

Sports Briefs

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Southworth Backs Game Every Night

On-and-Off Routine Bad On Meal Schedules, Says Billy; Attendance Good

By JACK HAND Associated Press Sports Writer Every-night-baseball found a supporter in Manager Billy Southworth of the St. Louis Cardinals today as the majors started their second inter-sectional series.

Remarkable on last night's turnout of 22,145 at Brooklyn and the consistently high attendance at Washington's after-dark games, Billy the Kid observed:

"It is a matter for the league heads and directors but if they change their policy and play every night in all the parks it will be okay with me and my players. If more people can enjoy the games at night in this war year, the least we can do is to play the game. An every-night diet would be easier on the boys than this on-and-off routine that scrambles our meal schedules."

Under present regulations the two St. Louis teams each play 21 night games and the other clubs with lights each play 14 except Washington which was granted permission to play all home dates after dark except Sundays and holidays from May 10 to September 17.

Manager Mel Ott of the New York Giants probably would prefer to forget the night games after last night's experience when a collision between Johnny Rucker and Charley Mead, causing Rucker to drop an easy fly ball, cost him a ball game 3-2. There were two out in the last of the ninth and the Giants had a one-run lead when the blow fell.

Bill Voiselle had pitched himself in and out of trouble all night but had started to walk off the hill to mark down another win in his record book when Rucker dropped the ball. Les Webber, who replaced Rube Melton in the seventh got credit for his first win of the year and the Giants aren't sure yet what happened.

The Brooklyn spectacle was the only big league game scheduled but all 16 clubs swing back into action today in the National league's eastern cities and the American's western half.

Rainiers Gain Tie For Second

By The Associated Press Seattle's Rainiers moved into a virtual tie for second place in the Pacific Coast baseball race last night and gained a game on their league-leading northern neighbors by walloping the San Francisco Seals 10-2 while Portland bowed to Hollywood 5-4.

A 14th inning home run by Outfielder Jack Devincenzi enabled Oakland to take a 6-5 verdict from Sacramento while San Diego drove Pete Mallory from the Los Angeles mound in the second inning and went on to win 12-1.

Portland bowed to defeat on the strength of a tally by Brooks Holder on a single by Frank Kelleher after two outs had been made in the ninth inning.

Seattle's triumph over San Francisco lifted the Rainiers to within three percentage points of the Seals for the league's runnerup post.

Wrestler Gets Bopped On Head With Pop Bottle

DALLAS, May 24 (AP)—Bill Longson retained his claim to the world's heavyweight wrestling championship although bopped in the head with a bottle in his match with Bobby Managoff here last night. An unidentified spectator threw the bottle which broke against Longson's head, opening a two-inch cut.

The referee ruled the match "no contest."

SEATTLE, May 24 (AP)—Emil Sick, owner of the Seattle Rainiers and its hometown baseball lot, put his stamp of approval on use of the park for professional football games when a play-for-pay league is organized in the northwest.

Sick gave his approval yesterday during a meeting with Al Davies, Tacoma, who has posted \$5000 for a Seattle franchise in the newly organized coast league.

August, one of the year's hottest months, is the busiest season for fur dealers in normal times, with January second.

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Wagner May Top Katonen

George Wagner, the mean matman who slugged Pete Belcastro into a two-week layoff in last week's wrestling match at the armory, is favored to top Paavo Katonen, Pacific coast light heavy champ, in the local ring this Friday night.

This bald-faced statement is a result of much study of the effects of altitude on athletes. Wagner, who has been wrestling in Klamath for the past three weeks, should be more accustomed to the thinner air. Katonen, who has been doing his bit in the muggy, low southern climate, may be hampered a trifle by the inability to "catch his wind" in the higher country.

Of course, all this reasoning hinges on the probable length of the match. If the struggle is short, the altitude may not affect Paavo's ability, but if the battle lasts for any length of time, Wagner will have the edge. Wagner will probably lead in meanness, also, as is evidenced by Pete Belcastro who is still on the shelf with a back injury after the pounding he took from George last week.

The wrestling-fan public is vitally interested in this week's event, Promoter Mack Lillard said today, and a crowded house is forecast for the event by the huge advance ticket sale.

Beaver Boys State Scheduled For OSC In Last of June

The eighth annual session of Beaver Boys State, sponsored by the American Legion of Oregon, will be held on the campus of Oregon State college, June 25 to July 2, inclusive, according to an announcement by John Schenk, of Corvallis, president of Boys State.

