

McGinnis Selected Pelican Grid Mentor



HILLTOP CAFE is the new City Women's Bowling Champion. The Cafe team took high honors in the 14th annual bowling tournament that was held at Lucky Lanes last week. Top row, left to right; Lorraine Harris, Scotty Bray and Jean Coddington. Bottom row, left to right; Dottie Bowen and Helen Kelch.

Baltimore Crazy Over Baseball

BY JIMMY BRESLIN
NEA Staff Correspondent

BALTIMORE—(NEA)—The cab was taking you along North Charles Street, in the heart of Baltimore, a city which this year gets its first glimpse of major league baseball in more than 82 years.

Yet, the woman cab driver was talking baseball in a way which made you think you were on Flatbush Avenue in Brooklyn.

"Pitching," she said. "If Turley and Larsen come up with any sort of a year, we'll be right up there." She was talking about Bob Turley and Don Larsen, upon whom rest nearly all of the pitching hopes of the Orioles—last year's St. Louis Browns—as major league baseball makes a mighty bid to turn the Maryland city into another Milwaukee.

Turley and Larsen were pitching exhibition games en route home as she talked. They were in St. Louis last year. Probably only a handful of people in the city even knew their names until Clarence W. Miles, a lawyer and lobbyist, spearheaded a drive which made the downtrodden Browns of St. Louis the bright, shining Orioles of Baltimore.

Yet this woman cab driver seemed to know everything about them.

"Both are big and strong," she said. "Why that Larsen is six-foot and weighs 215. So does Turley. That's what I like. Those big pitchers. Wait'll they start blowing the ball past clubs like the Senators. Boy, will we have a field day then."

This was your introduction to Baltimore baseball and in the next two days the conversation was to be the same every place. They talked about the Orioles in hotels, bars, business offices, on trains and street corners. The papers carried news of this new thing on the first page.

"There will be a big parade," says Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro, "the night the Orioles come to town for the April 15 opening day. And the parade will run anything we ever had here. There will be 5000 orchids strewn over the route. This is a big thing to us."

Baltimore residents, all of whom are now baseball fans, purchased 800,000 reserved tickets before the Orioles even had them printed. Attendance in this long-time International League town—and not a good one, at that—can come very close to a million and a half this year. Last year, the minor league Orioles, drew less than 300,000. The Browns, in St. Louis, did even better.

"I have purchased \$400 worth of tickets for the season and friends are all over me to buy some for them," says Congressman Samuel N. Friedel. "Opening day? That is real patronage, my friend. I have all I can do to get myself in the park that day."

Eddie Leonard, old-time fighter and now a referee, is another around town who shows you the trend. His cabaret is the Toots Shor's of the town and tickets for Orioles games are his main worry.

"I've got so many friends to take care of on this I don't know where to start. This isn't the greatest night town in the world, but people are coming in here just to see if I can get them any good seats for opening day."

The barber at the Hotel Southern was the same.

"I sort of over-extended myself on this one," he said. "Laid \$60 the Orioles would finish fifth, \$50 more they'd be in the first division and then a whole hundred that they'd win the pennant. I'm worried about the last bet. You wouldn't care to take any of it, would you?"

Business men are the same. Over a cup of coffee, Albert Nardi, an insurance broker, tells you that "I don't remember the Orioles of John McGraw's day and I don't care. This is modern times and we've got the New Orioles. It's a big thing for the city."

Baltimore, the Gateway to the South, a conservative home type of city, has been turned into the bleacher section of Ebbets Field in this first rush of baseball mania.

Sports

Ike Slated To Throw Belated First Pitch

By BEN FILEGAR

President Eisenhower is having a tough time with the traditional presidential job of throwing out the first pitch of the baseball season. Last year he begged off to play golf only to wind up pitching anyway when the Washington opener was delayed by rain until late in the first week of the season.

This year he agreed to make the first pitch April 13. But it will be the first pitch only in Washington. Weather permitting, the rest of the

major league teams will be off and running before then.

SEPARATE

Instead of scheduling a separate opener in the nation's capital a day ahead of the rest, the majors this season designed a full round of activity for the first day. And in Washington the game with the New York Yankees won't start until 3 p.m.—a full 30 minutes later than any of the other seven games.

The first action in a major league park comes tomorrow in Washington when the Senators play host to the Brooklyn Dodgers in a night exhibition.

