



GANGWAY—Nebraska expects great things of Bobby Reynolds (left) who missed most of the 1952 campaign due to injuries. Co-captain Charlie Hoag (center) scampers for Kansas. Billy Vassels sticks out for defending champion Oklahoma. All are tailbacks and climactic runners.

Musial's Bat Title In Danger

NEW YORK (AP)—The big news in hitting this week is not that Stan Musial is still leading the National League or that Ferris Fain remains on top in the American, but a serious challenger to Musial's supremacy has risen out of the pack.

Frankie Baumholtz of the Chicago Cubs is making eyes at Stan's hitting crown.

The slight 33-year-old Bruin outfielder set a scorching 457 pace over the last seven days, going 16 hits for 35 to rise from third place. He is now but 11 points behind Musial at 325. All figures include Monday's games.

Musial gained a point over the week to maintain his lead at 336. A four for four night against Brooklyn last Friday didn't hurt his cause.

In the American League, the story is the same with Fain clinging to his advantage. The A's first sacker fought off a threat by Cleveland's Dale Mitchell two weeks ago and remained steady over last week, dropping only a point to 321, while Mitchell rose up and fell away again to 324 and stayed there.

JACOBS' FIRST WINNER

MIAMI (AP)—Hirsch Jacobs, famed horse trainer, will return to Hialeah this season after two winters in California. Jacobs has a warm spot in his heart for Florida racing. He saddled his first winner in 1926 at the old Pompano track.

Hard Top RACES

Sunday Afternoon

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Stars Near Title

Twinks Defeat Portland

By The Associated Press

The Hollywood Stars have all but clinched the Pacific Coast League pennant. They dumped the Portland Beavers Monday night 4-2 to open their final week of play.

The Stars now have a seven-game edge over second place Oakland, which remained idle.

Paul Pettit, who hurled the distance for Hollywood, opened a 3-run barrage in the third frame with a double. Bill Beard singled him home. Carlos Bernier's single scored Beard. Bernier tallied on Granville Gladstone's error.

Portland scored twice in the bottom of the third. Jim Glad walked, advanced on Frank Austin's single and scored on Jim Russell's one-bagger. Gladstone singled in Austin.

San Francisco shellacked Seattle 8-2, largely on a three-run homer by Frank Kalin and a bases-loaded triple by Bill McCawley. Floyd Bevans was credited with the win.



By The Associated Press

Syracuse, N. Y. — Joey DeJohn 167, Syracuse, N. Y., knocked out Irish Bob Murphy, 183 1/2, San Diego, Calif., (1).

Boston — Johnny Gonsalves, 134, Oakland, Calif., outpointed Georgia Araujo, 133 1/2, Providence, R. I., (1).

Brooklyn — Joe Giardello, 155, Philadelphia, outpointed George Emali, 158 3/4, Brooklyn, (10).

San Francisco — Fabela Chavez, 129, Compton, Calif., outpointed Jimmy Savala, 131 1/2, Madera, Calif., (10).

Chicago — Waldo Fusaro, 142, Milan, Italy, outpointed Dave Ehnde, 139, Detroit, (8).

New Orleans — Harvey Fello, 167, New Orleans, stopped Rocky Gatlin, 167 1/4, Thenkenner, La., (8).

Wilson, Boyd Lead Batters

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Shortstop Artie Wilson and first sacker Bob Boyd of the third place Seattle Rainiers continued to front regular Pacific Coast League batters through games of last weekend.

Wilson set a .315 pace for 151 contests in 313 for Boyd in 152 engagements.

Veteran outfielder Max West of Los Angeles, with 32 home runs, supplanted first baseman Tookie Gilbert of Oakland in that department. Gilbert, however, retained runs batted in honors with 112 for 172 games.



BLACK BEAUTY — Alfred Glassell of Houston, Tex., is dwarfed beside the record 1090-pound black marlin boated off Cabo Planco, Peru.

DeJohn Stops Murphy

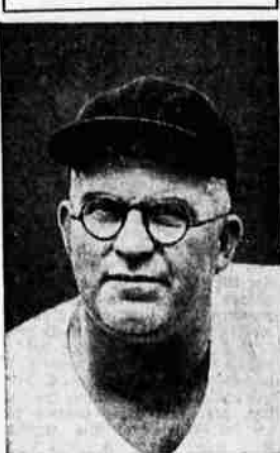
SYRACUSE, N. Y. (AP)—Joey DeJohn has proved to fight fans—and himself—that he can be floored and yet come back to win.

In a short, but wild melee, DeJohn, pride of this fight-happy city, stopped tough Irish Bob Murphy in 2:01 of the third round Monday night.

Referee Ruby Goldstein called a halt when the ex-sailor from San Diego, Calif., blood-appeared and reeling, offered no defense for left.

Steve O'Neill, manager of the Phillies, has won two pennants in 19 years as a manager. He led Beaumont home first in the Texas League in 1942 and his 1945 Detroit team won in the American League.

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