

Gene Littler Heads Vegas Golf Tussle

Las Vegas, Nev. — (U.P.)—Gene Littler, the 25-year-old ex-sailor, is ready to give the country's top professionals another lesson on how to play a flat, windy golf course.

Littler tees off in the second round of the \$37,500 Tournament of Champions today holding a two-stroke lead over his 21 competitors—a better position than he was in last year when he went on to win this event by 13 strokes.

Thursday he was the only man in the field of champions to break par, and he did it by two strokes. He was out in 34, and in 36 for a 70 on a course swept by 40-mile-an-hour winds.

It took top-notch putting to stay in the race. Tied at even-par 72 were Doug Ford, the PGA champion from Mahopac, N.Y., Ted Kroll, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., and Shelley Mayfield, Westbury, N.Y. Kroll had a hot putter, too, knocking in four from distances of greater than 18 feet.

Flock of 74s

Veteran Henry Ransom, St. Andrews, Ill., had a 73 and then came a flock of 74s.

There were some disappointments in the going, too. Dr. Cary Middlecoff, who teed off as the 4-1 betting favorite, came in with a sky-high 79—complaining about unfair placing of the pins on the greens.

Tommy Bolt had troubles with his game and the galleries, as usual and came in with an 81. And National Open champion Jack Fleck, playing with Bolt, had to be content with an 82—high score for the day.

The men with 74 were Chandler Harper, Portsmouth, Va., Arnold Palmer, Latrobe, Pa., Frank Stranahan, Toledo, Ohio and Mike Fetchick, Mahopac, N. Y.

GRID SERIES SET

Evanston, Ill. — (U.P.)—Northwestern university will plan a "home-and-home" football series with the University of Oklahoma starting in 1959. The first game will serve as Northwestern's home opener while the second game will be played at Norman Okla.

Eagle Point Invitational Track Encounter Titlist

Rogue River — Eagle Point high school's potent track squad, paced by Wayne Christian and Gale Friend, won a rain soaked Rogue River invitational meet here yesterday, besting six other schools.

Christian in the discus and javelin and Friend in the high jump and pole vault were double winners as the Eagles piled up 173 points. Phoenix followed with 123 and St. Mary's of Medford with 117. Don Vannice, Prospect, had a low hurdle heat win in :24.1 and Ron Muir, Jacksonville, ran the mile in 5:02 to tie the record.

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163 feet 9 inches for a new meet mark and his discus throw of 139-6 also set a new standard for the invitational. Friend went 6 feet in the high jump and 10 feet in the vault.

Other Eagle wins were Dick Wallace 41-5³/₄ in the shot put; McDonald, Pettigrew, McClure and Greb 1:41.5 in the relay; Jack Greb 10, in the 100 heat, and Ralph McClure :24.7 in a 220 heat.

Brood ran the low sticks in :23.2 and the 100 in :10.6. Llewellyn White won a 220 heat for Phoenix in :24.1. Don Vannice, Prospect, had a low hurdle heat win in :24.1 and Ron Muir, Jacksonville, ran the mile in 5:02 to tie the record.

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UO Frosh Vie At Ashland

Ashland — Southern Oregon college and Oregon Tech of the Oregon Collegiate Conference will be faced with some stiff rivalry here Saturday afternoon in track and field.

They'll oppose the star-laden Oregon Frosh contingent. Several members of the Portland Track and Field club also will run a unattached performers. The meet starts at 2 p.m.

The Ducklings boast such standout ex-preppers as Mary Robbins, who's running the two-mile, Jim Grelle, half-mile star and Gene Stout, miler, and Jim Ambie, discus record holder.

Glen Allison, ex-Medford, likely will face Robbins and Dick Gustafson probably will run the mile for Southern Oregon. Chuck Crandall, unbeaten in the half-mile for SOC, may face Grelle.

It is felt that with the Duckling stars, Southern Oregon college is presenting the outstanding track attraction of the week end in this area.

Portland Netters Defeat Oregon

Portland — (U.P.) — Portland University's tennis team made it 73 victories in a row yesterday by defeating Oregon 6-1 here. It was win number 13 of the current season.

Gun Club Here Closed Over This Week End

Medford Gun club will be closed Sunday in order that shooters here may attend a registered tourney at Roseburg.

The traps here will be open on Saturday, May 5, for a shooting school. On Sunday, May 6, the Ed Pease handicap will be fired. There will be skeet and 16-yard practice.

HOOD HIGH MAN

Don Hood, Grants Pass, won the plank and mount-and-drag races and the golf ball pick-up and tied for second in the hill climb last week end for high point honors in Road Runner Motorcycle club road races near Roseburg. Several Medford riders and spectators attended.

About 70 per cent of India's people are farmers.

MEDFORD TRIBUNE SPORTS

Pancho Gonzales High School Scores Widens Net Lead

Sherbrooke, Que. — (U.P.) — Pancho Gonzales widened his lead over Tony Trabert last night before 1650 tennis fans at the arena by defeating the rookie pro player in straight sets, 6-4, 12-10.

