

Detroit 'If' Club For '59

DETROIT (AP)—If John Henry Johnson and Tobin Rote can come back and have good years, if the offensive line can provide protection for the passer, if the injury bug keeps its distance, then 1959 might be a pretty good year for the Detroit Lions.

Otherwise, the unpredictable Detroiters may be headed for another second division disaster in the Western Division of the National Football League.

The Lions are an "if" club and Coach George Wilson, though a confessed optimist, is the first to admit it.

"We have the kind of club that could go either way," he explained. "We lost quite a few men but we have a good bunch of aggressive sophomores. And we like our rookie crop, especially some of those big linemen and fullback Nick Pietrosante."

Wilson is inclined to believe the Lions will be with his club.

Indications are that the Lions, who had a shabby 4-7-1 record last year, are blessed with fine ends and a good defense. Big question marks in camp now are the offensive line and the scoring punch, or lack of it.

Rote, 31-year-old veteran of nine NFL campaigns, was off-stride last season after taking over the No. 1 quarterback spot by himself when the club dealt off Bobby Layne to Pittsburgh. Rote said his trouble stemmed from an aching shoulder. Off-season surgery repaired the damage and Rote is confident of a good season. Challenging him for the job are Earl Morrill and Jerry Reichow.

The Lions' ground offense was one of the league's weakest last season. Johnson hobbled around all year with an assortment of injuries and the rest of the runners were so ineffective that Rote himself was the club's leading ground gainer with 351 yards gained.

Pietrosante, a big rookie from Notre Dame, may be the power runner the Lions have been seeking. If he proves he can do the job at fullback, Wilson may move Johnson to halfback. Wilson already announced that Hopalong Cassidy, used mainly as a receiver last season, will be called upon for more running.

17 Game Journey Launched

CHICAGO (UPI)—The pennant-seeking Los Angeles Dodgers launch a crucial 17-game road tour today by sending ace hurler Johnny Podres against the fifth-place Chicago Cubs.

Los Angeles, two games off the pace after National League-leading San Francisco beat Cincinnati Monday while the Dodgers were idle, will hold a two-game series against the Cubs.

Moe Drabowsky (5-8) will face Podres (9-7) in today's opener. The Dodgers hold an 8-6 mark this season against Chicago.

Manager Walt Alton expressed hope the Dodgers' better than .500 mark on the road would hold out during the current road trip, a grueling 13-day affair in which Los Angeles will play every NL team except the Giants.

They will meet the Giants in the opener of their home series Aug. 28.

So far this season the Dodgers have managed to compile a 27-25 record during their road trips.

Both right hand hitting Gil Hodges and Carl Furillo, laid up with injuries recently, are back in the fold and expected to give valuable batting power to red-hot Duke Snider who has been making a return to his old slugging form. Furillo missed the last Dodger road trip after hurting his leg.

Leading batters against the Cubs are Wally Moon (.328), John Roseboro (.314) and Snider (.306). Cubs batting leaders against Los Angeles are Ernie Banks (.309) and rookie George Altman, who, in 17 at bats has hit Dodger hurlers to the tune of .412.

Peewee Reese, veteran Dodger player and now a coach, said he was optimistic about Los Angeles pennant chances.

"Our pitching has been fantastic and the hitting has been good at times," he said.

The road schedule:

Chicago (2)—Aug. 11 and 12.

St. Louis (4)—Aug. 13 (n), 14 (n), 15 and 16.

Milwaukee (3)—Aug. 17 (n) and 18 (n).

Cincinnati (2)—Aug. 19 (n) and 20 (n).

Pittsburgh (4)—Aug. 21 (n), 22 and 23 (dh).

Philadelphia (2)—Aug. 24 (n), 25 (n).

Outfielder Mike Shannon of Winston-Salem, N.C., received a \$60,000 bonus from the St. Louis Cardinals. He attended University of Missouri.

