

Hicks Predicts Moyer Victory

Seattle - (UP) - "Schoolboy" land tonight. Bobby Hicks, Pacific Northwest lightweight champion who picked Ingemar Johansson to knock out Floyd Patterson within five rounds, Thursday predicted Denny Moyer would win the welterweight championship of the world. Moyer, 19, unbeaten in 20 fights, meets 147-pound titleholder Don Jordan in Portland tonight.

Great Britain's coastline is more than 4,000 miles long.

SPORTS

Swedes Tip Americans

Baastad, Sweden - (UP) - American concern about defense of tennis' Davis Cup increased today as a result of another loss pinned on the top U. S. doubles team of Alex Olmedo and Barry MacKay.

Olmedo and MacKay, who bowed in an early round during the recent Wimbledon championships, fell again in the semi-final round of men's doubles in the Baastad International tennis tournament Thursday when they lost to the Swedish team of Sven Davidson and Torsten Johansson, 1-6, 15-13, 9-7, 6-3.

The match required two hours and 40 minutes but the Swedes gained the upper hand when they finally took the marathon second set after six times reaching set point in the 28th game. MacKay, off his game here after going to the men's singles semi-finals at Wimbledon, once again was erratic.

Olmedo, obviously cruising easily to save his energy on one of the hottest days of the year here, won his men's singles quarter-final Thursday over 19-year-old Thomas Hallberg of Sweden, 5-7, 6-2, 6-1, 6-1.

Beverly Fleitz of Long Beach, Calif., and Joan Johnson of Los Angeles both advanced to the semi-final round in women's singles.

HOW TO FIX TICKET
Tampa, Fla. - (UP) - Councilman Olin Huffman told his colleagues he'd been fined \$3 for driving through a yellow caution light. They promptly voted to instruct the legal department to draw up a new law, to make such action legal.

HOPES THEY'RE WRONG
Mobile, Ala. - (UP) - Today is the Mobile Weather Bureau's annual picnic. The forecast is for scattered showers. "We'll hold it anyway and hope we're wrong," said Chief Forecaster Billy Tilson.

New York - (UP) - Hugo W. Wahlquist, 63, noted engineer, died here Thursday.

Court Appeal Yet Hangs Over Chavez Ravine

Los Angeles - (UP) - The Los Angeles Dodgers, just percentage points out of first place in the National league, appeared today to be just about the same distance from their proposed new home in Chavez ravine.

The latest developments in the long-playing dispute over the ravine:

—One of two attorneys seeking to appeal the Chavez ravine case to the United States Supreme Court gave up his legal move because of finances.

The city advertised for bids for two million dollars worth of grading work on the ravine with bids to be opened July 22.

The only obstacle left in the Dodger Chavez ravine plans is Attorney Phill Silver, who said he intended to press his appeal to the U. S. high court even though fellow barrister Julius Ruben dropped his appeal attempt.

Back All Way
The committee to save Chavez ravine said it would back Silver all the way. Silver has filed notice of appeal with the high court.

The California Supreme Court has twice upheld, by unanimous rulings, the contract which turns 315 acres over to the Dodgers for the park. The land in the ravine originally was condemned to make way for a housing project.

If the high court allows Silver's appeal to be heard, the status of the park would be clouded until their final decision - which could take months.

But with the new developments, the Dodgers are making plans to move into a 50,000 seat stadium by next year.

CARTOON NICKNAME
Minneapolis - (UP) - Minnesota owes it "Gopher State" nickname to a bitter newspaper cartoon published in 1857 in opposition to a railroad bond issue passed by the state legislature, according to historian Charles Flandrau. In the cartoon, gophers were used to depict supporters of the bond as well as what were identified as "bribed senators." Flandrau says Minnesota kiddingly started referring to one another as "gophers" and the name stuck.

Sport Parade



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New York - (UP) - Marathon swimmer Greta Andersen, a luscious blonde from Long Beach, Calif., said today she hopes to puff the double cross on a hex by double crossing the English Channel.

Ever since the days of Gertrude Ederle, first woman to conquer the frigid, treacherous waters of the French-English bathtub, long distance swimming has been tabbed as a sure route to obscurity. It's a far piece to fame and splashing sprinters such as Esther Williams, Johnny Weissmuller and Buster Crabbe did a quick crawl into the Hollywood swim.

Greta, the naturalized cute from Copenhagen, figures she can find fame and fortune right in the water and without benefit of cameras by becoming the first person to swim the English Channel both ways non-stop.

Last summer she became the first person to swim both ways across the Catalina Channel which, like the English Channel, is about 21 miles wide. The difference is that the tides are worse and the water is much more frigid in the English Channel.

Method for Beating Cold
"I've figured out how to beat the cold," she smiles. "I'll do the latter stages of my training in my native Copenhagen, and after the water there the English Channel will seem like a warm bath."

The water-soaked Greta, who spends seven hours daily in training, has cut out quite a chore for herself. Completing one-half of the Channel swim, she must take seven steps by herself. But before starting her return swim, she must stay in water up to her knees and cannot remain there more than a half hour.

If you wonder why people attempt these types of chores, take into consideration that Greta has been earning from \$15,000 to \$20,000 annually since turning professional three years ago. This loot is obtained through such mediums as prize money, lectures, teaching, testimonials and performing in aquades.

A food supplement firm will sponsor her "double crossing" attempt and it's quite a project. Her retinue will include some 40 people including the crews of the two boats which will accompany her, five or six pacers who will be in and out of the water to keep her on schedule and her husky husband, John. This time he won't need the rifle he uses in warmer waters to protect her from man-eating sharks who make no differentiation between the sexes.

Eyes Naples-Capri Prizes
Before she makes her two way attempt in August, Greta will compete in the Naples-Capri marathon event as a tuneup and has eyes on a two-way prize, both the first place money to the winner and the top women's prize.

While she has the looks to invade the movies, the hazel-eyed Greta can credit a knee cyst to her marathon swimming successes.

Now 30, she was a comparatively late starter as a swimmer. It wasn't until she was 15 that she became a competitor and yet by the time she was 19 she was second in

State Centennial Opera in Debut

La Grande - (UP) - The world premiere of "Ten Thousand Miles," an opera written specifically for Oregon's Centennial year will be held here tonight.

The special Centennial year celebration opera was written by John De Merchant, New York baritone. De Merchant has directed several productions in La Grande.

Romantic leads for the production will be Patsy Hutchinson and Howard Anderson.

Miss Hutchinson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Hutchinson of Union. Anderson is a professor at Eastern Oregon college in La Grande.

Other solo parts will be sung by Evadne Kelsoe and Dave Skeen.

"Ten Thousand Miles" tells the story of people who come from far and wide to find a promised land.

Spray Plane Crash Fatal To Pilot

Adrian, Ore. - (UP) - A crop-spraying plane crashed and burned in a beet field between here and Nyssa today, killing the Nampa, Idaho pilot.

The victim was James Dyer, 34, an employee of Clark's Flying Service at Nampa.

Police Chief E. L. Hanson of Nyssa reported the accident at 6:22 a.m. He said both the pilot and plane were burned. Dyer's body was taken to the Lienkamper Funeral home at Nyssa.

Dyer was spraying insecticide on a beet field on the Leland Montgomery ranch when his Piper PA18A crashed.

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