

Scepter Challenges Whether Yanks Put Better Boats Afloat

By JACK V. FOX

Newport, R. I. — (UPI) — The English lady leaned over consolingly to Sir Thomas Lipton, back home after another vain effort to win the America's Cup, prime trophy of world yachting supremacy.

"Those Americans," she said. "I think they put something in the water over there to beat us."

"Yes, they do," agreed Sir Thomas. "Better boats."

That anecdote goes back to the 1920s.

This week end in the stiff breezes off Newport, the British with a spanking new sloop and a Royal Navy friend of Prince Phillip in command challenge whether Americans are still putting better sailboats in the water.

Symbol of Supremacy

The trim racers are appropriately named — Britain's Sceptre and America's Columbia with top flight crews brought to keen edge by practice races all summer.

At stake as a prize is a 27-inch tall cup made of silver and alloys. Its original cost was 100 guineas (\$500). When the United States first won it in 1851, the crew discovered it couldn't even be used as a drinking vessel. They poured in champagne only to discover the cup has no bottom.

But the cup has a lure like no other to men who love the sea and by Saturday it will be jammed 50,000 yachting enthusiasts into President Eisenhower's vacation spot to see England try for the 17th time to get back the America's Cup.

Ike May Watch

It is truly a "World Series" of yacht racing with the boat which takes the first four out of a possible seven races becoming the cup winner. The races start Saturday with a break on Sunday and resume throughout next week.

There will be a full-dress dinner of the English Speaking union on the eve of the first race in the great ballroom of The Breakers, the famous ancestral mansion of the Vanderbilts looking out over the course some 13 miles out of Newport harbor.

President Eisenhower may go out to see one of the races although the President is a man whose recreational tastes do not run to salt water. The last real sailing enthusiast in the White House was Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Roosevelt watched a race in 1934 and he sent a curt message to a Navy destroyer which edged with photographers too close to the British yacht. "What are you doing, challenging her to a contest?" FDR radioed the destroyer. It quickly withdrew.

Won By "America"

The cup was won by this country 107 years ago when the New York Yacht club sent over its beautiful new racer, "America," and entered the regatta of the Royal Yacht Squadron at Cowes.

Seventeen British boats were matched against the America in the race around the Isle of Wight and Queen Victoria and her Albert watched at the finish line. To their dismay, the sails of the America hoisted into view first. "Who is second," asked Victoria.

"Madam," a hesitant aide said to her Britannic majesty, "there is no second." He was not quite right. The little British boat, Aurora, did finish the race much later. All the others dropped out or were disabled.

Since then the cup has been an irritant and a magnet. Lipton was the most famous of

the challengers and he tried until his 80th year in 1930. The last match was in 1937 when Harold S. Vanderbilt in his famous Ranger beat back another challenger by British aviation magnate, T. O. M. Sopwith.

Crowds Irked British

The matches over the years stirred hot controversies and ill-will. The British were particularly irked over the great swarms of excursion boats and other water-borne spectators. In 1895 an estimated 60,000 persons jammed the waterway outside New York harbor.

In 1930 the race was switched to Newport and this time Coast Guard cutters, Navy destroyers and boats of the yacht club will keep the course clear.

Small boat skippers from Maine to Florida have sailed here for the races and national interest has zoomed. It is understandable when one realizes there are now more than 7 million pleasure boat owners in the country compared with less than 2 million in the 1930s.

Hotels in Newport are gone for \$15 a room. Six excursion boats with rates of \$15.50 a day will put out from Newport. The Columbia Broadcasting System will radio a description of the races from a Coast Guard cutter and Navy blimp.

Lipton Spent Fortune Estimates of the money spent to challenge and defend the \$500 cup since 1851 range as high as 30 million dollars with the British putting out two thirds of it and Lipton himself about 10 million dollars.

The races alternate on two courses. The first is twice around two six-mile lengths, first into the wind and then running before it. The second will be on a triangular course of eight miles on each side.

Britain has high hopes this time of bringing home the cup. Professional skipper Stanley Bishop, father and grandfather sought the Grail in years gone by, revealed the Sceptre has brought along a crate in which to stow the America's Cup.

Royals, Leafs In Final Series

Montreal — (UPI) — The weary Montreal Royals will call on righthander Bob Darnell to pitch against veteran Ed Blake of the well-rated Toronto Maple Leafs in tonight's opening game of the best of seven International League final playoffs.

The all-Canadian final round came about when the Royals trounced the Columbus Jets, 11-0, Tuesday night to win their semifinal series, four games to three. Toronto entered the final last Sunday by eliminating Rochester in five games.

