

Sports Briefs

By Hugh Fullerton, Jr.

NEW YORK, June 24 (AP)—Ed Bang, Cleveland news sports editor, personally disposed of \$43,000 worth of tickets for last night's "Buy a Bomber" fight show. That's putting it over with a bang...

Bill Terry claims that every time he has seen a ball game this summer the Giants have lost. But Bill hasn't seen enough to take full responsibility for what Mel Ott's boys have been doing...

Freddie Zivic, Fritz's boy, is a junior life-guard at a community pool in Pittsburgh... That makes him the first tanker in the family... Earl Stewart and Ray Brownell, favorites to repeat last year's final battle in the intercollegiate golf championship, hold five course records between them. Stewart once shot a 60 on a par 70 course.

A MINOR ERROR
After relating how a Texas league batsman fanned and was thrown out by the right fielder, we came across this one pulled by the Joplin Miners of the Western association: The Joplin catcher muffed a third strike and overthrew first... While the first sacker went to retrieve the ball, the catcher, loaded with all his armor, beat the runner down the baseline and took the throw for a putout at first.

SERVICE DEPT.
Every one of the 14 "Tunney Fish" in the athletic department of the Sand Point (Wash.) naval air station has applied for sea duty and several already have been transferred... Pvt. Adam Planga, young Kid McCoy to you, reports that being a boxer and a soldier at the same time ain't what it's cracked up to be. At Camp Upton (N. Y.) he has to roll out at 5:45 a. m. to get in some road work before reveille and the day's only spare time has to become spare time... Frank Goettze, star back of the all-marine corps football team just after World war I—Walter Camp called him "as great as Jim Thorpe"—is a lieutenant colonel overseas with the marines... When Holt Rast, Alabama's crack end last season, appeared on the campus four years ago, the first student he met was Cary Cox. Last week when Lieutenant Rast joined the 9th division at Fort Bragg, N. C., he received a message to phone the adjutant of the "Go Devil" regiment—who is Lieut. Cary Cox.

Lem Franklin Again Beaten ---And in 1st

By RAY BLOSSER
CLEVELAND, June 24 (AP)—This is open season on Slugging Lem Franklin, the big Chicago negro who only a few months ago was knocking loudly at Joe Louis' door.
Sergeant Joe Muscato of Buffalo, N. Y., heretofore only a preliminary boy, blasted Franklin to sleep last night in the first round of a card attracting 23,574 customers to the lake-front stadium, and providing some \$25,000 net to put the Cleveland News' Bomber-for-MacArthur fund over the top with better than \$320,000.
Bob Pastor started Lem's decline by knocking him out in the eighth round here several months ago, and gigantic Harry Bobo followed suit at Pittsburgh by eliminating Franklin in the first stanza.

Front Runners

By The Associated Press
National League
Batting—Reiser, Brooklyn, .352; Medwick, Brooklyn, .348.
Runs—Ott, New York, 45; Reiser, Brooklyn, 44.
Home Runs—Mize, New York, 11; Camilli, Brooklyn, 10.
Pitching—(Based on six decisions) French, Brooklyn, 6-0; Wyatt, Brooklyn, 7-1.
American League
Batting—Gordon, New York, .372; Doerr, Boston, .358.
Runs—Williams, Boston, 37; D. DiMaggio, Boston, 36.
Home Runs—Williams, Boston, 16; York, Detroit, 14.
Pitching—(Based on six decisions) Borowy, New York, 6-0; Haynes, Chicago, 6-1.

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French Steps in to Whip Corsairs 6-2

Yankees Slip Out of Slump by Tipping Browns, 6-5; Sox Drop Detroit, 6-2

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W	L	Pct.		W	L	Pct.	
New York	41	19	.684	St. Louis	31	26	.543
Boston	36	25	.590	Chicago	25	26	.490
Cleveland	36	25	.590	Philadelphia	24	27	.469
Detroit	37	23	.615	Washington	24	28	.462

By JUDSON BAILEY
Associated Press Sports Writer
The Brooklyn Dodgers have erased virtually all question of their retaining the National league pennant, but they are giving their fans something to ponder in the way of batting and most valuable player honors.

Pete Reiser and Joe Medwick are away out in front of everyone else in the league in batting and it is generally conceded that they are the two foremost candidates for recognition this year as the most valuable player in the league.

But the records would seem to show that Laughing Larry French is just about as valuable as any other man on the Dodgers. He stepped into the breach again last night in a relief role to beat the Pittsburgh Pirates 6-2 for his sixth triumph without a defeat this year.

The New York Yankees came out of their slump by noosing out the St. Louis Browns 6-5 with a 14-hit barrage including three safeties by Joe Gordon and a like number by Joe DiMaggio.

The Browns succeeded in belting Alton Donald off the mound with a three-run uprising in the eighth, but it was insufficient.

The Boston Red Sox smashed the Detroit Tigers into submission 6-2 with Oscar Judd scattering eight hits and himself getting one of Boston's three home runs. Ted Williams hit one, his 16th of the season, and Jim Tabor the other.

