

From Midfield

By PAUL HAINES

Promoter Mack Lillard Presents—

Tonight at the Klamath armory, Mack Lillard, the head man of Gladiator's Gully, will present three—count 'em, three—torrid, scintillating, colossal, rassing tilts. And what's more, they'll be pretty good, too.

The hair-raiser of the night's card will pit George Wagner, God's gift to women, against Georges Dusette, the Adonis of the northwest circuit. With wild wimmen shrieking and the gendarmes ready to close in at any time to prevent mat mayhem, the two gougers are ready to go to any and all lengths to put the chill to each other.

George states that he will guzzle his opponent with such prompt dispatch that it will hardly be worth Dusette's time to walk to the ring and that Announcer Jack Franey had better be prepared to put in a priority call for a wooden overcoat and a stretcher. One would expect Dusette to be trembling like a turkey before Thanksgiving Day, but Georges seems to be notably free from worry at the dire threats of "The Toast of the Coast."

In fact, he says Wagner is nothing but a big creampuff and that he is saving him for dessert to top off his dinner of horse-shoe nails and thumb tacks. All this verbal baiting paves the way for much ill feeling between the two boys. In other words, they just don't like each other, so there.

In the semi-windup, Antonio Leone, an oyster free of pearls from Oyster Bay, N. Y., will attempt to continue his winning ways by sloughing Baby-face Klingman into oblivion. Leone has a method that is all his own to garner his victories. After peering balefully at his rival, he will drop to the deck on his knees and as his opponent eyes him questioning, Antonio will bring one up from the rosin to send his puzzled and hapless rival reeling across the ring.

We figure maybe Leone is just downright fooling us and that perhaps he was brought up down in the "dear old southland" among corn ponies, grits and fried chicken, and that he learned his peculiar tactics from observing a possum in its native abode. We don't know—it's just a thought.

In the opening scuffle Kenny Ackles tackles Tex Hager. Both boys have shown lots of ability in previous tussles here and may be depended upon to furnish plenty of action. The curtain goes up at 8:30 p. m., with Wally Moss scheduled to arbitrate the clambake.



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NAS Nine To Collide With Central Point

The sailors from the naval air station will play their first game of the newly-formed Southern Oregon Baseball league against a Central Point nine on Sunday at 2:30 p. m., according to navy authorities.

The tilt will be played at the air station with the public cordially invited free of charge. The public will be admitted through gate 2, located at the end of Summers lane on the road to the old airport. Persons are specifically requested not to bring cameras or weapons of any kind.

Bengals Nose Out Tribe, 3-2

Boston, Cincinnati Move Into First Division Of Their Respective Leagues

By JACK HAND Associated Press Sports Writer

Joe Cronin's Boston Red Sox and Bill McKechnie's Cincinnati Reds today qualify as the comeback kids by making the first division of their respective leagues after a rocky start.

Boston rocketed into the select circle by copping 13 of 18 games during an extended Fenway Park stand and Cincy crept out of the dark regions with 11 wins in their last 12 starts.

Neither the Sox nor Reds were considered pennant contenders last spring and their early season showings appeared to justify the experts' form charts. But with both leagues shaking down into wide open scrambles, both can be important factors.

Boston Meets Yankees
Boston gets its big chance today in an invasion of the Yankee Stadium where the New Yorkers have been virtually unbeatable. With Center Fielder Johnny Lindell, a key Yankee reporting for duty in the armed service and Dave Ferriss ready for action in Sunday's doubleheader, the Sox have a chance to make another tremendous stride by capturing the four game series.

The veteran Red Sox handyman, Mike Ryba, got a win yesterday in a 10-inning 4 Red Sox verdict over the Philadelphia Athletics. Catcher Bob Garbar's bases-loaded single won the game after Bob Johnson had put Boston back in the running on a two-run homer.

Reds Trip Pirates
Joe Bowman boosted the Reds into the National league's first place on a 7-3 edge over Pittsburgh's Rip Sewell for his second straight decision since donning a Cincinnati uniform.

The Braves grabbed their quota of the Boston cheers by sinking the Phillies twice, 3-1 and 7-3, deepening Freddy Fitzsimmons' woes to 11 straight losses. Jim Tobin and Tom Earley, the latter making his first starting appearance since his service discharge, were the victors over Bill Lee and Dick Barrett as Tommy Holmes continued his hit parade with five that boosted his league leading average to .390.

Giants Whip Bums
Brooklyn lived up to all the bad things the writers said about them in spring training days by kicking the ball for eight errors in tossing one away to New York, 10-5. Van Mungo was credited with his sixth straight, but was not around at the finish despite his triple and single.

