

Western Mail Bag

Portland Can Boast About Longest Ski Season

By MATT KRAMER
 PORTLAND, May 29 (AP)—This is a spring so much like fall in the Pacific Northwest that discouraged college baseball coaches have suggested reversing the sports season—football in April and baseball in October.

With this sort of thinking going on, it may come as no surprise to those that skiers still consider it their season.

They have a meet scheduled on Mt. Hood in two weeks—the Golden Gate ski tournament, an annual event combined with Portland's week-long Rose Festival. It gives Portlanders a chance to boast of the county's longest ski season. The first meet comes in November; the last June.

It is not what you might suspect. There is no chamber of commerce man sprinkling shaved ice ahead of the skiers. At Timberline Lodge there is genuine snow that now measures 130 inches. The downhill race takes place even higher up on the mountain. The course starts at 10,000 feet and swoops down two miles to the 7500-foot level.

It was the first major tournament won by Mrs. Gretchen Fraser, of Vancouver, Wash., housewife who last winter won the United States' first Olympic skiing championship.

She won first in 1938, sweeping down to the finish line so fast that she crashed—out of control—into the arch of roses erected prettily there. Posies scattered onto the snow. So did Gretchen. She was out of competition a year. There has been no arch since.

The skiers hope to beat another jinx this time. They have had snowstorms so blinding that there was danger of the pell-mell skiers clearing the mountain side of trees. Hardly a meet this year was completed.

This one, at least, should go through without a snowstorm. Anything else might happen, though, for the meet date is June 13.

From an unexpected source comes a note of sports stability—a college that keeps its coaches even after an unsuccessful season.

The school is Oregon State, which has had the same coaches more than a decade.

Lon Stiner in football has been there since 1933. His line coach, Jim Dixon, has been around since 1927. Siata Gill has handled basketball 29 years. Ralph Coleman has been baseball coach since 1924. Grant "Doc" Swan has been the track member 11 years.

Perhaps partly because of this long-tenure system, they have better than average records. The college figures it 633 wins in 1032 athletic contests for the quintet.

Buds Improve Second Place With 5-4 Win

Jack Graham Hits Homers No. 20-21 In Padre Triumph

By The Associated Press
 It's a long climb from the bottom of the Pacific Coast league standings but Seattle's Buds improve their position last night by beating Portland 5-4 in 11 innings.

The rejuvenated Rainiers, in the 11th inning, improved their second-place position last night by beating Portland 5-4 in 11 innings.

The Los Angeles Angels helped themselves and Seattle by beating San Francisco 6 to 2. The night evened the series at two-all in five games remaining.

IFTH VICTORY

Burler Charles (Red) Adams celebrated his fifth victory of the season and for Cliff Melton it was a fifth reverse.

For the second straight night, Oakland and Oakland needed five hours to complete their game last night's proved a weird affair. Casey Stengel's Oaks won 7 to 1 to take a 3-1 series lead.

Billy (The Kid) Martin, Oakland's sensational 19-year-old infielder, spanked a triple with the bases loaded in the eighth inning which clinched the contest.

The Oaks used 19 players and 14 stars. Four Oakland hurlers—Will Halsey, Bob Klinger, Floyd and Damon Hayes—issued 10 walks, three of them forcing in. Pitchers Ed Oliver, Bill Burnett and Ed Albosta dished up 100 passes to the Oaks.

Jack Graham batted in six runs, almost single-handedly engineer an 8-1 triumph over Sacramento. Graham counted his 20th and 21st homers of the season, both with two aboard, to boost his bats to a total of 56.

Both homers were over the 320-foot right field fence.

Lake Scouts Attend Meet

LAKEVIEW, May 29—Boy Scouts of Lake district will host Scouts and Scouters from the entire Modoc Area council at the annual rendezvous next week-end with a three-day session of contests at Dog Lake.

All troops are expected to attend. The program will follow last year's rendezvous in that all patrols will be competing under the supervision of a competent judge. Patrols will be judged on their ability to conduct a three-day camp in a Scout-like manner and awards will be made at the close of the session.

