

Roseburg Skaters To Get Big Chance In U. S. Meet

By GEORGE CASTILLO

Three years ago, two youngsters named Larry Archer and Mary Butler made their first groping steps on roller skates.

They were unknown to each other and the farthest thoughts from their 11-year-old minds was that they would be paired as the two finest junior skaters in the Northwest. Nor did they even guess that a community would one day magnanimously stake them to a trip to the greatest of all amateur skating meets, the All-American National.

But like the dream of Cinderella, it all came true. Starting July 7, the 14-year-old Roseburg High School youngsters don their skates with 20 of the nation's top skaters at Denver, Colorado's Mammoth roller drome in a competition in which even the slightest mistake means elimination.

Until five months ago, the spectacular rise to nationwide recognition was not particularly arduous. It was just fun. The young boy and girl had polished those first groping steps into considerable skill with some fundamental instruction from Ernie Erickson, owner of the Roseburg rink.

Then, in February of this year, the practiced eye of Rink Operator Erickson spotted these two as good match material for the 1952 skating campaigns. His choice was never better. Taking the two in tow, he taught them the six different dance "skates" (patterns) which had been determined by the high tribunal of skating, the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association. With it went a rigorous training program of long practice hours and regulated living.

Although the couple had never skated together before, they matched each other like bookends. Within a month, the hours of practice began to pay off. On March 19, they were proclaimed the third best team of junior skaters in the state at the Portland competition.

This merely whetted their appetites for more honors, and the training continued. Another two months passed and on May 12, they entered the Northwest and Canadian Original Skating Meet at Burlington, Wash. Two days later, they took the blue ribbon.

By winning the Northwest championship, the youngsters also won a chance to compete in the All-American. But trips to Denver don't grow on trees, so it was little more than a far-fetched offer.

That's when the chain reaction was set off that brought a bulk of Roseburg solidly behind a "Denver or bust" movement that was parlayed into a dream come true for the talented little skaters.

First, a food sale was held at the local rink which netted about \$200. This wasn't enough, so an interested skating enthusiast, Mrs.



MARY BUTLER and LARRY ARCHER
... On to Denver

George Pankey, went on a one-woman campaign for funds.

She contacted Earl Sargent for ideas. He came up with an "Old Timers" baseball game. After contacting Mayor Al Flegel, John Linde and Bus Sporer, they took up the "On To Denver" motif with a whoop and a yell. The local townspeople turned out in droves for the affair, and when the proceeds were counted, \$371 more were in the fund coffers from admissions and concessions. It was all clear because everything from umbrellas to soda pop was donated. Then, last Friday night, the two youngsters held a skating exhibition at the rink which dragged in another \$92. At the final tally, over \$600 had been collected to make the campaign what Mrs. Pankey called "a howling success."

Wednesday, Larry and Mary and Tutor Ernie Erickson leave for Denver with all expenses paid. "I've never seen youngsters appreciate anything so much," said Erickson.

Ski Club To Plan Camp Trip To Crater Lake

The Edelweiss Ski Club holds its Wednesday night meeting at the old Bates Candy Co. warehouse to clean up final details of the July 4 ski-camping trip to Crater Lake.

The meeting is slated for 7:30 and every skier or camper interested is urged to attend. The warehouse is situated on North Stephens Street between Wall's Market and the welding shop.

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3-Hit Rally Gives Victory To Melrose

YMCA Softball Standings Industrial League

	W	L	GB
Melrose	8 1/2	—	—
Scherner Bros.	7 1/2	—	—
Youngs Bay	6 1/2	—	—
Umpqua Plywood	6 3/4	—	—
Vets Employees	3 3/4	—	—
Barcus Sales	3 3/4	—	—
Smith Motors	3 4/4	—	—
Jaycees	2 6 1/2	—	—
Moose Lodge	3 5 1/2	—	—
Eagles Lodge	2 6 1/2	—	—
West Side	1 6 6	—	—
Rabg. Sand & Gravel	1 6 6	—	—

	W	L	GB
First Baptist	4 1/2	—	—
Christian Church	6 2 1/2	—	—
Vets All-Stars	4 2 1/2	—	—
Dillard Methodist	4 3 1	—	—
First Methodist	1 5 3 1/2	—	—
Faith Lutheran	0 6 4 1/2	—	—

Melrose moved a half game ahead in the tight Industrial League softball race Monday night at Veterans Field by rapping Umpqua Plywood, 6-2.

Melrose wiped out a two-run deficit in the third inning with a three-hit rally that netted four runs and enough to win the game. Meanwhile, First Christian Church sliced First Baptist's lead to a whisker by winning a tight Church League contest, 3-1, from Dillard Methodist in the second game.

Umpqua Plywood took an early lead in the Industrial League battle when Bill Benson pounded out a single to force in a run in the initial inning. The Plywoodmen scored another in the third on consecutive hits by C. Long and J. White, but that's where the contenders stalled.

Melrose's Bert Young held them hitless through the rest of the game while his teammates were walks, an error and three hits just getting into the gear. Two put the Melrose squad ahead for good in the bottom of the third. Then, Young added two insurance tallies in the sixth by blasting out a homer with a man on base.

