

Changes May Affect Giants

Shift in Training Grounds, Use of Livlier Ball Undoubtedly Will Have Some Effect. Wrestler's Back Broken in Fall From Ring. Improvements Made at Modoc Field.

President John Heydler of the National league dug himself out of the snowdrifts at Garden City and went to New York to bid "God speed to the baseball team which, for the present at least, is first in the hearts of its countrymen."

The New York Giants opened their drive for a second straight National league pennant and world championship Tuesday, when a small group of players started the flight south to the training grounds, a migration that will be joined shortly by most of the other major league clubs.

"I hated to see the boys start south—without me," said the venerable National circuit president. "Of all the years I've been in baseball, I don't think I've ever awaited the opening of a season with so much impatience. I'm so restless, I feel as if I'm wearing a hair shirt sometimes. What a season it is bound to be."

Heydler pointed out that he was keenly interested in the Giants, who though standing pat with their championship regulars of 1933, are taking a large squad to their Miami Beach training camp.

The big question is: Will the shift of their training camp from Los Angeles to Florida, the adoption of the uniform "livlier" ball and the numerous changes in management and personnel throughout the league help or hinder the Giants during the season which opens on April 17?

This is the first time since 1931 that the Giants have trained in Florida. John McGraw shifted from Sarasota in 1932 to the Pacific coast.

The livlier ball may prove an important factor in the success or failure of the Giants this season. Last year, using the "dead" ball, Terry's men marched to victory on a wave of brilliant pitching and air-tight fielding. Their great hurlers, Hubbell, Schumacher, Parmelee and Fitzsimmons, took command of the diamond and pushed the circuit's sluggers into the background.

Heydler believes the Giants will find plenty of competition this year. "The league appears the best balanced in many seasons," he explained.

Next time a wrestler is thrown from the Legion hall arena, consider the plight of Dave Johnson, professional matman of Fresno. Johnson, a light heavyweight, was tossed from the ring the other night and he ended up in the hospital with a broken back.

Authorities are considering bringing action against his opponent, Al Battist, Johnson is completely paralyzed and may never walk, let alone wrestle, again.

That, apparently, is just how serious some of these so-called grudge matches can become.

Modoc field looks like a battleground today. The CWA employees have been at work spreading a new layer of dirt on the playing field, improving the drains, and making the field considerably more adaptable to football.

The field, admirably situated and equipped, with bleachers and field house, has not had the best playing surface. Rocks and stones have presented handicaps to both Pelicans and visiting teams. The drainage was comparatively poor, and mud and water collected on the parts of the field where the play was the heaviest.

The improvements, however, should make for better football next fall. If the work is completed in time, there probably will be a much smoother surface for baseball.

The annual Southern Oregon-Northern California track and field meet should find conditions exceedingly encouraging for new records.

Boxing

TOM LOUGHRAN CHANCES RISE

Challenger in Better Condition for Fight Than Champion.

MIAMI, Fla., Feb. 23. (AP)—The closer the ring sharp gets to Primo Carnera's heavyweight title defense against Tom Loughran next Wednesday night the better appear the challenger's chances of staging one of the top upsets of ring history.

When the match was made, weeks ago, the bout was considered a tuneup for Carnera's summer campaign and the great battle that loomed with Max Baer.

Complexion Shifts.

The chances of Loughran, 180 pounder, tackling the 265 pound giant were considered negligible.

But now, with the match only five days away, the complexion of the tussle has changed.

Loughran, in his training work-outs at West Palm Beach, has fought himself into perfect condition. He is handling sparring partners as tall as Carnera with the same ease he displayed in whipping giants such as Max Baer, Victorio Campolo and the late Ernie Schaaf. He is confident to a point where he almost pleads with you not to make a mistake, to see the obvious, and realize he will win.

Big Ones Easiest.

"Big fellows," he says, "always have been easier for me than little ones. My speed is tripled against them. Modesty out the window, Carnera never saw the day when he could begin to box with me. He can't hope to match me in generalship and experience."

Carnera, in his workouts here, has employed small, inadequately equipped sparring partners, as poor a lot as ever worked in a champion's camp. The three veterans he had of any note, Arthur Huttick, Harold Hays and George Manley, have been discharged. They were hitting him almost at will.

Champion Upset.

