

Babe Zaharias Quits Ladies Pro Golf Association

TAMPA, Fla., (AP)—Babe Zaharias quit the Ladies Professional Golf Association Thursday with a jolt as some of her fellow pros declared she may form a rival group with Fred Corcoran.

The Babe, who is entered in the Tampa women's open golf tournament, said she submitted her resignation as president of the LPGA two nights ago and the LPGA refused to accept it.

"Now," she said, "I'm washing my hands of the whole mess, both as president and as a member."

She protested the LPGA's action in failing to keep Corcoran in as tournament director, declaring he had built women's golf up to a high level and the golfers are playing for lots more money than they ever expected to.

Corcoran's release from the LPGA was announced Wednesday by Betty Hicks, publicity director, who said the golf equipment manufacturers who had been paying Corcoran's salary were not going with it, and the LPGA could not afford to.

The LPGA, which has about 25 members, then decided to arrange its own tours with a committee made up of Betty Jameson, Sar, Antonio, Texas; Betsy Rawls, Sparanburg, S.C.; and Marilyn Smith, Wichita, Kas.

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

In ancient times divers carried oil in their mouths which they released beneath the surface when rough water made their task difficult.

You'll never get your share of it, but there's enough gold in the seas to make every inhabitant of earth worth approximately \$14,000.

The longest farm in Canada—ten miles long—may be seen in Northern Manitoba. This ribbon wide piece of land is cultivated by an Indian family. The long farm lies inside the C.P.R.

Bobcats are spotted when born, but strange to say the spots fade when the animal reaches maturity.

Ever hear of "Death Island," a disease-ridden piece of land off the coast of Formosa where the weaker sex rule the roost?

Population 1,429. All have malaria, a tiny bug whose bite causes death within hours is the chief killer. That's how the little island came by its name.

Divorce is common in "Death Island," and women rule the roost. They are choosy when it comes to picking their mates and usually scorn the homely ones. Men with poor fishing records also stand little chance of getting wives.

Women don't repeat gossip. They just improve it.

Persons who don't let grass grow under their feet are most likely to end up in clover.

Don't worry about finding your station in life. Somebody will be sure to tell you where to get off.

The average Canadian uses about 8,000 words. A highly educated person may have a vocabulary of some 20,000 words.

Bands of wild burros, descendants of those brought into the area by prospectors, roam through Death Valley, which lies in California and Nevada.

There are no poisonous snakes in Cuba, Jamaica and Puerto Rico, scientists say.

And strange but true, you could not find a simple full-sized tree in the whole of Greenland.

Seen on a church bulletin board in Allenwood, Pa. Directions to Heaven: Turn Right and go straight.

Cafe sign in downtown Montreal: "Money has lots of arms—spend it with us and play safe."

New Jet Plane Flies Like a Bird



British Catapult Hurls U. S. Jet

Pictured (top) on its first flight is the Short Sherpa, powered by two turbo jets and controlled by flexible wings—like a bird—with rotating tips. It is purely experimental plane, it is expected by its British designers to have a great deal of influence on the wing shapes for future high-altitude flight.

On left a jet Supermarine Attacker is hurled from H.M.S. Perseus by a new catapult, the BS-4, nicknamed the "steam slingshot". Another British invention, it has been adopted by the U. S. Navy and was recently demonstrated before high-ranking officials of both countries at the Naval Air Material Center, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Key Men Are Ready To Guarantee "Good Show" For Australia Olympics

By Will Grimsley

MELBOURNE, (AP)—The two key men in the organization of the 1956 Olympic Games—a crisp retired army general and a grey-haired little Briton—are ready to guarantee that Melbourne will put on a "good show."

"There is no doubt in my mind these games will be among the most successful ever," said tall, erect Lt.-Gen. William Bridgeford, chief executive officer. "We have wiped out all our early bickering and everybody is intent and enthusiastic about making a real go of it."

"I won't say these will be the best games ever," added E. J. Billy Holt, 70-year-old Olympic veteran who was chief organizer of the 1948 games in London. "We have tried to incorporate the best features of all the past games. I think we have modeled our planning more after the 1932 games at Los Angeles than any other."

Director in Loan Holt was borrowed by Melbourne to serve as technical director. He is assisted by Leonard Curnow, 49, an engineer in the department of defence, an amateur athletic official for some 20 years and arena manager for the Melbourne Olympics.

Canadiens Return Corriveau To Valleyfield Team

MONTREAL, (CP)—Montreal Canadiens of the National Hockey League Friday announced the return of forward Andre Corriveau to Valleyfield Braves for the balance of the Quebec Hockey League season.

The high-scoring right-winger played three games with Canadiens and picked up one assist while on loan from Valleyfield. He will line up for Braves in a league game today at Springfield, Mass.

Name Coach For Canada's Empire Games Track Team

MONTREAL, (CP)—Lloyd Percival of Toronto, a controversial figure for many years in Canadian sports, Thursday was named coach of Canada's track team for the British Empire Games this year at Vancouver.

Percival, a successful coach with the Toronto Track and Field Club, is known for his disputes with the Canadian Olympic committee and the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada over the coaching and selection of Olympic teams.

The announcement followed a meeting here Wednesday night of the British Empire and Commonwealth Games Association of Canada at which 12 other coaches and managers for the games were confirmed.

