

RIDIN' HERD

I WISH I could bust out today with some good news that has been in suspended animation for several weeks now.

I wish I could tell the good baseball fans of Klamath Falls that there would be baseball this year.

I thought by now I would be able to do so. The 1935 season, particularly after a meeting of Klamath Baseball Inc. held a couple of weeks ago.

It was an optimistic meeting in which the directors present were all grim and determined, vowed, at least unofficially, to give Klamath Falls a baseball team.

But apparently the optimism was left on the table in the Willard Hotel Paul Bunyan room.

Energetic plans to raise enough money to pay Uncle Sam, the only thing keeping Gemo Stadium doors closed, were cooked up at the meeting.

It was all sweetness and light and optimism. But nothing has been done since.

BUT LET'S catch up with the background. The club's total current liabilities total between \$21,000 and \$22,000.

... somewhere in the neighborhood of \$7000 of this is due Uncle Sam for admission taxes, penalties and interest.

Uncle Sam doesn't want to wait and, in effect, has said "no money, no opening."

Club President Dick Maguire called the meeting to get a final answer from the directors on whether they will or will not have a ball club.

The plan suggested—one I can't divulge unless it's put into operation—sounded like a good one.

But no plan is good unless it's carried out.

I can't help wondering how much interest there is in fielding a team when there wasn't a quorum of directors on hand at the "do it or forget it" meeting.

IT SEEMS unfair to me that the whole load of organization has fallen on Maguire's shoulders.

And that's what's happened because those who intimated they'd help in the plan to raise money for Uncle Sam have been conspicuous by their silence since the meeting.

Maguire, even with his heavy duties as manager of KJ, has managed to keep Uncle Sam on the hook this far and is currently dickering with federal internal revenue officers on an easy-payment plan.

That, although the most important part of the job of fielding a baseball team, is just one phase of a big task.

The job is one that takes many hands.

MAGUIRE was particularly anxious to get an answer from the directors because, as far as the Philadelphia Nationals are concerned, there will be baseball here.

The Phillies, the "Gems" parent club since the birth of professional baseball here, have made definite steps already to keep Klamath Falls on the baseball map just in case pro ball does someday return.

FOR ONE thing the Phillies have about 14 college boys ready to play in a non-professional status, a matter that these fans outlined in some detail recently.

And that's not all. The Phillies have hired a manager. He is 29-year-old Roy Carlson, personable baseball coach at Portland's Cleveland High School, a left-hand hitting catcher.

Carlson knows his way around. He was associated with the New York Yankee system for some time. He's an ex-University of Oregon man.

He finished a letter to me like this: "I am looking forward to this summer in Klamath Falls and, with a young, hustling ball club, we should give the fans plenty of good baseball." Right now it looks like Mr. Carlson is a manager without a club.

MAGUIRE feels sure that between 30 and 50 games can be lined up—against good semi-pro, professional and traveling clubs. The Phillies have assured Maguire that this year's team would give the fans the same grade of baseball they have been used to in the Class D Far West League.

SATCH STILL HAS IT

By The Associated Press

By RALPH RODEN

Doubt exists concerning the exact age of Satchel Paige but there's none that Old Satch can't pitch. Paige gave a 4-3 decision for the St. Louis Browns over his former Cleveland Indian teammates at Tucson, Ariz., Friday.

The Browns carried the eighth inning in front, 4-1, when the Indians suddenly climbed all over Gene Bearden, also a former Indian.

Al Rosen, however, Jim Fritley doubled and Merrill Combs singled to chase Bearden. Paige struck in and was greeted by a double but he muffed out the next two batters to end the rally.

The Indians put runners on first and third with one out in the last of the ninth but Paige got out of that jam by fanning Rosen and miffing Fritley on a grounder.

Allie Reynolds was hit hard at St. Petersburg, Fla., where the New York Yankees suffered a 10-3 lossing from the Detroit Tigers. The Tigers chased the Yankees' top ace for nine runs and 12 hits in six innings.

The Chicago Cubs scored their 12th triumph in 19 starts by trouncing the Pittsburgh Pirates, 6-3, at Mesa, Ariz.

Davey Williams, Ed Stank's replacement at second base for the New York Giants, enjoyed a red letter day at Phoenix, Ariz. Williams drove in six runs on a pair of homers and a triple to lead the National League champions to a 4-1 triumph against the Chicago White Sox.

Williams won the game by socking a three-run two-out homer in the last of the ninth inning. Veteran Outfielder Hank Edwards snapped a two-run homer in the 10th inning to give the Cincinnati Reds a 5-3 decision over the Washington Senators at Tampa, Fla.

