

Spooner May Be Ball Hero

By GAYLE TALBOT
NEW YORK (AP)—Unless early returns are misleading, a throwback to old-time baseball is about to burst upon the scene in the person of Karl Spooner, the left-handed young extrovert who reports to the Brooklyn Dodgers next March 1. The kid seems to believe in himself the way the great man did when he joined the St. Louis Cardinals 22 years ago.

Spooner is the New York state phenom who in his first big league start Sept. 22 struck out 15 Giants and practically paralyzed the newly crowned National League champions 3-0. A few days later, to prove it was no accident, he whiffed an even dozen Pittsburgh Pirates. They were a couple of such strutting, overbearing performances as of Diz loved to put on for his public.

PREDECESSOR
And now the newcomer with the jumping fast ball is culling up his tonsils and even talking like his illustrious predecessor. Recovering from a knee operation which he figures should increase his effectiveness about 50 per cent, he says he doesn't expect to have any trouble at all with Willie Mays of the Giants, who has just been appointed the league's Most Valuable Player. He says he has Willie's number.

Even in his greatest year, 1934, when he was winning 30 and losing only 7, Dean never stuck his neck out farther. It is on the record, of course, that when Diz announced he was going to cool off a batter, or any number of batters, he almost invariably did so, and laughed at his victims in the process. It remains to be seen whether Spooner can similarly back up his words with deeds.

WHIFFED
On the day the kid set a new record for strikeouts in a pitcher's first big league game, he faced the mighty Willie only twice. He whiffed Willie the first time, but on the second go-round the Negro slapper popped a single into right field—one of the three hits the Giants collected off the freshman wonder. After that, Willie retired for the day.

In fact, to put Spooner's dazzling feat into proper perspective, it probably should be noted that only a handful of Giant regulars went all the way that day. They were only 48 hours past their victory celebration, and some of them were not feeling too sporty. Manager Leo Durocher, being the kind of a considerate fellow that he is, used his second string freely. Billy Gardner, stiff from months on the bench, struck out three times, for example.

Kiner, Frick To Meet

NEW YORK (AP)—Ralph Kiner probably will be asked to sign a new 1955 contract with the Cleveland Indians when he and Baseball Commissioner Ford Frick meet here Saturday.

Frick disclosed yesterday he was holding up approval of Kiner's contract in which the slugging outfielder volunteered to take a salary cut above the 25 per cent limit. Kiner, who received a reported \$65,000 with the Chicago Cubs last season, was traded to Cleveland last month. Figuring his poor season with the Cubs entitled him to no more than \$40,000 for next year, he signed his new contract with the Indians Tuesday.

Kiner insisted he was setting no precedent in taking an unusual cut of approximately 40 per cent. Reports persisted, however, that other players would disapprove such a procedure, figuring a dangerous precedent would be set.

In Pittsburgh, Kiner said he still didn't see anything wrong with the contract, but if Frick wanted him to sign a new contract, he would abide. The new contract presumably would be around \$40,000 on the basis of a 25 per cent cut.

THURSDAY'S FIGHTS
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
AKRON, Ohio — Carmen Basilio, 150, Syracuse, N.Y., stopped Ronnie Harper, 152, Detroit, 3.

TIME OUT



"Magnificent camera work on this fight!"



Out Of Deers With The Sportsman

By CLAYTON HANNON

THAT TIME has arrived, or so it seems, when the migratory bird shooting comes to a slowing pace, and what birds there are in the country seem to be living the "Life of Riley," with very few hunters seeking to do them harm.

From all the weekly reports there are still plenty of birds in the area, but not too many hunters to keep them moving, and what hunters there are haven't seemed to be making a large kill.

Many hunters have a ready-made plan for their season, and another season, and probably they are the wisest, while others, who will keep seeking out good hunting until January 3.

Langell Valley still seems to be the best spot in this Basin, although it too has its poor days. The overall picture again looks spotty, but some birds should be taken, despite the clear and cold weather conditions.

Some hunters have been picking up some fair to good duck shooting on the Klamath River below the highway, and in some of the hunting clubs to the South.

MOST BODIES of water are frozen and the mallards and pintails can be found on the open drainage ditches for those who like to jump-shoot. Langell Valley again should be good, especially for the pintails or springs.

To settle an argument that has been circulating around the Basin for the past week or so, we checked with game enforcement officers for a definite answer. Hunters will have to have a 1955 hunting license to hunt after December 31. The duck stamp is still good.

Four arrests were made by members of the Oregon State Police this past week and all four were for poaching closed waters. Those arrested were Lincoln Rudolph Gabriel, 27, of Olney, Frank Gabriel Jr., 28, Olney, Catherine Pearl Parkhurst, 37, Klamath Falls, and Frank Gabriel Jr., 22, of Olney. The fines ranged from \$10 to \$15.

