

FAST FIELD SET FOR SIX-DAY BIKE GRIND HERE.

TOP TWSOMES START ROUNDS TOMORROW

By ALAN WARD
It is to be expected a promoter would become enthusiastic over his wares, but when Eddie Saunders says his six-day bike racing field is the fastest he ever assembled, the declaration can be accepted as gospel truth.

Saunders, who will open his third annual program of spokes and sprockets at the Municipal Auditorium tomorrow night, is one of those rare creatures, all too few in the promotional world, who attempts to pull no wool over the eyes of customers or confidants.

To Saunders a field is good, bad or indifferent. The assembly of athletes due to pour off tomorrow evening is in the first named category.

TOP COMBINATION

"First, there will be Cecil Yates and George Dempsey," Saunders explained. "There is one of the greatest combinations in the country."

"Dempsey won at Oakland a year ago. Yates won at San Francisco this season, and that makes it two in a row for Cecil across the Bay. Dempsey was American sprint champion and today is one of the three fastest men in the country when it comes to sprinting."

"The combination of Freddie Zach and Archie Ballaert is one to gladden the hearts of any impresario. Each is a sturdy little fellow, with stamina to burn, who almost won the San Francisco ramble. This Ballaert kid is a riding fool, and with Freddie by his side, should show a beautiful pair of heels."

"Then consider Eddie Testa and Jerry Rodman. Whatta pair of boys! Rodman was teamed with Yates and won the San Francisco race. Testa was Zach's sparring partner."

"Well, that's the general idea. There are no riding setups as good or almost as good as the ones already named. Naturally, there are a few weaker ones. There always are in six-day bike races. Besides, the contest is ended, two, four or even six of the boys may be forced to drop out. That's the rule rather than the exception."

NEWCOMERS, TOO

"For instance, Tony Zulih and Manuel Silveria, of San Jose, are newcomers to the sport. They're learning the ropes. One of these fine days they'll be great pilots, but at present they hardly can be considered serious competition for guys like Dempsey, Yates, Rodman and Testa."

"Dempsey and Yates will ride together in Oakland for the first time in their respective careers. They'll be out to win, not only because of the love of conquest and victory burns brightly in their souls, but because they stand an excellent chance of being chosen to represent America in a coronation race at London in May."

The coronation race will be the most elaborate ever held in Europe, according to tentative plans. Countries catering to the pine board pastime will be asked to send their best teams. And Dempsey and Yates, if they show well in Oakland, no doubt will be repaired for Chicago and New York, and on their performances there will be rated their eligibility for the English invasion.

Saunders is advising not to sell Mike De Filippo short in the Oakland race.

Mike is one of the really fine riders of the decade and may be due to receive some of the breaks he deserves. He has been paired with Caesar Binetti, who finished with a rush in the San Francisco event, after suffering three days of illness at the outset.

NEARLY WON TITLE

De Filippo was runner-up for the motor pace championship of America during 1935, and Eastern experts were almost unanimous in the belief Mike would have won the title if the Nutley, New Jersey, track hadn't closed before schedule.

De Filippo was but three points behind the ultimate winner, Gerard De Baets, at the unscheduled finish, and was advancing with such strides his victory was almost a foregone conclusion.

During the current week-end the Auditorium Arena has been resounding to the sound of hammer on nail, as the \$160,000 pine track advances in construction. The oval will be finished late Monday afternoon. The race will start at 5:30 p. m. with Dick Bartell, of Alameda, Giants' shortstop, firing the gun setting the 10 teams of two men each on their merry, mad chase from here to ex-dilly nowhere.