MONKEY ON HIS BACK



Griggs, Branham Set For Post-Season Tilt

Thursday night in Gem Stadium the Klamath Kubs play host to the Northern California League champion Yreka Indians in a nine-inning baseball game that should prove to be one of the highlights of the 1959 semi-pro season.

The game matches two of the top young pitchers in Oregon and Northern California. Butte Valley's Mike Branham, who will appear for the Yreka, and Klamath Falls Blake Griggs, the ex-Legion player now wearing a Kuba uniform.

Game time is 7 p.m., the stadium gates opening at 6 p.m. Admissions are 75 cents for adults with youngsters 15 and under free.

Branham, who has been the apple of major league scouts' eyes during the past year, recently returned from the SF Giant camp where he spent two days working with the San Franciscans in a try-out. He also has performed for Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and St. Louis Cardinal talent seekers. Branham graduated from Butte Valley High last spring.

Griggs, who won seven and lost three during the Legion season, has a year remaining at KUHS. He rates as one of the top chuckers on the Oregon prep scene for 1960.

In addition to the two young hurlers, the post season clash will feature a number of other promising youngsters who are just breaking into semi-pro ball.

On the Klamath Kuba roster are catcher Dave Saks, third baseman Don Willey and centerfielder Rich Depew, all of whom are still in high school and were standouts on the American Legion team this year.

The Yreka's boast a trio of sharp youngsters in third-sacker Daryl Severns and shortstop Gary Gresham, and Ted Peters, all of whom were Yreka High baseball and basketball stars.

The balance of the Kuba line-up includes Dean Dunson at first base, Butch Kimpson at second, Mike McKenzie at shortstop, Floyd Linderman in left, and John Bianchi in right.

The Yreka's will call upon Fred Rick for the catching chores, Lee Templeton at first base, Ernie Bingham at second with Jo Jo George, Duane Culp and Bob Devlin sharing the outfield.

Kuba manager Irv Whit and Yreka boss Denny O'Brien have each been anxious for the season to be completed in order that the special game could be played before both of the pitchers hung up their spikes for the year.

Branham is expecting another tryout with an unnamed major league club while Griggs, the leading quarterback on the KUHS grid roster, will be wearing cleats before long.

By OSCAR FRALEY

NEW YORK (UPI)—Time, tide and the tortures of making weight Wednesday night well could spell the end of ancient Archie Moore's seven-year reign as light heavyweight champion of the world.

The muscular marvel from San Diego won't fight the year and fight of the decade honors last year when he came off the deck four times to stop Yvon Durelle. It was one of the ring's greatest displays of gameness.

But it just may go the other way at Montreal Wednesday night despite the 3 to 1 odds favoring old Archie in this rematch.

It isn't so much, according to veteran fight men, that Archie is 43 going on 49 or that Durelle, the fistic fisherman from Canada, is riding a rising tide. They see Moore's eclipse in the fact that once again he has been forced to pare his 200 pounds plus down to the 175-pound limit.

REDUCING TAKES TOLL

"He can hand out all the bunk he wants to about having learned a reducing method from an Australian aborigine," explained one canny fight manager. "But after a while, even if the process is seemingly effortless, that constant reducing has to take its toll."

The feeling is that, even in a body which has been hardened muscularly, such reducing must leave a quickly tiring shell.

"Archie is ready to be taken," asserted another. "The time comes

Richard Winkler, Yale's 81st varsity football captain, has won letters for his backfield play the last two seasons. He's from Hinsdale, Ill.

Baltimore Lineup Unaltered

BALTIMORE (AP)—Complacency is the biggest bugaboo hovering around the squad of the Baltimore Colts this season.

Coach Weeb Ewbank even has to put the spurs to himself to dispel the obvious appearance of standing pat with the same crew that won the National Football League championship last year.

"We hope we have it every place," Ewbank says in appraising his squad by position.

Then he says he still is looking for a "big interior defensive lineman, another linebacker and two offensive halfbacks." But they will be substitutes.

