

The Dalles Skipper To Pilot All-Stars

Waldorf Is Portland Shrine Game Boss

PORTLAND, April 5.—The outstanding high school coach of Oregon last season and the dean of the Portland prep gridiron circuit will match wits next fall in the first annual Shrine benefit football game between all-stars of the Portland area and the remainder of the state.

Dick Sutherland, skipper of the state championship The Dalles Indians, was chosen to head the up-state squad, while Eric Waldorf of Jefferson high will lead the Portland team.

The game, which is expected to bring money into the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children, will be played on Multnomah field August 28 and will open the 1948 gridiron season.

Only high school players of last season, who have graduated from school, will be eligible to compete in the game, thereby taking it out from under the jurisdiction of the Oregon high school activities association which has frowned on all-star games.

Dick Sutherland, upstate coach, will have as his first assistant Ed Ryan of Klamath Falls, who led the KUHS Pelicans into the quarter-finals of last year's football playoff against The Dalles.

Ryan previously had been slated to get the head coaching honor, but at the Portland meeting suggested it be given to Sutherland. Ryan has resigned as Pelican coach.

Questionnaires were sent out to coaches of all schools in the state for player suggestions and Waldorf said he would be able to pick his 33-man squad by next week-end. His selections will all be made from boys close at home.

Sutherland, on the other hand, has the whole state outside the Rose City to choose from and indicated he might take a couple of weeks to round out his roster.

The players will have about three weeks of practice before the game and each participant will receive mementoes of the game.



By Hale Scarbrough
Look At The Phils— They're Being Picked For Third Place Finish

Baseball fans of our town perhaps feel no particular allegiance to the Philadelphia Phillies, but since the National league club is going to be a foster parent of the Klamath Falls Gems professional baseball outfit this spring and summer, let's take a gander at what the Phils have in the way of talent for the coming season.

Behold, the experts are saying the Jays might finish up around third place in the National behind Brooklyn and St. Louis, of course. The mind of man, especially young man, can hardly grasp such a prediction because when the Phils do what comes natcherly they place somewhere around seventh in an eight-team race.

Spring training camp palaver is about as cheap a commodity as there is left in this high-priced world, but if even half the hot air coming out of the Phils' camp at Clearwater proves to be something other than seasonal wind, maybe third place isn't too high to spot Klamath's baseball foster father.

Bob Carpenter, moneymanager of the Phils, just paid Curt Simmons, a high school pitcher, \$60,000 for signing a contract, and that at least should prove that the front office is interested in seeing some nice things happen to the Bluejays on the diamond.

As manager the Philadelphia Nationals have Ben Chapman, a great hitter and speedy fly-chaser with the Yankees. Top coaches are George "Moose" Earnshaw, some years ago one of the game's first-water pitchers, and Dusty Cooke, a flashy outfielder. But the brain-trusters don't play, so have a look at the active talent.

Good Hurlers and Solid Infield

The pitchers—an old staff, overall, but potentially a fine one if each can take his regular turn. Knuckleball Dutch Leonard, Schoolboy Rowe, Oscar Judd, Blix Donnelly and Walt Dubiel should be the starters, young Simmons and Ken Heintzeman could add the spark that will keep the old-timers working like maniacs.

The infield—the Phils have acquired Emil Verban and Eddie Miller who should be as good as a shortstop-second base combination as to be found in the National circuit. Chubby Al Flair, a rookie who like Major Hoople's find can really play the apple, is working at first base and the veteran Bert Haas is stable at third.

Pair Of Rookie Beauts In Garden

The outfield—Harry Walker, league-leading hitter, Roy Cullenbine and Del Ennis normally would be plenty to start in the gardens, but Manager Chapman seems to have found a couple of petunias in his rookie onion patch. Johnny Blatnik, up from Wilkes-Barre, and Ritchie Ashburn, from Utica, N. Y., have been bubbling for Walker and Cullenbine in exhibition games. Both are hitting well and are faster than Walker and Cullenbine ever dared be.

