

Sports Briefs

By Hugh Fullerton, Jr.



Pinch-Hitting for Hugh Fullerton
PHILADELPHIA, July 18 (AP)—The Brownies' Chet Laabs, who's the hottest hitter in baseball right now, is the same guy Mickey Cochran once said would never make a big-leaguer. Well, Mike, five homers in four games ain't rolling into double plays.

Poetic License
Give a cheer for Chester Laab. He hits a ball like Louis Jaba. In Shibe park here he whacked one homer. That must have travelled to Tacoma.

Hoss-Player Heaven
Out at Hamilton, Ohio, the county poor-house overlooks the half-mile race track. . . . Nothing like having all the conveniences—and the shortest walk. . . . The new Garden State park opens a 40-day race meeting across the river in Camden (N.J.) today. . . . The operators wanted to run only 25 days the first time out, but the state had already written into its budget a tentative \$1,000,000 expected revenue from racing this year. . . . So the boys decided that since they have the only track in the state they'd have to double the meeting to get the million.

Squads Right and Anchors Awelgh

Four thousand soldier boys turned out the night Billy Conn refereed the boxing show at Fort Monmouth (N.J.). To drum up trade for the Enid (Okla.) flying school vs. Randolph field army relief ball game, they gave a ride in a jeep to anybody buying a ducat at one booth. . . . My, my—that and a rain-check too? . . . Izzy Weinstein, one of Joek Sutherland's writer line-busters at Pitt, is trying to make the Kessler field, Miss., backfield this season. . . . Think that's easy? . . . Well, only a dozen national pro league gridders are out for the Kessler outfit.

Heredity of Environment
Basin (Mr. Firecracker) James, who rides horses for his coffee and caviar, had a grandpa who used to operate a livery stable at Sterling, Colo.

Northwest Football League Mulls for War Industry Men

SEATTLE, July 18, (AP)—Amateur sports promoters will meet in Portland tomorrow to consider forming an independent football league whose ex-college players would be drawn from war industry jobs to play Sunday games.

Jersey Track Opens

CAMDEN, N. J., July 18 (AP)—The gay nineties go modern in these parts today as Garden State park, a beautiful, spacious racetrack thrown up on the edge of the South Jersey farmlands, brings regular horse-racing back to this state for the first time in half a century.

Rogue River Salmon Bag



Carl Peterson, left, and Charlie Hallett bagged this catch of salmon on a recent fishing trip to the Rogue river. In a weekend of angling they caught 10 between 7 a.m. All of them weighed between 18 and 25 pounds. So good was the fishing, Peterson and Hallett gaffed two and lost two in the first 10 minutes. With the men were their wives and Mr. and Mrs. Olin Sneeds of Medford.

Leads Pelicans



Ernie Bishop, manager of Klamath's second-place Pelicans, leads his men into a doubleheader with the last-place Grants Pass Merchants tomorrow on the GP field. Medford, currently leading the Oregon-California loop flag race, engages Dorris in a weekend pair on the Lumberjack field.

Finnigans Trounced By KC's

Eleven Irish Errors Give Knights Ball Game, 8-3

KLAMATH SOFTBALL LEAGUE
W. L. Pct.
K of C 4 2 367 Big Lakes 3 3 300
Knights 3 2 300 Finnigan 2 4 330

Friday's Results
Knights of Columbus 4, Matt Finnigan 3.

The Knights of Columbus squad hoisted itself a little higher on top and pitched Matt Finnigan's high school boys a little deeper in the cellar of the Klamath Softball league last night with a 8-3 victory at Recreation field.

The Finnigans themselves did most of the damage by producing 11 errors in non-support of hurlers Wilbur Welch and Marion Reginato who combined to limit the leaders to six safe blows. Ford of the Knights allowed a half dozen legitimate bingles while his mates bobbed three chances.

The KC's jumped on Welch and his infield for six runs in the first four innings. The Finnigans failed to score until the fifth.

Short score:
R. H. E.
Knights 3 6 11
Finnigan 2 4 3

The schedule for the next two weeks follows:
Monday, July 20—Knights of Columbus versus Kainor.
Wednesday, July 22—Finnigans versus Big Lakes.
Friday, July 24—Knights of Columbus versus Big Lakes.
Monday, July 27—Finnigan's versus Kainor.
Wednesday, July 29—Big Lakes versus Kainor.
Friday, July 31—Finnigan's versus Knights of Columbus.

FITCHBURG, Mass.—Tommy Jones, 18A, Worcester, Mass., knocked out Tony Vento, 187, Cambridge, Mass., (3).

