

Smith Makes Sensational Finish to Win Cup

Softball Storms The Country

Thousands Play; Millions Watch It. The Sport Becomes a "Major," not a "Minor."

It took years for the rollers to beat down the assertion that their favorite sport was an "old man's game," but it's taken only a season or two for the kittenball players to convince the world that their is a "red-blooded tussle."

Most any Saturday morning you can find some Klamath Falls business man who took his cut at a softball in one of the weekly Elks league games at the armory the night before. Some occasional complaint of stiff arm and leg muscles is sufficient to let you know there has been some exerting activity.

Softball, kittenball, indoor baseball, or whatever you have a mind to call it, is by no means a "minor" sport.

Thumbing through Frank Menke's All-Sport Record book for 1936, it is discovered that something like sixty-two million persons witnessed softball contests in America during the season of 1935. This, indeed, is a remarkable record when it is remembered that the game is only in its second season as an organized sport under the Amateur Softball association of the United States.

The association extends to 41 states. The record reveals that there were 61,758 teams holding membership, to say nothing of the thousands of independent clubs. Those teams listed in the organization embrace 936,370 players.

Just to indicate further the popularity of the game, the softball world series in Chicago last September over 150,000 spectators were present at three games, despite bad weather conditions.

Here is just an idea of how many teams there are in some of the larger states:

Michigan 6200, Illinois and Ohio 6000 each, California 3500.

The attendance record for the season is held by the state of Michigan, where 6,200,000 watched the kittenball enthusiasm in action.

Softball is not a new sport. Here is a little background written by Menke:

"The game of softball, also called diamond ball, kittenball, playground ball and mush ball, is somewhat like indoor baseball, but of other years. The sport dates to a period somewhat earlier than 1909. Folks then described it as 'indoor baseball played outdoors.' It didn't have much of a following, and the National Amateur Playground Ball association, formed in 1909, worked industriously to bring the game to immediate national prominence. Nothing much happened until it came under the organization of the present organization."

French Rules to Be Enforced at Olympic Tourney

BERLIN, April 7 (AP)—America's basketball aces will play a far different game in the Olympics this summer than they play at home.

The Olympic basketball tourney will be conducted under French rules. This was decided at the recent meeting of the International Basketball Federation, despite objections of most nations. The decision to use French rules, it was said, was made in 1934 when only France and Italy were represented at the federation meeting. Most of the countries who will participate this summer desired American rules.

The French system, which takes most of the roughness from the game, calls for a foul when two players touch each other—even when they collide accidentally.

The federation also decided that the balls will have corrugated leather covers without seams or lacing. Two referees will officiate for each game. Each team must have at least 20 hours rest between matches.

Only eight players will be allowed in uniform at one time. Under the rules, a man taken out of a game cannot return to play save in an emergency where his substitute is injured or ill. The American team will be so well fortified with talented players that there is little danger of this rule proving a handicap.

The matches will be played outdoors on the grounds of the Olympic stadium. Since probably more than 20 countries will have teams, it was decided to start the tournament August 7 instead of 8.

Delegates to the recent international federation meeting were from Hungary, Japan, Italy, Latvia and Germany.

Judging from those floods, maybe Old Man River heard that Congress was about to probe the Townsend movement.

COOPER SECOND IN GOLF EVENT

Bobby Jones Fails in Third Attempt At Comeback.

AUGUSTA, Ga., April 7. (AP)—The sensational finish of Horton Smith in coming from far back to overtake the all-star field in the third Augusta National Invitational Golf tournament gave the lanky Missourian professional a good boost today along the money-winning trail of 1936.

Many Protes Conditions. By triumphing in the 72-hole medal race, the blond 28-year-old sharpshooter added \$1,500 to previous earnings.

Playing in a windy cloudburst that caught most of the professionals on the last 18 holes, and so flooded the course that some protested conditions, Smith, winner of the Inaugural tournament in 1934, caught up with "Light Horse Harry" Cooper of Chicago, the pace-setter for three rounds, and overhauled him in a stretch drive.

Smith had 74, 71, 68—235, while Cooper took the \$300 second money with 70, 69, 71, 78—238.

Gene Sarazen wound up going strong to take third place and \$600, with 257.

Bobby Jones Fails. Bobby Jones failed in his third "come back" attempt, finishing with an aggregate of 306, his worst scoring in open competition since his 311 in the National Open at Oakland nine years ago. He tied for 33rd.

Paul Runyan, White Plains, New York, finished in a tie with Bobby Cruikshank of Richmond, Va., for fourth place, with 290.

They received \$450 each.

Three others—Ed Dudley, the Augusta, pro., Ky. Laifoon of Chicago and Ray Mangrum of Pittsburgh—ties for the next three places, with totals of 293, and received \$250 each.

The three top-money winners were the only players to break par of 288 over the 72-hole grind.

Scotty Campbell of Seattle was low amateur, with 302.

W. Lawson, Jr., of San Francisco, the professional "rookie" and world's amateur champion for the last two years, duplicated Jones' finishing rounds of 73-77 for an even 800.

