

# Smoke Beats Medford to Win Softball Title

## STATE EVENT NEXT ON LIST

Timber Products Edged Out, 2-1; Walt's First Foe at Salem

Smoke of Klamath Falls, southern Oregon softball champion, turned its eyes toward Salem and state tournament competition Saturday after defeating the Medford Timber Products team 2-1, in the district finals at Medford Friday night.

The state tournament opens Monday night, and Smoke's first opponent will be Walt's of Salem, the capital's championship outfit and generally credited with being the strongest team in the Willamette valley, not excluding Portland.

If Smoke gets by that one, it will be well on its way to statewide honors, and plenty of fans who saw the sensational performance Smoke turned in to beat the Medford club Friday night believe that, if the Klamath champs can reach the same peak again, even Walt's won't be too hot for them to handle.

On the other, so far as state tournament play is concerned, it's one defeat and out.

The nine-inning game in which Smoke took the district pennant was all over in just an hour and 15 minutes.

Medford scored its solitary run in the first frame when a fluke single brought in a runner who had previously lashed out a one-base hit and advanced to second on a passed ball.

Klamath tied the score in the fourth when Wheeler followed Hammericksen's beautiful double with a single. In the fifth Smoke tallied its second and deciding run on two hits and two walks.

After the first inning only one Medford player advanced as far as third base. Pitcher Remus kept the four batters who followed him from doing so.

Smoke's defensive play was something which made supporters of both sides stand up and cheer. No single player outshone the rest, but all turned in unrepentable ball, as if each was trying to equal the performance of the other.

Handling the brunt of the stickwork for Smoke were Wheeler and King, who contributed two singles each, Orio Oakes with one single and Hammericksen, who connected for the double which developed into the deciding run.

Batteries for Smoke was composed of Remus and Quinn, two recruits from Klamath Falls of the city softball league. Dale pitched for Timber Products, and Luman caught.

Remus and Dale were nearly a standoff in pitching performance, with Remus holding a slight edge. Dale was nipped for more hits and issued two walks to one for Remus, but the Medford hurler fanned eight to four for Remus, including three in a row in the third.

The score in errors stood: Medford 4, Klamath Falls 1.

Smoke issued a plea Saturday morning to Klamath merchants and sportsmen for contributions to help finance the trip to Salem. The state softball association pays team expenses to and from the tournament city on a mileage basis out of tournament ticket sales, but there is no provision made for loss in wages sustained by players during the time they are away from their jobs, and many of the Klamath players will be unable to make this sacrifice in pay and consequently will have to forego the trip unless outside assistance is forthcoming.

Contributions or arrangements to contribute may be made by getting in touch with Gunnar Peterson or "Fuzz" Garlich at the Smoke cigar store.

## New England Champ



Here is Bobby Wagner, light-heavyweight and junior heavyweight champion of New England, who will tackle drop-kicking Sailor Dick Trout in the opening bout of the armory moan and mangle program this coming week. Other bouts on the bill include Wild Man Zim vs. Sammy Cohen, the New York Jew, and Danny Savich vs. Toots Estes in a battle of fly-tug tactics.

## SOX SET FOR SECOND GAME

Locals Hop Down to Redding in Attempt to Clinch Playoff

PLAYOFF STANDINGS (Semi-Finals)

|                | W. | L. | Pct.  |
|----------------|----|----|-------|
| Klamath Falls  | 1  | 0  | 1.000 |
| Mt. Shasta     | 1  | 0  | 1.000 |
| Redding Tigers | 0  | 1  | .000  |
| Weed Sons      | 0  | 1  | .000  |

In an endeavor to make it two straight over the Redding Tigers, the fast Klamath Falls Red Sox club hops down to Redding on Sunday morning for the second battle of the Northern California league semi-final playoff.

Meanwhile the Klamath Sons of Italy, local member of the Inter-Wonderland league, will invade Alturas for the next-to-the last game of their regular schedule.

Taking the opener of the semi-finals, 12-0, on Modoc field last Sunday, the Red Sox have an edge over the Tigers in the playoff series, but on the home diamond the California gang is an extremely dangerous outfit and may turn on the Red Sox like the Tigers they are, putting up plenty of stiff competition to stay in the running.

