

Squirts, Pastime To Play Tonight For Softball Crown

Schermer's Squirts and Sutherland Pastime meet on Finlay Field tonight at 8 o'clock in a nine-inning game to decide the city softball championship.

Although this will be only the first of a possible three games, to the winner will go the honor of representing Roseburg in the district finals slated to begin Monday. By mutual agreement, Managers Fred Schermer and Goose Mardin of Squirts and

Sutherland Pastime, respectively, decided upon a best two-out-of-three series for the city playoff. However, because of the lateness of the season, both managers agreed that the winner tonight will be the official entry into the district competition with Cottage Grove and Springfield. The two remaining games will be played after the district finals, probably August 23 and 25.

Because of the interrupted city playoff schedule, Roseburg may be represented by a team which actually may not be the city champions. For instance, if Sutherland wins tonight, the official records of the district playoff officials would enter Sutherland Pastime as the entry from Roseburg and all players from Roseburg would wear the green and white of the Taverners. However, after the district entry is decided, Sutherland may return to Finlay Field and lose both of the remaining city playoff games. Then the Squirts would be city champions although they were not the representative team in the district games.

Oaks Maul Seals, Beavers Pummel Padres 6th Straight

By BILL BECKER (Associated Press Sports Writer)

Oakland is the only team in the Coast League that can make San Francisco's high-class Seals look like bums.

The fighting Oaks harassed the Seals into making five errors last night and then broke through with six runs in the ninth to squeak the lead, 11-9. The defeat cut San Francisco's margin back to two games.

Three of the Seal errors were made by Werle, who pitched his way out of all jams until the last one. The roof caved in during the ninth on three hits, five walks and an error, with Gables drawing the defeat to before Melton put out the blaze.

Scarsella's two-run pinch single was the key blow.

Portland's red-hot Beavers made it six in a row — four straight over San Diego — by beating the Padres, 6-3. DiBlasi, the four-hitter, fanning eight, for his 14th win against 10 losses. Portland banded 12 hits, including Storey's homer and two singles, off Jurisich and Kerrigan.

The Beavers have won 24 of their last 36 games, a .667 pace. They were just a half game behind fifth-place Seattle after the Rainiers lost to Sacramento, 5-4.

The Seals squared their series at two games apiece by battering Karpel for 10 hits and all their runs in seven innings. Grissom notched his 10th win although giving way to a trio of relievers. Grissom got three hits and Hawkins drove in three runs.

Hollywood grabbed its first win in three games with Los Angeles, 5-4. Zernial's two-run homer, his 32nd, sparked the Stars, but it took doubles by Davis and Stringer and Cameron's single to produce two runs in the ninth for victory.

Two Big Chinooks Caught In Winchester Bay Area

Two Chinook salmon, one the largest to be caught on hook and line in the Winchester Bay area for many years, were landed Tuesday by Howard Hinsdale, Gardiner. The largest weighed 53 pounds, while the other tipped the scales at 45 pounds. The world's record for hook and line is an 83-pound salmon taken at Winchester Bay 1910 by F. E. Steel, Portland. Best catches, it is reported, are being made by trolling pilchards for lure.

All-Stars Chosen To Vie in Softball District Playoffs

Softball managers, representing the seven teams in City Softball League competition, Wednesday night named the 15 members of the all-star team who will represent Roseburg in the district playoffs next week.

Top honors went to Schermer's Squirts, first half league champs, with six of the starting nine named to the all-star roster. Sutherland Pastime placed four men and VW and Pepsi-Cola each placed two. Youngs Bay placed one but neither Montgomery Ward nor Umpqua Plywood is represented.

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Catcher—Fred Schermer, Squirts; Jim White, VW.

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2nd Base—Phil Lawrence, Squirts; Alvin, Sutherland.

3rd Base—Larry Strode, Pepsi-Cola.

Outfield—Brock Avery, Sutherland; Utility—Outfield—Bill Schermer, Squirts.

