

From MIDFIELD

by Bob Leonard

WHAT GOES UP

Lester Steers, the University of Oregon's reportedly sensational high jumper who breaks records every time it doesn't count, Friday broke the world's record for the third or fourth time, but it didn't count.

Mr. Steers broke the world's record while warming up between halves of several Web-foot basketball games this winter. One time Mr. Steers leaped over seven feet—or that's what was estimated—but no one bothered to measure the exact height. To the best of our information Mr. Steers soars over seven feet every Tuesday and Friday in practice.

But Mr. Steers, in two attempts, has not officially mustered the stuff of which records are made. In the University of Washington pavilion he bruised a heel on the takeoff—shortly after pronouncing the takeoff perfect.

Much has been written of Mr. Steers ever since he was but a lad in corduroy knickerbockers and all smacks of California publicity. Great things are predicted of him in years to come—he's officially only a sophomore.

But he's also officially 23-years-old, which ain't exactly kindergarten age. Mr. Steers will shortly be slipping on the long road downhill, sophomore or no sophomore, in all probability, despite one Harold Osborne, one-time record holder and 1924 Olympic winner, who was still competing at the advanced age of 30.

His case recalls more than just one California athlete who grew up too hurriedly, breaking every prep school mark in sight but somehow missing the boat come college days.

Foy Draper, the Huntington Park, Calif., whiz, was on Draper in 1932 and 33 was consistently tearing off .09.8 and .09.5 centuries when but a brood of a lad in high school trousers. He wound up at Southern California tearing off .09.8 centuries.

Then there was a California pole-vaulter who crept up around 13 feet 10 inches as a high schooler. He also crept up around 13 feet 10 inches as a collegian.

Mr. Steers is probably a fine boy and the best high jumper in the country today. But he probably did not and will not soar over seven feet this year or any other year, notwithstanding the publicity efforts of all Oregon. It would be well to call seven feet and seven feet only after careful measurement of both bar sag and old school enthusiasm.

Bulgar Withdrawal Eases Turk Nerves

NEW YORK, April 12 (AP)—The official German wireless today said Agence Anatolie, a Turkish news agency, reported Bulgarian troops had been withdrawn a certain distance from the Turkish frontier.

This report, the broadcast said, had had a quieting effect on Turkey.

War Bulletin

BERLIN, April 12 (UP)—German and Italian forces in Libya were officially reported today to have broken British defenses west of Tobruk and to be smashing on eastward, while Nazi airplanes carried out heavy and destructive raids on the Portsmouth shipyards and the Bristol harbor in England.

President Taft was the first American president to use his own motor car, and President Harding was the first one to learn to drive.



BROWN STUDY—One "white hope" of St. Louis Browns is smiling, six-foot Walter Judnich, 24, San Francisco native. He hit .303 and flied .989 with the Browns last year.

Sports

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Solons Drop First Game of Season to Beavers

By COLLIE SMALL
United Press Correspondent

The pace-setting Sacramento Senators dropped their first game of the season's six starts Saturday when Portland took a 5-4 nod in the opening game of a double-header, but came back in the nightcap to wallop the Beavers, 11-5, and retain their game and a half lead over Seattle.

In Oakland's ballyard, the tottering San Francisco Seals bounced down into seventh place, suffering a 7-5 pasting at the hands of the Acorns.

The Southern California games Hollywood - San Diego and Seattle-Los Angeles—were postponed due to wet grounds.

In the opener, Sacramento quickly took a 3-0 lead over Portland in the second inning when Bob Blattner smashed one of Ray Harrell's letter-high fast balls over the wall with Pepper Martin and Adams on base. Portland turned four hits into three runs in the fourth to tie the score, but Sacramento came back in their half to tally one when Don Gutteridge doubled Freitas home from second.

In the seventh, Rupert Thompson singled, scoring Ted Norbert from second and squaring the ball game at 4-4. Then in the ninth, Frankie Hawkins settled the issue by drilling a single into center to send Brown in with Portland's winning run.

Portland got to Tony Freitas for 14 hits while Ray Harrell set the Sacs down with seven.

In the nightcap, 15 Sacramento hits were too much for the Beavers. The Senators tallied all 11 runs in a wild first three innings while Portland scored their five in the second and third. Gutteridge, Sacramento infielder, got four hits in four times up, including a homer, and Adams, the left-fielder, also blasted a home run. Whitey Hilcher was the losing pitcher, Hal Dobson the winner.

