

Major League Teams Ahead Of '53 Standings

Detroit Makes Big Gain

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With the major league pennant races just into their second month, nine of the 16 teams find themselves better off than they were at this stage a year ago.

Two are all even with their 1953 pace. Even the five who have fallen behind aren't too far back of where they were after the first month of last season.

Based on games behind the first place team, the Detroit Tigers have made the biggest gain. A dreadful last at this point in 1953 when they were 12 games behind, the Tigers now find themselves only a game and a half off the pace of the first place White Sox.

In the National League the most improvement has been made by the Cincinnati Redlegs with the surprising New York Giants a close runner-up. The Redlegs were last, seven games behind. Now they're only one game back, even though they are laying fifth in the skilful National League race.

SIX STRAIGHT

The Giants, who moved into a virtual first place tie with Philadelphia by winning their sixth straight last night, are 3 1/2 games better off than in 1953.

A quick breakdown on the other clubs shows Cleveland plus two, the White Sox plus 1 1/2, Baltimore, the St. Louis Browns, the Philadelphia Athletics all even, the New York Yankees a game behind, Washington 2 1/2 behind and Boston three behind.

In the National League the Chicago Cubs are plus two, St. Louis plus 1 1/2, Brooklyn plus one-half, Philadelphia all even, Pittsburgh 1 1/2 behind and Milwaukee two behind.

The Yankees trimmed Detroit 6-4 in the only action Cleveland beat Washington 7-2, Baltimore thumped Boston 5-2 and Chicago shaded Philadelphia 4-3 in the American League.

THRASHING

The Giants defeated the Cubs 9-1. Brooklyn absorbed a 10-1 thrashing by the Cardinals, Cincinnati edged the Phillies 1-0 and Pittsburgh broke a seven-game losing streak at the expense of Milwaukee 3-2 in 10 innings in the National League.

A run in the ninth inning on singles by Cass Michaels and Minnie Minoso plus an error enabled the White Sox to pull a full game in front in the American League. Don Johnson, with two two-hit shutouts to his credit as a starter, picked up his fourth victory while working in relief.

The Yankees kayoed Steve Gromek who had won five in a row for Detroit with a dozen hits in the first six innings. Gene Woodling led the barrage with a double and a triple. Bob Grim, who took over from Harry Byrd in the fifth, won his first major league game but he needed help from Johnny Sain in the ninth.

Bob Turley won his fourth game and raised his league leading strikeout total of 53 by fanning 11 as the Orioles whipped Boston. Five runs in the eighth inning broke up a 3-2 tie.

GRAND SLAM

A grand slam home run by George Strickland against Washington made it easy for Bob Lemon to win his fifth of the year. The Indians scored all five of their runs in the first inning. The Senators got six hits, including a home run by Eddie Yost.

It was a long time in coming but when the Cardinals scored their first victory at Ebbets Field since September of 1952 they did it in fine style. They smashed 14 hits. Stan Musial hit his 11th home run and drove in three rallies. Walt Alton homered, and Vic Rasen, back in Brooklyn for Leaguer, rattled in eight hits for his fourth triumph without a loss.

Al Dark and Don Mueller combined for nine hits in the Giants success against Chicago. Dark hit a home run and four singles in five times at bat. Mueller had four singles. Dark also stole two bases.

Art Fowler of Cincinnati blanked the Phillies on eight hits as he protected a one-run lead from the first inning. The only hit off Robin Roberts the night before, opened with a single and scored after a sacrifice and Gus Bell's single. Murry Dickson was the loser.

Two ex-Braves combined to trip Milwaukee at Pittsburgh. Max Surkont went the distance against his former teammates and picked up the victory in the 10th when pinchhitter Walker Cooper doubled home Bob Skinner.

Willamette Wins Conference Golf Meet

PORTLAND (AP) — Willamette University linksmen posted a total of 819 strokes here Friday as the Bearcats retained their Northwest Conference golf title.

