

Sugai Wins Armory Main Event

PELICAN BILL

By Bill Cummings

HOW FAR IN THE FUTURE?

Cars jam the gravelled parking area and fans pour through the turnstiles to take their places in the stands. Out under the brilliant lights two coast league nines are getting ready for the first Pacific Coast conference baseball game ever held in Klamath Falls.

Far away to the white board fence on all sides stretches green, closely-cropped turf. Facts and figures roll out into the night air from the public address system. There is the first pitch and Klamath fans come to attention to watch their first exhibition of coast league baseball.

Just how many seasons will Klamath Falls need to bring this picture into being?

SOFTBALL TAKES OVER

Not long ago a civic organization started the development of such a park, but after acquiring title to the property involved and paying taxes on it were forced to give up for the time being. But the movement was given a start.

Recently the Klamath Softball association, a non-profit organization, undertook development of the field, which has since been given the name "Recreation Park." The association is now at work developing the park for softball competition among industrial and commercial organizations.

Lynn Roycroft, association president, made an appeal to all softball players and sponsors to appear at the field Wednesday and Thursday nights, with shovels, hammers, etc., to help get the park in shape for the opening, which has been set tentatively for next Monday.

FUNDS NEEDED NOW

That appeal is an important one. Cooperation now on the part of the softball players will give necessary impetus to the softball campaign.

The field has been graded, a fence partially completed, and work is underway on a sprinkling system. Plans call for the immediate installation of as fine a lighting system as can be found on any similar park on the coast. At a cost of \$5100, a 128-unit system is to be installed, giving the park far brighter lighting than Modoc field.

When completed the ground, almost as large as Seattle's Rainier park, will have a seating capacity of 5000, covered stands, dressing and shower accommodations, turf, sprinkling system, fence, parking space, lights and landscaping. Pacific Coast league, State League and Industrial league teams and of course softball teams will be accommodated.

The appeal for help does not end with asking players to help prepare the field.

The softball association urgently needs financial contributions, from interested individuals and organizations. This financial help is imperative if Klamath is ever to gain the spot it should have on the baseball map.

Sun's hot! Throat's dry! Wieland's Beer knocks thirst sky-high!

PILUSO TAKEN BY JIU JITSU; PRINCE LOSES TO PANTHER

Don Sugai, powerful Japanese grappler from Salem, engineered his ingenious "jiu jitsu sleeper" hold on Ernie Piluso, his main event opponent at the armory last night, to annex the third and deciding fall of a fast, highly-scientific bout that headlined a three-match billing.

Piluso and the Nipponese furnished wrestling fans plenty of action, and the two were about on a par in the art of giving and taking punishment until Sugai administered his effective sleeper, catching the Portlander in a semi-dazed condition from being on the receiving end of several dropkicks. The former Salem high footballer applied the pressure to Ernie's jaw, and Piluso fell limp to the canvas, completely overcome.

Sugai took the first fall of the scrap with three well-placed dropkicks that made the Italian easy victim of a body press. Don figured to end the match quickly as he came out fast after the rest period with another dropkick. Piluso soon discouraged the Jap matman, however, with several punishing shoulder butts.

A few minutes of fast action touched off by Piluso's favorite ring tactics of bounding off the ropes into his adversary culminated in Sugai getting a reverse hammerlock on Ernie that had the popular Portland Italian in a bad way. Piluso finally escaped and Sugai started in again with a series of dropkicks that almost spelled curtains for Ernie.

The Italian had surprised everyone, though, including Sugai, by catching the latter in midair and pummeling him into submission easily by dumping him on his head. Thus the match stood at one fall apiece.

As the final session opened Don fell into a painful head scissors, but wiggled out of that to apply a semi-surfboard on Piluso that failed to become effective. There ensued several minutes of action until Sugai again saw fit to throw a series of dropkicks that put Piluso in a groggy condition. The Nipponese then won the match with the "jiu jitsu sleeper," the hold that accounted for one of his falls over Prince Nihalakis, his victim last week.

Last night's middle event was a thrilling encounter with Prince Nihalakis of Arabia and the Black Panther of Toledo, Ohio, the contestants, giving spectators the fastest action of the evening. The two sparred like a couple of cats in the early stages of the fracas, neither able to apply an effective hold.

A "cakewalking" headlock by the husky 185-pound Negro polished off the Arabian in the second round of the first fall of the match. Nihalakis won the second fall to even the bout with a damaging reverse hammerlock that crippled the Black Panther's left arm. The Prince tried for another hammerlock, but the swift-moving negro won the deciding fall with a body

Title on Block



Billy Conn, above, again defends the world light-heavyweight championship against Gus Lesnevich, below, in a 15-round contest tonight at Detroit.

press despite his injured flipper.

Frankie Clemens, Indian Wonder Boy, added another win to his long list of victories in recent weeks at the armory by taking two out of three falls from Herb Parks, blonde Canadian wrestler, in the opener last night.

