

Coast Baseball Looks Up

Convalescent League Hopes to Regain Robust Qualities. Team Strength Improved. Colorful Mangers Take Places. Close Race Predicted.

Pacific coast baseball, very sick for the past few years, will start the 1934 season Tuesday, somewhat wobbly, but with the prospect of regaining its robust qualities before the year comes to a close next autumn.

The opening day festivities will be celebrated by the following teams in the following cities:

Seattle at San Francisco. Portland at Los Angeles. Hollywood at Oakland. Missions at Sacramento.

H. L. Baggerly, president of the league, is enthusiastic for the coming year. The teams, particularly Seattle, have suffered heavy financial reverses for the last few seasons, but still managed to maintain some semblance of Class AA ball. This is the year they expect to pull themselves out of the red.

Baggerly wrote the following words exclusively for Associated Press newspapers:

"Unless all signs fall, baseball is headed for a successful season. The reports which have been received in our office the past month or six weeks indicate the national game is well on the road to prosperity.

"The fans of the Pacific Coast will witness a superior type of baseball for the season. The clubs have strengthened their ranks. There is not a club but what will be stronger than it was when it finished last season.

"The managers have added new talent regardless of expense. It will be no lopsided race for the clubs have better than a fighting chance to land in first place.

We feel we have appointed a competent staff of umpires who will keep the games moving along and at the same time give the fans a fast article of baseball.

"One thing which will add interest to the season's play will be the large number of new faces the clubs will present. Every team has many newcomers.

"The return of an old favorite to the coast in the person of Manager Gabby Street of the Missions will be warmly received by the fans. Portland also will present an old standby in Manager Walt McCredie, whose popularity in other years is still remembered.

The San Francisco Seals have been decidedly revitalized by experienced talent, which assured renewed interest in the Bay region. Sergeant Gabby Street, old battery mate of Walter Johnson, and ex-leader of the world champion St. Louis Cardinals, should be a sparkling leadership to the Missions.

The likely opening batteries will be Hank Ulrich and John Bottarini for Seattle vs. Leroy Herman and Larry Woodall of San Francisco; Hal Turpin and Frank Cox for Portland and Fay Thomas and Bill Campbell for Los Angeles; Frank Shellenback and Johnnie Basler for Hollywood; and "Wee Willie" Leodolph and Valtorio for Oakland; Johnny Babich and John Fitzpatrick for the Missions, and Lou Koupal and Elwood Wirtz for Sacramento.

The season will mark the return of Walter McCredie, manager of the Portland team of 15 to 30 years ago. McCredie will manage President Tom Turner's Beavers. He was a great developer of shortstops years ago, including Dave Bancroft, Roger Peckinpaugh, Ivan Olson and Charley Hollocher—all of whom starred in the big leagues.

The champion Los Angeles team will probably have plenty of competition from the always strong Hollywood club, the San Francisco Seals and Missions. Early predictions of many sports writers placed the seals as the team to beat for the pennant. They have a fine pitching staff, paced by Baggerly, who has been in the Chicago Cubs and Sam Gibson.

Hollywood appeared offensively strong with the addition of Big Smed Jolley in the outfield. Jolley probably will seriously threaten the batting supremacy of Oscar Eckhardt, Mission powerhouse, relieved of some of its distressing financial troubles, appeared to have a better club under Manager George Burns, old Cleveland first baseman.

Sacramento will be directed by Owner-Manager-Player Earl McNeely, remembered by Washington fans for his bounding pitch single over third base that added the senators in winning a world series a few years ago under Manager Bucky Harris.



J. H. MARTIN WINS CLASS A

Klamath Gunners Participate in Registered Shoot.

The first registered shoot of the year, plus the Oregonian telegraphic competition, drew a record number of participants to the Klamath Gun club event Sunday.

Despite the fact that weather conditions were extremely unfavorable, excellent scores were made in the 16-yard event, the 50-yard handicap and the doubles.

Class A honors in the registered shoot went to J. H. Martin, one of the club's outstanding gunners. Syd Newton placed second.

Dr. Ralph Stearns cracked a perfect 25 to win first in the Class B event, with Earl Low finishing second.

P. M. Craig took first in class C with Ed Lamport second. C. J. Martin won the handicap in front of W. E. Lamm, who finished second.

A perfect score in the doubles gave the lead in this event to E. N. Hardenbrook.

