

# Beaver Team Said 'Pesky' But Needs Outfield Help

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Glendale, Calif. (U.P.)—Down through the years Portland has fielded a team that has proved troublesome to the Pacific Coast League leaders and there's every indication the Beavers will be just as pesky this year.

Tommy Holmes moved in from Fort Worth as manager after Clay Hopper took the Hollywood post and the former Boston Braves star says he's going to do his best to give Portland a first division club.

"From all I can see and from what I've heard, the league is going to be stronger this year," said the energetic Holmes as he put his Beavers through their paces at Casey Stengel Field. "But I'm going all-out to try and make this team a first division squad."

**Loaded With Veterans**  
Portland is loaded with veterans who could get off to a fast start while Holmes is seeking the help he says he needs, chiefly in the outfield. But it will be a while before he can expect much from Brooklyn which first has to help Montreal and St. Paul before it gets around to

Portland.  
"Our veterans are all digging in and showing good enthusiasm," Holmes said. "And I'm hopeful we can get the help we need."

The pitching staff is headed by Bill Werle, who last year compiled a 17-3 record. He's backed by such other veterans as Red Adams, Bob Alexander, Bob Hall, Royce Lint and Dick Walbel. The Beavers have acquired Ray Shore from Toronto for relief duty. And Holmes expects Rene Valdes, formerly with St. Paul, to prove a sleeper. But he needs three or four more hurlers.

**Best Catching Prospect**  
Back of the plate Holmes has Ron Bottler, Sam Calderone and John Roseboro, a Brooklyn farmhand whom Tommy Holmes thinks could be the best catching

prospect in the league.  
The Beavers have a well balanced infield that could set the pace for the loop in double plays. It features Ed Mickelson at first, Ed Basinski or Artie Wilson at second, Frank Austin or Jack Littrell at shortstop and Jim Baxes at third.

In the outfield, the Beavers can open with major league veteran Lloyd Merriman, Luis Marquez and Jim Coranda. Holmes had the latter at Fort Worth and considers him a comer.

But unless help comes through in the outfield and on the mound, Holmes' team may bog down.

"I'm getting the finest support I've had since I've been in baseball and we'll be a hustling club that should please the Portland fans," Holmes concluded.

# West Keeps Pro-Am Golf Leadership

Harold West of Laurelwood, Eugene, headed the professionals and Al Erickson of Eugene and Ed Hall of Medford were the amateur leaders after the first two days of a three-day, three-course southern Oregon pro-amateur golf tourney.

West had a 145 gross and Erickson and Hall 154s.  
Play opened at Laurelwood course Sunday and the second day of play was a Roseburg Country club on Monday. Final 18 of the 54 holes was being contested today at Rogue Valley Country club.

Eddie Oldfield of Roseburg was second among the pros with 147. Ron Caperna of Astoria had a 150 for two days and Wendell Wood of Eugene and Al Williams of Medford 151s.

Among the amateurs Bob McKeown of Riverside, Portland, recorded a 155. Marvin Clark of Grants Pass had 156; Wendell Wissler of Medford 160 and Clayton Lewis of Medford 162. Oldfield, Bunny Mason of Salem and Glen Spivey of Rose City, Portland, had 74s yesterday and Caperna a 75. West, Wood and Williams fired 77s.

McKeown among the amateurs had a 77 as did Erickson and Hall. Wissler tabulated a 78.

Pro-Am. prize for Roseburg went to Caperna and Buck Pierce of Riverside with 69.

# FIGHTS

New York—Rinzi Nocero, 164, Brooklyn, outpointed Said Khelifa, 169½, Algeria, 10.

New Orleans — Charley Joseph, 159, New Orleans, outpointed George Johnson, 159, Trenton, N.J.