Mt. Shasta City, after taking the Weed Sons of Italy 12-11 in the first game, will entertain the Italian boys on the home diamond in Mt. Shasta for another thrilling contest.

In the fray last Sunday, the Klamath sluggers found Viscina's slants to their liking, driving him to the showers in the sixth frame. Townsend, another Redding right-hander, fared none too well while finishing the contest as the local batsmen were hot all afternoon, collecting 15 bingles.

Carlstrom, Red Sox star hurler, is in top form for the second game of the semi-finals, and if he repeats the pitching exhibition of the first playoff fray, the Sox should have little difficulty in making it two straight for a spot in the finals.

Manager Sanders stated Saturday that his boys were on the way to the finals and would bring home the California league pennant for a winter's sojourn in Oregon. Sanders was very well pleased with last Sunday's display of Red Sox hitting power along with Carlstrom's sweet chucking and feels that his boys have hit the home stretch for straight wins in the playoff games.

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## Eleventh-Inning Homer Gives Padres Victory Over Solons

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

|                               |
|-------------------------------|
| San Diego 7, Sacramento 6.    |
| Seattle 5-7, Los Angeles 5-3. |
| Oakland 1, San Francisco 9.   |
| Portland 4, Missions 1.       |

By the Associated Press

Thanks to the hitting of Young Ted Williams, the San Diego Padres' leadership in the Pacific Coast league standings was increased to 3½ games Saturday.

Williams poked out a homer in the eleventh inning to give the Padres a 7 to 6 win over the second place Sacramento Senators Friday night.

Los Angeles still clung to third place in the standings, by the slim margin of one game over the San Francisco Seals, despite a doubleheader drubbing by Seattle. The scores were 5 to 5 and 7 to 5.

Portland's timely hits off Walter Beck gave the Ducks a 4 to 1 victory over the San Francisco Missions, while Oakland's Jack

La Rocca emerged with a 1 to 0 pitching duel win over the Seals' veteran Sad Sam Gibson.

Williams was the big shot at Sacramento, where the fans on Thursday night saw Umpire Jack Powell yanked and arrested on a charge of being drunk.

Powell failed to appear in police court Friday in answer to the charge, thus forfeiting \$10 bail, and League President W. C. Tuttle said at Los Angeles the umpire was relieved of further duties for the season. Tuttle said he would wait for "the official report and if it is true, Powell is through as an umpire in this league." But to get back to Williams: Sent into Friday night's game in the ninth frame, he doubled with the bases full to send across two runs and tie up the score. His homer came on his next turn at bat, in the eleventh frame.

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## Gehring, Waner Zoom Upwards In Batting Standings

NEW YORK, Aug. 21 (AP)—Charley Gehring and Paul Waner, a couple of pitchers' nightmares, went on the loose with their big bats this week and set the pace for the big league clout parade.

While Ducky Medwick of the Cardinals held a 400 average at the head of the National league for the week ended with yesterday's games, Waner belted 16 hits in 30 chances to boost his average 11 points to .384 and take second place from Gabby Hartnett of the Cubs. Big Polson's drive cut Medwick's loop lead to 14 points.

Gehring, banging out 14 hits in 25 chances, skyrocketed into first place in the American league. The Tiger second-baseman boosted his mark 13 points to .378, while the leader a week ago, Cecil Travis of the Senators, went into the hitting doldrums and sank to a tie for third.

Other hitting stars of the week were Ernie Lombardi of the Cincinnati Reds, who climbed into a tie for fifth place in the National league with .351; Joe DiMaggio of the Yankees, who jumped into second in the American league with 13 hits in 22 chances, and Gerry Walker of the Tigers and Rip Radcliff of the White Sox, each of whom boosted his average six points during the seven-day span.

A large crowd of fans plans to attend the game Sunday in Redding and back up the home team. A record attendance is expected at the new Redding ball park for the playoff battle, and several outstanding features for the crowd's entertainment have been planned.