Other scores: Whitman, 627; Pacific, 649; Lewis and Clark, 660; and Linfield, 702. College of Idaho did not compete.

Only one letterman infielder returned to this year's Duke baseball team. He is second baseman Dick Brewer.



ELDER STATESMEN . . . Another old pro, Marv Grissom, left, 36, has taken his place alongside of Sal Maglie, 37, the New York Giant's pitching leader.

BOWLING SCORES

MOORE PA'S LEAGUE

Lucky Lanes	76	52
Ward Brothers	73	56
Suburban Flower	70	59
Stone's Signal Service	70	59
K. Amusement	68	61
Suburban Tavern	58	71
Leach Service	55	74
Summit Lane Tavern	50	79

Last night's results:
K. Amusement 4 Summers Lane Tavern 0

INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE

Commercial Shell	83	41
Car Ad Co	82	42
Klamath Creamery	78	46
Greens Manufacturing	63	61
Superior Troy	64	60
Broadway Cleaners	67	57
P.M.T.	63	63
Great Northern	50	62
Medo Land	53	74
Herald and News	49	84

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Medo Land 2, Commercial Shell 2
Great Northern 2, National Guard 2
Merrill Moore 2, Superior Troy 2
Broadway Cleaners 2, Car Ad Co 2

Al Hakenwerth led the individual bowlers in Moore Pa's league alley warfare with his 606 series, on line total of 203-22-181.

John Darnell, had high game with a 221 line, while Charlie Booth had second best scores in both individual events, with a 223 game and a series of 606.

Team action was led by Stone's Signal, who had a 2700 series and a 1011 pin game score. K. Amusement had runnerup spots in both events with their three line total of 2370 and a game total of 987.

Greens Manufacturing and Medo-Land took both team scoring honors in last night's Industrial League action at Lucky Lanes.

Greens rolled a 2632 series score, and Medo-Land's 2566 game was high in that event. Merrill Moore had runnerup spot in series with a 2606, and Superior Troy had second place game total with their 910.

Walt Schweigert had a 545 series for top score for three lines, while Roy Hampton's 212 took high individual game honors.

Don Fuller had second spot in series action with a 540, and 206 rolled by John Quinn was runnerup in game scoring.

Eugene Wins District Meet

SPRINGFIELD (AP) — Eugene won its third straight district 4-A high school track championship Friday, piling up 69 points to 62 1/2 for Marshfield.

North Bend was third with 54 1/2 followed by Roseburg 44, Springfield 34, Oakridge 30, Elmira 29, Cottage Grove 22 1/2, Myrtle Point 18, Pleasant Hills 14, Willamette (Eugene) 10, Bandon 10, Junction City 8, Drain 8, St. Francis (Eugene) 8, Creswell 7, Coquille 4.

Five meet records were established.

Lowell won the district class B championship. Other schools finished in this order: Clatsop, Cannonville, Mapleton, Yoncalla, Glady, Day Creek, Coburg, Mohawk, Douglas, McKenzie, Crow and Lorane.

WU's Bud Mull Wins Net Title

PORTLAND (AP) — Willamette University's Bud Mull downed Lewis and Clark, 8-6-3, Friday as the Bearcats annexed the Northwest Conference tennis title.

Willamette's other victory came in the doubles, with Ron and Rich Butler whipping Gar White and Jim Peterson of Lewis and Clark in the finals.

Other schools participating in the championships were College of Idaho, Whitman, Pacific and Linfield.

Heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano who defends his crown against Ezzard Charles on June 17 has not fought since Sept. 24, 1953 when he whipped Roland LaStarza.

Holly Mimms, Persley Shunned From Ring

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NEW YORK (NEA) — Danny Kaye put a famous rap on television and the more you hear it, the more it seems to pertain to telecast boxing.

"I work a lifetime," said Comedian Kaye, "to get 48 minutes of top material together. I shoot the wad on one television show and where am I?"

