

Oregon Sports Notes

By FRED HAMPSON

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A heat-wave football prediction was voiced the other day by James Dixon, the assistant grid coach at Oregon State college. Contrary to Tex Oliver of Oregon who sees Stanford winning again, Dixon opines: "The defense had just about caught the end of last season and it will be primed next fall. Stanford will be beaten twice with Washington and California the probable victors."

"For another thing," Dixon is quoted by Ron Gemmell of the Salem Statesman, "the Stanford play north twice. They play in Seattle, and if it's a rainy day, their passing won't be worth shucks."

Gemmell quotes the OSC subaltern to the effect that Stanford will be met with a "depth defense" movement next autumn that will take care of the passing game and will allow the defensive backs to move up fast enough to hold Stanford backs—providing they can catch them. He reminded that Oregon State's four-man line had Stanford whipped until the last quarter.

"Trouble is," Dixon went on, "this little fellow Albert . . . after he starts the play he fades way back and looks things over, and from there, with nobody after him, he could spot the defensive flaws and pick the weak spots."

Northwest colleges will share in the Vancouver, Wash., football team which won a claim to the Washington State title last year.

Al Stump of the Vancouver Columbian says that Joe Willson, fullback, will go to Cheney Normal, and may take Jack Morris, end, with him. Fred Provo and Frank Thomlinson favor OSC. Bob Duncan likes WSC. Dale Prutzman Portland U. and Dick Watson and Chuck Burchfield the University of Washington. Those were all big names in Washington prep football last year.

Rumors are coming to the surface along the coast that Atherton may call it off, and the 23 gridmen declared ineligible from specific schools may be permitted to matriculate where they like. Sounds incredible after the money and effort spent on the laundrying job, but a lot of the sportswriters think it may happen.

Harry Leeding of the Journal calls attention to the heavy effect on football teams the decision to keep the present drafted men in the army will have. If congress decides to let the draftees and national guardsmen out at the end of the year, the army will go deep into the ranks of new draftees and those that escaped earlier calls, which will beyond doubt include football players by the baker's dozen.

Between blitzes London has become a hitch-hiker's paradise. Would-be riders who miss the bus are not only invited but urged to climb aboard the wartime jalopies that sputter noisily through the streets.

CINCINNATI CLUB BROUGHT YOUNG ELMER RIDDLE ALONG CAREFULLY . . . KNOWING GEORGIAN HAS STUFF WITH WHICH TO CRASH SUPERLATIVE PITCHING STAFF . . .



Gehrig's Old Roomie Pitches for House of David Nine at Age of 51

Arm Halted Swaney Long Years Back

By LUTHER EVANS
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NEW YORK—Charles Swaney admits to 51 years, but tells you he is just getting his second wind.

Moose Swaney defies time or any young sprout to do anything about or to his left-handed pitching.

A dead arm forced this remarkable man to give up hurling prior to World war I.

Today, with mere youngsters such as Bob Grove and Ted Lyons nearing the end of their string, Swaney boasts a three-game winning streak.

Roommate of the late Lou Gehrig before the immortal Yankee crashed the American league, Swaney now has a gray beard and a paunch and south-paws for the bewiskered House of David team now traveling throughout the east.

Swaney couldn't win last season. Everyone lamented what appeared to be his finish.

But, looking more than ever like your favorite department store's Santa Claus, the squat, 200 pounder reported this spring, his venerable wing creaking, but ready for action.

He demands to work at least once a week and sometimes draws two starting assignments. His record thus far for the campaign is six victories and two defeats, and .750 wouldn't be at all bad in any company for a much younger chucker.

To open his latest winning spidre, Swaney handcuffed the Royal Giants, crack New York negro outfit, 5-1. He gave the Chester, Pa., team only four hits in shutting it out, 5-0.

RIVAL CLUBS MAKE MOOSE TRIM BEARD

Swaney's best pitch doesn't come in fast enough to be honestly labeled a slow ball. His curve is becoming less seductive. He doesn't uncork his sinker very often, but near perfect control prevents him from serving many fat ones.

The Moose is mad about opponents forcing him to have his beard trimmed. They claimed they couldn't see the ball for the flowing adornment.

Swaney, a native of Braddock, Pa., twirled semi-professional ball as a youth. As related in the foregoing, his arm went bad as this country got into World war I. The Moose changed his uniform to those of khaki and olive drab. He was wounded and gassed, but his arm regained its zip.