A team of five men from Medford journeyed here to participate. The Klamath score in the Oregonian event:

J. H. Martin 25
R. W. Stearns 23
C. J. Martin 24

Total 74
A. W. Schuapp 19
C. C. Kelley 16
Paul Shepard 13

* Oregonian only
Scores:

16 Hdc. Dbl.	
Roy Coleman	90 41
Syd Newton	94
E. H. Layport	84
E. Hardenbrook	80 39 24
J. H. Martin	82 39 13
A. Macken	88
H. Baum	84
F. M. Craig	83 26 12
Wm. Baum	88
C. J. Martin	93 45 20
C. L. Moore	44
N. Stoddard	92 34 17
W. E. Lamm	88 42 18
C. V. Rush	19
T. B. Walters	87 37
C. Dunn	87
R. Stearns	89
W. Houston	82
R. B. Miller	80 37
Earl Low	90 43
J. H. Cawker	98
M. L. Spiker	19
G. A. Massey	17
G. Lorenz	8

Trojans Down U.S.F. Stars

MEMORIAL COLISEUM, Los Angeles, April 2. (UP)—The University of Southern California track and field team swamped the University of San Francisco here Saturday, 105 to 16.

The Trojans made a clean sweep of seven events to amass their lopsided score.

John McCarthy, the Trojan quarter-miler, was the best performer of the day. He loathed through the 440-yard dash in 48 1-10 seconds, but was forced to 47 3-10 seconds in running the last lap of the relay, which the Trojans won.

The western meadowlark is the state bird of seven states: Nebraska, Montana, Wyoming, Kansas, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Oregon.

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Oswego Bob Returns



BOB KRUSE

Mack Lillard, Klamath promoter, has announced arrangements for three matches here Friday night expected to leave some doubt as to which should be designated as the main event.

Charley Hansen of Seattle, the veteran who drew with Ted Thye last week in one of the outstanding matches of the season, will go against young Leslie Wolfe of Texas in the hour event. Wolfe, who is headed toward Los Angeles, was persuaded to stay over for another Legion hall match.

Big Bob Kruse of Oswego, a top attraction all over the coast, will meet his chief Northwest rival, Jack Forsgren of Vancouver, B. C., in the 45-minute bout. Forsgren made his debut here two weeks ago by downing Jack Donovan of New York in a short-lived match.

The winner of the Kruse-Forsgren match will be matched against Ted "King Kong" Cox the following week. Hard-Luck Billy Newman of Denver will be back this week to meet Swede Anderson of Medford. Newman and Anderson will clash in the half-hour curtain raiser. Newman has presented some fast matches here in the past, but has had difficulty in breaking through into the victory column.

Jack Dempsey, former champion and Baer's friend, probably will be the third man in the ring. His acceptance of an invitation to referee has not been received.

Baer to Tour Country Before Carnera Fight

AL TAHOE, Lake Tahoe, Calif., April 2. (UP)—A barnstorming tour to find out just how good a fighter is Max Baer will be made probably within two weeks, he and his handlers agreed today.

The tour, expected to start at Denver and then continue eastward as Baer and his training camp moves to its eastern location, was decided upon after Baer's objections were overcome by his manager, Ancil Hoffman and trainer, Mike Cantwell.

Hoffman believed the trip would require more than two weeks, with Baer fighting every other night, until the party reaches New York state or New Jersey where Max is to train for his coming world's championship fight with Primo Carnera at New York city June 14.

The itinerary is only tentative, no other cities than Denver having been selected as yet. Baer may fight at least 10 times.

Barney Ross Home From Coast Tour

CHICAGO, April 2. (UP)—Barney Ross, world's lightweight and junior welterweight champion, returned home from his tour in the far west with his pugilistic prestige slightly soiled and new plans for the future.

Ross will not meet Jimmy McLarnin, welterweight champion, in a title bout in New York or anywhere else this year. He is ready to meet Tony Canzone, ex-lightweight champion, in a third bout, and also may defend his 135-pound crown against Frankie Klink of San Francisco this summer.

GOLF MATCHES PLAYED SUNDAY

Twenty-four Players Compete in Opening Round.

Twelve matches were played Sunday in the first round of the Reames Golf and Country club tournament.

Play in the opening round will be completed before next Sunday. Although no scores were available from the club house, it was reported that excellent cards were turned in.

