

Sports Briefs

By Hugh Fullerton, Jr.

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BOSTON, July 15 (Wire World)—Plain Ben Jones, who ought to know, says Apache's the hoss whirlaway has to beat today to pick up the Massachusetts marbles. . . . Weight and all, we'll string along with Mr. Bigtail. . . . Incidentally, did you know Suffolk Downs, where Whirly does his stuff this time trying to bust Seabiscuit's record, used to be a broccoli patch? . . . No hoss-player can say he walked away from there hungry.

DEFENSE MECHANISM
The Yanks have chalked up 112 double plays. . . . It's just like those National leaguers said—the only way to get a hit through that infield is to shoot it out of an ack-ack gun. . . . Tip is out that Tennessee'll be the hottest outfit in the South-eastern conference footballing this fall. . . . Chicago will get the first fight of Mike Jacob's new Navy-USO series that goes out of New York this fall. . . . But you can bet Tony ale won't be in it. . . . Tony's exclusively interested in being a sailor boy.

TODAY'S GUEST STAR
Buck Weaver, Louisville Times: Our old friend, Frankie Catrone, is so far in front of the trainers at Suffolk Downs he can stumble a couple of times and still finish ahead of the others.

Pacific Coast conference
schools are still wondering how far football's going to get out thatway this fall. . . . What's this about Joe Cronin working out to whittle his waist down? . . . Back to infield patrol, Joe? . . . Well, if Luke Sewell and Ossie Bluege can do it, why not Mr. Big Jaw of Boston? . . . And any day now you'll probably hear about Jimmy Dykes wheeling himself back into the White Sox lineup. . . . If he can still wheel.

Headline: Gordon regains
American league batting lead. No matter where the Flash goes bazzin', He always finds a pitchin' couzln.

Salem Outfielder Signs Up With Coast Guard

SALEM, July 15 (AP)—Outfielder Jack Warren of the Salem Western International league baseball club, signed up with the coast guard last night. Warren, batting .312 and who is being scouted by three major league ball clubs, probably will play here in the series against Spokane beginning July 21.

Burton Swope, pitcher, asked for voluntary retirement to work in a Portland shipyard, while Bill Kelly, only southpaw pitcher on the club, expects to be drafted into the army in a few weeks.

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Belcastro, Buccola Capture Armory Matches in Scramble, Bob Kruse, Corbett Draw

Fouls Determine Two Grapple Card Victors

Four guys won and two guys drew on Promoter Mack Lillard's weekly armory catatym last night—which takes care of practically everybody but Sammy Gordon who joins the army tomorrow and isn't worried.

Candidly—it was a scramble and not helped at all by Corp. Joe Buccola whose refereeing and grappling were almost equally bucolic.

Officially the winners were the main event, (2) Corporal Joe Buccola in the semi-windup and (3) Broccoli Bob Kruse and Boston Joe Corbett in the open-er.

Actually, if such a word can be used here, Pulverizin' Pete Belcastro and Arabian Prince Mihalakis captured the semi-final and final matches.

Hysterics in the final event began shortly after Belcastro pinned McDonald with a crashing series of elbow smashes—which was not out of the ordinary. However, before the grapplers had even reached their corners for the usual rest period, McDonald leaped on the Weed Italian from the rear and laid him on the carpet with a similar press.

And—surprise — Buccola in the capacity of referee gave a fall to McDonald. Which made it one piece.

The next session saw McDonald flipped to the floor fronting section A via a Belcastro arm-bar. Confusion, abetted by a pair of earnest spectators, followed. After three minutes of it, the soldier boy climbed from the ring and hoisted McDonald's arm in token of victory as the ex-logger was being carted, feet dragging, backward toward the showers. It was an unusual picture.

Back in the square Pete attacked bewildered Corporal Joe who fought him into a corner where a grey-haired spectator shot several right hooks into helpless Peter's schnozzle. It all eventually cooled.

Mihalakis in the middle event lost the first fall to Buccola, grappling instructor at Hamilton Field, Calif., and whose tactics were strictly gymnasium, by way of a crucifix in the first round.

With McDonald doing the arbiting, the duo battled through three more frames before the prince glommed onto one of the soldier's legs for half a Boston

Starr Hurls 3-Hitter But Loses to Phils

36-Year-Old Rookie Beaten, 2-1; Yankees Boost Lead to Six Games

NATIONAL LEAGUE			AMERICAN LEAGUE		
W L Pct.	W L Pct.		W L Pct.	W L Pct.	
Brooklyn .37 .33 .713	Chicago .41 .44 .482		New York .58 .59 .501	St. Louis .41 .45 .488	
St. Louis .43 .39 .515	Pittsburgh .37 .42 .469		Boston .45 .33 .578	Chicago .34 .44 .435	
Cincinnati .41 .38 .517	Boston .36 .31 .414		Cleveland .42 .37 .529	Philadel. .36 .44 .450	
New York .42 .41 .506	Philadel. .32 .35 .375		Detroit .42 .43 .511	Wash'ton .39 .34 .357	

Tuesday's Results
Brooklyn 5, Pittsburgh 1.
Philadelphia 2, Cincinnati 1.
New York 6, Chicago 3.
Boston 4, St. Louis 7 (11 innings).