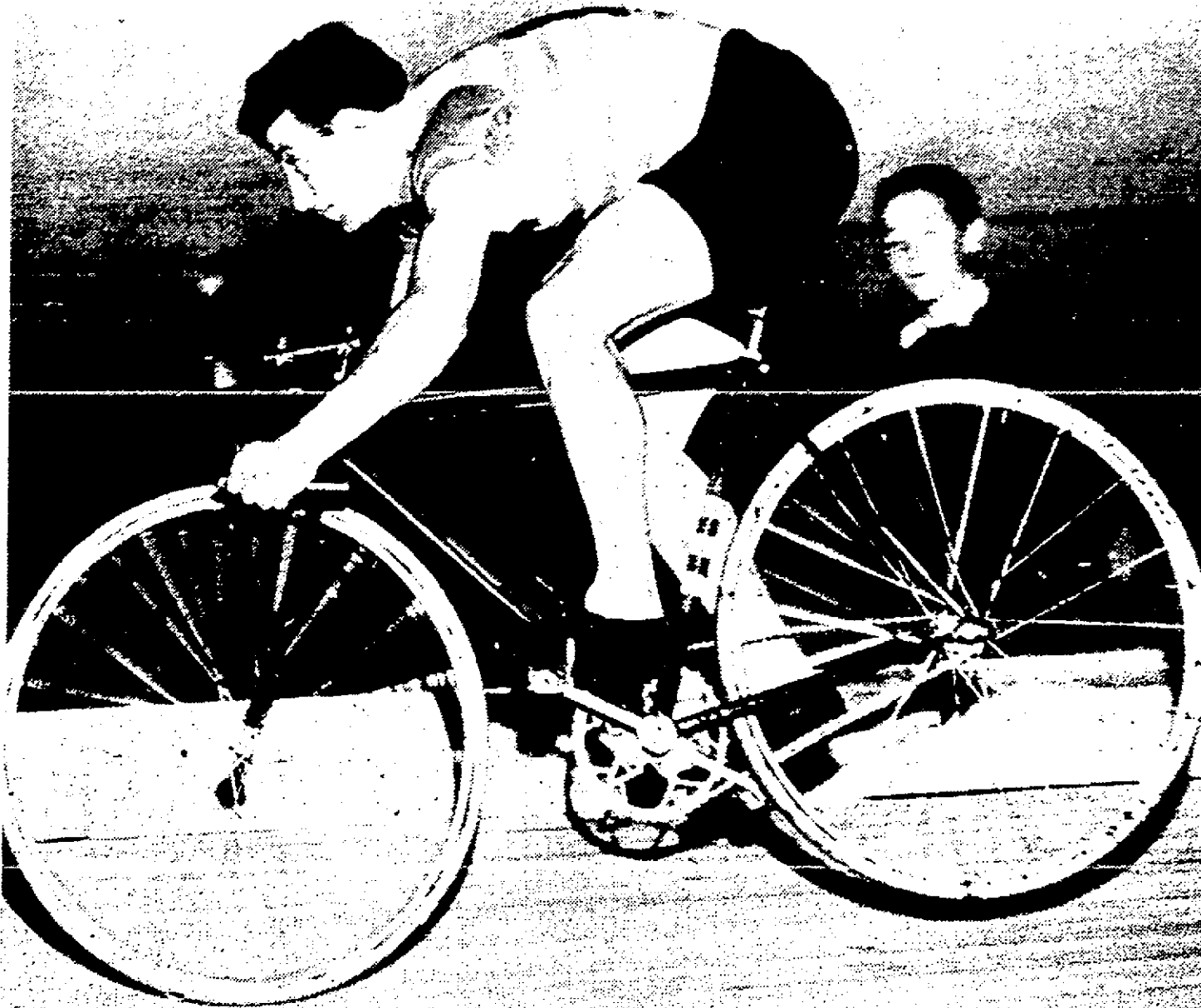
Approximately 2500 miles will be eaten up by spinning tires during the six days. Spills should be frequent. There will be some injuries. The enticing aroma of frying hot dogs will fill the building. Men will yell and some women will become hysterical. A bunch of youngsters will demand their dotage parents purchase them bicycles the very next afternoon.

There's nothing in the world quite like a six-day bicycle race. But, like oysters, you have to cultivate the taste. . . . And once cultivated, liberal helpings are required to satiate one's appetite.