San Francisco blew a 5-2 lead over Oakland in the seventh and eighth innings to take the short end of the 7-5 score. Larry Jensen, rookie Seals chucker, had the Oaks eating out of his hand until he weakened in the fateful seventh and had to be removed in favor of another rookie, Mel Marlowe, who didn't fare any better. Froilan Fernandez, Seals shortstop, led the day's hitters with two doubles and single for four.

Stan Corbett, lanky Oakland right-hander, limited the Seals to seven hits, all coming in the first five innings. The Acorns slapped out 13 hits, four of them in the big eighth which spelled defeat for the Seals.

Portland	B.	H.	E.
Sacramento	5	14	9
Harrell and Hawkins; Freitas and Glick			
Portland	B.	H.	E.
Sacramento	11	15	5
Hilcher, J. Hawkins, Gonzalez and F. Hawkins; Tuberville, Cryslinski, Dobson and Glick, Annunzio			

SALEM SENATORS LICK OREGON STATE NINE, 14-6

CORVALLIS, Ore., April 12 (AP)—Ragged fielding by both sides featured Salem's 14 to 6 win over the Oregon State college baseball team yesterday.

The collegians committed seven errors, while the Western International league team bobbled six chances.

NEW YORK—The New York Giants have had their last look at Cleveland's Bob Feller for this spring and all hands but Manager Bill Terry are thankful. The Giants haven't been able to hit rapid Robert at all. Gabby Hartnett, who faced him for the first time while the Tribe was pounding out a 7-1 victory at Richmond yesterday, drew two walks, popped out twice and returned to the bench marveling that a baseball could be thrown so fast.

Baseball Scribes Again Pick Reds To Cop National Flag

NEW YORK, April 12 (AP)—The Cincinnati Reds, in the opinion of sports writers in major league cities, are capable of winning their third straight National league pennant this year and taking a place among the leading dynasties in baseball.

All but 14 of the 83 scribes participating in the annual pre-season poll of The Associated Press predicted the Reds would finish first and 13 of the others could see nothing worse than second for them.

With one stray vote cast for third place, Cincinnati received a total of 649 points on the basis of 8 for first, 7 for second, 6 for third, etc.

Twelve of the writers came out for the Brooklyn Dodgers to win and the other two stood up for the St. Louis Cardinals. But in points Brooklyn received only 51 more than the Redbirds and it was evident that their chances were considered almost on a par.

Except for Cincinnati's world champions and the last-place Phillies, who were tabbed for the cellar by 80 of the 83 writers, there was a great spread in the nattering with all other clubs tickets for at least five different positions.

Rated on total points, how-



BILL McKECHNIE

ever, the predictions were that the league would line up at the end of the season exactly as it did last year.

The total points received by each club were Cincinnati 649, Brooklyn 558, St. Louis 507, Pittsburgh 390, Chicago 325, New York 268, Boston 203 and Philadelphia 88.

The same writers wound up in a knot trying to pick the American league outcome, finishing in a dead heat between the Cleveland Indians and New York Yankees.

WASHINGTON — The Senators fans today got their first preview of the team which will open the American league season Monday against the Yankees. Young Walter Masterson was nominated to pitch against the Baltimore Orioles. The Nats came up from the south with an impressive record of 15 victories in 22 exhibitions, the most recent a 4-1 triumph over the Phillies at Martinsville, Va., yesterday.

STEEL PRODUCTION
The United States leads all countries in the production of steel. Germany ranks second; Russia third, and Great Britain fourth.

Charlie Chaplin
"THE GREAT DICTATOR"
Exquire Sun.

As He Was



Danny Savich, pictured above in his salad days as a line-busting fullback for the University of Utah, is billed to rattle one Johnny Nemanic, a Slav from Sacramento, next Tuesday night in Mack Lillard's grapple opener.

Mat Card Is Announced

Merry Mack Lillard, whose ears are ringing not unpleasantly this week with last Tuesday's box office tinkle, Saturday bared to the world and Klamath county the balance of his partially epochal card for his next muscle show.

Miracle Mack had previously released to a breathless public confirmation and acceptance of amiable Ernie Piluso's public challenge to Dangerous Dan McShain, the dapper destroyer of filmland. This thriller automatically became bout No. 1 for Tuesday.

