

Row Between Alston, Jackie, Threatens To Split Dodgers

Louisville, Ky. — (U.P.) — The Brooklyn Dodgers were threatened with dissolution today as Manager Walt Alston and star Jackie Robinson waged an angry dispute of the type that has often cost somebody his job.

"It looks like I stirred up a hornet's nest," admitted Robinson after his complaints to reporters about being benched had caused Alston—a famed "silent man" who never, never shouts—to "blow up" in anger.

"If he's got any complaints he ought to come to me instead of going to the press," snapped Alston, and then in rage turned on reporters and told them it wasn't "any of your business" whether Robinson would be in the opening day lineup.

Tells Off Writers

Indulging in one experiment after another with different lineups every day until some of the players complained privately they were "confused," Alston has repeatedly ducked queries about his plans for the regular season.

"You guys can go on asking me who's going to play third base every day," said Alston, spicing his words with appropriate adjectives. "But you might as well stop, because I'm not going to tell you."

As for Robinson, the manager said Jackie had complained a while ago of a sore arm. He said

he had "no idea" that Robinson's arm was feeling better and he was ready to play until he read it in the papers. Alston said he told Robinson to "come to me in the future if he's got any complaints."

Robinson Tells Story

"I just can't talk to him," said Robinson. "I don't know why—I just can't do it. I don't think it's my position to go to him; I think it's the manager's job to know the physical condition of his players."

"I'm 36 years old," Robinson continued. "I can't play one day and rest four. I've got to play regularly if I'm going to stay in condition. I've been working hard in spring training; I'm in

condition; and all I want to know is where I stand.

"He's (Alston) got to get off to a good start this year, or those wolves in New York will be on him something awful," said Robinson. "I understand that, but I also know I want to play regularly or not at all."

Robinson, who alternated between left field and third base last season, has been going all out to win the third base job this year because he feels it is less wearing. But many camp observers think Alston prefers Don Hoak to Jackie at third base. Hoak, who also played under Alston at the Dodgers' Montreal farm, batted only .245 last season to Robinson's .311.

Medford Bowlers Take on Klamath Falls Opponents

Medford teams had varied success Sunday in matches at Medford Bowling lanes with Teams from Klamath Falls.

Tally Ho men's team of Medford won two series from Don Owens Sporting Goods store and Klamath Basin Pine took two tussles from a Medford aggregation. In women's competition, Craterian Beauty shop of Medford divided series with Lucky lanes and Green Lantern

of Medford also split with Valleys cafe.

The Tally Ho crew nabbed all but one game from the Sportsmen and had series margins of 2799 to 2660 and 2784 to 2680. In the first match Bill Hawley had games of 212 and 201 and a series of 587 to pace the Medfordites. Fred Stevens blazed for Medford in the second series with 200, 212 and 203 games for a 615 series and Fred Anderson had an even 600 with 206, 201 and 193. Other Tally Ho men were George Spauhorst and Ray Wise.

Booth Has 232

Charles Booth had a 232 and 601 for Klamath.

The Klamath Piners won two games of each series from their Medford adversary. For Medford Harry Goode had a 559 in the first test to beat out Harold Vessey by one pin and Nels Florey by six. Florey had a 586 in the second encounter. Bob Dyer and Travis Mitchell rounded out the Medford team.

Craterian Beauty gals took their first match 2327 to 2227 and Lucky lanes got the other 2362 to 2308, including in their score a handicap of 60 pins.

Mable Clark for Medford had a 201 game and 520 series and Mary Bothwell with a 529 total for Klamath headed their teams in the first engagement. Beth Griggs was high for Klamath Falls with a 533 in the second match. Vera Cummings, Ruth Eberius, Audrey Swoope and Eloda Ludwig were other competitors for the beauty shop.

Wise Rolls 666

Green Lantern grabbed one game of its first series and took one game and tied one as well as betting the total in the second brush. For Medford Vivian Knox had a 200 game and 505 total and Irene Schroeder a 515. LaRayne Harris topped the Klamath contingent with a 202 game and 550 series.

In the opener Wise ran up 189, 244 and 233 games for a matching 666 and in the second match he had a 594.

