

the OTHER Side of SPORTS by Gil Smith

Edens Wins 15th Of Season Beating Lento, Leafs 5-4

CHESHIRE GOES IN WARSAW; STECKEL SLUGS

Johnny Edens came up with his 15th victory last night, defeating the Selma-Smithfield Leafs and ex-Pirate Al Lento 5-4, thanks to some dependable clutch hitting by the Bucs, and Bob Steckel in particular.

The loss dropped the Leafs into the Tobacco State league cellar, as Red Springs defeated Lumberton. Steckel slammed out his fourth hit of the night in the ninth inning, scoring Hoggy Davis who had walked and moved to second, for the winning run.

A half inning earlier, with Barbee on third and no outs, Buc Boss, Jim Stator called for a pitch-out from Edens, and caught Barbee trying to score. Stator also had a hand in the fourth run for the Bucs which tied up the tilt in the eighth.

The Leafs went ahead in the third stanza when, after Barbee and Lento had fanned, Carroll beat out a bunt down the third base line. Ochler tripled off the right field wall, and a perfect peg to the plate caught Carroll, but Stator dropped the throw from Davis and the run was charged up to the Buc pilot's error.

Edens tripled off the left field wall, Eddie Hardisky fanned, Freddie Muscemei hit to Howard who pegged a strike to Eames for a force at the plate, but Edens slid in safely. Muscemei stole second and Bill Benton was hit by a Lento curve. Davis was robbed in center by Carroll, Muscemei going to third after the catch. Pogleme shot a line hit to left, bringing home the tying run.

The Bucs play Warsaw today with Lefty Lou Cheshire the probable hurler. Cheshire will be seeking his 18th win of the year. SELMA-SMITHFIELD AB R H O A E Carroll, cf 4 2 2 3 0 0 Ochler, lb 4 0 2 7 0 0 Howard, ss 4 1 1 0 3 0 Benton, lf 4 0 1 1 4 0 Davis, rf 4 2 1 0 4 0 Pogleme, lb 3 0 2 13 0 1 Muscemei, cf 5 1 1 1 0 1 Steckel, 2b 4 0 4 2 0 0 Stator, c 4 0 1 8 0 1 Edens, p 4 1 1 1 0 0

WARSAW, Aug. 23.—Clint Dunne-erwin defeated the Warsaw Leafs tonight 7-3, with Marsh supplying the punch and hurler Corbett scattering eight Dunne-erwin hits over the route.

Marsh sparked a four run fourth inning rally with a triple to deep left field. He slugged out another triple and a two base hit for his night's work.

Ed Kulkulka, of Clinton, and Hayward of the Twins also had three hits each. CLINTON AB R H O A E Dunne-erwin, ss 4 1 1 2 3 0 Collins, ss 4 1 1 2 3 0 Leach, 1b 4 0 2 2 2 0 Jackson, rf 3 0 0 0 0 0 Denning, cf 3 0 0 1 0 0 Holland, cf 2 0 0 1 0 0 McQuillen, cf 4 1 2 0 0 0 Balla, 2b 1 0 3 1 0 1 Stringfellow, 2b 4 0 0 2 0 0 Miller, 3b 4 0 0 0 0 0 Hayward, c 3 0 3 7 1 0 Vinajeras, p 4 0 0 2 2 0

Pirates Cheer Boy During Illness Here

Young Craig Keen, bathy of the City Optical softball team, and one of Wilmington's most enthusiastic sport fans, now ill at the James Walker Memorial hospital, played host during the week to members of his favorite baseball team, the Wilmington Pirates.

Baseball In Brief

TOBACCO STATE LEAGUE W L Pct. Sanford 79 35 .692 Lumberton 66 45 .600 WILMINGTON AT WARSAW. Dunn-Erwin at Warsaw. Dunn-Erwin at Red Springs. Lumberton at Sanford.