It was announced from the ringside last night that Bob Cruse, a top-rater in wrestling circles all over the world, will appear on next week's card. Cruse, a colorful grappler, has agreed to meet any wrestler the boxing commission can line up for him. He has just returned from an extended tour of South Africa, New Zealand and the Hawaiian islands, according to Promoter Mack Lillard.

BASEBALL STANDINGS

By The Associated Press

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
Boston	24	13	.649
Cleveland	26	16	.619
Detroit	22	17	.564
New York	21	19	.525
Chicago	19	23	.452
Washington	18	25	.419
Philadelphia	16	23	.410
St. Louis	15	25	.375

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
Cincinnati	28	12	.700
Brooklyn	24	11	.686
New York	22	13	.629
Chicago	20	22	.476
Philadelphia	14	20	.412
St. Louis	14	23	.378
Boston	12	22	.353
Pittsburgh	11	23	.324

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
Seattle	36	24	.600
Oakland	38	29	.567
San Diego	34	30	.531
Sacramento	33	34	.493
San Francisco	31	33	.484
Hollywood	32	35	.478
Los Angeles	29	34	.460
Portland	24	37	.393

BASEBALL

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

By The Associated Press

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Chicago 7, New York 3.
St. Louis 5, Boston 3.
Philadelphia 8, Detroit 6.
Washington 7-2, Cleveland 2-3.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

New York 5, Cincinnati 4.
Chicago 12, Philadelphia 6.
Brooklyn 10, St. Louis 1.
Pittsburgh 12, Boston 2.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

Oakland 1, Seattle 0.
Portland 6, Hollywood 2.
Sacramento 3, Los Angeles 2.
San Diego 4, San Francisco 0.

INDIANS SPLIT SOLON SERIES AS RED SOX, YANKS DOWNED

By JUDSON BAILEY

Associated Press Sports Writer

As long as everyone is now certain the New York Yankees are going straight to their fifth consecutive American league pennant, it may seem time wasted to consider Cleveland's improved Indians.

But the Indians were the only one of the American league leaders to improve their position Tuesday, splitting a doubleheader with the Washington Senators, 2-7 and 3-2. It brought them within half a game of the pace-making Boston Red Sox.

The tipoff on the Tribe's position lies in the record of their pitchers. Lefty Al Smith, rescued from the minors this spring, got credit for the victory to bring his chart to five wins and no defeats. Al Milnar, another lefthander, has won seven and lost one. Bob Feiler the nonpareil, has won eight and lost two.

The Red Sox were stopped 5-3 as the St. Louis Browns ended a seven-game losing streak. Jimmie Foxx, who had made only a single the day before, went hitless.

The Yankees' parade was dented by the lefthanded slants of Chicago's Ed Smith and a 12-hit onslaught topped by Joe Kuhel's tenth and eleventh homers of the season. The score was 7-3.

The third place Detroit Tigers also were stopped, 8-6, at Philadelphia after getting four runs in the first frame.

The Cincinnati Reds skidded to a 5-4 defeat at the hands of the New York Giants and lost a game of their lead over the Brooklyn Dodgers. It was the fifth consecutive triumph for Carl Hubbell.

The Dodgers trounced the St. Louis Cardinals 10-1 in a night game, scoring five runs in the first when Pete Coscarart hit a home run with two on. Vito Tamulis went the route expertly, although Joe Medwick hit "five for five" including three doubles.

The Pittsburgh Pirates roused out of their lethargy under the lights to crush the Boston Bees 14-2.

The Chicago Cubs emased 15 hits in thumping the Phillies 12-6.

Conn-Lesnevich Go Set Tonight

Title Defense Tough for Cal

BERKELEY, Calif., June 5 (P)—The University of California crew entrained Tuesday for Poughkeepsie, N. Y., to defend its national intercollegiate championship at the regatta June 18. Coach Ky Ebright said he doesn't think the Bears' chances of victory are too good.

"It looks plenty tough," he declared.

"If we win this thing again, I'm going to need shock absorbers."

Ebright pointed to a beating by Washington earlier this season and the loss of most of last year's championship oarsmen.

Dave De Varona was declared

DETROIT, June 5 (P)—It's no secret that heavyweights pay the biggest income taxes among the boxers. That's the principal reason Billy Conn, a 22-year-old Pittsburgh Irishman who prefers dollars to a title, will make his third defense of the 175-pound championship tonight his last.

Hereafter, Conn says he will campaign among some big boys. Conn, who climbed to the championship only 11 months ago, meets a man he has already conquered—Gus Lesnevich, of Cliffside Park, N. J. They fight over the 15-round route at Olympia indoor stadium and Co-Promoters Mike Jacobs and John Nelson talk of a turnout of 10,000 customers and gate receipts of around \$35,000.

The "New Dawn" rose, a freak of nature, was the first plant patented under the plant patent act. It was found growing among a group of Van Fleet roses.