This will be the fourth consecutive year that Beaver Boys State has been held at Oregon State college. Lee Bostwick, of Portland, department chairman of Boys State, will be camp director.

Enrollment will be limited to high school boys 14 to 17 years of age, who will be selected for outstanding qualifications in character, service and leadership, and who will have a serious attitude toward an intensive citizenship program.

SKELTON DEFERRED

HOLLYWOOD, May 23 (AP)—A two-weeks' deferment has been granted Richard (Red) Skelton, actor, by his selective service board, his radio studio announced today. Skelton is now scheduled for induction June 7 unless further deferments are granted.

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25 Medford Golfers to Play Reames

Reames Players Tee-Off Against Valley Men in Sunday Morning Matches

Twenty-five Medford golfers, who play for the love of the game, will go the rounds of Reames Golf and Country club with localites this Sunday. John West, membership chairman at Reames, announced today.

The Medford players will arrive early Sunday morning and matches will start at 9 o'clock, with a new foursome scheduled to tee off every five minutes.

Pairings for the event are as follows, with the two Medford members of each foursome listed first: Eddie Simmons, Captain Smith vs. Corporal Leal, Ralph Macartney.

Leland Clark, Verne Robinson vs. Earl Weimer, Howard Perrin. Hobart Price, Sol Nichols vs. Frank Tarr, Bob Sprout.

Lee Watson, Charles Clay vs. Carl Woods, Ted Medford. Captain Holzworth, Bayard Gelchel vs. Harry Panning, John West.

Ray Prull, Cliff Proctor vs. Martin Swanson, William Hagelstein. Ed Lyman, Bob Kincaid vs. Harley Hull, W. E. Lamm.

Russ Royer, Lee Skaggs vs. John Houston, Joe Lemens, Louis Blythe, Bill Coty vs. A. J. Voye, Carl Huson.

Hal Dumont, Earl Simms vs. Lawrence Cloxon, John Becken. Al Litterell, Jack Dammon vs. Dr. Oldenburg, Dr. Rugh. Clore Caley, Frank Porter vs. T. H. Reeves, E. Mullis. Ed Drysdale vs. Jim Kerns. Klamath alternates for the matches are Frank Victory, Dick Miller Sr., Darrell Miller and Tom Towey.

All local members are requested to be at the club before starting time Sunday morning.

Bar-Bell Experts To Bulge Muscles In Sunny South

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., May 24 (AP)—The boys with the bulging biceps and the bodies beautiful are due in Saturday to settle the national senior AAU weight lifting titles and to name a muscular "Mr. America."

It will be the first time the bar-bell experts ever have come south to pick their champions. National AAU Chairman Leon Green of Chattanooga said today.

Some 40 or more entries are entered in the contests, Green said. Approximately half are service men, ranging in rank from private to captain.

TIMBER ACQUIRED

TACOMA, May 24 (AP)—Sizable timber stands have been acquired and a \$100,000 research foundation established by north-west Douglas fir plywood manufacturers, it was disclosed at the annual meeting of the Douglas Fir Plywood association here yesterday.

The association included 30 plywood factories in Oregon and Washington. The barometer was invented by Evangelista Torricelli, a pupil of Galileo, in 1634.

Lloyd Marshall Sees Trouble With Joe Kahut

PORTLAND, May 24 (AP)—Lloyd Marshall, recognized by the National Boxing association as the duration light-heavy-weight champion, expects plenty of trouble from Joe Kahut, Oregon's haymaker-tossing farm boy, Friday night.

The Sacramento negro said so last night upon his arrival from Milwaukee, Wis., where he beat Joe Reddick of Paterson, N. J., last Friday.

"Jack Chase saw that Kahut fight and he told me to watch out for a lot of dynamite," Marshall added.

Marshall, who has had some 300 amateur and professional fights, expects to tip the scales at about 170 pounds for the 10-round non-title scrap. Kahut probably will weigh in at 173 to 175.

WARNS ABOUT BLOOD

SPOKANE, May 24 (AP)—Dr. Karl F. Meyer of Berkeley, Calif., president of the American Public Health association's western branch, warned yesterday that the use of persons from a foreign land for blood transfusions increases danger of introduction of tropical diseases into the United States.