Bout No. 2 will bring together for the first time this week, sinewy Gus Johnson of the St. Paul Johnsons and Tiger Tsakoff of the Bulgarian Nenoffs. The Tiger, as he is affectionately known along the highways and byways of old Toros (Bulg.), will be recalled as one Steve Nenoff, who grappled here last fall for the singular honor of winning the Pacific coast junior heavyweight crown. Tiger Steve since that time has developed a handle-bar mustache and growl. Both have added immeasurably to his ability.

Opening the weekly armory three-act exhibition will be Danny Savich, the ex-American fullback from the University of Utah, and a new man, one Johnny Nemanic, a Sacramento Slav.

Savich, who hasn't grown much about the middle since his college days some 15 years ago, last week dropped a close decision to the durable Johnson. Nemanic weights nearly 180 pounds.

PRACTICE CALLED

Red Sanders, manager of the newly-formed Klamath Pelicans baseball team, Saturday announced a practice session for all prospective players at Recreation field, Sunday afternoon at 1 p. m.

Jamaica Track Opens Today

NEW YORK, April 12 (AP)—The men who spent most of the winter rebuilding the Jamaica race track won the first race—and from now on its up to the horses.

The construction gangs just finished up in time for today's customers for the opening of a 24-day meeting. The plant's seating and standing capacity has been increased to nearly 30,000—in the \$1,000,000 rebuilding job.

TWO WOMEN TAKE SKI EXAMINATIONS

SEATTLE, April 12 (AP)—Two women will be among 13 skiers taking examinations this weekend for certification as Pacific Northwest Ski association instructors. Certification Chairman Bob Hayes said today Elizabeth Gullion of Eugene, Ore., and Mrs. Joy Lucas of the Deer park, Olympic peninsula, ski area will be the first women ever to seek the coveted rating.

WICHITA, Kas. — Manager Frankie Frisch may have to use a ouija board to decide who will start the season at third base for the Pittsburgh Pirates. Lee Handley seemed to have won the job, but his work sagged and now Frisch is alternating him with Debs Garms, who led the National league in hitting last year but is something less than sensational afield.

SHOOT!

Tulelake Traps
South and East of Stronghold
EVERY
Sunday—10 A. M.
PUBLIC INVITED

Warmerdam Vaults to New Height

World's Record Broken
By Olympic Club Star;
15 Feet, 2 5-8 Inches

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Calif., April 12 (UP)—Cornelius Warmerdam, San Francisco Olympic club pole vault star, today set a new world's record of 15 feet 2 5-8 inches as his teammates amassed enough points in field events to beat Stanford university, 70-23 to 60-13, in a track meet here.

A crowd of 2500 saw Warmerdam, former Fresno, Calif., star, handily win the event at 14 feet 7 inches, then take two tries at 15 feet 2 5-8 inches before he finally went over on the third vault.

The mark was certified by John Coates, referee of the meet, and four other officials present. He failed in three additional tries to clear the bar at 15 feet 4 1-2 inches.

Warmerdam set his first pole vault record when he touched the traditional theoretical "ceiling" of 15 feet. Last June in national A.A.U. competition at Fresno, he broke his own world's record by soaring 15 feet 1 1-2 inches.

The Olympic club cindermen were superior generally in field and distance events, winning firsts in the mile, shot put, javelin throw, broadjump, discus throw, pole vault, two-mile run, and the 200-yard low hurdles.

Stanford won the 440-yard run, 100-yard dash, 120-yard high hurdles, 880-yard run, 220-yard dash and the mile relay.

The high jump ended in a three-way tie at 6 feet 4 inches among Varneck, O. C., Jim Lincoln, Stanford, and Vern Hart, Stanford.

Majors Open Ball Games on Monday

By GEORGE KIRKSEY

NEW YORK, April 12 (UP)—A bag of peanuts and a bottle of pop, a seat in the sun, a chance to yell "You Blind Tom," at the ump and the rest of the world can go drifting by—that's the high hope of millions of baseball fans throughout the country on the eve of the 1941 major league pennant races.

The baseball season will open as usual with the preview game at Washington Monday where President Roosevelt throws out the first ball before an expected capacity of 32,000. All sixteen teams will fire away Tuesday with opening day attendance likely to approach 250,000, weather permitting.

Fan interest has skyrocketed to a new high. Exhibition games in the south drew record-breaking crowds and both leagues are looking forward to highly successful years at the box office. The National league, which slumped under the 5,000,000 mark in attendance last season, is expected to make a tremendous comeback on the wings of a three-cornered pennant battle.