Worse than that in the eyes of the experts is the obviousness of Carnera's fighting plan. He seems to expect that Loughran will charge into him to be speared and crushed in the champion's huge arms. He is not equipped for guile, for a smart bout. When he tries to take the offense, as Loughran probably will make him, he flounders badly.

The champion seems upset about something, and he cannot be able to learn as yet the significance of the failure of Louis Sorel, his Italian manager and companion, to come down here from New York for the training or the fight. Carnera merely shrugs, but there is an air of depression, foreboding about the camp.

Basketball

ROOK TO QWNER



Many moons ago Earl McNeely was a raw rookie getting his first chance with the Sacramento, Calif., club of the Pacific Coast League. After two seasons he was sold to Washington, where he starred in the outfield. After leaving big-time ball, he returned to Sacramento as player-manager—and he now owns the club, having purchased it recently from a bank holding a mortgage on

Sporting Briefs

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 23. (AP)—Frankie Klick, stronger and heavier, and with a different style of fighting than when he left here a couple of years ago to campaign successfully in the east, worked out with vigor today at the Royal gymnasium. He is the underdog in the betting which favors Barney Ross in their Exposition auditorium bout Monday night, March 5. Klick acts like a "fighter" in the ring now, with an aggressive style, instead of the boxer of old.

Klick, who won the junior lightweight, or 130-pound title, from Kid Chocolate with a knockout, will be fighting for Ross' junior welterweight belt, 140 pounds.

"I can't hope to box with Ross," said Klick frankly, "not any more than I could with Chocolate. Ross is superior in that department. But I stopped Chocolate. I'm just going to lay for a chance to level Ross."

MORAGA, Calif., Feb. 23. (AP)—The current football talk at St. Mary's college here is that Harry (The Horse) Mattos, demon sophomores passer of the 1933 team, will be shifted to the regular quarterback berth for the 1934 edition of the Galloping Gaels.

BERKELEY, Calif., Feb. 23. (AP)—The renewal of California-Stanford rugby competition after a 20 year lapse was postponed until Saturday due to rain.

Hunting

SIX WRESTLERS CLASH TONIGHT

Wolfe, Barnes Will Top Weekly Legion Hall Program.

Five veterans of Legion hall competition and one newcomer move tonight in three wrestling bouts at the Legion hall arena.

Leslie Wolfe, high ranking heavyweight of this district, will attempt to repel the challenge offered by George Barnes, the newcomer, in the one hour main event. Both men will enter the ring weighing about 185 pounds.

Wolfe, chiefly because of his past performances, was a favorite to defeat the comparatively unknown wrestler from Nebraska. The young hook-kicker specialist hasn't lost a Legion hall bout since his first appearance against Al Karasick last December. Since then he has held the Russian Lion to a draw.

Klamath wrestling followers were ready to cast a vote for the Hunny Martin-Frank Clement semi-windup as the outstanding bout of the program. The Cherokee Indians, wrestling to a draw last week, will meet in the 45-minute semi-windup.

Both Men Fast.

These wrestlers have earned their reputation of the fastest men to enter the Legion hall this season. Clements, drawing and then defeating Billy Newman before his match with Martin, has not been beaten in three bouts. Until the Martin bout, he won with Indian holds. His fellow Indian, however, successfully worked out of the methods usually bringing victory.

Big Ray Frisbie ruled as a slight favorite to defeat Billy Newman of Denver in the curtain raiser. Frisbie has refereed the majority of recent bouts, but decided to return to more active competition.

Ashton Winter Event Won Over Snowless Track

ASHTON, Idaho, Feb. 23. (AP)—With five first prizes, Don Cording, genial Ashton musher, won the eighteenth annual American dog derby here yesterday in 51 minutes flat. There were 10 teams in the field. A crowd of 2,500 persons witnessed the event.

The sleds were mounted on rubber-tired wheels because of the absence of snow and the race was run over a 12-mile stretch of highway.

Second place was won by Ray Peterson of St. Anthony, Idaho. His time was 51 minutes and 13 seconds.

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Fight Results

(By United Press)

At Dallas—Roy Calamira, New Orleans, drew with Cullen Williams, Denison, Texas, (10); Wilton Dunn, Ponca City, technically knocked out Johnny Pisano, Scranton, Pa., (6); Bobby Battila, San Antonio, technically knocked out Billy Williams, Fort Worth, (6).