Every troop must have an accompanying adult during the session, and a family camp will be made available for Scouters who plan to have their families present.

There will be Scouts and Scouters present from the entire Modoc council of Southern Oregon and Northern California. Last year about 600 attended the rendezvous at Bend.

Paisley Holds Graduation

LAKEVIEW, May 29—Five high school seniors and six eighth grade graduates graduated at Paisley Wednesday night in commencement exercises that featured an address by Dr. Elmo Stevenson, president of northern Oregon college, Ashland.

The high school graduates were Melville Parnell, salutatorian; Dorine Pochele, valedictorian; Gladys Lewis, Juanita Houston and Willis Freeman. The eighth grade graduates were Ramon Blair, Paul Ferrell, Douglas Houston, Frank Kennedy, Patricia O'Leary and Joe Riggs.

Baccalaureate services were held at the Paisley Methodist church last Sunday, May 23, with Rev. A. J. Reufeld, pastor of the First Methodist church, Lakeview, giving the baccalaureate sermon.

Bible School To Be Conducted

LAKEVIEW, May 29—A community vacation Bible school will be held for two weeks beginning Monday, June 7. Most of the leaders will come from the Presbyterian, Methodist and Episcopal churches.

The school will run for children from six years of age through those who have finished the eighth grade.

Royal Wedding Plans Told

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, May 29 (AP)—A source close to the royal family said today Princess Anne of Bourbon Parma will marry former King Mihai of Romania in Athens, June 5.

The princess will leave Copenhagen by air for Greece tomorrow, the informant added.

The wedding ceremony will follow the Greek Orthodox ritual and will be performed by the aged Archbishop Damaskinos, the informant said.

Mihai, 26, is a member of the Greek Orthodox church. Princess Anne, 24, is a Roman Catholic.

Last March Pope Pius XII refused to grant a special dispensation permitting the marriage. Queen Helen, mother of Mihai, and Princess Margrethe, mother of Anne, had visited the pope in the hope of obtaining the dispensation.

Anne's mother and her two brothers, Prince Jacques and Prince Michel, will accompany Anne to Athens.

SPRAYED BY PLANE

Spraying of California fruit orchards often is done by means of airplanes. While flying at low altitudes, they lay down a barrage of gas, which exterminates the insects.

Champs Of Southern Oregon Conference



The Klamath Pelican baseball team, coached by Tom Brannigan, won the Southern Oregon high school baseball conference but were eliminated in the first round of play in the state tournament. The squad includes, first row, left to right—Don Heston, Bob McPherson, Dick Petzoldt, Wilber Elliott, Ed Whitney, Jim Brown and Dan Derrah. Back row—Brannigan, George Jones, Skip Johnson, Dick Hobart, Joe Ross, Pat Williams, Lewis Shade and Bob Mahoney.

SERVICE OUTFITS COMPETE

Squads representing Lions and Rotary will tangle Sunday over the 18-hole route at Reames Country club in the annual service club golf tournament and the winner receives the bid to play the Kiwanis team, champions of 1947, on Monday.

For the first time this year the tourney will be based on match play with full handicap strokes allowed.

New handicaps for all players scheduled for action Sunday have been posted at the clubhouse.

Any golfer member of the two service clubs not listed in the pairings below can turn out at No. 1 tee by 8:30 a. m. and be matched.

Pairings:
 8:30—George Davis vs. Wes McNeer Sr. and Paul Landry vs. Dr. Boyd Sprague.
 8:35—Dr. John Merryman vs. Fred Scott and Haarb Bechen vs. James Kern Jr.
 8:40—Loren Palmerton vs. Jack Bishop and Henry Moe vs. Ed Robinson.
 8:45—Ralph Macartney vs. Al Lent and Howard Perrin vs. Ed Hickman.
 8:50—E. H. Thompson vs. Lloyd Drew and Bill Hagelstein vs. Norman Moty.
 8:55—Bob Chilcote vs. Truman Runyan.

