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Sid Gordon Lives Up To Reputation

NEW YORK, April 12. — (AP.)—**Sid Gordon** is the lone major league home run hitter living up to his reputation this spring.



Sidney, one of 17 players who hit 20 or more homers last year, has belted 11 out of the park for the New York Giants in this conditioning period.

Sid Gordon The Giant third baseman, who hit 30 home runs last year, has clouted two homers in each of three exhibition games.

Gordon's teammate, Johnny Mize who tied Pittsburgh's Ralph Kiner for the league crown at 40 each last year, has socked five in grapefruit league competition. Mize seldom hits for distance during the training grind. He got four last spring. Kiner has three homers to his credit, including a grand slam poke.

Stan Musial, who walloped 39 homers for the St. Louis Cardinals in 1948, also has hit the jackpot only three times so far. Hank Sauer, the Cincinnati mauler, has slammed three homers, quite a drop from his pace of last summer

American League in home runs with 30 last year, still is looking for his first 1949 circuit blow. The New York Yankee star, however, has been shackled with a heel injury and has performed infrequently.

Cleveland's Joe **Gordon**, runnerup to DiMaggio in the home run derby with 32, has whacked four out of the lot in pre-season play. **Gordon's** teammate, Ken Keltner, who hit 31 four-baggers last year, has only two to his credit. Boston's Ted Williams, who produced 25 in '48, also has found the promised land only twice this spring.

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In contrast to the poor showing of the league's top muscle men is the amazing slugging feats of Roy Smalley, lanky shortstop of the Chicago Cubs.

Smalley is Manager Charley Grimm's leading light with ten homers. Smalley found the range only four times in 124 regular season games in 1948.

Following is a table showing how the 17 players who hit 20 or more homers in 1948 are doing this spring:

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
Player and Team	1948	1949	
Johnny Mize, New York	40	5	
Ralph Kiner, PITTSBURGH	40	3	
Stan Musial, St. Louis	39	3	
Hank Sauer, Cincinnati	35	3	
Sid Gordon, New York	30	11	
Del Ennis, Philadelphia	30	2	
Andy Pafko, Chicago	26	1	
Bob Elliott, Boston	23	1	
Jeff Heath, Boston	20	1	
Totals	283	30	
AMERICAN LEAGUE			
Foe DiMaggio, New York	39	0	
Joe Gordon, Cleveland	32	4	
Ken Keltner, Cleveland	31	2	
Vern Stephens, St. Louis	29	2	

out Posedel was back with his first love, the Navy, and served for almost four years in the South Pacific and Alaska. Following his discharge he served in a dual capacity at Seattle as pitcher-coach and was hired as a scout by the Pirates in 1947.

Last year Meyer brought him to Pittsburgh under the new setup. Like everyone else who comes in contact with Meyer, Posedel isn't backward in adding his two cents' worth that Meyer is all they say as a manager and one of the smartest men in baseball.

Moore Kayos Jimmy Bivins

TOLEDO, April 12.—(INS.)—Archie Moore, Toledo mittman, moved up another notch today in his battle for both heavyweight and light-heavyweight boxing honors. The 172-pound larruper fashioned his sixth consecutive knockout last night by kayoing Jimmy Bivins of Cleveland, a ranking heavyweight contender, at 2:04 of the eighth round of their scheduled 10-heat bout.

Moore dropped Whimmy Jimmy with a short right for a count of eight before applying the finisher.

Bivins had battled his lighter opponent on fairly even terms until the fifth round when Moore took charge.

Big Guarantee Asked

BELFAST, Ireland, April 12.—(AP.)—World flyweight champion Rinty Monaghan's manager, Frank McAloran, today said that it would be necessary for a guarantee of \$40,000 to be made before he would take his fighter to Honolulu to meet Hawaiian challenger Dado Ma-