

Sports Briefs

By Hugh Fullerton, Jr.

By FRITZ HOWELL (Pinch-Hitting for Hugh Fullerton Jr.)

NEW YORK, Aug. 4 (AP)—If we were a baseball player, and could pick our job, we'd take over for Joe Just, Cincinnati Red catcher; Roy Berres, Giant catcher, or Lena Blackburn, Philadelphia Athletics coach. Just has played in only seven games this year, batting only nine times; Berres has been up only once in five games, while Blackburn gets \$50 from the American league for sending each club a can of special dirt with which the umpires rub the baseballs before each game. What a life those guys lead—and that Berres was a holdout, yet.

WE ASKED YOU FIRST

No. 1—What major league player gained the highest rank in the first World War?
No. 2—What catcher leads the list in stolen bases for receivers? (Tip—it's not Lombardi.)

(Answers at end of column—but don't look now.)

WE JUST LEARNED

The figure 56 is a magic one in sports—Joe DiMaggio hit in 56 consecutive games, Ben Hogan finished in the money in 56 straight golf tournaments, Greg Rice won 56 straight races, Walter Johnson pitched 56 shut-out innings in a row, and the Pittsburgh Pirates failed to score in 56 straight innings (Helm beat 'em all by one). Mel Ott, who holds the National league home run record with 485, didn't hit one until his third season in the majors. . . . And in the lineup the day he hit it was Hornsby, Terry, Grimm, Hartnett, Fitzsimmons and Grimes, who with Ott were destined to become managers. . . . Sam Snead is in a naval station hospital with a back injury and probably will not defend his PGA golf title at Spokane August 14-20.

THE BASEBALL ANSWERS

No. 1—Alfred von Kollnitz, Chicago White Sox, major.
No. 2—Roger Bresnahan, New York Giants, 34 in 1903.

Games Scheduled For Second Air Force Eleven

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Aug. 4 (AP)—Thirteen football games in seven states are scheduled for the second air force eleven this fall. Maj. Claude F. McGrath, director, said.

The team, one of the country's outstanding service groups in 1942, returns to the gridiron after a year's lapse and will play the opening game against Peru naval V-12 September 2 at Sioux City, Ia., and wind up against the fourth air force Sunday, November 26, in Denver.

The fourth air force outfit is from March Field, Calif., and last year was one of the nation's strong teams. The Iowa Sea Hawks and the University of Washington are other standouts on the heavy schedule.

Cubs in Top Division for First Time

Grimm Pulls Bruins Out Of Cellar; Nicholson Takes R.B.I., Home Run Lead

By JACK HAND (Associated Press Sports Writer)

Cholly Grimm's banjo strummed a merry tune today as the Chicago Cubs inhaled rarefied first division air after spending the first three and a half months of the season in and out of the National league cellar.

The Bruins headed home via Pittsburgh with a 9-game win streak and a record of 12 victories in 17 eastern starts. Since June 25, when Grimm's crew was mired in last place by 41 lengths, Chicago took 26 of 38 games to pull past all the eastern entries. For the first time this season, the four western clubs hogged the first division spots.

Bill Nicholson stepped up his home run production from its usual sub-par start and clouted No. 22 and 23 yesterday as the Cubs humbled Brooklyn twice, 6-2 and 7-1. Nicholson moved past Mel Ott of the New York Giants in the home run derby and passed the Cards' Ray Sanders to take the RBI lead with 75.

Bob Chipman needed help from Paul Derringer yesterday to grab a 6-2 nod in the first game over Curt Davis, but Claude Passeau went all the way, scattering 10 hits, to decision Tom Warren in a 7-1 nightcap. Nicholson with 5 for 8 and Cavaretta with 5 for 9 boosted their averages to an even 300.

St. Louis humbled Pittsburgh 15-2, with Teddy Wilks copping his seventh straight and his 10th win to one loss. Danny Litwhiler batted in six runs with four hits, including a three-run homer.

Chicago's White Sox went into a fifth-place tie with Detroit in the American league by downing Cleveland twice, 3-2 and 5-1. Bill Dietrich nosed out Al Smith in the opener with the help of Johnny Dickshot's triple, and Orval Grove got the nod over Chief Reynolds in the second.