Home runs also figured in the Boston Red Sox 9-7 triumph over the Philadelphia Phillies at Clearwater, Fla. Johnny Pesky and Ted Williams homered for the Sox and Mel Clark for the Phils.

The Atlanta Crackers of the Southern Association beat the parent Boston Braves, 3-1, under the lights at Atlanta. Lefty Warren Snahn went all the way for Boston and would have had a shot out but for two outfield errors and a balk.

Scheduled games between the Philadelphia Athletics and Toronto, and the St. Louis Cardinals and the Brooklyn Dodgers were rained out.

Walcott, Ez Sign Monday

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Jersey Joe Walcott and Ezzard Charles will meet in Philadelphia's huge Municipal Stadium early in June with Walcott's heavyweight title at stake.

Promoter Herman Taylor announced Friday that the two principals will sign contracts for the 15-round title go at the City Hall office of the Police Athletic League here Monday.

The exact date of the bout has not been announced but June 9 has been mentioned by a reliable source as the most probable time. Municipal Stadium is the big arena where Gene Tunney won the heavyweight crown in 1926 by outpointing Jack Dempsey before a crowd of more than 20,000.

The 37-year-old heavyweight champion from Camden, N.J., and Charles, Cincinnati's former titleholder each will receive 30 per cent of the gate, Taylor said.

Sports Mirror

By The Associated Press

Today a year ago — John Marshall of Yale won the NCAA 1,500 meter swimming event in 18:18.8 to set a new world's record.

Five Years Ago — The Detroit Red Wings defeated the Toronto Maple Leafs 9-1 to even their semifinal series of the Stanley Cup playoffs at one game each.

Ten Years Ago — Sammy Byrd won the Greensboro Open Golf Tournament with a 279 for his first tourney victory since quitting pro baseball.

Twenty Years Ago — National Champion Ellsworth Vines was beaten in the first match in the Houston Invitation Tennis Tournament by Martin Buxby, 4-6, 6-2, 7-5.

SHUFF STUFF

Mecca and Schuss, one-two teams in the city shuffleboard league, will stage an exhibition contest tomorrow, 2 p.m., on the Mecca boards. The city singles and doubles shuffleboard tournament opens Monday, 7:30 p.m. at Schuss Tavern, for a two-weeks' run.

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SONNY GREEN ... faces Wolfe

WOLFE MEETS GREEN

Promoter Mack Lillard presents 30 rounds of boxing—of less—a week from tonight at the Armory, the first bouting here for almost 10 months.

Headlining the outstanding card of five bouts will be Dick Wolfe, Pacific Northwest welterweight champion, well-known here as a semi-final boxer here a few seasons back.

The Indian boy meets Sonny Green, capable Oakland, Calif., Negro, in the 10-round main event, a non-title affair.

Wolfe who won the title from Jimmy Nolan at Calgary, Canada, now makes his home in Portland. He's in demand up and down the coast.

The six-round semi bouts Ralph Webster, the Beatty Bomber, against Jimmy Proctor, a California Negro who recently beat highly-rated Bobby Doll of Boise, Ida., both are lightweights.

The special event, also down for six rounds or less, shows two Klamath Falls boys in a battle for the championship of Kapping Plywood Co. They are Rudy Carlson and Darrill Harrington, both welterweights.

Crowd-pleasing Billy Sunday meets Beatty Junior in the top four-tourner.

One other four-heat preliminary will complete the card. Tickets are now on sale at Dick Reeder's, 5th and Main.

Beavers Whip Padres, 8-1

ONTARIO, Calif. (AP) — Portland's Beavers, the surprise of the spring training season, whipped the San Diego Padres, 8-1, Friday for the fourth time in five games between the Pacific Coast League clubs.

Veteran Guy (Grumpy) Fletcher, who formerly toiled for the Seattle Rainiers, was the victim of the Portland uprising. Joe Brovia led the Beavers with a homer and two singles. Eddie Basinski also homered for the winners with a mate aboard to lead off the scoring in the third inning.

Ducks Lose

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — The University of Oregon baseball team dropped back into its losing ways Friday, losing to San Jose State College, 6-3. The Ducks have now had only a single victory in their California road trip.

Oregon outbit the Staters, 6-5, but was unable to mount a sustained attack. George Shaw, star centerfielder, got a double and single for the Ducks before having to retire after injuring a knee in sliding into second base.

Belated Start

LEAVENWORTH, Wash. (AP) — The seventh annual Northwest Intercollegiate Ski Association championships were due for a belated start Saturday after a blizzard forced postponement of the cross-country run Friday.