Play was considerably handicapped by the strong wind and occasional showers.

Sunday's results:

Dr. Sharp defeated Wilson Wiley; J. O. Stallings defeated Dr. Miller; Joe Jones defeated Charles Hartley; Charles Clay defeated W. O. Smith; Henry Moe defeated Oscar Shive; N. H. Jones defeated Bill West; Jake Law defeated Bill Connolly; Jack Penney defeated Lee Jacobs; Frank Powers defeated Webb Kennett; L. L. Graham defeated Curt Strong; C. C. Kelley defeated Hagelstein and Cliff Savita defeated Ross Atkins.

Detroit Likely to Lose Manager for Eight Weeks

LAKELAND, Fla., April 2. (AP)—Gordon (Mickey) Cochrane, the catcher-manager for whom the Detroit Tigers paid \$100,000 last winter, was in a hospital today suffering from an attack of appendicitis.

An operation, if it becomes necessary, will deprive the Tigers of Cochrane for eight weeks.

Dr. Grover C. Freeman, Cochrane's physician, expressed the hope last night that the operation might not be necessary. He said Cochrane was suffering a mild form of appendicitis, thereby confirming Cochrane's own diagnosis.

President Frank J. Navin of the Detroit club was shocked when told of the diagnosis. With Coach Cy Perkins, he visited Cochrane last night and was cheered by Cochrane's wish for "about a quart of ice cream."

The loss of Cochrane's services for eight weeks would deprive the team of its spark plug, followers of the team said. He had expected to do most of the catching and was rated as the leading catcher of the team. Ray Hayworth would probably do the bulk of the catching if Cochrane were lost to the team.

Stoefen Captures New Tennis Title

ATLANTA, Ga., April 2. (UP)—The rainy reach of Lester Stoefen, California, enabled him to stroke his way to victory Saturday over Bryan Grant, Atlanta star, in the final of the Atlanta 15-year-old sophomore swimming luminary, set a new world record when he won the 440-yard free style event in the 11th N. C. A. swimming championships.

Medica's record-breaking time was four minutes, 46.8 seconds, bettering the old mark of four minutes, 48.6 seconds held by Jimmy Gillula of Southern California.

Medica bettered his own N. C. A. record of 4:51 made in Friday's preliminary events. It was his third record shattering performance in two days.

Ranch Worker Hurt Saturday

Kenneth Kiger of the Stukel ranch sustained a serious flesh wound in his side Saturday when the drag barrow he was operating buckled on a turn and he was thrown upon the teeth of the machine.

He was brought to Klamath Falls, and is receiving treatment at Soule sanitarium.

CASCADE

CASCADE SUMMIT, Ore.—Several days last week in Portland and attending the funeral of Mrs. Porter's father, Mrs. Porter reached her father's bedside before his death.

Mrs. Porter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Christensen, celebrated their golden wedding last summer. Mr. Christensen was 74 years of age at the time of his death. He had been ill since Christmas. Interment was made in Rose City cemetery near the grave of the deceased son-in-law, James Rummel, who is attending the University of Oregon, spent last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Rummel.

The Southern Pacific company has again closed its station here at night. Mr. Briley who was operator here has left. Mr. Zimmerman, agent, now works from 5 a. m. to 2 p. m.

Mrs. Gail Bode and daughter Joan are visiting with Mrs. Bode's mother in Lebanon while Mr. Bode is working near Clackamas.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Wilcoxon have returned to Cascade Summit after spending the winter near the coast on account of Mrs. Wilcoxon's health. They will go to Elk lake shortly where they will open their lodge.

Work on the camp ground on the shore of Lake Odell has been suspended. This project was sponsored by the forest service.

Candidates for U. S. Net Team Receive Bids

NEW YORK, April 2. (AP)—Lester Stoefen, big Californian who carried on a highly successful winter tennis campaign with the avowed intention of winning a place on the Davis Cup team, is the only newcomer to the international competition listed among the first five players invited to compete for the 1934 team.

Stoefen, Frank X. Shields, the country's top-ranking player, Wilmer Allison, Sidney H. Wood Jr., and George M. Lott have been asked to report to Captain R. Norris Williams at the Merion cricket club, Philadelphia, May 14. Others may be added if they show up well enough in the early spring tournaments, among them Cliff Sutter of New Orleans, and Frankie Parker, Lawrenceville school boy.

