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Sports Briefs

By Hugh Fullerton, Jr.

Chicago scribes tell this one on Jimmy Dykes, who is carrying on his feud with umpires in a peaceful manner this season. . . . It seems Jimmy wasn't satisfied with the umps' observation of a rather indefinite rule banning quick returns by pitchers, so he clipped the item out of his book and posted it in the umpires' dressing room. . . . A few days later Dykes thought one of the Philadelphia pitchers was making quick returns so he started shouting at Bill Summers about it. . . "What do you know about quick returns?" Summers came back, "that rule isn't in your book." . . . "And it isn't either," Dykes ruefully admitted as he displayed the mutilated page.

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MONDAY MATINEE

The Elkins brothers, who got Johnny Greco into big-time fights, are bringing a new middleweight, Danny McGuire, down from Haileybury, Ont. . . . Gunder Haegg's race at Cleveland will be held at Baldwin-Wallace college because the AAU couldn't interest any of the papers there in sponsoring the event. . . George Vmetkovich, the Coast league slugger who was bought by the Red Sox, is likened to Ted Williams by no less an authority than Lefty O'Doul, who taught Williams some of the tricks of the hitting trade—Challedona, three-year-old sister of the famed Challedon, can make the clockers' eyes pop with her early morning speed but in the afternoons all she does is make the bettors' blood vessels pop with her lack of it. . . Paul Florence, the Birmingham barons' prexy, claims to have the solution of the manpower problem. Says Paul: "We are going to urn over to the government all the men we have left on base."

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TODAY'S GUEST STAR

Hap Burgess, Sioux City (Iowa) Journal: "If the girls keep taking over the sports jobs in the nation, the gridiron press boxes this fall will smell sweeter—if not so 'spirited.'"

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SERVICE DEPT.

When Harry Sperber, New York Staats Zeitung sports editor, left the garden ringside for the army, his idea was to lead the march into Berlin, which he knows as well as Broadway. The other day he turned up on the main stem wearing a second lieutenant's bars he received when he was graduated from the army censorship school a few days before. . . .) 8375. iuB days before. . . . Lieut. (j. g.) Harry Craft, former Cincinnati and Kansas City outfielder, has been transferred to the Del Monte, Calif., navy pre-flight school. Chances are he'll replace Lieut. Jesse Hill in the navyators lineup although Lieut. Willard Bronson, ex-Nebraska athlete, took Hill's coaching post.

May Bosses As Tam Golf Party Opens

Promoter Threats to Oust Wehrle if Wisconsin Star Passes Up Starting Tilts

By CHARLES CHAMBERLAIN

CHICAGO, July 19 (AP) — The All-American amateur, first of three golfing flings in the Tam O'Shanter tee party, had barely started today when George S. May, the club's super promoter, issued an edict that his ideas of running the tournament were not to be questioned.

Wilford Wehrle, the Racine, Wis., star, asked May for permission to drop out of the amateur meet so he could devote all his attention to the All-American open. May threatened to disqualify him should he come through among the 64 qualifiers today and tomorrow and then default his first round match so he could compete only in the open.

"This business of counting your medal score in the open while you are competing in match play of the amateur is all screwy," said Wehrle. "I am shooting the best golf of my life and I wanted to see how well I really could do against such fellows as Byron Nelson without having to play in two tournaments at once."

Wehrle posted a practice round of 70 yesterday, marking the first time he has been out of the 60's in 11 consecutive rounds.

But with May dousing this little flare up with a steadfastness that recalled last year's "numbers game" in which he insisted the pros wear identification tags or be disqualified, the 1943 tournament moved ahead with 260 players jamming the course in the first round of their 36-hole qualifying test.

Bill Gordon, the Tam pro, predicted a pair of 78's would win a berth, and Sgt. Joe Louis, for one, was convinced he could punch those figures.

There was a minimum of name players in the vast assemblage since many former stars, including Lieut. Bud Ward, the 1942 champion, were unable to obtain leaves. Frank Stranahan, of Toledo, one of the favorites, withdrew his entry today for that reason.

Hollywood Manager, Charley Root, Signed For Another Year

HOLLYWOOD, July 19 (AP)—Ten wins and three defeats have won a new contract for Manager Charley Root of the Pacific Coast league's Hollywood Stars.

Root, who also functions in the pitcher's box, was signed for 1944 on the field yesterday, during the Stars' doubleheader with Portland, and Hollywood's business manager, Oscar Reichow disclosed also that Root will get more money. Root succeeded Oscar Vitt last spring.