Bobby Shantz of the Philadelphia Athletics was the shining light of yesterday's nine exhibition games. Although he was beaten, 1-0 by the Pittsburgh Pirates on a home run by Frank Thomas, the little left-hander gave up just three hits and struck out nine as he went nine innings for the first time this spring.

Bob Purkey, a 24-year-old right-hander up from New Orleans, went the distance for the Pirates. He scattered six hits and didn't walk anybody.

There were two other shutouts. Clem Labine, Jim Hughes and Erv Falcha combined to hold Milwaukee scoreless as the Dodgers whipped the Braves 6-0.

EDGED

The Chicago Cubs edged Baltimore 2-0 on the four-hit pitching of Johnny Klippstein and Jim Brozman.

Robin Roberts continued to take a spring pounding as the Detroit Tigers jumped on him for seven hits and five runs in five innings.

The Tigers beat the Philadelphia Phillies 5-2.

Cincinnati hit five home runs in whipping Washington 9-4. Lloyd Merriman got two and Jim Greenzang, Wally Pott and Ted Kluszowski one apiece. A three-run homer by Jim Hegan with one out in the ninth gave Cleveland a 10-8 decision over the New York Giants.

The Chicago White Sox pounded Gerry Staley and Joe Franko for 10 hits in six innings in defeating the St. Louis Cardinals 6-2.

Memphis of the Southern Assn. tripped the Boston Red Sox 4-3 and the Yankees trounced Charlotte of the South Atlantic League 12-3.

Bear Hug Awaits Dusette

By BEN FILEGAR

It will be Ivan Kameroff against Georges Dusette when the curtain rises for the main event of this week's wrestling card Wednesday night at the Armory.

Kameroff, who made quite a few enemies in last Wednesday's matches, is preparing his favorite hold the Russian bear hug to use against the strong French Canadian when the two tangle.

Dusette, on the other hand, holds the distinction of owning one of the best full nelson's in the business and he has proven the fact to local wrestling fans in the past few weeks against Eric Pedersen.

The match is slated to go one hour or until one of the wrestlers goes out of three falls.

In a thirty minute windup Buck Weaver is signed to meet Tommy Martindale. Weaver will return to the local mat wars after being absent from the local scene for quite a while.

Martindale is returning after a win over Roy Wolf on last week's card.

In the opener Bill Flecher will tangle with Roy Wolf, a wrestler who is not too popular with local mat followers, in another thirty minute bout or two out of three falls.

The advance ticket sale is being handled by Castleberry Drugs for those who wish to buy their reserved seats before Wednesday evening.

Mac Lillard announced this morning that Wednesday night's admission prices will be slashed twice to enable more wrestling fans to attend the matches.

The federal excise tax cut enabled the commission to cut the admission prices and then the commission decided to make another cut on it's own accord.

Twenty Cars Entered In Economy Run

SAN FRANCISCO—Twenty new cars left San Francisco at one-minute intervals about 3 a.m. PST Tuesday on the second lap of the Mobilgas economy run from Los Angeles to Sun Valley, Idaho.

The cars go 532 miles to Elko, Nev., Tuesday. An official of the annual test was stationed at Golden Gate Bridge to pay their tolls and they could roll on without stopping.

First lap leaders after the 554 mile trip from Los Angeles were two Studebakers. A Land Cruiser with overdrive driven by Dick Griffith, Temple City, Calif., led in ton-miles with 59,129.

Ton-miles are figured by multiplying the weight of the car and its occupants by the miles traveled and dividing the result by the gasoline used.

The straight miles-per-gallon leader was a Studebaker Champion driven by Dick Johnson, Riverside, Calif., with 28.9423.

Johnson was third in ton-miles with 55,1031, behind a Dodge Royal V-8 with overdrive which registered 55.9766. The Dodge was driven by Danny Eames, Manhattan Beach, Calif.

Griffith was second in miles-per-gallon with 27.3. Third was a Ford Mainliner-6, 25.3 miles per gallon, driven by Les Viland of Detroit.

Scores

FT. LEWIS, Wash. (AP)—Results of opening round Monday of the All-Army Basketball Tournament here:

Pt. Ord, Calif., 88, Camp Kilmer, N.J., 62
Camp Gordon, Ga., 81, Aberdeen Proving Ground 64
Camp Chaffee, Ark., 76, Ft. Leonard Wood, 69

Coach Choice Unanimous

Klamath Union High School's new football coach is John Robert McGinnis. He was named to the position by a unanimous vote of both the Dad's Advisory Committee and the school board, in a joint meeting last night.

