



UNITED STATES UPSETS CANADA—Jubilant U. S. Olympic hockey team members mob goalie Willard Ikoia of Eveleth, Minn., after dealing Canada a stunning 4-1 upset in their game at Cortina, Italy. Left to right: John Petroskie, Daniel MacKinnon, John Matchets, Richard Meredith and Eugene Campbell. The victory moved the U. S. into first place tie with Russia in the hockey competition.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

SPORTS

Berrios Stops B. Courchesne

New York — (U.P.) — Featherweight Miguel Berrios of New York, a powder-puff puncher who suddenly turned knockout specialist, was being considered for a fight at Madison Square Garden today because of his avenging technical kayo victory over Bobby Courchesne at St. Nicholas arena Monday night.

Stocky Berrios, 23, may get the winner of the March 2 garden fight between Carmelo Costa of Brooklyn and Baby Vasquez of Mexico City.

When Miguel stopped Courchesne of Holyoke, Mass., at 2:29 of the fifth round in their return television fight Monday night, it was only the third kayo victory in his career of 19 bouts. But it was his second kayo in a row.

Berrios' left hooks to the body were devastating Monday night particularly in the first, third and fifth rounds. They jacked Courchesne and left him a target for barrages of head hooks. Courchesne was floored twice for counts of nine in the fifth round before Referee Mark Conn stopped the bout, when Bobby was reeling and ready to go down again.

Courchesne, scaling 131 pounds to Berrios' 128 1/4, had been the favorite at 8-5 Monday; but a betting switch sent Berrios into the ring favored at 7-5.

HOCKEY

New York — (U.P.) — Zello Toppazzini of Providence scored only two points in three games last week, but maintained his 14-point margin in the individual scoring race of the American Hockey league today.

Toppazzini, whose improved play this season has sparked the Reds all the way to the top in the standings, has a total of 79 points on 34 goals and 45 assists.

Closest to him are Willie Marshall of the Pittsburgh Hornets and Dunc Fisher of the Hershey Bears, each with 65 points. Ken Wharram of Buffalo, runnerup last week, slipped to fourth with 63 points. Camille Henry of Providence rounds out the top five with 60 points.

Marshall and Toppazzini are tied in goal scoring, with 34 each, while Wharram is the assist leader with 47.

Montreal — (U.P.) — Jean Beliveau, scoring five of the seven goals Montreal registered in three games last week, reclaimed the National Hockey league scoring leadership from Gordie Howe today, official league figures showed.

The center scored eight of his team's last 14 goals to boost his output to 34 and a point total of 60, two better than Howe.

Maurice (Rocket) Richard picked up three points to remain in third place with 53 points.

Tod Sloan of Toronto recorded five points during the week to move up a notch into a fourth place tie with New York's Andy Bathgate, each with 52 points.

Bert Olmstead, Montreal playmaker, added three assists to increase his league leading total to 41, but slipped to sixth place in the scoring parade, a point behind Sloan and Bathgate.

Right Results

By UNITED PRESS
New York — Miguel Berrios, 128 1/4, ev. York, stopped Bobby Courchesne, 31, Holyoke, Mass. (5).

Providence, R. I. — Harold Gomes, 28 1/2, Providence, R. I., stopped Pat Farcure, 131, Brooklyn, N.Y. (9).

New Orleans — Joe Brown, 136, New Orleans, knocked out Arthur Persley, 38, Red Cross, La. (9).

San Diego, Calif. — Irish Wayne Cooke, 129, Puente, Calif., knocked out Sandy Alvarez, 124, Yuma, Ariz. (2).

Interest Builds Up for Ring Card Here Saturday

Interest in the Medford Police Athletic league's boxing card next Saturday, February 11, is building up as far away as Portland.

Hugh Jennings, coach of the PAL mittmen, brought back word from Portland last week end that a number of fight fans from the Oregon metropolis indicated they would come here for the bouts.