Breaking 33-Year-Old Record

Gunder Haegg and Arne Anderson aren't the only ones who can pick 'em up and lay 'em down. Cliff Bourland, Southern California captain, sets American record of 56.1 seconds for 500-yard dash in Los Angeles. National 440-yard titleholder beats John Fulton of Stanford, national 880-yard champion, by three yards to clip a second and a half off old mark of 57.6, established by famous Mel Sheppard at Celtic Park, New York, in 1910.

Haegg Fails To Cut His Mile Record

Rambling Swede Betters Dodds In Kezar; Warmy Soars High In Pole Vault

SAN FRANCISCO, July 19 (AP) Gundar Haegg still has one more chance on his current American tour to do what he didn't Saturday—crack the record for the mile race.

The Swedish runner delighted a crowd of some 15,000 with his rhythmic rambling in Kezar stadium, but he failed by more than seven seconds to even equal his own mile mark of 4:04.6.

The time was 4:12.3. Only consolation for Haegg, if he needed any, was that he came in ahead of Gil Dodds of Boston, the American 1500 meters (metric mile) champion, by a good 25 yards. Bobby Madrid of Fresno was third, and John Fulton of Stanford, a lagging fourth.

Heagg's performance brought comment that he appeared to ease up after running the first half-mile in 2:01, behind Dodds. On the other hand, R. L. (Dink) Templeton, noted track and field authority, came away with the belief the Swedish fireman was capable not only of the mythical four mile minute, but could reach 3:53 for the distance.

"He is the nearest thing to perfection I ever have laid eyes on," said Templeton, now coaching at University of San Francisco.

Haegg and Dodds left by plane yesterday for Boston, where Gunder will make his second and probably last assault on the mile record in his tour for the benefit of the Army Air Forces Aid society. Dodds served notice he would make Haegg "really run" in his home city.

Ensign Cornelius Warmerdam of Del Monte navy pre-flight, highlighted the remainder of the program at Kezar with his 41st and 42nd pole vaults over the 15-foot marker. His peak was 15 feet 3 inches.

Portlanders Get Spots on Stars Team

PORTLAND, July 19 (AP) — Portland players won every position on the all-star team selected after the annual state semi-pro baseball tournament.

Nine of the 16 players selected were members of the second-place Portland Firemen.

Rules limiting selection to amateurs only, prevented Camp Adair players, who won the state title, from being named. Most of the Camp Adair players are former professionals.

Tournament officials, however, awarded these additional ratings:

Best infielder, Barney Koch, Portland Firemen; best outfielder, Paul Armstrong, Camp Adair; best catcher, Frank Roelandt, Portland Firemen; best pitcher, Jack Knott, Camp Adair; best hitter, tie between Dean Frye and Beau Bell, Camp Adair.

Bunion Derby Competitor Fails To Set Record

EUGENE, July 19 (AP) — Adam Ziegler, 59-year-old ex-Grants Pass bunion derby runner, failed Saturday night in an attempt to set a world record for the 100-mile run.

He started out strong from the Eugene city hall on the first leg of a triangular course to Corvallis, Albany and back to Eugene.

After a few miles he stopped for a glass of milk, which had been carefully salted and boiled. His pace slowed thereafter from 7½ to 5 miles per hour. At Junction City, 10 miles from Eugene, he had a second glass of milk, and cramps forced him to quit shortly.

To minimize heat effects upon tires, inflate to a minimum of 28 pounds for four-ply tires, 32 pounds for a six-ply.

NOW Doors Open 1:30 - 6:45
RAINBOW
The Three Mesquiteers in "Riders of the Rio Grande"
BIG 2 HITS
ANNA MAY WONG in "Lady From Chungking"

Bringing Home the Bacon

Brooklyn housewives storm Ebbets Field, bringing half-pound tins of waste fat, which, with dime tax, entitled them to see Dem Bums smother Pittsburgh Pirates, 23-8.

National League Standings Hung Up by "Anti-stalling" Rule; Yanks Still Chase Toward Flag

By JUDSON BAILEY
Associated Press Sports Writer

This season may come to be remembered as the one in which a certified public accountant couldn't figure out the National league standings on any given day.

Right now there are no fewer than four "suspended games" in the senior circuit which must be played to completion at some future date. Two of them already have been entered in the standings as won and lost for the teams involved, the other two have not.

Yesterday Pennsylvania's Sunday curfew halted the second game of a doubleheader at Pittsburgh after seven innings with the world champion St. Louis Cardinals leading 6-5. Under ordinary baseball rules this would have become a victory for the Redbirds as soon as play ceased. But the National league passed an "anti-stalling" rule last winter which said that contests halted before the end of nine innings because of curfews must later be played to completion.