Stover Captain Of UO Eleven

Eugene, Ore. — (UPI) — End Ron Stover, named on most summer All-American lists, has been elected captain of the University of Oregon football team for the 1958 season.

HARRINGTON VICTOR

Honolulu — (UPI) — Stan Harrington, 151, Honolulu, won a decisive 10-round decision over Joe Miceli, 149, New York City, Tuesday night at Honolulu Stadium.

Dionne Quintuplet, Son 'Doing Well'

Montreal — (UPI) — Cecile Dionne, first of the four surviving Dionne quintuplets to become a mother, and her newly born seven pound, four ounce son, Claude, were reported doing well at St. Justine hospital today.

Cecile, 24, gave birth Monday. Dr. Maurice Noel, an obstetrician gynecologist, delivered the baby. Yvonne, a nurse and the only unmarried girl among the famous sisters was with Cecile during the delivery.

Cecile is the wife of Philippe Langlois, 27, whom she married almost 10 months ago.

SPORTS



ECKEL BYU STANDOUT—Paul Eckel, shown with his coach, Hal Kopp, may be recognized as one of the finest linemen in Brigham Young university football history before he is graduated. The ex-Medford high player was a regular starter at guard for the Cougars as a sophomore last season and looms as a strong Skyline conference all-star candidate. Because of Eckel and other players of his caliber, Brigham Young is figured to take the conference bunting this fall.

Elliott Feels Cal Should Be Better Than Last Year

(Another in a series on the prospects of West Coast Football teams for the coming season.)

By SCOTT BAILLIE
Berkeley, Calif. — (UPI) — California, seeking to get off the canvas after last year's disastrous season, now also must recover from the shock of losing two seasoned lettermen.

But Coach Pete Elliott thinks the Golden Bears will be a better team than the one which lost nine out of 10 games last season.

"We are not a real good team yet but I think we'll improve," the boyish Elliott says. "Quarterback Joe Kapp is considerably better, that's for sure. And he has a good veteran in Gus Gianulias backing him up."

The biggest losses to the infantry were end Ron Currie and center Bob Chappone. Both suffered injured knees that have sidelined them for the year. That left the Bears without much experience on the outside although Frank Doretti seems in charge at Chiappone's inside post.

"Our fullbacks will run the ball a lot more this year," Elliott says. "And we may have the horses in Tony Perrin a veteran and Bill Patton and Walt Arnold, two sophomores."

Promising Sophomores
Other sophos who are expected to give California a much-needed lift include quarterback Larry Parque, center Andy Segale who is impressive in pass defense, halfback Wayne Crow who might become the team's No. 1 kicker, and tackle Bill Streshly.

College of the Pacific is the first opponent for the Bears and Elliott wasn't too happy with the way the scrubs moved through the regular with Tiger plays during a recent scrimmage.

"That's where we need the most improvement, on defense," Elliott said. "We also have to sharpen our passing." Currie's loss was a blow, as he was the only end with any solid experience left on the squad. And Chiappone had figured to be Elliott's main punter.

"He really could boom that ball," Pete said. "However, we'll probably divide the kicking now between Crow, who is good at placements, Kapp and Sophomore Mitch Reins."

The starting ends presumably will be manned by sophomore Skip Huber and Tom Fraser, a junior. At the tackles it looks like Frank Sally, a letterman, and Streshly. Don Piestrup and Pete Domoto, two more veterans, are on either side of Doretti.

Tough Schedule Ahead
Kapp's backfield will be rounded out with halfbacks Jack Hart and Hank Olguin with Perrin making it an all-senior combination unless Patton ousts him.

Gianulias, quarterback of the Lynn Waldorf era who was out all last year with injuries, is in charge of the No. 2 offense which could include Crow and Steve Bates along with Patton or Perrin.

Elliott says that the schedule is just as tough as last season's, which couldn't have been worse:

SOC Red Raiders Getting Into Shape for Starter

Ashland — After a very satisfying scrimmage against Shasta Junior college last Saturday morning in Weed, Calif., the Red Raiders of Southern Oregon college opened their second week of two-day practice in preparation for their initial game against Moffet Air Base next Saturday night in Ashland.

Coach Al Akins of the Raiders seemed happy about play Saturday of the Raiders after five days of practice. With a traveling squad of only 28 men, the Raiders showed good speed and stamina throughout the two hour scrimmage. They gave evidence that they are rapidly getting into top flight shape.

The men of SOC scored three times to Shasta's once with a pass from Jack Brown to Gordie Carrigan covering about 40 yards for the Raider's second score of the game.