So, when the last shot had been fired, back to the ball yards went Moose Swaney. To the Pacific Coast league, the Canadian bushes and then to Hartford of the old Eastern league, where he acquired Gehrig, then a green hand, as a roommate.

He was Columbia Lou's constant companion in 1923-24, while the big boy from Harlem was acquiring the fundamentals



Moose Swaney . . . opponents made him trim his whiskers.

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Patterson Reports Progress In American Defense Work

WASHINGTON, July 17 (AP)—Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson told a senate committee Tuesday that the last year had brought "great progress" in American defense production but "for total warfare of the kind raging in Europe today we can never have enough munitions."

Patterson submitted to the senate defense investigating committee a review of the army's expansion work during the fiscal year which ended June 30.

"I do not claim," he said, "that America as yet is adequately armed or prepared, or that we have become a thoroughly stocked and sufficiently productive arsenal for ourselves and for the other democratic nations as well. But we have gone a good distance."

"Before long the work which we have already done in planning and ordering equipment and in providing manufacturing facilities will produce in ever increasing measure the results which we all desire."

Patterson forecast increasing dislocation of the nation's normal peacetime economic machinery as more and more of industry is devoted to war.

"I doubt that more than 15 per cent of America's productive endeavor is devoted to defense work," he said. "If we expect to equal and surpass other countries, far more of our machines and labor must be placed at the service of the war department and the navy department."

The present army, Patterson said, consists of nearly 1,500,000 soldiers including nine triangular divisions, one of which is completely motorized, 18 square divisions, two cavalry divisions, four armored divisions and various other troops engaged in specialties and the manning of overseas garrisons.

which led to so many baseball records.

COMEDIAN SWANEY IS TOO SUBTLE IN BOX

Thirteen years ago, after stopovers in the International and Piedmont leagues, Swaney joined the House of David Nine. It was a way of prolonging a career. He has been a regular member of the mound staff ever since; has bagged 150 games against 70 defeats.

Swaney entertains in the Al Schacht manner when he isn't pitching. He imitates, with exaggerations, moves of opposing players. The idea of such a fat man scooping up imaginary grounders panics the customers.

But youthful opponents find nothing to laugh about when the old fellow is making suckers out of them.

Comedian Swaney, fat and 51, is a bit too subtle in the pitcher's box.

Willamette To Let Cage Tourney Go

Way Opened for Other Bidders to Get Annual High School Playoffs

SALEM, July 17 (AP)—Willamette university, long-time host of the Oregon State high school basketball tournament, let it be known last night that it would not invite schools here for another tournament next spring.

There has been considerable agitation for a transfer of the tournament to some other Oregon city and several tentatively have bid for it.

Coach Roy S. Keene of Willamette, in announcing Willamette's withdrawal as an invitational host, did not say, however, that the Salem institution would refuse the tournament if asked by the State High School Activities association to sponsor it. The tenor of Keene's letter was that Willamette would not make an aggressive fight to keep the tournament in Salem.

Willamette originated the state tournament 23 years ago on an invitational basis. All 23 tournaments were staged at Salem.

Keene announced Willamette's decision in a letter to Troy S. Walker of Portland, secretary of the Oregon State High School Athletic association.

Fishing Reports Good in Fremont Forest Region

Roads generally are in fair condition and fishing rates about the same way in the Fremont national forest, according to a chart released from the office of Supervisor William Harriman Thursday.

Fishing is listed as good in Dairy creek, Deep creek, Porcupine creek, Chewaucan river, Elder creek. It is "fair" in Camas creek, North Fork of the Sprague, Dog lake, Buck creek, Silver creek diversion dam, and Thompson reservoir. It is poor in Cottonwood.

All roads are reported as in good or fair condition except the Cottonwood Meadows road, which is rough.