Present batting averages for Red Sox squad are as follows:

|              | AB. | H. | Pct. |
|--------------|-----|----|------|
| Hammericksen | 67  | 31 | .463 |
| Wheeler      | 69  | 29 | .420 |
| Comstock     | 43  | 18 | .419 |
| Carlstrom    | 48  | 19 | .396 |
| Brooks       | 48  | 25 | .368 |
| Bernston     | 34  | 12 | .353 |
| Granger      | 34  | 12 | .353 |
| Harshbarger  | 60  | 19 | .317 |
| Fryer        | 27  | 8  | .296 |
| Donaldson    | 49  | 13 | .265 |
| Turpin       | 8   | 2  | .250 |
| Molatore     | 29  | 6  | .207 |
| Duracha      | 13  | 2  | .154 |

of the heat and Dick Coffman with a spiked foot.

Paul Derringer personally accounted for the arc-light decision over the Cubs by driving in five runs, thereby making the Chicago lead as slim as a reducing diet.

The Yankees stretched their American league margin to 12½ games when Bill Dickey's tenth inning homer gave them an 8-7 edge over the Athletics.

The second-place Tigers received a thorough going over and lost to the Browns, 11-6. The Indians topped the White Sox, 7-6, on Earl Averill's homer. The Senators socked the Red Sox, 3-1, and the Reds noosed out the Brooklyn Dodgers, 6-5.

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The Bucs from Pittsburgh have suddenly become as hot as the weather. And, with the Cubs faltering, they're joining the Giants in making a strictly two-fronted brawl of it for the National league flag.

As things stood Saturday, the Cubs were only two games in front of the galloping Giants, while the Pirates, in fourth place and only half-a-game behind St. Louis, were some five games back of the New Yorkers.

The momentary breathing spell the Cubs enjoyed after Thursday's victory didn't last nearly long enough for them, for they dropped a 6-4 decision to the Reds Friday night in Cincinnati. This setback, coupled with the Giants' 21-hit, 13-6 win over the Phillies, and the Pirates' 7-4 edge over the Cardinals on Friday's bill, made it a horse from a different garb.

The Pirates' particular need at the moment is pitching prowess. They've been coming back with the speed of a rubber check since they began their current drive 11 days ago. In that stretch, they've taken eight decisions in 11 games, relying strictly on a batting bombardment that has netted 126 hits, an average of better than 11 per game.

They were given their best pitching in a week Friday, when Cy Blanton turned in a six-hitter and fanned seven in muffling the Cards, although a 15-hit attack on the part of his mates didn't exactly do him any harm.

For the one day, however, the blast set off by the galloping Giants against the faltering Phillies topped everything in sight. Bill Terry's Terriers turned loose their biggest offensive of the season in running up 13 runs on 21 hits, despite the breaks that sidelined Dick Barile with an ailing ankle, Clyde Castleman because

## Buddy Baer Won't Share Farr's Bunk

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Aug. 21 (AP)—The arrival of Buddy Baer at Tommy Farr's training quarters has produced a few complications, at least in Baer's mind and in Manager Ancl Hoffman's.

Buddy was invited to share Tommy's quarters as he prepared for his bout with Abe Simon, a preliminary to the Farr-Joe Louis title bout. He declined with thanks yesterday, Hoffman explaining that Buddy intended to challenge Farr "to square the family honor" for the licking Farr gave brother Max. So he'll stay somewhere else but use the same training ring and equipment as Farr.

The British champion, after a day of light exercise, was slated to resume boxing today. The cut he received in Thursday's workout was pronounced only a slight one by Commissioner Bill Brown and Dr. William Walker of the New York state athletic commission yesterday. As a precaution, however, the cut will be protected by tape, and Farr's sparring partners will be instructed to aim their blows elsewhere.

NEWPORT, R. I., Aug. 21 (AP)—Don Budge, world amateur tennis ace, won the historic Newport casino tournament for the second time in three years after defeating one of America's most promising youngsters, 19-year-old Bobby Riggs of Los Angeles, 6-4, 6-8, 6-1, 8-2.

