...IONS IN THEIR OWN RIGHT — Picture at left shows ... Noel (left), Class C singles winner, congratulating ... Eklund, Class B champ, after last night's final session at Lucky Lanes in the 1953 Women's Bowling Championships. The Class A singles titlist is Millie Sheehy (picture at right).

Sports World Mourns Death of Jim Thorpe

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The sports world mourns the death of fabulous Jim Thorpe, acclaimed the greatest all-around athlete of the first half of this century.

The Oklahoma Indian—star of his day in football, track, field and big league baseball—died Saturday of a heart attack in his modest trailer home in suburban Lomita. Thorpe, 64, collapsed while eating dinner with Patricia, his third wife.

He apparently had been in good health recently and his sudden passing was a shock to his family and many friends. Acquaintances said he had been taking life easy and planned to do considerable fishing this spring.

His widow, three daughters and four sons survive.

As Thorpe's family and friends made funeral arrangements, fans recalled feats of the rugged Sac-Fox Indian who first won athletic renown at the Carlisle (Pa.) Indian Institute early in the century.

In the 1912 Olympia Games at Stockholm he won both the decathlon and pentathlon. Sweden's King Gustav V told him: "Sir, you are the greatest athlete in the world."

He made Walter Camp's All-American team in 1911 and 1912 at Carlisle as a runner, kicker and passer. He played professional football and baseball for 16 years, six of them in the big leagues. He also had a go at basketball and other sports.

JIM THORPE

Three years ago, the nation's sports writers and broadcasters, in an Associated Press poll, voted him the outstanding male athlete of the first half of the 20th century.

Survivors include three daughters and four sons including John, 15, a student at the Chemawa Indian School near Salem, Ore.

Dillard, Whitfield Double Up

CHICAGO (AP)—Harrison Dillard, 29, and Mal Whitfield, 28, are looking three years ahead when each plans to try for a third Olympic Games championship in 1956.

Saturday night they became the first double winners in the Chicago Relays since 1947.

They shared honors before 16,762 fans in Chicago Stadium with high jumper Ken Wiesner, former Marquette star, now a Navy lieutenant in the dental corps at great Lakes, Ill., and pole vaulter Bob Richards, the LaVerne, Calif., ordained minister.

For the seventh successive year Dillard, former Baldwin-Wallace star, won the 60 yard high hurdles. His time was :07.3.

He also took the 50 yard dash in :05.4.

Whitfield glided through the 600 yard run to win that event for the third straight time. He set a record of 1:09.7.

During the race Whitfield was officially clocked at 1.02.9 at 500 meters to equal his world indoor speed set last month in New York.

Later the former Ohio State runner cruised through the 1,000 yard race in 2:13.0 to beat defending champion Lawton Lamb, an Illinois alumnus.

Weisner high jumped 6-10¾, topping his indoor world record of 6-9⅞, accomplished at Milwaukee March 14. The old relays mark was 6-7. Wiesner failed to clear 6-11¾ in an attempt to better the world record of 6-11 set outdoors by Oregon's Les Steers in 1941.

Richards, clearing 15 feet or better for the 45th time in his vaulting career, won his specialty with 15 feet 3 inches.

TIME OUT!

"Furthermore, you apes, I'm going to find out who's causing the dissension on this team if I have to beat it out of you low-grade morons!"

SPORTS in BRIEF

By The Associated Press

GENERAL

LOS ANGELES — Jim Thorpe voted the greatest athlete during the first 50 years of the 20th century, died at 64 of a heart attack.

FIGURE SKTING

HERSHEY, Pa. — World Champion Tenley Albright, Boston, Mass., won the United States women's championship.

ROWING

LONDON, England—Cambridge scored an eight-length victory over Oxford in the 99th race between the crews on the Thames River.

TRCK

AUSTIN, Texas — Kansas bettered the American four-mile relay mark by 2.1 seconds, covered the distance in 17:14.0 as Wes Santee ran a 4:06.7 anchor leg.

CHICAGO — Lt. Ken Wiesner, Great Lakes, Ill., topped his own world indoor high jump record with a leap of 6 feet 10¾ inches in the Chicago Relays.

NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

COLUMBUS, O. — Swimming: Yale.

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — Wrestling: Penn State.

PHILADELPHIA — Fencing: Pennsylvaa.