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Banner Battle Assured Between Hager and Hessel

Saturday's Pacific coast light-heavyweight championship wrestling match at the Roseburg Armory may not get so far out of hand that it turns into a punching brawl, but during the 2-hour time limit there seems no doubt there will be considerable bad blood between the two scientific matmen who will vie for the coveted crown—Champion Tex Hager and Challenger Gordon Hessel.

Three weeks ago Hager, the popular Oregonian, won the third and deciding fall by turning a winning Hessel maneuver into a winning press. Last Saturday Hessel defeated Hager in a return tilt with a trigger hold, but the commission ruled the belt could not change hands on a one-fall verdict. Thus the third and deciding skirmish Saturday.

There were no flistic flurries Saturday, but the going got pretty rough at times and both matmen may "blow their tops" with the blue chips down on this third engagement. Hessel, the New Mexico stylist, warns Hager to remain on the "straight

and narrow" or he will use any tactics to defend himself.

Hager, the "Creswell Cyclone," is anxious to prove to Douglas county grappling followers that he is a capable champion and will go all out to prove his point. Both men are capable of using spectacular tactics like drop-kicking and flying tackles, but for the most part Hager depends on a toe hold and Hessel on a short-arm scissors.

Regardless of the outcome, the match is expected to be one of the most torrid battles between scientific grapplers seen here for many months—and extra seats are being placed in the arena to care for the inevitable sell-out crowd. Fans are warned to make early reservations at Powell's.

Opening the championship program at 8:30 p. m. will be a clash between Bruno Angelo and Mike Casey. Angelo is fresh from a wild win over Rufus Jones and is confident of measuring the Boston Irishman, a cleanie who specializes in a neck-cracker hold. The match will mark his competitive debut here.

Elton Owen will be charged with the responsibility of officiating both bouts.

Judgments by Default Issued in Three Suits

Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly has issued an order of judgment by default in favor of the Douglas Creditors' Association in two separate suits; one to collect from George T. Martin \$235.25 plus interest and costs, and the other against Delmar B. Deardorff for \$287.76 plus interest and costs.

The judge has issued another judgment by default in favor of the Industrial Accident Commission against Donald D. Higginbotham and Austin J. Ellis, Jr., doing business as Higginbotham and Ellis; and B. Ellis and Delosa Ellis, for \$479.67 plus one per cent interest on \$388.58 from June 25, 1948. A lien was allowed against four cars owned by the defendants with the sheriff authorized to sell them to cover the judgment.

N. Y. City's Population Passes 8 Million Mark

NEW YORK, Aug. 13 (AP)—New York City's population has risen to an estimated 8,067,000 as of last July 1.

The annual population estimate, made yesterday by the Department of Health, indicated a gain of more than 600,000, or about 8.2 per cent, over the 1940 U. S. census of 7,454,995.

TWO DRUNKS JAILED

Wesley Wallace Overton and Bennie Holmes Sterns, charged with being drunk on the highway, were each committed to the county jail yesterday for 12½ days in lieu of \$25 fines, Justice of Peace Hartfel reported.

Traffic fines imposed in justice court included Don E. Curry, unit overload, \$10; Waldon L. Matthews, overload, \$10.

Talbot, O'Rourke Head Boxing Card For Tuesday Night

Rudy Schlotthauer, Roseburg boxing promoter, said yesterday that local fight fans will get a break Tuesday night when he brings an all-star card to the Armory. Not only will fans see 30 rounds of well-matched boxing, but the ticket prices have been reduced by 25 per cent.

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bout, Schlotthauer spoke with pride of Bucky O'Conner the newest addition to local fight circles. In spite of local criticism regarding training for the fighters, O'Conner has agreed to appear on the next card. Two weeks ago, he moved to Roseburg from Fresno, Calif., and three days after his arrival, he began his nightly workouts in the gymnasium at the high school football stadium. Local fight critics will be interested in knowing that O'Conner goes through a regular workout seven nights a week

and will be in top shape for Tuesday's card.

Portland fight manager, Wiley Spivey will bring Sammy Benton into the ring as O'Conner's opponent.

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