



THIS IS BASEBALL?—In a bid to increase attendance, dancing feet and jazz music precede the night game in San Francisco's Seals Stadium between the Seals and the Oakland Oaks. Chorus girls Barbara Wright (left) and Wanita Wilent from Bimbo's 365 Club lead second baseman Mike Baxes and center fielder Dave Melton in the Charleston. The stunt brought in 10,000 fans but the Oaks won the game, 5-3.

Eight Might Race Nashua In Belmont

New York — (U.P.) — It appeared likely today that as many as eight three-year-olds will be lined up against Belair stud's brilliant Nashua Saturday in the Belmont Stakes, the third jewel in racing's triple crown classic, with second-place money the big lure.

The surprise withdrawal of Hilton A. Dabson's Nance's Lad from the list of probable starters Wednesday created a flurry of activity around racing Secretary Jimmy Kilroe's office with the strong possibility that the Belmont field will be composed of nine instead of the previously anticipated four or five.

Certain Starters
Those regarded as certain starters along with Nashua are Clifford Mooers' Traffic Judge, Laudy Lawrence's improving Jabneh, Howard Weinstein's Mr. Al L. and Cain Hoy Stable's disappointing Flying Fury. Now listed as likely to start are King Ranch's Refamerio, Clearwater Stable's Portersville, John McShain's Blazing Count and C. V. Whitney's Little Dell.

Of course, most of these horses have only an outside chance of beating Nashua in the \$100,000 added race and the rush to enter some of them indicates a keen battle for second place and the \$20,000 that goes with it.

The grueling mile-and-a-half Belmont, longest of the "triple crown" races, is called the "test of the champion" and there are few horses around willing to dispute Nashua's claim to the title.

Fishing, Hunting License Changes To Apply in 1956

Portland — (U.P.) — The State Game commission said today that none of the fishing and hunting license fee changes adopted by the recent legislature would be in effect this year.

Likewise the fish derby law limiting individual fish derby awards to \$25 or less in value will not go into effect until January 1, 1956.

Fee changes include a \$1 daily salmon angling license, a reduction in non-resident angling license fees and a \$10 reciprocal non-resident waterfowl license for residents of adjoining states.

New One Each Day
The daily salmon angling license may be used by residents or non-residents in place of a regular license when angling for chinook or silver salmon.

Persons using this license must purchase a new one for each day of fishing. The \$10 non-resident angling license fee will bring Oregon into line with California, Idaho and Washington.

The non-resident waterfowl license may be used by a resident of an adjoining state only if his own state has a similar license and fee for Oregon residents.

PHILLIES INK THREE
Philadelphia — (U.P.) — The Philadelphia Phillies have signed three college baseball players and assigned them to minor league affiliates. Bobby Hunt, an outfielder, and John Anderson, a left-handed pitcher, both from the University of Alabama, have been assigned to Reidsville of the Class B Carolina League. Roger Anderson, a first baseman from the University of Minnesota, has been assigned to three rivers of the Class C Provincial League.

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New York — (U.P.) — The welterweight title jinx rides squarely on Tony DeMarco's shoulders Friday night when he defends his recently acquired championship against Carmen Basilio.

In recent years no less than 10 of the 147-pound rulers have lost their crown the first time they defended. This includes such as Jimmy McLarin, Barney Ross, Honey Melody, Joe Dundee, Red Cochrane, Johnny Bratton and Johnny Saxton.

The odds are 17-10 that the same thing will happen to DeMarco at Syracuse Friday night. It is a bit difficult to figure why the odds are so long against the little man from Boston. He has won 17 in a row and he proved himself a fine fighter on April 1 when he made fools out of the odds makers by flattening Saxton to take the title.

In many ways there is a great similarity between the 23-year-old DeMarco and the 28-year-old Basilio. Sons of poor Italian parents, each is a rarity in the prize fighting profession. Both Tony and Carmen are quiet, modest, devout and "home folks."

DeMarco, a squat, black-haired young man with placid brown eyes, came off the tough, teeming streets of Boston's Little Italy. He was a carpenter, construction worker and trucker between bouts after starting as an amateur at 15.

His real name is Leonard Liotta and, being too young for the amateurs, filed the birth certificate of a friend named Tony DeMarco to get his early start. The real DeMarco thus had to assume another name when he entered the ring.

After 14 amateur bouts, of which he lost only one, DeMarco turned professional and has won 40 of 45 with one draw and 25 knockouts to his credit. He is a relentless, free-swinging crowd-er.

Basilio fights much the same way. Rangier and an inch taller than DeMarco, he is one of 10 children of immigrant parents who settled on an onion farm near Syracuse. Carmen worked on farms and in a wire factory before serving 33 months in the Marines.

A Marine Boxer
It was while stationed at Pearl Harbor that he began boxing and in late 1948 he turned professional. Disgusted when he "didn't seem to be getting anywhere," he thought several times of quitting but there was little else to do, so he stuck it out.

His big chance came in 1953 when he finally was matched with Kid Gavilan, then the welterweight ruler. He blasted Gavilan to the floor in the first round but lost a split decision. Since then he has waited impatiently for another shot.

