

It's Ulbrickson's Washington Shell Against The Field at Annual Poughkeepsie Regatta

Crew Robots Row for Own Satisfaction

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POUGHKEEPSIE, June 24 — Sometime between 2 and 3 p. m. (PST) on June 25 a pistol shot will echo across the waters of the Hudson river above Crum Elbow.

Seventy-two lithe young men will lean against the 10-pound oars that propel their shells and the 44th Poughkeepsie Regatta, four gruelling miles of it, will be underway.

That covers most of the statistics. For the record, nine boats—Washington's defending champions, California, Cornell, Princeton, M.I.T., Columbia, Rutgers, Wisconsin and Syracuse—are entered.

Each carries a crew of eight galley slaves and a coxswain. Approximately 50,000 spectators will watch. The winning crew receives a beautiful trophy.

But the story of Poughkeepsie is not a statistical story. The trophies, the 50,000 people and the mechanics of the race are quite incidental. The regatta is the story of 72 amazing young men, and thousands of others before them, who, for no apparent reason, subject themselves to 20 minutes of back-breaking, heart-tearing, lung-burning torture.

Not one person in 1000 knows their names, for only a handful have ever broken the anonymity of college rowing.

Most of them remain the tall, strong nameless robots who pull a 124-foot oar with all the drive they can muster for nothing more than to bring a 62-foot shell home first.

No doubt about it, these amazing lads give more and get less than other sports participants. They undergo weeks of the most rigorous training.

CREW RACING IS LAST DITCH OF AMATEURISM
It's row, row, row, brother. Forget those bleeding hands, that swollen tongue, those parched lips and burning eyes. Never mind that mass of pains and



* Washington's varsity crew. From Coxswain Vic Fomo back, sweeprowers are Ted Garhart, stroke; Tom Taylor, Walt Wallace, Capt. Charles Jackson, Doyle Fowler, Bill Nell, Paul Simdars and John Bracken, bow.

aches. Dig in. Pull. Faster, faster.

Collegiate rowing, along with those scrawny packages known as marathon runners, constitutes the last ditch of amateurism.

There are no lucrative professional ranks to fall into. An oarsman, per se, would not interest a movie producer. Few men ever landed a job because they could row. There is nothing but a deep sense of personal satisfaction if the job is well done that a coach, seven teammates and a cox will give an appreciative slap on the back when it's all over.

If there is any altruism in sports, it is in the emotions of the 72 men sailing down the Hudson, June 25.

The entry list of nine crews is the largest in 10 years, equals the all-time record.

Al Ulbrickson's giants from the Washington northwoods are heavy favorites. They shattered the Oakland Estuary three-mile course record by 20 seconds in beating California by 34 lengths

for the Pacific coast title, April 19.

They topped Wisconsin in a one-mile breeze in Chicago this month.

The aptly named Huskies (smallest man, 6-1; tallest, 6-8) started with only three varsity and two jayvee holdovers from the two eights which won at Poughkeepsie last year. Only two seniors are in the varsity boat, and two never rowed a race before this year.

SAYS WASHINGTON AT PEAK AGAINST BEARS

Ulbrickson claims his crew reached its peak in the California race, has never regained it. But Washington crews, six times Poughkeepsie winners since 1923 are always prepared.

California, traditional Husky rival, has not competed since April 26 when they beat UCLA. Despite the loss to Washington, the Bears have not abandoned the cause. Coach Ky Ebright is rejiggering his lineup, may strike a winning combination. Among the eastern entries,

Princeton seems to have the best chance of breaking the western monopoly. Only Harvard, which does not compete at Poughkeepsie, defeated the Tiger. Among the Princeton victims were Rutgers, Navy, Columbia, MIT, Cornell and Syracuse.

Columbia's veteran crew, with three lettermen and five ex-jayvee oarsmen, may swing an upset.