SYRACUSE, N. Y. — Gymnastics: Penn State.

GOLF

NEW ORLEANS — Defending champion Patty Berg took a one-stroke lead in the $3,500 New Orleans Women's Open with a 36-hole total of 151.

GREENSBORO, N. C. — Art Wall Jr., Doug Ford, Sam Snead and Earl Stewart Jr., tied for first in the $10,000 Greensboro Open with 72 hole scores of 275.

Medford Next

Pelicans Out-Slug Redding

The Klamath Pelicans open district play in Medford in a Thursday doubleheader in the wake of a 17-12 slugfest win over Redding Saturday in bitter cold weather.

The Pels spotted the Shasta Wolves five runs Saturday afternoon on Wright Field, then went to work with their big bats to knock one Redding pitcher off the mound and coast in for the win.

The second game of the scheduled doubleheader (both seven innings) was called off.

David D'Olivo hurled the Klamath victory. He gave up 11 hits, understandable in a game that opened in a driving snowstorm.

But his mates pounded Lorne Maxham and Charles Dodds for 14 hits to give D'Olivo a lead after the second inning.

FIRST SCORE

Redding scored in the first inning when Ron Mancasula walked in the leadoff spot, stole second, went to third on an error and scored on a squeeze play.

A two-run double by Gary Collins that sailed into the canal back of right field and a two-run single by Dan Coughlin gave the Wolves a plushy 5-0 lead.

But the Pels went to work in the second inning. George Hanson led off with a single and scored on Louie Taucher's triple. Taucher made four bases on a bad relay. Ronnie Conner singled and eventually scored on an error.

Redding made it 6-3 on Coughlin's home run. The Pelicans went ahead, 7-6, in the third inning on Maxham's wildness and errors, and stayed ahead the rest of the way.

Don Dexter led off with a double in the fourth inning, a wild frame, and before the inning was over the Pels had four more runs.

HOME RUN

A single by Dexter scored Ing Montgomery, on base with a double, in the fifth inning and Clay Hannon caught one of Dodds' pitches to park the ball deep in centerfield for a home run. It was another four-run inning before the smoke cleared.

Montgomery stole home on a squeeze play and Hannon singled in a run for two runs in the sixth inning.

Redding made a comback in the sixth inning with four runs, featuring a three-run triple by third-baseman Joe Golenor. But the Wolves couldn't close the gap even with a two-run seventh-inning.

Box score:

Redding	141	004	3-12	11	7
Klamath	034	442	x-17	14	3

Hooks High; East Wins

NEW YORK (AP) — Eastern college all stars turned on the steam in the second half to defeat a picked team of Westerners 72-54 in the Herald Tribune's seventh annual charity basketball game in Madison Square Garden Saturday night.

The West, led by All - America Bob Houbregs of Washington, matched the east basket - for - basket in the closely fought first half but faded in the final periods in the face of an attack led by Larry Hennessey of Villanova and Seton Hall's Richie Regan.

Houbregs topped the scoring with 17 points for the evening. Teammates Joe Cipriano of Washington and Chet Noe of Oregon dropped in six and three points, respectively.

Regan was voted the game's outstanding player.

London Inks 'Title' Tiff

LONDON (AP) — Randolph Turpin of Great Britain and Charles Humez of France will fight for the "World" middleweight boxing championship here June 9, promoter Jack Solomons announced Monday.

Everything now is "signed, sealed and delivered" for Turpin, British champion and former world champion, to meet Humez at London's White City Stadium for the title vacated by Sugar Ray Robinson last December.

The last move in the international battle over the 160 - pound crown came only three days after the American field of contenders for the championship was cut to two. They were Paddy Young of New York, who eliminated Ernie Durando of Bayonee, N. J., Friday night, and Carl (Bobo) Olson of Honlulu.

Yale Wins Swim Meet

COLUMBUS, O. (AP) — Yale won the meet but Ohio State and Michigan did the record-breaking in the NCAA swimming championships here.

The Eli's scored 96½ points to the Buckeyes' 73½ and the Wolverines' 39 in the three-day meet that ended Saturday at Ohio State Natatorium.

Yale's Jimmy McLane won the 1,500-meter and 220-yard freestyles.