"Babe" Conaughton, 280-pound guard on the Georgetown eleven of 1926, probably was the heaviest college football regular player.

There are approximately 3,000,000 automobile radios in use in the United States.

Revamped Elks Softballers Groomed for Try at Crown

"Although we haven't a last two years, has been temporarily switched to shortstop until Charles Stanfield, regular infielder, recovers from a hand injury.

Two outfielders virtually assured of starting positions are Estin Kiger and "Mac" McDonald, according to Manager Smith.

Both are capable flycatchers and each wields a dangerous willow at the plate. Either Lawler or Crapo will probably round out the outfield.

Smith has several reserves in Frank Peyton, infielder, Bob Thompson, pitcher and infielder, Jack Orrell, pitcher and outfielder, and Cyril Cook, outfielder.

Three regulars in the 1939 infield, Chet Moore, second base, Dave Bridge, third base, and Russ Marshall, shortstop, will all be missing from the 1940 lineup. Moore was last year's leadoff man for the Lodge-men, and very seldom did he fail to reach first base safely. Bridge and Marshall both were heavy hitters.

"We don't expect to reach our 1938 standing of third place in the Klamath Softball league with a team that averages almost 35 years of age, but we'll give our opponents some stiff competition with our squad composed of lodge members only," Smith explained.

Shirts and warmups of the Elks' new uniforms will be white and purple while the trousers will be all white. Manager Smith added that they will be similar to the old uniforms except that they will be much more "dressy" and will include heavy warmup coats.

Chamber Crews Work on Regatta

Wally Hector, junior chamber of commerce regatta chairman, has a full crew at work making preparations for Upper Klamath lake's big water event, which will take place at the Shippington docks, just across the lake from Moore park, on Sunday, June 9.

Following is the list of the committee heads assisting Hector:

Jack Napier, head of officials; Zed Barnes, chief timer; Joe Lemmen, chief scorer; J. E. Swanson Jr., starter; Art Vroman, referee; Carroll Colvin, bleachers; Bill Ferguson, docks and pits; Jim Kerns, sailboat race; Bob O'Sullivan, tickets and gates; Roy Premo, lumberjack contests; Don Divens, inspector; Jack Sanor, advertising; Hugh Gearin and Embert Fossum, publicity.

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MIDGET RACES SET JUNE 14 AT LOCAL OVAL

Friday night, June 14—one week from this Friday—has been set as the date for the next midget auto race at the Klamath fairgrounds dirt oval.

William C. Hurn, Klamath manager for the International Midget Racing association, received word this week from Bobby Rowe of Portland that the little speed wagons will be brought to Klamath on that night for another of the dirt track classics.

Plans are being made to immediately prepare the fifth-of-a-mile course at the fairgrounds, which has been rated among the fastest midget ovals in the northwest. During the first two events in May some of the best times on record in the northwest were equalled.

A caravan of the little cars, bringing some of the nation's top drivers, is expected to arrive the middle of next week for the races.

3RD SACKER SCORES WIN FOR PORTLAND

By The Associated Press

Rugged individualism found a new foothold Wednesday in the Pacific Coast baseball league.

The attack of each winning team in Tuesday night's encounters centered around the outstanding performance of one player.

Frankie Hawkins, Portland third baseman, with a perfect night at bat, knocked in all of his team's runs as Portland defeated Hollywood 6 to 2. Hawkins smacked out a home run and three singles in four trips to the plate.

Henry Pippen made his debut with Oakland by blanking league leading Seattle, 1 to 0. Some 5600 fans turned out to

see the new pitcher whom the Oaks bought from Detroit. Pippen's victory puts Oakland within striking distance of first place, one game behind their opponents.

Art Garibaldi, Sacramento third baseman, smashed out a double and a triple as the Solons won from Los Angeles 3 to 2. The victory enabled Sacramento to jump a couple of notches in the standings, from sixth place to fourth.

Byron Humphreys registered his fifth consecutive victory as he pitched over San Francisco. He issued just five hits and allowed only one San Francisco player to reach third base.

NELSON FINDS CHANCES FOR REPEAT 'FAIR'

CLEVELAND, June 5 (P)—Impressed but not awed by the practice performances of several of his fellow journeymen of golf, Defending Champion Byron Nelson Wednesday sized up his chances of repeating in the national open championship starting Thursday and found them "pretty fair."

The pleasant Texan's 71 Tuesday failed to draw the gallery attention of Ben Hogan's third consecutive sub-par round, but he expressed himself as well-satisfied.

"I had some good shots and a few bad ones," he explained, "but I'm finding myself in pretty good shape. Another day of practice here and I'll be set to go."

Nelson's modest optimism was shared by many of his fellow professionals although a sizeable number appeared set on Ralph Guldahl, title winner in 1937 and 1938, as the "man to beat." Others were ready to put their chips on Sam Snead and the easy favorite among the spectators was Hogan, intense and determined, with consecutive practice scores of 68, 71 and 70.

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