Pat McMurtry Floors Seals

PORTLAND (AP)—A sizzling right to the jaw floored Kirby Seal of San Diego for the third time Thursday night and the referee handed young Pat McMurtry his 12th victory as a professional boxer.

Referee Ralph Gruman stopped the fight at 2:45 of the second round. It was the 11th knockout in 12 professional fights for the Tacoma heavyweight, a former Oregon Golden Gloves champion. McMurtry weighed 188 and Seal 192.

In preliminaries: Paul Kennedy, 149, Portland, drew with Ralph Colvin, 154, E. Tacoma, Ore.

Dean Abney, 158, Salem, Ore., stopped Merced Moniz, 155, Oakland, Calif., 1.

Kel Wayne, 158, Vancouver, Wash., stopped John Rowland, 156, Oakland, Calif., 5.

Richie Reed, 160 Tacoma, outpointed Jimmy Howard 158 Oakland, Calif., 6.

Julius Washington 171 Oakland stopped Sgt. Billy Parker 170 Ft. Lewis, 4.

Vandals Working Elements

By JERRY O'BRIEN
MOSCOW, Idaho (AP)—Harlan Hodges, the scholarly chemist on the University of Idaho coaching staff, has some weak basketball elements like NH, FS and ND to develop a winning formula here in his first try.

There is perhaps more NH—no height—than in any other on prospects of Northern Division basketball lab in the league. He has FS, fair speed, but ND, no depth. He also has LP little prospect of winning very much.

But Hodges, who learned his chemistry in Illinois and his basketball in Kentucky, could come up with an explosive combination at times that might rock someone else from the Northern Division title. It's happened here before.

DANGEROUS
"To be real dangerous, though, we need a big man to get those rebounds," says he, an obvious observation since the starting lineup will average only a little over 6-foot-1.

Hodges, who quit as an oil company chemist for coaching, came here from Murray State, Ky., where his teams won 106 and lost 47 in six years. He expected to find nine lettermen. He has eight.

Bob Garrison, the flashy, all-Northern Division sophomore guard, had packed up and gone south with Coach Chuck Finley to Mississippi Southern.

Hodges has taken five of the eight veterans for a fast-breaking, quick-shooting team that will have to hold up. There isn't very much on the bench.

"We'll fast break every chance we get," Hodges warns, despite the lack of strong reserves.

He has two quick 6-foot guards to bring down the ball. Bill Bauser, a junior, is a tricky dribbler and very fast. Bob Falash, who has won three letters, was fifth in scoring last year.

Jim Sather, 6-4 the tallest man on the first five, has been switched from guard to center. He weighs only 175 but can handle himself on rebounds.

THREAT
Harlan Melton, a 6-2 senior with a fine ump shot from the key, is the Vandal scoring threat at forward. He popped in 290 points in 23 games last season, second best on the team. Jay Buhler, the fleet ex-footballer, is at the other forward. He made only eight points all last year in seven games but has been hitting well now.

Don Monson, a 6-2 forward who won three letters, looks like the leader of the reserves. The others include Jay Webb, 5-11 sophomore; Carl Swanson, a 6-6 junior center; Bud Nelson, 6-3 guard, and John Sullivan, the 5-11 football end.

It's only an average team that isn't likely to make much noise in the conference. But Hodges has some potentially powerful elements in the biggest, highest-scoring freshman club Idaho has ever had.

The feeling here is a big boom's coming after a possible flop.

in BRIEF

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
BASKETBALL
NEW YORK — Willie Mays, sensational outfielder with the New York Giants, was selected the National League's most valuable player of 1954 with Cincinnati's Ted Kluszewski second in the voting.

NEW YORK — Commissioner Ford Frick said he was holding up approval of Ralph Kiner's 1955 contract with the Cleveland Indians which calls for a salary cut in excess of the 25 per cent limit and probably will ask Kiner to sign a new pact.

GOLF
HAWAII — Tommy Bolt and Shelley Mayfield each shot a 65, 7 under par, to tie for first round lead in \$15,000 Hawaii Invitation Tournament.

RACING
ALBANY, Calif. — Samosa Winds (57) won the Eddie Thomas Memorial Handicap at Golden Gate Fields by a length over Track Medal.

MT. CARMEL, Pa. — Johnny Lombardo, 158, Mt. Carmel, knocked out Mel Parker, 153, Philadelphia, 4.