AMERICAN LEAGUE W L Pct. G. B. New York 77 42 .647 Boston 62 52 .544 1-2 Detroit 62 55 .530 1-4 Philadelphia 63 56 .529 1-4 Cleveland 60 56 .517 1-2 Chicago 55 64 .462 2-2 Washington 49 68 .419 2-7 St. Louis 42 77 .353 3-5

NATIONAL LEAGUE W L Pct. G. B. Brooklyn 75 47 .615 Cincinnati 68 47 .600 Boston 67 54 .554 7-1-2 New York 60 57 .513 1-2 Cincinnati 58 62 .480 2-1 Chicago 57 67 .462 2-1 Pittsburgh 52 69 .430 2-1 Philadelphia 49 70 .412 2-1-2

BASEBALL'S BIG SIX Player and Club G AB R H PCT. Walker, Phillies 117 429 67 152 .354 Williams, Red Sox 115 384 95 130 .238 Mitchell, Indians 83 319 47 107 .335 McCosky, Athletics 191 401 62 124 .304 Reiser, Dodgers 83 287 58 95 .320 Galan, Reds 104 318 48 101 .313

HOME RUNS NATIONAL LEAGUE Mize, Giants 105 Elliott, Braves 98 Kiner, Pirates 94 AMERICAN LEAGUE Doerr, Red Sox 94 Williams, Red Sox 76 DiMaggio, Yankees 75 Heurich, Yankees 75

FAIRCLOTH WINS 14TH OVER SPINS

WARSAW, Aug. 23.—Cy Faircloth coasted to his 14th win of the season here tonight as the Red Sox went on a hitting spree and clubbed Hoyt Clegg and the league leading Sanford Spinners for 18 hits and a 16-2 victory.

Andy Scrobelia hit a home run in the Warsaw offensive, and every Soxer scored at least one tally, and collected at least one hit off Clegg. Hank Nesselrode was the only Sanford batter to have any luck with Faircloth, betting three hits including a double.

SANFORD AB R H O A E Quinn, 2b 5 0 1 4 2 0 Nesseling, 3b 4 0 1 4 2 0 Wilson, cf 4 1 0 2 4 0 Nesselrode, rf 4 1 2 2 0 0 Shofner, 1b 4 0 0 7 1 0 Hedrick, c 3 0 1 5 0 1 Pugh, lf 4 1 1 1 0 0 Keane, ss 4 0 1 1 0 0 Clegg, p 3 0 1 1 1 1 xHoliday 1 0 0 0 0 0

Stranahan, Barnum In Golf Finals CHICAGO, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Frank Stranahan of Toledo, O., and John Barnum of Evanston, Ill., today won their semi-final matches and the right to battle for the Chicago Great Lakes amateur golf championship in the 36-hole finals tomorrow.



PIGGY-BACK PLAY AT HOME PLATE—Emil Verban, Phillies' second baseman sprawls over Catcher Joe Garagiola of the Cardinals, as he makes home safely in the second inning of a twin bill matchup at Philadelphia. Obscured by the home plate mixup is umpire Butch Henline. Verban came home on Shortstop Ralph Yarbrough's single to center, beating the throw from Centerfielder Terry Moore. The Phils won the first game 9-2. The Cards took the second 13-3. (AP Wirephoto).

Dyke To Defend City Golf Title

Top amateur golfers in Wilmington today begin polishing up their game for the City Open championship tournament which gets underway next Saturday at the Municipal Golf course.

Qualifying rounds get started Saturday and will continue through Sept. 21. Match play begins Sept. 28 and will continue until the October finals.

The qualifying rounds will be 36 holes, and the championship finals will be a like number of holes. All flight winners and the qualifying medalist will receive prizes.

With Ellison, Walsh, Orrell and Dyke prepping for the 1947 classic, the course record of 68 set by Jim Crighton, brother of the Maui pro Dave Crighton, will be in for a rough time. Besides the four mentioned Glenn and Jim Herring and Ben Washburn, low seventy hitters will be set to go come Sept. 28.

LATE SCORES

CAROLINA LEAGUE Leaksville 12-9; Martinsville 5-1. Greensboro at Winston-Salem, p.p.d. rain. Two games. Burlington 7; Raleigh 6. INTERNATIONAL Buffalo 6; Montreal 4. Toronto 9; Rochester 2. Baltimore 15; Newark 3. Jersey City 4; Syracuse 3. AMERICAN LEAGUE Boston at Chicago, postponed, rain. SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE Columbus 7; Jacksonville 6. Macon 11; Savannah 10. Greenville 8; Charleston 7. Columbia 10; Augusta 7. SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION Chattanooga 5; Mobile 4. TRI-STATE LEAGUE Asheville 4; Spartanburg 2. NORTH STATE LEAGUE Landis 3; Concord 2. Hickory 3; Statesville 0. Mooresville 8; Salisbury 4. Lexington 7; Thomasville-High Point 4.