The STANDINGS

FAR WEST	W	L	Pct.
Santa Rosa	15	9	.625
Oroville	13	9	.591
Klamath Falls	13	11	.542
Redding	11	11	.500
Willows	11	12	.478
Marysville	10	13	.435
Pittsburg	10	15	.400
Medford	10	15	.400

Yesterday's Results
 Willows 16, Klamath Falls 11.
 Oroville 6, Pittsburg 4.
 Santa Rosa 8, Redding 7.
 Medford 7, Marysville 6.

PACIFIC COAST

San Francisco	37	18	.673
Seattle	29	21	.580
Oakland	32	25	.561
Los Angeles	33	26	.559
San Diego	29	29	.500
Hollywood	23	30	.434
Sacramento	19	34	.358
Portland	18	37	.327

Yesterday's Results
 Seattle 5, Portland 4.
 San Diego 7, Sacramento 3.
 Oakland 9, Hollywood 7.
 Los Angeles 6, San Francisco 2.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Philadelphia	23	10	.697
Cleveland	20	9	.690
New York	18	13	.581
Detroit	17	18	.486
St. Louis	14	15	.483
Washington	14	19	.424
Chicago	13	19	.406
Boston	7	23	.233

Yesterday's Results
 Washington 2, Boston 1.
 Philadelphia 6, New York 3.
 St. Louis 5, Detroit 4.
 Cleveland 2, Chicago 0.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis	20	10	.667
New York	17	13	.567
Philadelphia	18	16	.529
Boston	16	15	.516
Pittsburgh	16	15	.516
Brooklyn	14	19	.424
Chicago	1	18	.053
Cincinnati	13	21	.382

Yesterday's Results
 St. Louis 1, Pittsburgh 1.
 Philadelphia 6, New York 3.
 Brooklyn 7, Boston 5.
 Chicago 13, 18, 419.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT
 HOLLYWOOD—Georgie Duke, 161, San Francisco, outpointed Bobby Volk, 161½, Portland, Ore., 10.
 OMAHA—Don Lee, 152½, Edison, Neb., outpointed Vince Foster, 148, Omaha, 10.
 NEW LONDON—Eddie Compo, 127, New Haven, knocked out Jose Garcia, 124½, Puerto Rico, 2.

It Pays to Use the Want-Ads!

RAIN CUTS WI LEAGUE TO NAUGHT

SEATTLE, May 29 (AP)—Rain—the plague of the Western International Baseball league through the season's first six weeks—brought a blanket cancellation of last night's four scheduled games.

Downpours figured directly in three of the postponements: Tacoma at Victoria, Bremerton at Vancouver and Wenatchee at Spokane. The diamond at Yakima was left so muddy by a Thursday night storm that the Packers' tilt with Salem was called off.

Twin bills set for today at Victoria and Vancouver will wind up the shortened series in those cities. Yakima is slated to entertain Spokane, and Salem to host Wenatchee in series openers tonight.

Spokane's Indians, riding a streak that has carried them to victory eight times in their last nine starts, will try to continue their upward climb at the expense of the last-place Packers. The Indians are only one game behind the second-spot Bremerton Bluejackets and four below the front-running Tacoma Tigers.

The Wenatchee-Salem series will be a battle to break a fourth-place deadlock between the two clubs.

Pair Of Games Set For Sunday

Two baseball games are on tap for Klamath Falls Sunday afternoon, one at Gems stadium and the other at Recreation field. A third team travels.

The Klamath Falls Red Sox will take on the Medford Craters at 2 p. m. at the Cres' street park while the Klamath Pioneers play host to Hill in the Northern California league game at the same hour at Recreation field.

In the Interstate league, the Pioneer Juniors travel to Sprague River for a tilt.

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Nelson Potter Becomes Fireman No. 1 For Connie Mack's Squad

By The Associated Press
 Connie Mack, whose luck seems to be good for a change this year, apparently has found the relief man he wants in the veteran Nelson Potter.

