

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

SPORTS

Bearden Leading Coast Pitcher

San Francisco — (U.P.) — Gene Bearden, former southpaw knuckleball artist of the Cleveland Indians now doing business in San Francisco, continued to lead the Pacific Coast league hurlers this week with a spotless record of seven wins and no defeats.

Two other PCL moundmen, Eddie Erault of San Diego and Bud Daley of Sacramento, likewise claimed seven wins, but Erault had two losses to mar his record and Daley had been defeated five times.

George Piktuzis of Los Angeles led the strikeout department with 63 and Johnny Briggs of Sacramento held the doubtful distinction of the most walks—47.

Fresno State Defeats San Jose; To Battle Trojans for Crown

Fresno, Calif. — (U.P.) — Fresno State won the Northern California NCAA baseball championship yesterday and will meet USC next week end for the eighth district championship.

The Bulldogs clinaxed a seven-game playoff series with a 5-1 victory over San Jose State yesterday.

The winner of the Fresno State-USC series will travel to Omaha, Neb., for the national playoffs.

Morgantown, W. Va. — (U.P.) — The winner of today's baseball game between Wake Forest and West Virginia will meet Rollins college to determine the NCAA District Three representative in the national playoffs next month in Omaha, Neb. West Virginia and Wake Forest are tied at one victory each in their best-of-three series.

Gene Poirier Grabs TKO Victory Over Diaz in Fourth

New York — (U.P.) — Welterweight Gene Poirier of Niagara Falls, N.Y., scored his seventh straight victory here last night with a fourth-round TKO win over Miguel Diaz. It was Poirier's third kayo win in a row.

Muscular Gene wrecked the favored Diaz with body punches and floored him twice with head blows. Diaz was favored at 5-1 because of 41 victories in 65 previous fights.

But, after Poirier dropped Miguel with a right to the jaw in the first round, it was just a question of how quickly he would achieve his 17th win in 20 professional bouts.

RECORD BROKEN

Berlin, Germany — (U.P.) — Christa Stubnick of East Germany Monday ran the 220-yard dash in the new world record time of 23.8 seconds, according to a report by the East-German radio. The former record of 24 seconds flat was set by Australia's Majorie Nelson, Feb. 20, 1954, at Sydney, Australia.

FIGHTS

Sidney, Australia: Lahouri Godih, 130, French Algeria, won on a disqualification over Pat Ford, 137½, Australia (R-won British Empire lightweight championship).

New York: Gene Poirier, 146½, Niagara Falls, N.Y., stopped Miguel Diaz, 146½, Cuba (L), 4-1.

Tokyo: Pascual Perez, 108½, Argentina, knocked out Yoshio Shirai, 111½, Japan (L)—retained world flyweight championship.

Big Newk Loses When He Wins

Brooklyn — (U.P.) — Every time Don Newcombe wins, he loses.

First, he was fined by the Dodgers for refusing to pitch batting practice just before he pitched a one-hitter. Then he was fined \$40 by the National league for an argument with an umpire on a day he beat Cincinnati.

Monday Newk got a traffic ticket on his way to Ebbets Field for driving the wrong way on a one-way street. So he ran his best-in-the-majors pitching record to 8-0 by beating Pittsburgh, 8-3, and hit two homers in the bargain.

Two New Oregon Prep Loops Set

Portland — (U.P.) — Formation of two new class A-2 high school conferences and the end of the Lower Columbia league in northwest Oregon was disclosed today.

The Columbia loop closed with closure of Columbia Prep and dropping of Concordia academy to class B from A-2. Wy'east and Hood River joined Scappoose, St. Helens, Vernonia, Clatskanie and Rainier in one circuit. Neahkahnie, Warrenton and Seaside join Tillamook and Nestucca in another.

Oswego was shifted into the A-1 division by the OSAA.

Chicagans Advance To Third Spot in WIBC Bowling Meet

Omaha, Neb. — (U.P.) — Beata Dason and Vivian Adducci of Chicago fired a 1214 doubles series Monday to take over third place in the Women's International Bowling Congress tournament.

Their total topped the championship mark in 25 of the 36 previous tournaments. The pair started off as if they were out to crack the all-time high of 1264, set earlier this year by Marion Ladewig and Willis Ryskamp of Grand Rapids, Mich.

Beata rolled scores of 202, 225 and 186 and Vivian came through with 222, 200 and 178. There were no other changes among the leaders in the various divisions of the tourney.

