



BLIND STUDENTS—Six students from the Oregon state school for the blind were over night guests in Medford last week, on their way to the California School for the Blind in Berkeley to engage in athletic competitions there. The youths, ranging from 12 to 15 years of age, took part in wrestling, bowling and track activities with blind students in the California school. They are pictured above at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Richardson, Medford, where they were

dinner guests Thursday evening. Members of the Medford Crater Lions furnished meals and lodging for the group and on their way back the Talent Lions club was to put them up for the one night stop. The boys are, left to right, John Stiers, Michael and Pat Mulvey, twins; Gary Taylor, George Newberry and Harvey Twombly (on floor). With the group was Roy Brothers, physical education teacher at the school, and Mrs. Brothers.

Extortion Trial in LA Resumes

Los Angeles — (UPI) — The defense takes over today in the extortion-conspiracy trial of underworld boxing boss Frankie Carbo and four others accused of trying to gain control of a fighter by illegal means.

The trial, which started Feb. 21, has been recessed for a week to give the defense attorneys time to prepare their case.

U.S. District Judge Ernest A. Tolin Monday blocked defense attempts to free Carbo. He denied two motions by attorney William B. Beltrone, one for a directed verdict of acquittal and one for striking certain portions of evidence from the record.

Judge Tolin also refused to order acquittal verdicts for two other defendants, Frank Blinky Palermo of Philadelphia and Joseph Sica, Los Angeles.

Carbo, Palermo, Sica, Truman Gibson Jr. and Louis Tom Dragna are accused of attempting to get part of former welterweight champion Don Jordan's contract by coercion.

Basketball Fix Hearings To Resume Today

New York — (UPI) — Hearings in the case of accused basketball fixers Aaron Wagman and Joseph Hacken were scheduled to resume today in felony court.

Both men were arraigned before Judge Louis F. Walsh last Wednesday. They were given a hearing two days later but another hearing was adjourned until today at the request of their attorney.

Wagman and Hacken were taken into custody March 17 on charges of bribing players from Seton Hall university and the University of Connecticut to "shave" their teams' point totals.

Wagman has been held in \$50,000 bail while Hacken has been free on \$25,000 bail. Wagman's bail was set at a higher amount, because authorities said they feared he might flee the country before his trial.

BAKER SIGNS

San Francisco — (UPI) — Defensive halfback Dave Baker, who last year tied for the NFL lead in pass interceptions, today signed his third contract with the San Francisco Forty Niners.

Featherweight Title Fight Saturday Night

New York — (UPI) — Davey Moore of Springfield, Ohio, makes the third defense of his featherweight title against Danny Valdez of Los Angeles on Saturday night in a 15-round bout that is one of six word championship bouts being fought this month.

The non-television bout, promoted by George Parnassus, will be staged in the Los Angeles Olympic auditorium and finds 27-year-old Moore defending against a 21-year-old opponent who was ranked No. 8 in Ring Magazine's April ratings.

In his two previous defenses, Moore knocked out Hogan (Kid) Bassey of Nigeria in 11 rounds and out-pointed Kazuo Takayama in Tokyo. Valdez has split his last six bouts, one of which was a knockout of Ricardo Gonzales of Argentina. On experience and punching power, Moore is expected to be a solid 3-1 favorite.

SPORTS

Giant Sensation Getting Shelled In Cactus Play

Casa Grande, Ariz. — (UPI) — Juan Marichal is getting shelled and the San Francisco Giants' management is scared.

The rookie sensation of last year got his lumps again Monday as the San Francisco Giants fell before the Los Angeles Angels, 21-9, at Phoenix. Marichal joined the team late last year and compiled a 6-2 mark. Fifteen or possibly 20 victories did not seem out of his reach this year.

This spring, however, Marichal has worked 19 innings and compiled a 13-74 era.

The carnage continued Monday as he started on the hill for San Francisco and gave up five earned runs and two unearned tallies in five innings.

Tate Lumps — Eddie Fisher and Jim Daffel each worked two innings and also took their lumps from the hi-happy Angels, who collected 20 hits during the afternoon.

Take guys who have bounced around the big leagues for many seasons homered for the winners — Del Rice, Steve Biko and Faye Thorneberry.

Of some solace to manager Alvin Dark was the fact that the Giant sluggers continued their warm pace.

Felipe Alou belted two homers and Ed Bressoud one to lead a 12-hit attack.