Tacoma Adds To Lead With 10-1 Victory

By The Associated Press

Tacoma lengthened its lead in the Western International Baseball league last night by pounding out a 10-1 victory over Spokane while second-place Vancouver split a doubleheader with Salem. The Senators won the seven-inning first game, 2-1, but the Caps came back to take the windup, 10-1. Charley Schanz pitched three-hit ball for Tacoma, and the Tigers backed him up by hammering Spokane's Paul Soderburg for 15 safe blows. The Indians got their lone run in the seventh on a walk and singles by Vic Buccola and Bob Daley. Salem scored both its runs in the fourth inning to win the first half of the split bill. Johnson and Richards singled and came home on an error and a sacrifice fly.

Front Runners

By The Associated Press
National League
Batting—Reiser, Brooklyn, .352; Lombardi, Boston, .344.
Hits—Mize, New York, Reiser and Med. 103, Brooklyn, 102.
Home Runs—Mize, New York, 15; Ott, New York, and Camill, Brooklyn, 12.
Pitching—Based on ten decisions—French, Brooklyn, 10-0; Wyatt, Brooklyn, 10-2.

American League
Batting—Gordon, New York, .314; Williams, Boston, .312.
Hits—Spence, Washington, 113; Peck, Boston, 107.
Home Runs—Williams, Boston, 19; Laab, St. Louis, 17.
Pitching—Based on ten decisions—Chandler, New York, 10-2; Hughson, Boston, 10-5.

FIGHTS
By The Associated Press
MT. FRIEDMAN, N. J.—Bobby Jacoba, 166, Philadelphia, won by technical knock-out over Bunky Wall, 160, Morristown, N. J., (4).

Beavers Win 8th in Row (Honest)

Shade Twinks, 4-3; Sad Sam Gibson Blasted by Sacs, 9-3; Angels Win

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE
W. L. Pct.
Los Angeles 31 29 521 Seattle 31 32 492
Sacramento 44 40 515 Oakland 44 50 433
San Diego 34 51 523 Hollywood 44 44 407
San Fran. 30 50 350 Portland 41 60 498

Friday's Results
Oakland 4, Seattle 0.
Portland 4, Hollywood 3.
Sacramento 9, San Francisco 4.
Los Angeles 7, San Diego 2.

By The Associated Press
Sam Gibson, 41-year-old pitcher for the San Francisco Seals can settle down to his business of tossing strikes now without worrying about a scoreless inning record.

The veterans gave up four runs in the second inning against Sacramento last night and the tallies ended his streak of scoreless innings at 31, seven short of the 1939 Pacific Coast league record established by the Solons' Tony Freitas. Sacramento went on to win, 9 to 3, after they had blasted Gibson for 16 hits.

The win enabled the Solons to remain within a half-game of the league leaders, the Los Angeles Angels, who won a 7 to 6 thriller from San Diego with a ninth-inning rally.

Mel Mazzera, San Diego rightfielder, homered twice and collected another safety to account for six runs as the Padres outhit the Angels, 11 to 8. Another close game at Portland went to the Beavers, 4 to 3, as Larry Barton clouted a three-run homer off Hollywood's Roy Joiner.

It was the second night Barton homered to help the Beavers to a win. The victory ran the Portland win streak to eight games and if they win today the Beavers will give up the cellar spot to Hollywood.

In last night's game, Joe Hoover collected four singles in five times at bat to pace the Stars who outhit the Beavers, 10 to 9.

At Seattle, Stan Corbett, Oakland pitcher, yielded seven hits to shut out the Rainiers, 5 to 0, and contributed to his own victory by cracking two singles, one, the first hit of the game, in the sixth.

Haegg Cracks 1500 Meter World Record

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, July 18 (AP)—For the third time in three weeks, Gunder Haegg has shattered an existing world track record.

Competing last night in a dual meet between the cities and the provinces in the Stockholm stadium, Haegg ran the 1500 meters in 3:45.8, clipping two full seconds off the accepted record set by New Zealand's Jack Lovelock in 1936.

On July 1, less than 24 hours after he was reinstated following an eight-month suspension because of expense account irregularities, Haegg ran the mile in 4:06.2 and two days later did the two-mile in 8:47.8.

Chattnan Ready for Camp Murray 'Cap at Longacres Today

SEATTLE, July 18 (AP)—Chattnan, winner of feature race at Longacres the past three Sundays, will go to the post today in the mile and 1/16th Camp Murray handicap. He will carry 120 pounds, three more than last week, and four more than the three-beaten favorite, Real Article.

Can-Jones, a horse owned by Movie Star Betty Grable, came from behind with a stretch drive to win yesterday's featured six-furlong event. Can-Jones paid \$12.60, \$5.80 and \$4. Fort Vancouver was second, paying \$3.30 and \$2.70. Count Mio paid \$3.30 to show.