U.S. Netters Win In German Tourneys

Berlin, Germany — (U.P.) — Hugh Stewart of Pasadena, Calif. and Jaroslav Drobny of Egypt teamed up yesterday to defeat Lennart Bergelin of Sweden and Tony Vincent of Miami, Fla., 6-1, 4-6, 10-8, 6-2, in the men's doubles finals of the Berlin International Tennis tournament.

Bochum, Germany — (U.P.) — Peter Molloy of Australia defeated Mal Fox of Baltimore, Md., 6-2, 7-5, 3-6, 6-2 yesterday in the men's singles of the annual Whitsuntide Tennis tournament. The German Davis Cup team of Ernst Bucholz and Hans Herrmann defeated Fox and Molloy, 2-6, 7-5, 6-3, 6-3 in the doubles.

SPAIN DEFEATS U.S.

Nice, France — (U.P.) — The Spanish basketball team of Juventud de Badalona defeated an American Air Force team, the Sabres of Chateaux-Roux, 83-82 yesterday in an International Tournament.

Families Going To Hawaii Wednesday To Meet Fliers Released by Red China

Washington — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower said today that the United States has no word yet whether Red China will follow up release of four American airmen by giving freedom to 53 other Americans the Red regime holds.

However, he told his news conference that Red China is representing its release of the four fliers as a move to relieve international tensions.

Meantime, joyous members of the families of the four free airmen made preparations to fly to Honolulu to rejoin their next of kin.

A big Air Force plane will take the families of the fliers to Hawaii tomorrow. Air Secretary Harold E. Talbott arranged for the flight, which will take 15 hours with stops en route to pick up 10 members of the airmen's families.

U. S. in Contact

Mr. Eisenhower did not react much one way or the other to questions on Red China's release of the four American airmen. He volunteered that the United States had been in communication (he didn't say with whom) on the fliers for some days. The contact may have been primarily, if not wholly, with India. India's roving ambassador, B. K. Krishna Menon, reported last week that the four fliers

were expected to be freed. Here are the members of the families of the four airmen who will fly, all expenses paid, to join their kin in Honolulu:

From Ocean City, N. J.: Mrs. Judith Heller, wife of Lt. Col. Edwin L. Heller. She plans to leave their two children at home. She was so overcome with joy, "I hardly know what to say."

From Swea City, Ia.: Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fischer Sr., will fly to meet their son, Capt. Harold Fischer Jr. "We've waited a long time for this," the parents said. Capt. Fischer's 6-year-old son will accompany them.

From Lincoln, Neb.: Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Cameron and another son, Robert, 21, will join Lt. Lyle Cameron. The father said he had "a deep feeling of gratefulness" for his son's release.

From Omaha, Neb.: Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Parks and another son, Richard, 17, will go to

Lack of Tooth Decay Studied by Scientists

Columbus, O. — (U.P.) — Ohio State University scientists are trying to learn why one person in 100 is never bothered by tooth decay.

A three-year study shows that this lucky exception apparently is resistant to decay regardless of age, sex, race, dietary habits, or how often he brushes his teeth.

Dr. Gordon E. Green, chief investigator of the study, said the researchers want to know why some persons are "immune" to the bacterial disease as dental caries. It is a disease caused by bacteria found in almost everyone's mouth.

The researchers compared the bacteria from mouths of caries-free persons and from those who have tooth decay. The most striking difference in bacterial content was in the number of lactobacilli. This is the acid-producing substance believed to play a major role in tooth decay.

The scientists said the study is not complete. The evidence indicates there is a substance or mechanism in the mouths of caries-free persons capable of "managing" the lactobacilli, and possibly other acid-producing germs, in such a way that tooth decay comes slowly if at all.

Nationalists See Flier Release as Propaganda

Taipei, Formosa — (U.P.) — Official Nationalist quarters today termed Red China's release of four U. S. airmen and its offer to talk with President Chiang Kai-shek as another one - two propaganda punch.

"They're trying to put us on the spot," one official said. Official quarters termed Chinese Communist Premier Chou En-lai's offer to negotiate with Chiang "unthinkable." They reiterated emphatic opposition to talks with the Red Chinese under any conditions.

QUAKE RECORDED

Pasadena, Calif. — (U.P.) — A major earthquake which centered near Vladivostok, on the eastern coast of the Soviet Union, was recorded on California seismographs Monday.

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meet Lt. Roland Parks. The mother said "it really is wonderful."

Talbott personally telephoned his offer of the free trip to Hawaii to all the families.