Olympic Cage Trials Open

8 Teams Mix For US Berth

By WILL GRIMSLEY

NEW YORK (AP) — The process of picking Uncle Sam's 1936 Olympic basketball team begins Saturday night with only one player having a chance to repeat as a member of the squad.

He is Bob Kurland, sky-scraping, red-haired center of the Phillips 66 Oilers who spearheaded the Americans to the Olympic championship at London four years ago.

Four top college teams, including three tournament champions and the NCAA runner-up, and the four semi-finalists of the recent AAU tournament make up the Olympic field.

Two games are scheduled at Kansas City Saturday night and two at New York's Madison Square Garden Sunday night. The AAU tournament make up the Olympic field.

The New York opener will be composed of seven players from each of the finalist teams, as selected by the respective team coaches.

At Kansas City, the Oilers, AAU tournament runner-up, meet the Peoria Caterpillars, AAU champion, at 9 p.m. The Oilers, AAU champion, and Springfield (Mo.) State, winner of the small college or NAIB event, clash in the second game at 10:45 p.m.

The New York opener will be composed of seven players from each of the finalist teams, as selected by the respective team coaches.

The LaSalle - St. John's game offers a return match between two of the surprise champions of the college tournament campaigns.

LaSalle, ranked nationally and to Kansas, ranked nationally, beat St. John's enroute, 51-48. St. John's eliminated the country's two top-rated teams — Kentucky and Illinois — in gaining the NCAA final at Seattle where it lost to Kansas.

Phing Allen, Kansas coach, complained Saturday about the setup of the Olympic tournament which he said favored a team like LaSalle and handicapped NCAA regulars like Kansas and St. John's.

"I'd say the NCAA teams get a raw deal here and the National Invitation Tourney teams get the biggest break," Allen said.

Cookin' Frank McGuire of St. John's said his Redmen were physically exhausted from the cross-country traveling and were playing "on grit alone."

Kansas and LaSalle are favored in opening college games. If they prevail, they'll meet in a show-down of the two big tournament victors Monday night.

Vlastelica Picks OSC

ABERDEEN, Wash. (AP) — Tony Vlastelica, one of the most sought after basketball players in Washington, was scheduled to leave Saturday for Oregon State College "because he likes Coach Slats Gilly's style of play."

Vlastelica, who set two all-time state Class A tournament scoring records in 1935 while attending Aberdeen High School, announced his decision Friday to enroll at OSC. The prep marks were 34 points in a single game and 110 points in four.

The big center sparked the Grays Harbor Chokers to the Washington State Junior College Conference championship this year, joining the team in mid-season after his release from the Marines.

In 50 games this season, part of them with the Camp Pendleton, Calif., Marines, Vlastelica scored 1,253 points.

He is reported to have received offers from more than 40 colleges.

Exhibition Baseball

By The Associated Press

Boston (A) 9, Philadelphia (N) 7; Chicago (A) 7, Chicago (N) 7; St. Louis (A) 4, Cleveland (A) 3; Detroit (A) 10, New York (A) 3; Cincinnati (A) 5, Washington (A) 3 (10 innings); Chicago (N) 8, Pittsburgh (N) 3; Atlanta (SA) 3, Boston (A) 1. Other games cancelled, rain.

SOUTHLAND'S VISITORS

MIAMI (AP) — Like tourists, horses come from all over the U.S. to Miami in the winter. Recent at Hialeah, race horses bred in five different states, won the same day. Florida and California breeds won successive races. Other winners hailed from Rhode Island, Virginia and Kentucky.



CAREY-ING LOAD — Andy Carey, Yankees' rookie third baseman, is the hottest prospect in the 1936 Grapefruit circuit, batted safely in the first seven exhibition games for a .519 average. Signed off the St. Mary's, Calif., campus, the 21-year-old slugger hit 14 home runs at Kansas City last year.

NOTES ON THE CAMPS

By The Associated Press

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — Manager Paul Richards of the Chicago White Sox, disappointed in the showing of Veteran Al Zarilla, is considering Rookie Don Nicholas for a regular outfield job.

Nicholas, Phoenix speedster, batted .333 in 75 games for Mobile last year and has impressed Richards with his drive.

As for Zarilla, Richards declared "On the basis of what I saw last year and have been looking at this spring, I would not be sure that Zarilla will help us this season."

Zarilla batted .325 with the Red Sox in 1935 but hit only .247 last season with the White Sox.

