

Patterson-Johansson Fight Off Until Friday Evening; Rain Forces Postponement

The Floyd Patterson-Ingemar Johansson heavyweight title fight will now be seen on Friday night by closed circuit television at the Craterian theatre. Doors will open at 5 p.m. and the fight will be at 6:30 p.m. The theatre management said it would go ahead with its television plans despite, going along with the postponement. All tickets for the Craterian presentation were sold by Wednesday.

By JACK CUDDY
New York—UPI—The Floyd Patterson-Ingemar Johansson heavyweight title fight today was postponed from tonight to Friday night because of rain and wet grounds at Yankee Stadium.

"I consulted with the New York Boxing Commission and the people at Yankee Stadium," promoter Bill Rosenzohn said. "The infield was very muddy and in deference to the public we have postponed the bout until Friday night. If conditions remain the same, we will decide about the alternate date Friday."

The postponement was announced two hours after the fighters had weighed-in, with the Swedish challenger holding a 14-pound advantage over champion Patterson. Johansson scaled 196 to Patterson's 182.

Lower Poundage
Patterson's poundage was his lowest since he became champion. He weighed 182 the night he captured the vacant title by knocking out Archie Moore on Nov. 30, 1956. Floyd went to his low again last month in his 11th round knockout of Britain's Brian London at Indianapolis.

The postponement is expected to affect Patterson more than Johansson, because the champion requires extreme "sharpness" to do his best. No additional weight will be required within 48 hours, and after that it's up to the New York Athletic commission.

Speedy Patterson of Rockville Centre, N. Y., became a longer favorite today at 5-1, as the odds jumped from 4-1. It was "even money" that the bout doesn't last eight complete rounds, regardless of the winner, and 11-5 that it doesn't last 15.

Patterson Eager to Win
Patterson, making his fifth defense of the crown, claims he is eager to win impressively over the unbeaten Swede.

champion of Europe. Such a victory would help dispel any suspicions that he may be a "cheese" champion.

Handsome, burly Johansson claimed all-out determination to win the championship heroically and prove that those of his countrymen who had branded him a coward after the 1952 Olympics were ignoble liars.

If he beats Patterson, he would become the first Swedish-born world champion in any division, and the first foreign heavy world champion since giant Primo Carnera of Italy lost the title to Max Baer in 1934.

Meanwhile, Rosenzohn announced that the advance sale had topped \$500,000, the amount needed for him to break even. He expects a gate of \$600,000, he said, and a crowd of about 38,000.

Theater Telecast Only
There will be no home-television; but the fight will be radio-broadcast to homes by ABC. The Teleprompter corporation will send the bout by closed-circuit TV to 170 theaters and arenas in 135 cities, where 550,000 seats are available. Advance sales indicate the gross seat receipts will approximate \$1,400,000.

Patterson, 24, is a long favorite because of his speed and punch. He knocked out 16 of his last 17 opponents. He is favored also because brown-haired, fair-complexioned Johansson, 26, was unimpressive in training. Despite his reputed thunderbolt right fist, he never scored a knockdown in 151 rounds of sparring for this bout.

Moreover, Ingemar's left jab and left hooks appeared mediocre.

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Medford and Central Point American Legion junior baseball squads have at it again on Saturday evening.

They play at 8 p.m. on Saturday at Cheney field here. Both clubs are in the southern division of Area 4 but the fray will be non-league. It will be the third meeting of the clubs. Medford won 4 to 0 and 7 to 3 last Sunday.

Central Point was to have played Grants Pass yesterday in a twilight contest but the fracas was cancelled by Grants Pass.

Coach Mel Ingram of GP Mock Ford first informed Coach Bill Askwith of Central Point's Cheney Studs that the Climate city was dropping Junior American Legion ball because of player shortage and field use problems. Later, however, Ingram telephoned Askwith, who is southern division commissioner and said Grants Pass was cancelling

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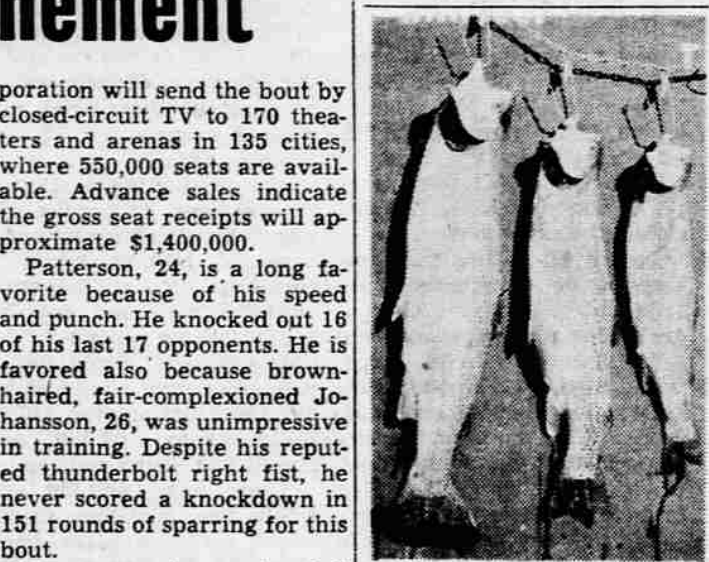
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SPORTSCASTS

Radio station KYJC will carry the Floyd Patterson-Ingemar Johansson world heavyweight title bout at 6:30 p.m. Friday.