Making Preparations

"Thank God, we can now expect these four back safely," Talbott said. "May the recovery of the remainder be not long delayed."

Most of the appreciative relatives could only say of the freeing of the airmen and of the chance of meeting them in Hawaii, "it's wonderful, it's wonderful." They began making preparations for the trip immediately.

Secretary of State John Fos-

ter Dulles sent wires to United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld and Indian Premier Jawaharlal Nehru expressing his "gratification" for their help in obtaining the airmen's release.

But while American diplomatic officials hailed this action, they promised to press for the freedom of 11 other airmen and some 40 U. S. civilians also in Red Chinese custody.

Average Taxi Ride About Three Miles

Detroit — (U.P.) — About a billion and a half persons use taxicabs each year, the Automobile Manufacturer's Association estimates.

The AMA said the average ride is about three miles, with the average cost from 50 cents to \$1.

Taxis now travel 4,800,000,000 miles a year, more than double the 1951 total. They travel more miles than all city buses, street cars, trolley coaches and rapid transit units combined and also outnumber these other vehicles.

People trying to get cabs on rainy nights might be skeptical, but there now are 100,000 or more cabs in operation in the country.

New York has the most, about 12,000. Washington has the second largest number with its 9,500. The only other cities with more than 2,000 are Chicago and Philadelphia.

New Orleans, though only 16th in population, is fifth in the taxi tally with 1,600.

Two National Guard Companies Getting Ready for Training

Medford's two National Guard companies are making preparations for their annual two weeks of summer camp at Ft. Lewis, Wash., which will be between June 10 and 25 this year.

First Lt. S. J. Fagone, commanding officer of Headquarters company, returned last week from four months at Ft. Benning, Ga., where he attended an associated officers infantry course. He said today that the company is now at a strength of 70 men, and it is hoped that 11 more men can be enlisted before the unit goes to camp, so that it can go at full authorized strength of 81 men.

Any young man interested should call at the armory for details.

Rifle Company

First Lt. Roy Huson is commanding officer of Company A, a rifle unit. It now has a strength of 78 officers and men. Both companies are part of the 1st battalion, 186th Infantry regiment of the 41st division, which is the Oregon and Washington National Guard division. Other units of the battalion are headquartered in other southern Oregon communities. At camp, however, the battalion will train as a unit.

The two weeks will be devoted to all types of training in the field, with each company doing the job which it would do under active duty conditions.

Marjorie Smith's Indictment Sticks; To Appear June 7

Portland — (U.P.) — A defense motion to set aside a first degree murder indictment against Marjorie Smith was denied today by Circuit Judge James Crawford who ordered her to appear in court June 7 to plead to the charge.

Mrs. Smith was accused with Victor Laurence Wolf, 45, in the bomb death of Mrs. Smith's husband, Attorney Oliver Kermit Smith. She has maintained her innocence.

Judge Crawford also said that both Mrs. Smith's case and that of Wolf would be set over until the fall term of court.

Wolf Confesses

Wolf, in an unusual move, last week confessed in open court under provisions of an old statute.

Attorneys for Mrs. Smith had asked the court to set aside her indictment on grounds no evidence was presented to the grand jury linking her to her husband's death.

The state has indicated it will proceed first with Mrs. Smith's trial and then dispose of the case against Wolf. Under the statute under which Wolf entered his plea, a hearing would be conducted by the court on facts of his case to determine degree of guilt before sentence is imposed.

MIGHTY GENEROUS

Chicago — (U.P.) — The only paid officer of Rotary International is Richard E. Vernor, Chicago, who was re-elected yesterday. He offered to turn his salary over to the outgoing president. Vernor's salary is \$1 a year.

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Syrian-American Club Honors Ike

Portland — (U.P.) — Robert A. Bitar of the Syrian-American Club here announced today that President Eisenhower has been named "Man of the Centennial" by the Western Federation of American-Syrian-Lebanon Clubs.

Bitar says President Eisenhower was the only modern American president to look at Arab problems objectively and without prejudice. The President has been invited to address the Centennial Convention to be held here July 1 to 4.

The Portland meeting will be the first observance of the anniversary of the arrival of the first Syrian-Lebanese in the United States. The government of Lebanon has already observed the anniversary by inviting a group of U. S. mayors of Beirut. Federation President Michael Borane said a presidential address would alleviate Middle East tensions. No American chief executive has ever addressed a Syrian-Lebanese gathering, he said.

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