



JOHN MATHIS
... in grid debut

Hornets Host To Honkers

A new coach steers Henley into 1952 gridiron wars tomorrow afternoon against the Hornets' traditional opening non-league foe, the Lakeview Honkers.

Kickoff time on the Henley turf is 2 p.m.

The new skipper is John Mathis of Independence who takes over the Henley football fortunes this year from Jim Porter, who steered the Hornets for three years.

Mathis walks into a grid picture generally riddled with inexperience, but expects "improvement as the season goes along".

Only six lettermen were on deck to greet Mathis. They are Tackles Doug Golden and Duane Reeder, Ends Don Anderson and Jack Marshall, Center Del Dehlinger and Quarterback Bob Hill.

Mathis yesterday announced his probable starting line-up with Anderson and Bill Pipoin at ends, Golden and Reeder at tackles, Francis Roberts and Kay Robinson at guards, Dehlinger at center, Hill at quarterback, Delbert Case and Bob Enman at halfbacks, and Adam Hoffman at fullback.

Henley gets the jump on the other five Klamath County League schools. The rest open their seasons next week.

Donna, Marge Out of Meet

The golf title is wide open in the Reames Women's annual Fall Club Tournament which saw opening rounds yesterday.

Defending champion Donna Spear had to pass up the tourney for major surgery; Marge Steiger, who would have occupied the favorites' role with Donna out, isn't entered.

Marge (Mrs. Jake Steiger) arrived home Thursday with another title. She fired an 88 on the rain-soaked Roseburg course to capture the Willamette Valley-Southern Oregon Association tournament this week in a field of 80 women.

This was the last of the association's annual round-of-four tourneys.

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Cougars In Early Grid Test

By JERRY O'BRIEN
PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) — The waiting West will learn next Friday if all the glitter is really gold at Washington State College. An acid test takes place that night under the bright floodlights of the Los Angeles Coliseum when "the best" WSC football team in 20 years is gauged against a perennial powerhouse, Southern California.

Not since their Rose Bowl team of two decades ago have Cougar fans been as excited as they are over the current crew. It could be a Pullman to Pasadena year despite 10 bruising hurdles.

The first one will balloon the boom or bust it. Ray Flaherty, the former Washington Redskins coach and a keen football observer, watched a scrimmage here last week and said it looks like a great team, that the Cougars have never had such a wealth of material, not even in the 1930 days of Mel Hein and Turk Edwards.

All of which puts Al Kirchner on the spot. Kirchner, the assistant who took over as head coach when Forest Evanshevski resigned last winter, admits it's a good team. But, with understandable caution, he claims it isn't right to talk about roses in the wheat hills of the Palouse.

Yet almost everybody who did anything is back from the 1951 team that scored 280 points in posting a 7-3 record, best here since 1931. Biggest losses were backs by Bailey and Bud Roffler, guard Gene Reiger.

Kennedy Kids Turn To Pros

SEATTLE (AP) — A wrist-slap by the U. S. Figure Skating Association, plus a draft rejection, have prompted the Kennedy Kids to abdicate as king and queen of American twosomes-skating.

Peter Kennedy, 25, was turned down by his draft board Thursday and announced at once he and his sister, Karol, 20, were ready to turn pro.

The Kids, who have been skating together since they were tiny tots, held the World pairs crown in 1950 and placed second in the last Olympics. For four years they have been North American titlists and they've held the U. S. championship for five years.

The Association notified the Kennedys they were suspended indefinitely for appearing in an exhibition at Garmisch, Germany, last winter without sanction following the Olympics. Peter said he had believed the sponsors obtained the sanction and that the appearance was made especially for soldiers at the behest of an army officer.

TWENTY YEARS AGO — Johnny Fischer shot a 69 to lead the U.S. Amateur Golf qualifying field by three strokes.

TIME OUT!



"Pssst, Buddy! The heat's still on us booksies—wanna place a bet?"

Twinks, Oaks In 'Crucial'

By The Associated Press
Hollywood, in its last and licking its wounds, starts a four game ruckus Friday night with Oakland in a showdown battle for the Pacific Coast League championship.

The moody Stars are still reeling from a 10-4 licking suffered Thursday night at the hands of Seattle. Two Hollywood errors opened the floodgates and eight unearned Rainier runs surged homeward.

The loss dropped their six game lead over second place Oakland to 4½ as the Oaks merrily clobbered Sacramento twice on the Capital City diamond.

A sweep of the Oakland series would clinch a pennant tie for Hollywood.

Oakland has relatively easy sledding next week as they take on San Diego and last place Sacramento. The Twinks, on the other hand, tussle with Portland and Seattle.

When Thursday night's diamond dust settled, Los Angeles had whittled San Diego down into a fourth place tie with Portland. Los Angeles squeaked out of town with a 1-0 triumph, as Angel southpaw Joe Hatten allowed only four hits.

In the bay area, hurler Freddy Sanford's 17th win of the season sparked Portland to a 4-0 victory over San Francisco as the Beavers continued to gnaw away for a first division berth. Freddy did not throw the Seals so much as a fish as he held them to six hits.