Laffoon Leads Pros With Five Under Par

RENO, Nev., Aug. 23.—(AP)—Veteran Ky Laffoon of St. Andrews, Ill., knocking par groggy, swept into the lead of the 72-hole \$15,000 Reno Open golf tournament today with a three round total of 204. He framed a 34-33-67 to jump to the front of the field.

Par for the Washoe County course is 36-36-72. Laffoon's five-under-par third round enabled him to pass the halfway leader, Ellsworth Vines of Los Angeles, who blew up to take a two-over par 74 and fall back into a three-way tie at 208 strokes.



Robinson Moves Into Net Finals

TIGERS BEATEN BY WASHINGTON

Defeating John Farfour, of Goldsboro, in straight sets, 6-1, 6-3, 7-5, Jerry Robinson, Wilmington's ranking amateur tennis star, moved into the Eastern Carolina Tennis association championship tournament finals last night, and faces the amazing Bill Weathers, of Raleigh, today at 1:30 for the crown.

Seeded fourth in the tournament Robinson would normally be a slight favorite to defeat Weathers who is unseeded, but had a poor season, has suddenly caught fire and is unbeaten in the tourney to date.

In addition to his title clash for singles championship, Robinson will also pair up with Cobb today and will be favored to defeat Ed Gloyd and Weathers, Raleigh duo, for the Mens' doubles crown.

A third Wilmingtonian won top laurels during the tournament, Dick Hewlett smashed past all opponents to take the Junior Boys' championship this week.

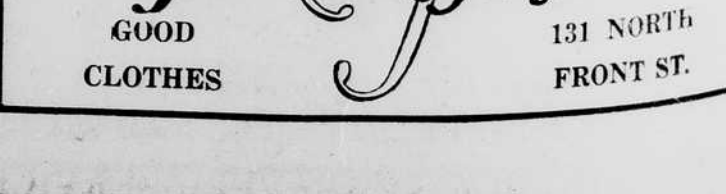
Cobb's defeat was the biggest upset of the tournament. A large crowd of tennis fans gasped as Weathers refused to be beaten, although obviously playing against a more polished foe. In today's battle with Robinson, Weathers will face another topflight player, and the net fans are wondering if the young Raleigh player can continue his exhausting pace.

Wallace Announces Football Schedule

WALLACE, Aug. 22.—Jacksonville High school has been added to the Wallace High football schedule for 1947, it has been announced by Coach Thel Overman of Wallace. Overman also disclosed that negotiations are underway for a game with Burgaw.

Here is schedule of the Wallace team for the coming gridiron season: Sept. 19—Jacksonville, here; Sept. 26—Warsaw, here; Oct. 3—Mt. Olive, there; Oct. 10—Clinton, here; Oct. 17—LaGrange, there; Oct. 24—Burgaw (tentative); Oct. 31—Smithfield-Selma, here; Nov. 7—Ayden, there; Nov. 14—Farmville, here; Nov. 21—open. All of the hits except Jacksonville and Burgaw are East Central Conference games.

Players who are expected to play for Jacksonville are: Max Sykes, Earl Casey, Thomas Townsend, Jimmy Herring, Jimmy Powell, Max Morrison, Dick Knowles, Roger Askerman, M. B. Pope, Charles Carr, Billy James, Ralph Carlton, and Jimmy Lockamy.



\$10,000 Tourney Offered To City In Fall Of 1948

It was a swell spring night in 1947 when some 20 city and civic leaders in Wilmington gathered at the Cape Fear club for a pre-tourney banquet in order to form rules and regulations for the first annual Star-News golf tournament, which attracted the top amateur divot-diggers of the city.

Out of that meeting came the rules, the proper method of qualification rounds, the flight pairings, etc. But, something far more important was born that night.

