

Near Riot As Giants Top Tribe

Phoenix, Ariz.—UPI—The San Francisco Giants whipped Cleveland, 7-5, yesterday for their fourth consecutive Cactus league win, and second baseman Andre Rodgers took his knoxes for the second straight time, almost starting a riot on the diamond.

Rodgers, smashed in the face by a wild pitch the day before, was knocked to the ground by Indian baserunner Jim Bolger in the ninth inning.

Since Bolger was running outside of the base path, Rodgers figured it was an illegal attempt to break up a double play and grabbed the Cleveland player by the neck. Within seconds the field was full of uniforms.

Rigney Thwarted
But fortunately no one took a swing at anyone else, though Giant Manager Bill Rigney was thwarted in his effort to have declared out at second.

The Giants, trailing by one run in the seventh, came through with five runs to cinch the contest.

The inning started with a double by Willie Kirlind, followed by a homer by Rodgers, which put San Francisco ahead 4-3. Then Eddie Bresnold clouted another homer and Jackie Brandt came up with a solid two-run round tripper a few minutes later, giving the Giants an unbeatable edge.

San Francisco had an open schedule today because of Good Friday.

Marlatt Fires 78 for Raiders

Santa Cruz, Calif.—UPI—Fresno State held a 10-stroke lead after Thursday in the 13th annual Northern California College golf championships.

Fresno State had a 294 Thursday with San Francisco State second at 304.

Oregon was tied with Seattle for seventh at 313 while Oregon State was far down the list at 329 and Southern Oregon had 334.

Individual scores included Tom Shaw, Oregon, 73; Stom Jakobsen, Oregon, 74; Bob Meyer, Southern Oregon, 76; Jack Mattison, Oregon State, 78; and Gordon Marlatt, Southern Oregon, 78.

14 Black Tornadoes Enter Salem Relays

Fourteen members of the Medford High school track and field squad will participate Saturday in the Willamette relays in Salem, Coach Dean Benson has announced.

He reported that Leonard Griggs, Ron Relch, Kent Blew and Phil Humphreys will run in 440 and 880 yard relays. Distance medley men will be Roger Johnson in the mile, Mark Norton in the three-fourths mile, Brue Hill in the

Lakers 2-2 In Playoff Against SL

St. Paul, Minn.—UPI—The Minneapolis Lakers and the St. Louis Hawks stood all even today at the end of four games in their playoff series when the Lakers came from behind to down the Hawks, 108-98.

The teams have been trading home court victories and Thursday night it was the Lakers turn to win and they did.

The victory evened the National Basketball Association best-of-seven series at two games each for the Western Division playoff championship. Minneapolis jumped to an early 19-point lead, but the Hawks opened up with a scoring attack that took them into an 80-78 lead by the end of the third period.

The Lakers combined the scoring of Elgin Baylor and Dick Garmaker to regain the lead and the decision. Baylor hit for 32 points while Garmaker scored 38 for the Hawks, 35 of them in the first three quarters.

The fifth game of the series will be played in St. Louis Saturday night.

Duck Trackmen Head for Meet

Eugene—UPI—A 22-man University of Oregon track team left Thursday for the opening dual meet of the season Saturday against Fresno State. Oregon has won 28 straight dual meets over the last five seasons.

The two best-of-seven series switch to the home rinks of the losing teams Saturday night.

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Illinois Fish-Way By Blasting

Cave Junction—Cole Rivers, Oregon Game commission biologist, in addressing the recent town meeting sponsored by the Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce, spoke encouragingly on the development of the Illinois river as a hatchery for spring salmon, the building of a public fishing lake in the Illinois Valley and the opening of a fish-way channel at the falls.

He also warned against the building of the proposed power dam at Bald mountain, by the Coos-Curry Electrical cooperative.

Rivers informed the group that the Illinois is now the only stream of the Rogue basin being used for the planting of hatchery reared spring salmon. He said the most favorable spawning areas were found in both forks of the upper Illinois, the Alt-house, Sucker creek and Deer creek. However, below the falls, the facilities are limited.

"Conditions for progress toward the spawning beds should be made as ideal as possible, as the spring salmon are easily discouraged by any barrier on the stream."

To this end, the game commission will start work at the falls area in July or August to open a fish-way channel by blasting away the rock barrier. This will be in preparation for the first return from salt water which is due this fall, for some 50,000 fish which were released in the Illinois river.

In his warning against the building of the Coos - Curry Electric cooperative dam, Rivers advised the chamber to insist on devices to aid migrating salmon and steelhead. He further stated, "Experience has shown that no matter how elaborately fish ladders and other devices are constructed, they do interfere with the migration of sport fish."

The Oregon Game commission has petitioned the U. S. Forest service to repair and maintain the road from Selma to the falls, for the purpose of increasing the recreational values of the area. The game commission plans to build a parking area at the falls which will be in keeping with their policy to assist in making productive fishing waters available to the public.