LARGEST KAMLOOPS—The 21 1/2-inch 4 1/4 pound kamloops shown at the left here was the largest rainbow trout caught last week at Diamond Lake. Mrs. Charles Bennett, 820 Marshall ave., Medford caught the three fish and two others last Saturday drifting with a fly, which has proved a successful method for evening and early morning fishing at the lake. Angling was fair last week and reported picking up. Still fishing and trolling also got results. A good number of the fish were running from 18 to 20 inches like the middle one shown here. Highway 230 from Crater Lake highway to Diamond Lake is now open to traffic after having been closed by a slide.

Ashlanders Win Over Camp White

Memorial Stadium, Camp White—Ashland's semi-pro baseball nine bunched three of its five hits in one inning and took advantage of bases on balls and home team errors to defeat Camp White 6 to 1 here last night.

It was a non-league game. Both clubs are members of the Rogue Valley league and Ashland has a counting tangle on Sunday when Camp White draws a bye. The Whittiers go back into action on Monday night when they host the Army's San Francisco Presidio team.

Gleneagle Purse High

Chicago—UPI—The biggest purse of the summer golf swing, \$57,000 with \$9,000 to the winner, was at stake today for 151 golfers teeing off in Gleneagle's Country club's second annual Chicago Open.

Among the favorites for the title were defending champion Ken Venturi, National Open winner Billy Casper and Masters champion Art Wall jr., but a hot putter for anyone in the field could turn the scrap into a one-man show.

The course measures only 6,350 yards, far shorter than the usual test for the pros, but the greens are tricky. They're rolling, hilly and deceptive, and hence while most of the players can reach the greens in normal figure, they run into trouble sinking the putts.

YANKS SIGN PITCHER

Sillwater, Okla.—UPI—Right-hander Roy Peterson, a star on Oklahoma State university's NCAA national championship baseball team, has signed a "very satisfactory" bonus contract with the New York Yankees. He will play with Fargo-Moorhead, N. D., of the Northern league.

GAME MEN MEET.

Portland—UPI—The 39th annual conference of the Western Association of State Game and Fish Commissioners will be held here June 29, 30 and July 1 with representatives from the fish and game departments of the 12 western states, including Alaska, and the province of British Columbia in attendance.

Phoenix, Ariz.—UPI—Phoenix jumped on Pearl Pinion for four runs in the first inning and then held on for a 6-3 win over the Lind Florists of Portland here Wednesday night in a women's softball game.

BOWLING

CENTENNIAL ROLLERS

Standings:	W.	L.
Fifty Niners	7	1
Goofers	5	3
Krazy Kats	4 1/2	1 1/2
Pin Heads	4	4
Team Four	4	4
Three Squares	4	4
Tattlers	3 1/2	4 1/2
Cotton Pickers	3	5
Near Misses	3	5
Left Overs	2	6

Results:
Left Overs 1 (D. Smith 370) 982;
Team Four 3 (S. Puett, 386) 1073;
Fifty Niners 4 (E. Read, 487) 1224;
Near Misses 0 (P. Grant, 431) 1138;
Three Squares 3 (B. Mathews, 380) 1043; Pin Heads 1 (Judy Barnum, 427) 1015;
Tattlers 1/2 (B. Davis, 454) 1158;
Krazy Kats 3 1/2 (J. Kraus, 347) 1199;
Goofers 4 (D. Edwards 457) 1338;
Cotton Pickers 0 (L. Neely, 451) 1264;
High game—Neil Jones 184.
High series—E. Read, 467.
\$ 9 1/4 conversion—P. Grant, 5-7-9; M. Larsen, 5-7.

SEATTLE SEEKS TOURNAY

Seattle—UPI—A Seattle Golf club official said Wednesday the chances of getting the Walker Cup golf tournament here for 1961 are "very good." The club filed a formal application for the 1961 tournament to go along with the sports program planned for Century 21 Exposition. The Walker Cup tournament never has been played on the West Coast.

St. Louis—UPI—The St. Louis Cardinals have asked the National league to place pitcher Alex Kellner on the disabled list. Kellner suffered a muscle tear in his left elbow while pitching against the Milwaukee Braves Tuesday night.

