

Sideliner

By JIM VANCE

You'd probably have a hard time convincing the few locals who did pick up a few coins and a lot of the rest who didn't that he was right, but Sports Editor Dick Strie of the Eugene Register-Guard took a recent healthy swipe at the bowling public, which, he says, takes part in the big tournaments. Then he added a few words about the trapshooters.

"The bowling public," says Strie, "are a bunch of suckers when they enter tournaments like an American Bowling Congress classic recently closed in Seattle. . . . The everyday bowler is the guy who pays the freight and then sits around and watches the pros pick up the prize money made possible by their entry. . . . One of these days," he suggests, "the ABC is going to see the light and establish a new division and one exclusively for the pros—men who make their living by selling equipment, operating alleys or through exhibitions. Not until then will the good 'local' bowler have more than an outside chance of collecting enough prize money for his expenses. The only reason the keggers sit around without making a profit is that they have a good time at the tournaments, get a kick out of competing with his high shots and dream of a hot series that might possibly put them in the big money. . . ."

"BOWLING and trapshooting are two sports that have few differentials between amateurism and professionalism, although there is such a thing as a pro trapshooter. Both, however, have amateur fields that offer cash prizes, which would make the competitors professionals in other fields. . . ."

NEW CLUB MANAGER Jack Schvaneveldt will take over at the Roseburg Country Club on Thursday. Roseburg pro Eddie Oldfield informs that he won't compete in the Canadian Open coming up shortly but plans to fire in the Northwest Open at Seattle in early August. Dates of August 16-18 for second annual Roseburg Open are rapidly nearing with applications expected to start being filed.

NEW WRESTLING MAG for wrestling fans is one called Wrestling Guide. Weekly presentation carries action and still photos of grapplers currently campaigning in Northwest rings along with stories and sidelights of local ring happenings. Interesting feature is one called "Wrestling Quiz." We haven't seen the publication on any local newsstands but interested fans subscription or interested may be made to 3907 S. E. Belmont Ave., Portland.

Seriousness of wrestling fans can be taken from one incident that took place last week at the Roseburg Country Club on Thursday. Roseburg pro Eddie Oldfield informs that he won't compete in the Canadian Open coming up shortly but plans to fire in the Northwest Open at Seattle in early August. Dates of August 16-18 for second annual Roseburg Open are rapidly nearing with applications expected to start being filed.

IS THAT SO! Eugene Brunner

CAN PALMISTRY be scientific? Indeed yes, if you'll stick to reading birds' feet. With practice, a bird's foot can tell you its owner's ancestry, what it does for a living, the kind of food it eats, where it builds its nest, and even who its friends and foes are. That is because there is such great variation among birds' feet, each one adapted to the bird's way of life. First off, what looks like the knee of the bird (where the feathers usually begin) is the ankle—the jointed leg is nearer the body. Hence the bird stands and walks and grasps its body with its toes and these are never more than four.

In the perching birds, usually three toes point forward, the fourth backward. In those perchers, the tendons are arranged so that when the ankle joint is bent they draw the toes together. Thus when a bird settles down on a perch, the toes grip the limb automatically and as the bird becomes sleepy and presses its body downward more heavily and bends the ankle more, the grip becomes firmer which permits the bird to swoop safely, with never a fear of falling off its perch.

TO GET A surer grip, climbing birds like the woodpecker usually have two toes pointing forward and two backward and each toe is equipped with a sharp claw. (A more marvelous climber, though, is the tiny nuthatch. Without support from his tail, he can wind around and up a tree trunk in a trice and whenever the fancy strikes him come back down head first.) As for the owl, whenever he wishes, he can turn his third toe either backward or forward.

The swiftness which are never seen on the ground—they alight only when resting in their nesting places or other retreats—frequently have all four toes pointed forward to cling to their nests. For swimmers like the many ducks, the three forward pointing toes are usually webbed from toe to toe (in the cormorants the hind toe is also included.) This webbing creates a greater surface to be pushed against the water. In addition these swimmers' legs are short and strong, and placed far back on their bodies to help them swim more efficiently. And the bone between the toes and ankle is compressed into a narrow blade to reduce friction in preparing for a stroke.


IN THE GREBE and coot, the web is attached to each toe but these toe webs do not join, instead making broad lobes so that the toes make good paddles but yet allow considerable freedom in walking about in soft mud. (To permit walking on snow, the ptarmigan of the northland grows feathers between its toes while the ruffed grouse which has slender toes in summer grows horny comb-like fringes out from the sides of each toe during the winter. In these birds, this helps distribute the weight over a greater area, just like snowshoes.)

For the waders, the webs would be downright awkward so far as the toes have become exceedingly long to distribute the weight and carry the owners over the sand and mud. Doubtless, of these, the narrowest and longest toes belong to the jacana. This bird's toes are nearly as long as the rest of its entire leg which permits it to run about on the tops of floating lily pads on quest for food where no other bird can go. For birds more devoted to the pure sport of wading, such as the heron, ibis and crane, the shanks as well as the toes have become long and slender.

TO THOSE BIRDS which sprout the call has been for speed and this has led to the logical development of length and strength in the legs and the lessening of toes. As a result, the best bird-runner of all, the ostrich, has dropped two toes from each foot of the remaining two, one has become much smaller and weaker. Apparently, it is in the process, right now, of being sloughed off. In "reading" the bird's feet, the claws must not be overlooked; they are almost as revealing as the toes. In the running and walking birds, they are often short and straight; in some, like a few albatrosses, these horny parts are nonexistent, and those birds which snatch animals on the wing have developed amazingly strong claws armed with long, sharp, and downward curved hooked claws. To these, one of them—the fish hawk—has added a special gimmick: to hold fast his slippery, struggling prey, the pads of his feet are fitted with numerous small spines.

