

Mexicans Shower Pesos In Drawing Ball Talent

By JOE REICHLER
NEW YORK, Feb. 19 (AP)—Mexican baseball promoters, with plenty of pesos to offer as bait, are attempting to outbid the major leagues in the Latin American ivory market and are invading the player lists of U. S. leagues.

Headed by Bernardo Pasquel, millionaire president of the Mexican professional baseball league, the promoters from across the border made their first big strike yesterday when Luis Olmo, fleet-footed 313 hitting Brooklyn outfielder, signed a three-year contract with the Vera Cruz club.

Along with Olmo, who reportedly is getting \$10,000 a year plus expenses for his wife and himself, the Mexicans signed the colorful Danny Gardella, a combination outfielder-first baseman with the New York Giants last year. Gardella has been in the bad graces of the Giants since he spurned a \$5000 contract and Manager Mel Ott had Danny ticketed for the minors.

Pasquel said last week that his league also had signed two other Cuban players belonging to the Giants, infielder Nap Reyes and P. J. Nicasio. He also admitted trying to lure away Sal Maglie who has been playing winter ball in Cuba, but said the Giant pitcher had turned down his offer.

The Giant management lists the three as holdouts. Other Mexican players who have "jumped" the majors are Rene Montague, Philadelphia Phillies, outfielder; Roberto Estalella, Philadelphia Athletics fly-chaser; and Fermin Guerra, Washington catcher.

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Vince Hanson of Washington State, last year's scoring champion, held down fourth place with 40, while Gale Bishop of the Cougars was fifth with 28 despite the fact that he has seen action in only eight of the Cougars' 13 games.

Dalthorp, with 64, has potted more shots from the floor than anyone in the league. Bishop leads the free-throw department with 42.

Hank Greenberg Weds Department Store Heiress

BRUNSWICK, Ga., Feb. 19 (AP)—Hank Greenberg, baseball's highest paid player, and Carol Glazier Gimbel, heiress to the department store millions, got married here last night—almost unnoticed.

City Ordinary Edwin C. Dart, who performed the ceremony was unaware that Capt. Henry Greenberg was the famed outfielder or that the brunette bride was who she is—until inquiries from newspapers began pouring in.

SPORTS

By Hale Scarborough, Sports Editor

Fighter Dies After Knockout Punch

CHICAGO, Feb. 19 (AP)—Willie Lee Perry, 21, negro light heavyweight, died last night after being knocked out in the second round of the scheduled five round windup bout of an amateur fight card.

Rattle Royal On Mat Dock For Thursday

Next Thursday's rassing card, Promoter Mack Lillard has announced, will begin with a six-man battle royal putting such matmen as Bob Keneston, Gust Johnson, Red (Curly) Dawson, Pete Belcastro, Pierre LaBelle and El Mestizo in the ring together.

The first five mentioned are fairly well-known here, although be-whiskered Dawson has visited Klamath Falls only once and Pierre LaBelle has appeared here twice.

The sixth is a newcomer from down south. Basic Spanish reveals that the Mexican word "mestizo" means something like "a person of two races" and "el" of course is the equivalent of "the". Therefore, putting it crudely, El Mestizo means The Half-breed.

So it would appear that the grappler appearing under that name Thursday night comes from mixed parentage and is proud of the fact.

The first two muscles eliminated from the gang fight come back for three rounds in the curtain-raiser; the next two fight the semi-final of three frames and the remaining duo get together in the three-canto main event.

Final pairing will work itself out, but a natural grouping, based on known ruggedness, would place Bob Keneston as one of the finalists against either Dawson or Belcastro, with the odd man fighting Gust Johnson in the semi.

Golden Gloves Finalists Meet

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 19 (AP)—A 14-bout amateur card sponsored by the Rambler club here tonight will have seven Oregon golden gloves champions on the roster.

Highlight of the card will be a rematch between Terry Francis, 175-pound Chemawa Indian school, and Lloyd Dowty, Multnomah club. Dowty bowed to the Indian in the golden gloves finals this year.

NEW YORK—Joe Curcio, 148, Newark, N. J., outpointed Cecil Hudson, 153½, Los Angeles, (10).

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Flying A In Basin Loop Lead

Tulelake's Associated Oil Basin league team is currently topping the loop with four conference wins against no losses, followed by the Chiloquin Bakers with four wins and one defeat.

In third place is the Ashley Chevrolet entry, three and one, and in fourth is Rickys Jewelry, two and one.

Merrill Townies and Oregon Woolen have each split even, winning two and losing two, Henley has won and lost three, Tulelake Merchants, zero and four and Bonanza, zero and five.

That standing includes last week's games. Tonight Merrill meets the Tulelake Flying A at Tulelake, the Tulelake Merchants visit Bonanza, Rickys plays at Chiloquin and Ashley's meets Oregon Woolen here in town.

The four top teams at the end of the schedule will battle for a league trophy March 6 and 8 at the Altamont gym.

Victory League Cage Results

HARDYS VS. WASPS
By a score of 32-26 the Wasps of the Victory cage league defeated the Hardys last night. The Wasps were never headed and had little trouble in bringing about the win.

GROGERS VS. SEA SCOUTS
Staving off a fourth-quarter rally, the Lincoln Street Grocers edged the Sea Scouts 25-23 last night. The Grocers were hard-pressed all the way but managed to maintain an early lead.