Ohio State's Yoshi Oyakawa, a squat little Hawaiian, was the brightest splasher of all. He won the 200-yard backstroke in 2:05.1, fastest time ever recorded for the event, took the 100-yard backstroke in :56.9 for an NCAA record and then aided the Ohio State 300-yard medley relay team to set a mark of 2:47.2, 1.9 seconds faster than Michigan's recognized world record.

Michigan's 400-yard freestyle relay team sliced through the water in a record 3:24.

Berg Leads In Stretch

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Veteran Patty Berg entered the final round of the $3,500 New Orleans Women's Open golf tournament Monday with her one-stroke lead threatened by a wrist ailment and a formidable field.

The St. Andrews, Ill., campaigner took over top spot in Sunday's second round with a par 77, giving her a 36-hole total of 151.

Babe Zaharias, of Tampa, Fla., pulled into second place with 152 after Sunday's one-under par 76.

Jackie Pung, the buxom Hawaiian playing out of Glasgow, Ky., went into the final round of the 54-hole tournament determined to regain the lead she held after the first round.

She finished with a 81 for a two round total of 153.

4 Tie At Greensboro

GREENSBORO, N. C. (AP) —Professional golf's younger generation ganged up Monday on one of the most illustrious members of the game's old guard—Sam Snead—in an 18-hole playoff to settle the four-way tie for top money of $2,000 in the Greensboro Open tournament.

Arrayed against the four-time winner of this event were Doug Ford, Harrison, N. Y.; Art Wall, Pocono Manor, Pa.; and Earl Stewart, Dallas, Tex.

The four deadlocked at 275 Sunday to bring about the second Greensboro playoff in four years. The last one saw Snead turn back Lloyd Mungrum after they had tied at 72 holes.

Herald and News SPORTS

RED HURD, Sports Editor

...ians, Giants Draw ...udits of Experts

...LD CORRIGAN
...P Sportswriter

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...r, who has been spending ...e spring denying that he ...ried about the perform... ...e Giants, made no bones ...ing displeased with the ...o which three of his pitch... ...subjected. All told, Al ...Hoyt Wilhelm and Reuben ...were pounded for 17 hits, ...two home runs, two tri... ...three doubles. They also ...nine bases on balls.

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...dgers and Yanks, mean... ...nt at each other as though the World Series were at stake in St. Petersburg, with the Brooks winning out, 1-0, to pull even in the exhition series, 2-all. Johnny Podres and Joe Black held the world champions to five singles while Jim McDonald went all the way for the Yanks.

The Dodgers made only four hits and their one run came about in the second inning when Jackie Robinson walked, went to third on a double by George Shuba and scored when Roy Campanella grounded out.

The Detroit Tigers, who are playing like anything but tailenders, defeated the Boston Red Sox, 11-7, for their 11th victory against five defeats in Grapefruit League competition.

The Washington Senators, with Jackie Jensen hitting a home run and two singles to raise his batting average to .407, defeated the Milwaukee Braves, 10-7.

4 ERRORS

It took an assist in the form of four errors, but the St. Louis Cardinals, who have been having their troubles all spring, stopped the Cincinnati Reds, 9-4.

Harry Byrd, who is trying to work his way out of the Philadelphia A's doghouse, took a step in the wrong direction when he went all the way against the Philadelphia Phils and was clubbed for a 10-7 loss.

The Chicago White Sox and St. Louis Browns divided a doubleheader. The Brownies won the first, 6-4, on three runs in the ninth, while the Pale Hose, behind Tommy Byrnes' six-hit pitching took the nightcap—a seven-inning affair—5-3.

Cougars Announce Spring Practice Date

PULLMAN (AP)— Coach Al Kircher announced Saturday the Washington State Cougars will open spring football practice April 14 in preparation for a 10 - game schedule next fall. WSC lost 11 seniors from last year's squad, and has only 17 lettermen returning. Kircher said the Cougars would continue to use the single wing.

LaRayne Harris Wins City Bowling Crown

By WALLACE MYERS

Her dark eyes flashing with determination, attractive LaRayne Harris last night fought her way from back in the field to win the Klamath women's bowling championship at Lucky Lanes.

It was a dramatic and stirring exhibition of courage and good bowling and the big sports center rocked with cheers for the new champ.