DOUBLE TROUBLE

MILWAUKEE — Hank Aaron of the Braves doubled into a double play in a game against the Phillies here. After Johnny Logan had singled, Aaron blasted one into the right field corner for two bases. Both runners, however, wound up at third and both were trapped for a double play.



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News-Review	0	6 .000

Copco's 8-1 thumping of the Postoffice Monday night threw the Twilight Softball League into a first place deadlock as the winners closed in on the season-long leading Vets' All-Stars.

Pitiner Holt of Copco limited the losers to but three hits including a single in the fifth which drove in the postmen's only run. Copco scored twice in each of the second and fourth innings and four times in the sixth.

In YMCA Church League game Monday, North Roseburg Church defeated First Methodist Church 20-14.

There are no Industrial League games scheduled this week.

Postoffice 1 3 6
Copco 8 9 2
Stewart, Strickling (2) and Allen; Holt and Ellenwood.

Elliott, Marshall Lead PCL Hitters

SAN FRANCISCO — Harry Elliott, San Diego left-fielder, and Jim Marshall, Oakland first sacker, share honors as the top two men among Pacific Coast League batters this week.

G AB H Pct.			
Melton, SF	15	61	.223
H. Elliott, SD	98	376	.346
Rapp, SD	97	328	.310
Phillips, Hwd	95	362	.261
Cutti, Oak	66	208	.287
Sisler, SD	99	388	.252
Beard, Hwd-SF	93	320	.315
A. Wilson, Hwd	95	392	.235
Rose, Oak	90	374	.217
Bernier, Hwd	86	298	.312
M. Smith, SD	69	187	.319
Byrne, Sea	46	84	.263
Neal, Oak	55	165	.309
Federoff, SD	98	373	.215
Chapman, Oak	89	344	.208
Lomb, Hwd	92	392	.238
Westlake, SF	79	237	.238
V. Jones, Sac	100	376	.215
Robbe, Port	65	187	.305
Pramesa, La	47	128	.305

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WIL		
	W	L Pct. GB.
Victoria	3	0 1.000
Tir-City	5	1 .833
Yakima	4	1 .800
Lewiston	5	2 .712
Vancouver	1	2 .333
Edmonton	2	4 .333
Salem	2	4 .333
Wenatchee	0	7 .000

Fights Last Night

MONDAY'S FIGHTS
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NEW YORK — Floyd Patterson, 164 1/2, New York, stopped Jacques Royer, 166, France, 8.

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Sports

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Major League Players Hire Lawyer In Pension Struggle

CLEVELAND — The major league baseball players have organized formally into an association with by-laws and a constitution but no dues. J. Norman Lewis, their lawyer, goes out of his way to insist this is no union.

Lewis will receive a reported \$30,000 fee for services rendered in helping the players negotiate a new pension contract with the owners. His fee covers work through October 1954.

"There is no definite arrangement for the future after October," said Lewis. "We didn't discuss it. That is something that probably will be decided later."

Freitas-Led Solons Blank Seals; Stars Pound Bevos

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San Diego 59 41 .590 2 1/2
Oakland 53 46 .535 8
San Francisco 51 50 .505 11
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INSTINCTIVE

Roseburg Ladies Win Bow Titles Over Weekend

Two Roseburg ladies were crowned state champions in their respective divisions at the annual field archers state tournament at Cave Junction over the weekend.

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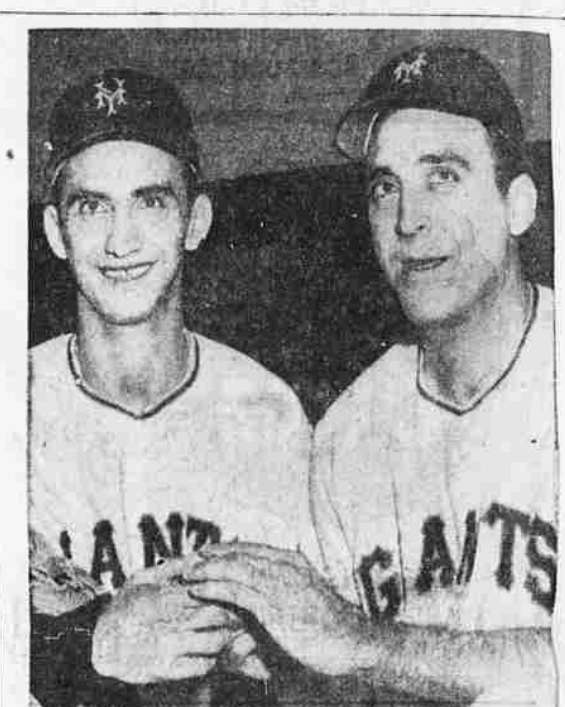
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LIGHTER LUMBER—Hank Sauer shows Stan Hack the new and lighter bat which has him batting around .340, bidding for the major leagues' home run championship and among the leaders in runs-batted-in. The big Cub switched from a 40-ounce club to one that weighs 37. (NEA)



SOME MIGHT RUB OFF—Ramon Montanz, left, hoped that some of Sal Maglie's skill would rub off on him as a Giant. The 21-year-old Venezuelan right-hander was brought up from Minneapolis. (NEA)



MICKEY ONE-ARM—Mickey Mantle's strong right arm handles the job of pulling up his swing on a bad pitch by itself. It's this kind of muscle man tactics which have made the Mick a feared swinger—and he is beginning to move now, after a slow start. (NEA)

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