# Baseball

**EXHIBITION RESULTS**  
Brooklyn (N) 13, Detroit (A) 10  
Baltimore (A) 8, New York (N) 6  
Cincinnati (N) 5, Pittsburgh (N) 2  
Philadelphia (N) 4, St. Louis (N) 3  
Chicago (N) 9, Cleveland (A) 5  
St. L. (N) "B" 6, Cincinnati (N) "B" 2  
New York (A) 11, Milwaukee (N) 1  
New York (A) "B" 8, Milwaukee (N) "B" 5  
Washington (A) 8, Boston (A) 6  
Chicago (A) 14, Kansas City (A) 13

**INTERNATIONAL TENNIS**  
Alexandria, Egypt—(U.P.)—Bob Perry of Los Angeles beat Robert Becker of Great Britain and Fred Kovaleski of Washington, D.C., downed Orlando Sirola of Italy Monday to advance to the quarterfinals of Alexandria's International Tennis Tournament. Perry defeated Becker, 7-5, 6-1, and Kovaleski downed Sirola, 6-3, 6-3.

**WOMAN BULLFIGHTER**  
Mexico City—(U.P.)—Tora Bette Ford, a former model in New York, said today she plans to fight in Portugal and France next year in the first invasion of Europe by a U.S. woman bullfighter. The 24-year-old Bette, a native of McKeesport, Pa., has three fights scheduled for next month in Mexico.

**SPRING SPORTS START**  
Corvallis—(U.P.)—Spring sports at Oregon State get under way this week. Coach Ralph Coleman's baseball team travels to the Inland Empire for a twin

# Filing Deadline for Vets' Tax Exemptions Is April 1

The deadline for disabled war veterans and widows of war veterans to apply for property tax exemption allowed by state law is April 1. Charles Holbrook, county veterans service officer, reminded residents today.

The exemption is \$7,500 true cash value of the homestead or personal property, instead of the previous \$1,500 assessed valuation. Persons entitled must apply to the county assessor prior to the deadline to receive exemption. The exemption is available to the following:

**Certified Statement**  
1. War veterans with a 40 per cent disability or more, as certified either by the veterans administration or by a branch of the armed forces. The statement should be obtained from the Portland regional office of the veterans administration, or from the branch of service from which the veteran was retired.

2. Any honorably discharged veteran of the Mexican, Civil, Indian or Spanish-American wars or Philippine Insurrection or Boxer Rebellion, regardless of disability.

3. Any honorably discharged veteran with a disability which cannot be certified by the veterans administration or the

armed forces. If the county health officer and one other licensed physician certify the disability of 40 per cent or more, the veteran may receive the property tax exemption provided he has not received more than \$2,500 total gross income during the past calendar year.

**Pensioned Widows**  
Holbrook added that pensioned widows of Civil war or Spanish-American war veterans, who actually reside in their homestead and have not remarried are entitled to an additional exemption of \$500 of assessed value of the homestead.

Korean Conflict veterans having 40 per cent or more disabilities are also entitled, as are widows of deceased Korean Conflict veterans who have not remarried.

Veterans whose disabilities are certified by the veterans administration should obtain a statement each year from the regional offices of the veterans administration to submit to the county assessor, Holbrook said. This is to certify existence of the disability.

Additional information may be obtained from Holbrook at his office in the county court house.

**PERMIT ISSUED**  
Washington—(U.P.)—The Federal Power Commission yesterday issued a preliminary permit to Pacific Power and Light Co., Portland, Ore., for a proposed hydro-electric project in Skamania county, Washington.

# Articles Filed for Kogap Veneer Company

Articles of incorporation for Kogap Veneer company of Medford were filed recently in Salem.

The veneer plant, which will employ about 25 persons and produce approximately 18 million feet of veneer per year, is now under construction adjacent to the present Kogap Lumber industries on South Pacific highway, according to officers of the new firm.

Signing the articles were Jerry S. Lausmann, A. A. Lausmann and S. V. McQueen.

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## Good Fishing for Trout Provided In Farm Ponds Throughout State

Oregon State College, Corvallis—Want to go trout fishing every day of the week?

