

Cagers Vie For Olympic Team Spots

Kansas City, Mo. — (U.P.) — A final round of six games to select a United States basketball team for the 1956 Olympics opens at Municipal Auditorium tonight.

Three of the four teams were given a chance to take the crown, however, and with it the honor of placing on five to seven men on a squad of 12 that goes to the Olympics in Melbourne this November.

They are the College All-Stars, headed by Bill Russell and K. C. Jones of San Francisco; the Phillips Oilers from Bartlesville, Okla., and the dark-horse A.A.U. champions, the Seattle Buckhorners.

The opening games tonight pit the Phillips Oilers against the Armed Forces at 8:30 EST and the College All Stars against Seattle at 10:30 EST.

Fuñeral Service On Tuesday for Ralph De Palma

South Pasadena, Calif. — (U.P.) — Rosary services for Ralph De Palma, one of the nation's greatest auto racers, will be recited today at the Holy Family church near his home. Last rites will be held tomorrow.

De Palma died Saturday of cancer which a family spokesman said stemmed from an old racing injury. He was 73.

The Italian-born speedster ranked with Barney Oldfield as one of the all-time racing greats. He earned \$1,500,000 in his 27 years of dare-devil speeding and won 2557 of the 2889 races he entered.

De Palma began his career in 1908 at a 300-mile road race at Briarcliff, N.Y. In his lifetime he won six national titles and the Indianapolis 500 in 1915. He was named to the racing Hall of Fame in 1954.

Safety Pioneer

Auto industry researchers credit De Palma's pioneering of many features as leading to numerous modern safety devices.

He is credited with first putting a gasoline tank under a car and introducing straight side tires in 1920.

After serving as an Air Corps captain in World War I, De Palma designed a Packard racing car which set a speed record of 149.89 miles per hour in 1919.

Later he worked for Chrysler, Studebaker, Cadillac, Ford Motor company and Ranger Aircraft Engine. At the time of his death he was employed by General Petroleum corporation in Los Angeles.

He is survived by his widow.

Sport Summary

By UNITED PRESS

Saturday

New York — All-America's Bill Russell and K. C. Jones of San Francisco paced the West College All-Stars to an easy 103-72 victory over the East at Madison Square Garden.

New Haven, Conn. — (U.P.) — Al Wiggins of Ohio State set an American record of 2:07.5 for the 200-yard individual medley relay event in the NCAA swimming championships.

Des Moines, Ia. — Ralph Stewart, line coach at Drake University, was named head football coach at the University of South Dakota.

Sunday

New York — Harlem Globetrotters opened their national tour with the College All-Stars with a pair of victories, 65-52, and 72-64.

Wilmington, N. C. — Mike Souchak, former Duke football star, won the eighth annual \$12,500 Azalea Open Golf tournament on the 18th hole of the final round. Dick Mayer of St. Petersburg, Fla. finished second, a stroke off the pace.

Ortega Favored Over Smallwood

New York — (U.P.) — Gaspar Ortega, a Mexican middleweight who specializes in April knockouts is favored to defeat Hardy (Bazooka) Smallwood of Brooklyn in tonight's 10-round feature at St. Nicholas Arena.

The bout will be televised nationally by DuMont, beginning at 10 p.m. EST.

Ortega, tall for a Mexican at 5-10½, has won all of his previous April fights by knockouts. In 1953, he flattened Kid Charol in two rounds in an April bout. Last April he finished Tony Esquivel in three rounds and Jesse Robles in eight.

Smallwood, who defeated Ray Drake in his last appearance, has won 17 of his 23 professional fights. He has scored four knockouts. He fought two draws and lost four times.

RACEWAY OPENS

Westbury, N. Y. — (U.P.) — Roosevelt Raceway opens its 17th season of trot racing tonight and Stanley Dancer, the leading rider here last year, will drive in seven of the eight opening-night races. The campaign will run for 98 days and ends on July 2.

Ted Kluszewski Returns To Pep Up Cincinnati Club

By EARL WRIGHT
United Press Sports Writer

Ted Kluszewski, the muscle man who is given a good chance to topple Babe Ruth's record of 60 homers in a season, has returned to action to pep up the Cincinnati Redleg attack and persecute rival pitchers.

The Philadelphia Phillies eked out a 6-5 victory over Cincinnati Sunday at Clearwater, Fla., but the Redlegs romped off the field like winners because "Big Klu" played a full game for the first time this spring. Troubled with a crippled left hip, he got two hits in three times at bat and drove in two runs in the seventh inning to tie the score at 4-4.

