

PATTERSON HALTS RADEMACHER IN 6th ROUND OF TITLE BOUT

By HAL WOOD
Seattle, Wash. — Floyd Patterson, 22-year-old tiger of the prize ring, relentlessly stalked the suctacious amateur, Pete Rademacher, through five rounds here Thursday night, knocked him down seven times—and finally out in the sixth.

In the greatest massacre since Custer's last stand, Rademacher took an even more severe pasting than did Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson when the latter lost to the champ only three weeks ago.

But the upstart Rademacher, making his first start as a professional, had the satisfaction of decking the champ before the roof caved in.

One wild swinging right floor-

ed Patterson in the second round for a four-count.

"I never knew what hit me and never even knew I went down," said the champion later.

"All I remember is getting up and fighting back."

Pete 15 Pounds Heavier

Patterson, who weighed only 167 compared with 202 for Rademacher, had things his own way from there in.

Referee Tommy Loughran gave both the first and second rounds to the challenger—but when the fifth round came along and Patterson poleaxed the challenger four times, the referee scored the round 10-0 for the champ.

The end came after 2:57 of the sixth. Rademacher went

down from a sharp right to the jaw. When he lumbered to his feet after a count of nine, Patterson stunned him with a swinging right and then a combination right and left sent him to the floor for keeps.

Outside of that second round, when the champ was on the floor, the 16,961 fans who paid \$243,030 to watch the uneven battle, didn't have much chance to cheer for their home-state lad.

But they couldn't fault the former football player on his courage. Nobody had expected him to win; and most had thought that he would go out in a round or two. But he kept getting up and going for more.

"When a man with an axe

starts chopping at you, sooner or later you are bound to go," was the way Rademacher summed it up after the fight.

Floyd Denies "Carrying" Pete

It appeared that after the third round, the champion could end it any time he wanted. But Patterson denied that.

"Rademacher is an Olympic champion. I was an Olympic champion and I know how Olympic champions fight."

"However, I was never worried. I knew I would win after the third round."

Patterson got a \$250,000 guarantee for the fight and his manager, Gus D'Amato, said he would take every cent of it.

"We are going to take the \$250,000 despite the fact that the promoter will lose money," D'Amato said. "But I want to say that Seattle is a great sports town. They should have a major league franchise here."

Neither Patterson nor Rademacher revealed their future plans. But there didn't appear to be much on the horizon in the way of opposition for the champion; and as for Rademacher he will have a rough time taking on any of the top 10 rated heavyweights.

SPORTS

KD'S Most In 23 Years

Seattle — Pete Rademacher's seven knockdowns by Floyd Patterson Thursday night were the most suffered by any principal in a heavyweight title bout in 23 years.

They were the most since June 14, 1934, when Max Baer floored Primo Carnera 11 times before giant Primo was knocked out in the 11th round.

Pete Would Fight Floyd Tomorrow

By PETE RADEMACHER (As Told To United Press)
Seattle, Wash. — Speaking as my own manager, there is nothing like starting at the top and working down.

I feel in good condition right now and would fight Patterson again tomorrow if I had a chance. I prepared myself for 15 rounds and felt I was getting stronger and more relaxed as time went on.

The entire promotion from the beginning to the end has been a wonderful and exciting experience. I enjoy fighting. I love fighting, but no decision has been made yet on whether I will continue as a professional. I can say right now that I was real pleased to have this fight in the state of Washington.

I went into this fight knowing I would have my hands full but it was going to be do or die. I guess for a while it looked like die. I thought I could last longer. I felt I was getting stronger at the start of the sixth round.

But when somebody is in there chopping away with an axe, pretty soon it gets to you.

Billings Nabs Legion Fray

Portland — Billings, Mont., is only one victory away from sewing up the Northwest Regional American Legion baseball tournament being played here.

Thursday night Billings recorded its second straight win, a 5-2 victory over Seattle American Legion post No. 11.



FISH LAKE LUNKER—There are big rainbow trout in Fish Lake and Zack T. Ricks, 136 Almond st., Medford, produced proof this week. Ricks, an employee of Kogap Veneer products, caught a 31 1/4-inch rainbow on Wednesday. The trout weighed 11 1/4 pounds and was eight inches in girth. The angler used a No. 6 hook, an eight-pound test leader and worms. He was still fishing. On the same day he landed two other rainbows 18 inches long. Trout are also biting on single eggs.