Albany Five Wins From Emeryville

Albany High defeated Emeryville 41 to 38 last night at Albany, although Emeryville still holds its lead in the S. A. C. A. L. Cilla scored 21 points for the winning team.

CLEAR THE TRACK—HERE COMES TONY!



Riding hard and fast, Tony Schaller, seasoned bike pilot, will be one of the contestants in the six-day bicycle race opening at the Auditorium tomorrow night. Schaller, who has ridden in Oakland before, and was forced to retire only two hours before the close of the

San Francisco event, has been paired with Bobby Walthour, Jr., blonde thunderbolt from the East. Last season Tony was seriously injured in the local contest, but the story will be different this season, Tony has promised.

SMITH MEETS LITTLE IN FEATURE

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morning. There never was any doubt about that match. Playing with his usual beautiful precision, Horton turned the first nine in 35, one under the card, to hold a three up lead. He was never headed and wound up on the long end of a 5 to 4 score. In the afternoon he was extended to the very limit to beat Sam Parks Jr., former National open champion, one up on the nineteenth.

LITTLE IN FORM
Little was heartless in his dealings with Orville White in the morning, beating his fellow Chicagoan 5 to 4. In the afternoon he romped on Jimmy Hines to the tune of 3 and 2.

Picard, top man in the lower semi-final bracket, had a fight on his hands in the morning with our own Charley Sheppard of Castlewood. They were even at the turn, both shooting par golf, but on the back nine the tall Chocolate Kid overtook the local pro and beat him out, 2 and 1. In the afternoon he defeated Byron Nelson, one of the best golfers in the tournament, 3 and 2. Christian, his hair touched with gray, had the battle of his life in the early chukker, going 20 holes before he nosed out little Paul Runyan of White Plains, N. Y. In the afternoon he tackled Leonard Dodson, Missouri sharpshooter, and was always out in front to win 3 and 2.

DODSON BEATS DUDLEY
The afternoon losers, Dodson, Nelson, Hines and Parks, sailed through the morning round, Dodson being the only one to experience trouble. He registered the day's major upset when he knocked out Ed Dudley, 1 up. Nelson won from young Sam Snead, Oakland open winner, 2 and 1, as Hines beat Johnny Revolta, 6 and 4 and Parks knocked off Charley Congdon, 4 and 3. It isn't generally known, and you'd never hear it from Revolta, but the game Evanston player has battled through the Oakland, Sacramento and San Francisco events with a strained back, received in the Los Angeles open.

Not a word has been uttered, but from a close friend I learned he has been doctoring at night and battling on the golf course in the daytime. A game fellow, deserving a world of credit. The losers yesterday morning were rewarded with \$117, while the men put out in the afternoon drew \$150. In addition to his losers end, Jimmy Thomson was paid an additional \$25 for winning medal honors. The losers tomorrow morning will receive \$250 each, while the afternoon's winner will get a check for \$1000 and the loser \$500.

Baugh Awarded Prep Coach Job

FORT WORTH, Tex., Jan. 30.—(UP)—Sammy Baugh, All-America football quarterback at Texas Christian University, announced today that he would become high school football coach at Phoenix, Ariz., next fall.

Neutral Corner OVER McVEY GO HERE

Watch Cyclist
George Schipman
Eddie Shoots
Works on Race

By Alan Ward

The rest of you six-day bike nuts can pick your own favorites, but for my part I'm going to keep my one good eye trained on George Schipman, when the annual cycling whirligig opens Monday night at the Municipal Auditorium. Maybe I'd never have given George a thought (and maybe



ALAN WARD
This writer has spotted game birds on the canvas, on the roaring road, on hospital cots even. But they don't come any gamer than George Schipman. Think of riding 70 minutes alone on the final night of a six-day bike race, when all Hades has broke loose. Gosh!