His Philadelphia Athletics figure to have just about the best pitching staff in the American league. But Connie wanted an experienced man to play fireman when one was needed.

A couple of weeks ago the Athletics bought Potter from the St. Louis Browns in a straight cash deal. This season he hadn't done much and had a sore shoulder.

Strictly a starting pitcher with the Browns ever since 1943, Potter has been used three times by Philadelphia, always in relief. He worked once in a losing game, then saved a game for Joe Coleman.

Last night in Shibe park against the New York Yankees he clinched

the job. He entered the game in the fifth with two on and none out. He escaped without a run and from then on the Yanks couldn't move past first.

In all, Potter gave up only two hits and received credit for the 6-3 victory. It was the sixth in a row for the A's who maintained their one game first place margin over the Cleveland Indians.

Cleveland stayed right behind by whipping the Chicago White Sox, 2 to 0, in Chicago.

The Boston Red Sox slipped to seventh place again by losing to the Senators, 2-1, in Washington.

A seventh inning rally brought the St. Louis Browns a 3-4 victory over Detroit and moved them to within three percentage points of the fourth place Tigers.

In the National league the St. Louis Cardinals increased their first place lead to three full games over the New York Giants, although rain shortened their game in Pittsburgh to a 1-1 six-inning tie.

The Giants couldn't handle the Philadelphia Phils in the Polo Grounds and lost, 6 to 3. New York Manager Mel Ott announced he was playing the game under protest after a ninth inning argument, but the dispute involved an umpire's judgment and the protest isn't likely to get anywhere.

The Brooklyn Dodgers finally caught up with the Boston Braves and beat them, 7 to 5, in Boston. It was the first time the Dodgers had turned the trick in the last nine games between the two clubs.

Han' Bauer hit his 11th and 12th home runs and Grady Hatton and Johnny Wyrostek chipped in with four baggers for the Cincinnati Reds against the Chicago Cubs, but the long blow weren't enough. The Cubs came from far behind and nosed out the Reds, 10 to 8, at Cincinnati.



Nichols Quitting Huskies

SEATTLE, May 29 (AP)—The University of Washington's 1948-49 basketball team slumped sharply today as Jack Nichols, high-scoring center, announced that he plans to join a San Francisco AAU team this fall.

Nichols said the bay area outfit is being organized by a San Francisco automobile dealer and will be coached by Angelo (Hank) Luisetti, all-time Stanford basketball great.

He listed other probable members of the team as Babe Higgins, Stanford; Frank Laney, formerly of Santa Clara, and Andy Wolfe, Earl Strader, Gordon Cuneo and George Walker, all of the University of California.

Nichols, the sparkplug of the Washington Huskies' drive to the Pacific Coast conference championship last year, has one year of eligibility left. He had expected earlier to enter the university's medical school after his graduation this June.

The 6 foot 5 inch 220-pounder from Everett, Wash., held the unique distinction of having been named to all-star squads in both divisions of the conference. He made the all-northern division team three times at Washington and the all-southern division lineup two years he was division lineup the two years he was fornia.

He set two northern division records last season—an all-time 16 game high of 265 points and a one-game mark of 39 points.

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The first 34 who have been selected to attend, providing scholarship funds are available, are Roberta Harris, Audrey Odegaard, Bernice Nelson, Gerald Odegaard, Edward Richardson, Ivy Nelson, Gary Lee, Laverne Manning, Billy Odegaard, Danny Dunham, Birdie Ann Manning, Ernest Bergstrom, Dwayne St. Clair, Margaret Ross, Dena Brown, Arla Rose Buck, Rollan Hodge, Clifford Dodson, James Linebaugh, Lorena May Long, Delores Knight, Yvonne Vandergraw, Charles Schuler, Cherry Millard, Joan Deboy, Glen Cleland, Gary Nelson, Arlene Tuxhorn, Danny Stover, Pat O'Leary and Alma Stover.

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