Kaye's remark runs along the same line as the walls of managers of fighters.

"I got a kid," they cry in unison, "and he needs a year to be ready. But with television, you've got to stick him in ahead of time and over his head or he doesn't fight at all. Where are we then?"

Video has knocked out most of the small clubs, you see, leaving upcoming fighters few places to go.

The result is an appalling shortage of gladiators. It is difficult to find two young savages in the same weight class for a match.

This stresses the extraordinary talent of Holly Mimms and Arthur Persley. Despite the dearth of fighters, Mimms, a middleweight, and Persley, a lightweight, have found it hard to find employment.

For most managers and their charges, things aren't so bad that they have to go into a fight with either of these two.

Mims out of Washington, D.C., was totally unknown to TV fans until he maneuvered into the ring with Moses Ward. He beat Ward, came back to knock nothing less than phenomenal hanging Gene Johnson, a good one, over the lower strand of rope in the ninth round in Baltimore.

Ringsworms think only of these two outings when Mimms' name is mentioned. The reason they haven't seen much of him is that Mimms had been every hit as formidable as Persley for a half-dozen years. He sufficed Willie Troy, beat Johnny Bratton twice and stirred up plenty of trouble for Sugar Ray Robinson.

"Mims is a perfect fighter that you don't like to fight," Willie Keith, a New York manager, describes him. "He is awfully good. I like him over anybody at 160 pounds."

Shifty Mimms boxes with his hands high and extended, picking off punches and countering in the same motion. He is best at suckering the victim into a lead, then belting him. Johnson got caught pulling back after a lead and wound up some where in last week.

This exceptional ability is limited back as four years ago. Mimms to five fights in a year. He won only six last year.

The fighters themselves respect Mimms. More often than not, rival pugilists turn him down even if their pilots OK the bout.

In Mims' case, television restricting the field for scrappers could have a little reverse English. His showings were so pleasing that the International Boxing Club has to bring him back. If the money is there, opponents will crop up. He figures to give Joey Giardello and Bobo Olson a thorough test and then some.

Persley's case is similar. Nobody ever did want the tough Red Cross, La., rapper. Last year, along about this time, his ring virtues were being extolled to the highest. But when given a Madison Square Garden chance he immediately proceeded to lose to Orlando Zulueta in a strange a performance as I've seen.

Persley is back on the trail, having knocked out Pil Kim and battered Henry Davis and Armand Savoie. He is getting ready for Joaquin Khalif, who is and sounds like an import from Algeria.

Arthur Persley is equipped to make it tough and go with either Paddy DeMarco or Jimmy Carter, but funny things happen in the fight racket.

PHILIPPINES AIMS

MANILA (AP) — The Philippines have accepted an invitation to participate in the 1954 world basketball championship in Brazil in November. Dr. Regino Ylanan, secretary-treasurer of the Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation, announced the acceptance.

Klamath Youth Receives Award

Orioles Rely On Brecheen, Turley

NEW YORK (NEA) — For a guy whose club is listed in the western division of the American League, Jimmy Dykes seemed surprisingly at home in New York.

Manager Dykes of the Orioles, whether talking to friends, baseball writers or umpires, always has more than a few words to say on any subject. So, it came as something in the way of a surprise when he turned over the chatter department to another when asked about Bob Turley.

"Turley's going to be great," answered the Little Round Man, "but I leave the pitching to Harry Brecheen here."

With that, Dykes played a fast game of musical chairs with Bre-

ch of putting the ball across the plate with something on it and where the hitter likes it least.

"The boy has the fastest ball in baseball, a good curve that's getting better all the time and a nice change-up," the little southpaw of Broken Bow said from his new vantage point.

Big, square-shouldered Turley — 6-2, 215, 23 years old — won two of his first three this spring, struck out 32 in the full 27 innings.