John Van Ryn, who has teamed with Allison to form a strong doubles combination on past Davis cup teams, was invited to join the group for trials but declined because of business.

Stanford Team Downs Runners of UCLA Bruins

ANGELL FIELD Stanford University, April 2. (UP)—Stanford University's powerful track team, studded with stars in almost every event, defeated the University of California at Los Angeles, 57 1-3 to 43 2-3, in their conference meet here Saturday.

Except for the winning performance of Jimmy Lu Valle, sensational Negro quarter-miler, and Stichter and Murphy in the two-mile and 880-yard run respectively, the Bruins were forced to rely on second and third place men to provide the afternoon's thrills.

Stanford took 11 first places to U. C. L. A.'s four.

Coach Harry Trotter's Bruins, rated as having only half the class as the Stanford squad, made a better showing than was expected, holding their own in the track events but were woefully weak in the field contests.

Michigan Wins Aquatic Title

COLUMBUS, O., April 2. (UP)—Swimmers of the University of Michigan Saturday scored 30 points to win the team championship of the 11th annual N. C. A. A. meet here. It was the fifth national title for Michigan in the last eight years.

Southern California finished second with 19 points. Yale and University of Washington were tied for third place with 15 points each.

League Backs New Jordan Petitions

Another petition asking for a rehearing for Theodore Jordan, Klamath negro who was given the death sentence and was refused a rehearing by the supreme court last week, has been issued by the International Defense League, according to information received by the district attorney's office Saturday.

The league asks that it be given until April 16 to file the petitions before the supreme court.

B. P. W. TO MEET

The regular meeting of the local federation of Business and Professional Women will be held Monday evening, according to an announcement from Isabelle Brixner, president. Dinner will be served at 6:30 o'clock.

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COAST SEASON OPENS TUESDAY

Curtain Goes Up in South on 1934 Baseball Schedule.

LOS ANGELES, April 2. (AP)—With April Fool's day, six teams in the Pacific coast baseball league completed schedules of practice games that didn't count in the percentage column and took a 24-hour rest today before the umpires call "batter up" tomorrow to start off the 1934 pennant chase.

Portland and Seattle, playing their own practice series at the respective training camp sites, Ventura and Santa Barbara, ended the training sessions with the Indians holding a two-game edge over the Ducks in eight meetings. The Indians won five games but dropped the last two straight to the Ducks, who won Sunday's contest, 7 to 4.

Stars Win Sunday

The Hollywood Stars brought their training grind to an end by walloping the Hollywood Paramount Cubs, 14 to 1, getting 17 hits, 10 of them for extra bases.

The Los Angeles played their last practice game with the Yankigans and dropped it, 4 to 2. Johnny Laitheof, going the full route for the Rockies, allowed but five hits and weakened only in the third, when two doubles and a base on balls netted the regulars their only runs.

Seals Down Seals

For the fourth straight time the San Francisco Seals took the measure of the Sacramento Senators, 5 to 3, at Stockton in the last pre-season game for each.

The Seals found the opposing pitchers for 11 hits, five more than the Senators could collect. The Senators will be hosts to the San Francisco Missions for the season opener tomorrow.

The day of rest found two of the teams training in Southern California traveling, Seattle bound for San Francisco and Hollywood en route from Riverside to Oakland. Portland will come down to Los Angeles Tuesday and the Angels, returning to the good old days of baseball openers, will stage a parade downtown, with most of the departments of the city participating, led by the mayor, Frank L. Shaw. The movie studios will provide a float for additional color.

Missourian Named Basketball Chief

ATLANTA, Ga., April 2. (UP)—George R. Edwards, Missouri University basketball coach, was elected secretary and treasurer of the National Association of Basketball Coaches at their annual convention.

Other officers elected were: Howard Orner, Cornell, president; A. C. Lomborg, Northwestern, first vice president, and E. A. Kelleher, Fordham, third vice president.

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Boston Fails to Find Replacement

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., April 2. (UP)—The Boston Braves are having considerable trouble finding a successor to Rabbit Maranville, infielder, who broke his leg in a game last Wednesday.

The Braves tried to get Joe Morrisey from Cincinnati but today it seemed they would be unsuccessful. They are now trying to make a deal with Newark for the veteran Eddie Farrell, who once played for Boston. In the meantime the Braves rejected an offer of Fresno Thompson from the Giants.