AND THE APPLAUSE WAS NO APPLAUSE
Ovations have been rendered winners on many occasions, but I can't recall a greater tribute by an equal number of spectators than was rendered stringy, square jawed Schipman, when he finally held up his hand, signaling to the judges he couldn't ride further. A split second of total silence was followed by an outburst of sincere applause which rocked Dreamland to its very foundation. Boy, it was an ovation George never should forget it. It's the sort of thing which comes once in a lifetime. Well, maybe twice in a lifetime to a game mug like George.

Schipman will ride with Steve Wagner in the Oakland race. The two make a formidable combination. They're young and strong. Both have the intestinal fortitude essential to six day bike riders. And a cyclist, short of courage, is like a soldier minus a musket.

WHEN PASSES ARE SOUGHT THE SHOW IS PROMISING
This is a paragraph of confidence. . . . Of confidence in a sport and in a community. In his past two seasons Eddie Saunders, promoter of the coming race, had financial backing. This year he is going on his own. He is perfectly willing to risk the profit he received from his San Francisco show. . . . And all because he believes Oakland will be receptive to the pastime and will pay through the ticket-walker, more than the \$9000 of cost which will be pyramided.

"Last year the Oakland program drew close to \$10,000, and it still was in the pioneer stage," Saunders explained. "The enthusiasm marking the 1936 endeavor convinced me this city is race conscious, and requires only a little more knowledge of six day bike competition to become one of the greatest racing centers on the Pacific Coast. And that doesn't except San Francisco."

Something tells me Saunders will not be disappointed. The lads on the street corner are talking six day bikes. And the demand for free ducks is terrific, a sure indication civic interest has been stimulated.

RACERS TALK AND LISTENERS LIKE IT
Archie Ballaert and Freddie Zachs are two nice kids. Archie looks like a choir boy, miles removed from professional athletics, but he is one of the most promising lads in the business. Zach is sturdier, a little more the young man of the world, and he's good, too. The other night the pair accepted an invitation to attend a meeting and dinner of the Hayward 20-30 Club, and their talks scored with five bunch in southern Alameda County. In fact, President Don Harder of the 20-30's informed the visitors he was planning a party to the bike races the opening night, and the clubbers would devote allegiance to Ballaert and Zach, who will be running mates.

Archie comes from Belgium. Zach is a Swiss. Both talk their native languages fluently. One nice thing about six day bike racing is the verity of the advertised nationalities. In boxing, for instance, a gent may have been baptised Clarence Farraday Henshaw, but he'll carry the moniker Izy Rubinstein to appeal to the Jewish clientele. . . . Or "Irish" Mickey O'Romey, to draw in expatriates of the Emerald Isle. The bike racers don't juggle their names for the sale of ballyhoos.

They're playing that "contract" game again in Oakland. Johnny Sylvester is on one side, Joe Herman on the other. "Sunny" Jim McVey, who actually looks as sunny as the tail end of a hard winner, is the object of their affection. McVey will fight for me because his manager, Joe Ziff, said so," Herman declared. Ah, the naïvete of these youthful promoters, who believe the promise is mightier than the contract!

"I have the paper," declared Sylvester, flicking a piece of parchment under his listener's nose.

I WON'T TALK
"Who me?" said Ziff, registering surprise. "I don't know anything. I won't talk. Let the promoters fight it out."

Considering Sylvester introduced Heavyweight McVey to San Francisco, and then used the Negro in his first Oakland show, it would appear the new local promoter might have the inside track on Jim's services. However, Herman doesn't think so.

"Why, just the other day I was talking to Ziff and Joe informed me he'd fulfill the verbal contract, and his boy was ready to go when I gave the word," Herman explained.

Herman has gone so far as to enter into negotiations with Frank Bachman, manager of Maxie Rosenbloom, for a Rosenbloom-McVey bout here the night of February 17. . . . But Sylvester is sporting a telegram, bearing Bachman's name stating he and Maxie will listen to reason when the Sylvester love call is sounded.

