

DRIVING HOME right to midriff, Floyd Patterson (right) pounds out 12-round decision over Tommy ("Hurricane") Jackson in heavyweight bout in New York. (International)

Is That So?

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—ELEVEN

So you think the bait, flies and plugs the modern anglers use—make up a weird assortment. Brother, it isn't a patching on what the angler of old used—among the indispensables were sheep's blood, man's fat, and "oyl of earthworms."

But let me give you a sampling of some pieces which I collected for my book, "An Angler's Anthology" (Stackpole, Harrisburg).

"To speak then generally of Baits, they are divided into three kinds, which are, live



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baits, Dead-baits, & Baits living but in appearance only," writes Gervase Markham, who lived from 1568-1637.

"Your live baits are worms of all kinds, especially the Red-worm, the Maggot, the Bobbe, the Dor, Brown Flies, Frogs, grasshoppers, Hornets, Wasps, Bees, Snails, small Roaches, Bleas, Goldfish, or Loaches.

"Your dead Baits are pastes of all makings, your brood of Wasps dried or undried, the Clotted blood of Sheep, Cheese, Bramble-berries, Corne, Seedes, Cherries, and such like.

"And your Baits which seem to Live, yet are Dead, are Flies artificially made of all sorts and shapes, made of silks and Feathers about your Hookes, which well serve for every several seasons through the year, and being by your Line moved upon the water, seems to be live Flies, which the fish with great greediness will catch up and devour."

Now, not all anglers of those days made up their own baits. For example, William Gilbert, coming a generation later, wrote: "Go to Mother Gilbert's at the Flow-de-Luce and whilst you are drinking of a Pot of Ale, beg the Maid make you two or three Penworth of Ground Bait, and some Paste; and observing of them (the added shrewdly) you will know how to make it yourself for any other Place. . . ."

More Specific
As for a real fish-taking bait, Robert Howlett, 1706, is more specific. He gives a recipe which the angler can eat—saving the Fat. But let him tell it:

"Take a fat goose or Duck, pluck and draw it, then take sage, marjoram, and French lavender, of each a like quantity, and shred it small; of castor, Gum - armoynack, calamus aromaticus, Nutmeg, Mace, and Cloves, of each a little, beat

the Spices well in a Mortar, then mix them with your shred Herbs, and put them into the Belly of the Goose or Duck; sew up the belly close, roast him on a Spit, and save the dripping fat for your use, and eat the Goose or Duck for your pains.

"When you have occasion, take a quantity of the Fat that dript from him, and mix it well with oyl of a dead man's skull, and oyl of Earthworms and use the ointment for the arming of your hook; then fix six or eight inches of your Line next above the hook, and then dip your bait in it after it's on the hook, and fish."

The earliest recipe for a bait in the English language—by a woman, too—Madame Dame Berners, author of The Boke of St. Albans, 1496—is written thus:

"For Baytes for grete fyssh, kepe especially this rule: when ye haue take a grete fyssh: vndo the mawe: & what ye fynde therein, make that your bayte: for it is beste."

Finally, here's one which uses "man's fat"—and for this ingredient the reader is directed to go to any surgeon. The writer, Greville Fennel, says:

"Monsieur Charra's Apothecary royal to the late French King, Lewis the Fourteenth, says: 'Take of man's fat and cat's fat, of each half an ounce; mummy, finely powdered, three drams; cumminseed, finely powdered one dram; distilled oil of aniseed and spite, of each six drops; civet, two grains; and camphire, four grains; make an ointment according to art.'"

I ask you, how could a self-respecting fish resist it? (Released by McClure Newspaper Syndicate) (Copyright, 1956, by Eugene Burns)

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Fists Fly, Tri-City Wins

By RAY ANDREWS
United Press Sports Writer

It took 5 hours and 10 minutes of baseball and a 10-minute rhu-barb to do it, but the Tri-City Braves today hold a tenuous grip on second spot in the Northwest League pennant chase.