The sultry beauty had a big job cut out for her as she went into her final doubles and singles matches. She knew she would have to do well over 500 in both series to overtake the early all-events leaders. And LaRayne came through splendidly with a 576 doubles and 590 singles. As she went into her final singles game, a quick score check had shown she needed at least a 160 line to take the title. But LaRayne wasn't told this and she chalked up a 202 for the victory.

DETERMINED

Many in the big crowd which overflowed the spacious Lucky Lanes spectator lounge stayed with LaRayne on every ball, shifting with her from alley to alley as the matches progressed. Most of the fans and other women bowlers knew that the pretty brunette had put in hours of gruelling practice for the event and had her heart set on the title.

Typical of the fine sportsmanship apparent throughout the event, Merlene Noel, who had taken the all-events lead in yesterday's first flight, was rooting for LaRayne all the way. Another in the Harris' gallery was Merlene's popular sister, Beth Griggs, who had also had a clutch on the crown with an earlier tie for first place with Eldina Greenwood. Getting even a tie would have meant a lot to Beth since she was an all-events winner just 10 years ago.

WINS SINGLES

Millie Sheehy took the Class A singles crown with a 593 posted Saturday night. She put her 22-pin handicap with lines of 162, 170 and 195 for the victory.

Harris was second in Class A with 590 and Ila Douglas third with 572.

Mildred Eklund nosed out Sally Hitchcock for the Class B singles title with a 553 against Hitchcock's 551 posted Saturday night. Mary Ellen Hankins was third with 533.

The Class C win was copped by Merlene Noel (570), second was Vivian Wise (550) and third, Pat Beymer (544).

DOUBLES CHAMPS

The doubles championship went to Aggie Green and Bette Johnson who totaled a 1075 in yesterday's first flight. Harris and Geraldine Woods were second with 1070, Ruby Addison and Lulu Stone third with 1044.

Five women bowling under the Safeway banner took the team title Thursday night. A Louie's Food Store quint had taken the early lead Monday night.

The City Men's Bowling Championships get under way at Lucky Lanes next Monday.

Trophies for both men and women are to be awarded at a joint dinner shindig scheduled for the Moose Lodge, April 18.

To fittingly polish off this year's women's championships, we must give a hussah for Tourney Secy. Mary Mills and her two able aides, Mary Bothwell and Beth Griggs. Although this year's field was by far the largest in history, the vast amount of paper work was handled with splendid speed and accuracy.

And just to give it a final lick, it is fitting to mention that the Lucky Lanes personnel kept things moving right on schedule throughout.

A good tournament, a great champion . . And now bring on the men and then we'll have trophies and mashed potatoes.

Sal Third In Trial

MEDFORD, Ore. (AP) — A black Labrador male named Tar Baby of Holly Hill was declared winner of the open all age stake at the Rogue Valley Retriever Club trials Sunday.

Tar Baby is owned and handled by Edward L. Minoggie, Beaverton, Ore., who was judged best amateur dog handler of the trials.

Second place went to Black Panther, black Labrador male owned by Carl W. Carlson, Helena Montana, and third to Montgomery Sal, a Chesapeake female owned and handled by Pat Montgomery, Klamath Falls, Ore.

Kandra's Dusty Demon, owned and handled by Ivan Kandra, Merrill, Ore., won the qualifying stakes.

Globetrotters' Skein Broken

NEW YORK (AP) — Their proud string of 304 straight conquests broken, the Harlem Globetrotters headed for Toronto Monday, the second stop on their tour with the College All-Stars.

The two teams are tied at one-game apiece after Sunday's day-night doubleheader in Madison Square Garden. The Trotters won the first game, 70-62, as expected, but the All-Stars, ahead from the start, took the second, 69-65.

Kansas Wins Four Relays

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — Kansas' great runner, Wes Santee, dominated the Texas Relays last weekend but individual stars in the Southwest Conference also showed power.

Santee and his teammates won four relay events here—the sprint medley, distance medley, four-mile and two mile, setting records in two and tying a record in another.

Santee anchored all four of them.

Whitman Wins Opener, 3-1

WALLA WALLA (AP) — Sid Aronson held Washington State College to five hits Saturday as the Whitman Missionaries opened their baseball season with a 3 - 1 victory over the Cougars. Whitman shoved across three unearned runs in the eighth inning on two walks, a single and an error.