Marichal may have pitched his way out of the Giants string rotation Monday. Rumors have it that his place may be taken by Billy Loes, who is reversing Marichal's story this spring.

Less Than Effective — Loes, who has been an extremely hot and cold performer during his decade in the big time, has been less than effective during the past two campaigns with the Giants.

But he has shown new talents this spring and appeared sharp again Monday as he and Stu Miller pitched the Giant "B" team to a 6-0 win over the Chicago Cubs "B" team at Mesa.

Loes went five frames and Miller three as the game was halted after eight innings. Loes' Tacoma farm club here, ed its Tacoma farm club here.

Jack Sanford and Billy O'Dell were scheduled to pitch for the San Francisco Giants, who have now won 12 and lost 10 in Cactus League play.

Grade School Baseball Play Opens April 6

Elementary school baseball schedule of the Medford school district opens Thursday with counting games in two of the three leagues and practice tangles in the other.

Rogue Valley league action will see Lincoln at Lone Pine and Ruch at West Side. In the American circuit Howard will go to Griffin Creek and Oak Grove to Jacksonville.

The National league's warm ups are Wilson at Hoover, Roosevelt at Jackson and Washington at Jefferson.

Five Inning Game — Games will start at 4 p.m. during the season except for a 3:30 p.m. time for tussles at Ruch.

Teams are to play five inning games on diamonds with the bases 75 feet apart and the pitcher's mound 50 feet from home plate. Nine-inch softballs will be used.

Although games are scheduled for five innings, no inning is to start later than one hour from the time the game begins. The games are exceptions to this rule.

Minor Events Change Top ABC Action

Detroit — (UPI) — Minor events bowlers provided the major changes at the American Bowling Congress tournament Monday as play resumed in all divisions.

In team play Monday night two classic division clubs, the Grand Rapids Gravel team of Grand Rapids, Mich., and the Edmonds club of Detroit, were off to poor starts.

Joe Morys was the only Edmonds bowler to get over 600 with a 643 as his team opened with a 2869 series. The Gravel club had 2785 and also only one bowler over 600 as Carl Rozema totaled 616.

The best regular team score was a 2845 by the Vosinet Garments of Columbus, Ohio, paced by William Keethler's 611.

During the afternoon's action Chuck Wintersteen of Hammond, Ind., took third in classic singles with a 673 and Everett Mackey of Painesville, Ohio, fired a 684 to tie for fifth in regular singles.

MOYER STOPPED

New York — Phil Moyer of Portland dropped a middleweight fight to Puerto Rico's Obdulio Nunez here Monday night when a doctor halted it at the end of the eighth round because of a bad cut over Moyer's left eye.

Rainfall in Portland Fails To Set Record

Portland — (UPI) — March rainfall in Portland did not set a record.

Portland had 8.28 inches of rain during the month, compared to a normal of 4.15. But March of 1916 the city had 11.57 inches.

Detroit Sees Hope Of Finishing Above AL Second Division

(This is another in a series on the 1961 prospects of the major league teams.)
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Lakeland, Fla. — (UPI) — There are a lot of new things about the Detroit Tigers this year and they hope that all of them put together will get them out of the American league's second division.

Their new manager, Bob Scheffing, thinks they will. He's counting on a lot of new players to give the Tigers the impetus they need to better their sixth place finish in the second division.

Scheffing can afford to go with youth because he has a two-year contract. It was the first time since 1933 that the Tigers, who went through six managers in the last three years, have given a manager a two-year term since Mickey Cochrane in 1938. When Cochrane was fired in August of that year the Tigers decided to limit managers to one-year contracts.

But to get Scheffing they had to go for two, and Scheffing is sure the club will not be sorry.

Goes With Rookies — Because of that long-term protection, Scheffing has decided to go along with two rookies as regular infielders — Jake Wood at second and Steve Boreas at third. He also is counting on pitcher Phil Regan, brought up last season, and such newcomers as center fielder Billy Bruton, catcher Dick Brown, infielder Chuck Cottier and pitcher Terry Fox. All were obtained in trades.

There are other rookies who have a chance of sticking with the club, too.

George Thomas may win an outfield utility berth, Bubba Morton may make it as a reserve infielder and outfielder, and pitchers fighting for the two vacant spots on the hurling corps.