Every first line position is manned by the same player as last year.

Ewbank has made only two trades, substitute offensive guard Fred Thurston for linebacker Mary Matuszak of Green Bay and substitute quarterback George Shaw to the New York Giants for two draft choices next year.

The linebacking positions were rated by Ewbank as the one he wanted to strengthen most. Even without Matuszak and Leo Sanford, who is questionable because of two knee operations, the Colts remain formidable with the trio of Bill Pellington, Dick Szymanski and Don Shinnick.

Ewbank looks upon the release of Shaw as "picking up another player." With the sensational John Unitas cemented in the quarterback spot, Ewbank is tutoring Andy Nelson and Ray Brown as "in case" signal callers. Brown and Nelson both played regularly as defensive halfbacks last season and Brown also will do the punting.

The rest of the first string offensive backfield is set with the same L. G. Dupre and Lenny Moore at the halves and Alan Ameche at full.

The only question remaining is who will be the second string halfbacks. There are three holdovers, speed demon but weak pass-catcher Lenny Lyles, Jack Call and Jackie Simpson. Curly Johnson from Houston and Ferd Burket from Southeastern Oklahoma are the only rookies with an outside chance of starting.

Two rookie ends, Jerry Richardson of Wofford and Dave Sherer of Southern Methodist, have a good prospect of making the squad as relief for the sturdy regulars, Raymond Berry and Jim Mutscheller.

Barring injury, no one is going to break into the Colt mountainous wall of defense—Gino Marchetti, Art Donovan, Gene Lipscomb and Don Joyce.

The interior offensive line also is invulnerable to displacement with Jim Parker the standout at tackle along with Art Spinney, Buzz Nutter, Alex Sandusky and George Preas.

With 33 of the 1958 squad still around, it's no wonder Ewbank confides his main job is to "make them forget they're champions."

Gun Club Sponsors Shoot

The Klamath Gun Club's annual registered shoot August 15 and 16 will see gunners from all over the county participating on the Wocus Range.

Leading the long list of trophies for which the shooters will vie is a pair of brand new perpetual cups up for first competition.

A beautiful trophy in the memory of the late C. J. Martin has been put up by his widow, Martin was a very active club member.

The other new trophy is one put up by three KF shooters, Nelson Reed, Dr. J. M. Adams and A. V. Moore, more commonly referred to around the club as the "three pigeons."

Sunday, a Chemult gunner, Verne Brader, invaded the local range and made a clean sweep of the available hardware. He took the Curley Cahoon Class C and D and the Vern Moore handicap trophy home with him after shooting a 99-100 for the day.

Sunday results:

16 Yds. Hdp. C. Dbl.		
Verne Brader	50	47
George Cunha	48	41
Dr. J. M. Adams	46	44
Bill Davis	47	46
Curley Cahoon	48	43
J. M. Edwards	46	44
Arnold Colahan	44	44
Nelson Reed	44	46
A. V. Moore	44	46
Al Chittum	44	38
Dave Robinson	43	42
Jake Steiger	37	46
Bud Cloake	23x	48
John Catalano	19x	38
Luella Adams	14x	38
Myrna Lichtenstern	13x	38
Rod Smith	—	46

ATHLETICS WIN HONORS

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UPI)—

The Kansas Athletics will be honored on Aug. 29 for their recent 11-game winning streak, the longest in the major leagues this season. Each player will be presented with an engraved watch and the club will receive a plaque.

Major League Leaders

United Press International American League

Player & Club G. A.B.R. H. Pct. Kuehn, Det. 97 382 67 132 .346 Woodling, Bal. 104 333 50 110 .330 Kaline, Det. 94 363 63 118 .326 Fox, Chi. 110 452 59 146 .323 Runnels, Bos. 107 416 67 130 .313

National League

Aaron, Mil. 107 434 81 159 .346 Cunningham, St. L. 105 332 43 113 .340 Temple, Cin. 109 437 74 140 .329 Phipps, Cin. 109 458 89 144 .314 Cepeda, S. F. 109 434 72 136 .313

Runs Batted In

American League — Killebrew, Senators 86; Colavito, Indians 83; Jensen, Red Sox 81; Malone, Red Sox 73; Maxwell, Tigers 71.