This highly intelligent righthander easily could be the new strikeout king of the majors. He struck out 13 Indians in the first seven innings, 14 in all, had a no-hitter with one out in the ninth, when Al Rosen singled and Larry Doby homered to hand him a heart-breaking 2-1 defeat. He whiffed nine Senators.

"Turley's going to be a lot better," Brecheen noted. "He has all the equipment, wants to learn. That's one of the real big things — learning those hitters. Get to know everything about them. Then you can keep them off balance all day or all night."

Turley, a resident of Troy, Ill., had by St. Louis, returned from the service last season in time to appear in 10 games for the dead-head Browns. He lost six while winning two, but his hard one, 61 strikeouts and a 3.30 earned-run average caught the eye in sorry surroundings.

Pitching is the reason Baltimore still keeps its hopes up, despite a poor start. The other starters are Don Larsen, another extraordinary prospect, and Duane Pilette, Joe Coleman and Lou Kittlew. The latter was edged by the White Sox, 3-2, and by the Athletics, 2-1, in 10.

The Orioles' trouble has been an extreme shortage of base hits.

"Turley will be one of the more colorful pitchers, a gate attraction," the soft-spoken Brecheen pointed out. "That fast ball cuts the hitters down right and left. They can't get around on it. Hops too much to be hit solidly."

"Turley has so much stuff and is picking things up so rapidly by himself that I really don't have much to help him on. I just make sure he has the same motion with every pitch. I watch to make sure he doesn't give away any delivery. You pick him up on a couple of little things. The little things make a fine pitcher like him great."

What constitute little things in the case of Bullet Bob Turley? "Sometimes he throws from too far outside, sort of three-quarter overhand," replied Professor Brecheen. "Maybe you find he loses a little off the pitch when he does that. So you might tell him that throwin' straight overhand is better."

"He reminds you of Robin Roberts, except he's faster."

Klamath Archers Seek Volunteers

Volunteers are being sought by the Klamath Archers to work on the archery range at Moore Park. Many of the targets have been destroyed by ranging cattle and need to be replaced. Normally 14 targets are available, at varying distances, for practice on the course.

Dates for a tournament archery shoot will be announced in the near future and in the meantime members are being sought for exact dates of the bow-hunters meet at Cave Junction in June and the Pope Young meet at Corvallis in early September.

There is shooting all day Saturday and Sunday at the Moore park archery range as well as after work each evening. Membership application may be secured from any of the officers, according to Ted Coulson, president.

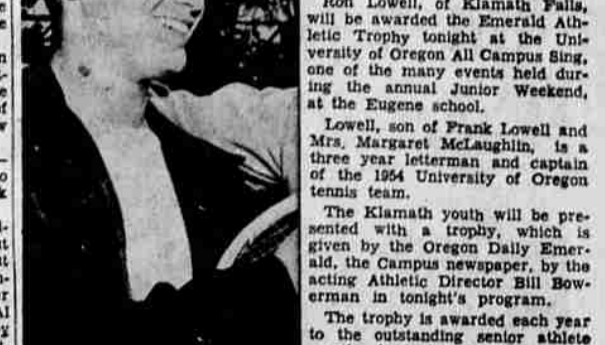
Hap Lawler and Nel Hancock posted wins in the first six Oregon Women's Golf Association meets yesterday at Reames Golf and Country Club.

Lawler won the 18 hole division with her low net score of 75. Hancock had low score in the nine hole division.

Next week the women of Reames will play the qualifying rounds of the Spring Handicap Tournament, which will be held at Reames on Friday, May 21.

In the same round, the Ten low scores will qualify for the Derby Tournament to be held at the local club Sunday May 23.

Lowell Top UO Athlete



Lowell, of Klamath Falls, will be awarded the Emerald Athletic Trophy tonight at the University of Oregon All Campus Sing, one of the many events held during the annual Junior Weekend, at the Eugene school.

Lowell, son of Frank Lowell and Mrs. Margaret McLaughlin, is a three year letterman and captain of the 1954 University of Oregon tennis team.