By JUDSON BAILEY
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The secret of successful pitching sometimes seems to be luck as much as skill.

Yesterday Ray Starr, the lean spellbinder of the Cincinnati Reds, pitched three-hit ball and was beaten 2-1 by the pitiful Phils because two outfielders collided under a fly hit by Pitcher Frank (Rube) Melton and the ball fell for a home run.

On the other hand Vern Olsen, the Chicago Cubs, southpaw, was pummeled for 11 hits by the New York Giants and not only escaped with his sixth straight victory but scored a shutout, 3-0!

Starr's misfortune came in the fifth inning just after his teammates had given him a 1-0 lead. The 36-year-old rookie had walked Catcher Benny Warren of the Phils and then Melton lifted a long fly to left center. Outfielders Max Marshall and Harry Craft raced for it and knocked each other to the ground. The ball rolled away for a homer and time had to be called—and stretchers, too—before the game could continue.

At Chicago the Giants got men on base in every inning and made hits in the first eight, but they never were able to break through Olsen for a run. The Cubs made three less hits off two New York pitchers, but Lou Novikoff singled home two tallies in the fifth and the Cubs scored in the eighth on two singles—one of the scratchy sort.

At St. Louis Mort Cooper had luck of a different sort. He was batted out of the box for the third time in succession, but the Cardinals rallied spectacularly to beat the Boston Braves, 7-5, in 11 innings and wipe out what would have been Cooper's fifth setback.

Brooklyn punished the Pitts-

Swift Swede



Forty-eight hours after lowering world mile record to 4:06.2, Gunnar Hagg of Sweden with 8:47.8 cut 8.2 seconds off Miklos Szabo's recognized two-mile mark and 5.4 off figure hung up by Taisto Maki.

It's Miraculous — Bevos Win Two More

Portlanders Capture Second Straight Doubleheader, Edge Oaks, 3-2, 8-7

By The Associated Press

The Portland Beavers are apparently tired of running along behind the Pacific Coast league baseball pack.

The inspiration of playing before home fans may have something to do with it, but whatever the explanation, the Beavers are making their bid to finish the season out of the cellar.

Last night, the Portlanders nosed out Oakland by one-run margins in two abbreviated games. The first game went seven innings and ended 3 to 2, while the second contest ended in the fifth, 8-7, because of the league rule that forbids starting an inning of play after 11:30 p. m.

Oakland collected nine safe-

Hard Work



When Frankie Frisch, boss of the Pittsburgh Pirates, called attention to the 26 players in uniform—one more than the rules allow—on the Brooklyn bench, Dodger Manager Leo Durocher silenced him by sending Outfielder Frenchy Bordagaray to sit with the Bucs, who are one player short.

Brooklyn's over supply of talent was caused by the arrival of Max Macon, Montreal southpaw. He still is the property of the Royals but was wearing a Brooklyn suit.

Winning a golf championship isn't easy, particularly in warm weather. Johnny Kraft wipes perspiration from hands as he walks to accept Trans-Mississippi trophy at Blue Hills, Kansas City, Denver shotmaker defeated Irl Oliver, 4 and 3, in day-long final.

J. LOUIS NIGHT
JUNCTION CITY, Kas., July 15 (AP)—Thursday night is Joe Louis hop night at the negro recreation center for the Fort Riley cavalry replacement training center.

Not only will Joe be host—and the thought has negro girls in half a dozen Kansas towns in a dither—but he's also paying \$200 for transportation for feminine guests from afar.

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Whirly Seeks Dough Title in Suffolk Cap

Long-Tailed Wright Entry Can Top Seabiscuit's All-Time Mark Today

By BILL KING

BOSTON, July 15 (AP)—Whirlaway may give the horselaugh to the so-wealthy Seabiscuit if he can change his stride and break near the top today in the \$30,000-added Massachusetts handicap at Suffolk Downs.

The 4-year-old son of the English derby-winning Blenheim II needs only \$27,244 to equal the record earnings of \$437,730 that Seabiscuit piled up during his six years of campaigning.

And he can get it today if he can outfoot seven rivals to the wire for the \$44,850 winner's share of the richest purse of the current season for handicap horses.