Anderson and Wise came out on top in special doubles matches. They rolled 1204 and 1150 totals. Second in the first test were Booth and Harry Bray, Klamath, with 1118. Cliff Stember and Bob Victorine, Klamath, carded 1115 and Hawley and Goode 986. Booth and Bray had a 984 against Anderson and Wise the second time.

In a strictly local team event Francis Kirk, Herb Vallee, Vern Allen, Frank Chapman and Harold Allen took all but one game from Sam Van Dyke, Jim Farrar, Howard Baker, Cot Hampson and Frank Knox. Vallee topped both series with 544 and 519.

Matches Continue in Spring Golf Handicap Tourney at Rogue Valley

With the Oregon Open tournament out of the way the spring handicap golf tourney is the main attraction for men at Rogue Valley Country club. The tournament is currently in the round of 16.

Third round of action was completed during the past week in the championship flight. Five extra hole matches were featured in the round. Net medalist Everett McGraw, topsped, was still in the running after a 1 up win over Nelson Gallant.

Bob Morris, who two weeks ago ousted Justin Smith Sr., the defending champ, is now out of the title running, a 2 up loser to Wendell Wissler.

In matches going 19 holes Charles McIntyre defeated Eddie Simmons, Don Wood halted Bud Judy, Dean Lambert beat Lee Flink, Glen Fabrick downed Bob Voegtly and Wallace Robinson bounced Joe Lydon.

Losers in championship flight third round go into the first flight for play this week.

Changes in Big League Dates Seen

Cincinnati, Ohio—(U.P.)—With famed pitchers Bob Feller and Robin Roberts presiding over the meeting, the player representatives of major-league teams are expected to ask today that the March 1 deadline on spring training be thrown out.

May Ask New Rules

But there's a good chance the players will toss the club owners a "curve" in the form of a new rule suggestion, rather than a return to no rules at all.

Revision, rather than outright repeal, appeared to have the backing of several of the representatives of the 16 teams. In addition, owner Lou Perini of the Milwaukee Braves heads a group of team owners who want some set of rules about the start of spring training, but a more liberal set than the present regulations.

March 1 Opening

Under the present rules, observed for the first time this season, no team could begin spring training before March 1 and no exhibition games could be played before March 10.

A discussion of winter league baseball also is on the representatives' agenda.

Also up for consideration is the contract of J. Norman Lewis, the players' attorney. The representatives must determine whether to re-hire him or whether the need for his services has passed.

OSC Trims Pilots 12-1

Portland — (U.P.) — Oregon State defeated Portland University 12-1 in a college baseball game here yesterday as Sophomore Lowell Pearce of Salem held the Pilots to three hits and fanned nine.

Jay Dean and Bob Buob with three hits each paced the Oregon State attack.

Right, Not Left, Is Right, Ike Reports

Washington — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower has had an overnight change of heart and will not go to the left, after all, with his opening day baseball pitch.

The Republican right-hander from 1600 Pennsylvania avenue is expected by well-informed sources to come up with a mystery pitch—a delivery not heretofore attempted by a presidential pitcher.

Mr. Eisenhower caused some consternation in the big league baseball set Monday when he announced through owner Clark Griffith of the Washington Senators that he might have to turn southpaw for next Monday's ceremonial first pitch.

THIRD ROUND RESULTS:
Championship Flight—Everett McGraw def. Nelson Gallant 1 up; Charles McIntyre def. Eddie Simmons 1 up (19 holes); Jack Wood def. Brad Eroy 1 up; Bob Phillips def. Russ Heysell 2 and 1; Fred Sears def. Hank Herman 3 and 2; W. W. Deakins def. Ed Radswell 1 up; Mahr Reymers def. Dick Knight 3 and 2; Jack Sanborn def. Carl Schmidt 1 up.

Wendell Wissler def. Bob Morris 2 up; Don Wood def. Bud Judy 1 up (19 holes); Harry Goode def. Fred Conrad 2 up; Dean Lambert def. Lee Flink 1 up (19 holes); Tom Ness def. George Choate 7 and 6; Glen Fabrick def. Bob Voegtly 1 up (19 holes); Larry Butler def. Ed Radswell 2 up; Wallace Robinson def. Joe Lydon 1 up (19 holes).

