

"Babe" Promises To Win Golf Crown For Mother

Defending Champ Informed Yesterday Of Her Mother's Death In California

By JERRY LISKA
INDIANAPOLIS, June 23 (AP)—Defending Champion Babe Didrikson Zaharias, mourning the sudden death of her mother, today had more at stake than an unprecedented third title as the same two 1944 finalists tangled for the women's Western Open golf crown.

Babe, who vainly attempted to board a plane for Los Angeles when she first learned of her mother's death there yesterday morning, promised to "burn up" the Highland Golf and Country

club course in her second straight 36-hole showdown for the title against talented Dorothy Germain of Philadelphia.

"I've got to win this one for mother, because she let me go east without telling me how serious her condition really was and because she was always my No. 1 fan and booster," declared the girl who has been America's top all-around feminine athlete for a decade.

The stage was set for a repetition of the 1944 title battle at Park Ridge, Ill., when Babe rallied brilliantly to defeat Mrs. Albert Becker of Englewood, N. J., 4 and 2, and Miss Germain mowed down Carol (Babe) Freese of Portland, Ore., 3 and 2, in yesterday's semi-finals.

Whether Mrs. Zaharias, who will leave for the west coast Sunday morning, could master both her grief and vastly-improved Miss Germain for her third Western Open title since 1940 was conjectural.

In disposing of Miss Freese, the 1944 runner-up covered the front nine with one-under par 36 and then whittled one off standard in the remaining seven holes. It was the fourth time Miss Germain reached the finals of a Women's Western Golf association meet in the past three years. Besides being runner-up in last year's Open, she has capped the past two western amateur events.

Green Stages Great Rally To Top Zivic

NEW YORK, June 23 (AP)—Fritzie Zivic of Pittsburgh knocked out Harold Green of Brooklyn in the sixth round of a 10-round bout at Madison Square Garden last night—but it didn't count.

The bell ending the round intervened at the count of five. Green, the 7 to 5 favorite, was dragged to his corner and revived in time to last through the seventh. Then, displaying the recuperative power of his 22-year-old youth, Green rallied to win the last three rounds and a unanimous decision.

Green, weighing 152½ pounds to 151½ for the 32-year-old veteran of 198 fights, won the first five rounds before he was sent to dreamland with unexpected suddenness late in the sixth stanza.

Classified Ads Bring Results.

Marines To Collide With Camp Tulalake

The Leatherneck ball club from the Marine Barracks has scheduled a game with Camp Tulalake Tuesday at 3:30 p. m. at Recreation park. This will be a non-conference game with the marines striving to polish up their fielding efforts.

The soldiers will field a capable ball team and will be going all out after a victory over the boys from the barracks. The public is invited to the tussle.

Leone Downs "Baby-Face" In Top Tiff

By PAUL HAINES
Antonio Leone, the Bronx bombshell, won a victory over Otis "Baby-face" Klingman last night in the main tussle on Promoter Mack Lillard's crunch card, but a little bit of everything happened.

Gorgeous George Wagner, who refuses to don his elaborate robes for anything but a main event, became enraged when Referee Wally Moss awarded the last fall and match to Milt Olsen in the semi-windup tiff. Wagner stormed at the referee, timekeeper and the crowd and refused to leave the ring.

About this time Klingman and Leone arrived for their scuffle, but George still persisted in his vehement arguments to all and sundry. Leone apparently thought it time for George to leave, so he picked up a stool and caressed Wagner over the dome.

This method very definitely put the chill to Gorgeous George and he was through for the evening, but Leone wasn't. Klingman promptly went after Leone and took the first fall with a body press. After that the situation got a bit out of control with Leone gouging, choking, and employing a smother hold.

These unique tactics finally resulted with Leone applying a reverse surfboard that all but dislocated Klingman's arms to take the second fall and even the count. Klingman's arm was obviously injured and Referee Wally Moss awarded the bout to Leone when it was apparent that Otis was in no shape to continue hostilities.

In the semi-windup, Wagner surprised everyone, including himself, by rassing clean for a few minutes, but it was too much to ask of George to keep it up and he reverted to his old methods. Olsen put up a good, game fight against the heavier Moss and took the fraces on Wagner's decision.

In the opener, Kenny Ackles, who always seems to win his bouts through the referee, was awarded a victory over Jack "Buck" Lipscomb after Jack had all but torn him in two. No

San Diego Goose-Eggs Bevos, 2-0

By PAUL WELLS
(Associated Press Sports Writer)
Portland's scalp hung today on the tepee of Big Chief Valle Eaves, Cherokee Indian hurler, who won his 14th game for the Pacific Coast league season for the San Diego Padres last night.

The Beavers' 2-0 shutout, their third in the last four tiffs, cut their circuit lead to two and a half games over the runner-up Seattle Rainiers, who hammered out an 8-5 win over Sacramento. Hollywood's Stars, after three straight losses to San Francisco, turned on the Seals for a 14-9 decision in the only other game of the evening.

Eaves Hurls 2-Hitter
Eaves, the league's strikeout king and second leading pitcher, whiffed four men to run his total to 112 and held the Beavers to two singles. Manager Pepper Martin scored both San Diego runs, crossing the plate in the third and fifth innings on singles by Lou Vezelich. The contest was Portland's first of four against the Padres in the split-week series.