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Stacey, Sullivan Semi-Final Players in State Junior Golf

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They will meet in Friday finals if they cop semi-final matches today.

Miss Stacey yesterday defeated Joan Edwards, Columbia-Edgewater 1 up and was to play Sue Jennings, Oswego, today. Miss Sullivan won 4 and 3 from Mary Doyle, Riverside. Her rival today was Wendy Moberry, La Grande.

Portland—UPI—Lynn Yturri of Ontario scored a 6 and 5 win over Dennis Soran, Klamath Falls, in the feature match Wednesday of quarterfinal action in the 1959 Oregon Junior Golf championships at Riverside Country club here.

He meets John Hedlund of Oswego in a semi-final match today. Hedlund dropped Riverside's Dick Wagner 6 and 4.

In other feature quarterfinal action Wednesday Chuck Allen, Roseburg, defeated Bob Wolsborn of the host club, 3 and 2, and Pete Geertsen, Eugene, took a 9 and 7 decision over John Snyder, Lebanon.

Riverside's Fred Taylor won by the biggest spread in the boys' division quarterfinals in downing Alan Hudspeth, Prineville, 4 and 3.

Results of Medford entries yesterday in the state junior golf meet included:

Boys Division—Chuck Allen defeated Bill Wilkinson, The Dalles, 2 and 1, first flight; Doug Olson lost to Scott Smith, Oswego, 3 and 1, second flight; Larry Berg defeated Jim McNeely, Astoria, 6 and 4, fifth flight; Ray Heyssel defeated Mike Brands, Rose City, 5 and 4, seventh flight; Rich Knight lost 1 up to Tom Kabler, Roseburg, sixth flight; Tom Clark lost to John Meussle, Portland, 1 up, 12th flight.

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Mickey Wright Begins Defense

Pittsburgh—UPI—Mickey Wright began defense of her Open Golf championship at Churchill Valley Country club today, setting her sights on becoming the first woman to win the crown two consecutive years.

Miss Wright, of San Diego, Calif., faced tough opposition over the 6,104-yard, par 70 course. Included in the field of 24 professional and 39 amateur golfers was Betsy Rawls, currently the hottest thing in ladies golf. Betsy has won five major tournaments this year on the women's tour and is the leading money winner.

Beverly Hanson, fresh off her victory in the American Women's Open in Minneapolis, is another who could pick up a first place check for \$1,800. The tournament offers a total of \$7,500.

Pre-tourney talk has made Miss Wright, Marlene Bauer Hage and Louise Suggs the three to beat.

ASHLAND, MEDFORD CINDER MEET HOSTS

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Pillette Shuts Out Salt Lake Bees 1-0

By DON BECKER

United Press International

The pitchers have not only caught up with the hitters in the Pacific Coast league, they've passed 'em.

Eight teams sent their slugger lineups through four nine inning games last night and all that resulted was a measly 17 runs. That's not even par for the course for a single game at Phoenix. This was the second straight night the hitters have been anemic.

A pair of shutouts highlighted the action—or lack of it. Duane Pillette tossed a three hitter while pitching Portland over Salt Lake, 1-0, and Dick Stigman of San Diego ended a personal seven game losing streak by blanking Seattle on five hits, 2-0.

Chris Nicolosi turned in almost as good a job as he stopped Sacramento 4-1 for Spokane and in the only other game, Phoenix edged Vancouver, 5-4.

George Freese, the league's leading pitcher, singled home the winning run in the ninth inning to give Pillette his third win of the season

against no defeats.

Milt Graff opened the ninth inning with a triple for Portland and he came home on Freese's single after hard luck loser Dick Hanlon had intentionally loaded the bases.

Hanlon gave up only five hits while being nicked for his fourth loss against one win.

San Diego's Dick Stigman was in command all the way as he won his third game in 13 decisions. Claude Osteen, who gave up both Padre runs and six hits in eight innings, was the loser and is now 4-4.

The Pads broke up a scoreless duel in the seventh when Rod Graber singled home a pair of tallies.

Nicolosi banged out a pair of hits and bunted across a tally in addition to pitching outstanding ball for Spokane. A crowd of 9,329, largest ever at Spokane, saw Nicolosi score his seventh win against three losses. Joe Stanka, who was relieved in the seventh, was handed his third loss against 10 wins.

Bill Wilson led Phoenix to its victory as he pounded his 16th home run to put himself in a tie with teammate Willie McCoy for the league lead. Wilson's blow came with one man on in the second inning.

The Giants touched four Vancouver pitchers for 14 hits. Bud Watkins, a former Mountie recently acquired by the pitching weak Giants, was credited with the win. He tired in the ninth and had to be relieved, however.

Jim Dyke hit a two run homer in the ninth for Vancouver to close the gap to 5-4 but reliever Marcelino Solis put out the fire.

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