd, Smith (L-P); 4th, Greb (L-P); 5th, Morris (H); 14 ft. 7 in.

High jump—1st, Tie—Greb, Smith, Stearns all of Lone Pine; 4th, D. Breazeale (H); 4 ft. 5 in.  
Pole vault—1st, D. Breazeale (H); six-way tie for second—Kline, Hoffer (O-G); Blown (H); Kayper, Clows (S-C); Smith (L-P); 8 ft. 9 in.

440-yr. relay—1st, Howard; 2nd, Elk-Trail; 3rd, Oak Grove.

(Eighth Grade)  
60-yr. dash—1st, Brood (H); 2nd, Walls (E-T); 3rd, Duggar (E-T); 4th, Peterson (O-G); 5th, Conner (S-C); 97.5  
100-yr. dash—1st, Walls (E-T); 2nd, Brood (H); 3rd, Pizaro (O-G); 4th, Elrod (E-T); 5th, Peterson (S-C); 121 ft.  
220-yr. dash—1st, Peterson (L-P); 2nd, Rint (H); 3rd, Flanagan (H); 4th, Holder (S-C); 27.7  
440-yr. run—Pizaro (O-G); 2nd, L. Breazeale (H); 3rd, Bean (H); 4th, Conner (S-C); LaGrave (S-C); 1,023 ft.

Baseball throw—1st, Guber (O-G); 2nd, L. Breazeale (H); 3rd, Friend (H); 4th, Welburn (H); 5th, Young (E-T); 243 ft.  
Shot put—1st, Guber (O-G); 2nd, Cooper (H); 3rd, McCuen (H); 4th, Shama (O-G); 49 ft. 4 in.

Broad jump—1st, Walls (E-T); 2nd, Flanagan (H); 3rd, Welburn (H); 4th, Peterson (O-G); 5th, Peterson (L-P); 15 ft. 11 in.

High jump—1st, Duggar (E-T); 2nd, Tie—Brood, Friend, L. Breazeale (H); 5th, Peterson (O-G); 4 ft. 6 in.

Pole vault—1st, L. Breazeale (H); homer was the 324th of his brilliant career as the decade's No. 1 hitter.

Bobby Schantz pitched a six-hitter to give the A's a 3 to 1 victory over Early Wynn and the Indians and the White Sox swept the Senators, 7 to 3 and 4 to 3 in other AL games.

## BASEBALL

WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS  
Coast League  
Portland at Oakland (postponed wet grounds)  
Hollywood 9, Sacramento 5  
San Diego 7, San Francisco 4  
Seattle 15, Los Angeles 8  
American League  
St. Louis 9, New York 4 (1st)  
New York 4, St. Louis 1 (2nd)  
Boston 5, Detroit 3  
Philadelphia 3, Cleveland 1 (night)  
Chicago 7, Washington 3 (1st)  
Chicago 4, Washington 3 (2nd, 11 innings)  
National League  
New York 4, Cincinnati 1  
Chicago 9, Philadelphia 8 (12 innings)  
Pittsburgh 11, Boston 5  
St. Louis 14, Brooklyn 2 (night)  
Western International  
Salem 9, Lewiston 4  
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