The long-tailed Whirly, owned by the wealthy Warren Wright, the Kentucky and Chicago horsebreeder, happens to be a stretch runner of great fame. But all the previous Massachusetts—seven in all—have been gained by thoroughbreds that possessed the ability of breaking fast from the box and maintaining their advantage to the wire.

Whirly is going to tangle with some real speed. The wizard-like touch of Sunny Jim Fitzsimmons has Apache, latest challenger to 3-year-old honors, right up where he might go out in front and pile up such a big lead that "Mr. Bigtail" may find himself too far back to gain his golden goal, especially since Whirly is packing the top weight of 130 pounds, and Sunny Jim's baby is luging only 107.

If Apache does not crowd Whirly, it could be Mrs. Parker Corning's Attention, or likely, Emerson Woodward's New England favorite, Rounders, and then again there is a slight chance that the early-breaking Transfigure, owned by Texan John L. Sullivan, may last and burst to home to take all.

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San Diego .54 .30 .619	Hollywood .44 .60 .423		San Fran. .50 .47 .515	Portland .38 .60 .389	

Tuesday's Results
Oakland 5, Portland 3 (1st game 7 innings, 2nd 5).
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San Diego 2, San Francisco 2.

ties off Ad Liska in the opener as Henry Piipen held the Beavers to five hits, but the breaks were with the winners.

Portland batters recovered in the second game to pound out four hits for a five-run lead in the first inning. In all the Beavers collected 11 hits to 10 for the Oaks, who nearly won out in a last inning rally in which they scored three runs on five hits.

Each of the other league games were decided by one-run margins.

The second-place Los Angeles Angels used a four-run rally in the fifth to nose out the Sacramento Solons, league pace-setters, 6 to 5. The win put the Angels within a game and one-half of the Solons.

Buster Adams, Solon outfielder, cracked his 17th homer of the season in the second after Eddie Waitkus poled out a two-run round-tripper for the Angels in the first.

San Diego, playing at San Francisco, also outlived the Seals nine safeties to seven, but dropped a decision 3 to 2 as the host team took advantage of a few lucky breaks.

Kermit Lewis, Seal outfielder, scored two runs by crafty base running after he got on with a walk in the second and a triple in the sixth.

Where's Elmer?

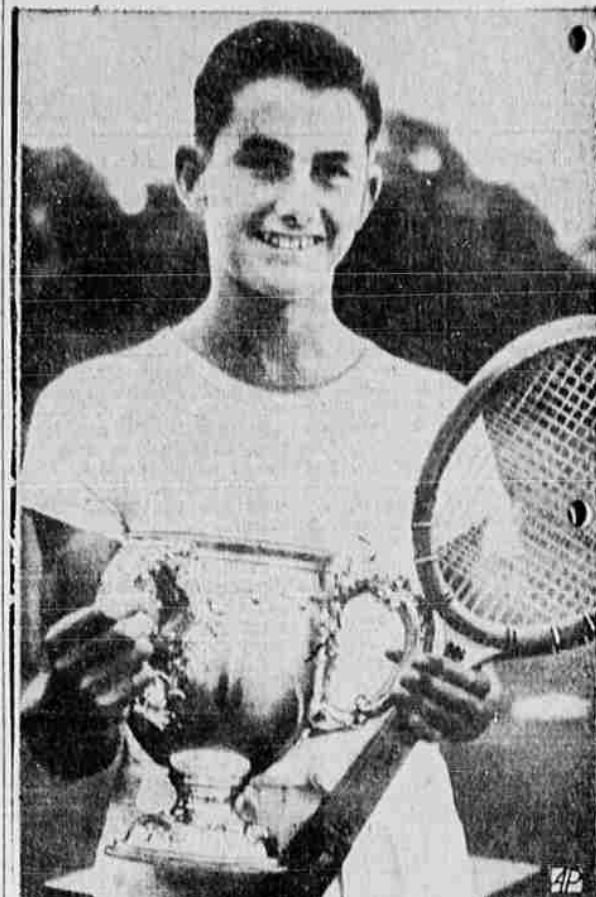


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FIGHTS
By The Associated Press
CINCINNATI—Ezzard Charles, 160½, Cincinnati, knocked out Steve Mankoska, 162½, Washington, D. C. (1).
NEW YORK—Freddie Archer, 161½, Newark, drew with Danny Kaplow, 143, New York (6).
NEW YORK—Terry Young, 155½, New York, knocked out Pat Lee Harper, 158½, Dallas, Tex., and U. S. Army (1).
NEW YORK—Tom Moutello, 182, New York, outpointed Tony Musto, 196½, Chicago (1).

CONVINCER
CHICAGO, July 15 (AP)—You can't convince young Bob Wilson, son of Cub Manager Jimmy Wilson, that the veteran

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