The Cleveland Indians also collected three homers in overpowering the Philadelphia Athletics 7-5. The Tribe's roundtrippers were by Oris Hockett, Les Fleming and Ken Keltner.

The Cincinnati Reds, who had won 13 of their last 17 games and were hopeful of getting within sight of the Dodgers during their eastern invasion, were rudely shut out by the New York Giants, 7-0, as Bill Lohman pitched a four-hitter.

The Chicago Cubs captured a free-hitting affair from the Philadelphia Phils, 8-4, although outlasted, 13-12. The big blow in the Bruin's assault was a three-run homer by Lou Novikoff.

Klamath City Softballers Juggle Slate
Klamath softballers tonight will start a revised schedule of play at Recreation park involving slatted games three nights each week instead of two previously but cutting each night's program to one game instead of two.

City Recreation officer said the original plan was altered because darkness has hampered the second game and evening chill has driven away spectators. Tonight's card finds Big Lakes Box, with a 50-50 record in two games, tangling with Kalpine, leading with two victories and no defeats.

Friday night Finnigan's high school boys, with a record of no victories and two beatings, face Knights of Columbus, which has won one and dropped one.

Games will start at 7 o'clock Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays hereafter.

Earl Stewart Dominates Field in College Golf
SOUTH BEND, Ind., June 24 (AP)—With the field sifted down to 64 of the top college golfers, the national intercollegiate tournament today entered daily 36-hole tests of match play from which the champion will emerge Saturday after 180 holes of competition.

Poised against the field was Earl Stewart of Louisiana State university, last year's winner, medalist and driving champion. Again the 20-year-old Dallas, Tex., player, who plans to enlist in the army shortly, is dominating the meet.

He failed to win the driving crown, but yesterday he shot a 70—one under par—over the Chain O' Lakes course for a qualifying total of 141—a stroke better than his 1941 medalist record.

Because as defending titlist he did not need to qualify, Stewart passed the medalist honors to Dick Haskell of Northwestern.

Golfers who are in a hurry make their worst drive in the seat of their car.

Eugene Will Meet Salem for 'State Title'
EUGENE, June 24 (AP)—The navy relief campaign of Lane county will cash in on Salem's baseball victory over the Portland Beavers in Portland Monday night when the Western International Class B club defeated the Class AA Beavers 6-5 in an exhibition game.

Now Roy Copping, general chairman of the active club-sponsored event is billing the game between the Eugene Athletics of the State league and the Salem Senators—to be played here Monday, July 6—as a "mythical state championship."

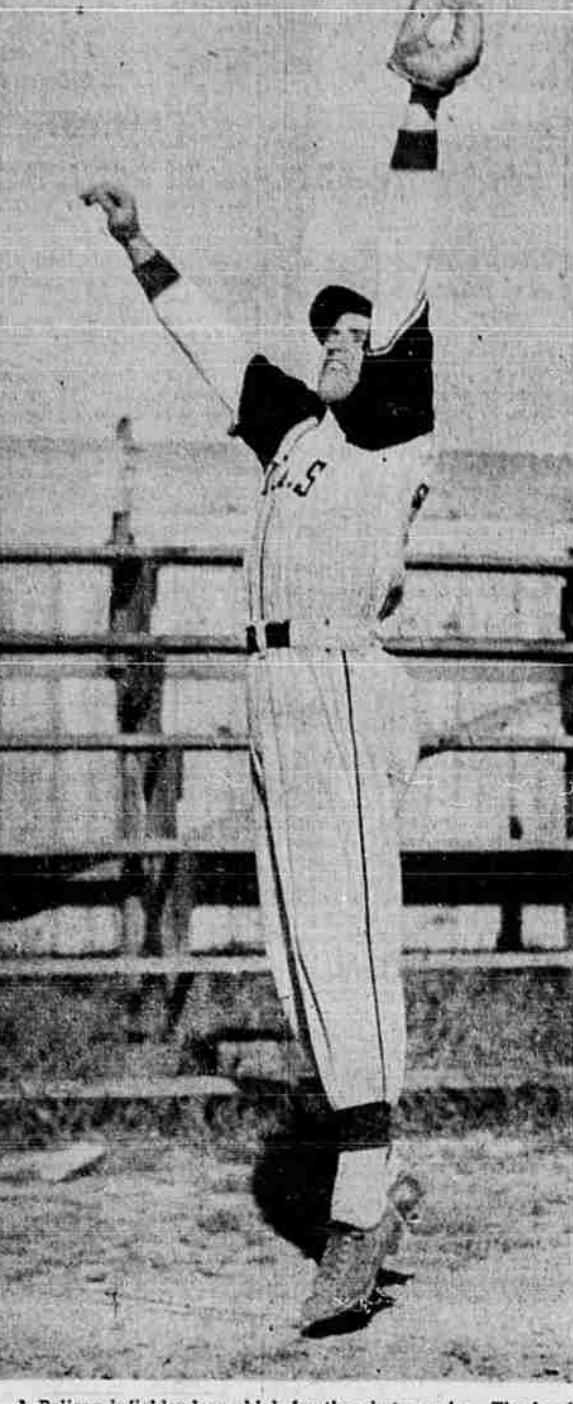
The Athletics are current leaders of the state semi-pro circuit. The game is an all-out benefit with the Senators coming here for bare expenses. Copping, and his committee composed of Howard Hobson and Don Husband, hopes to fill Civic Stadium park stands to a 5500 capacity.