Several of the top clubs already have enough injured and ailing players to keep their managers awake on the long ride north and the Brooklyn Dodgers lost outfielder Sandy Amoros while scoring a 4-3, 11-inning victory over the Chicago White Sox at Tampa. Amoros twisted his right ankle sliding into second base and will be out two or three weeks.

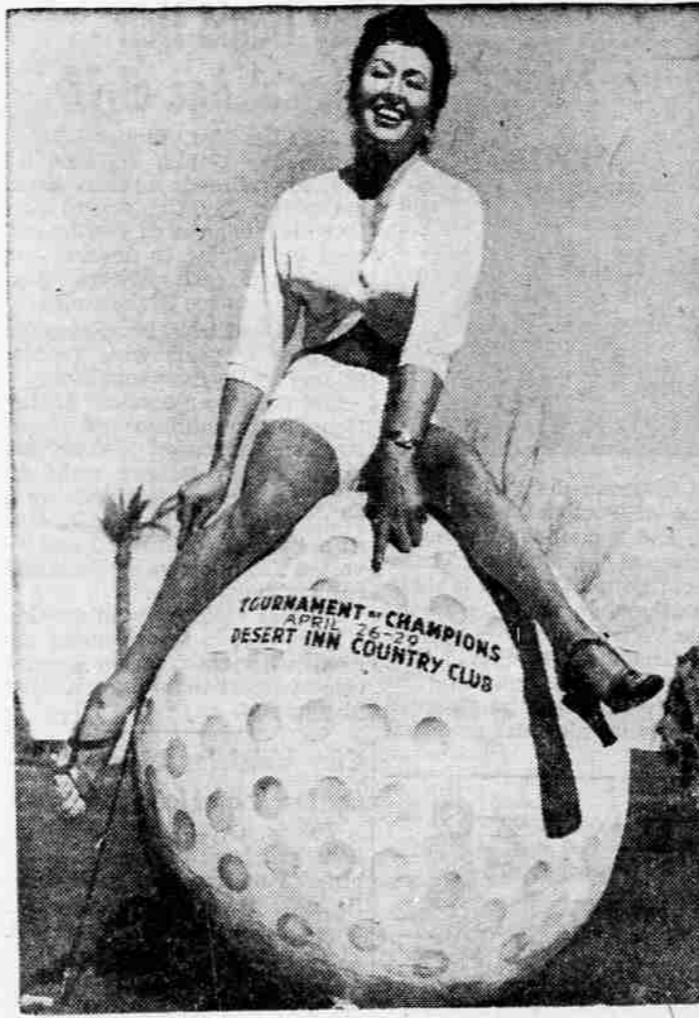
The Dodgers sent Don Newcombe, one of their first line pitchers, to Orlando to lead their "B" squad against the Washington Senators. The American Leaguers cuffed Newcombe for all their runs in a 13-2 victory.

The crippled Yankees, with Mickey McDermott pitching the full nine innings, broke a 5-game losing streak by downing the St. Louis Cardinals at St. Petersburg, 5-2.

Right-hander Frank Sullivan of the Boston Red Sox took a fairly rugged pounding from the Detroit Tigers while losing, 6-3.

Bob Friend of the Pittsburgh Pirates limited the Kansas City Athletics to four hits in nine innings while coasting to an 8-1 triumph at New Orleans.

Dusty Rhodes, Daryl Spencer and Gail Harris hit first inning homers to help the New York Giants beat the Chicago Cubs at Phoenix, Ariz., 7-2, as the Cleveland Indians scored a 5-3 victory over the Baltimore Orioles in a dust storm at Tucson, Ariz., and Milwaukee scored seven unearned runs to best Atlanta of the Southern Assn., 10-2.



SHE'S REALLY ON THE BALL—It'd be hard to keep your mind on the game if you had Pony Sherrell for a caddy. Pony is pointing out the Tournament of Champions at Wilbur Clark's Desert Inn in Las Vegas, Nev., April 26-29. Some of the world's finest pro golfers will vie for \$37,500 in cash awards. The hotel will donate an additional \$35,000 to the Damon Runyon Memorial Fund for Cancer Research.

Softball Association Meeting This Evening

President Herb Vessey issued a reminder today of the meeting to organize for 1956 play of the Medford Softball Association. The session will be at 8 o'clock tonight in Room B at the YMCA. All persons interested from Medford and surrounding communities are invited. No league play was conducted last year but prospects currently appear bright for renewal of league action.

Baron, Bison Skaters Win

By UNITED PRESS

The Cleveland Barons took a 2-1 lead over the Pittsburgh Hornets in their best-of-five semifinal play off series in the American Hockey League today while the Providence Reds and the Buffalo Bisons were tied at two victories each in their series.