In the Church League game, the Christians broke a 1-1 tie in the fourth after Jack Mathis had tripped. He scored the winning run on a ground out. An error and Loyde Casteel's single brought in the third run in the sixth. Al Hooten allowed Dillard Methodist only three hits.

Linescores
Ump. Ply. 101 000 0 2 3 1
Melrose 004 002 x 6 7 1
Reder and Poland; Young and Toombs.
Christian 001 101 0 3 4 1
Dillard Meth. 001 000 0 1 3 3
Hooten and Moore; Harryman and Callis.

In The Majors

NATIONAL LEAGUE
TUESDAY'S BASEBALL
By The Associated Press

	W	L	Pct.
Brooklyn	47	18	.723
New York	44	22	.667
Chicago	38	29	.569
St. Louis	38	34	.528
Philadelphia	30	36	.455
Cincinnati	31	38	.449
Boston	27	42	.391
Pittsburgh	18	53	.254

Monday's Results
Philadelphia 4, Brooklyn 0
Chicago 3, Pittsburgh 4
New York 8-4, Boston 7-0
St. Louis 7, Cincinnati 3

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
New York	39	26	.600
Boston	37	31	.544
Chicago	38	32	.543
Washington	35	30	.538
Cleveland	37	32	.536
St. Louis	32	37	.464
Philadelphia	27	33	.450
Detroit	22	46	.324

Monday's Results
Boston 4, New York 3
Washington 6, Philadelphia 1
Chicago 7, Detroit 2
Only games scheduled

Seattle To Go Against Solons

By The Associated Press
The Seattle Rainiers get their first glimpse Tuesday night of the Pacific Coast League baseball pennant they won in 1951.

PCL President Clarence Rowland and other dignitaries will be in the stands at Sick's Stadium for the official pennant-raising ceremony, a preliminary to the game with Sacramento.

Seattle's opener against the tail-end Solons, with veteran Al Widmar going against Glenn Elliott, will be one of the league's four opponents' swaps.

San Diego opens at Portland, Hollywood travels north to tackle Oakland, and San Francisco visits Los Angeles.

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Tight Pitching Gives Twin Victories To Medford Nine

While the Roseburg Chiefs and the Drain Black Sox were cooling their respective heels through weekend showers, surprises were cropping up in both other Southwestern Oregon League series.

Probably the most stunning surprise was the double raking powerful Coos Bay-North Bend took at Medford. Stellar Stud pitching and recurring eight-inning uprisings told the story of the Lumber Jack Lacing.

In the first game, Ward Rocky held the Studs to four hits and a run before he slumped in the eighth. Then, the Studs went to work to batter Rocky for six hits and the four runs that won the game in the eighth. Paul Gehrmann, who won the game, allowed only four hits.

Oregon State College's ace hurler Don White made his debut in the Sunday game. He was also doing fine until the eighth. He gave up only two hits before the Studs again broke loose. Then, like the return of Spring, the Studs bloomed with four hits including Winning Pitcher Clarence Melby's tie-breaking triple.

The double loss dropped the Lumberjacks into a third-place tie with Medford in the League Standings, and pushed the Roseburg Chiefs into undisputed second.

Almost as surprising was Brookings' first win of the season. The

Makeup Games Set In Softball

Rain has raised havoc with YMCA softball games in recent weeks and makeup games are strung out to playoff time July 23.

The playoffs were originally scheduled to start July 18, but rains cancelled so many games that the date had to be pushed back to work in the makeup.

Here are the scheduled makeup dates as announced Monday by YMCA Secretary Merla Donaldson.

July 14 — Smith Motors vs. Vets Employees.
July 18 — Barcus Sales vs. Eagles Lodge
Umpqua Plywood vs. Youngs Bay
July 21 — Barcus vs. Roseburg Sand and Gravel
Faith Lutheran and First Baptist
July 22 — Smith Motors vs. Sand and Gravel
Barcus vs. West Side.

Musial Again Tops League Hit Parade

NEW YORK — Stan Musial, an old hand at winning batting titles, tops the National League's hit parade for the second straight week while Al Rosen of the Cleveland Indians continues to set the pace in the American League.

Musial, the all-star outfielder of the St. Louis Cardinals, boasted a batting mark of .336 through games of Monday night.

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4 Umpqua Bowmen To Vie In State Archery Tourney

At least four Roseburg members of the newly-formed Umpqua Bowmen will make their bids for honors at the three-day Oregon State Archery Tournament in Portland July 4, 5 and 6.

They are Earl and Kathryn Ullrich and George and Elaine Foster. The Oregon State Archery Association issued a vote of welcome to the neophyte club by naming Mrs. Ullrich to the honorary position of Lady Paramount. She will control shooting among the women archers.

The Roseburg husband and wife combinations will participate in almost every adult event. On the list for the men are the York Round and the First American Round in the Saturday target events and the Second American Round and Clout Shooting Sunday. For the women, it's the National Round and the American Round on Saturday and the Columbia Round and Clout shooting Sunday. Mrs. Ullrich will also compete in the flight shoot Sunday. All competition will take place at Sherwood Field in Washington Park, except the flight shoot which is held at Westmoreland Park.

The annual state dinner and meeting is scheduled Saturday at 7 p.m. at Nendel's Inn at 9900 S.W. Canyon Road.

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