The Klamath youth will be presented with a trophy, which is given by the Oregon Daily Emerald, the Campus newspaper, by the acting Athletic Director Bill Bowman in tonight's program.

The trophy is awarded each year to the outstanding senior athlete on the basis of his achievement in athletics, scholarship, leadership and citizenship. The selection is made by a committee made up of both faculty and students of the University.

Previous winners of the Emerald award have been Jack Keller in 1951, Jack Hutchins in 1952 and Jim Livesey in 1953.

In addition to the trophy, Bowman, who is making the presentation and who is in the East, will present Lowell with a gold "O" lapel pin.

Lowell has one of the top grade point averages in the university and is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa, a national scholastic honor.

His 3.94 grade average over his four years at Oregon also places him in the Senior Six, the top six grad averages in the school.

His achievement began his freshman year, when he compiled the highest grade average of any freshman, and then repeated the record in his sophomore year.

During his four years, he has won the Standard Oil scholarship every year, and just recently he was awarded the Kenneth A. J. Mackenzie memorial scholarship to the University of Oregon Medical School, in Portland.

His other campus activities include membership in the Delta, a sophomore men's honorary, Fraternity, the junior men's honorary, and has served on both the student faculty discipline committee and the student traffic court during his four years at the Willamette Valley school.

He served as president of his fraternity, Alpha Tau Omega, and held the position of vice president of the Askepiads, the medical honorary.

Last spring Lowell was awarded the Koyul Cup, which is given to the outstanding junior man on the campus.

Next fall the Klamath youth plans to enter the medical school in Portland and proceed with his study of medicine.

Lowell's record in high school was nothing short of sensational, as he played on the Peleian basketball and tennis teams, and managed to graduate as the valedictorian of his class in 1950.

Sports Notes

BILLIARD SHOT FOR COLFER

PRATT, Kan. (AP) — Bill Hampton's golf ball landed in the side pocket, Hampton sliced badly as he made his second shot on the No. 5 hole and the ball disappeared over a hill toward the No. 6 tee. Hearing a shout, he hurried up the slope — and found the ball had come to rest in the pants pocket of another player, Fred Lighter. Lighter had been sitting by the tee, waiting for his foursome to tee off, when the ball bounced into his pocket.

EXCUSES

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — To horse players: Ever wonder why the favorite you bet on didn't win? Clive Becker, general manager of Del Mar race track, gave one reason while testifying at a hearing on race track operations. He said horses sometimes become ill and just don't feel like running.

MULE WRESTLING

NEW DELHI (AP) — The Indian army has come up with an attraction to outdraw the American-style wrestlers now popular in this country. It's a pair of wrestling mules. Sponsors say the well-trained mules will enter a standard ring, exchange hoof shakes and then engage in a wrestling bout.

BAT GOES TO HALL OF FAME

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (AP) — The laminated bat, adopted for professional baseball this season, is being given a place in baseball's Hall of Fame at Cooperstown, N.Y. Joe Engel, president of the Southern Assn. Glass AA Chattanooga Lookouts and head of a bat company, said one of the three-piece bats was requested by the hall's director, Sid Keener.

WINTER SPORTS EXPANSION

BOYNE FALLS, Mich. (AP) — Michigan's winter sports center operators say they are planning considerable expansion in 1955. Six clubs catering to the winter sportsman say they will add at least a dozen ski runs, more power-tows and provisions for night skiing.

SEATTLE (AP) — The University of Washington Huskies wound up their spring football sessions Friday as the Purples blanked the Whites, 34-0, on the passing arm of Bobby Dunn.

Dunn connected for two TD passes as the Purples, composed of next fall's potential first-stringers, completely outclassed the White.

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NEW CHAMPION—Kimberly Wiss astounded the fishing world by reeling in this 1525-pound black marlin off Cabo Blanco, Peru. Miss Wiss of New York single-handedly made the catch in one hour and 20 minutes, beating the women's world record by 510 pounds. (NEA)

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