'The Ball Looks Bigger,' Says Laabs of Slug Streak

WASHINGTON, July 18 (AP) It may be that Chet Laabs, husky St. Louis Browns outfielder, is whacking the ball so hard lately that it's starting to swell. At any rate, he says, it seems to be coming up to the plate "a whole lot bigger."

Here for a two-game series with the Senators, Laabs attributes his present clouting streak to "a better view of the ball" and a change of stance that has him turning more toward the pitcher.

Whatever the reason, Laabs has boosted his home run collection to 17 for the season including seven in the last seven days. He clouted a couple yesterday in a doubleheader with the Philadelphia Athletics, and

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Spud Chandler Cops For Yanks; Bosox Win

Laabs Continues Spree, Smacks Two Homers, Triple, Double for Browns

ground to the Yanks. A single by Ted Williams eventually decided it.

The Brooklyn Dodgers piled onto the Chicago Cubs again for a 10-5 victory to take three of the four games in their rowdy series. Claude Passeau returned to the mound for the Cubs on one day's rest and was belted out in the midst of a five-run fifth inning.

The Cardinals slaughtered the Philadelphia Phils 10-1 with Howard Krist pitching five-hit ball and his teammates making 13 safeties.

The New York Giants overwhelmed the Pittsburgh Pirates 11-2 with a 20-hit offensive led by Billy Jurges, who hit a homer, double and two singles.

In the first twilight game ever played in the nation's capital, the Washington Senators blanked the Detroit Tigers 3-0 as Buck Newsom limited his former mates to four hits and shaded Hal Newhouser in a hurling duel.

MAILS EYES MARINES

SAN FRANCISCO, July 18 (AP)—Walter Mails, 47, former southpaw pitching star for the Cleveland Indians and several Pacific Coast league baseball clubs, will enlist in the U. S. marine corps Monday. Since 1939, he has been public relations representative for the San Francisco Seals.



CHANDLER

Chandler is the winner, his tenth victory against two defeats. He limited the Tribe to six hits and had the benefit of four double plays as the slick-fielding Yanks boosted their total of double killings to 119 in 86 games.

Chester Laabs continued his sensational slugging at Philadelphia as the St. Louis Browns captured a doubleheader from the Athletics 4-2 and 11-1 to run their winning streak to eight games.

Laabs hit a homer with one on and a double in the first game and another home run with one on and a triple with two on in the nightcap. This gave him 17 home runs and 64 runs batted in to date, more than he made in the entire 1941 season. He has hit seven homers and driven in 22 runs in the last week.

The Boston Red Sox finally nudged out the Chicago White Sox 2-1 in 12 innings to keep from losing any additional

Patty Greenup Out Of NW Net Meet

TACOMA, July 18 (AP)—Patty Greenup, Tacoma star, was put out of the running in the women's singles of the 52nd annual Pacific northwest tennis tournament yesterday, losing 7-5, 6-0 to Ruth Dieguez, San Francisco, who advanced to the semi-finals. It was only one of many matches in which California entrants forged ahead as the much-delayed tourney got in a heavy day's play.

BOUDREAU NOW 25

NEW YORK, July 18 (AP)—Lou Boudreau, manager of the Cleveland Indians, celebrated his 25th birthday yesterday. He said he felt much older than that after the 8 to 1 pasting administered his club by the New York Yankees.

WILLIAMS GETS AWARD

BOSTON—National baseball weekly gave Ted Williams of the Red Sox a scroll for being the outstanding player of 1941 despite the fact that Joe DiMaggio of the Yankees was judged the most valuable in the American league.

Haig's Team Seeks Edge Over Ryders

Little-Cooper Pitted Against Hogan-Demarat Duo in Charity Matches

By WATSON SPOELSTRA

DETROIT, July 18 (AP)—Walter Hagen's challengers made a hold bid today to seize the lead from Craig Wood's Ryder cup squad in opening competition of the two-day charity series that is big league golf's closest approach to an all-star game.

In 36-hole best ball matches over the 6957-yard Oakland Hills course, the Haig sent his foremost two-some of Lawson Little and Lighthorse Harry Cooper against the unbeaten combination of the cup squad, Ben Hogan and Jimmy Demaret. From other selections it was quite clear that Hagen made no real effort at lineup manipulation, in which he is an old hand.