Harry Walker probably will be back in the lineup as a regular, but camp talk has Cullenbine down as a fourth wheel. Chapman declares Ashburn can't miss being a Philly standby within two seasons.

Catching Is A Problem Everywhere

Weakest spot in the Bluejays lineup is behind the plate, but the same can be said for all but a handful of clubs in the big time. Andy Seminik probably will be No. 1 receiver, Veteran Don Padgett No. 2, and Al Lakeman No. 3.

Another factor to the credit of the Phils is that Bobo Newsom, invertebrate traveler of the big leagues, is being given a chance to prove he can stifle National league hitters. Newsom is reportedly working for Chapman on a "\$10,000 if I win, nothing if I don't" agreement. Newsom came to the Yankees late last season and won seven games to assure the New Yorkers the American league flag.

Late Entry Into Chain-Store Ball

Only recently have the Phils come into chain baseball, but it's now an often proven fact that championship teams aren't developed without a farm system. President Bob Carpenter, while gaining notice as one of the game's free-handed spenders, is also corralling the Phils a farm string he hopes will keep a steady stream of talent coming up.

The link between the Klamath Gems and the Phils is only a slight one—the major club can put players here if needed and have first option on buying those whose contracts are owned by the Gems. But who knows? Maybe three-four years from now some boys who got their start here will be described as "second Ty Cobbs or second Walter Johnsons" by the Bluejays' publicity writers.

Ann Curtis Triumphs In AAU Splash Meet

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., April 5.—Some promising talent was uncovered in the AAU women's national indoor swimming meet, says Ray Daughters of Seattle, who will coach the United States women's swimming team in the Olympics.

Daughters mentioned especially Carol Pence of Webster Grove, Mo., who won the 100-yard breast stroke yesterday, and Marie Corridon of Norwalk, Conn., who defeated Ann Curtis of San Francisco in the 100-yard free style.

Successfully defending her titles in the 220-yard and 440-yard free style events and taking second in the hundred, Miss Curtis scored 13 points.

Crystal Plunge also kept its stranglehold on the team title, winning with a total of 32 points, Multnomah club of Portland, Ore., and Los Angeles A. C. tied for second with 27.

Sue Zimmerman of Portland shaved one-tenth of a second off her own 100-yard backstroke record. In yesterday's concluding program of the three-day meet, she started the Multnomah medley team off to victory with a backstroke mark of one minute, eight seconds.

Figure Skaters Retain Laurels

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., April 5.—The nation's figure ice skating champions are building up a dynasty that rivals Joe Louis' domination of the boxing business. Gretchen Merrill defended Saturday night her senior women's championship for the sixth straight year. The 22-year-old Bostonian's achievement ties the record for consecutive national championships set by her coach, Maribel Y. Vinson.

Dick Button, 18-year-old Englishman, N. J., star, won the senior men's national figure skating title for the third straight year.

Over 500 million pounds of sardines are caught annually by U. S. fishermen.—Sports Afield.

Seals Remain Sole Unbeaten Coast Outfit

Portland Divides Week-End Twin Bill With Oakland, 6-5

By The Associated Press
The first week of baseball in the Pacific Coast league produced some prodigious hitting, a few good pitching performances, and left the San Francisco Seals the only undefeated team.

Hollywood opened the campaign with a 17-2 rout of Seattle and Los Angeles plastered the same shelling on San Diego, but the Padres eventually won the series from the Angels and Hollywood was pressed to get a 3 to 2 edge in the series with the Rainiers.

Despite some inclement weather, attendance was on a par with the first week of the attendance-shattering 1947 season.

Three doubleheaders yesterday resulted in even splits, Hollywood smashed Seattle in the first game, 13 to 3, scoring seven runs in the first inning, but dropped the second contest, 5 to 4, as Johnny Gorsica, with Detroit for seven years, baffled them until the late innings.