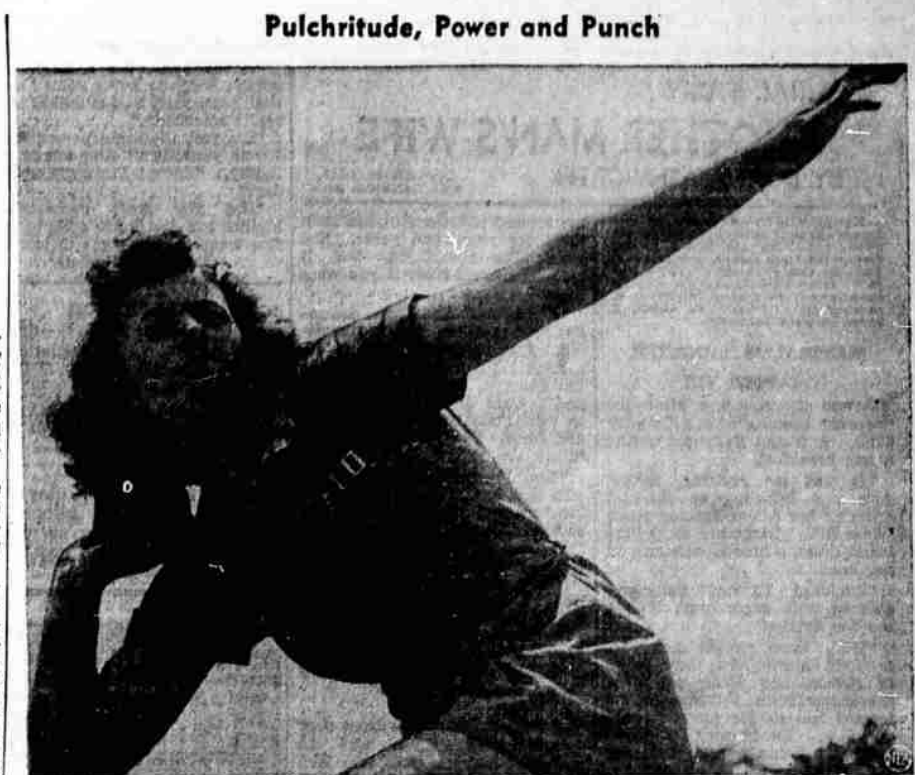
MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS

By The Associated Press
AMERICAN LEAGUE
BATTING — Williams, Boston, .355; J. Dimaggio, New York, and Travis, Washington, .378.
RUNS — J. Dimaggio, New York, 80; D. Dimaggio, Boston, 76.
HOME RUNS — J. Dimaggio, New York, and Keller, New York, 28.
PITCHING — Feller, Cleveland, 18-4; Ruffing, New York, 10-3.
NATIONAL LEAGUE
BATTING — Evers, Brooklyn, .355; Mize, St. Louis, .353.
RUNS — Moore, St. Louis, 66; Reiser, Brooklyn, 64.
HOME RUNS — Ott, New York, 18; Camilli, Brooklyn, 16.
PITCHING — (Based on 10 or more decisions) Riddle, Cincinnati, 10-0; Walters, Cincinnati, 16-7.

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There is real form in this close-up of Florence Lesko of Binghamton casually putting eight-pound shot 25 feet 9 inches to win women's championship at Slovak Catholic trackmeet in Philadelphia.

Four-H News

SUNSHINE CANNERS OF ALTAMONT

Gloria Stewart entertained the Sunshine Cannery at her home Thursday, July 10. The regular business meeting was held, which included a talk given by Virginia Quinowski about her trip to summer school at Corvallis. Then we had an interesting judging contest. Entertainment was furnished by Jean Thomas, and the prize went to May Wright. Virginia and Mary Quinowski will entertain the club next Thursday at their home. A demonstration is planned for the next meeting, with Jean Thomas and Virginia Quinowski taking part. Entertainment will be furnished by Colleen Carpenter and May Wright. Guests for the afternoon were Mrs. Quinowski and Mrs. Ableman.

JEAN THOMAS, News Reporter.

KORNY KANNERS

The 4-H Korny Kanners were back in their group once more to hold another one of their meetings, on July 8, 1941. The meeting was held at Lillian Phipps' home. They discussed the pinocle card party which is going to take place on July 12 at 8:30 p. m. at the Midland Grange hall. There will be eight prizes given to the winners, prizes for both men and women. Refreshments will be served. The girls have a patch quilt which is going to be raffled off.

JEAN THOMAS, News Reporter.

History Club Visits Old Town

ASHLAND, July 17 (Special) The annual summer school excursion to the historical sights at the card party. The tickets for this suit are sold by members of the Korny Kanners club. Three tickets for 25c, or 10c apiece. If you can't buy any tickets because of the fact that no club member lives close to you, bring your money to the card party where you come, and you can buy all the tickets you want. The idea of this card party is to raise enough money to send seven girls from this club to summer camp.

At the close of the meeting, refreshments were served by the hostess, Lillian Phipps.

SHIRLEY BRUNKER, News Reporter.

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