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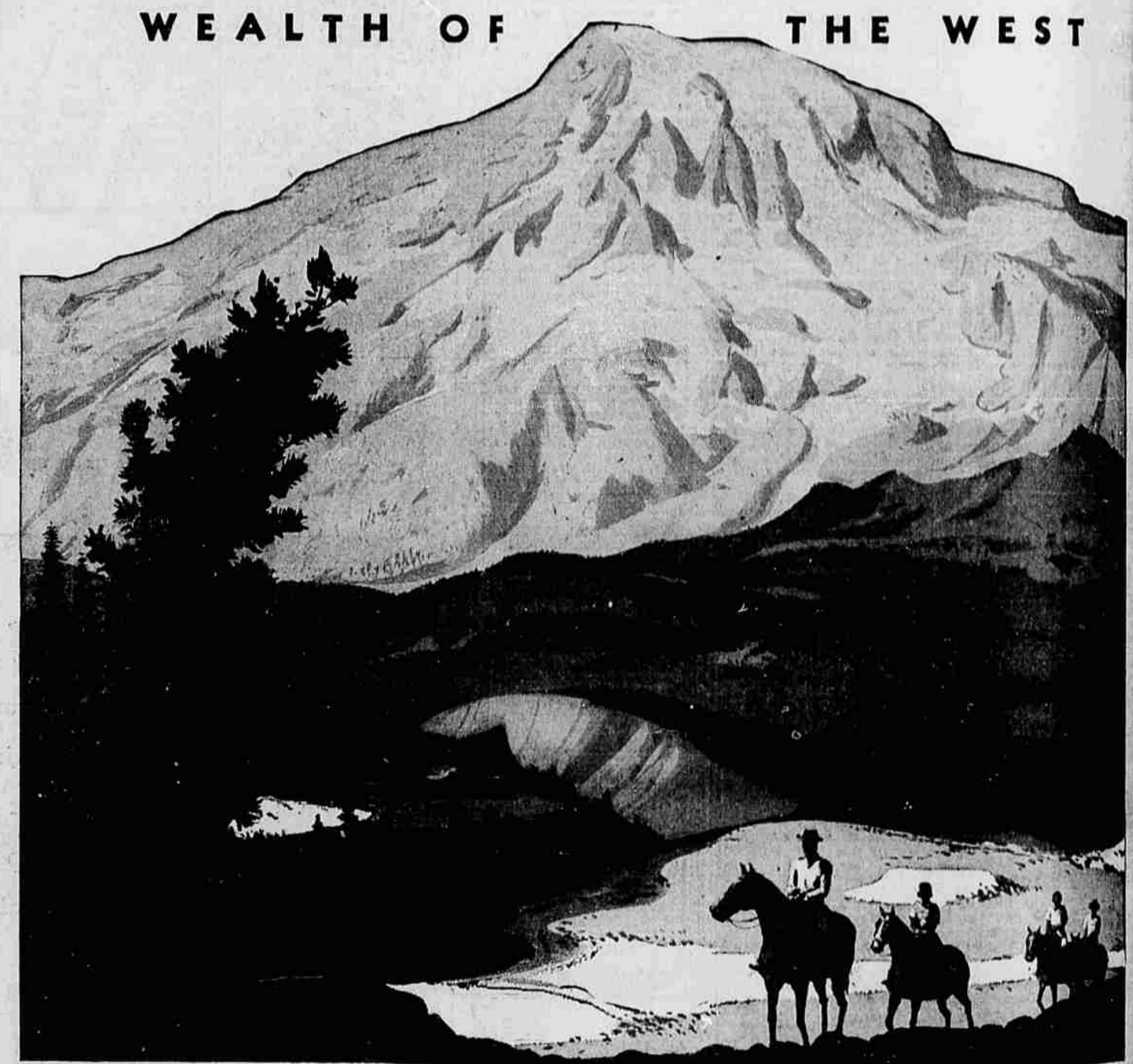
Grid Coaches Meet Thursday to Set Western Schedules

CHICAGO, May 24 (AP)—Western conference coaches will meet tomorrow to consider gridiron schedules for 1945 and 1946. They will draw up the basketball cards Friday.

Meanwhile, all of the Ten schools will take part in the annual track and field meet at the University of Illinois Saturday. Michigan's Western key men are favorites to win the 44th annual event. Illinois and Purdue rank next.

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