Maurer Shines
Larry Maurer looked exceptionally good as he ripped off several long gains up through the middle of the line for 10 and 15 yard gains with Del Brood picking up some long gainers around the ends.

All was not peaches and cream though for the Raiders for they lost the services of Punk Biddington for at least 10 days due to a leg injury. Biddington was a top flight end on both defense and offense and was possibly due for starting duties this Saturday night.

Quarterback Lance Locke continued to look sharp by hitting his targets on a number of passes in addition to doing some running.

On defense the Raiders held quite well and allowed the Shasta Knights only four first downs; whereas, the Raiders were forced to punt only once. Al Sodaro, Dick Smith, Phil Swain, and Dick Swinney along with Troy Bellah and Marion Jack were continually throwing the Shastas for losses.

Polish Efforts
The Raiders opened this week's practice with emphasis on passing and running in an effort to polish off a well balanced attack for when they meet Moffet in the seasonal opener next Saturday.

As yet no line-up is available as Akins continues to juggle the various defensive and offensive combinations in an effort to come up with two winning units.

Injuries have been kept to a minimum with Larry Cranston, Larry Yarnell, and Punk Biddington the only ones on the sideline list. All have leg trouble.

COUGARS MAY PLATOON
Pullman, Wash. — (UPI) — Coach Jim Sutherland of Washington State gave his team one more taste of heavy scrimmage Tuesday in preparation for Saturday's opener against the Stanford Indians. Sutherland worked his two best teams as single units — a further indication that he may hit his opponents this season with platoon substitution under the relaxed rules.

HUSKY BACKS SPEEDY
Seattle, Wash. — (UPI) — The University of Washington Huskies concentrated on defense and kickoff return drills Tuesday during a practice session in preparation for their opener with San Jose State college. Luther Carr, Carver Gayton and George Fleming looked good on kickoff returns, and Coach Jim Owens said he was pleased with the speed of his first two backfields.

VANDAL SWITCHED
Moscow, Idaho — (UPI) — John Roussos, a 217-pound senior, has been moved from center to right guard in the University of Idaho line by Coach Skip Stahley. The switch came during two-day practice sessions in preparation for Saturday's opener against the University of Oregon Ducks. Stahley split the Vandals into three teams yesterday to work on Oregon's offensive plays.

REJOINS PHILS
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REALIGNMENT TALKED
Columbus, Ohio — (UPI) — Minor league president George Trautman was to meet again today with about 60 minor league executive and major league farm directors in an effort to settle the ticklish problem of realignment.

Groups met Tuesday for 12 hours, two of which were given over to the realignment of clubs. It was doubtful the problem could be settled, since most clubs wanted to go into higher classifications and since geographic realignment would place some cities in lower classifications.

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Brown Jug Race Billed

Delaware, Ohio — (UPI) — The fastest field on the world's fastest half-mile track is almost certain to make Thursday's renewal of the rich Little Brown Jug for 3-year-old pacers the best yet.

The 12 pacers entered, led by the favored Bye Bye Byrd, included four of the fastest 3-year-olds ever entered in one race.

The \$66,252 race will be in heats, with two heats needed to win. All 12 pacers will compete in the first two heats, and in a third if necessary to produce a two-heat winner. But if each heat produces a different winner, then the three heat winners will go in a show-down fourth heat.

Casanova Seeks To Fill Morris' Shoes for UO
Eugene, Ore. — (UPI) — Coach Len Casanova spent most of Tuesday looking for someone to fill the kicking shoes of Jack Morris, who booted 25 points for the University of Oregon Ducks last season.

Charlie Tourville, Sandy Fraser and Terry Cagaanan worked for 40 minutes on field goals and Pat's as the Ducks prepared for Saturday's opener against Idaho.

Sawmill Workers Vote To End Strike
Spokane — (UPI) — A vote by about 700 Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union members Tuesday ended strikes against White Pine Sash Co. and Western Pine Manufacturing company here.

Union spokesmen said that workers will return to their jobs today and Thursday. The settlement included wage increases of seven and one-half cents an hour and six paid holidays, effective on June 1, 1959.

Union officials said 200 members at Lincoln and Inchellium were expected to ratify similar agreements to end a strike against the Lincoln Lumber company.

Population of Japan was estimated at 9.1 million late in 1957, a gain of 1.1 million within about 15 months.

Qualifiers Led By Rosenblatt

Portland — (UPI) — Dr. M. S. Rosenblatt of Tulatin led Oregon qualifiers for the National Senior Golf Championships at Monterey, Calif., Sept. 29 with a 74 Tuesday. Ted Fleskes of Royal Oaks was second with 76 and Marty Leptich of Portland's Riverside course was next with 77.

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