The American league is likely to approach its record total of 5,433,791 set last season.

There is every reason to believe that the American league will put on another thriller with the Indians and Yanks favored to battle for the flag. The champion Tigers have been relegated to the third spot by most experts but last year when they won the



This is Mexico's once-favored bullfighter, Lorenzo Garza, who may have to change his title, "The Magnificent," to something less showy since his failure to kill bulls satisfactorily has disgraced him with Mexico City bullfight fans. Several times the crowds have jeered wildly when bulls Garza fought had to be removed alive from the ring. "The Magnificent" may go to Hollywood to get away from it all.

Little Opposition Seen For Henley From South County Cinder Squads

MALIN—The Henley Hornets, doped to take the 1941 Klamath county B school field meet to be held here Saturday, May 3, will have little opposition from south end county track squads, according to reports from Malin and

Zale-Hostak Return Bout Near Ready

SEATTLE, April 12 (AP)—A return match between Champion Tony Zale of Gary, Ind., and Ex-Champ Al Hostak of Seattle for the National Boxing association's world middleweight title appeared a bit closer today.

Eddie Marino, Hostak's manager, indicated that he probably would sign for the right in the Chicago stadium, May 16. Marino emphasized that it wasn't a signed and sealed proposition yet, but that he had been proffered a contract and intended to do some dickering about details.

One of those little "details" is probably Hostak's share of the gate. Marino has been cold to previous fight proposals because he thought Hostak was entitled to considerably more than 12 1/2 per cent. What the latest offer was, he did not disclose.

Zale lifted the crown from the much subdued one-time "Savage Slav" here last summer. The fight contract carried a return match clause.

pennant they weren't rated that high.

Although the majority of prognosticators favor the Reds to make it three in a row in the National league, there is a very definite feeling that one of those old-fashioned knock-down-and-drag-out battles is in store for senior circuit fans.

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Hank Leiber Has Three Days To Sign

CHICAGO, April 12 (AP)—Big Hank Leiber has only three days to sign up before the National league flag race begins.

The muscular outfielder of the Chicago Cubs has outlasted all of the other recalcitrants in big league baseball. A teammate, Bill Lee, a red-hot pitcher in 1938-39 who faded badly in 1940, accepted terms during the Cubs' White Sox exhibition game yesterday. It was understood that the compromise figure was \$11,000. He drew \$17,500 last year.

CINCINNATI—When the Detroit Tigers clubbed Monte Pearson's slow curves Friday and finally won, 15 to 3, they virtually eliminated him as a possible opening-day pitcher for the Cincinnati Reds. They also added to Bill McKee's worries over the former American league's inability to loosen up. Pearson lasted only one inning against the Red Sox April 1, and gave the Tigers nine hits in five frames Friday.

BOSTON—The Red Sox and Bees expected to present a home dozen or so newcomers to home fans in their city series Saturday and Sunday. O'Dell Hale, filling in at second for the injured Bobby Doerr, and Frankie Pytlak, were the new Red Sox starters. The Bees' new men were Wes Ferrell, former Red Soxer who drew the starting assignment on the mound; Babe Dahlgren and Earl Averill, who also are familiar to American league fans.

OREGON HORSEHIDERS WALLOP BEARCATS, 8-3

SALEM, Ore., April 12 (AP)—University of Oregon cracked out 12 hits off Willamette's Jack Richards yesterday to defeat the Bearcats, 8 to 3.

Oregon, with Bill Carney leading the assault, scored two runs in the second inning to overcome Willamette's one-run lead.

EXHIBITION
Detroit (A) 15, Cincinnati (H) 2.
New York (A) 7, Brooklyn (H) 6.
St. Louis (H) 4, Tulsa (T) 5.
Pittsburgh (H) 16, Philadelphia (A) 11.
Chicago (H) 3, Chicago (A) 1.
Cleveland (A) 7, New York (H) 1.
Washington (A) 4, Philadelphia (H) 1.
Baltimore (ILL) 5, Boston (A) 4.

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Wrestling

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Hershberger's Phone 6578



While others wrestle alligators in Miami, Larry Osceola, third from front, calms leather-coated opponent and puts it to sleep by rubbing its belly. "Gators are from five to eight feet in length and weigh 175 to 350 pounds.