The result gave Gonzales a 63-18 lead in the Jack Kramer-sponsored tour.

Pancho Segura downed Aussie Rex Hartwig, 8-6, in a single set. Their series now stands at 52-19 for Segura with four matches even.

Trabert and Hartwig won a single set of doubles, 8-5.

A normal egg shell contains over 8,000 microscopic holes.

THURSDAY

Tillamook 16-7, Warrenton 2-4
Central Union 8, Stayton 3
David Douglas 15, Lake Oswego 11
Silverton 9, Serra 5
Echo 8, Heppner 2

BOBO SLUGGISH

Santa Monica, Calif. — (U.P.) — Carl (Bobo) Olson appeared sluggish during a four-round boxing session with sparmate Sonny ... Trainer Fred Bianchi blamed the listless drill on Wednesday's rainstorm that cancelled Olson's road work.

Fight Results

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Philadelphia — Ray Portia, 142, New York, outpointed Charlie Cummings, 137, Philadelphia, (8).
Los Angeles — Billy Peacock, 123¹/₂, knocked out Nate Brooks, 127¹/₂, Cleveland (1).



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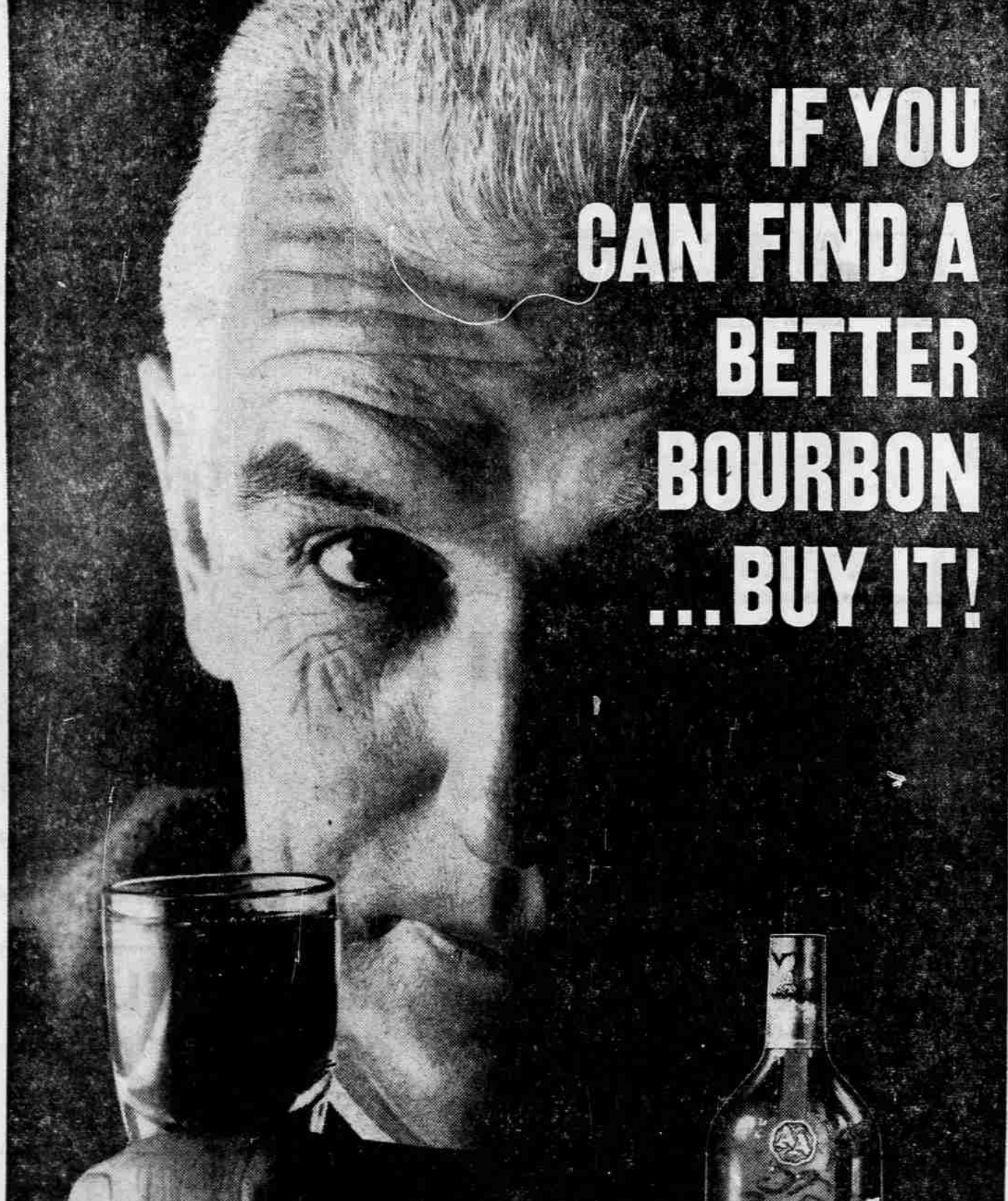
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