Interest in 4th In International

By UNITED PRESS
With first place in the International league down to a two-team race between Toronto and Buffalo, most interest today was centered on fourth place—the last playoff spot.

The Rochester Red Wings, currently in fourth place, lost ground both to Havana and Miami, the contenders for that spot, by dropping a 4-3 decision Friday night to the second-place Buffalo Bisons. Miami whipped Columbus 10-4, to move to within one and one-half games of Rochester, and Havana downed Richmond, 7-1, to get within four games of the Red Wings.

The league-leading Maple Leafs hung up their fifth straight victory, 7-2, over Montreal to remain a half game in front of Buffalo in their private battle for first place.



Sport Memos

Basketball is truly an American sport—started in 1891 when Dr. James A. Naismith attached two peach baskets to the balcony in a Springfield Y.M.C.A. gym to encourage indoor winter sports . . .

More on basketball I find that 12 of the rules of 13 that Dr. Naismith started are still basic . . .

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Fanfare

Our remarks which follow concern baseball but we'd like to get in a word on football first. Prep coaches of this area will be calling players out about Labor Day for their first drills of the season. We'd like to hear from the mentors on when they plan to call grid aspirants to draw their equipment, to take physical exams and for first practices.

While we did not particularly enjoy their final game of the season, the 22 to 14 affair with Ashland-Talent, we saw the 1957 edition of the Medford Cheney Studs play plenty of interesting baseball. Since the Studs this season did not face so much tough opposition as Cheney in teams of past recent years, it is hard to compare them with former aggregations which displayed the red hair. However, this year's club did hold its own with at least two of the top rated nines of the northwest and it certainly ranks as one of the most colorful crews the Cheney Lumter company has fielded here.

Loughran Favors TKO Abolition In Title Tussles

By DICK JEWETT
Mail Tribune Sports Editor

Seattle, Wash. — Hand-some Tommy Loughran, the world's light-heavyweight champion of a generation ago, thinks the "technical knock-out" should be abolished in all championship fights.

Loughran, the third man in the ring for last night's heavy-weight bout between Floyd Patterson and Pete Rademacher, has some sound reasoning—and he can point to some incidents in his own career to prove he is right.

"I never heard of anyone getting seriously injured in a fight just because he has a cut on his head and the blood is streaming out," says Tommy. "Two men who are big and strong enough to fight for a world championship must be in shape and such a bout should not be halted until it has gone the distance or the count of 10 has been tolled over one of the boxers."

Heart of America Tourney Begins

Kansas City, Mo. — A fancy field of women golfers teed off today in the \$5,000 Heart of America Open on the rugged terrain of the Blue Hill's club 6,400-yard course.

The golfers faced hills and narrow fairways on nearly every hole and par-75 will be an elusive goal. Host professional Duke Gibson guesses that a 225 total for the 54 holes, women's par, probably will be adequate for the title and top money.

One of the favorites because of her long shots was Betty Dodd, San Antonio, who won the Ladies Open at Jackson, Miss., last week end. Mickey Wright, San Diego, also a powerful driver, was runner-up there and highly regarded in this three-day event.

The golfing sisters, Alice Bauer and Marlene Bauer Hagge both get good results with their woods and should find this layout receptive to their games. Alice lost in a sudden death playoff for the 1955 title here to Marilyn Smith, Wichita, Kan.

STADIUM LIVENS VAD

Medford could use facilities on the order of the Memorial stadium at Camp White with larger seating capacity. It's true that the Veterans Administration domiciliary park has some "bugs." But those can be worked out in time. So far as playing conditions are concerned, the addition of outfield turf by next season will be the big improvement. Enthusiasm shown by the VAD members in both softball and baseball at the field is an indication of what a good ball park can do to liven a community.

The VAD stadium and the participation of the Cheney Studs were features adding flavor to the Rogue Valley league this year. Disappointment was that the Camp White club was not more of a contender.

GOOD COMBINATION

What made the Studs interesting and colorful to watch? We think it was a combination of the experience provided by Manager Frank Roelandt, Coach John Kovenz, Jack Cooney and Jerry Bartow and the youthful hustling eagerness of such players as Frank Rector, Ron Owings, Larry Perkins, Ed Reinking, Jerry Droscher and Duane Sides plus their respective talents for the game.

