

Indian Netters Prepare For District War

Although the Roseburg tennis squad has been invincible in team competition this year, it's every man for himself Friday when the Indians host Marshfield and North Bend in the District 5 tournament.

The purpose of the tourney is to select the two best doubles teams and the two top individual players from the district for participation in the state meet at Corvallis May 12 and 13. The harrowing eliminations start on the local courts at noon in order to beat darkness. As an added incentive to the players, the singles and doubles champions will get a trophy for the district win.

In a letter to the other two coaches, Roseburg Mentor Al Hoffman has named Jim Lehl and Jack Jacobson of Marshfield as the two top threats from that school. He names Red Swain and Jim Bauer of North Bend as the men to watch from the other coast school. He fails to choose any of his own players and he has not revealed their placings in either the doubles or singles divisions. However, any of the top five will be tough to beat.

Roseburg Netmen Push Win Skein To 36 In A Row

It's a monotonous story, but the Roseburg tennis squad did it again. For the 36th consecutive time, the Indian netmen won handily in knocking over Grants Pass, 6-1, Tuesday.

It was the identical score by which the Indians won at home against the same squad a week ago. And again, the only setback was First Man Dick Jacobson's second loss to Caveman Dick White. After that match, the Indians swept the series. However, the combination of White and Gary Brown very nearly turned the tables on the crack team of Jacobson and Ronnie Groves in the first doubles match. The Cavemen took the first set, 6-8, but faded badly to lose the next two, 6-2, 6-0.

Results:
Singles: Dick White (GP) defeated Dick Jacobson, 7-9, 6-2, 6-2; Ronnie Groves (R) defeated Gary Brown, 6-3, 6-3; Gene Wilkerson (R) defeated Bob Franz, 6-1, 6-2; Wayne Henninger (R) defeated Bill Hamilton, 6-2, 6-4; Brian Booth (R) defeated Jim Little, 6-1, 9-7.
Doubles: Jacobson and Groves (R) defeated White and Brown, 6-8, 6-2, 6-0; Henninger and Wilkerson (R) defeated Hamilton and Franz, 6-2, 6-4.



LONGEST AMERICAN NOVEL?—Linotype operator Harry Tenney begins a marathon typesetting job as he starts to set what is believed to be the longest American novel ever accepted for publication. J. C. French, right, composing room foreman for Houghton Mifflin's Riverside Press, Cambridge, Mass., examines a portion of the mammoth manuscript, piled at left. Written by Waco, Texas, businessman Madison A. Cooper, Jr., the novel, which is as yet untitled, is expected to run to 2000 printed pages.



IN RUNNING — W. Averell Harriman (above), director of the Mutual Security Agency, has formally announced his candidacy in Washington for the Democratic presidential nomination. The New York industrialist said he would fight for the domestic and foreign policies of the Truman administration. Harriman has held a variety of government posts in recent years. (AP Wire-photo)

Junior Trackmen Score Sweeping Dual Victories

If present performances are indications of futures, Roseburg's track fortunes are on the upgrade.

The Junior High School seventh and eighth graders, coached by Hod Turner and Ron Pinkham, literally ran visiting Cottage Grove off the field Tuesday afternoon. The eighth graders won, 68-27, and the seventh graders smothered the visitors, 71-23. The eighth graders won blue ribbons in everything but the shotput.

A crowd of perhaps 500 spectators came to the meet with the dismissal of school for the event. From an individual standpoint, Jim Coen's shot put of 43 feet 1 1/4 inches was the most noteworthy in eighth grade competition. Bill Oerding in the seventh grade meet was a one-man team. He won the low hurdles, high jump, pole vault and ran on the winning relay team. His high jump was 4 feet 10 inches, more than an inch higher than the eighth grade jump. Kearney Doughton was also a four-time winner with blue ribbons in the 880, baseball throw, broad jump and relay.

The meets were officiated by members of the high school team.

Horace Gillom of the Cleveland Browns led the National Football League in punting last season with a 45.5 yard average in 73 attempts.

Sports

Tenmile Boys And Girls Win Softball Victories

Both the Tenmile boys and girls teams won softball victories on their home field last Thursday as they hosted Wilbur school.

The Tenmile boys dumped Wilbur, 18-5, and the girls defeated Wilbur, 14-3.

The next game will be played at Wilbur May 1.

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