Both St. Louis teams were victorious, as the Cardinals outstepped the Chicago Cubs, 6-4, to take over sole possession of second place, three and one half games behind the Giants and the

Terrific Rain Sweeps Churchill Downs Track

Racing Strip Turned Into Sloppy Mess; More Rain Predicted Today

By CHARLES DUNKLEY

LOUISVILLE, Ky., June 8 (AP)—The breath-taking two minute drama of the 71st Kentucky Derby unfolds tomorrow with the prospect of the first muddy track since 1929 when little Clyde Van Dusen wallowed to victory through splashing mud and water.

A terrific rain swept Churchill Downs yesterday, stopping shortly after noon. It quickly turned the racing strip into a sloppy, brown-colored mess, fetlock deep in mud. Unless more rain falls today, or tonight, the track undoubtedly will drain off, making it slow if not muddy. It has excellent drying qualities.

Original Field May Be Reduced
However, more rain is predicted today with the result that the original starting field of eighteen may be reduced to fourteen because of track conditions.

Burning Dream, carrying the hopes of a fifth derby victory for the 85-year-old Col. E. R. Bradley of Lexington, Ky., will not start if track conditions are unfavorable, Jimmy Smith, his trainer, said. Two of the three Canadian nominees—Fair Jester and Kentworth Lad, definitely will not go if the track is off. Another doubtful starter is Jacobe, entry of Andrew Wright, Jersey City, N. J. Jacobe received a leg cut in his last workout before leaving New York. His handlers were frantically applying flaxseed heat pads today in the hope of reducing inflammation.

14 Certain To Go To Post
This fourth war-time derby, delayed more than a month because of the ban on racing, will find an apparently certain field of 14 more or less sprightly three year olds struggling to the last mile and a quarter of Churchill Downs soil, come a fast track or mud, to present a reasonable facsimile of Whirlaway's 2:01 2/5 record for the event. Each will carry 126 pounds, with the exception of the only filly in the race, Misweet, which will have an allowance of five pounds.

Three Horses Installed As Choices
The public has installed three horses as choices—Hoop Jr., entry of F. W. Hooper, Jacksonville, Fla.; Col. C. V. Whitney's Jeep and Pot O'Luck, entry of Warren Wright's Calumet farm.

Hoop Jr., winner of one division of the Woods Memorial at Jamaica last Saturday, turned in the most astonishing workout of all derby candidates, stepping a mile and an eighth in 1:51 3/5. Pot O'Luck gets consideration because of Trainer Ben Jones, who has saddled three derby winners—Lawrin, Whirlaway and Pensive, winner of the 1944 event.

Probable lineup for tomorrow's Kentucky Derby with jockeys, owners and probable odds:

Horse	Jockey	Owner	Prob. Odds
Jeep	Arnold Kirkland	Col. C. V. Whitney	3-1
Hoop Jr.	Eddie Arcaro	F. W. Hooper	3-1
Pot O'Luck	Doug Dodson	Warren Wright	5-1
Darby Diappe	Melvin Calvert	Mrs. W. G. Lewis	8-1
Air Sailor	Buddy Haas	Lt. Com. T. D. Buhl	10-1
Alexis	Ken Seaworth	Henry Lunger	12-1
Fighting Step	George South	Murlogg Stable	12-1
Burning Dream	Albert Snider	E. R. Bradley	15-1
Sea Swallow	George Woolf	C. S. Howard	20-1
Byrneabond	Freddie Smith	J. K. Houssels	25-1
Foreign Agent	Kepton Knott	Lookout Stock Farm	30-1
Misweet	Buddy Craig	Arthur Rose	30-1
Fair Jester	Bobby Watson	H. C. Hatch	50-1
Jacobe	Herb Lindberg	Andrew Wright	75-1
Tiger Rebel	J. R. Layton	Ned Brent and William Talbot	100-1
A—Kenilworth Lad	No Boy	Tom Graham	100-1
A—Bert G.	Robert Summers	Tom Graham	100-1
A—Tom Gram Entry			

All will carry 126 pounds with the exception of Misweet who gets a filly allowance and will pack 121.

Browns trimmed the Chicago White Sox twice, 6-0 and 6-2. The double dose dropped the Pale Hose to fifth and left the defending champs in third place only two and one half games behind the Yanks. Jack Kramer tossed his second successive shut-out in the opener and Tex Shirley got credit in the finale. Detroit moved to within a single game of New York by shading Cleveland 3-2, on Hal Newhouse's five-hit pitching as both the Yanks and Senators enjoyed an open date.