The Barons overtook the Hornets 5-4, in double overtime Sunday to gain the edge and can wind up the series by defeating Pittsburgh Tuesday night. The fourth game is scheduled for Cleveland and a fifth game, if necessary, will be played on Thursday in Pittsburgh.

In a Sunday afternoon game, the Buffalo Bisons built up an early lead and then coasted to a 4-1 victory over the Providence Reds. The fifth game of this series will be played Tuesday night in Providence.

Tony Trabert Wins From Pancho Gonzales

Hamilton, Bermuda — Tony Trabert turned in one of his infrequent victories over Pancho Gonzales here Saturday in their cross-country tennis tour for a \$25,000 bonus. The former United States Davis Cup ace whipped Gonzales 6-3, 1-6, 6-4.

The victory was Trabert's 16th in their pro tour. Gonzales has won 51 matches.

SLATMAN DISQUALIFIED

Government Camp — (U.P.) — A University of Washington ace and a Michigan girl took home the Kandahar titles here yesterday as that famous western snow trial was renewed. Pete Birkehead took the men's title in a contest that was marked by protests that finally disqualified Don Gassaway, a member of the strong Seattle Jaycee team. Nonie Foley, skiing under the colors of Sun Valley, took a clean sweep for the women's crown, winning Saturday's slalom and in yesterday's downhill.

YANK SEVENTH

Salzburg, Austria — (U.P.) — Wallace (Bud) Werner of Steamboat Springs, Colo., finished seventh in the men's giant slalom ski race Sunday which was won by Josl Rieder of Austria in one minute, 34.4 seconds. Regina Schopf of Austria won the women's giant slalom while Betsy Snite of Norwich, Vt., finished 11th.

NET FINALISTS

Monte Carlo — (U.P.) — Hugh Stewart of San Marino, Calif., and Tony Vincent of Miami, Fla., meet today in the men's singles final of the Monte Carlo tennis tournament, while Althea Gibson of New York plays Shirley Bloomer of Britain in the women's singles final. Stewart advanced by defeating Jackie Brichant of Belgium, 6-2, 6-4; Vincent eliminated Gardner Mulloy of Denver, Colo., 7-6, 7-5, and Miss Gibson downed Eda Budding of Germany, 6-2, 6-2.

PLACES IN EVENT

Sun Valley, Ida. — (U.P.) — Terry Skjersaa, Bend, Ore., placed 11th in the jumping event Friday of the American Legion Junior Ski championships here. Bill Brandenburg, 16, McCall, Ida., won the event.

SPORTS

BOUDREAU EYES SIXTH FOR KANSAS CITY NINE

(This is the 13th in a series on the 1956 prospects of the major league clubs.)

By LEO H. PETERSEN
United Press Sports Editor

Mobile, Ala. — (U.P.) — Manager Lou Boudreau insists his Kansas City Athletics will be "Definite first division timber," within two or three years, but for this season he plans to concentrate on sixth place.

"We have good power and I expect to make good use of it by platooning a whole lot this year," Boudreau says. "I'm very pleased with our infield, which I think is as good as there is in the league, and our pitching this spring hasn't been the worst in the world, either."

Two of the pitchers who have looked especially impressive this spring are left-hander Art Ceccarelli and rookie Bill Herriage, who won 15 games with Montgomery in 1955.

Shantz May Star

Off his showing, Ceccarelli figures as a possible regular starter along with left-handers Bobby Shantz and Alex Kellner and right-handers Art Dittmar and Arnie Portocarrero. Shantz, plagued with injuries and arm trouble the past two seasons, looks as if he may be of considerable help to the Athletics this season.

Tom Gorman will head the Kansas City bullpen brigade and Cloyd Boyer also will work in relief.

Boudreau is high on Joe Ginsberg in the catching department and he probably will be retained along with either Joe Astroth and Wilmer Shantz.

The infield which Boudreau is so proud of consists of hard-hitting Vic Power at first base; Jim Finigan at second; smooth-

fielding Joe DeMaestri at short, and Hector Lopez at third. Boudreau has additional infield manpower in rookie Rance Pless, who hit .337 with Minnesota last season; Spook Jacobs, who batted .316 with Columbus, and bonus baby Cetus Boyer, the brother of St. Louis Cardinals third baseman Ken Boyer.

Power in Outfield

Most of Kansas City's power is concentrated in the outfield where Big Gus Zernial, who is due for duty in left, is being counted on to supply the long ball.

Boudreau may platoon Harry Simpson and veteran Enos (Country) Slaughter, in right field. Center field is still wide open between Dave Melton who hit .299 with San Francisco last year, and Bill Renna.