Main attraction will be the Jackie Puscas-Dale Nicely ruckus. Jennings said that Portlanders who missed the meeting of the two glove tossers at Klamath Falls recently can't quite figure how the Tennessee titlist beat the National AAU champ. They want much to see the two in the ring together.

Puscas reportedly has been working hard here in preparations for his chance to even the score with Nicely. An unorthodox battler, who fights out of Portland's Multnomah Athletic club, Nicely kept in tune for the Puscas rematch by decisioning Tommy Sullivan, Seattle, last Saturday night in Portland.

Medford PAL will stage a 10-bout card at the St. Mary's gym.

Tickets are on sale at the police station, Lampport's and Sam's Sporting Goods stores, the Union and Bohemian clubs and Brown's cafe.

'Big Pitch' Pops Up Unexpectedly

Washington — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower may disclose his decision today whether he will throw out the first ball of the 1958 Major League season April 16.

Some baseball fans awaited the verdict as eagerly as the nation anticipated his "yes" or "no" about a second term.

The question involving the "big pitch" popped up unexpectedly yesterday when the Washington baseball club announced routinely that its opening game with the New York Yankees has been advanced one day to April 16. It said only that it wanted the change so it could get a one-day jump on the other big league inaugurals.

The announcement promptly set off talk that the change was made to accommodate Mr. Eisenhower so the first pitch ceremony would not conflict with his annual April vacation trip to Augusta, Ga.

Two Favored In Palm Beach Meet

Palm Beach, Fla. — (U.P.) — Joanne Goodwin of Dartmouth, Mass., and Anne Quast of Marysville, Wash., were co-favored in the field of 78 today when the 38th annual Palm Beach Women's Golf championships got underway.

The field will be cut to 32 in an 18-hole qualifying round today with match play over the swanky Palm Beach Country club scheduled from tomorrow through Saturday.

Miss Goodwin defeated Miss Quast in a 27-hole match play in the recent Doherty Tournament but Miss Quast teamed with Ruth Jensen of Seattle to win Sunday's Hollywood Four-ball tournament.

Other stars competing include Mary Ann Downey and Mrs. Maurice Glick of Baltimore, Dorothy Kirby of Atlanta and Grace DeMoss Smith of St. Augustine, Fla.

Snider Signs With Bums For \$42,000

By FRED DOWN
United Press Sports Writer

The major leagues' biggest stars are signing so fast that there may not be a single major holdout when the March 1 spring training deadline arrives.

With three weeks still to go to the deadline, the big league magnates already have snared most or their key men. Almost invariably this means that the little fellows will fall meekly into line.

Take a look at the list of big names already signed: Willie Mays, Don Newcombe, Roy Campanella, Jackie Robinson, Gil Hodges, Pee-wee Reese, Yogi Berra, Mickey Mantle, Stan Musial, Ted Kluszewski, Ernie Banks, Larry Doby, Minnie Minoso and Ted Williams.

Duke Snider is the latest of "super stars" to sign on the dotted line, the Brooklyn Dodgers' slugging centerfielder agreeing Monday to a pact estimated at \$42,000.

Snider said he was "tickled to death" with his new contract but did not reveal "how whopping a raise it was." Likewise, club Vice President Buzzy Bavasi refused to disclose whether Snider or Campanella will be the Dodgers' highest paid player in 1958.

"I'm not going to set up any competition between my ball players," Bavasi said. "All I'm going to say is that Duke got a very fine raise. He's very happy about it and so are we."

The New York Giants, meanwhile, announced they have signed catcher Ray Katt and pitchers John Windy McCall and Jim Constable. Katt hit 215 last season, McCall had a 6-5 record in relief and Constable posted a 12-9 record for Minneapolis in the American Assn.

Pitcher Bill Harrington became the 28th member of the Kansas City Athletics to agree to terms. The 24-year old right-hander had a 3-3 record and 4.09 earned run average last season.

