

Middlecoff Snatches Open Title From Hogan and Boros With 282

Rochester, N.Y., June 16 (U.P.)—Dr. Cary Middlecoff, a man with a seven-year itch, scratched out a final round 35-35-70 today to nose out record-hungry Ben Hogan for the U.S. Open Golf championship with a 72-hole aggregate of 282.

Seven long years the slender dentist from Memphis had waited since the day he first won "the big one." That time, back in 1949, Hogan was on the sidelines with near-fatal automobile accident injuries.

But today as Middlecoff set the pace over rugged Oak Hill Country club, it was the mighty Hogan—seeking a record fifth championship—who took a run at him and failed to catch him.

Bantam Ben had his chance. And, as they hammered down the cloudy stretch, so did two others—former champion Julius Boros and 36-year-old Ted Kroll.

None of them could make it. Hogan failed first, as the nervous Middlecoff fidgeted in the club house. But needing two final pars, Bantam Ben missed a three-foot putt on the 17th hole and finished with a 35-35-70 for a 282.

Then it was Boros, the burly, quiet man with the ice-water nerves who took it away from Hogan at Dallas in 1952. The "Moose" had his shot for at least a tie when he went gunning for a birdie on the final hole—and missed a 14-foot putt by inches for a 35-34—69 which tied Hogan for second at 282.

Dr. Nervous

But Middlecoff, so nervous he couldn't sit still and admitting "I'll settle right now to get in-

to a playoff," still wasn't out of the woods. Because out there making another run was the pressurized Krull, a man who learned how to take it as a sergeant on Anzio beach.

Ted gave it the big try as he tried to cap his "long, hard scramble." He went ahead momentarily on the 14th with a birdie, lost that shot back with a bogey on the 15th—and then needed three pars in for a tie.

But once again the breaks went against the man from Fort Lauderdale. Just as they did in the long ago when shrapnel cut

him down in Italy. For Krull missed his tee shot, smashed grimly forward and, when that horrible hole was over, had hacked out a triple bogey seven.

That finished what was a real scrambling day for Middlecoff, because the man from Memphis almost kicked this one away after taking a one-stroke lead on the morning round with a 70. For as they went to it in the afternoon he looked like he was going to run away and hide—and he almost just ran

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SPORTS

Yachtsmen in Longest Race, LA to Tahiti

Los Angeles — (U.P.)—Five sleek yachts were scheduled to start Saturday on the world's longest ocean race covering 3571 miles from Los Angeles Harbor to Papeete, Tahiti.

The grueling grind over the Pacific was expected to take at least 20 days for the scratch boat, John P. Scripps' Novia Del Mar, a ketch representing the San Diego, Calif., Yacht Club. The yachts range in size from 56 to 89 feet.

Bill Sturgis' 58-foot yawl Jada from the Los Angeles Yacht Club represents the smallest en-

try among the five sailing craft. The Jada has a handicap of nearly two days.

The race, sponsored by the Transpacific Yacht Club, is a new one of the modern era. Thirty-one years ago a San Francisco to Tahiti race was held and the winner, the schooner Mariner, crossed the finish line after 20 days, 11 hours and 45 minutes. There have been several Honolulu to Tahiti races and the Transpacific Club also sponsors the biennial yacht race to Honolulu.

The other entries are Dr. Howard F. Murphy's 84-foot yawl Quest of the Newport Harbor, Calif., Yacht Club; John H. Hedden's 69-foot ketch Celebes of the St. Francis Yacht Club of San Francisco; and Robert D. Fraser's 73-foot schooner Viika, of the San Francisco Yacht Club.

Softball Heads for Fifth Week

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Walt's Lithia Motors	5	0	1.000
Crater Lake Motors	1	0	1.000
Chris Drugs	4	1	.800
McCulloch Chain Saw	3	2	.600
Bill's 99 Chevron Service	3	2	.600
Medford Auto Upholstery	4	4	.500
Courtesy Chevrolet	2	2	.500
YMCA Ysmen	1	3	.250
20-30 Club	1	3	.250
National Guard	1	3	.250
DeMolay	0	4	.000

Medford DeMolay will have three chances to replace the goose egg in its win column next week as the Jackson county softball association enters its fifth week of play.

The DeMolayans take on the 20-30 club Monday, Crater Lake Motors Tuesday, and McCulloch Chain Saw Thursday.