Cornell, which finished second to Washington a year ago, holds 15 Poughkeepsie titles, most of them garnered before the westerners caught up to this business. But the 1941 Big Red crew did not win a race, will have to improve considerably to be a factor.

Rutgers, with the best crew in its history, is entering its first varsity regatta. A young eight, the four-mile grind and inexperience should prove too severe a handicap. The others—Wisconsin, Syracuse and MIT—are going along for the ride.

Betty Jameson Second, Crosby Shoots 77 in Northwest Golf

By GAIL FOWLER

SPOKANE, June 24 (AP)—Big names were a dime a dozen, but a couple of unsung Spokaneites elbowed to the front yesterday in the opening day of the Pacific Northwest men's and women's amateur golf tourneys.

At the scenic Spokane Country club Marsh Hammond, who Sunday won the city's municipal title, tied for medalist honors at the halfway mark of the 36-hole qualifying round with a 70 — sharing top billing with Louis Jennings of Portland, one of Oregon's top golfers. Par is 36-36-72.

And across town at the long and exacting Manito Golf club, Spokane's Betty Jean Rucker, husky 16-year old high school girl whose father, Mahlon Rucker, is president of the PPGA, made her debut by shooting a 79 for medal honors in the women's 18-hole qualifier.

In so doing, Betty Jean nosed out none other than Betty Jameson of San Antonio, Tex., the national women's champion. Miss Jameson took an 80. Par for Manito is 78.

The three gallery gods, Bud Ward, former national amateur champion, Bing Crosby, the boop-a-dooper from Hollywood who is back in his old home town here for the tourney, and Ken Black, the Canadian amateur champion from Vancouver, B. C., will have to step on it today if they hope to overhaul the leaders. But it looks like a hopeless task.

Ward turned in a 76; Crosby a 77, and Black 80.

One under par at 71 were Mat Palacio Jr., former California champion from San Francisco, and Carl Jonson of Seattle. Harry Givan and Ralph Whaley of Seattle and Chuck Hunter of Tacoma were one over par at 73.

RECORD ROSTER SET FOR PUBLINX GOLF

NEW YORK, June 24 (AP)—There's no lack of interest in golf among the fellows who play it on a pay-as-you-go basis.

The entry list for the national public links championship, once the neglected step-child among United States Golf association championships, has reached a total of 2824 players this year. That figure surpasses any other major golf event in the world and is well above last year's \$80L.



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Oregon, Washington Teams in Semi-Pro

WICHITA, Kan., June 24 (AP) President Ray Dumont of National Semi-Pro Baseball congress Monday announced for the first time that two teams from the Oregon-Washington region would be invited in the national championship tournament here, Aug. 15 to 27, instead of one, under a new zoning plan.

As a result both the Oregon and Washington State semi-pro champions will qualify directly into the national event instead of participating in a regional series.

Southerner Posts 68 in College Golf

COLUMBUS, O., June 24 (AP) A sizzling four under par 68 by slight, red-haired Earl Stewart of Louisiana State university set the pace in the first of two 18-hole qualifying rounds over the Ohio State university course Monday as 178 college stars started play in the 44th annual national collegiate golf championships.

The field of 169 gave a brilliant performance over the 6810-yard par 72 course as 61 of the college stars turned in first-round cards of 77 or better in the battle for 64 match-play berths.

The 23,000,000 fish Minnesota planted in Superior National forest waters really are something to write about. Drop 'em a line!

Pictures Confirm Track Results

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Calif., June 24 (UP)—Slow motion pictures of the National Collegiate Athletic association track and field championships Monday night confirmed every one of the tentative point awards made by judges in Saturday's meet.

Three of the finishes—the 100-yard, 220-yard and 440-yard events—were so close the judges had to run the films as many as 25 times to establish the definite order of finish.

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Scores were far above normal shooting of the locals.