Second Flight—
V. W. Hammond won from Frank Perf by default; Loran def. Bob Lockwood 1 up; Ray Wise def. Jim Dunleavy 1 up; Bob Reitor def. Fred Hensman 1 up; Ed Radswell def. Ray Sorenson 2 and 1; A. C. Broyles def. Ralph Barclay 1 up (19 holes); John Moffat vs. Ed Radswell, unplayed; R. C. Burgess vs. Henry Richmond, unplayed.

Harry Watson def. Ward Samuelson 1 up; Jack Creager vs. Jim Busch, unplayed; Kent Blackhurst def. Lowell Chamberlain 1 up (20 holes); Ken Teeter vs. Dutch Oakes, unplayed; Pete Clark vs. William Thorndike, unplayed; Vincent Bevis won by default from Bill Kalibak; Clayton Lewis def. George Schuler 1 up; Bob Hinman def. Miles Doran 1 up.

Fourth Round Pairings:
Championship Flight—McGraw vs. McIntyre; J. Wood vs. Phillips; Sears vs. Deakins; Reymers vs. Sanborn; W. W. Deakins vs. D. Wood; Hillier vs. Lambert; Nevv vs. Fabrick; Butler vs. Robinson.

First Flight—
Gallant vs. Simmons; B. Broyles vs. Heysell; Herman vs. Harrington; Knight vs. Schmidt; Morris vs. Judy; Conrad vs. Flink; Choate vs. Voegtly; Servold vs. Lydon.

Second Flight—
Hammond vs. Loran; Wise vs. Reitor; Watson vs. Creager; Bush vs. Blackhurst vs. Teeter; Oakes vs. Smith vs. A. C. Broyles; Moffat vs. Radswell; winner vs. Burgess; Richmond vs. Clark vs. Bevis; Lewis vs. Hinman.

Canton Bowler Rolls 701 Series To Take Second

Fort Wayne, Ind.—(U.P.)—Joe Voros of Canton, Ohio, bowled a 701 series at the American Bowling Congress tournament last night to take second place in the singles standing.

Right hander Voros also took second in the all-events standing with a 1922 total. He put together games of 233, 247 and 221 for the 701 pinfall.

Meanwhile, Lake Shore Photo Engraving Co., Chicago, finished with a 2803 total. Team member Leo Gabby Hartnett rolled a 570 series after starting off with a 204 game.

Earlier yesterday two Youngstown, Ohio, bowlers put together a 1270 score to take top honors in the doubles competition.

Jack Baum had a 643 series and Andrew Hudoba topped 627 pins for the lead, displacing Ralph Moorman and William Berding, Cincinnati, Ohio. Moorman and Berding have been first since the second day of the tournament with 1260.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS

Lillard Seeking Opponent For Man Mountain Dean Jr.

After signing two new wrestlers for his Saturday night card at Merrick's arena, Promoter Mack Lillard today was beating the bushes in search of an opponent for one of them.

He is looking for the biggest possible man to face Man Mountain Dean Jr., 380-pound nephew of the late Man Mountain Dean, in the feature spot.

Yoggi Hussane, the Turkish roughneck, is crying to Lillard for the match, claiming that his style of wrestling will be too much for the big whiskered Dean. Hussane points out that he defeated Cyclone Cobb, who at 242 pounds was the biggest man on the card, last week. Lillard said he wants someone bigger than Hussane and will continue his search.

Jean Elbon, the other newcomer who hails from Lincoln, Neb., will oppose Gerry Hunter

Three Rookies Rated as Top Prospects To Garner Honors

By LEO H. PETERSEN
United Press Sports Editor
Tampa, Fla. —(U.P.)— Almost every one of the 13 major league training clubs in Florida this spring has come up with a prize candidate for rookie of the year honors.

Outstanding are Ken Boyer, the third baseman of the Cardinals whom veteran baseball observers already are calling a "second Pie Traynor"; J. W. Porter, the hard-hitting outfielder of the Tigers who is just out of service, and pitcher Johnny Kucks of the Yankees, another returning serviceman who has had just one year of experience in organized ball.