The pairings:

- Coppers
1. Hogan-Demarat
2. Byron Nelson-Ed Dudley
3. Gene Sarazen-Lloyd Mangrum
4. Wood-Sergei V. Ghziel
5. Horton Smith-Jug McSpaden
- Challengers
1. Little-Cooper
2. Henry Picard-Sam Byrd
3. Clayton Heaster-Sergei Jim Turnesa
4. Ralph Guldahi-Dick Metz
5. Jimmy Thomson-Al Watrous

In a last minute decision, Hagen withdrew from the challenge lineup and also kept out Melvin (Chick) Harbert, sensational baby of the squad who will play in tomorrow's singles.

This third match of the war-orchestrated international series promised to yield \$25,000 for the

Army Kaydet



Eugene Love, captain of the 1941-42 Klamath Union high school football team and football and tennis star, left this morning for West Point, N. Y., where he has been accepted as an army cadet. Valedictorian of the 1942 KUHS graduating class, Love was an outstanding athlete through his four years in high school. (Story on page 1).

VIRGIE VAN WIE OUT

DELAND, Fla., July 18 (AP)—Virginia Van Wie, women's national amateur golf champion for three years starting in 1932, says she is through with tournament golf for good.

She has been made manager of an ice cream and milk bar near Stetson university, and says "I'm working now, really working, and I like it." From now on her golf will be "just for the fun of it."

Red Cross, with 5000 spectators expected today and 10,000 tomorrow.

Par held up reasonably well yesterday in practice, although Wood posted a 87, five under regulation figures, and carded a best ball of 85 with Ghezzi.

Ohio State Lands Billy Smith, Hailed World's Finest Swimmer

Angler Peppe Bags Second Hawaiian Fish

By BURTON BENJAMIN

NEA Service Staff Correspondent

COLUMBUS, O., July 18—Mike Peppe, the little firebrand who coaches Ohio State's swimmers, has completed a Hawaiian fishing trip by remote control and landed a couple of prize flounders.

Kiyoshi Nakama is hooked, netted and already paddling in the spacious Buckeye natatorium.

Bill Smith, Jr., is nibbling at a scholarship bait and is a certain catch, although he may paddle a year at a mainland prep school.

Nakama has completed his first year at Columbus and is set for collegiate competition. Smith will be his roommate unless he decides to wait a year. His decision is expected next month. In view of the probability of a lower draft age, it is doubtful that Smith will delay his collegiate entrance.

Just why Bill Smith, who broke four world records, one long course world mark, five American standards, two national interscholastic records and six other short course world and American marks in one year, needs an extra year of practice is a puzzle.

The 17-year-old Irish-Hawaiian, son of an island policeman, rates as the swimmer of his generation. When he fully matures, he is certain to rank as the finest paddler the world has ever known.

A husky, curly-haired water baby, Smith holds records from 200 yards to 1500 meters. His versatility extends to the one mile ocean course. He won the La Jolla, Calif., outdoor swim at that distance in 20:12.8 last year.

DUKE KAHANAMOKU IS GOING STRONG AT 32

Hawaii is an aquarium of swimming talent. Thirty years ago fabulous Duke Kahanamoku splashed to world renown. Bill Smith carries on that tradition today.

The Duke, 32 and trim as a bathing suit model, swam 50 yards free-style in the neighborhood of 28 seconds at the AAU indoor meet in Punahou tank this year.

Pepper Peppe may well chorle about his importations. Arch rivals Matt Mann of Michigan and Bob Kiphuth of Yale are expected to sound a westward ho when Mike tosses his fish into water.

Smith and Nakama are members of the Alexander Community house of Maui, AAU outdoor team champions.

Smith won the 200 and 400-meter events and anchored the victorious 800-meter relay team while Nakama copped the 800 and 1500 meter crowns as the Hawaiians outhrashed the best swimmers in the country last summer.



Bill Smith, Jr.

Nakama defended his two titles successfully at the AAU indoor championships in New Haven this year.

Peppe first conceived the idea of bringing crack Hawaiian swimmers to Ohio State in 1939 when he took a six-man American team to Guayaquil, Ecuador, for the Pan-American championships.

Three Hawaiians, one of them Nakama, were members of this squad. Peppe persuaded the Japanese-Hawaiian youngster to think about Ohio State when he was ready for college.

PEPPE FINDS FISHING SPLENDID IN HAWAII

Bill Neunzig and Fred Brandt, aquatic alumni of the Columbus school, worked on Hawaiian sugar plantations, persuaded Smith and Nakama to matriculate at Ohio State.

How will rivals Mann and Kiphuth take to this catch? "They won't like it," grins Peppe. "No, sir, they won't like it one bit. Where will they ever find swimmers like Bill Smith and Kio Nakama?"

Fisherman Peppe, like famed Izaak Walton, has landed a pair of beauts.

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