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SPORTS

Decision on Which Players To Retain Stengel's Problem

(This is the ninth dispatch on the prospects of the major league clubs in 1959.)

By LEO H. PETERSEN
UPI Sports Editor

St. Petersburg, Fla.—UPI—Don't take too much stock in what rival American league managers are saying about the Yankees — that they can be beaten.

Casey Stengel says they can't.

Stengel, who has guided the Yankees to nine pennants in his 10 years as manager, picks Detroit as the club most likely to give him team trouble.

"But what the hell, let's face facts," Stengel said. "We have players on our bench, what the hell, we even have players in the minors who would be regulars on any other club but the Yankees."

"They say I've got problems. Well, then who says it should have the same ones. They'd be happy. My problem is to decide which players to keep. We only have major leaguers. The other clubs have to decide what minor leaguers they want to carry."

Wants More Pitching
Stengel admits he would like more pitching, but adds "what team doesn't?" He thinks he has enough as it is, but as insurance he would like to pick up Dick Hyde from the Senators in case his relief specialist of last year, Ryne Duren, should not recover completely from his knee operation.

He also has to consider Whitey Ford's sore arm and Don Larsen's ailing shoulder. Casey, however, isn't worried about either. Bob Turley, the hero of the Yankees comeback from behind World Series triumph over the Braves last year, will be his No. 1 pitcher. He had a 21-7 record in 1958 and looks better than ever this spring.

For other starters there are Ford (14-7), rated one of the best clutch pitchers in the business; Larsen (9-6); Johnny Kucks (8-8); Tom Sturdivant (3-6); Duke Maas (11-8) and Art Dittmar (9-8). Backing up Duren (6-4) in the bullpen, he has Bobby Shantz (7-6), who also can be spotted as a starter; Zack Monroe (4-2) and two veterans, Murry Dickson (10-7) and Virgil Trucks (2-2).

Of the Yankee rookie hurlers, Mark Freeman, who won 13 while losing 10 at Denver last season, has the best chance to make it.

One Position Set—Mantle's
Actually no position on the Yankees, outside of center-field where Mickey Mantle

will hold forth, is set. It looks like it will be Hank Bauer in right and Norm Siebern in left with the 43-year-old Enos Slaughter in reserve.

But Stengel has more outfielders than that. Yogi Berra, long the Yankees' No. 1 catcher, can play right field and Elston Howard, who probably will take over for Berra as the top catcher this season, can play left. Any way, Stengel wants to shift them, he isn't hurting.

John Blanchard, who hit 291 at Denver last year with 19 homers and 98 runs batted in, also is in the catching picture, as is last year's No. 3 man, Darrell Johnson.

Until Tony Kubek gets out of service—which he will be shortly—Stengel will shuffle his infield around. Moose Skowron figures to start at first, but Howard also can play that position. Also there is Marvin Throneberry.

Another Yankee Pennant
Bobby Richardson probably will be at second, Gil McDougald at short and either Andy Carey or Jerry Lumpe at third. But when Kubek returns, he figures to take over the shortstop post with McDougald taking over second from Richardson.

Stengel has a fine glove man in Fritz Brickell, who can play either short or second and who hit .266 at Denver last season. Then there is Cletis Boyer, who batted .284 at Richmond and who can play the infield or outfield.

The Yankees have plenty of other possibilities—so many in fact that Stengel admits he does have "one problem."

"They're all so good, it's going to be hard to decide which players to keep," he explains.

Whichever ones he decides to keep, they figure to make a shambles out of the American league pennant race in 1959—just as they did last year.

Oregon Staters Take Matches

Iowa City —UPI—Three Oregon State matmen were victorious Thursday at the NCAA wrestling championships.

Fritz Fivian, 157, defeated Jerry Ray of Iowa Teachers in a preliminary match and then defeated Al Gibbons of Carleton in a first round match.

Mitsy Tamura, 115, drew a bye and then defeated Fred Rittschof, Wisconsin.

Don Conway, 167, drew a bye and then defeated Vince Gonino, Ohio State.

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Track in SOC Spotlight; Alex Petersen Coaching

Asland — Track holds the spotlight on the Southern Oregon college campus next week when the Raider cindermen play host to the Knights of Shasta Junior college on Friday, April 3.

This year's squad sports a number of new faces and a new coach. Alex Petersen has taken over for regular coach Dan Bulkey, who is on a leave of absence this year.

Petersen hopes this year's squad will show improvement over last year's fourth place in the Oregon Collegiate conference. With the new competitors and returning lettermen there is a definite show of more depth.

In the sprints Clarence Baker and Gordon Clayton return along with Baker's brother, Stuart, who will also see action in the 440 yard dash.

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