The Braves edged Spokane 13-12 in the first game of a twin-bill last night and then ambushed the Indians 17-0 in the second game.

An added attraction was a fist-fighting battle which broke out in the fourth inning of the opener and saw members of both teams get in a few licks before order was restored.

Yakima, the league leaders, had a serene and peaceful evening blanking Lewiston 5-0 behind two-hit hurling by Charlie Drummond. It was Drummond's sixth victory of the season.

Vince Ngeci hit a solo homer for the Bears in the first and Herm Reich did likewise in the seventh while Herm Lewis contributed a two-run homer in the third.

Wenatchee checked in with a 9-4 verdict over Eugene although each team chalked up nine hits.

Glen Istringhaus, Wenatchee hurler, outlasted a pair of Eugene choppers for the decision.

Dick Watson with three hits in five trips and two runs batted in was the leading Wenatchee hitter. Bill Gridley of Eugene homered in the seventh with the bases empty.

'Pearl' Casey Barnes, Coast Umpire, Dies

Los Angeles — (UPI) — Casey Barnes, 78, veteran Pacific coast league umpire, died Tuesday of a heart attack.

Barnes, better known on the diamond as Pearl Casey, served as a Coast League umpire for 25 years. He started his baseball career in 1902 with Sacramento but injuries forced him to give up playing and he managed the Tacoma Colts before becoming an umpire.

Holland has about 2,000 miles of canals and about 3,000 additional miles of navigable rivers and channels.

USF Basketeers Touring Americas

San Francisco — (UPI) — A nucleus of the national champion University of San Francisco basketball team, leaves by plane Friday for a good-will tour of Central and South America.

Americas Bill Russell and K. C. Jones, plus Willie Nauls of UCLA a special guest of the team head the group.

WHO'S ON FIRST

Chicago — (UPI) — Judge Elmer H. Holmgren ordered the jurors in a murder trial locked up and let the defendants go home Tuesday night.

Holmgren said he had no choice. Defendants John La Placa, 20, and Paul Pelletiere Jr., 21, already had been released on bond but the judge figured he had to keep the jurors locked up to insure a fair verdict.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

SPORTS

Track Speed Men Go by Competition, Not Time

By HAL WOOD
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Berkeley, Calif. — (UPI) — Nobody runs against time these days—just fast enough to win!

That's true if you can believe the coaches, and who are we to doubt the word of these noble "lemen

—ave. Sime doesn't run against time," says his assistant coach, Red Lewis of Duke University. "He's a great competitor. He runs just fast enough to win."

Brutus Hamilton, who coaches Leamon King at University of California, has about the same to say about his boy.

"King is a natural competitor. He runs just fast enough to win—no faster. There's no telling how fast he can run if he is pushed."

Add A Few
When you add Bobby Morrow of Abilene Christian and Mike Agostini of Fresno State to this bunch, it makes for an explosive situation in the NCAA track and field championships here this week-end.

All four men have equalled the world mark of 9.3 for the 100-yard dash and look good

enough to better the world mark of 10.2 in the 100-meter event which will be featured in this Olympic year.

Sime and King never have lost a race in their intercollegiate careers. Morrow has lost only two—to Sime and Bobby Whilden of Texas, who has a 9.4 to his credit.

Lewis sees practically no limit to the potentialities of his boy Sime.

"Shucks," says Lewis, "if he is pushed there's no telling what he might do. Maybe 9.1 in the 100; and maybe even a 19.8 or 19.7 in the 220."

Not Talking
"Dave likes to train and he likes to eat. I have to watch both to keep him in good condition. But there's one thing he doesn't want to talk about—and that is running against time."

"All he wants to do is run fast enough to win. But if he is pushed, and if he gets off to a good start, then it's hard to tell just what might happen."

Hamilton has said just about the same things about King. So, to paraphrase the currently popular song, "Something's gotta give" this week-end in Berkeley.