Not far behind them rate three rookie pitchers—Jim Owens and John Meyer of the Phillies and Humberto Robinson, who is making a strong bid to become a starter on the loaded pitching staff of Charley Grimm's Braves.

Other Promising Rookies

There are others, too — like outfielder Bill Virdon of the Cardinals who may make it possible for Manager Eddie Stanky to switch Stan Musial to first base; Elston Howard, the first Negro ever to make the Yankees;

Baseball Hit By Weather At Prospect

Prospect—Cold weather, including frequent snow showers, and finding a whole new infield have been major problems for Coach Wes Stauffer in prepping the Prospect high Cougars for the Jackson County B League baseball season.

They are two problems of many, according to the mentor.

He said that two games with Eagle Point and one with Chilquin had not resulted in finding an adequate infield combination. Pitching has been good but errors have hurt. Sid Peterson and Jim Babb have been doing the twirling. However, Babb is moving to Glendale so Jim Setzer and Joel Walls are being groomed for jobs on the hill.

4 Regulars Back

Four regulars are back from the 1954 Cougar squad which finished second to Champion Talent in the B circuit. They are Richard Freed, catcher; Lyle Pope and Walls, outfielders, and Peterson.

Others seeking first string infield positions are Frank Artimire and Morris Jones, seniors; Bob Lillywhite, Larry Fischbeck, Todd Harrington and Don Burwell, sophomores, and Doug Harrigan, Mike Clark, George Bruch, Fred Simmington and Stephen Hoag, freshmen.

Outfield candidates include Ken Oswald, senior; Bob Jones, Ron Harrigan and Chick Yell, juniors, Roger Dawson and Setzer, sophomores, and Albert Choude and Bud Gillespie, freshmen.

The Cougars were to play at Chilquin today.

SCHEDULE:
April 15—Rogue River here, April 19—St. Mary's here, April 22—At Jacksonville; April 29—Butte Falls here, May 6—At Talent.

Gil Turner, Jackson Nab Victories

New York—(U.P.)—The flailing fists of Gil Turner and a "house jinx" finally caught up with middleweight sensation Gene Fullmer.

Turner, a one-time challenger for the welterweight title, dealt Fullmer his first defeat in 30 professional fights Monday night by gaining a unanimous 10-round decision over the West Jordan, Utah, youth at Brooklyn's Eastern Parkway arena—the "House of Upsets."

Fullmer Favored

Fullmer entered the ring a 7-5 favorite for the widely-televised bout, but wound up absorbing a good boxing lesson from Turner.

Turner, who weighed 151 to Fullmer's 154, never took a backward step during the fight. The Philadelphia concentrated on a body attack until the sixth round, when he went head-hunting and dropped Fullmer on his back with a solid left hook to the jaw.

Referee Mark Conn awarded Turner eight rounds and Fullmer two. Judge Bert Grant scored it 7-3, while Judge Artie Schwartz had it 6-3-1.

Jackson Wins

In another widely televised fight at the St. Nicholas arena, heavyweight Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson of Far Rockaway, N.Y., got a stiff battle from Archie McBride before emerging with a unanimous 10-round decision over the Trenton, N.J., trial horse.

The official scoring, which attracted scattered bores at the finish was: Referee Al Berl, 6-4; Judge Artie Susskind, 8-2; and Judge Bill Recht, 5-3-2. The United Press favored Jackson, 5-3-2.

Large Entry Expected in Rogue Relays

Biggest prep track meet of the season at the Medford stadium and one of two home meets left on the Black Tornado schedule will be staged Saturday, April 9 when the annual Rogue relays are held.

A total of 180 to 200 participants are expected among the six schools taking part. The six will be Marshfield, Medford, Ashland, Grants Pass, Klamath Falls and Crater.

A limit on the number of events each boy may enter will be a factor in boosting the number of performers. A boy cannot enter more than two running events, plus one field event. Each school will be permitted two entries in the discus, javelin and pole vault. Only one entry from each school can place.

In the shotput, broad jump and high jump relays each school will be allowed four contestants.

The best three will count for record.