Nelson Leads Golf Tourney By 6 Strokes

MONTREAL, June 8 (AP)—Byron Nelson of Toledo, one of the United States' leading golfers, enjoyed a six-stroke edge as he went into the second round of the \$10,000 Canadian PGA open today, after shattering the Islesmere course record with a nine-under par 83.

Second were Harold (Jug) McSpaden of Danford, Me., and Jimmy Hines of Chicago, who carded 89's.

A crowd of 8000 was somewhat disappointed when Slammin' Sammy Snead, top linkster from White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., was not among the U. S. entries. He did not reach Montreal in time to compete.

Stan Horne, Islesmere's home pro, led the Canadian entries with a two-under-par 70.

Bevos Trip L. A., 9-3; Suds Lose

Sacramento Rockets Into Third Place With 2-0 Win Over Impotent Oakland

By The Associated Press
Portland hammered out an easy 9-3 win over Los Angeles in the Pacific Coast Baseball league last night to increase its league lead to three and a half games. Southpaw Syd Cohen held the Angels to eight hits while the Beavers were driving young Kenny Hicks to the showers with a five-run blast in the third frame. It was Cohen's fifth victory and Hicks' seventh defeat of the season.

Seals Top Rainiers
San Francisco made it two out of three over the second place Seattle Rainiers, winning 7-4 behind the twirling of righthander Frankie Seward, who copped his fifth in a row. The Seals spotted Seattle three runs in the first inning but came back to count four off Glen Elliott in the first two stanzas and get three more off relief hurler Byron Speece in the fourth.

The rocketing-rise of Sacramento, three-time victors this week over Oakland, had zoomed the Solons into a tenuous hold on third place with the Acorns and San Francisco tied for fourth a half game behind.

Solons Blank Oaks
Manager Earl Sheely's band from the California capital city whitewashed the Oaks 2-0 last night to trade places with the East Bay club, whose debacle at Sacramento was witnessed by

Huge Trout Caught At Pringle Falls

A mammoth German schute was taken from the Tuesday by Melvin J. K... The fish, weighed 41 pounds, was 28 inches long, and 14 inches in girth. It took Kohl 15 minutes to land the fish, caught in a Spruce fly and fly rod.

NAMED TRACK CAPTAIN

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP)—Bill O'Neill of South Falls, Wash., was elected captain of the Notre Dame team today for next season. He is a senior and has been a hurdler on the squad for the last two years. He succeeded Murphy of Wilmette, Ill.

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Best Fishing In Central, Northwest Parts Of State

PORTLAND, June 8 (AP)—Weekend anglers were advised today to head for the Willamette valley or the Deschutes area for the state's best fishing.

In the coastal area, the state game commission reported good fishing conditions in the Rogue river, Youngs river, Nehalem river, Wilson, Nestucca, Trask and Kilchis rivers, Lincoln county, where angling has been very poor, is expected to offer better prospects this weekend, and Coos county streams are improving.

Good fishing spots in the Willamette valley: Lane county—all lakes, McKenzie and Willamette rivers; Linn county—Cala-pooza and Willamette rivers; Colorado lake; South Santiam river; Marion county—Abiqua

river, Mill creek, Ann lake, Pamela lake; Polk county—Valsetz mill pond; south fork of Siletz river; Rickreall creek.

In the Deschutes area, anglers reported good catches of large rainbow and brown trout from Elk lake, Upper Deschutes river, and Wickiup. Both trolling and bait were used. Roads are in good condition to all lakes. The Metolus river yielded good results on artificial flies; but Blue lake and Cabon lake remained in poor condition.

The outlook in other areas: Northwestern Oregon—Generally poor, though catfish, perch and crappies are plentiful in the sloughs.

Southern Oregon—Poor in Jackson county, with storms disturbing Diamond lake fishermen; improving in Josephine county, though the Rogue river there is still too high for trout, and Tannen lake roads are blocked; good trolling in Upper Klamath lake, mouths of Seven Mile creek and Crystal creek, Lake of the Woods; streams high and milky around Roseburg but tending to improve.

Eastern Oregon—Poor in Baker, Lake and Malheur counties.

Lippy Leo Cuts Brooklyn Squad To 27 Players

BROOKLYN, June 8 (AP)—Manager Leo Durocher of the Dodgers cut his squad to 27 men today with the release of Pitchers Les Webber and Otto Nitcholas. Webber, formerly with the Seattle Rainiers of the Pacific Coast league who has served mostly in relief roles since 1942, went to the Montreal farm in the International league. He has won one and lost one this year. Nitcholas was returned to St. Paul of the American association on a 24-hour recall basis.

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