

St. Mary's Preps for B Loop Season

A squad of 17 St. Mary's high school baseball players, of whom eight are lettermen, are prepping for their Jackson County B League season under the tutelage of Coach Ed Hummel.

The Crusaders have practice tussles with Eagle Point on April 5 and with Phoenix on April 6 before swinging into the B loop slate against Butte Falls on April 15. They were to have met Phoenix last Wednesday but weather forced moving the date to next week.

Jackson county fairgrounds ball park is the home field for the Crusaders.

Lettermen on hand are Gerald Darland, catcher; Ron Pruitt second base; Dick Paup, shortstop; Ramon Elbert, third base; John Walsh, rightfielder; Laval Meunier, leftfielder; Tim Dugan, centerfielder and Tony Miksche, pitcher.

Among top non-lettermen are Jerry Murphy, first base, and Jim Jones and Jim Darland, pitchers. Others out are Alson Geren and Bob Betchart, catchers; Eddie Fogel, shortstop, and Jim Relling, Dick Hayes and Jerry Antonson, outfielders.

The St. Mary's slate this year also included two games with Sacred Heart of Klamath Falls.

SCHEDULE:
April 3—Eagle Point at Medford;
April 6—At Phoenix; April 15—At Butte Falls; April 16—Sacred Heart at Klamath Falls; April 18—At Prospect; April 22—Talent at Medford; April 29—Jacksonville at Medford; May 6—Rogue River at Medford; May 7—Sacred Heart at Medford.

Infield Big Problem For Boston Red Sox

By LEO H. PETERSON
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Sarasota, Fla. —(U.P.)—Whether or not Ted Williams plays ball this season, Mike Higgins has his work cut out in his major league debut as Red Sox manager.

He is taking over a team built around youth and one which finished fourth last season, 42 games behind the pennant-winning Indians. That showing was a disappointment and Lou Boudreau was let go.

So far Higgins has made little progress in solving his No. 1 problem, the infield. And that was the weak link in the Red Sox armor last season, contributing most of the 176 errors which the team committed.

Bolling's Injury Hurts

The desperate Red Sox have picked up such players as Owen Friend, who failed in previous major league tries and batted only .251 at Indianapolis last season; and Bill Klaus, who couldn't make it with the Giants, batting .280 at Minneapolis in 1954, and also are trying out Eddie Joost, the deposed Philadelphia A's manager.

Friend, Klaus and Joost are battling for the shortstop post because Milt Bolling, who was expected to win the job, will be out for at least six more weeks with a broken left wrist.

All other infield spots are troublesome, too, although the veteran Billy Goodman has been assigned the second base spot. But the feeling still is that a team doesn't win pennants with a player like Goodman at second. As good a hitter as he is, Goodman doesn't make the double play well.

Lepcio at Third
Norm Zauchin, who hits a long ball and played for Higgins at Louisville last season, may beat out Harry Agganis for the first base job. Ted Lepcio, who

MEDFORD TRIBUNE SPORTS

Youth Principal Ingredient Of Comet Thincad Squad

Central Point — Crater high's track and field hopes this season are bolstered by 14 lettermen. But youth is the main ingredient for Coach Ed Knapp's Comets.

The Comets, who join in a three-way meet with Yreka, Calif., and Ashland at Ashland Saturday afternoon, have a 43-man varsity. Of these 29 are sophomores, six are juniors and

Pep Verdict Results in Action Against Judges

San Francisco —(U.P.)—The stormy controversy over Gil Cadilli's split decision victory over Willie Pep Tuesday night today resulted in one judge being suspended and another placed on probation by California Athletic Commissioner Joe Phillips.

Phillips said last night that he had taken the name of Judge Eddie James off the commission's officiating list and placed Judge Tony Bosnich on probation.

The commissioner said there should be an investigation of why Bosnich and James voted the 10-round bout to Cadilli 56-64 while Referee Jack Downey gave it to Pep 48-52.

eight are seniors. Knapp has about 85 boys out for track altogether and is basing his hopes for the future on the sophomores and a host of freshmen.

Among the lettermen are Don Hubard, pole vaulter; Don Hubbard and Duane Goyette, quarter-milers; George Juveland and Oscar Willard, sprinters; Bob Gray, broad jumper; Jack Lilly, discuss tosser, and Bob Mason, broad and high jumper. Others are Richard Gustafson, miler; Cliff Cordy, half-miler; Don Von Buskirk, hurdler and high jumper; Gene McGonagle, javelin man; Lyle Yocum, shot putter; and Bill Johnston, performer in the high jump and with the discuss and shot.

Non-lettermen on the team include Mel Harsh, hurdler; Dick Davis, high jumper; Bob Elden, Irvin Guss, John Greb and Marvin Spradling, distance men; Carl Koellner and LeRoy Gillaspay, quarter-milers; Nathan Douthit and Dave Parker, weight men; Cliff Bigham and John German, hurdlers; Don Breaveale, pole vaulter and javelin thrower, and Steve Parrish and Larry Smith, javelin men.

Boys expected to see service but who are listed for no particular event at present are Dale Smith, Ernie Haverman, Dave Byers, Ralph Simons and

The Comets, who won the JJD league meet last year, hope to do the same in the new Rogue circuit. Big events on the Crater schedule include the Rogue and Hayward relays and the district track meet.