McGinnis was one of several applicants that had survived the earlier screening operations handled by these two groups, and was selected as the committee's choice and then turned over to the board for the final step in selecting the new coach.

McGinnis is not new to the local football scene, as he has had the job of freshman coach the past three years with an outstanding record with his teams.

He is a strong fundamentalist as far as coaching is concerned, and is expected to put special emphasis on blocking and tackling as well as other phases of the sport.

ARMY

"Mac" was graduated from Indiana High School at Indiana, Pennsylvania, in 1940, and went directly into the United States Army for six years. While in high school he played two years of varsity football.

In the Army McGinnis served as a supply sergeant and first hospital sergeant, while serving in New Guinea and the Philippines as well as in the states.

The new grid coach also played football and baseball for several service teams. In 1942 at Camp Lee Virginia, McGinnis played with one of the outstanding service outfits.

DISCHARGE

After receiving his discharge from the Army he entered the University of Oregon as a physical education major. He received his B.S. degree in 1951.

In fall of '51 he took the job of head baseball coach and freshman football coach at KU where he has done a remarkable job.

McGinnis' record for the three years of freshman ball stands at 14 wins and five losses. His second year 1953 his team was unscathed upon, in six games.

McGinnis stated that he will continue to use the T-formation with a few plays being run off the split T.

SERVED

Included in McGinnis' plans for the coming football season, is using Gerald Bevans as his backfield coach. Bevans has served as his assistant in freshman football and is another fundamentalist.

In a statement made last night, McGinnis said that he hopes to give Klamath Falls a district champion next fall.

Another form of business that accompanied the naming of the new coach was the board's acceptance of three out of the four recommendations that were submitted by the Dad's Committee, and they took that one into further consideration.

The recommendations that were accepted by the board were that: 1. The head coach be given the full responsibility for the program to be carried on, 2. the head coach offer a three year contract and 3. the coach should be held responsible for discipline on his own squad.

The only change was in the second recommendation, instead of reading "be given" it was changed to "be offered."

SUBMITTED

The fourth recommendation that was submitted March 29, was the consideration of making adjustments in the coaches and assistants pay scale. This was taken under further consideration by the board.

Arnold Gralapp issued a statement to the Herald and News this morning saying "John McGinnis is eminently qualified to assume the duties as head coach in football. He will do an outstanding job. I wish to congratulate him."

OHIO STATE was seventh in the Big Ten Basketball race but first in total points scored. The Buckeyes scored 1,087 points.

TIME OUT



"New remember, Tim, about that pitcher with the peculiar motion; watch the shortstop, who tends to cross the bag too quickly on forces, and mind you keep the plate clean..."

Baseball Officially Underway

The 1954 baseball season is officially under way.

The Pacific Coast League inaugurates its 53rd annual campaign Tuesday with five games and president Clarence Rowland, always an optimist, predicts an upswing in attendance all around the circuit.

The league is committed to a 168-game schedule instead of the 180 games played last year. The teams are permitted to have working agreements with major league clubs and may accept options from them.

DEPARTURE

This is a departure from the practice of the last two seasons, during which the PCL outlasted the option and took on open classification. The theory behind this was that the league eventually would attain major league status itself.

There will be a mid-season all-star game between the first place team in the standings against the cream of the rest of them. At the close of the season there will be a resumption of the playoffs to determine the first four for cash.

There are three new managers. Gerry Friddy, the Detroit infielder, is bossing the Seattle Rainiers and playing first base. Bill Sweeney is back at the helm in Los Angeles, replacing Stan Hack, who replaced Phil Cavarretta at Chicago.

Last, but not least, Charley Dressen, who did so well at Brooklyn, will try to turn out a winner at Oakland. Dressen may get later help to accomplish this, but he is starting with second division material.

FIGURES

Los Angeles figures to get the necessary pitching and other re-arrangements from its Chicago Cub affiliate to be a contender for the 1954 pennant, but Hollywood remains a slight favorite to repeat its 1953 championship.

Probable pitchers Tuesday: Los Angeles (Cal McLish and Joe Hatten) at San Diego (Eddie Erault) and Cliff Fanning).