National League — Banks, Cubs 102; Robinson, Reds 90; Aaron, Braves 90; Bell, Reds 76; Cepeda, Giants 76.

Home Runs

American League — Killebrew, Senators 35; Colavito, Indians 33; Allison, Senators 27; Lemon, Senators 26; Jensen, Red Sox 24.

National League — Banks, Cubs 32; Matthews, Braves 31; Aaron, Braves 29; Robinson, Reds 24; Cepeda, Giants 23.

Pitching

American League — Shaw, White Sox 11-3; McLish, Indians 14-5; Pappas, Orioles 12-5; Mossi, Tigers 11-5; Wynn, White Sox 15-7.

National League — Face, Pirates 15-0; Antonelli, Giants 16-6; Drysdale, Dodgers 15-6; Law, Pirates 12-7; Newcombe, Reds 10-6.

Waverley Fairways Take Toll

PORTLAND (AP)—The narrow fairways of Waverley Country Club took their toll as the week-long Western Amateur Golf tournament opened yesterday. Only nine players managed to better par.

Arthur Butler, chemical firm executive from Pasadena, Calif., and Dick Yost, former Walker Cup player from Portland, led the way with identical scores of 35-34-69 on the par 36-36-72 course.

Butler, former New Hampshire amateur champion, shot six birdies on the 6,592-yard course, but slipped over par three times. Yost had five birdies and twice slipped over par.

The Oregon amateur champion, Don Krieger, Portland, was next at 35-35-70, followed by six players at 71.

They were Bob Pratt, the Houston University golfer from Houston, Wash.; Dale Morey, 1953 Amateur champion from Indianapolis; Ron Lucetti, San Francisco; and three Portlanders, Robert Donnelly, Ron Isaacs, and Jerry Cundari.

Another 18-hole round today trims the field of 107 to 50. This is the last of the 18-hole days. Thereafter, it will be 36 holes a day. On Wednesday, medal play will cut the field to 16 for match play the rest of the week.

Scores soared as drives wandered out of bounds on the narrow course. The first day's performance indicated a 10-over par 154 might be good enough to send a player into Wednesday's round.

Four former champions still are in the running. Besides Morey, they are James "Billy" Key of Columbus, Ga., who had a 77 yesterday; Ed Updegraff, of Tucson, who had a 75; and Bruce Cudd, Portlander stationed with the Navy at Clarksville, Tenn., who had a 73.

Key won his title last year, Updegraff in 1957, and Cudd in 1954. Also in the running is Gene Andrews, 1954 Public Links champion from Pacific Palisades, Calif. He had a 77.

The need for accuracy frustrated the long hitters who usually count on the par-5 holes for their birdies. Waverley finishes with two long holes, but the two leaders, Yost and Butler, were among the very few to manage birdies on both the 17th and 18 holes.

There was a hole-in-one, scored by Gordon Willhite of Portland on the 132-yard ninth hole, but Willhite nevertheless finished in the ruck with an 82.

Yesterday's Stars

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Portland Wins Squeaker, 4-3; Outhit By Phoenix Club, 13-10

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The Portland Beavers strengthened their hold on first place in the Pacific Coast League with a 4-3 victory over Phoenix in Portland Monday night.

Vancouver, behind veteran George Bamberger's tight pitching, advanced to second place by downing Salt Lake City, 5-1. The loss dropped Salt Lake from No. 2 spot to third.

Last-place Seattle shaded Sacramento, the No. 4 team, 6-5. Spokane, in seventh spot, knocked out San Diego, the No. 5 club, 9-3.

Left-hander George Brunet was the winning Portland pitcher, although he needed help from Glenn McMinn in the seventh inning, when Phoenix rallied for two runs to come within one of tying.

