

# It's "Play Ball" In Coast League

## Beavers To Meet Angels

By The Associated Press  
The Pacific Coast League, ready for one of its biggest seasons, prepared today to take off with two daylight games and a pair under the lights.

Granted the weatherman's blessing, the Hollywood Stars managed by Jimmy Dykes were set to open against Dick Barrell's Sacramento Solons at the California capital and Jim Furner's Portland Beavers were pitted against the Los Angeles Angels, skippered by Bill Kelly, in day contests.

Jack Salvesson (15-14) and Red Lynn (17-16) were probable starters for Portland and Los Angeles.

The night inaugurals put Oakland at San Diego and Seattle at San Francisco. League President Clarence Rowland was to attend the latter opener, where the champion Seals expected to open defense of the pennant before the day's top crowd of perhaps 15,000.

Bob Joyce, back from the New York Giants and a 31-game winner for the Seals in 1945, was Manager Lefty O'Doul's probable choice for San Francisco. Seattle's Jo-Jo White figured to counter with John Orphal (4-5).

Either Ralph Buxton (10-5) or Cotton Phippen (14-11) was the likely starter for Casey Stengel's Daks against Lefty Tom Seats for Rip Collin's Padres.

With most clubs well fortified with major league castoffs, the 186-game chase was expected by some observers to produce one of the league's closest battles in years.

President Rowland forecast the first four-million customer gate. The first 40,000 of that was likely to be attained on opening day. In addition to San Francisco's 15,000, other probable first day crowds: Los Angeles, 10,000; San Diego, 9,000; Sacramento, 6,000.

**Angling Dope Delayed By Legislature**  
In answer to the numerous inquiries regarding the 1947 angling regulations, the game commission advises that the state printing office has had to delay the printing of the angling synopsis until the present legislature session adjourns because of the pressure of work brought about by the legislature. The synopsis will be printed and distributed as soon as possible and should be available prior to the opening of the general angling season.

Opening of the trout season falls on April 28 throughout the state with certain exceptions, including tidewater areas, Lake and Harney counties and various lakes and streams having special seasons or closures. The trout season in tidewater sections will open on June 15, in Lake county on May 20, and in Harney county on May 31.

Cloth signs have been sent out to commission fieldmen for use in posting waters that are closed to angling or that have special seasons.

**OSC AT WORK**  
CORVALLIS, Ore., April 1 (AP)—Initial turnouts of the Oregon State college spring football training program get under way this afternoon with 109 candidates answering Coach Lon Stinner's call. The roster includes 31 former award winners.

HOLYOKE, Mass.—Al "Red" Priest, 159, Cambridge, knocked out Jimmy Henderson, 158, Paterson, N. J. (9).

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## Mighty Pelican Basketeers Cut Cake



Mary Louise Sexton is shown above cutting the cake for the Pelicans at their recent banquet given at Sari's for the second place state basketeers. Left to right, Otto Sari, LeRoy Coleman, A. H. Bussman, Mary Louise Sexton, and Don Neal, KFLW sportscaster.

## Trudel Tilt With Mask Looks Good

The five round grunt and groan battle between the Grey Mask and Benny Trudel will share top billing on this Thursday night's wrestling card at the armory with the Pete Belcastro-George Dusette challenger elimination contest.

Belcastro and Dusette, of course, occupy the limelight by virtue of their battle to see who is a fit man to meet Billy Weidner for the junior lightweight belt. This match will be the first in a series of challenger struggles, for there are other muscle-men anxious to annex this title.

The Grey Mask will probably be his old head-butting self in the second event, but Trudel is expected to give him a hot time before the final fall. Trudel showed good stuff here a few weeks ago.

## State Pro Golf Title At Stake In Sunday Tilt

PORTLAND, April 1 (AP)—Al Zimmerman and Ted Longworth, both Portland, will meet next Sunday for the Oregon State Professional Golf association championship.

Each won double victories yesterday in advancing to the finals. Zimmerman eliminated Chuck Cochran, Vancouver, Wash., 2 and 1, and Bob Litton, 1 up. Longworth defeated Eddie Hogan, 2 up, and John Langford, 3 and 2.

Zimmerman's brother, Emery, will play Bob McKendrick, Oswego, for consolation bracket honors.

## Eagles Move North In Hockey Series

HOLLYWOOD, April 1 (AP)—The Portland Eagles looked forward today to a return to home ice to complete their best-of-seven series with the Los Angeles Monarchs for the Pacific coast hockey crown.

The southern titlist moved two games up on the northerners last night with an easy 6-2 triumph in the second game of their series.

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## KUHS Baseball Booming Despite Spring Vacation

Baseball at Klamath Union high school is booming right along despite the spring vacation. This week Ernie Bishop is leading the boys through practice sessions Wednesday and Friday at 2 p.m. which gives the 28 ardent baseballers a chance to ready themselves for the Grants Pass and Medford conference tilts.

When the Pelicans field a team this season, they will do it in new uniforms which may indicate the new major sport status of baseball at KUHS.