They by-passed Carmen this year to give DeMarco a shot, but promised him the winner. So, after beating Peter Mueller on an 21, Carmen took a mere six-day vacation and has been training for this one ever since.

He has boxed more than 200 rounds in preparation, from featherweights to sharpen his speed to light heavyweights for punch. His overall record is 44 wins in 62 starts, with seven draws and 20 knockouts.

His record possibly isn't as impressive as DeMarco's. But you have to give him an edge on the intangible known as "class." And, then, too there's that welterweight jinx.

Snead Says Course Not Fair Test

By HAL WOOD
United Press Sports Writer

San Francisco — (U.P.) — Sam (The Slam) Snead took one whirl around the San Francisco Olympic Club course, scene of the 1955 National Open next week and then growled:

"What are they trying to prove with a course like this? It's not a fair test of golf — especially for a long hitter."

Thus the Slammer joined a growing list of men who believe that the Olympic Club layout will be a stern test for the nation's top-ranked stars.

"This is a typical Robert Trent Jones course," said Snead. "Always holes to shoot at where you can't see the greens; nothing to guide you by. What are they trying to prove? Can you tell me that?"

Not Pacified
Robert Roos, tournament chairman pointed out that Jones, famed golf architect for the USGA, had very little to do with the laying out of this course. But he didn't pacify Snead.

Sam's major complaint with the Olympic club was the fact that the roughs spread out and the fairway narrows just about where his drives land.

Colorado State Foe of Trojans

Omaha, Neb. — (U.P.) — The nation's eight top college baseball teams began arriving here today for the ninth annual NCAA College World Series.

The teams are expected to draw crowds totaling 40,000 during the double-elimination grind ending next Tuesday, and to attract a sizeable turnout of major league baseball scouts as well.

Rated as the favorites are Arizona, with a 37-5 season record; Oklahoma A&M, with a 24-1 slate, and Southern California, holder of a 29-7 season record. Colgate and Wake Forest, the only two teams who have not attended the meet before, will open the series at 11 a.m. Friday. Southern California takes on Colorado State at 2 p.m., and Western Michigan battles Arizona at 6:00 p.m.

The tournament could end Monday night if the winner goes through the meet unbeaten. Should both finalists lose one game, the final will be played on Tuesday night.

FLOODS CAUSE DAMAGE
Grenoble, France — (U.P.) — Floods in the eastern Alps were reported today to have caused heavy damage in several villages and crippled road and rail links between Italy and France. Police said there was one known death. They said the Paris-Rome railway was under water at several points and traffic was not expected to return to normal before next week.

MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE

SPORTS

Cheney Studs Defeat Yreka for 3rd Time

The Medford Cheney Studs accumulated runs enough to win in the first three innings but had to hang on for dear life in the final frame last night before notching their third non-league semi-pro baseball victory of the season over the Yreka, Calif., Indians. Final score at the fairgrounds park here favored the Medford nine 6 to 4.

Victory gave the Studs a five-win two-loss overall record for the season as they faced their third Southern Oregon Baseball League series. Medford will entertain the Bandon Millers Saturday night and Sunday afternoon at the fairgrounds.

Medford had a 5 to 1 bulge after three innings last night. Yreka cut the difference with a pair of markers in the fifth canto but the Studs made it 6 to 3 with a singleton in the sixth. In the final panel the Indians collected one run and had the bases packed when the final out was recorded.

Four Double Plays
The Studs were outthit six to seven but were able to make better use of their bingles. There were errors on both sides but there was also some fine fielding which cut down the Indian threat. Each club recorded two double plays. Runners were caught off base on fly balls on three occasions.

Combining half their hits, the Studs got two runs in the first inning. There were singles by Ritchie Price, Bill McLean and Clarence Mellbye. Mellbye's hit drove in both scores after a fielder's option on a rap by John Niles failed to get a man out and loaded the bases.

In the second inning for Medford Howard Morris hit, was sacrificed to second by Marv Scherpf and tallied on an error. Two errors and a base on balls put Niles and Mellbye on base in the third inning and they came home when Morris singled to left field. Price walked in the sixth inning and was forced out by McLean. However, McLean crossed home on a towering triple sock to left center field by Jack Cooney.

Two Three-Baggers
Yreka got the benefit of Willie Jones three-bagger and an error for a third-inning run. An error, a single by Don Hodgen

and three-base blow by Jim Kutzer accounted for two Indian runs in the fifth panel.

In the final inning, Bill Ewing of the Indians drew a base on balls and Willie Jones doubled to put runners on second and third bases. Hodgen grounded out to Cooney at first base and Cooney threw to Morris at home to catch Ewing.

The double play appeared to have quashed the final inning threat of the Yrekans but a base on balls and two miscues allowed in one run and loaded the bases with Indians, with the possible tying marker on first base. Hitchcock then fled out to Harvey Tonn in right field to end the game.