Others chosen were:

W. B. Cowan, Toronto, boxing manager; Jack Guest, Toronto, rowing manager; Gordon Mackie, Winnipeg, boxing coach; R. J. Bertshaw, Toronto, cycling manager; George Greaves, Montreal, cycling coach; George Pouliot, Montreal, fencing coach; Tom D. Lord, St. Johns, Que., track and field manager; Margaret Lord, Hamilton, Women's track team manager; Lloyd Percival, Toronto, track coach; Frank Richards, Calgary, field coach; Charles Walker, Montreal, weightlifting manager; Lionel St. Jean, Montreal, weightlifting coach.

Jim Wall of Toronto was named assistant general manager of the complete team.

Paint Firm Saves British Runner

LONDON, (AP)—A British paint firm today "saved" distance runner Gordon Pirie from having to go to the United States.

Pirie said he has accepted a salesman's job from the paint firm—plus an automobile—and beginning March 1 will have the time he needs to train and prepare for track and field meets. Until then he will keep his job as a suburban bank clerk.

On Jan. 1 Pirie allowed the news to leak that several American colleges had offered him track scholarships and he intended accepting one and moving to the United States, "possibly permanently."

London papers splashed the news. Letters to the editors called for establishment of funds to keep people like Pirie at home.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE



Major Hoople

Incidentally, when the sailors of the Mediterranean first saw a compass they called it an invention of the devil.

Here's how the word "knots" came into use when referring to the speed of a ship. In early days a log was thrown into the sea and watched to see how long it would take before passing the stern of the ship. The length of the vessel from stern to bow was of course known, and so the officers could then figure out how much time the ship needed to pass a given point and that would show roughly how many miles the vessel was making in an hour.

To the log of wood was fastened a line divided into so many pieces by "knots". The line was tossed over board at the same time that a sand glass was set running. Sailors kept pulling in the line and counting the knots that passed through their hands while the sand-glass was emptying its contents from one bulb to the other. After that a very simple calculation would show how fast the vessel was going, or in the lingo of the sea, "how many knots."

MONTREAL, (CP)—A hat trick by Bernie Quessel Saturday night helped University of Montreal Carabins shade McGill Redmen 5-4 in an intercollegiate hockey game before 1,100 fans.



Aged Prospectors Claim Of Finding Ruins Of Manitoba Fort Confirmed

FLIN FLON, Man., (CP)—Twenty years ago an aged prospector turned up in this north western Manitoba town with a story about finding the ruins of an old fort not far away. People just laughed at him.

The prospector, Allan McDonald, went on his way. He now is in his 80's and lives in Nova Scotia.

But it was not until last fall that there was concrete evidence to confirm his statement. New discoverer is Harry Moody, veteran storekeeper in the Flin Flon district.

Mr. Moody learned that the fort was somewhere in the area from his study of early history and from the tales of Indians who traded at his Denare Beach store. He searched 20 years before finding the fort—20 miles away.

The ruins are of the Alexander Henry-Forbes Brothers fort, established in 1775. They are located over the Saskatchewan border, where the Sturgeon Weir river flows into Amisk or Beaver Lake.

Mr. Moody first learned of the possible location of the fort from George Cusiter, an old settler who lived near the site in his boyhood. He recalled legendary stories of the white man's stronghold. Other Indians and historians supplied more clues.

Uncover Remains Having sold his Denare Beach

business, Mr. Moody spent most of last summer on his search. Though the discovery was made in the fall, official information was withheld pending research work. A few months ago J. D. Herbert of the Saskatchewan golden jubilee committee partially excavated the area and uncovered the remains of five buildings and six first-places. The relics conform to descriptions in journals of Alexander Henry, the jubilee committee states.

The committee says the fort is of special significance as it marks one of the important events in the amalgamation of district fur traders to meet the competition of the Hudson's Bay Company.

Among articles unearthed—with the aid of a mine detector—by Mr. Moody and members of the Saskatchewan department of natural resources are knives and forks, axe heads, hair clips and sea-chest hinges. They are being catalogued by Mr. Moody, who is said to be seeking the erection of a museum at Denare Beach to house these and other historical relics found nearby.

GREAT MUSIC

Georg Friedrich Handel wrote his "Messiah" in 22 days in 1741 and it was first performed in Ireland in 1742.

Walls To Fight Freddy Beshore On February 15

TORONTO, (CP)—Earl Walls of Edmonton, Canadian heavyweight champion who lost a 10-round decision to Tommy Harrison of Los Angeles here Tuesday night, will fight Freddy Beshore of Los Angeles in Edmonton Feb. 15, Jack Berry, Edmonton boxing promoter, said Wednesday.

"Earl was in no way hurt in last night's fight," Berry said. "He'll be in shape for the Edmonton match."

Berry said Beshore is puffed below the 10 top contenders for Rocky Marciano's world heavyweight title.

Walls, listed by Ring magazine as the fifth leading world contender, has been a 2-to-1 favorite before Tuesday night's bout to take the eight-ranking Harrison.

University Gets Two Million

TORONTO, (CP)—City council Monday unanimously approved paying a \$2,000,000 grant to the University of Toronto. The money was requested recently by university president Dr. Sidney Smith, who said the funds were needed for a general building program.

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