Seattle Whips Solons
In the other northwest tilt, Seattle got off to an early lead against Sacramento, scoring five runs in the first frame and two more in the second off Tom Altanazio, who promptly was given a shower-ticket. Centerfielder Hal Patchett led the Rainier attack with three hits in five trips to the platter, while George (Jug) Mandish, the Solons' right gardener, got two of his club's five blows off right-hander Joe Demoran. Young Alex Pallca is scheduled to take the mound for Seattle tonight in the second game of the abbreviated series.

Stars Blast Seals
San Francisco, again overcome by the ruffled air above the .500 mark, dropped back to even figures in wins and losses and tied for third place with Oakland, which was idle last night. Hollywood turned 16 hits into 14 runs, only seven of them being earned. Fourteen of the Stars' blows and 13 of their tallies were off the slats of Bob Barthelson. Ronnie Smith went the distance for the winners, although he was touched for 13 safeties.

The Acorns and Los Angeles will resume their series at Oakland this afternoon, with the Angels trailing 2-1. The two teams were traveling Friday.

fall was gained by either mauler throughout the entire fight, but Jack got a bit too rough for the referee's liking in the final heat and Ackles was crowned the winner.

Hammerin' Hank Still Belts Apple

DETROIT, June 23 (AP)—Hammerin' Hank Greenberg, looking enough like his old self to spell plenty of trouble for American league pitchers, was back in his Detroit Tiger uniform today after four years, in the army and rarin' to start his baseball comeback.

Greenberg, placed on the army air forces' inactive list last week, rejoined his former mates shortly before the Tigers wipped Cleveland 5 to 1 yesterday for a sweep of the three-game series but remained at home for conditioning drills as the club departed for a four-game weekend series at St. Louis.

Proof that he is ready to take up his American league career where he left off was provided when the big right-hander swung on Manager Steve O'Neill's second pitch to him in batting practice. As players of both the Detroit and Cleveland clubs stood by to watch with interest Greenberg belted a line drive that hit the top of the left field screen 350 feet from the plate.

Lord Byron Leads Byrd By One Shot

DETROIT, June 23 (AP)—Byron Nelson, Toledo sharpshooter who is the hottest thing in golf, was out front as expected today with a four-under par 68 as the exclusive four-man field went into the second round of Plum Hollow Golf club's 72-hole "Big Four" Invitational tourney.

Nelson, playing every hole in par or better, roared home with birdies on the last three holes yesterday for his 35-33-68 and a one-stroke edge over Home Pro Sam Byrd, who birdied the last two holes for a 35-34-69.

Rapid Robert Equals Own Strikeout Mark

GREAT LAKES, Ill., June 23 (AP)—Bob Feller, whose 18 strikeouts in a nine-inning game is the best in the American league, posted a similar record for the Great Lakes baseball team yesterday as he shut out Chanute field.

The former Cleveland pitcher fanned 15 in blanking the defenders 5 to 0. His strikeouts topped by one the record held by Virgil Trucks, the ex-Detroit star while at the center. Feller scored two of the sailors' runs and drove in another.

Cards Trip Cubs, 5-2; Bums Win

By JOE REICHLER
(Associated Press Sports Writer)
The faces may be new but the St. Louis Cardinals are once again like the champions of old.

Stripped almost bare by the loss of outfielders Stan Musial and Danny Litwhiler, Catcher Walker Cooper and Pitcher Max Lanier to the armed forces, and the transfer of Mort Cooper to the Boston Braves, baseball followers had confined the world champions to the list of "also rans."

As late as a week ago it appeared the "experts" were right as the Redbirds lost their fifth game in their last six starts and dropped into the second division. Then came an about face. They won the next five out of six including yesterday's 5-2 decision over the Chicago Cubs to vault into second place, three and a half games behind the league leading Brooklyn Dodgers.

Outstanding in the Cards' drive to capture their fourth consecutive pennant were freshmen Al Schoendienst and Ken Burkhardt, and Buster Adams, brought back to replace Musial. Schoendienst sparked four safeties and tallied three of the five Cardinal runs, while Adams drove in four with a double and two singles and scored the other. Burkhardt spaced five Bruin hits to register his seventh victory of the campaign.

Bums Shade Braves
The Dodgers retained their three and a half game margin by shading the Braves 8-7, tallying the winning run in the ninth when Howie Schultz singled in Augie Galan. A crowd of 27,478 night patrols saw both starters, Hal Gregg of the Braves and Cooper of the Braves forced to the sidelines with mishaps. Cooper left the mound after two innings with arm trouble and Gregg quit because of a recurrence of his back injury.

Trailing 7-3, the Braves tied the game with one in the sixth and three in the ninth, but could not prevent the Dodgers from registering their sixth straight triumph and their 13th in the last 14 engagements.

Yanks Thump A's
The New York Yankees moved to within a game and a half of the league leading Detroit Tigers as the Bronxites defeated the Athletics 2-0 while the Tigers were thumped by the St. Louis Browns 8-4.

Floyd Bevens registered his sixth triumph as he whitewashed the Mackmen with four hits. Tuck Stainback homered off Steve Gerkin to help post the

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Jeep, Plovat Get Chance In Belmont

By TED MEIER
NEW YORK, June 23 (AP)—Jeep and Plovat, disappointments in the Kentucky Derby and Preakness, respectively, get a chance to redeem themselves today in the \$50,000 added Belmont Stakes at Belmont Park.

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