All other big league clubs enjoyed an open date.

THE STANDINGS

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	W	L	Pct.
St. Louis	21	10	.676
Cincinnati	24	12	.667
Pittsburgh	20	14	.588
Chicago	26	16	.615
New York	20	17	.541
Boston	19	18	.514
Philadelphia	17	20	.457
Brooklyn	13	24	.349

Games Yesterday
St. Louis 15, Pittsburgh 2-1.
Chicago 6-7, Brooklyn 2-1.
Only games scheduled.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
St. Louis	20	10	.667
Boston	22	12	.646
New York	20	14	.588
Cleveland	21	15	.583
Detroit	19	17	.526
Chicago	18	18	.500
Philadelphia	17	19	.474
Washington	12	24	.333

Games Yesterday
St. Louis 15, Pittsburgh 2-1.
Chicago 6-7, Brooklyn 2-1.
Only games scheduled.

COAST LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Los Angeles	20	10	.667
San Francisco	21	11	.656
Hollywood	20	12	.625
Oakland	19	13	.594
Portland	18	14	.563
Sacramento	17	15	.529
Seattle	16	16	.500
San Diego	15	17	.469

Games Yesterday
San Diego 1, Hollywood 0.
Los Angeles 9, Portland 1.
San Francisco 2, Oakland 5, Seattle 3.

Gowen Field Wins Inter-Area Championship

BOISE, Ida., Aug. 4 (AP)—Gowen field of Boise blasted its way to the inter-area championship of the army's second air force baseball league yesterday by a 17-8 win over the Casper, Wyo., airbase.

Gowen won the first game at Casper and Casper took the second here Wednesday.

Gowen will meet the winner of a series between Herrington, Kans., and Lincoln, Nebr., army airfields in sectional playoffs.

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To Risk Title



Paavo Katonan, above, will risk his Pacific coast light-heavyweight title Friday night in a mat brawl at the armory with Herb Parks, Canadian light-heavyweight grappling champ. A strong card supports the bout and proceedings will start at 8:30 p. m.

Katonan, Parks to Battle For Coast Title Tonight

Friday night at 8:30 p. m. in the armory, Klamath wrestling fans will have an opportunity to see an honest to goodness battle for the Pacific coast light-heavyweight wrestling title.

Paavo Katonan, current grappling champ, has agreed to risk all for his bout with Herb Parks, who is Canadian light-heavyweight champion. This also is the rubber match between these two mat artists. Paavo having won the first meeting and Parks winning last week's affair.

Both grapplers promise to be in tip-top condition, and they have weighed in exactly as specified, 178 pounds. Katonan will probably be a slight betting favorite because of his success in defending his title against all comers in matches elsewhere in the Northwest.

However Herb Parks didn't come all the way to Klamath Falls just for the trip and he

says he is going to give Katonan a tough battle all the way.

This will be the first title bout Klamath fans have seen for many a moon. A couple of months back Katonan was going to put up his title here for a fight with Gorgeous George Wagner, but Paavo got in difficulty with Walter "Sneeze" Achin in Salem and the belt was held up.

There won't be any strings attached this time and from all indications a sellout crowd will be on hand to see the title go.

The supporting card is enough in itself to warrant a big turnout. Jack Kiser, who has established quite a name for himself in Hollywood wrestling circles, is to tangle with Tony Morelli in the slam bang semi-final event.

The curtain raiser will see Tex Porter from Texas and Medford rough it up with Roddy O'Dowdy.

Preparations for Connie Mack Celebration Rushed

By RAY PETERSON

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 4 (AP)—"The first 50 years were the easiest," smiled Connie Mack as he looked back today over his years as a major league manager while last minute preparations for his golden jubilee celebration at Shibe park tonight were rushed to completion.

Early indications were that one of the largest crowds of sports fans will be on hand to attend the gala program honoring the owner and manager of the Athletics.

Baseball's great of today and yesterday — Honus Wagner, Tris Speaker, George Sisler, Mickey Cochrane, Bill Dickey, Ty Cobb, Babe Ruth and a score of others—will be on hand to honor the grand old man of baseball.

