

Today's Sport Parade

30-Year-Old Pitcher With 40-Year Arm

By OSCAR FRALEY
NEW YORK (UPI)—They said two years ago when Robin Roberts of the Phillies was getting his lumps on the mound that he was a stubborn man unwilling to face changes made necessary by the calendar.

Roberts, a 20-game winner six years in a row, for two straight years lost more games than any other pitcher in the National League. Mayo Smith, then his manager, analyzed that years of toil had taken the edge off his fast ball but Roberts shook off his suggestion that he learn another pitch.

"He is," said one baseball man, "a 30-year-old pitcher with a 40-year-old arm."

There was a basis for this suspicion. Roberts has been a Phillies fixture since 1948. Now only 32, he has pitched in 436 major league games and rubber-armed his way through 3,154 innings.

Thinclads To Clash On Modoc

Six county schools, including Henley, finished wrap-up sessions Thursday and today in preparation for Saturday's annual county track meet to be held on Modoc Field beginning at 1 o'clock. Track aspirants from Merrill, Malin, Chiloquin, Bly, Bonanza and Henley will be entered in the meet, which should produce several exciting battles for top honors.

A good promise of what is to come was given last Saturday as all the county schools, including Klamath Union, participated in the first annual Klamath Falls invitational meet.

Although KU swept through all but two first places in the meet, the county gave a good account of itself as several finishes were very close and exciting.

The only two first place finishes for the county went to Henley's Phil Swisher in the discus and Malin's Abe Kirkpatrick in the broad jump while Charles Roller of Merrill gave KU's Bob Drace a few exciting moments in the hurdles.

Merrill's Bill Beasley and John Haskins, Chiloquin's Don Say and Malin's Kirkpatrick all finished closely in the 100-yard dash behind Klamath's Don Story and promises to be a close race this Saturday.

Another close finish is forecast in the shot put where Malin's Ron Mullinix and Ron Hogarth of Chiloquin both have tossed the iron ball about the same distance this year.

Other favorites in the meet beside Kirkpatrick in the broad jump and Swisher in the discus will be Henley's Cliff Long in the 440 and 800, Doug Van Warner of Chiloquin in the mile, Rick Illian of Malin in the javelin, Jim O'Conner of Bonanza or Bob Chapman of Henley in the pole vault and Merrill in the relay.

Veck Gains Driver's Seat

CHICAGO (AP)—Bill Veck is in the driver's seat at Comiskey Park at last.

He gained operational control of the Chicago White Sox Thursday in a quickie stockholders' meeting. It was held shortly after Circuit Court denied a temporary injunction sought by Vice President Chuck Comiskey to prevent such a meeting.

Veck and the corporation he heads control 54 per cent of the stock and now have a 3-1 majority on the board. The board can function with a quorum even if Comiskey refuses to participate.

Comiskey, who controls 46 per cent of the stock, was present at the meeting but abstained from voting in the election on Veck. Veck, Comiskey, Mrs. Dorothy Rigney and one of her attorneys, Roy Egan, make up the board.

Mrs. Rigney, Comiskey's sister, recently sold her controlling interest to Veck. Comiskey has been battling the sale in court. Hank Greenberg, the syndicate's biggest shareholder next to Veck, is expected to be elected a fifth member when the board meets again Tuesday.

Ore Tech Student Rodeo President

Gary Gregg, diesel technology student at Oregon Tech, was elected regional director of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association at a conference held during the California State Polytechnic rodeo held April 24-26. The conference was attended by representatives of the NIRA clubs in California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho and a portion of Arizona, which makes up the western region.

Gary replaces Bill Duffy, well known OTI rodeo figure who recently resigned the post due to the pressure of other business.

Hank Bullough, star guard on the 1954 Michigan State Rose Bowl team, has returned to his alma mater as an assistant football coach.

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Kub Tryouts Set Sunday

Players wishing to try out for positions on the 1959 version of the Klamath Kubs should report to Gem Stadium Sunday, May 3, at 1:30 p.m., noted team manager Irv Whitt.

"Regardless of the weather, we're going to go to work this Sunday—it's getting late," stated Whitt. The tryouts, originally scheduled to start last Sunday, were washed out.

All players will receive an equal opportunity to try for any position on the club since no selections have as yet been made for any berth. Performances during tryouts will be the governing factor when it comes to choosing the team, Whitt commented.

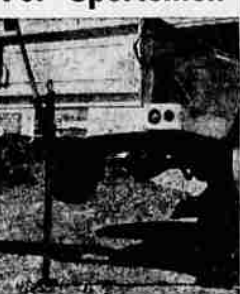
Sandlot Player Stuck In Sewer

PITTSBURGH, Pa. (AP)—John Peterson, 16, let a grounder scoot between his legs during a sandlot game. The ball rolled into a curb sewer.

Undismayed, John went in head-first. He got the ball but couldn't get his head out.

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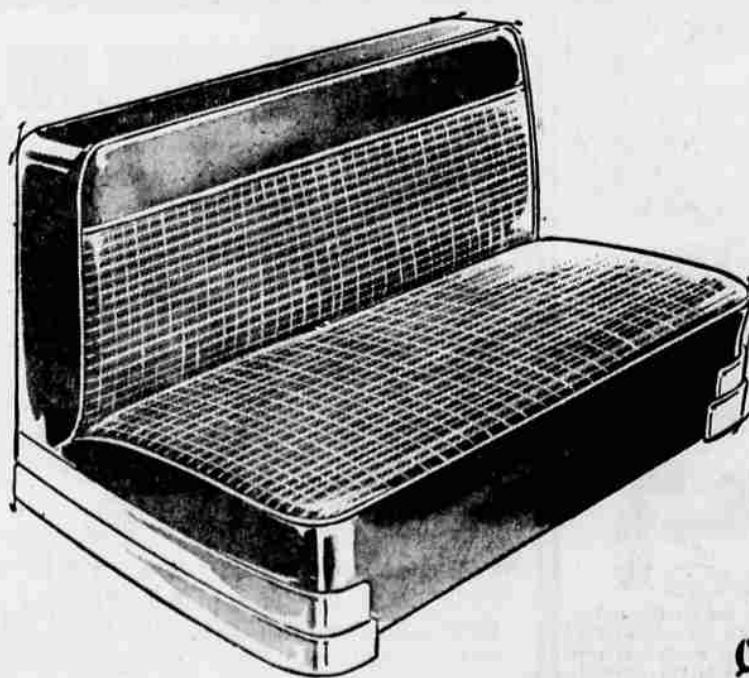
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