SCHEDULE:
April 2—Triangular with Yreka and Ashland, at Ashland; April 9—Rogue relays; April 16—Hayward relays. A division; April 23—Grants Pass Rotary meet with Grants Pass, Roseburg, Eagle Point, April 30—Open but may meet Klamath Falls and Grants Pass; May 7—Rogue League meet, at Southern Oregon college, Ashland; May 14—District meet, at Ashland; May 20-21—State meet, at Corvallis.

Terry Brennan To Keep It Simple During Grid Practices This Spring

By ED SAINSBURY

South Bend, Ind. —(U.P.)—Terry Brennan said today he'd "keep it simple" for his Notre Dame football team during the 20 days of spring practice leading up to his second season as head coach of the Irish.

"We're only going to use seven plays," he said. "Mostly we're going to work on fundamentals and try to find out what we've got and where we can use it."

Six Linemen Gone
"If we can find a tentative first line team, get the fundamentals down, and learn those seven basic plays, I'll be satisfied."

Brennan had a problem in replacements. He lost six of his first line, two of his backs. The returning lineman, Ray Lemek, won't be out for spring practice due to a knee operation, and Brennan won't know until September whether he'll be able to play.

OAKS NECK PORTS

El Centro, Calif. —(U.P.)—The Oakland Oaks break camp today and fly to Las Vegas, Nev., where they will play the San Francisco Seals in a pair of exhibition games tomorrow and Sunday. The Oaks rallied for two in the ninth to edge the Stockton Ports of the California League 8-7 yesterday.

Crater Foe Of Tornado On Saturday

Catcher Dick McLaughlin was back in school today but the big receiver for the Medford high baseball team was not expected to see duty in this afternoon's scuffle with Crater high here.

Coach Alex McDonald said that McLaughlin, who has been sick, may be behind the plate when the Tornado meets the Comets Saturday in the scheduled second game of a week end series. The tussle will be at 2 p.m. on the Medford diamond.

Either Terry King or Ray Hilton were to take over in McLaughlin's spot if weather permitted play today. Ed McCullough or Ken Piland was to be on the mound with the one who rested today to get the chore tomorrow.

Crater's starting pitchers for the two hassles were to be Kay Kelley and Fred Herrmann.

Baseball Briefs

Atlanta, Ga. —(U.P.)—Bill Skowron, husky right-handed slugger who hit .340 as a sub last season, was named today as the New York Yankees' regular first baseman.

DRESSEN HAPPY

Ware Shoals, S.C. —(U.P.)—Lefty Johnny Schmitz, who once worked for Charley Dressen on the Brooklyn Dodgers, is making Dressen happy these days with the Washington Senators. Dressen, in his first year as Senators' skipper, saw the 34-year-old seven innings Thursday as the Senators beat the Cincinnati Reds, 4-3, at Camp Gordon, Ga.

PARNELL SHINES

Sarasota, Fla. —(U.P.)—A fine showing by Mel Parnell and an 11-8 exhibition record enabled the Boston Red Sox to bid farewell to Florida today with smiles on their faces. Southpaw Parnell became the first Sox pitcher to go seven innings and allowed only two runs and six hits Thursday as Boston beat Philadelphia, 6-4.

SUDS WHIP PORTLAND

Anaheim, Calif. —(U.P.)—Hollywood Manager Bobby Bragan elected to send Red Munger against the Los Angeles Angels today in the second of their two-game exhibition series. The Stars rallied for two runs in the ninth to edge Los Angeles 6-5 at Fullerton yesterday.

SEVEN PLAYERS OPTIONED

Lakeland, Fla. —(U.P.)—Manager Bucky Harris of the Detroit Tigers headed north with 31 players today after optioning seven players to the minor leagues. Pitcher Dick Marlowe, a Tiger bullpen regular for the last two seasons, was the only veteran sent down.

BASEBALL

THURSDAY EXHIBITIONS
(10 Innings)
Chicago (A) 000 110 000 0-2 8 0
St. L. (N) 011 000 000 1-3 10 1
Fornieles, Pierce (6) and Courtney, Pohlinsky, Tiefenauer (7), Jacobs (9) and Sarni, Rice (7), Winning pitcher—Pierce.
Brooklyn (N) 000 010 010-2 4 0
Milwaukee (N) 000 010 110-3 11 1
Erskine, Labine (7), Negrav (8), LaSorda (8) and Campanella, Spahn, Buhl (6), Jolly (8) and Crandall, White (6), Parks (9), Winning pitcher—Jolly. Losing pitcher—Negrav.
Wash. (A) 001 110 010-4 10 3
Cincinnati (N) 001 100 010-3 12 2
Schmitz, Hyde (8) and Oldis, Klippstein, Acker (6), Pedbielan (9) and Bailey, Winning pitcher—Schmitz. Losing pitcher—Klippstein.
Cleveland (A) 004 400 204-14 18 2
New York (N) 013 200 014-11 14 3
Feller, Niekirk (5) and Naragon, Maglie, Wilhelm (4), Spencer (7), McCall (8) and Katt, Grasso (9), Winning pitcher—Feller. Losing pitcher—Maglie.
Phia. (N) 100 100 002-4 10 1
Boston (A) 220 110 000-5 10 0
Meyer, Dickson (6) and Burgess, Parnell, Henry (8) and White, Winning pitcher—Parnell. Losing pitcher—Meyer.

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