Salem Hands Tornado Season's First Loss

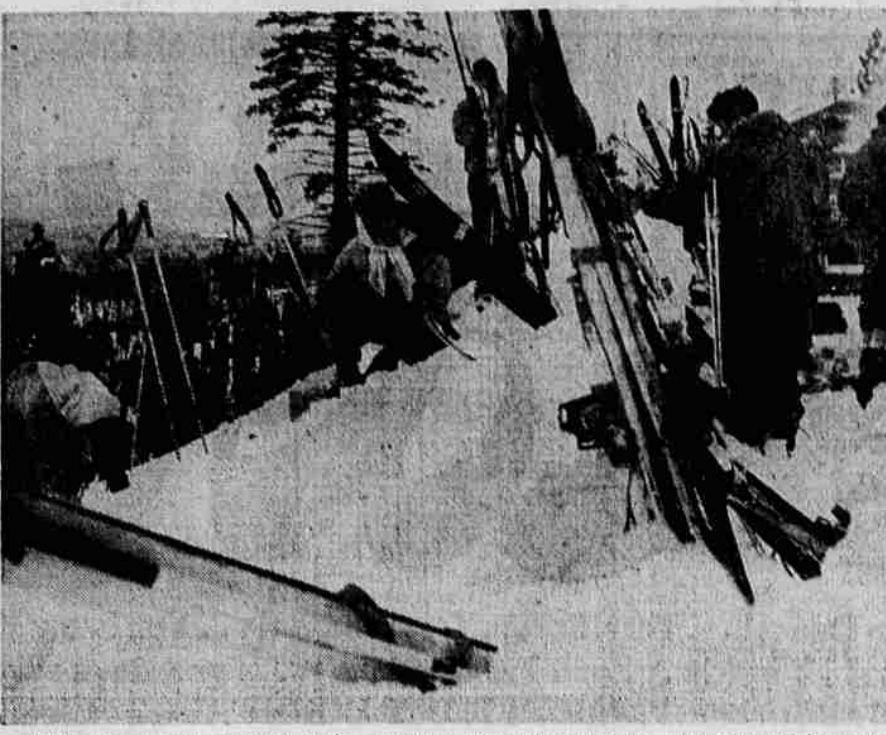
SALEM, Feb. 19 (AP)—Salem high gave the Medford Tornado its first setback of the basketball season last night, turning the southern Oregon powerhouse aside 46-40.

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Snow-Covered Slope At Sun Mountain



This picture was snapped during the last USO ski party for service men and hostesses held every weekend on Sun mountain. The snow on this slope was about eight feet deep with powder on top. Now that the USO is closing up the ski parties have been halted and all the equipment sent to organizations still operating. (Picture by Betty Webber).

NAVY FOOTBALLERS FAILING

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Feb. 19 (AP)—Two standouts of the 1945 navy football team were on their way out of the naval academy today, bringing to six the number of "big name" backfield men who bolstered the Sailors' gridiron hopes during the war years and won't be playing here next season.

A spokesman of the superintendent's office announced that Bob (Hunchy) Hoernschemeyer and George Sundheim, former University of Indiana stars, have "bided out" due to academic deficiencies.

Less than a month ago, Halfback Bob Kelly — erstwhile Notre Dame luminary—resigned after one year as a midshipman, saying he intended to enter Cornell where Ed McKeever, former Notre Dame coach, is in charge of football.

Last fall three halfbacks, Ralph Ellsworth of University of Texas, Fred Earley from Notre Dame, and George Wainsley of Rice Institute, departed from navy.

In announcing the flunking of Hoernschemeyer and Sundheim, who played quarterback and fullback for a great part of last season, the academy spokesman said they had been given an opportunity to apply for re-examination, but had not accepted.

Cougar Bounty Hunting Rises

PORTLAND, Feb. 19 (AP)—Increased cougar hunting to get the \$50 bounty was reported Saturday by the state game commission.

The commission said Roy Tracy, Estacada, brought in five cougar this week, the largest measuring nine feet two inches in length.

John B. Savage, Lebanon, turned in three yearlings and one adult. One yearling had a natural bobtail which the commission reported was the first the game department had ever seen.

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Diamond's Clown Prince Mugs In Opera House Drama

CHICAGO, Feb. 19 (AP)—Al Schacht, after a score of years as baseball's buffoon, mugged his way into the drama last night in a play which seemed to be, rather than have, a plot.

As a loyal but disgusted fan of the Brooklyn Dodgers, Schacht hurled wisecracks, inherited a rundown ball team, built them up into pennant contenders, then sent himself in as relief pitcher at the crucial moment when his star pitcher's arm went numb.

The maneuver permitted him to indulge in many of the antics which have typified him to baseball fans, a large number of whom seemed to people the first-night audience of "Second Guessor" at the Civic opera house.

The often austere opera house refused to permit Al to go through with his original plan, which would have turned the big theatre into a sort of Ebbe's field in Brooklyn with hot dogs, peanuts, etc., sold in the aisles during the performance.

At got around this, however, by draping the theatre lobby

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT
By The Associated Press
NEWARK, N. J.—Billy Grant, 172½, Orange, N. J., outpointed Teddy Randolph, 184½, New York, (10).

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