NEWPORT, R. I., Aug. 21 (AP)—Uncle Sam's logical choices for the 1938 Davis cup singles assignments, Don Budge and Bobby Riggs, face each other today in the finals of the historic Newport Casino tennis tournament.

Riggs and Frankie Parker matched strokes for three and a half hours under yesterday's blistering sun, in their second meeting in five days.

Riggs defeated Parker in straight sets Sunday for the eastern grass title at Rye, N. Y. Yesterday he came from behind to gain a 6-8, 6-4, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3 decision.

Bryan (Blitz) Grant, the mighty Atlanta mite, yesterday engaged Budge in the upper-half semi-final, gave everything he had in the first set but lost in the stretch, 8-6, 6-0, 6-0.

Budge and Gene Mako, the Davis cup championship doubles team, and two of their challenge round rivals, G. Patrick Hughes and Charles E. Hare of England, qualified for the doubles final.

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## NOT IF HE CAN HELP IT



Wes Berner of Portland, Ore., didn't win the National Public Links championship over the Harding Memorial Park course, San Francisco, but it wasn't because he didn't try. Berner lining up this putt is a fair sample of the intensity of the pay-as-you-players.

## Collins and His Game Leg



Jimmy Collins watches the Chicago Cubs battle to hold their National League lead with four of their stars on the sidelines. The first baseman will be out a month as the result of breaking a bone in his ankle in sliding.

## Cubs Back in Hot Water As Giants Murder Philadelphia

**FRIDAY'S RESULTS**

**National League**

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Boston 6, Brooklyn 5.  
St. Louis 4, Pittsburgh 7.

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## Sam Crawford Gets Powell's Umpiring Post

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 21 (UP)—Sam Crawford, former Detroit outfielder, was named today to fill out the roster of Pacific coast league umpires, who lost one of their numbers through the temporary suspension of Jack Powell.

Powell was suspended by President W. C. Tuttle, pending investigation of charges that Powell became intoxicated during a game at Sacramento. League rules prescribe automatic removal for such offenses.

Harry Williams, league secretary, said Tuttle was awaiting an official report before taking any final action in the case.

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## AMATEUR GOLF OPENS MONDAY

Simon Pures Reach Portland by Train, Plane and Auto

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 21 (AP)—The boys who play for fun but who will pit their shot-making ability against that of any professional who ever swung a club, arrived by plane and train and automobile today for the opening of the United States amateur golf association championships Monday.

Practice rounds over the Alderwood county club course during the past few days have disclosed the quality of the field, and observers were cautious in naming favorites. The scores showed also that while golf is not essentially a young man's game, a number of youngsters who should make the veterans mind their putting are on hand.

Charley Yates, youthful Atlanta, Ga., entrant had one of the best practice rounds yesterday, putting together a 35 and a 34 for a 3-under-par 69.

Freddie Haas, national intercollegiate champion from Louisiana, and Ernie Pieper of San Jose, Calif., each carded approximate 65's.

Jimmy McIlale, Jr., of Los Angeles turned in a 71, his third sub-par round in three days.

Johnny Goodman of Omaha, former open champion, made it an even par 72, a stroke more than he needed during two previous rounds.

Al Zimmerman, Alderwood pro, commented after looking over the field that "they really pound that ball," and that he was amazed at the improvement in the amateur ranks. He predicted a 155 or 165 would be needed to qualify.

Several other better than par rounds were reported, but all could not be taken too seriously as pickups and conceded putts figured prominently in the practice.

Cards were not available for Johnny Fisher, defending champion, Chick Evans of Chicago, Jesse Guilford and Francis Omet of Boston, who also tried out the course today.

A number of the visiting golfers commented on the shortness of the course, but found offsetting features, described by Bill Holt of Syracuse, N. Y., as "a lot of trouble you don't know anything about."

## Americans Gain Safe Margin In Wightman Play

FOREST HILLS, N. Y., Aug. 21 (AP)—America's tennis lasses didn't have a worry in the world today as they went into the final hour heats of their Wightman cup match against England. Victorious in each of yesterday's three engagements, they needed only one more to make it official.