Johnny mentioned, casually enough, he was considering putting on McVey and Rosenbloom one week from next Wednesday night, February 10, and with all the testimony assembled, it is a good bet in anyone's currency Sylvester and not Herman will land the match.

TAKES NO CHANCES
It isn't that Johnny is staking his whole future on Rosenbloom being McVey's opponent. The new matchmaker is one of those birds who believes in having a half dozen irons in the fire, thereby making certain one will be sufficiently hot when the branding is ready.

He has dickered with Hans Birke of Oakland and Lee Savoldi of Minneapolis as prospective opponents to McVey, just in case Maxie wants the city hall with a fence around it for his end. Birke is the uncertain quantity, because Hans has asserted the only two Negroes he will fight are Joe Louis and John Henry Lewis.

McVey has firmly established himself as one of Oakland's leading attractions, largely by reason of two successive one round knockouts of Frankie Hammer, Pitted against Rosenbloom, the Negro should be responsible for one of the largest houses of the fiscal year. Sylvester thinks so. So does Joe Herman.

NOT DISCOMFITED
Peculiarly, Hammer isn't abashed by his kayo. Doc Robinson, his loquacious manager, won't concede his heavyweight can't take a punch on the jaw, and should, for his own benefit, quit the game.

"Frankie needs more sparring with heavyweights," Doc said. "I'm going to send him to the gymnasium every day for a month. That'll toughen him up."

Robinson is an optimistic soul. If Hammer can't take a punch now, he won't be able to stand up under wear and tear four weeks, 10 weeks or 10 months from now. And soft jaws usually are permanent things. Like inferiority, complexes, cowlicks and flat feet.

By A. W.

Bear Ruggers Defeat Dons

Showing marked improvement over their first game, the University of California ruggers defeated the University of San Francisco yesterday 8 to 3 on the Berkeley Mission green.

Willard Dolman, a good grinder for Stub Allison in season, broke through a scrum and raced 40 yards for the first Bear score. The conversion was bad. In the second period Corbett Burbank pushed the ball across for another California score and Jack Sullivan converted to cinch the win.

Late in the game Prentiss Wells, Don back, broke away for his team's only score.

A wet turf cost the Bears other points. The boys would break away to cross the line only to tumble and have the opponents fall on the ball for a free kick.

Petey Hayes Beaten By Ev Rightmire
HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 30.—(UP)—Peter Hayes, New York featherweight, was badly beaten by Everett Rightmire, one of the Nation's five, best featherweights, in the main event at the Hollywood Legion last night. Rightmire won every round by ramming his gloves into Hayes' face

CLIPPERS WIN BY 2-1 COUNT

Playing before the largest crowd of the season since the opening night the Oakland Clippers last night defeated Vancouver 2 to 1 in a Pacific Coast Ice Hockey League game here. The Clippers are now in third place in league standings, three games behind Portland.

Vancouver took the lead in the first period when the visitors' lone score was made. The Clippers came back to count twice in the final session.

The lineups:
VANCOUVER: G. O. Timmons, D. Houbert, Mercer, D. O'Neill, W. Moffatt, C. W. Picketts, R. Jones, Pete Sande and Charles Spore.
OAKLAND: G. O. Timmons, D. Houbert, Mercer, D. O'Neill, W. Moffatt, C. W. Picketts, R. Jones, Pete Sande and Charles Spore.

Leo Levitt Facing Suit

Demanding an accounting of profits from a recent Honolulu trip on which he accompanied "Small" Montana, then flyweight champion of the world, a suit to dissolve partnership has been filed in the San Francisco Superior Court against Leo Levitt by Jack Kent and Archie Scheffer.

The suit charges Levitt received considerable money from Montana's bouts, exhibitions and movies, but neither Kent nor Scheffer has received the share due. The action further asks any fictitious properties held jointly by the three men be sold and the proceeds distributed.