Hollywood — (UPI) — Pianist-wit Oscar Levant said he turned down a request to join a TV panel show originating in New York. "I couldn't go back to New York," he explained. "My eldest daughter had just been made one of the four chief pom-pom girls at Beverly Hills

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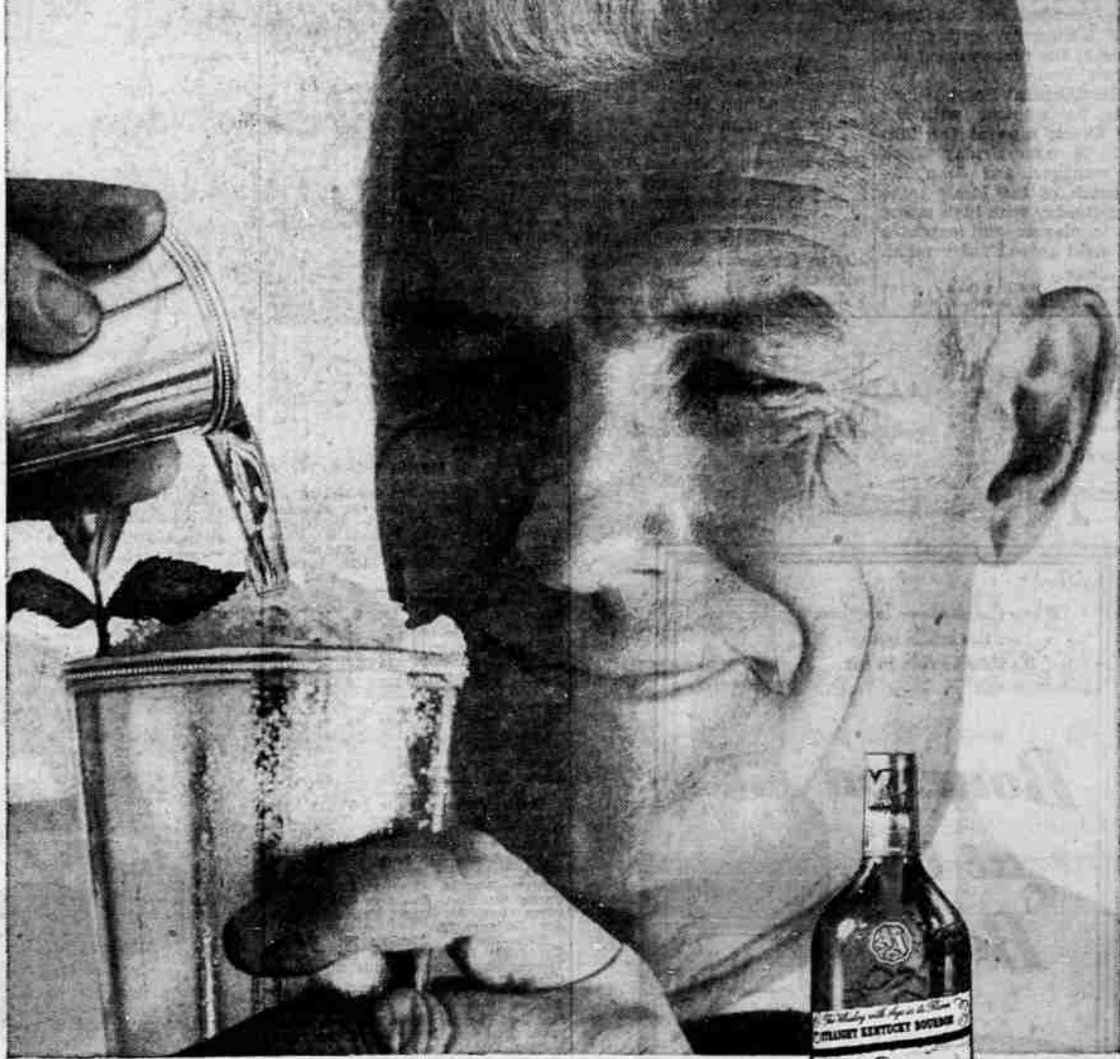
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