In other games, Walt's Lithia Motors risks its unbeaten record against Medford Auto Upholstery. The Chain Saw gang will attempt to boost itself into a possible second place as it meets the 20-30 club.

In the only Wednesday night encounter, Courtesy Chevrolet has a chance to exchange places with Bill's 99 Chevron Service, now tied with McCulloch for third.

The YMCA Ysmen and National Guard take the week off. Tuesday night's game is added to the regular schedule to give the newly formed Crater Lake Motors club a chance to catch up in number of games played.

This is the complete schedule for the week: Monday, 20-30 Club vs. DeMolay; Walt's Lithia Motors vs. Medford Auto Upholstery; Tuesday: Crater Lake Motors vs. DeMolay; Wednesday: Bill's 99 Chevron Service vs. Courtesy Chevrolet; Thursday: Chris Drugs vs. DeMolay, McCulloch Chain Saw vs. 20-30 Club.

Bilko Leads Angel Win Over Stars

Hollywood — (U.P.)—Big Steve Bilko belted his 27th home run of the year over the left field fence with two men out in the ninth inning to give the Los Angeles Angels an 8-7 victory over the Hollywood Stars in a Pacific Coast League contest Saturday afternoon.

The Angel win broke a 12-game winning streak by the Hollywood club and ran the number of consecutive games in which Bilko has had a hit to 21.

Ryne Duren set the San Diego Padres down with six hits at Vancouver's Capilano stadium this afternoon to pitch the Mounties to a crisp 2-1 Pacific Coast baseball league triumph in the first half of a day-night doubleheader.

The victory was the second in a row for the tag-end Mounties, fighting to get back into the race from their eighth-place position. They had closed out a series in Sacramento Thursday night by thumping the Solons 14-1, and were rained out in their scheduled series inaugural with the Padres last night.

Duren was never in trouble as he scattered the half-dozen hits he permitted.

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Mesa and St. Claire; Duren and Romano.

Jones Defeats Rival Jim Lea In AF Track Meet

Los Angeles, Calif. — (U.P.)—Lou Jones equalled the fastest 400-meter dash ever run on American soil Saturday when he defeated his arch rival, Jim Lea, in the feature event of the 1956 Armed Forces Track and Field meet at Memorial coliseum.

Jones was timed in 45.7 seconds, the same clocking registered by Lea at the Compton Invitational track meet two weeks ago. He defeated Lea today by about two yards and proved his victory in the Pan American games 400-meter last year was no fluke. That was when he set the world's record of 45.4 seconds.

Wes Santee romped to an easy 20-yard victory in the 1500-meter run in meet record time of 3:47.3. He competed for the Marines, although he is ineligible for Olympic competition because of his suspension by the A.A.U.

One American Record Set As UCLA Wins NCAA Track Meet

Berkeley, Calif. — (U.P.)—One American and nine meet records were set Saturday as UCLA won the NCAA track and field meet to end a seven-year University of Southern California domination.

Picking up 18 points in the discus, where Ron Drummond and Don Vick finished one-two, the Bruins won their first NCAA championship with 55 7/10 points. Runnerup Kansas had 50 while USC finished third with 34 1/2.

But slender Arnie Sowell of Pittsburgh, who cracked the American record in the 800-meter run with a 1:46.7 clocking and Bobby Morrow, who scored 20 points for Abilene Christian by winning the 100 and 200-meter dashes, were the individual stars of the meet.

12 Seconds Flat

Sowell, who was timed by one clocker in 12 seconds flat for about 115 yards at the start of the race, was in front all the way. He had drawn an outside position, but at the crack of the gun he took off like a sprinter for the inside lane. He never let up.

Morrow won a hollow victory in the 200 as Dave Sime of Duke pulled up with an injury in his left groin. The Abilene speedster tied the NCAA record for the distance in 20.6, with Dick Blair of Kansas second in 21 flat. Bobby Whildren of Texas was third in 21.2.

The 1500 meter run was a thriller with Ireland's Ron Delaney running for Villanova winning a neck-and-neck stretch duel with Australia's Jim Bailey, running for Oregon. The time in this one was 3:47.3 with Bailey one tenth of a second back.