SIGNS CONTRACT

Philadelphia — (U.P.) — John Bredec, an end from Boston university, who was the ninth draft choice of the Philadelphia Eagles, has signed a 1956 National Football league contract with the Eagles. Bredec, six-one, weighs 200 pounds and was second in the nation among college pass receivers last year.

Dupree Poe Fails In Freedom Attempt

Salem — (U.P.) — Dupree Poe, noted for his escape attempts from the Oregon State penitentiary, apparently has failed in his latest bid for freedom.

Saturday Poe filed a petition with the state supreme court asking that he be released on the grounds that he was born in China and should not be deprived of his citizenship in that country.

A check by state officials yesterday revealed that Poe was actually born in Mt. Vernon, Tex.

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San Francisco — (U.P.) — Detective stories don't show up very often in the sports world, but the Thoroughbred Racing Protective bureau is out with a booklet that tells of some dandies in the battle against crookedness in horse racing.

The TRPB is the protective agency for 40 race tracks in America and it engaged in some real cloak-and-dagger adventures to get the job done.

But mostly its sensational cases are exposed by good, old fashioned hard labor and diligent research.

Due to the possibilities of getting rich quick in horse racing, every crooked brain in the country, it seems, turns toward the race track at one time or another. And it is the former FBI men who run the TRPB who work around the clock to keep the sport honest.

Take a look at some of the cases:
1—William Stommel, a California breeder, was suspected of falsely registering a foal, with Ortello, a famous Italian-bred stud, as the sire. After weeks of research, the investigators finally found out that Stommel had made 17 false registrations in one year and attempted six the following year. So hectic had been Stommel's activities that one year he had four foals left without any dams to register them from.

Stommel was ruled off all jockey club tracks.

2—The TRPB got a tip that a jockey named Nick Restivo was going to stimulate a horse

named King Eric. They set up an agent, dressed as a groom, near King Eric's stall. Watching through a mirror, he caught the jockey redhanded and Restivo was given an 18-month suspension.

Bookie Connection

3—Then there was a horse named El Mono, a fine stakes campaigner who whipped Assault and Armed at the peak of their careers. El Mono was owned by a shoe manufacturer named Daniel Lamont, or Donato La Marte. The TRPB got a tip that Lamont was connected with the bookie business. After a long period of investigation, he was barred from the tracks. Later Lamont was arrested for being the "money man" in a college basketball fix.

According to Spencer J. Drayton, head of the organization, which draws \$500,000 a year to operate, in the past 10 years the TRPB has had 85,000 racing personnel finger-printed; 11,000 cases investigated; 54,000 horses falsely registered; and looked into 130,000 inquiries from state racing commissions, stewards and members.

INVITED TO U. S.

New York — (U.P.) — John Landy of Australia, world record holder for the mile run, has been invited to compete in five U. S. track meets by Dan Ferriss, secretary-treasurer of the National AAU. Landy set the world mile record of 3:58 flat on June 21, 1954 and has run the mile in less than four minutes on two other occasions.



CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS—Toni Sailer, 20, of Austria swoops downhill to complete the greatest ski performance in Olympic history by winning his third gold medal of the 1956 winter games in a nightmarish race down the icy Tofano slide at Cortina, Italy. Several of the star downhill ski racers in the event were sent flying off the beaten track by huge bumps and a 40-mile-and-hour wind blowing off the Dolomite Mountains.

Maximum Term Meted Would-Be Holdup Man

Salem — (U.P.) — Grady William Cope was sentenced to a maximum ten year term in the Oregon State penitentiary yesterday in Salem circuit court.

Cope, 52, shot and wounded Gene McFarland during an attempted holdup and robbery in the Keizer area of Salem a few weeks ago.

Mrs. McFarland and a neighbor subdued the gunman at the time of the holdup. Cope also had admitted attempting to stage another holdup in Salem earlier.