Portland (Glenn Elliott) at Hollywood (Mal Queen).

Seattle (Al Widmar) at San Francisco (Tony Fonce).

Oakland (Al Gettel) at Sacramento (Emil Patrick).

DiMaggio Can't Make This Team

BROOKLYN—Outfielder Joe DiMaggio can't make the baseball team at Bushwick High School.

"Not strong enough at the plate," Coach Art Radwin reported.

Preckle faced Joe says he is no relation to another ball player of the same name.

Where DiMaggio failed Campanella made it. Joe Campanella will play the infield for Bushwick this spring.

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JOHN MCGINNIS was selected as the new Klamath Union High School football coach last night. McGinnis succeeds Bob Mandershoff who resigned from the job March 1.

Boxing Tourney Opens

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP)—Only one defending champion will be on hand Thursday when the National Collegiate Boxing Championship tournament opens for a three-day run at the Pennsylvania State University campus.

Last minute withdrawals were received Monday from two boxers originally slated to defend their titles.

Ray Zale will be the lone title defender this year when he steps into the ring to ward off challengers to his 178-pound class championship. The Wisconsin slugger is considered a favorite.

Victor Kobe, 119-pound titlist last year from Idaho State, was forced to withdraw because of illness. Tom Hickey, Michigan State, will be unable to defend his 165-pound class championship due to scholastic ineligibility ruled by his school.

Three 1952 champs will compete in the tourney which begins with elimination matches Thursday afternoon. They are Roy Kuboyama, formerly of the University of Hawaii and now fighting for Wisconsin in the 119 pound class, and Gordon Gladson, Washington State 165 pound class.

Gladson has the most impressive record of the field of 61 boxers with 18 wins and no losses.

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Bold and Sons	87
Louie	74
Klamath Flowers	63
Bing's Cafe	53
Schneider's Variety	62
Little Sweden	57
Oregon Woolen	52
Joneses	52
Southern Oregon Music	49
Stone's Signal	47

Monday night's results:
Bold and Sons 4 Stone's Signal 0
Schneider's 3 Pat. Oregon Music 1
Louie's 2 Oregon Woolen 1
Joneses 3 Bing's Cafe 1
Little Sweden 3 Klamath Flower 1

Little Sweden captured team play in Moore Ma's league action last night at Lucky Lanes.

The Swedish restaurant captured the high team series and game with scores of 2460 and 876. Bold and Sons also rolled a 2460 to the Little Sweden for the high series score.

Joneses was runnerup in the high team division with a 460 score.

Joyce Ross rolled a 206 game and a 530 series to top the individual class in the evening's action.

Doris Benedict collected 196 pins for second high game and VI Kenaston rolled a 519 total for second spot in series play.

Spits were picked up by Blanch Dixon 4-5-7. She did this trick twice during the night's action.

Barley picked up the 6-7-10 and Susie Booth rolled a 3-10 split. Jennie Pastega collected the 5-10 combination.

TRANSPORTATION LEAGUE

Modec Building and Supply 78 41
Pioneer Tobacco 75 43
Kalpine PB 72 48
Interstate Waterboys 68 51 1/2
A and B Paint 68 52
People's Warehouse 67 53
Twinsway Moving 59 70
Kalpine 59 70
Consolidated 47 81
KFLW 44 81
Pacific Fruit 44 81 1/2
KFJ 43 77

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Twinsway 4 Kalpine "B" 0
People's 4 KFJ 0
Pioneer 3 Interstate 1
KFLW 2 Consolidated 1
Pacific Fruit 2 A and B Paint 2
Modec Building 2 Kalpine "A" 2

Pioneer Tobacco rolled to the top scores in both team events in last night's Transportation League alley fare.

The tobacco team combined to roll a game score of 954 pins and a series total of 2709.

Cliff Stiemler took high series honors with a 573 series and Ivan Bold topped high game laurels in the individual column with a 222 score.

Runnerups to the leaders were KFLW in the high team series with a 2099 score and Modec Building with a game of 945 pins. Ivan Bold took second behind Stiemler in the series play with a 566 and Jack Malone rolled a 203 total for second spot in individual game.

Fish, Game Groups Meet

SEATTLE (AP)—State Game Director John Biggs Monday was authorized by the Game Commission to arrange meetings between the State Fisheries Department and the Oregon Game Commission to put the damper on the Columbia River winter commercial fishing season.