Twelve events are on the program. Medford is defending champion.

St. Mary's Tips Eagles

St. Mary's high capitalized on a big third inning yesterday to defeat Eagle Point 8 to 4 in a baseball fracas here.

The Crusaders produced five of their runs in the third frame on two walks, singles by Tim Dugan and two-baggers by Laval Meunier and Dick Paup. A hit by Darland and a walk helped St. Mary's to a run in the fifth inning and a three-base wallop by Darland combined with a walk and errors for two tallies in the sixth.

Jerry Tuttle and Bob Stewart got hits for Eagle Point's one run in the first inning. Frank Reich's single, a dropped third strike and other misplays gave EP two markers in the second stanza and Stewart's hit, his stolen base, a walk and an error got the last Eagle run in the sixth inning.

The practice game was moved up after having been set for tonight.

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St. Mary's — 005 012 x-8 10 5
C. Christian, Caldwell (3), Schauble (3) and Tresham; Jones and G. Darland.

Rocky Starting Heavy Training For Cockell Go

Callistoga, Calif.—(U.P.)—World heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano began boxing in earnest today in preparation for his title fight with England's Don Cocknell in San Francisco May 16.

Three sparring partners, Toxie Hall and Keene Simmons, who came to California from New York with the champ, and Howard King of Reno helped Marciano prepare for the bout.

Marciano shadow boxed yesterday and punched the light and heavy bags and skipped rope.

Trainer Charles Goldman will keep an eye on Rocky's tender nose and decide the length of boxing workouts.

Among the spectators were Peter Marchegiano, the champion's father. His wife Barbara and daughter Maryanne are due in camp tomorrow.

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Goodwin Sets Sights on Three Million Attendance as PCL Kicks Off '55 Season

By HAL WOOD
United Press Sports Writer
San Francisco — (U.P.) — The Pacific Coast league, sporting a new look from president down to bat boys, opens fire for the 1955 campaign today with three afternoon and two night games that are expected to attract 40,000 fans.

With an announced aim of a year's attendance of more than 3,000,000 fans, the league is working on an "incentive" basis this year as new President Claire V. Goodwin tries to light a fire under a loop that has been going steadily down - grade for the last five seasons.

"Interest is tremendous right now from Seattle down to San Diego," said Goodwin after a tour of the cities. "I think that the 3,000,000 attendance I predicted may be a little low."

If the league draws that many it will be more than a 1,000,000 gain over last year.

'Hustle Program'

The "incentive" part of Goodwin's agenda includes \$20,000 in

bonuses to be parceled out in a "hustle program."

Five monthly prizes of \$2500 each will go to teams which show the most fire in the opinion of sports writers and other judges; and \$2500 each to the league's most hustling player, manager and umpire.

The same parks, some of them in dilapidated condition, will be in use this year as in recent years. However, San Diego already has a loan from the league to help in the construction of a new park, and Portland is eyeing the Multnomah stadium right in the heart of the city for the future.

Biggest opening crowd is expected at Oakland, where 12,000 may attend the night game. Sacramento expects 11,000, San Diego 10,000 in two tilts and Los Angeles 7500.

The New Faces

The forecast for the state indicates "clear and windy" weather for the openings.

Only new managerial faces in the loop are Bob Elliott at San

Diego and Freddie Hutchinson at Seattle. Both have played in the PCL, however. The other change is Lefty O'Doul at Oakland after winning the pennant at San Diego last year.

Otherwise, Tommy Heath is back at San Francisco, Tony Freitas gets his first full term at Sacramento, Bill Sweeney is at Los Angeles, Bobby Bragan at Hollywood and Clay Hopper at Portland.

The first day's schedule, with pitchers and their 1954 PCL records, is as follows:

San Francisco (Nagy, 7-11, and Fracchia, 0-0) at San Diego. (Erautt, 16-12 and Kerrigan 17-11.) (Double-header).

Hollywood (Munger, 17-8) at Sacramento (Daley, 13-8).

Portland (Waibel, 11-10) at Los Angeles (Hatten, 13-17).

Seattle (Lombardi, 0-0) at Oakland (Gettel, 17-15).



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