So, instead of a victory for the Cards, who earlier in the day had whipped the Pirates 7-4 for Mort Cooper's 12th triumph, the game simply entered a state of suspended animation until September 1, the date agreed upon for its conclusion.

At Boston the Massachusetts Sunday curfew stopped the second contest between the braves and Brooklyn Dodgers in the midst of a Boston rally in the sixth inning. The Braves had just scored three runs to tie the count at 4-4 and had the bases loaded with one out when play was halted. That will be the situation when play is resumed at an unspecified later date. The Dodgers bagged the first game 8-5 in 11 innings.

The American league has no such rule and everything showing in the standings today will count—very likely toward another pennant for the New York Yankees.

The Yanks yesterday swept a doubleheader from the Philadelphia Athletics to extend their winning streak to eight games and 12 victories in their last 13 starts. Bill Johnson's three-run homer helped wrap up the first decision 7-2 for Ernie Bonham and the Yanks struggled to a 4-3 verdict in ten innings in the nightcap for Spud Chandler's 11th win.

Washington, in second place, kept the pace by taking two games from the Boston Red Sox 9-2 and 5-4. The Cleveland Indians subdued the St. Louis Browns twice 4-3 and 10-7.

In the other American league skirmishing Detroit divided a doubleheader with the Chicago White Sox, taking the first game 12-4 and dropping the second 4-1.

In the National league the Chicago Cubs crushed the Cincinnati Reds twice 3-1 and 7-0 to vault into fifth place.

The Giants topped the Phillies twice 10-6 and 3-2.

Night Contest For Army, Navy May Sell Bonds

WASHINGTON, July 19 (AP)—Senator Mead (D-N. Y.) has proposed to war and navy department officials that the army-navy football game be played as a night contest this fall in either New York or Philadelphia as a part of the treasury's war bond selling campaign.

Mead wrote Acting Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson and Undersecretary of the Navy James V. Forrestal, suggesting that the annual clash between the West Point and Annapolis service teams be arranged on a grand scale as "a morale-building spectacle."

There has been some doubt whether the game will be played at all. It now is tentatively scheduled for West Point. Last fall the clash was held at Annapolis, with attendance limited to residents of the immediate area because of transportation problems.

Hutchinson, Beau Jack to Throw Leather

PHILADELPHIA, July 19 (AP) The boys around Broad and Locust streets are betting 12 to 5 that Johnny Hitchinson, who put a bright polish on Bob Montgomery's ring performance, can't cut his way through the leather that Beau Jack is ready to throw in Shibe park tonight.

They're discounting the Corbett-like boxing skill of the 26-year-old former Australian lightweight and middleweight champion in favor of the flailing fists that brought Jack, 22, to the top of the national lightweight column.

And with nearly $25,000 already in the till, Promoter Herman Taylor estimates that 20,000 persons will pay approximately $50,000 to see if the former Augusta, Ga., shoeshine boy can take the first big hurdle on the road back.

Summer driving uses twice the tire mileage of winter driving due to heat.

Spec Keene Gets Navy Commission

SALEM, July 19 (AP) — Roy "Spec" Keene, Willamette university coach since 1926, will leave here July 25 to receive a lieutenant-commander's commission in the naval reserve in New York City.

Keene also is chairman of the state parole board. Governor Snell is expected to give him a leave of absence and appoint a temporary successor.

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DOROTHY LAMOUR in Beyond The BLUE HORIZON IN TECHNICOLOR!
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CONEY ISLAND in TECHNICOLOR
with CHARLES WINNINGER PHIL SILVERS
Directed by Walter Lang Produced by William Perlberg
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THE STANDINGS

By The Associated Press

COAST LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
Los Angeles	68	26	.723
San Francisco	56	37	.602
Portland	48	45	.516
San Diego	45	50	.474
Seattle	44	49	.473
Hollywood	43	52	.453
Oakland	40	54	.426
Sacramento	31	62	.333

RESULTS YESTERDAY

Los Angeles 4-1, San Diego 2-2.

Sacramento 2-2, San Francisco 0-1.

Seattle 11-4, Oakland 0-5.

Hollywood 8-5, Portland 7-4.

RESULTS SATURDAY

San Francisco 2-4, Sacramento 1-1.

Oakland 5, Seattle 0.

Los Angeles 5, San Diego 4.

Portland 6, Hollywood 5.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Louis	49	28	.636
Brooklyn	49	35	.583
Pittsburgh	42	36	.538
Cincinnati	40	40	.500
Chicago	36	44	.450
Philadelphia	36	45	.444
Boston	33	42	.440
New York	33	48	.407

RESULTS YESTERDAY

St. Louis 7-6, Pittsburgh 4-5. (Second game called in 7th inning).