FIGHTS THURSDAY NIGHT

By The Associated Press
VANCOUVER, B.C. — Willie Pep, 130, Hartford, Conn., outpointed Bobby Woods, 130, Eureka, Calif. (10).

Waterville, Me. — Bill Thompson, 182, Carmel, Me., won by a knockout over Jackie Fisher, 222, Waterville, Me. (2).

24 Enter Big Car Race

SPEED STARS READY

Big racing cars will roar in eight feature events at the Klamath County Fairgrounds Sunday, 1 p.m., in this city's first "championship" car race.

According to Charles Currier and Al Frager, American Racing Association officials, the time trials will be hotly contested as some two dozen pilots will attempt to qualify for a starting position in the feature main event.

These big cars are not to be confused with midgits, stock cars or hard tops, Currier said. They bear the names of famous racing engineers and are of 180 to 220 horsepower and capable of great speed.

The winner of the Labor Day 100-lapper at Portland Meadows, Len Sutton, will be here and drives the same McClure Special which carried him to victory before 13,000 fans at the Rose City. Sutton finished second in the recent five-day meet at Boise for the Western States half-mile championship.

Another top contender is Jack Patchetau, hard driving veteran from Calistoga, in the Fry Offenhauser Special. Patchetau won two main events at the Idaho State Fair. He also finished third in the Portland race.

Bob Gregg, who is remembered for his skillful driving of the "City of Tacoma" at the Indianapolis 500, will be piloting a Miller Special here. Gregg, who hails from Camas, Wash., has been a top contender on many of the nation's dirt tracks.

Other favorites who will drive the big speedway cars here include Jack Flaherty, 1952 Western States champion; Bill Jenkins, outstanding young race driver from Santa Rosa; Don Radbruch, last year's ARA champ from San Francisco; Bobby Willis, an Air Force pilot stationed at Travis AFB; and George Mehalis, driving the record-breaking Offenhauser from Oakland, owned by Floyd Gidwell and Claude Walling, the smooth-driving Seattle veteran.

TIME TRIALS
The time trials begin at 1 o'clock with the trophy dash set for 2 o'clock.

Admission prices are \$1.80 general admission, \$2.40 reserved seats and 60 cents children to 12 years of age. There is no charge for youngsters under 6.

All prices include tax. Parking is free.

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TODAY A YEAR AGO — Sugar Ray Robinson knocked out Randy Turpin in 2:52 of the tenth round to regain the world middleweight title.

FIVE YEARS AGO — Jackie Robinson was named "Rookie of the Year" by the sporting news.



BOB KELLEHER, San Francisco race driver, checks his Studebaker V-8 Special with his pitman. Kelleher will be one of 24 big-car race drivers here Sunday for the American Racing Association race at the Klamath County Fairgrounds. Kelleher won a recent 100-lap race at Eureka.



Yakima, Lewiston In Tiff for Fifth Place

By The Associated Press
Whether Yakima or Lewiston will occupy fifth place in the final Western International League standings was the only undecided issue Friday as the Class A loop's eight teams squared off for the season's finale.

Victoria clinched the pennant earlier in the week and Spokane, Vancouver and Salem were secure in second, third and fourth places, respectively, going into the homestretch. The season ends Sunday.

Yakima's Bears, league doormats for the first two months, staged a late-season drive and were in fifth place — a full game

ahead of Lewiston — as they returned home Friday for the last four-game stand against last-place Wenatchee.

Tri-City gave Lewiston a hand-up Thursday night by downing the Bears 6-4 for a sweep of the three-game series at Kennewick.

Rain washed out the scheduled Vancouver-Lewiston series, opened at Vancouver and ended the Spokane-Victoria contest at Victoria after five innings. Spokane was leading 9-0 when the game was called.

Salem lost its last home game, bowing 5-4 to Wenatchee. The Senators traveled to Kennewick Friday for their final four games.

Vingo Came Closest To Decking Marciano

By MURRAY ROSE

NEW YORK (AP) — If Rocky Marciano takes the heavyweight crown from Jersey Joe Walcott in Philadelphia, Sept. 2, he will earn a unique position in boxing history.

No heavyweight king since the days of John L. Sullivan ever has ascended the throne without a defeat or draw to mar his record. The 26-year-old Brockton, Mass., blaster not only has a spotless record but he never has been floored in his 42 pro bouts.

Carmine Vingo came close to spoiling everything for Rocky in a wild preliminary scrap at Madison Square Garden Dec. 30, 1949. But Vingo and Marciano were rated as outstanding punching prospects at the time.

Rocky floored Vingo in the first

and second rounds and had the Bronxite bleeding from the nose and an eye out. With defeat facing him, Vingo fought back desperately. He landed a series of swinging rights that drove Rocky to the ropes. Another right staggered the New England clouter. He leaned back against the ropes with his eyes glazed.

Then he showed the stuff champions are made of. Refusing to go down, he went on to knock out Vingo in the sixth round. The New Yorker was critically hurt in the bout and, after a long siege in the hospital, retired from the game.

"He hit me harder than I'd ever been hit before or since," said Rocky the other day. "That includes my fights in the ring, in training, and in street fights."

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