## Salem Wins Two Of Three In Hoop Go

PORTLAND, April 1 (AP)—Salem teams won two of the three championships in the annual Golden Ball Basketball tournament here last night.

The Salem Juniors defeated Randolph Foods of Portland, 28-25, for the junior class "A" title, and the Salem Jayvees downed the Levi Five of Portland, 46-30, for the senior division crown. A third title went to the Vancouver, Wash., All-Stars with a 40-38 triumph over Scappoose in the intermediate division.

Outstanding player awards went to Daryl Girod of the Salem Juniors; and Ted Covalt of the Salem Jayvees. Harry Culbertson of the Salem Jayvees was presented an award for sportsmanship.

Among all-star selections were: Juniors—Jim Koch and Daryl Girod, Salem Juniors. Intermediates—Art Duval, Salem. Seniors—Harry Culbertson, Ted Covalt and Tom Paulus, Salem.

## FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

By The Associated Press  
SAN FRANCISCO — Bob Montgomery, 138½, Philadelphia, knocked out Jesse Flores, 136½, Stockton, Calif. (3).  
MONTREAL — Danny Webb, 136½, Montreal, outpointed Dave Castiloux, 136½, Montreal (12).  
PITTSBURGH — Juste Fontaine, 141, Pittsburgh, stopped Bobby Ruffin, 139, New York (7).

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## Great Year In Store For Cards

Prophecy Has St. Louis Winning National Flag

By GALE TALBOT  
TAMPA, Fla., April 1 (AP)—The St. Louis Cardinals' infield should come to be recognized this year as one of the greatest in the history of baseball, and Manager Eddie Dyer's world champions most likely will win the National league flag by a decisive margin.

The foregoing is the principal fruit, so far as this writer is concerned, of six weeks spent wandering through the spring baseball market punching the products and listening to the barkers.

The Red Birds should win again because they will be a better club than they were at any time in 1946.

If pressed for a complete order to finish in the National this observer would guess something like this: (1) St. Louis, (2) Brooklyn, (3) Boston, (4) Chicago, (5) Pittsburgh, (6) Cincinnati, (7) Philadelphia and (8) New York.

Except for some doubt about Captain Terry Moore's ability to play his usual sparkling ball in center field for more than 100 games, the Cardinals are set to open the race with a rush. Their fine young catcher, Joe Garagiola, has not yet begun to hit, but no one much doubts that he will come along.

The team that appears to have the best chance of upsetting the above order of finish is Pittsburgh. With Hank Greenberg and Ralph Kiner, last year's twin homerun kings, taking their big cuts in order, the Pirates might do almost anything—or nothing much. A fifth-place finish would represent a popular victory for the team's new owners, who include Crooner Bing Crosby.

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## No Boxing Card Tonight

There will be no boxing card at the armory tonight, according to Mack Lillard, promoter, but next Tuesday, April 8, Klamath fight fans will probably have the opportunity to see a double main event show with Monty Montgomery and Red Brittan meeting suitable opponents in two ten-round battles. Boxing is scheduled at the armory every other week.

## Montgomery KO's Flores In 3rd Round

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1 (AP)—After taking complete command in the second, Bob Montgomery of Philadelphia knocked out Jesse Flores of Stockton in the third round last night, bringing to an abrupt end the long winning streak of the California fighter.

Montgomery, recognized as world's lightweight champion in New York and Pennsylvania, weighed 138½. Flores weighed 136½.

Flores took a nine-count in the second and the third round was less than half over when a terrific right to Flores' jaw ended the fight. It was a hard loss, for Flores had lost only one fight in 40 previous bouts.

Montgomery's title was not at stake.

# SPORTS

## Beazley Passes First Test In Comeback For Cardinals; Majors Play Exhibitions

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., April 1 (AP)—Pitcher Johnny Beazley, so discouraged at one time last year that he announced he was quitting baseball, passed the first test of his comeback trail yesterday as the St. Louis Cardinals trimmed Cincinnati 7-2. The Red Bird hero of the 1942 world series showed plenty of stuff during his three-inning mound trick during which he fanned two, walked none and yielded three hits.

FORTH WORTH, Tex., April 1 (AP)—Tex. Hughson won a pitching duel from his first cousin, Jack Creel, yesterday when Johnny Pesky lashed out a triple that gave the Sox a 4-2 win over the Houston buffs.

TUCSON, Ariz., April 1 (AP)—Bill Nicholson worked out lightly yesterday for the first time since developing a charley horse a week ago. Although this was a bright note for Chicago Cub Manager Charlie Grimm, the injury bugaboo struck again to take off some of the edge. Second Baseman Don Johnson, whose brittleness

is beginning to worry the Cubs, is out of the lineup again, this time with a banged-up finger.

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 1 (AP)—The New York Giants celebrated their return to their initial spring training base yesterday by staging a six-run ninth inning rally; to nose out the Chicago White Sox, 9-8. Highlighting the rally were two two-run homers by Clint Hartung and Willard Marshall, the latter's blow winning the game.

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