DISAPPOINTS

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Jim McDonald, righthander obtained from the St. Louis Browns, has been a big disappointment to the New York Yankees so far. He has allowed 11 runs and 10 hits in 10 innings.

STIFF ARM

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — Raloh Branca has his usual spring arm stiffness, but the Brooklyn Dodger right hander says it isn't serious. He hopes to pitch against the St. Louis Cardinals over the weekend.

FINALLY TAPPED

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Roger Bonsett, rookie left-hander with the odd pitching motion, has been one of the best pitchers for the New York Giants this spring. He had pitched 14 straight scoreless innings before the Chicago White Sox tapped him for a run Friday.

Five Tied in Open

WILMINGTON, N.C. (AP) — The services of a traffic expert may yet be required to determine the winner of the \$10,000 Azalea Open Golf Tournament.

Five players were tied for the lead Saturday at 136 and they were only one stroke ahead of five more chasers heading into the last two days of action.

The 136 group included Doug Ford, Harrison, N.Y.; George Fazio, Pine Valley, N.J.; Jim Turpen, Briarcliff, N.Y.; Joe Kirkwood Jr., Hollywood, Calif.; and Art Wald Jr., Honesdale, Pa.

Well down the list were Al Zimmerman, Portland, Ore., pro, with 70-71-141; and Ed "Porky" Oliver, formerly of Seattle, who had 77-69-146.

Seventh Title For Button

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP)

The national figure skating championships will be decided at the Broadmoor Ice Palace here Saturday night, with attention centering on the senior women's division.

Tenley Albright, 16-year-old perfectionist from Newton Center, Mass., piled up a lead in compulsory figures and her first free skating exhibition, and is expected to stand off all competitors for the 1936 title.

ALL OUT

Peerless Dick Button of Orange, N.J., had to pull out all stops Friday to flash past youthful Jimmy Grogan of Tacoma Wash., and Hayes Alan Jenkins of Cleveland for the senior men's honors.

It was the seventh consecutive title for the 22-year-old Harvard senior. Only one other person in history ever has turned the trick. Roger Turner of Boston won consecutive crowns from 1928 to 1934.

Grogan finished a close second and Jenkins an equally close third as they performed brilliantly in free skating Friday night. Veteran observers said Button's skating was the greatest of his career.

RALLY

Carol Heiss, slender 12-year-old stylist from New York, came from third place in compulsory figures to slip past Seattle's Patsy Firth for the junior women's title Friday.

Sharon Lee Choate and Richard Bromley of Seattle teamed in a flawless performance to win the junior pairs division honors.

Barbara Zeim and Armando Rodriguez, Spokane, Wash., finished sixth.

Platter Mark

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Fortune Gordien, world discus record holder, bettered the American mark Friday with a throw of 151 feet, 9 inches at the Los Angeles Athletic Club beat Los Angeles State College in a dual meet, 102-28.

Gordien's world record is 186 feet, 11 inches, set in Finland.

HOCKEY

By The Associated Press

Pacific Coast League Victoria 3, New Westminster 2 (best-of-7 series tied 1-1); Tacoma 6, Seattle 1 (Tacoma leads best-of-5 series, 2-0)

SPORTS

RED HIRD, SPORTS EDITOR

TIME OUT!



"Now start exercising! You're going to be the strong, dominant type, Ralph, if I have to break every bone in your body!"

Bratton Upset By Rocky

NEW YORK (AP) — Rocky Castellani, 25-year-old ex-Marine from Luzerne, Pa., surprised Johnny Bratton of Chicago and 1,916 paying customers in Madison Square Garden Friday night by staying on his feet all the way to win a unanimous and decisive 10-round victory over the former NBA welterweight king.

Now Rocky wants to give his push-button chin a sterner test against former Middleweight Champion Randy Turpin in England, April 22.

"We made an arrangement with Jack Solomons (the London promoter) for a fight with Turpin on the 22nd, providing Rocky whipped Bratton," said Manager Tex Sullivan. "If Solomons holds to the terms we're ready to go over whenever he says."

At 154 1/2, Castellani, was finely conditioned and fast. Bratton said his own weight of 152 1/2 was too much and slowed him down.

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Girls Hold Cage Finals

WICHITA, Kan., (AP) — The defending champion, Hanes Hossley of Winston-Salem, N.C., and Davyent, Ia., A-10, met Saturday night in the finals of the National AAU Women's Basketball Tournament.

The Winston-Salem team moved into the final round with an easy 41-25 win over Iowa Wesleyan College in Friday night's semi-final legging.

Davenport upset a favored Nashville, Tenn., Business College team 44-38 to win a spot in the finals.

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