Well, perhaps that's carrying a good thing a little too far. But a lot of farmers and outdoorsmen in Oregon are going trout fishing just about as often as they want in farm and other private ponds around the state.

They're catching good fish, too. For instance, Orville Cutsforth has a trout pond on his ranch in Morrow county. In May of 1954 he planted about 200 five-inch trout in his two-thirds acre pond. That fall, he was pulling out rainbow trout 11½ to 12½ inches long.

The next spring, when the pond was seined to see how trout had done over the winter, rainbows were 14 inches long and weighed up to 17 ounces. These fish were fat, thick, and deep-bodied. Their small heads indicated rapid growth.

And Andy Landforce, Oregon State college wildlife specialist, says good ponds anywhere in Oregon can grow fish like this if the pond is properly managed.

**Fish Not Interested**  
Only trouble with Cutsforth's pond was that he didn't plant enough fish. While he was catching large trout, the nibbles on his hook were few and far between and he wasn't having as much fishing fun as he wanted. Checking on the problem, Landforce found there was so much natural food available that the trout usually weren't interested in striking at an artificial lure.

So it was suggested that Cutsforth plant twice as many rainbow trout the next time he stocks his pond.

Each pond has the room and food to support just so many fish, Landforce pointed out. And planting enough fish to fill the pond keeps the fish hungry enough to bite at a line.

Of course, trout in a fully-

stocked pond won't grow as fast as the ones in Cutsforth's pond. But there should be a lot more fun for the man on the other end of the line, and the fishing will last much longer.

For details on a trout pond of your own, stop in and visit your local county agent or Oregon state game commission representative. They can help you design and maintain a successful trout pond you'll be proud of, Landforce says.

## Pressure Isn't Bothering Dons

San Francisco—(U.P.)—The pressure of carrying a 53-game winning streak isn't bothering the University of San Francisco Don cagers in the least, Coach Phil Woolpert said today.

"We have no more pressure apparent now than we did at this time last year," said Woolpert. "We were being pointed for then and we are being pointed for now."

"But this year we are the champions and it is up to them to knock us off."

Woolpert said that his team would get one final working in today before leaving for Evanston, Ill., where the Dons will tangle with Southern Methodist in the semi-finals of the NCAA championships at Northwestern university.

## LIONS OFFER \$14,000

Toronto—(U.P.)—Quarterback Tom Dublinski of the Toronto Argonauts has been offered \$14,000 to quit the club and rejoin the Detroit Lions of the National Football League. Lions' President Edwin L. Anderson said the club would have won at least half their 12 games last season if Dublinski had played. The Lions had a 3-9 record.

# Clown Will Meet Giant In Hoop Fuss

The Clown matches talent with the Giant when "Goose" Tatum and his Harlem Magicians play the New York Olympians. Two games are scheduled in this area. The first is booked for Tuesday night, March 27, at Ashland high school gym. The same clubs clash again the following night at Grants Pass high school gym.

For the Magicians, it is the "clown prince of Basketball," Tatum, who draws down the laughs as he cuts up on the hardwoods. The giant is Bill Spivey, who stands seven-foot, one. Spivey leads the Olympians and his ability to "dunk" the ball into the basket makes him Tatum's closest rival in the point-making department.

**Great Hook Shot**  
Known the world 'round for his zany court antics, Tatum is, so says the experts, one of the great hook shot players of the game. He makes them look easy, while he clowns around the floor.

Tatum and his old Harlem Globetrotter sidekick Marquis Haynes organized the Magicians last fall after severing relations with the Trotters. The games here will be the first in which Tatum and Haynes have played in this area, although the Globetrotters have sent other teams into this part of the country.

Haynes is billed as "the world's greatest dribbler," which he attempts to prove every game with an exhibition of ball control and dribbling. He is Tatum's number one foil in basketball fun.

Between them, Tatum and Haynes keep up a lively assortment of gags and stunts.

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