Brooklyn 8-4, Boston 5-4 (Second game tie, called at end of 6th).

Chicago 3-7, Cincinnati 1-0.

New York 10-3, Philadelphia 6-2.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	47	30	.610
Washington	44	38	.537
Detroit	40	37	.519
Chicago	38	38	.500
St. Louis	38	39	.494
Cleveland	37	41	.474
Boston	36	43	.456
Philadelphia	34	48	.415

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Washington 9-5, Boston 2-4.

Cleveland 4-10, St. Louis 3-7.

Detroit 12-1, Chicago 4-4.

Seattle Has Field Day in Oaks Battle

Aging Pitcher Gives but Two Hits; Hollywood Club Trips Ducks, Lose Series

By The Associated Press

The aging arm of 43-year-old Syl Johnson had all its magic yesterday as Seattle's veteran hurler allowed Oakland but two hits in pitching the Rainiers to an 11 to 0 victory. Only 27 men faced Johnson in the game, the opener of a twin bill, while Seattle had a field day against Vince Di Biasi and Floyd Stromme.

Hugh Luby got to Johnson for a single in the opening inning and Jack De Vincenzi repeated the feat in the fifth. At all other times Johnson had the Oaks eating out of his hand.

The Oaks won the second game, 5 and 4, but dropped the series, four games to three.

Hollywood tripped third place Portland twice by counts of 8 to 7 and 5 to 4, but lost the series, three games to four. Brooks Holder pulled the first game out of the fire for the Tars by tipping a neat bunt to score Jim Hill with the winning run.

Johnson's wasn't the only sparkling pitching performance in the Coast loop yesterday. The sad Sacramento Solons finally found something to cheer about as southpaw Clem Dreiserwerd and Johnny Pintar each turned in one-hit performances against second place San Francisco. The scores were 2-0 and 2-1. The hits in both games were singles by Gussie Suhr, veteran Seal first baseman. Only 27 men faced Dreisewerd in the first game.

At San Diego the Padres and Los Angeles divided a pair. The league leaders won the opener, 4 to 2 when San Diego committed five errors, and the Padres came back to win the second, 2 to 1.

Sensational Catch Costs Gashed Hand

OAKLAND, July 19 (AP)—Ed Carnett, hard-hitting Seattle outfielder, is on his way to Seattle today, nursing a gashed left hand that may keep him out of the Rainier lineup for "several weeks."

Carnett cut his hand while making a sensational catch of a fly ball in left field during the second game of a doubleheader. He was knocked unconscious but managed to hold onto the ball. A piece of tin or a nail on the fence was believed to have caused the injury. Five stitches were required to close the gash. After treatment at Providence hospital he entrained with his teammates.

Manager Bill Skiff said he would try to get Carnett back into action as soon as possible, but that it might be several weeks before his hand would allow him to play.

Carnett started the season as a pitcher but was converted into an outfielder to take daily advantage of his power at the plate.

It is estimated that the United States can obtain new supplies of synthetic and natural rubber amounting to 308,000 tons in 1943.

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THE POWERS GIRL with George MURPHY - Anne SHIRLEY - Carole LANDIS
and the Singing Star of Jack Benny's Radio Show DENNIS DAY
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Special Added Attraction!
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Horsing Around

Sammy Renick, who used to ride race horses, rides umbrella to cool dip in pool of Sand and Pool club of Beverly Hills, Calif.

Chris Larsen Wins Men's Net Singles

TACOMA, July 19 (AP)—Private First Class Chris Larsen of Fort Lewis and San Francisco won the men's singles championship in the Pacific northwest tennis tournament, defeating Bill Drummond of Portland 6-2, 6-4, 6-1 in Saturday's final match.

Larsen teamed with Corp. Wynn Rogers also of Fort Lewis, (by way of oLs Angeles) to win the men's doubles crown, defeating John Shea of Los Angeles and Drummond, 9-7, 6-1, 6-3.

Shea outlasted Fred Disher of Portland in a Marathon match, taking the junior boys' singles title with a 7-9, 8-10, 6-4, 6-3, 6-2 victory.

Gilbert Shea, John's brother, defeated Hugh Findley of Portland, 6-4, 4-6, 7-5 in the boys' (15 and under) singles final.

SEATTLE BOXING

SEATTLE, July 19 (AP)—Headliner on the next boxing card of the Rainier Athletic club here will be Richie Lemos, former world's featherweight champion now campaigning as a lightweight, Matchmaker Tony Palazolo announced. Lemos' opponent for a 10-round scrap will be announced within a few days.

Thirty thousand tons of rubber is expected from South America this year.

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"Night For Crime"
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