After the diners relaxed from their vigorous attack on a defenseless bit of roast beef, it was evident that a decision was being made out of the enthusiasm present, to eventually bring a real professional golf tournament to this city.

Sometime later, several of the men who were present at that meeting, joined forces under Louis Orrell and formed a group pledged to drive for better sports attractions here. Of these, the same Professional Golf Association tournament was the first issue at hand.

At the request of Orrell, we wrote to the PGA asking for all particulars concerning the staging of a first class classic similar to the \$10,000 Opens held annually in Greensboro and Charlotte.

Last week we turned the PGA answer over to the committee, and with a great deal of pleasure and anticipation, we await the meeting scheduled to be held soon, which will finally decide whether Wilmington will become a member of the lucky family of cities which are listed on the PGA circuits.

The letter, which George Schneitner, PGA tournament manager, took time to write while he was competing in the Portland tournament, said that the association felt sure it could grant Wilmington's request in the fall of 1948.

It said that an appropriation of \$10,000, plus \$1,500 for an official scorer, program manager, and judge, would be necessary to get the top pros of the nation to come here. But, it definitely assured Wilmington that the best par-crackers in the United States would play... not a few, but practically the whole works.

Schneitner is awaiting an answer now. He wants to know what dates Wilmington is interested in, and if the money can be raised.

October or November of 1948 is not as far away as it seems now. A year passes quickly. We need things of this sort here, and the chance is now laid squarely on the table.

We most urgently appeal to those men who will finally decide the fate of this thing (Fred Willetts, E. L. White, W. A. Fonville, Ken Eaton, Jimmie Wade, R. B. Page, Orrell, and the others on the committee)... NOT TO LET THIS CHANCE SLIP AWAY.

We write this in advance of their decision in order to make this appeal, and in order to have these men realize that the opportunity to get what they admittedly wanted, and still do, is now knocking on Wilmington's door.

The facts are these:

The Cape Fear Country club will be in perhaps its best condition in 1948. Should it be decided to use the municipal course for one reason or another, there will be ample time to get those links in top shape.

While \$11,500 sounds like a lot of money, let's remember a few things. (A) There is probably no city staging a \$10,000 tourney that doesn't make money. (B) At \$4.00 a ticket for four days of play, only 3,000 tickets would have to be sold in the four days to make a \$500 profit. (C) Tickets are also sold for one day and at, for example, \$1.25 per customer, even fewer duets would have to be sold to make a similar profit.

Let's stop those who would shout, "What if it should rain?" by remembering that weather insurance can protect any sponsors. (Incidentally the prices quoted here are only used as examples and are not even suggested prices.)

Is there any person living in Wilmington, or its surrounding area, who doesn't believe that at least 3,000 persons would trek out to one of the courses over a period of four days to see Ben Hogan, Jimmy Demaret, Cary Middlecoff, Lew Worsham, Sammy Snead and the rest?

The profit, in fact, will probably be tremendous and if the match is so scheduled to have the 36 hole finals played on Sunday, the Sabbath crowd alone will probably meet expenses for the entire tournament, with the crowds on the qualification day, and the first and second 18-hole round days, complete gravy.

But, that is not the important thing. Admittedly word of mouth advertising is the best in the world. Is there any reason therefore to feel that the publicity gained for Wilmington through a major \$10,000 tournament (when Wilmington datelines would be sent all over the country through the wire services by top sports writers who would be here during the classic) would not be worth even more than an outlay of \$10,000? In other words, we believe the city should get in on this.

Then look at it this way. Privately, we'll wager there are at least 100 men who journey to Greensboro or Charlotte in the spring to see the best pros in the country play.

If there is anyone of these men who can spend less than \$100 for a four day stay in one of these cities, we'd like to know how he does it. So it stands to reason that if he were to underwrite a major tourney here for the same money he would spend in another city, he'll bring the stars to Wilmington, and save himself a trip.

In any case, there can't be any logical reason why this chance should be passed up, even if it were not practically assured that money would be made.

Let's not miff it, fellas. There's a year and a half to raise the money, and a real chance to do something that will boost the stock of Wilmington, North Carolina. Isn't that what we all want?

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