The corps is led by starters Frank Larry (15-15), Jim Bunning (11-14) and Don Mossi (9-8). Paul Foytack, who seems recovered from the shoulder trouble which resulted in a dismal 2-11 record last year, Bob Ruce (4-7) and Regan are the other starting candidates. Regan won nine games at Denver last season but dropped four when he reported to the Tigers late in the season.

Fox, 12-9 with Sacramento, will be in the bullpen together with Hank Aguirre (5-3).

Leaves Club — Veteran Ray Narleski, who was on the disabled list all of last season with arm trouble, has left the club and said he would not return unless the Tigers assured him a position on the team.

That leaves two pitching spots vacant. Donohue, who had an overall 11-9 record with three Triple A clubs last year; Grzenda, 4-5 at Birmingham; Seyfried, 12-9 at Denver, are among the prospects. So is Bill Fischer, who was 8-3 with Washington and Detroit last year.

Wood, who hit .305 at Denver, will take over for Frank Bolling, traded to the Milwaukee Braves, at second. Boreas, who hit .317 at Denver with 30 home runs and 119 runs batted in will be at third.

Norman Cash, who hit 18 homers and drove in 63 runs with a .286 batting average, will be at first and Chico Fernandez .241 at short.

Scheffing isn't satisfied with his shortstop and has tried Cottier, one of the players obtained in the Bolling deal at short. He has played second and can do the job with the bat. Scheffing will start the season with Fernandez, however, in the belief that he will help to correct Wood's faults, which include making the double play, at second.

Larry Osborne, up from Denver where he hit .342 with 34 homers and 119 RBIs, has been hitting well and may be kept as a reserve first baseman. The other utility infield men may be the veteran Dick Gernert and Ossie Virgil.

Bruton will be in center flanked by Al Kaline, who has been hitting the ball hard in the Tigers' strong showing this

spring in right and Rocky Colavito in left. Bruton hit .286 with the Braves while Kaline slumped to .278 and Colavito to .249 in 1960. But they could give the Tigers one of the best outfields in the league with Charley Maxwell ready to step in at any time. Thomas, who hit .283 at Birmingham, will win a reserve post and so may Morton, a .296 hitter at Denver.

Brown, who was with the White Sox and Miami last year, will be the No. 1 catcher with Harry Chitt, obtained from the Athletics, and rookie Mike Roarke, who hit only .255 in Denver, in reserve.

In addition to the manager and players the other things new about the Tigers are their Detroit park and new uniforms.

And starting with 1961, Scheffing believes another new thing will be a first division finish. It could well be in the expanded 10-team league, but the Tigers do not figure in the same class as the Yankees, Orioles, White Sox and Indians.

Diamond Club Will Be Fielded At Happy Camp — Happy Camp, Calif. — Happy Camp will field an organized semi-pro baseball team this year after being idle since 1953.

According to Howard Nevins, manager for the local club, a franchise has been obtained in the Northern California league. A meeting was called to all interested players and sponsors March 28, in which officers were elected and business was discussed. The new team will be called Happy Camp "Braves."

Dave Tite was elected director; Don Link, alternate director; Nevins, manager; Mrs. Nevins, secretary-treasurer; Charles Russell and Milton Kevershan, hard members representing sponsors, and Frank Looten, alternate board member.

Nevins reported that sponsors had been cooperative in donating money toward the franchise purchase and the cost of the new uniforms. Sponsors he named were Log Cabin bar, Evans Mercantile store, V & K Logging, Wagon Wheel bar, Wes Bley logging, Union Station Happy Camp Auto and Home supply, Chevron station, Alice's Gift shop, Del Rio heater, Happy Camp drug, Happy Camp Liquor store, Swaim's Standard plant, Hillside resort, Ealy's supermarket, Three Rivers Gas Co., Bob's Shell service, Buckhorn lodge and Siskiyou mills.

Five In League — According to Nevins there will be five teams in the league, composed of Scott Valley, Dunsmuir, Mount Shasta, and Yreka and Happy Camp. The season will start June 4, although Happy Camp drew a bye for the first week. Final game will be Aug. 13, concluding a 10-game schedule which includes two byes.

This is the first time Happy Camp has entered the Nor Cal league. However, in the six years that the local club was in the Siskiyou County league, it was always a top contender. The first year, 1947, that a team was fielded the Happy Camp "Indians" won first place over six other teams. In 1948 it lost first place in the final scheduled game, and finished second. The team was idle in 1949 and again played in 1950 through 1953, it could never quite reach the top, but never finished lower than third place.