Eagles Work for New Pension Law

SALEM, April 7. (AP)—The Fraternal Order of Eagles Monday filed preliminary initiative petition for an old-age pension law which would relieve counties from any share of the financing and would repeal the state's present pension statutes.

The proposals would pay pensions of from \$15 to \$45 monthly to every needy person 65 years of older. The state's general fund would be tapped for money which would be matched by federal funds. A \$4,500,000 appropriation from the state general fund is called for to provide pensions until June 1, 1939.

Now that the Cook county electric chair has cushions, the condemned man will probably eat a hearty meal and then relax.

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Amos, Andy Win Fair 'Cab' Fares



Isn't it just like Amos 'n' Andy, of radio fame, to open a Palm Springs, Calif., branch of the "Fresh Air Taxicab Company, Incorporated," without taxicabs? But then, studying the faces—beauteous Virginia Swagles, left, and Emma Mae Herberger—of their long-eared "cabs," maybe the comedians aren't so impractical, especially since the pick and shovel hint that they're doing some prospecting on the side. If the vacationing pair, Freeman Gosden (Amos), left, and Charles Correll (Andy), continue to tan under that torrid California sun, their "mike" dialect soon won't seem so out of place.

Former Pelicans Candidates For Positions On Oregon Athletic Squads

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, April 7.—Four former Klamath Union high school athletes are candidates for positions on University of Oregon athletic teams this spring.

The quartet of ex-Pelicans, all of whom are conceded a good chance of crashing the regular lineup in their respective activities are Chandler Berry, varsity football reserve last fall and an outstanding possibility for center on next year's team; Johnny Pastega, football guard and baseball catcher, now working out for the varsity in the former and the varsity in the latter sport; Nello Giovanini, football guard prospect, and Walt Van Emmon, freshman baseball catcher.

Berry and Giovanini are continuing their chores to spring football, but as if that were not enough, Pastega is adding baseball to his gridiron tasks. Van Emmon specializes in baseball.

Webfoot football prospects for next fall are bright, and this year's Fresh baseball outfit looms as one of the best in yearling history, so the Klamath Falls lads will be assured of playing on strong teams.

Chan Berry is 21 years old, weighs 198 pounds, and stands 6 feet 11 inches. He is a physical education major. Giovanini is 19 years old, weighs 190, and is an even 6 feet tall. He is a business administration major. Pastega, a recent transfer from Southern Oregon normal, is 19 years old, weighs 190 pounds and is 5 feet 10 inches tall.

baseball team here Friday. The freshmen are seeking games with Salem, Springfield and other high school teams, said Coach John Warren.

The way the new German election is being run, a "ja" undoubtedly will mean one vote of confidence in Hitler, and a "nein" nine.

Famed Actor Dies Monday In New York

NEW YORK, April 7. (AP)—Edmund Breese, 64, veteran stage and screen star, died Monday, four days after he was stricken by peritonitis.

Breese created many roles after he started his Broadway career just before the turn of the century. He made his stage debut in 1895 in "My Awful Dad" and began his film career with "The Shooting of Dan McGrew" in 1914.

He was stricken Friday night while playing in "The Night of January 16." It was the first time in 25 years that he missed a performance. It was particularly a hard blow because the play closed a long run the following night. He played the part of district attorney.

His second wife survives him.

PREPPERS MEET FROSH. EUGENE, April 7. (AP)—Grant high, of Portland, will furnish the opening season opposition for the University of Oregon freshman

RETURN MATCH SET TONIGHT

Cosneck to Get Second Chance; Utah Matman Returns.

The return of Danny Savich and Barney Cosneck's second chance at Pete Belcastro will be the stand-out attractions at Maek Lillard's armory wrestling card tonight.

Savich, former University of Utah football player, has been absent from the ranks of Klamath grapplers since last January. He will meet Prince Mihalakis, the Arabian from San Francisco, in the semi-windup.

Believing he has built a defense against his opponent's body slams and drop kicks, Cosneck, University of Illinois, considered he had a strong chance to turn the tables on Belcastro. The husky young man from the mid-west, who features arm and leg holds, took one fall from the junior heavyweight champion of the coast last week and then was put down by drop kicks and rope swings for the second. He was unable to continue for the third fall.

Despite Cosneck's determination for victory, Belcastro ruled the favored. The aggressive Italian has a good record for wins here and does not believe Cosneck could spoil it.

Savich and the Arabian will meet on even terms. The Arabian has not yet been beaten here, although he didn't get better than a draw in his recent match with Cosneck. The Utah athlete places his hopes for victory in a smashing, football attack.

Big Frank Taylor of Ohio and clever Frank Peck of San Francisco will clash in the opening match.

Jack Lipscomb Wins Over Curtis

PORTLAND, Ore., April 7. (AP)—An airplane spin brought Jack Lipscomb, 158, Indianapolis, the final fall in his wrestling match here last night with Jack Curtis, 160, Jackson, Miss., after each had taken a fall with a crab hold.

Don Sugal, 156, Salem, and Ben Sherman, 157, Portland, divided falls with dropkicks in the semi-final, which ended in a draw.