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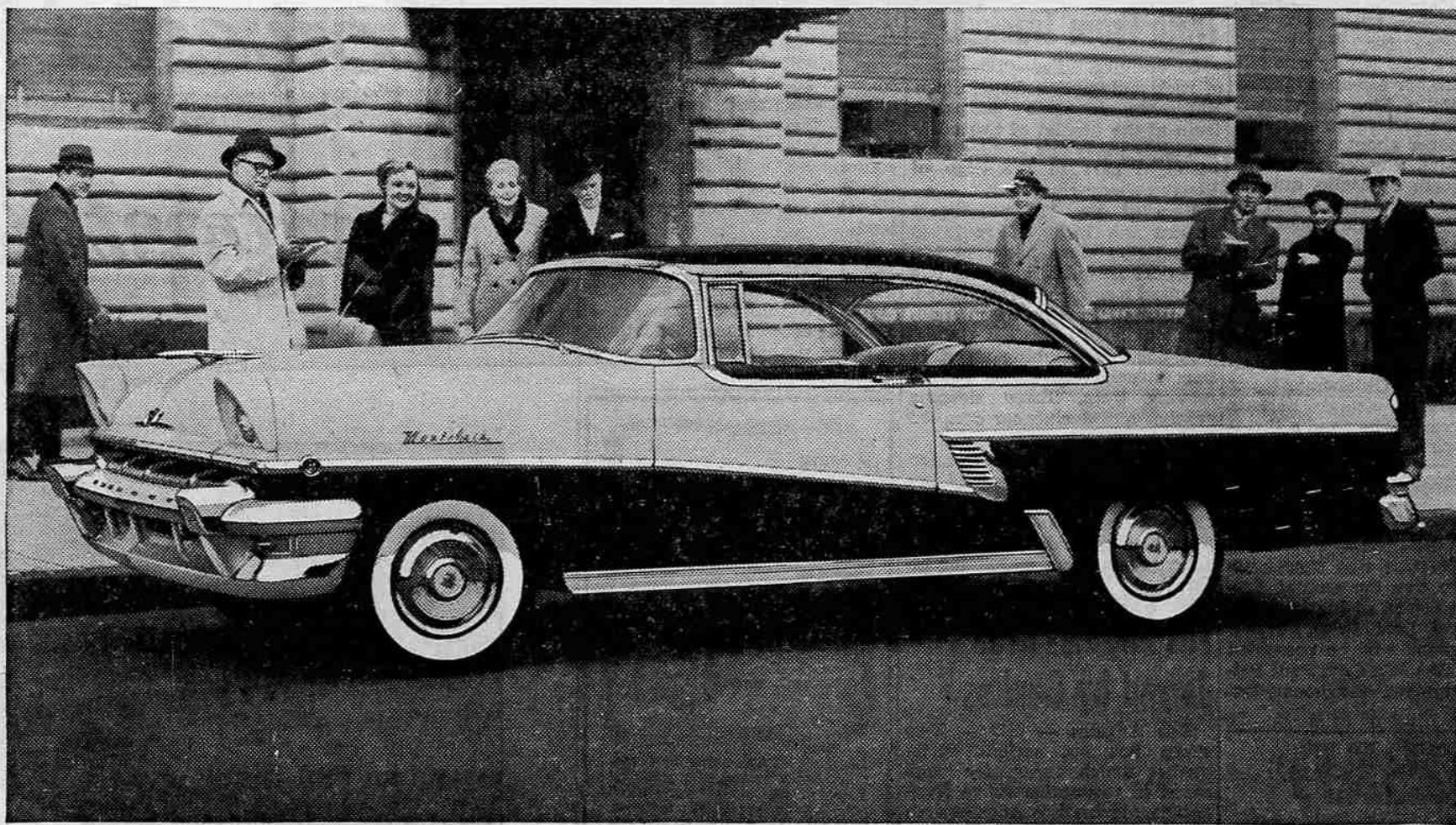
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