SO REVIVAL POSSIBLE

What of semi-pro baseball in this area next year? Addition of the Studs for 1957 boosted the prestige of the Rogue Valley circuit and probably boosted the caliber and competitive spirit of at least some of the teams. But the domination by the Studs brought some rumblings of dissatisfaction and there may be pressure to keep the strong Cheney club out of the 1958 loop.

More than likely, nevertheless, the Medford semi-pro club actively will seek resumption of the currently suspended Southern Oregon league, which is what this department wants to see. There's some evidence that enough teams can be mustered to make the faster loop possible again.

Political Science Appointment Listed

Walla Walla — Dr. Robert Yee has been appointed political science instructor at Whitman college, President Chester C. Maxey announced Thursday.

Yee will teach for one year while Dr. Robert Y. Fluno is on a leave of absence.

PLAY FOR TITLE

Williamsport, Pa. — Monterrey, Mexico, and La Mesa, Calif., meet today in the championship game of the Little League World Series after both teams won their first round playoff games Thursday. La Mesa, spurred by the one-hit pitching of 12-year-old Joe McKirahan, overwhelmed Escaraba, Mich., 7-1, and Monterrey, Mex., edged a 2-1 victory over Bridgeport, Conn.

PARK NEEDED

With the Studs performing so well, the turnout of fans should have been much better. It's a shame that it wasn't. We realize that there are conflicting attractions and interests to keep people away. But we still wonder how much park facilities have to do with it. Again we venture to say that a new ball park with comfortable accommodations for spectators would make a huge improvement in attendance.

The Cheney Lumter company has done much to better the accommodations and appearance of

VERY MUCH HOME CLUB

Those who contend that the Cheney firm imported a lot of talent for the 1957 squad should take a second look. Practically all of it was local. Only two players on what became the permanent roster were men from outside the area—Jerry Bartow, ex-Washington State collegian, and Jerry Droscher, an Oregon State collegian from Roseburg. It must be admitted that both were key members of the squad. Bartow a topnotch pitcher and Droscher, the leading hitter on the club for the season.

Shortstop Ron Owings, of course, is an ex-Klamath Falls high star, but can be classed pretty much as a "local" as a Southern Oregon college athlete.

CARRY OVER HOPED

This department hopes that the greater interest in American Legion junior baseball shown by the Medford Legion post will carry over into next season. The Medford nine this year was on the young and inexperienced side. Next year should be more successful.

PARALYSIS SUFFERED

Ron Perry, Medford high and Junior Legion outfielder, who finished the summer on the roster of the Cheney Studs, suffered facial paralysis when hit in the head with a pitch in the Ashland-Talent baseball fray last Saturday. His condition at Rogue Valley hospital at last report was "good."

Logart, Byars Fight Tonight

Detroit — A pair of rangy welterweights, Isaac Logart and Walter Byars, who have only the best of hopes for welter champ Carmen Basilio, will meet tonight in a 10-round nationally televised bout.

Logart and Byars don't have any special fondness for Basilio, but if Basilio could win the middleweight title from Sugar Ray Robinson Sept. 23, then tonight's winner might get a chance at the welter title.

Ted Williams Out of Slump

Chicago — Ted Williams snapped out of a two-game batting slump Thursday and now leads Mickey Mantle, 386 to 377, in their race for the American league batting title.

Williams, hitless in the last two games of the series, had two hits in four tries Thursday as the Red Sox pummeled the Indians, 11-3. The Yankees whipped the Athletics, 11-4, but Mantle had only one hit in four attempts. Mantle leads in homers, 32-31, and runs batted in, 85-730

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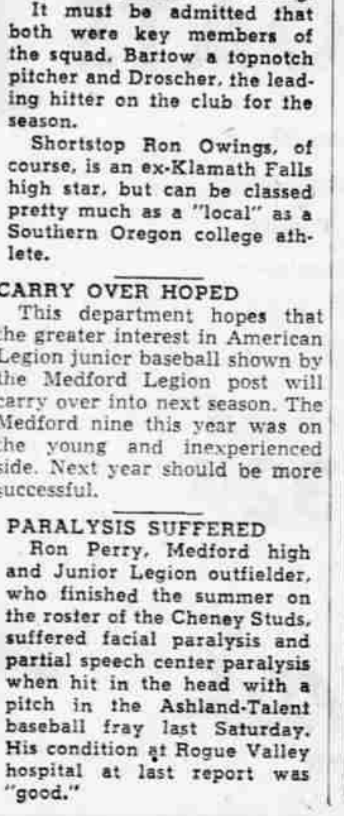
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