Boudreau should have little difficulty guiding Kansas City to sixth place again if one of those top five clubs should falter, the Athletics could spring a surprise and wind up fifth.

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Rally Staged By Montreal

Montreal — (U.P.) — The defending Stanly Cup champion Detroit Red Wings, one game down to the Montreal Canadiens, figured today that three-day's rest was just the right tonic to cure their Montreal blues before they meet the National Hockey league champions in the second game Tuesday night.

The Red Wings were headed for an apparent upset victory Saturday night when they led Montreal, 4-2, entering the final period. But they "ran out of gas" as the Canadiens poured in four goals in five minutes and 21 seconds for the dramatic first game triumph.

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Dellinger Upsets Bailey In Willamette Relay Mile

Salem — (U.P.) — Bill Dellinger upset his University of Oregon teammate, Jim Bailey, Saturday to win the State Invitational mile, a feature of the sixth annual Willamette relays here.

Winning time was 4:10, considered good in the fact of a stiff wind and coming this early in the season.

Bailey was in front at the end of the first lap and the two ran almost should to shoulder for the rest of the distance. Baily moved out in front going into the final lap but Dellinger took his narrow lead coming out of the final turn. Dellinger was the stronger of the pair as they crossed the finish line.

Dellinger was the NCAA mile champ until last year when Bailey came along to dethrone him.

Highlighting the other events on the blustery day's program, five collegiate records were surpassed and two others were equaled. In the prep division four new records were entered in the books.

Training Camp Briefs

By UNITED PRESS

Deland, Fla. — Rookie outfielder Bob Jenkins, on option from the parent Boston Red Sox, led off the 11th inning yesterday with a towering 420-foot homer that gave San Francisco a 6-5 victory over Mobile of the Southern Association.

ANGELS CLIPPED

Pasadena, Calif. — The Los Angeles Angels hoped to find a winning combination today in their game with the Sacramento Solons. The Angels were clipped 8-5 yesterday by the Seattle Rainiers in Long Beach, Calif.

GAME RAINED OUT

Glendale, Calif. — Portland Manager Tommy Holmes laid plans for a heavy workout today after a rainy Easter Sunday. Yesterday, the scheduled exhibition game between Portland and the San Diego Padres was rained out in Southern California's quick, violent rainstorm.

GAME WASHED OUT

Hollywood — (U.P.) — A freak rainstorm washed out the 16th annual crippled children charity baseball game yesterday in the fifth inning with the Pacific Coast League All-Stars leading Hollywood 1-0. The game was called by Umpire Christ Pelekoudas after waiting the prescribed 25 minutes.

MAIL VOTE

St. Petersburg, Fla. — (U.P.) President Will Harridge said Saturday a mail vote of the American League's eight clubs will be conducted promptly to determine whether batters will be ordered to wear protective headgear this season. Five affirmative votes are required to pass the resolution, which was suggested by General Manager George Weiss of the New York Yankees.

Martin Pedigo of Oregon set a new distance of 23 feet, 4¾ in the first division broad jump competition to lead the list of record breakers.

Shot Put Mark

Others chalking up new marks were: First division senior class discus, Frank Brown, WSC, 148-7; second division, shot put, Larry Pulford, Washington, 52-2½; Second division shuttle hurdle relays, Willemette, 1:00.1 and sprint medley, Washington, 2:32.6.

In one of the other featured events Willamette's Dean Benson sailed across the high hurdles in :14.6, a time that equaled the meet record he set last year.

In the prep division only one individual record fell. Glenn Johnson, of Beaverton, put the shot 55 feet, 1½ inches for a new standard.

Three other marks in the prep division were topped but all were in team events. Roosevelt of Portland set a new sprint medley time of 2:45.7 and Benson Tech of Portland outdid the old mark for the distance medley with a time of 11:23.9.

SWIM COACH PREXY

New Haven, Conn. — (U.P.) — Charles Silvia of Springfield (Mass.) College has been named president of the College Swimming Coaches of America, succeeding Gordon Scotty Little of Cornell. Jack McGuire, Iowa State, has been named first vice-president, Fred Lanous, Georgia Tech, second vice-president, and E. W. Tompkins, Colorado A&M, secretary-treasurer.

FUTURE BOOK FAVORITE

Agua Caliente, Mex. — (U.P.) — Needles remained a firm 8-5 favorite in the Agua Caliente future book for the 1956 Kentucky Derby today, while Career Boy, the second choice, was cut from 6-1 to 5-1. Count Chic, California's main hope for a third straight Derby win moved into third place with Terrang and Head Man. The trio is quoted at 6-1.

TESTIFYING before State probers in Los Angeles, Carlos Chavez, veteran boxer, denies he has thrown any fights. (International)

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