FIGHTS — By United Press International. New York — Obdulio Nunez, 157½, Puerto Rico, stopped Phil Moyer, 153½, Portland, Ore. (6).

Buffalo, N.Y. — Jackie Donnelly, 126, Buffalo, outpointed Tommy Tibbs, 128, Boston (10).

Tokyo — Masao Gondo, 161½, Japan, knocked out Fumio Kaizu, 160½, Japan (2).

Chicago — Billy Bragg, 127½, Milwaukee, outpointed Art Wilburn, 128, Galesburg, Ill. (6). Willie Westbrook, 128, Chicago, outpointed T. J. Jones, 149, Chicago (8).

San Francisco — Hank Casey, 159½, San Francisco, outpointed Eddie Andrews, 161, Las Vegas, Nev. (10).

Minnesota Twins Counting on Fans

Orlando, Fla. — (UPI) — There are many baseball people who feel the old Washington Senators' fifth place finish last season was a flash in the pan and that as the Minnesota Twins they will not do as well in the expanded American league in 1961.

Neither Manager Cookie Lavagetto nor President Calvin Griffith agree. They think the club is on the way to better things and are counting on the enthusiasm of the fans in Minneapolis and St. Paul to aid them to help them climb higher in the standings.

Griffith, more optimistic than ever, predicted the club could finish as high as second. But Lavagetto isn't aiming that high. He realizes he has more problems to solve than the clubs which finished ahead of him last year and lets the matter of where he might finish in 1961 drop with the reminder that had it not been for late season injuries to key players the team would have finished fourth.

In their surprising finish last year the Senators solved one of their problems — catching. They obtained Earl Battey from the Chicago White Sox and he now is classed as among the best in the league.

Pitching, Shortstop Problems — But they still have two vital problems — shortstop and pitching.

Shortstop is concerning Lavagetto the most. He is counting on Zorro Versalles to do the job. There's no doubt about his fielding but there is considerable doubt about his hitting.

He hit only .133 with the old Senators in 15 games last season after batting .278 at Charleston with eight home runs and 50 runs batted in.

If Versalles doesn't make the grade the spot will fall to Jose Valdivielso, a fellow Cuban who hasn't done the job in the past. He's a good glove man but weak hitter, batting only .213 last season.

The rest of the infield will

see Harmon Killebrew, the club's big stick man, at first, the veteran Billy Gardner at second and Reno Bertola at third.

Despite two injuries, one of which was responsible for his

slow start, Killebrew hit 31 home runs and batted in 80 runs with his .276 average. Gardner hit .257 and Bertola, playing regularly for the first time, .265.

Bill Consolo, the Boston Red Sox castoff, and Don Mincher, who hit .306 at Charleston, figure to be the infield reserves.

Ramos, Pascual Aces — Pitching becomes a problem after starters Pedro Ramos (11-18) and Camilo Pascual (12-8). Pascual, considered one of the best right handers in the league in 1959 when he won 17 games for a last place club, hurt his arm late last season and there is some concern over whether he has recovered completely. Pascual thinks he has.

For starters behind them Lavagetto has high hopes for John Kralick (8-6), Chuck Stobbs (12-7), Don Lee (8-7), Jim Kaat (1-5), Fred Bruckbauer, (4-5) at Charlotte, and Ralph Lument, (5-10) at Charleston.

The veteran Ray Moore figures to be the top relief man. Other hurling candidates include Paul Giel, the former

Minnesota football star who was 2-0 with the Pirates and 0-3 with Salt Lake last season; Ted Sadowski, 8-8 at Charleston and Jerry Arrigo, 8-1 at Clinton.

It doesn't add up to a staff that is going to scare a lot of batters.

Along with Killebrew and Battey, the Twins look for power from two of their outfielders — Jim Lemon and Bob Allison.

Lennie Green, .294 last year with five homers and 33 RBIs and Dan Doherty, who hit 10 homers and drove in 30 runs with a .218 average, are the centerfield candidates.

\$40,000 Steal Pulled by NY

St. Petersburg, Fla. — (UPI) — Credit the New York Yankees with at least a \$40,000 steal.