TONY ROSS
. . . faces Kindred

Mat Card Complete

Wednesday night's wrestling card was completed yesterday by Match maker Mack Lillard, highlighted of course by the lady wrestlers — Ada Ash (Mrs. Al Szasz) and Gerry Hunter.

The girls will clash in a one-fall finish match between two outstanding bouts with the big fellows.

Szasz holds down the feature spot against Tor Yamato, wily Japanese sleeper expert.

Tough Tony Ross returns to the Armory ring against Don Kindred, big Negro called the Brown Bomber of the mat.

Both bouts are down for one hour or the best two of three falls.

But the gals are drawing the attention of mat fans. Both Gerry and Ada have been near the top of the heap and both have given champion Mildred Burke plenty of trouble in the ring.

Reserved tickets are on sale at Castleberry Drugs at no increase in prices.

...arciano, Walcott Nurse ...rly Plans of Knockout

JOHN McCALLUM
Staff Correspondent

...ORK (NEA)—Rocky Mar...oprietor of the world hea... championship, showed ...e Walcott and millions ...addicts last September that ...out-smart a sock on the

...derestimated Rocky's ...said the Great Father of ... rubbing his chin ginger... ...he'd been scraped out of ... in the 13th round. "His ...h power is more devas... ...an Joe Louis' was."

...azing old pappy guy has ...will go head-hunting in the ...nd when he tries to regain ...n in Chicago, April 10. ...be prepared to go all the

...no has announced he will ...e same tactics. This adds ...e Philadelphia Story all ...n, a spectacular epic.

... Joe isn't to be taken ... admitted Rocky. "He's ...s, can punch holes through ... either hand. Folks say I was lucky to win the last fight. Sure, I made a lot of mistakes, but studying movies of the match has helped me. I also saw a lot of things ol' Joe did wrong."

Both the champion's and challenger's credo for the return bout seems to be: Why waltz 15 rounds if you can KO the other guy in one?

It has been said that Marciano is unquestionably the crudest heavyweight ever to win the title. He is the first champion who has had to be schooled. For a dozen rounds last summer Walcott gave him a lesson he will never forget. Rocky aspired once to be a baseball catcher. In nine of the 13 rounds with Jersey Joe, he never caught a more superior pitcher.

"I'm a fighter, not a boxer," explains Marciano. "My arms are too short to be a boxer."

The champion fights the only way he knows how. He catches more punches than he lands, as his spread-out nose attests. But he never stops swinging, and anybody who throws as many punches as Marciano has to land one now and then.

The champion will fight from a deeper crouch this time, part of Charlie Goldman's handiwork.

"I'll give him more protection, keep him from getting speared so much," said the hydrant-shaped trainer. "Rocky is no fancy Dan. I have only tried to strengthen his good points, and slowly teach him to correct his weaknesses."

No one has had to tell the Brockton Block Buster anything about heart. He demonstrated against Walcott he positively can take it. He is totally unafraid and aggressive, hits as though swinging a club.

"I underestimated Rocky's ability to take a punch," said Walcott. "I know better now."

'New' PCL Opens Tuesday On 'Open Classification'

Pacific Coast League baseball teams wound up the exhibition campaign Sunday, will rest up Monday and then will swing into what may be an unusually significant season.

This will be the first test in the league's history when it enjoys "open classification," a degree sandwiched between the major leagues and triple-A status.

Gone is the draft by the majors and gone for both is the option rule and working agreements. The year 1953 finds the Coast loop standing on its own feet.

No more will Coast League fans see players shuttle back and forth on 24 hours notice between the West and the majors. No more, too will PCL fans see major league-owned youngsters in uniform. The Coast will have to discover, develop and hold on to its own.

It will be an interesting condition.

The pennant race promises to be just as interesting, with the defending Hollywood Stars, Seattle and Oakland generally rated the top three teams.

The curtain rises Tuesday. Hollywood, with a new manager, Bobby Bragan, opens at San Diego with one game at 2 p.m., PST, and another at 8:15 p.m.

Los Angeles meets Portland and Seattle opens at Oakland in night games.

The other afternoon game will be at Sacramento, with San Francisco the visiting team.

Probable pitching assignments include Eddie Chandler of Los Angeles against Red Adams of Portland and Steve Nagy of Seattle against Al Gettel of Oakland.

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