The Washington Fisheries Department and the Oregon commission collaborate each year on establishing the commercial winter season on the Columbia.

The authorization for Biggs to set up the meetings came after D. C. Lavier and Wilton Hall, Game Department biologists, told the commission commercial fishermen take about 190,000 steelhead from the Columbia each year.

"Neither steelhead nor chinooks are present in the river in sufficient numbers during the winter season to warrant a commercial season," Lavier and Hall told the commission in a report.

Steelhead are considered a game fish by Washington and may not be marketed, although Oregon considers the steelhead a food fish.

Scribe Picks Padres

By RUSS NEWLAND

SAN FRANCISCO—This is the time to try to guess the Pacific Coast League pennant race. Hold on to your hats. Most of the experts probably will pick Hollywood to repeat. Not this corner. Our special is San Diego. At this writing it looks like the soundest and best balanced club. As of now it is a better fortified and a more complete club. Francis "Lefty" Padout is the manager who can do it.

This is the way we pick the finish:
1. San Diego. 2. Hollywood. 3. Los Angeles. 4. Seattle. 5. Oakland. 6. San Francisco. 7. Portland. 8. Sacramento.

San Diego strengthened tremendously in the deals that sent pitcher Memo Luna and first baseman Tom Aiston to the St. Louis Cardinals. The Padres got three hurlers, southpaw Cliff Chambers and righthanders Eddie Erault and John Romiski, the latter on option. Dick Aylward, a catcher, was purchased from Cleveland via Indianapolis. These hands will help out plenty.

Skipper Bobby Bragan could steer Hollywood back into the top spot again. He has the nucleus of a good club. All he needs is a little pitching help. It may be forthcoming from Pittsburgh.

Los Angeles is pretty well settled with assistance from the parent Chicago Cubs club. Seattle has bolstered its pitching with Gene Bearden and Tom Byrne from the Chicago White Sox.

Oakland needs a first string catcher and Manager Charles Dressen would like to shake hands with a couple of pitchers. San Francisco must acquire a left-handed hurler; a hard hitting center fielder and a catcher who can wield the willow. If they pick up the players the Seals could get into the first division.

Pitching help is badly needed at Portland, which otherwise has practically the same club as last season. Sacramento has some old timers in uniform and needs reinforcements on the mound.

in BRIEF

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GOLF
GREENSBORO, N. C.—Doug Ford of Kiamesha Lake, N.Y., defeated Marty Furgol of Lemont, Ill., 7-5 in the 18-hole playoff of the Greensboro Open Tournament.

BOXING
NEW YORK—Heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano and former titleholder Ezzard Charles signed contracts for a 15-round June 17.

RACING
NEW YORK—Turn-Of, Kentucky Derby favorite until hobbled by a bowed tendon, was retired from racing and will be placed in stud at the Arthur B. Hancock's Claiborne Farm in Paris, Ky.

HOLYOKE, Mass.—Andre Tessier, 164 1/2, Springfield, Mass., defeated Al Anderson, 166 1/4, Ling Island City, N.Y., 8.

BANGOR, Me.—Charlie Chase, 162, Montreal, defeated Charlie Babcock, 158, Bangor, Me., 10.

SAN FRANCISCO—Lou Gage, 148 1/2, San Francisco, defeated Frank Skidmore, 148, Salinas, Calif., 10.

BROOKLYN—Ralph (Tiger) Jones, 157, New York, defeated Billy McNeese, 160 3/4, Central Islip, N.Y., 10.

DETROIT—Duke Harris, 149, Detroit, stopped Irish Bob Funnery, 152, Cleveland, 5.

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Gems Start Ball Practice

LAKEVIEW—The Lakeview Gems will open their spring baseball practice tonight with twice-a-week indoor sessions at the Lakeview High School gymnasium. It was announced by Manager Aronie Leydig.

He is anxious to get new faces in the turn-out, especially young players who want to try for the team. Practice will be from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday nights until further notice. Everyone interested is asked to turn out.

Harry Van, of Klamath Falls, has been named president of the Oregon-California Border League this year. It was announced by Charles H. Foster, league secretary. Teams from Lakeview, Klamath Falls, Alturas and Bend will be in the league as probably will be a team from Burns. Attempts are being made to get a team also from the Merrill-Malin area.

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