Scherpf, Kelly Hurt
Marv Scherpf, making his last appearance for the Studs for two or three weeks, tossed the first five innings. Jim Kelly took over the mound chores for Medford at the start of the sixth and finished the game. Scherpf yielded four hits, struck out seven and gave two bases on balls. Kelly was tagged by three hitters, fanned three (all in the seventh inning) and issued four bases on balls.

Ewing went the pitching route for Yreka, whiffing four and walking seven.

Medford Third Baseman Ed McCullough nabbed two hot liners for putouts in the fifth inning and Shortstop Mellbye made some fine fielding stops. McLean in left field made one desperate snag of a fly ball which looked like it would drop for a hit after he momentarily misjudged it. Ray Moffett robbed McCullough of a hit with a nice running catch in center field.

Jones of Yreka provided the heavy hitting with his double and triple in four times up. He also scored three of his team's runs. Morris hit two for four for Medford.

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Ashland Hardtops Run on Saturday

Ashland — Roaring of motors and familiar sound of crashing metal again will be heard in the Valley View district, when local hardtop drivers report to the Ashland Speedway Saturday night.

As a result of the thrill-packed races, which were offered the hardtop fans last Saturday night, a large crowd is anticipated for this week's races. The races which were held last week, were fast and offered plenty of excitement.

Thrill of the evening last Saturday came when Bob Meyers, driving A-96, rolled his coupe four times on the north turn and was able to rebuild his car in time to enter the main event. A five car crack up on the crash wall in front of the grandstand had several of the fans standing and grounded Chuck Davis and his A-1 for the evening.

Several hundred gallons of waste oil have been put on the track during the past few weeks has put the track in excellent condition.

Drivers and pitmen have been spending spare time this week repairing car damages encountered in last week's race. New ideas are being tried each week to improve performances.

Races will be held every other Saturday night following this week's race. Time trials start at 6:30 p.m.

Wally Cannon was last week's winner in the main event. Final heat went to Crock Hunter, driver of A-15.

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League Leaders

Player	Club	G	AB	R	H	Per.
Ashburn	Phila.	41	158	30	56	.354
Campbell	Bklyn.	32	125	37	65	.333
Kluzewski	Cin.	48	192	31	64	.333
Mueller	N.Y.	50	117	25	68	.329
Viridon	St. L.	41	155	24	51	.329

Player	Club	G	AB	R	H	Per.
Kaline	Det.	51	189	41	74	.372
Kuenn	Det.	43	171	25	62	.363
Power	Kan. C.	44	168	30	55	.327
Vernon	Wash.	50	179	25	54	.313
Lollar	Chicago	41	132	22	41	.311

Player	Club	G	AB	R	H	Per.	
Campanella	Dodgers	17	62	11	17	.274	
Redlegs	16	58	215	36	63	.311	
Yankees	14	52	188	37	64	.305	
Runs Batted In—Snider, Dodgers	58	Campanella, Dodgers	55	Kluzewski, Redlegs	40	Mantle, Yankees	39

Player	Club	G	AB	R	H	Per.	
Braves	45	Eauer, Yankees	41	Kaline, Tigers	41	Dodgers	39
Smith, Indians	46	Bruton, Braves	45	Yankees	41	Kaline, Tigers	41
Giants	68	Aaron, Braves	68	Campanella, Dodgers	63	Kluzewski, Redlegs	64

Player	Club	G	AB	R	H	Per.	
Pitching—Newcombe, Dodgers	10-0	Jeffcoat, Cubs	6-0	Ford, Yankees	7-1	Wyton, Indians	7-1
Arroyo, Cardinals	6-1						

Olympic Group Begins Conclave

Paris — (U.P.) — The 50th International Olympic congress opened an 11-day conclave today amid wide-spread unofficial predictions that Melbourne, Australia, will remain the site of the 1956 Olympic games.

There has been heavy criticism of Australian preparations for the games, especially by Avery Brundage, of the United States, president of the International Olympic Committee. And many members of the congress are opposed to Melbourne.

But the general belief was that the final decision, due to be the most important action of the sessions, would be not to make any changes in site with only one

NW League Holds Emergency Meet

Wenatchee — (U.P.) — Directors of the hard-pressed class B Northwest Baseball league were to meet in an emergency session today to discuss the attendance problem which some sources feel may wreck the new circuit.

Arthur Pohlman, loop president, called the meeting but refused to say exactly why except that "we want to look into the future a bit."

It was felt the main item on the agenda would be sagging attendance at Spokane, Yakima and Lewiston.

In Spokane, Curt Haggerty, president of the city's community-owned club, said the session "undoubtedly" would deal mainly with Spokane. The Indians are in the cellar and poor attendance and an unsuccessful stock sale have caused a critical situation. Sagging attendance caused Spokane to drop out of the class A Western International league last year and that circuit subsequently folded.

TOURNEY SLATED

Richland — (U.P.) — The Washington State Junior Tennis tournament will be held here tomorrow, Saturday and Sunday with 30 boys from 15 cities entered. Chairman George Gillette said today. Among the entries is Jerry Branton, Olympia, 1954 champion.

year remaining before the start of the games.

The International Olympic committee, governing body of the games, will hold its meeting, June 13-17, as the main event of the congress.

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