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Most Panama hats are produced in Ecuador.

Golf

Stengel Named to Take Over Brooklyn Team

NEW YORK, Feb. 23. (AP)—Charles D. (Casey) Stengel, former Brooklyn Dodgers outfielder and a coach since 1932, today was named manager of the team for 1934 and 1935, succeeding Max Carey.

Stengel was present, smiling broadly, when General Manager J. A. Robert Quinn, made the announcement of his appointment. The only surprise was the two-year contract, as Wilbert Robinson worked under only a one-year agreement preceding his dismissal in 1931 and Carey was given only one-year contracts, the last of which the Dodgers broke day before yesterday.

Stengel was a Brooklyn outfielder from 1918 to 1919 and played with the Dodgers in the world series of 1916. He is 43 years old.

Despite his clownish actions he is credited with being a shrewd baseball leader and a good developer of young talent. One of his most famous stunts was to catch a sparrow, place it in his cap and when he came to bat, release it, as he dropped the headpiece, giving the umpires "the bird" in a manner to which they were not accustomed.

One time when he was asked how it happened he was so smart he explained that he always ate "calf brains for breakfast." The late Ring Lardner used him as a catcher in one of his last series of stories on baseball.

Boston Fighter Scores Decision Over Lifeguard

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 23. (AP)—Johnny Indrisano, Boston Italian, scored an easy 10-round decision here over "Chick" Devlin, San Francisco lifeguard. In the main event of a holiday boxing card attended by 3500 persons.

Indrisano, here to seek a fight with Young Corbett III, former welterweight champion, won five rounds, Devlin took three and two were even, according to the United Press score sheet. There were no knockdowns.

Devlin exhausted himself in a six-round spurt and Indrisano easily dominated the remainder of the contest.

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Football

KLAMATH MEETS GRANTS PASS

Pelicans Windup Regular Schedule in Valley Tonight.

The Klamath Pelicans make their last stand in the Southern Oregon basketball conference at Grants Pass tonight.

The prospects of a Caveman victory is remote, but even an upset in the valley will be insufficient to remove the Pelicans from the conference championship. Klamath already has defeated Grants Pass in one game, swept the Medford Tigers in a two-game series, and downed Ashland three times in four games.

The convincing victory over Grants Pass here earlier in the season leaves little doubt but what the Pelicans can repeat their achievement. Klamath won the opening contest 89 to 17.

This will be the final game of the regular schedule, and Klamath comes to the close of its list of games with but one interscholastic defeat.

Following the Grants Pass game, Klamath will return to practice for a second meeting with Bend. Bend, beaten twice by the Pelicans, will make a final challenge for the district title and entrance into the state tournament.

Fishing

Skier Fatally Hurt in Jump at Salt Lake

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 23. (AP)—Death marred the amateur ski competition in Parley's canyon 30 miles east of here yesterday when Calmar Andersen, 29, of Salt Lake City, was fatally hurt while taking part in the Utah Ski club's program which is to bring this season's activities to a close.

Andersen was the holder of the 147-foot amateur class B record which he established last year. He had been promoted to class A as a result of his previous showing. He was competing in that division at the time of his injury.

He was fatally hurt when he fell after making a 161-foot jump. A rib was broken and punctured one of his lungs. He died en route to a Salt Lake City hospital.

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Stanford Downs Arizona Riders

PALO ALTO, Calif., Feb. 23. (AP)—University of Stanford's polo team was led to an 8 to 4 victory over University of Arizona here yesterday by Bill Rogers, son of Will Rogers the humorist, and Luppe Luppen, Stanford No. 1 player.

The victory gave Stanford a one-game advantage in the three games played to date in the series of five scheduled with Arizona. Victories were split in two games played in Phoenix. The teams will meet again here Saturday and at Los Angeles within two weeks.

Rogers, Stanford No. 2 man, was the outstanding player although Luppen scored four goals to three for Rogers. The other Stanford goal was scored by Fullerton, back.

White Sox Off for Spring Camp

CHICAGO, Feb. 23. (AP)—The first group of Chicago White Sox left for Pasadena, Calif., to open training Monday. The White Sox will be the first major league team to start the 1934 spring training season. Only four players were in the party leaving Chicago. They were Catcher John Peski, Pitchers John Huck and John Komorek and Outfielder Bill Boeck.