Summaries:

Bend Klamath		
E. Weimar, 91	1/4	2 1/2
George Host, 91	1/4	2 1/2
B. Scroggin, 92	1/4	2 1/2
Don Hampton, 91	1/4	2 1/2
Dr. F. Farley, 101	1/4	2 1/2
W. Burrell, 92	1/4	2 1/2
J. Stallings, 94	1/4	2 1/2
C. Hoegner, 87	1/4	2 1/2
M. Swanson, 94	1/4	2 1/2
E. Duffield, 91	1/4	2 1/2
F. Tarr, 91	1/4	2 1/2
H. Swanson, 82	1/4	2 1/2
H. Bridges, 95	1/4	2 1/2
W. Evans, 88	1/4	2 1/2
Dr. Eess, 88	1/4	2 1/2
H. Armes, 105	1/4	2 1/2
H. Hagelstein, 95	1/4	2 1/2
Dr. Grahamer, 91	1/4	2 1/2
Rich. Bryant, 104	1/4	2 1/2
Jim Short, 95	1/4	2 1/2
Dr. Merryman Jr., 97	1/4	2 1/2
F. Loggan, 91	1/4	2 1/2
P. Landry, 105	1/4	2 1/2
W. Coble, 105	1/4	2 1/2
M. Roymer, 104	1/4	2 1/2
J. Giffen, 101	1/4	2 1/2
J. Busch, 95	1/4	2 1/2
W. Saylor, 95	1/4	2 1/2
Hayden, 110	1/4	2 1/2
Van Huffel, 101	1/4	2 1/2
L. Smith, 107	1/4	2 1/2
F. Prince, 119	1/4	2 1/2
Cotttingham, 99	1/4	2 1/2
Currit, 109	1/4	2 1/2
Dr. Davis, 105	1/4	2 1/2
B. Stollmuck, 120	1/4	2 1/2
H. Panning, 90	1/4	2 1/2
Ben Hamilton, 96	1/4	2 1/2
Avert, 90	1/4	2 1/2
A. Hill, 92	1/4	2 1/2
W. Walwyn, 110	1/4	2 1/2
A. Glasco, 99	1/4	2 1/2
C. Bakely, 90	1/4	2 1/2
W. Hamlin, 92	1/4	2 1/2

MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS

By The Associated Press
NATIONAL LEAGUE
BATTING—Reiser, Brooklyn, .334; Slaughter, St. Louis, .349.
RUNS—Hack, Chicago, 52; Moore, St. Louis, 52.
HITS—Slaughter, St. Louis, 87; Moore, St. Louis, 88.
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WIL Teams Drub Coast Loop Nines

By The Associated Press

The Salem team of the Western International Baseball league has a unique custom. Whenever things become a little discouraging in its own ball-tick, the team steps over into the Coast league and licks the tar out of somebody.

Salem did it again last night, with Portland as the whipping boy. The score was 7 to 5 for the WIL lads who earlier this season had downed both San Diego and San Francisco of the coast circuit.

Tacoma, fourth place WIL club, made the evening complete for the junior circuit by taking a 5 to 4 decision over San Francisco of the Coast league.

For Wenatchee, however, there were just more troubles—17 of them, to be exact—last night. The bottom team on the WIL ladder went home licking its wounds from a disastrous road trip, only to run into Vancouver. Vancouver ran up a 17 to 3 score to make gloom unanimous under the apple trees. Other WIL teams were idle.

BOXING

By The Associated Press
BALTIMORE — Clarence (Red) Burman, 192, Baltimore, knocked out Al Hart, 222, New Orleans, (2).
NEWARK, N. J. — Buddy Knox, 190, Dayton, Ohio, outpointed Wallace Cross, 202, East Orange, N. J., (10).
PITTSBURGH — Harry Robo, 202, Pittsburgh, stepped Mike Alfano, 211, New York, (1).

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WRONG MOTTO

BY NORMAN CHANDLER, CHAIRMAN, NEWSPAPER PUBLISHERS COMMITTEE

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