In the 50 years since "Mr. Baseball" began his managerial career with the Pittsburgh Nationals on Aug. 4, 1894, Cornelius McGillicuddy—as he prefers to be called—has lost some of his spryness but none of his fervor for the nation's No. 1 sport.

Nearing 82, the tall, erect, silver-haired old gentleman said he looks forward to another world's championship for his Athletics before he quits baseball.

Highlighting tonight's celebration which will precede the regular A's-Yankees game, will be the presentation of Mack's all-star players. As each name is called out, Mack will greet him at home plate.

SLIVINSKI SIGNED

SEATTLE, Aug. 4 (AP)—The Seattle Bombers of the American Professional Football league added professional strength today with announcement that Steve Slivinski, former University of Washington and Washington Redskins guard, has agreed to assist Earl (Dutch) Clark in handling the Seattle entry. Slivinski has been working in a Seattle shipyard.

Suds, Ducks Drop Back In Chase

Rainiers Bow to Oakland As Beavers Fall Victim To Los Angeles Angels

By The Associated Press

Seattle and Portland each lost ground in the Pacific Coast league pennant chase last night, the Rainiers bowing to Oakland 5-3, and the Rose City nine dropping a 9-1 decision to Los Angeles.

Rex Adams limited the Beavers to four hits while the Angels were collecting nine, including Rip Russell's three-run homer, his second in two days. Portland contributed four errors to the cause, and dropped into a tie with Sacramento for fifth place.

Al Wright, Oakland second baseman, poled out two doubles to lead his 11-hit attack while Al Libke, Seattle first sacker, drove in all of Seattle's runs with three hits, including one homer. The loss dropped Seattle into seventh place.

San Diego, limited to three hits by Ronnie Smith, turned back Hollywood 1-0 as Rex Cecil posted his 18th win. The Padres got a man on with an infield hit in the fourth and scored him on a stolen base, an infield out and a wild throw by Short Stop Todd Davis.

Sacramento defeated San Francisco 4-2, coming from behind in the seventh inning to tally three runs.

Montgomery, Jack to Scrap In Garden

NEW YORK, Aug. 4 (AP)—It's beginning to look as if Madison Square Garden will be filled with service men tonight as army Privates Beau Jack and Bob Montgomery meet in a 10-round lightweight scrap to which war bond purchases offer the only path to admittance.

Estimates on the "gate" range from \$25,000,000 to \$50,000,000.

The first three rows, where the seat cost ranges from \$25,000 to \$100,000, will be turned over to wounded service men back from the Pacific, Normandy and Italy.

Beau Jack, the former Augusta, Ga., bootblack, who is giving his services free along with Montgomery, brought \$100,000 worth of \$25 bonds yesterday and turned the tickets over to an army hospital. His manager, Frankie Thomas, did the same. An unidentified man stepped up to a ticket window yesterday, bought \$100,000 worth of bonds, took a look at his heap of tickets, and said, "give 'em to the service men."

Junior Net Runs to Form

KALAMAZOO, Mich., Aug. 4 (AP)—With matches running almost exactly to form, fifth-seeded John Shea of Los Angeles was the lowest-ranking competitor remaining today as the National Junior and Boys' Tennis tournament went into the semi-final round.

Shea earned his position by a narrow 6-0, 1-6, 7-5 decision over Fourth-Ranking Ed Ray of San Antonio, Tex., yesterday and battles it out with Defending Champion Bob Falkenberg of Hollywood for a berth in tomorrow's finals.

Falkenberg advanced on a 6-4, 6-4 victory over unseeded Billy Smith of Orlando, Fla.

Haegg to Try For Two-Mile Record

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 4 (AP)—Gunder Haegg will attempt to break his own world record of 8:46.4 for the two-mile run tonight in Stockholm's stadium.

As he wound up training yesterday, the Swedish cinder star said: "I can't guarantee a new world record, but I'll do my best."

During 1942 the navy consumed 159,600,000 pounds of fresh meat, 19,700,000 dozen eggs, 62,700,000 pounds of sugar, 23,900,000 pounds of cereals.

Lobsters are incubated in canvas boxes and are then placed in the sea to grow.