Kent and Scheffer were backers of Levitt when he promoted bouts in this city. They also financed the Olympic at Los Angeles, and for a while were active in Sacramento.

The partners had a falling out over the Honolulu episode, and the ill feeling was heightened when Montana, enroute to England to box Benny Lynch, was delayed by Levitt, who assertedly held contracts on the Filipino's services.

When Levitt quit Oakland the promotional reins were taken over by Norman Richardson. Later Joe Herman assumed leadership of the club.

MONTANA STATE LOSES

LOGAN, Utah, Jan. 30.—(UP)—Utah Aggies evened a two-game series with Montana State tonight, taking a hard-fought basketball game by a tight 42-41 score.

BASKETBALL SCORES

Georgia Tech 31, Georgia 29.
Penn 23, Yale 20.
Drake 26, Iowa State 22.
Creighton 22, St. Louis 20.
Baylor 21, Texas Christian 19.
Emporia, Kans., Teachers 26, St. Benedict's 22.
Chillicothe Business College 68, St. Joseph J. C. 41.
L. L. U. 34, Washington & Jefferson 30.
Army 34, Colgate 31.
Loyola 26, Indiana 20.
Ish 21, 41, Brigham Young U. 40.
Utah State Agricultural 45, Montana State 41.

WRESTLING RESULTS

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NEW YORK—Erie, O., Omaha, pinned Matco Kirilenko, Russia. Tom Nlan, Australia, pinned Charley Allen, Albany, N. Y. Ralph Garabaldi, St. Louis, pinned Bobby Roberts, Dayton, O. Abe Coleman, California, pinned Jim Garms, Texas. Ernie Powers, San Francisco, defeated Jack Hader, Kansas City.

RESULTS OF S. F. GOLF PLAY

MORNING ROUND
Par. out 4 5 5 3 3 4 4-36
Horton Smith, out 4 5 5 3 3 4 4-36
Jim Tompson, out 4 5 5 3 3 3 3-35
Par. in 4 4 5 4 3 3 3-21
Smith, in 3 4 4 4 3 3 3-19
Tompson, in 4 5 4 4 3 3 3-21
Sam Parks Jr., out 4 5 5 4 3 3 4-37
Charles Congdon, out 5 5 4 4 3 3 3-39
Parks, in 4 5 4 4 3 3 3-26
Congdon, in 3 4 5 5 3 3 3-24

AFTERNOON ROUND
Smith, out 3 5 4 4 5 5 4-38
Parks, in 4 5 5 3 3 4 4-37
Smith, in 4 4 5 3 3 3 4-34
Parks, in 4 4 4 4 3 3 3-32
Extra hole, Smith, 1 up on the 19th.
Parks 4

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Little, out 4 5 5 5 4 3 4 4-33
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Picard, out 4 5 4 3 3 4 4 4-33
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RACING BOARD MUST ANSWER

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 30.—(UP)—Copies of complaints filed against the California Horse Racing Commission were forwarded today to Caeleton F. Burke, chairman, and William P. Roth, member of the board, with the request that they answer the charges "at the earliest possible convenience."

Governor Frank F. Merriam, in sending all complaints to the two officials, asked that Burke and Roth "acknowledge receipt and file any statement in affidavit form which you may wish to offer in reply."

Most of the charges were based on complaints that Burke was attempting to make the Santa Anita track a monopoly in Southern California and refused to give proper consideration to other applications for racing permits. Roth was accused of acting along the lines dictated by Burke.

At that time Bob Conyes, president, will preside at an informal gathering. Oakland will be host to several hundred out-of-town persons during the Congress, to be held from May 6 to 16.

WIFE AND DAUGHTER 'HEAR ALL ABOUT FIGHT



NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Bob Pastor, New York University graduate, rushed home after his 10-round battle with Joe Louis to let his family in on a play by play report. Mrs. Pastor and the young daughter, who will be one year old next Tuesday, were all attention. The little tot reaches for the glove that Bob plastered the Brown Bomber with throughout the evening.

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