RAMP ON HILSER
Oakland combined timely hitting and effective pitching by Will Hefey to win the opener from Portland, 6-5. Oakland came from behind in the fourth frame and jumped on Southpaw Roy Helser for five hits and four runs, but the winning run was manufactured in the seventh when Nick Etten singled and drove in Loyd Christopher.

Portland took the nightcap by the same score. First Baseman Fenton Mole socking two home runs. Tommy Bridges suppressed a last inning Oakland rally after two runs had counted. The teams split their series at three games each.

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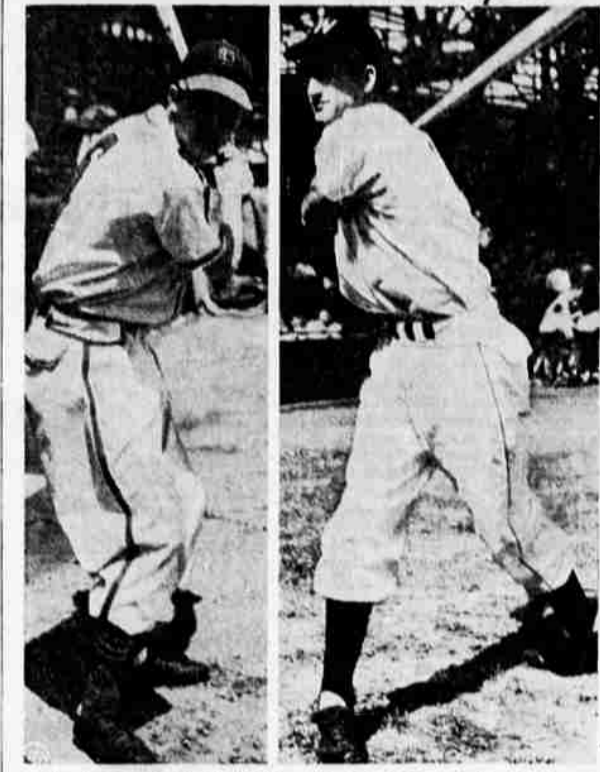
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Comeback Trail, Maybe



The St. Louis Cardinals' Stan Musial (left) and the Washington Senators' Mickey Vernon were battling champions of their respective circuits in 1946 and both hit a slump last season. Both are looking forward to being contenders for willow honors in 1948.

Training Camp Briefs

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., April 5.—An outbreak of mild dysentery put seven members of the Cleveland Indians on the sick list today. They are expected to be ready for duty tomorrow when the Indians meet the New York Giants here.

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 5.—Pittsburgh Pirate Manager Billy Meyer was highly pleased today over the Bucs' second straight win over Cleveland when the Bucs defeated Sunday, 5-2. But more than that he was pleased with suddenly revived hitting power. The Bucs blasted 12 hits.

SARASOTA, Fla., April 5.—The Boston Red Sox work out here today and then begin packing preparatory to leaving Tuesday on their round-about homeward trek. They will fly to New Orleans where they are booked for exhibitions Wednesday and Thursday.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., April 5.—The New York Yankees have started pruning their roster. Five members of the world champions were optioned out yesterday, to Kansas City and two to Newark. Pitcher Charley Marshall, infielder Jim Dreck and Catcher Ralph Houk were sent to Kansas City and Pitcher Don Johnson and First Sacker Joe Collins to Newark.

DALLAS, Tex., April 5.—Not content with beating minor league opposition with their bats, the Brooklyn Dodgers are beginning to steal games from minor opponents.

The Brooks' varsity scored its 18th win without a loss against a minor league club yesterday when Duke Snider swiped home with the winning run in a 4-3 triumph.

More Dough Up For Golf Meet
EVERETT, Wash., April 5.—Entries in the Washington State open golf tournament will be shooting for more money than ever before for this year, officials of the Washington State Golf association said today.