Heavy - Hitting Veteran Bend Squad to Meet Air Station Nine

BEND, Aug. 3 (Special)—Powered by the same crew of heavy hitters that set the pace in Oregon State league play for three years, the Bend baseball team, captained by Bill Hatch, ex-Portland university star, will play the Klamath naval air station nine in Klamath Falls Sunday afternoon. The Bend team, playing independent ball this season, will head south fresh

from a 9 to 1 victory over the Redmond army air base squad. Bend held the Redmond air-men scoreless for eight consecutive innings, then yielded a run in the ninth, with one man down, when Jones poled out a three bagger. The ex-Elks of the Oregon State league never shifted into high gear against the Fliers from Redmond and used three pitchers, to save tiring arms and keep hurlers in shape for the Klamath battle.

Against the Navy men, the Bend players expect to face plenty of competition, and Hatch has indicated he will start one of his best hurlers, probably Jim Farmer, who did not see action against the Redmond Fliers. News that the Navy men last Sunday downed the Medford all-stars 12 to 7 fully impressed the ex-Elks they are in for a tough afternoon Sunday. Hatch said. Bend fielders and pitcher will be on the alert

Weekend Fishing Prospects

PORTLAND, Aug. 4 (AP)

Fishing prospects for the weekend are generally poor, excepting Curry, Deschutes and Baker counties, the state game commission reported today. The report by counties:

Multnomah—No trout catches reported along the Columbia river highway; few catfish taken with worms in Big Sturgeon lake; some nice perch from the Columbia on bait near Sauve's island.

Columbia—Generally poor; some trout taken in deeper parts of the Nehalem river on bait; bullfrogs being taken in the Clatskanie district.

Tillamook—Few bluejacks taken from the Big Nestucca river; other streams poor.

Curry—Cutthroat catches made on the Upper Winchuck and Chetco rivers; northern part of the county fair, with lake fishing very good; Rogue river greatly improved with many catches of salmon.

Deschutes—Generally good with limit catches of large rainbow trout reported at Davis, Paulina, East and Gig Lava lakes; roads to all lakes in fair condition.

Wasco—A few salmon being taken from the Columbia at Celilo, and fair catches reported from the Deschutes; most of the smaller streams too low, although a few trout were caught in the lower Badger and Tygh creeks.

Morrow—Gilliam and Wheeler counties poor due to extremely low water.

Josephine—A few trout taken from the Rogue river and some from Bolen lake.

Klamath—Generally improved with good catches of catfish, perch and black bass from Lost river; Upper Klamath and agency lakes good for trolling; Odell and Crescent lakes good on flies and bait; Davis lake fair on fly fishing; the Little Deschutes yielding good catches on bait and flies.

Baker—Angling remains good; many bag limits of trout from Pine and Eagle creeks, and lake fishing still fair.

Kentucky Breeders Find Business Worth Two Million

LEXINGTON, Ky., Aug. 4 (AP)—Kentucky thoroughbred breeders awoke today to discover a two-million dollar business dumped in their lap by the war. And they plan to expand it when hostilities cease.

The four-day yearling sales, which closed here last night, grossed \$2,285,000, or an average of \$5230 for each of the 437 head offered to set a new record. The previous mark for yearlings was \$2,170,775 or an average of \$2538 for 855 head paid in 1929 at all auction markets in the United States.

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Pairings Set For Kiwanis-Rotary Meet

Pairing have been made for the Kiwanis-Rotary golf team matches to be played at 9 a. m. Sunday, August 6, at the Reames Golf and Country club.

The losing members will buy the winning members a luncheon at the club following the matches according to word received here.

A challenge to play the winners at some date in the near future has been received from the Lion's club, and details will be arranged shortly.

Those members of the service clubs who wish to compete and whose names are not listed in the pairings are asked to contact the heads of their teams. Howard Perrin leads the Rotary club team, and Martin Swanson is captain of the Kiwanis team.

The pairings are as follows:

Kiwanians	Rotarians
Martin Swanson	Dr. John Merryman
Dr. Ray Oldenburg	Bill Hageleit
Carl Huxon	Ralph Macarthey
John Houston	Howard Perrin
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