Bamberger posted his seventh win against five losses, leading the Bees to 10 hits. The victory concluded season's play between the two clubs, with Vancouver holding a 13-9 margin.

Salt Lake's only run came in the eighth. Sam Milley opened the inning with a single and Jim Baumer doubled him home. The Bees' R. C. Stevens singled three times in four trips, but to no avail.

Salt Lake's Ernie Francis hurled the first six innings and gave up all the Mountie runs. Jim Finnigan's 380-foot triple to left center in the sixth, with one on, was the big blast of the homerless game.

The Seattle-Sacramento contest was the only one to go into an extra inning. Lou Skizas iced it in the bottom of the 10th with a bases-empty home run. The victory gave the Rainiers a clean sweep in their five game series with the Solons.

Sacramento had tied it in the ninth when winning pitcher Dar-

rell Martin gave up a two-run single to Nippy Jones. Jones was batting for pitcher Roger Osenbaugh. The single sent home Dick Phillips and Terry Fox, who ran for Bill Queen when Queen doubled.

The Rainiers' Paul Pettit recorded his 14th homer of the year in the seventh.

Three Phoenix pitchers gave up 10 hits to Portland while Phoenix collected 13 off three Portland pitchers in the game at Portland. Clem Moore singled in Jim Westlake in the fourth inning for the victory.

Westlake also came home in the second on a ground out by catcher

Nini Tornay. Dave Melton scored on a single by Jack Littrell earlier in the inning. Milt Graff scored Portland's other run, making home on a single by Charley Seestert in the third.

Phoenix runs came on a fifth-inning homer by Owen Friend and the following in the seventh: a double by Beny Valenzuela, a triple by pinchhitter Sal Taormina and a sacrifice by Jim Brideweser.

League-leading batter Tom Davis is accounted for two of Spokane's runs, both on homers. He hit his 15th of the season in the first inning, with none on base. His 16th came in the seventh and cleared the 411-mark in center field.

Frank Howard also accounted for two Spokane homers, a 411-foot blast in the second with none on board and one which went over left field in the third with a man on. This brought the rangy Howard's total to 10.

Karl Retzer hit one for the Padres in the seventh.

The linescores:

Sacramento 000 003 002 0-5 11 0

Seattle 200 001 020 1-6 12 1

Osenbaugh, Davis (9) and Queen, Dalrymple (9); Osteen, Martin (9) and Bevan.

Phoenix 000 010 200-3 13 0

Portland 021 100 008-4 10 0

Choate, Blasko (7), Shipley (8) and McCordell, Brunett, McMinn (7) and Tornay.

Salt Lake City 000 000 010-1 10 1

Vancouver 020 012 008-3 9 0

Francis, O'Donnell (7) and Brockell; Bamberger and Zimmerman.

San Diego 000 001 101-3 7 1

Spokane 112 112 108-9 15 0

Homan, Schaeffer (2), Podbielan (3), Woje (5), Thomas (8) and Jones, Retzer (7); Nicolosi and Barragan.

Shrine Squads Working Hard

PORTLAND (AP)—The Metro and State All-Star squads which will clash in the annual Shrine benefit football game here Saturday ran through double drills again Monday.

State back Ladd Horn of Pendleton, a top runner, was sidelined with an eye infection. Doctors said it should clear up within two days.

Baker back Dick Gee ran off several good gains, and fullback Duane Cargill of Springfield showed good form in the State scrimmage. Up front, center Reed Daugherty of Grants Pass looked good on offense.

The Metro squad turned its attention to passing, with quarterback Terry Baker finding targets in a pair of rangy ends, Steve Pauly of Beaverton and Bob Peacock of West Linn.

Coach Quits

SCAPPOOSE (AP)—Jim Kaber, basketball and baseball coach at Scappoose High School the past five years, Monday announced his resignation.

He did not give a reason or discuss his future plans.

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