How does that figure? Last fall the Yanks threw pitcher Duke Maas into the player pool to stock the new clubs at Los Angeles and Washington, and the Angels plucked the durable right-hander for the going price of \$75,000.

Monday, the Yanks, hurt most by the player draft, got Maas back from the Angels in an even-up swap for shortstop Fritz Brickell, excess baggage as far as the Yanks were concerned.

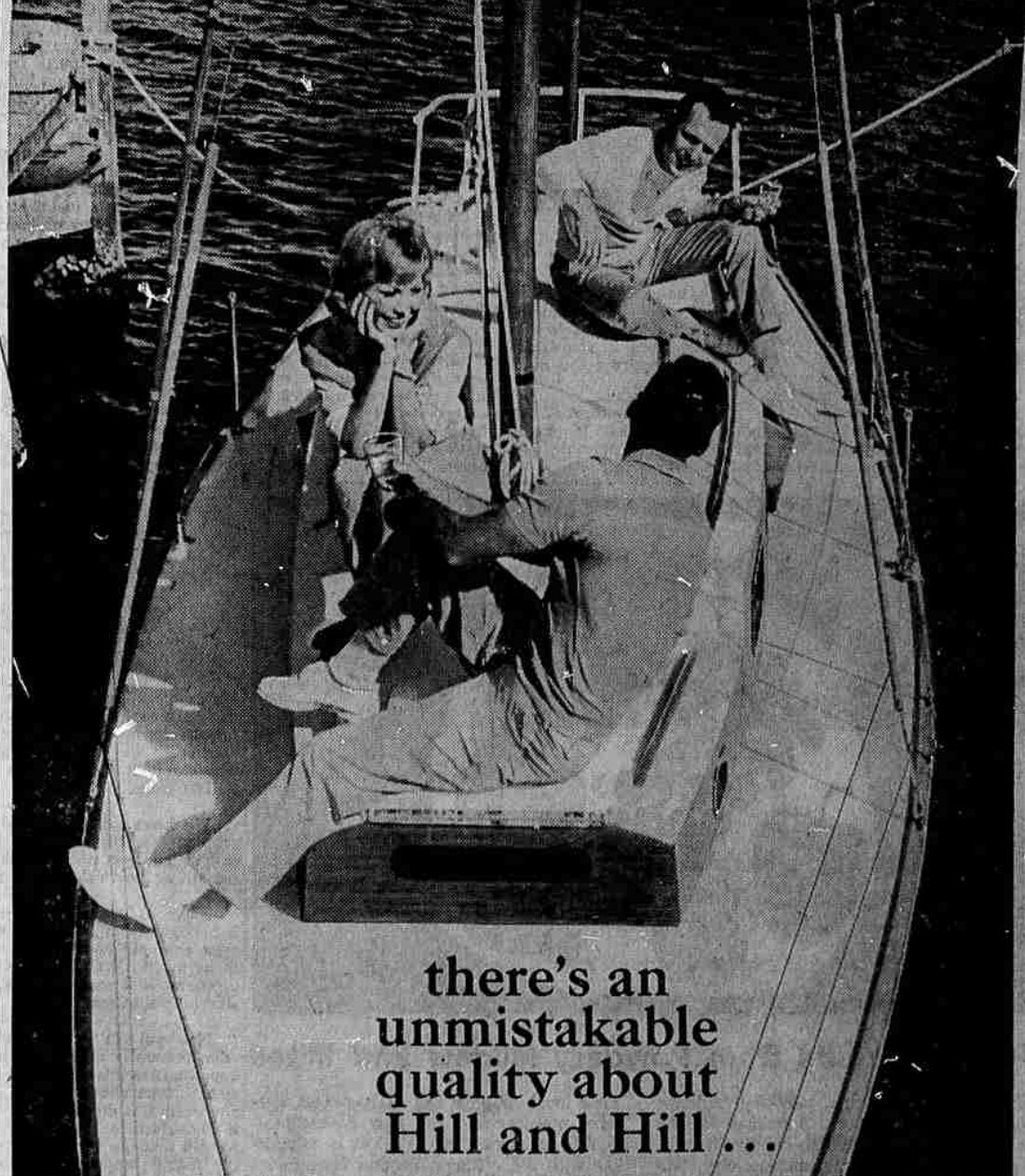
Figuring Brickell's value on the open market at \$35,000 — at the most the Yanks made new general manager Roy Hamey's first deal a highly successful one.

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