The tourney, to be held here June 4-6, carries a purse of \$2000. The largest previous purse was \$1000.

was drafted by Cleveland but was turned back to Portland after a spring tryout.

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Ratto Returns To Beaver Pen
PORTLAND, Ore., April 5.—The Portland Beavers strengthened their pitching and infield positions in weekend deals.

Bill Mulligan, general manager of the Pacific Coast league club, said Len Ratto, 1947 second baseman, and Pitcher Henry Phippen, released by Oakland, have been signed. Ratto

Stojack Stands Firm

Frankie Stojack, who defended his Pacific Coast 190-pound wrestling belt about six times in a row a few weeks back and now is refusing to give the only claimant a title, will again headline the Friday night armory muscle card.

Promoter Mack Lillard said he wanted to force Stojack into a fight with Georges Dusette for the belt but that the Tacoma battler was refusing all along the line—at least temporarily. Dusette dropped Stojack in a five-round match here recently.

Friday night Stojack will wrangle with Bob Keneston, the Gold Hill old-timer, in the card's top bout, a five-rounder. Keneston made his return debut last week after a long absence and looked good in overpowering Joe Lynam in jig-time. Dusette, left at the altar, will

have a spot in the other half of the double main event, scrapping with Joe Lynam over the five-round route and still hoping to get a top over Stojack bye and bye.

Jockey Ne: Mark Riding 316 weights last year, Jockey Johnny Louden approached the record of 324 set by Vincent Powers in the season of 1909.

The average tarpon weighs from 60 to 90 lbs.—Sports Afield.

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REDSKINS IN FRONT OF SERIES

SEATTLE, April 5.—Uncanny accuracy from the foul line had the Portland Indians leading Seattle 2-0 today in their best-of-five series for the Pacific coast professional basketball league crown.

The Indians collected 13 points on 17 tries from the charity line last night to squeeze out a 73-72 win over the fading Athletics.

With all remaining games of the series to be played on the Portland floor, the Indians are overwhelming favorites to take the crown. The series will be renewed Thursday.

Next to their efforts from the foul line, it was the Indian's balanced scoring power that pulled them through last night.

Seattle's Boody Gilbertson and Player-Coach Al Brightman each hit for 21 points to lead the tally-makers, but four of the Portland starters counted 15 or more points to offset them. Noble Jorgensen led the Portland Parade with 18, Al Popick added 17, Erland Anderson 16 and Smith 15.

Eight College Boxers Okay For Tryouts

MADISON, Wis., April 5.—The eight best collegiate boxers in the country hope to represent the U. S. in the Olympics.

The top ringmen from colleges won their championships in the NCAA meet here Saturday night and qualified automatically for the U. S. Olympic tryouts, scheduled June 28-29 at Boston.

University of Wisconsin boxers again monopolized the NCAA awards, winning the team title for the fourth straight year and taking half of the championships.

Wisconsin fighters won 17 of their 20 tournament bouts for a total of 45 points.

Lightweight Charley Davey of Michigan State and Middleweight Herb Carlson of Idaho were the only champions to repeat from last year. Carlson took a split decision from Eddie Rieder of Maryland.

Gill Stays On As OSC Mentor

CORVALLIS, Ore., April 5.—Amory "Slats" Gill has decided to remain at Oregon State as head basketball coach.

The veteran Beaver mentor announced he has rejected offers from Minnesota and UCLA and will remain at his alma mater. He has been here for 21 years.

Student demonstrations urging him to remain were held on the campus all last week. He said he also had been besieged by telegrams from alumni and friends to stay on at OSC.

SAN MATEO — Stage Glitter (\$32.10) won \$10,000 added Peter Clark handicap at Bay Meadows in 1:38 for the mile. May Reward was second, Drumbeat third. Crowd: 16,641; handle: \$1,142,920.

The world's record marlin, caught in 1931 off Balboa, Calif., weighed 692 pounds.—Sports Afield.

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