Basketball SCORES

COLLEGE BASKETBALL
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Thursday's Results
FAR WEST

Carroll (Mont) 88, Ricks 67
Colorado College 60, Pittsimmmons Army Hospital 54
Humboldt 68, Pasadena Nazarene 63
Portland 94, San Diego State 85
Whitworth 82, Cal Poly 54
Willamette 67, Puget Sound 63
Whitman 78, Eastern Wash 51
St. Martin's (Wash) 71, Linfield 69

EAST
Niagara 99, Syracuse 74
St. Francis (Pa) 88, Iona 59
Temple 77, St. John's (Bkn) 69
Fordham 55, Colgate 51
Brandeis 90, Boston College 81
Harvard 54, Middlebury 51
Ulica 84, Potsdam 68
Alliance 78, Allegheny 69
Gettysburg 80, John Hopkins 66

SOUTH
Western Kentucky 75, Colorado State 67
Rollins 84, Citadel 71
Florida 70, Miami (Fla) 61
Virginia Tech 71, Davidson 70
Louisiana Tech 78, Texas Western 69

MIDWEST
Washburn 81, Wartensburg (Mo) 78
Wooster 88, Ashland 78
St. Ambrose 69, Great Lakes 66
Illinois Wesleyan 70, MacAlester 64

SOUTHWEST
Oklahoma City 63, Texas Christian 44
Lamar Tech 67, Ada (Okla) Oilers 65
Austin 91, Sam Houston State 73
Ozarks (Ark) 53, Hendrix 51
Delta State (Miss) 80, Ouachita 63
Centenary 84, Texas Wesleyan 69

NAIA TOURNAMENT (First Round)
Gustavus Adolphus 89, East Texas 51
Arkansas Tech 87, St. Benedict (Kan) 59
Rockhurst 72, Western Illinois 65
Tenn A&I 77, Springfield (Mo) 57

NEW MEXICO TOURNAMENT (First Round)
Wayland (Tex) 86, St. Michaels (NM) 47
Adams (Colo) State 66, New Mexico Western 64
Panhandle A&M 49, New Mexico Military 45
Arizona State (Flagstaff) 91, New Mexico Highlands 63

Bolt, Mayfield Lead Golf Play
HAWAII (AP)—A field of touring U.S. pros figured to give par another beating Friday with Tommy Bolt of Houston, Tex., and Shelley Mayfield of Chicago, Ill., leading the way into the second round of the \$15,000 Hawaii Invitation and pro-amateur Golf Tournament.

Bolt and Mayfield fired 65s, 7 under par, in Thursday's round, just a stroke off the competitive record for the 6,377-yard, par 72 Havana Country Club course set in 1949 by Jimmy Demaret. But despite the excellent rounds, Bolt and Mayfield had just a one-stroke lead over Ed Purjol, the U.S. open champion from Clayton, Mo., and Skip Alexander of St. Petersburg, Fla.

Willamette Tips Puget Sound 67-63
SALEM, Ore. (AP)—Dave Gray bucketed a long shot, then sank three free throws, all in overtime, to give Willamette a 67-63 basketball victory over Puget Sound in a non-conference game here Thursday night.

Willamette's Ron Fitzgerald sent the game into overtime with a long set shot that tied the score at 59-all as the regulation period ended.

High point man was CPS' John Barnett with 18. Pete Reed had 13 for Willamette.

Whitworth Rolls
SPOKANE (AP)—Two players scored 21 points apiece Thursday night as Whitworth steamrollered to a 82-54 basketball triumph over California Polytechnic.

Whitworth's 6-10 center Phil Jordan got his in 20 minutes of playing time. It took Ernie Hall, 6-3 Cal Poly forward, 37 minutes to match the total.

Ring Commission Rejects Motion

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—The final sound in Carl (Bobo) Olson's successful defense of his middleweight crown against Pierre Langlois of France has been decided against Langlois' American agent George Kanter.

Chairman Tony Elenza of the California Athletic Commission late yesterday rejected Kanter's contention the 15-round title fight ending in a TKO of Langlois in the 11th Wednesday night, should be declared a draw.

He imposed a two-week suspension on Kanter and demanded a written apology from the New York agent because of the latter's charges the fight was stopped as a result of Langlois being hit so badly the Frenchman's eyelid was split open.

California's new "butt rule" reads that if a fighter is leading on points when a fight is stopped because of an injury caused by butting, he receives the decision; if he is trailing on points and but-

ting causes an end to the fight he gets a draw.

The referee stopped the Olson-Langlois fight in 58 seconds of the 11th round because of a deep gash over Pierre's left eyelid. Don Shields, former fight commission inspector, said movies showed Olson opened the cut with a long right hand punch in the sixth round.

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