Alice Marble, blonde San Franciscan, and Helen Jacobs, limping but game, equally deserved the plaudits for crushing England's hopes yesterday. Alice licked Mary Hardwick with a fine comeback, 4-6, 6-2, 6-4, and then teamed with Mrs. Sarah Palfrey Fry to smother the visitor's opening doubles combination. Evelyn Dearman and Joan Ingram, 6-3, 6-2.

Helen, her left knee tightly bandaged, scored only one point, but she showed the sparse gallery of about 1000 the smartest tennis of the day in subduing Kay Stammers, 6-1, 4-6, 6-4.

Today's line-up, three singles and a double, is: Miss Jacobs vs. Miss Hardwick, Miss Marble vs. Miss Stammers, Mrs. Palfrey vs. Margaret Lumb, and Miss Jacobs and Mrs. John Van Ryn vs. Miss Stammers and Freda James.

## Louis Refuses To Pick Round In Farr Fight

POMPTON LAKES, N. J., Aug. 21 (AP)—Joe Louis is willing to talk freely on most subjects — especially baseball — but he is strangely silent on how long he thinks his bout with Tommy Farr next week will last.

"I feel fine and expect to win," he says, "but there's no chance of me naming the round. I picked a few very close, but I was only guessing." After the Max Schmeling bout I decided I should stop picking the round. The scrap with Bob Pastor also showed me it was fooling. So just say Joe feels great and expects to beat Tommy Farr, that's all."

Louis does everything asked of him and follows orders with good grace. He wanted to play catch yesterday, but when Manager Julian Black told him the soft ball had been locked up until after the fight because of the danger he might hurt a finger, Joe merely grinned and found something else to do.

## All-Stars Plan Aerial Offense

CHICAGO, Aug. 21 (AP)—Gus Dorais, who has a Notre Dame star was one of the first great forward passers in football, says he's seen as good pass tossers as Sammy Baugh but none so quick at spotting an uncovered receiver as the Texas Christian rifeman.

Dorais, head coach of the college all-stars who will oppose Green Bay Packers at Soldier field the night of September 1, said he intends to use an aerial offense against the professional champions. He had Baugh and Ray Buivid, Marquette's great star, shooting forwards to all parts of the field with marked success.

A full length scrimmage is scheduled for Sunday morning.

ABOARD COAST GUARD CUTTER ARGO OFF MATTAPOISETT, Mass., Aug. 21 (AP)—The starboard backstay of the sloop Rainbow was carried away today about an hour after five class 1 sloops started off on a 43.8-mile leg to Edgartown in the New York Yacht club cruise, and the big craft was forced out of the running.

## The Standings

By The Associated Press

COAST LEAGUE

|               | W. | L. | Pct. |
|---------------|----|----|------|
| San Diego     | 85 | 59 | .590 |
| Sacramento    | 81 | 62 | .566 |
| Los Angeles   | 76 | 68 | .523 |
| San Francisco | 75 | 69 | .521 |
| Portland      | 71 | 69 | .507 |
| Oakland       | 68 | 76 | .472 |
| Seattle       | 64 | 79 | .448 |
| Missions      | 52 | 91 | .368 |

AMERICAN LEAGUE

|              | W. | L. | Pct. |
|--------------|----|----|------|
| New York     | 75 | 35 | .684 |
| Detroit      | 62 | 45 | .579 |
| Chicago      | 63 | 49 | .563 |
| Boston       | 60 | 47 | .561 |
| Cleveland    | 51 | 54 | .486 |
| Washington   | 50 | 57 | .467 |
| St. Louis    | 35 | 72 | .327 |
| Philadelphia | 33 | 72 | .314 |

NATIONAL LEAGUE

|              | W. | L. | Pct. |
|--------------|----|----|------|
| Chicago      | 67 | 43 | .609 |
| New York     | 64 | 44 | .592 |
| St. Louis    | 59 | 48 | .551 |
| Pittsburgh   | 59 | 49 | .546 |
| Boston       | 54 | 57 | .486 |
| Cincinnati   | 45 | 61 | .425 |
| Philadelphia | 44 | 67 | .396 |
| Brooklyn     | 42 | 68 | .382 |

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