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Flying Pelican



A Pelican infielder leaps high for the photographer. The locals this weekend will tangle with the Medford Craters, currently pacing the Oregon-California league, in a pair of games at Recreation field.

Pepper Martin Quits Worrying, He's on Top

Wild Horse of Osage Says He Has Good Ball Club and Beginning to Show

By JIM HUTCHESON
SEATTLE, June 24 (AP)—Pepper Martin, having shed his baby teeth as a class AA league baseball manager, has learned to quit worrying and his Sacramento ball club is up there on top again.

It's no novelty for the pepper box's team to lead the Pacific Coast league. It had a 15-game margin over the field in mid-season last year, the first for the former St. Louis Cardinal star as a manager. Then, long before the year of the big rubber shortage, the Sacs lost their bounce.

They collapsed in the stretch to finish behind Seattle.

"I worried all the time last year," drawled the one-time wild horse of the Osage, on his first 1942 appearance in the town that beat him out of the 1941 pennant. "Even when my team was on top, I'll bet I worried more than the rest of the managers together."

"But this year it's different. We got off to a terrible start. We couldn't hit and we were doing everything wrong. But while we were way down there in the standings (and Sacramento scraped the bottom) I never worried. I knew we had a good ball club, a good fighting ball club, and now it's beginning to show."

Martin blames the fatal 1941 slump on late season injuries

with a short roster, weak catching and a hitting slump that swept over the team like an epidemic of mumps.

He thinks this season's team has better consistency at the plate, with two left-handed hitters in the lineup instead of last year's one, although it lacks the long distance clouters of 1941.

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McDonald Best out of Five In Armory Mat Battle Royal, Whips Chief in Top Bout

Mihalakis Subdues Corral, Craig Ousted

Chief Thunderbird, the massive redskin from Vancouver, B. C., failed to weather the storm created by his own unethical tactics in the main event of Promoter Mack Lillard's wrestling show last night at the Klamath Falls armory and he dropped a two-out-of-three fall decision to the tough logger from Seattle, Sockeye McDonald, who decidedly enlivened the proceedings by trying to crown the Indian outside the ring with a chair and attempting to choke his adversary by winding a towel around his neck.

Opening the one hour time limit top bout Thunderbird sped across the ring to Sockeye's corner to finish off his opponent in a hurry. But McDonald had other plans, sidestepped the wild-swinging Canadian who missed his aim, hurled the big Indian to the canvas and pinned him with a body press for the first fall in less than 10 seconds after the bout began.

Thunderbird evened things up with a fall of his own, and then the fireworks really began. Sockeye threw the chief toward the ropes, kicked him through and mixed things up in the first two rows of ringside spectators, a few of whom joined in the festivities. McDonald grasped a chair and was in the act of flooring his opponent with it when a fan wrenched it from him. Finally Referee Earl Yoakley managed to get the two back with the roped arena.

The scowling Indian soon saw his opportunity to apply a Boston crab and was in the act of applying the punishing hold when it backfired and resulted in his downfall. Sockeye Jack's powerful legs straightened to send Thunderbird sailing through the ropes onto the floor.

When he came back he fell easy prey to a body press which gave the match to the Seattle woodsman. Thunderbird wasn't satisfied.

though, so he started in on Referee Yoakley. Sockeye came to the rescue with a towel which he wound securely about the Indian's throat to quiet him. George Craig, the first man eliminated in the battle royal which initiated the Tuesday night card, then came into the ring to help in untangling the melee. The chief spied him and only with the aid of two strong-armed helpers was he quelled, allowing the large audience to file out satisfied that the show was over.

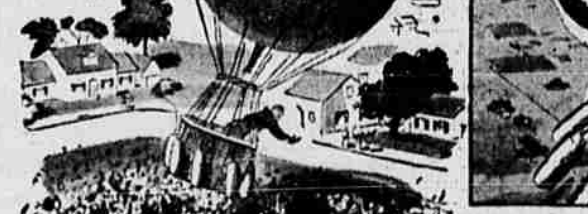
Prince Mihalakis and Alberto Corral, who had teamed with Thunderbird in a vain try to eliminate McDonald in the battle royal, met in the semi-windup with the Prince annexing the necessary two out of three falls to win the match. Smallest of the five men participating in the battle royal, George Craig of Medford, saw only brief action. While teaming with McDonald he was separated and became victim of a dogpile that meant no match and only a small share of the evening's purse.

Promoter Lillard announced last night that another ladies' night program is slated for next

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