19 Starters

The event, with 19 starters, developed into something resembling a battle royal. On the home stretch of the first lap Bill Squires of Notre Dame was knocked off his feet, but quickly got up and rejoined the race, finishing 12th.

There was a jam up on the back stretch of the third lap and Delaney was knocked off stride as Don Bowden of California came around to temporarily take the lead.

Bailey and Delaney are the only collegians in history to crack the four-minute barrier in

the mile and were the co-favorites in this race. Sid Wing of USC nosed out Bobby Seaman of UCLA for third place.

There was another photo finish in the 400-meter dash, won by defending champion J. W. Mashburn of Oklahoma A&M over John Haines, the ICA champion from Penn. Both men were clocked in 46.4—two tenths off Herb McKenley's meet record in 1947.

OSC Offers Two Types of 1956 Tickets

Two types of season tickets will be available to Oregon State college fans for the coming football year.

Several thousand applications for tickets will go into the mails about July 1 for alumni, the general public, and others, according to Jim Barratt, business manager. Mail orders from these groups will be accepted after July 1 at Coliseum 103, Corvallis.

One ticket will sell for \$14.50 and includes the three Corvallis games against California, UCLA and Oregon, plus the lone Portland battle with Washington.

The other ticket for \$11 will be good for Corvallis games only. Reserved seat prices for all games are \$3.50 each, except for the Oregon-OSC Thanksgiving day clash when they will go to \$4 each.

Game dates are: California, Oct. 13; UCLA, Oct. 27; Washington, Nov. 3; Oregon, Nov. 27. For classes of 1931, 1936, 1941 and 1942 reunions will be Oct. 13. The 1946 and 1951 classes will hold reunions on Oct. 27.

Coach Tommy Prothro has lost 12 lettermen for the pending season but has 20 veterans and some excellent prospects from the OSC frosh squad of last year.

Oregon State's starting lineup at the close of spring drill included Norm Thiel and Bob De-Grant, ends; John Witte and Dave Jesmer, tackles; John Sniffen and Vern Ellison, guards; Bob Hadraba, center; Gerry Laird, quarterback; Joe Francis, left half; Sam Wesley, right half; and Tom Berry, fullback.

Defending champ Greg Bell of Indiana retained his broad jump crown with a leap of 25 feet, 9 1/4 inches. Phil Conley of Cal Tech won the javelin with a throw of 239 feet, 11 inches.

Ken Bantum tossed the shot 60 feet, 1/2 inch for a new NCAA meet record in that event while Bill McWilliams of Bowdoin had a toss of 195 feet, 3 inches to win the hammer throw—another meet record.

Pirates Sign 18-Year-Old

Pittsburgh — (U.P.)—The Pittsburgh Pirates announced the signing today of shortstop Roy Stotler, 18, Hagerstown, Md., who will be assigned to the team's Brunswick, Ga., farm club in the Class D Georgia-Florida League. Stotler, a righthanded batter, is 6-foot, 11 inches in height and weighs 155 pounds.

Grimm Seems On Way Out For Braves

New York — (U.P.)—Milwaukee Braves' officials have formally paved the way to let out Charlie Grimm as manager, and Coach Fred Haney probably will be named his successor for the remainder of the season, it was learned today.

Plans to dismiss the 57-year old Grimm became apparent at Ebbets Field Friday night when owner Lou Perini, asked point-blank about the Milwaukee manager's future, failed to give him a vote of confidence.

Perini, who flew into New York for the express purpose of discussing Grimm's status with executive Vice President Joseph F. Cairnes and General Manager John Quinn, was asked by newsmen whether he was prepared to say that Grimm would continue managing the club.

"I am prepared to say nothing," Perini said, dodging all further questions on the subject. Haney, who managed the Pittsburgh Pirates last season, will be more or less a pro-tem manager and according to a reliable source, the Braves will make every effort to sign ex-Giant pilot Leo Durocher as manager for 1957.

Cherif Eyes Title Shot

New York — (U.P.)—Featherweight contender Cherif Hamia of Algiers was promised today a late-September shot at the world title because of his superb victory over Puerto Rican Miguel Berrios in their electrifying fight at Madison Square Garden Friday night.

Before handsome Cherif sailed for France today, enroute to Algiers, Managing Director Harry Markson of the International Boxing club told him, "You've earned the title shot under heavy fire, and we'll begin immediate negotiations for the fight with champion Sandy Saddler."

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