SMELT RUN OVER

PORTLAND, April 7. (AP)—The prized smelt, after one of the heaviest runs in recent years, began to disappear from the Sandy river today. State fish officers estimated that some 2,000 sportmen and commercial fishermen took catches from the stream since the run began several weeks ago.

RING SURPRISE



A few months ago Clarence (Red) Burman was a clown in the ring in Baltimore. Today, after being taken in tow by Jack Dempsey, Burman definitely is a leading white hope, and now is in training for an April 6 non-title bout with John Henry Lewis, light-heavyweight champion. Burman, above, weighs only 177, but is expected to put on weight enough to earn him a shot at Joe Louis soon.

Huskies Prepare for Scrimmage

SEATTLE, April 7. (AP)—Coach Jimmy Phelan is steering his University of Washington football Huskies toward team scrimmage late this week—but whether two backfield men would participate was questionable.

Jimmy "Sugar" Cain, flashy halfback from Oklahoma, is on the sidelines with a sprained back, not considered serious.

Al Cruser, sophomore fullback, spent a night in the infirmary with a slight knee infection.

Fight Results

By Associated Press. Chicago: Pat Murphy, 1474, Danville, Ill., outpointed Bob La Monte, 149, Chicago (6).

Newark, N. J.: Tony Galento, 224, Orange, N. J., outpointed Eddie Blunt, 216, New York (10).

Ashland, Ky.: "Wild Bill" McDowell, 154, Louisville, Ky., and Simon Nebolsky, 152, Cincinnati, drew (10).

Salt Lake City: Jackie Burke, 147, Ogden, Utah, outpointed Tiger Al Lewis, 144, Chicago (10).

Holyoke, Mass.: George Salvadore, 161, Oak Bluffs, Mass., and Sonny Jones, 142, Canada, drew.

OAKLAND CLUB FACES THREAT

Mission Reds, Seattle Indians Pressing for Leadership.

By The Associated Press. This week's baseball schedule is a wide open invitation to the San Francisco Missions and Seattle Indians to elbow the Oakland A's out of their Pacific Coast league leadership.

Both the Missions and Indians, among the pre-season favorites, were given apparently easy assignments while the pace setters took the field against Portland's hard hitting Beavers. The Beavers, now leading the second division, were rated during training camp days as one of the teams to beat while the Oaks weren't supposed to amount to much.

Willie Kamm's Mission Reds entertain the once fearsome Los Angeles club that barely salvaged a single game from its series with Oakland.

The third place Seattle club appeared to be in an even better spot, picking on the youngsters who make up the St. Louis Cardinals western outpost at Sacramento.

It's kind of sticking your neck out to predict who is going to do what at this erratic stage of the game, but previous performances favor the Reds and Redskins to dominate the show.

San Francisco's Seals and San Diego's Padres appeared to be about as evenly paired as the Oaks and Beavers.

WRESTLING

By Associated Press. Montreal: Ed Don George, 218, Java, N. Y., defeated Nick Lutz, 205, Venice, Calif. Two falls out of three.

Atlantic City, N. J.: The Blue Masked Marvel defeated Joe Ducek, Omaha. One fall.

Wilmington, Del.: Danno O'Mahoney, 220, Ireland, defeated Emil Ducek, 215, Omaha. Straight falls.

Portland, Me.: Manuel Cortez, 175, Mexico, defeated Cowboy Hughes, 176, Oklahoma, and Chuck Montana, 176, Detroit, in a three-cornered match.

Philadelphia: Dean Detton, 205, Salt Lake City, defeated Ernie Dusek, 225, Omaha. One fall.

Worcester, Mass.: Joe Cox, 225, Kansas City, defeated Henry Piers, 220, Holland. Two falls out of three.

Des Moines, Iowa: John Evko, 220, St. Louis, defeated Cardiff Giant, 365, Des Moines. Two out of three falls.

Zimmerman Clan Leading Field in Pro Tourney

PORTLAND, Ore., April 7. (AP)—The Zimmerman clan, showing 17 other entrants out of the picture in the first 36 holes of competition for the Oregon Professional Golf association championship, held first and second places today.

Slender Al Zimmerman topped the field with a record-breaking 68, a new competitive record for the Tualatin course, scene of the tourney, and a 36-hole score of 142, posting a 74 on the outgoing 18 holes yesterday.

Close behind him came his younger brother, Emory, with a round of 71, 73—144, which was even par for the 36 holes.

The rest of the professional brigade, which moves over to the Riverside club next Monday for the final 36 holes of play, was far back of the leaders, except for Ted Longworth, who was in third place with 74, 73—147, and Ivan Johnson, Tualatin, 75, 74—149. These were the only players to break 150.

Al Zimmerman, on his second 18 holes, went out in 36, one under par, and came back more brilliantly with a three-under-par 32. His card showed six birdies and an eagle, and he faltered on four holes, taking bogies.

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HERE'S A GOOD PICTURE of Hugh Mathieson smoking a pipeful of fragrant, mellow Prince Albert tobacco. Mr. Mathieson has liked Prince Albert for thirteen years, and at the time this picture was taken he said: "I like to show my friends that Prince Albert is cut different—'crimp cut,' it's called—so P.A. burns slower and cooler and every pipeful lasts longer."

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