

# Sidelineer

By BOB MONROE

One final note on the recently ended basketball season. The Bend Lava Bears, in picking their all-opponent basketball squad for the year, honored two Roseburg Indians on the 10-man squad. Forward Larry Sloan, 6-2 senior for Roseburg, was given a first team berth by the Lava Bears, while 6-3 senior forward Wes Jackson earned a second team spot.

Out of the 17 players picked as worthy opponents on the teams that the Lava Bears met this year, 10 were chosen. Out of the 10 came five players from District 5-A-1 teams. This gives just one example of how the players from this league compare with those of other leagues.

Others from the league chosen were Wally Knecht of Springfield on the first team at center, Dick Manilla of the Millers on the second team at one of the guards and Bob Jacobson of North Bend on the second team at center.

**IN GUNNING** their third straight 25 X 25 last weekend in the Journal Telegraphic Trapshoot, Roseburg moved into first place with a record of 10 wins against three losses. The shoot includes a total of 25 teams all the way from Anchorage, Alaska, to Klamath Falls and takes in most of the central portion of the state. The local shooters hold a one-point edge over Canby and Sandy.

Just about the top spring performance by a Douglas County athlete during the first weeks of the baseball season is the fine pitching record turned in by Wes Davidson of the Myrtle Creek Vikings.

Davidson, a 6-3 junior letterman for the Vikings, has pitched a total of 11 innings in the first three Myrtle Creek games this spring and has allowed only one run and six hits to the opposing batters. This includes one start against A-1 Grants Pass and relief performances against the Riddle Irish.

**IN THE OPENING** game against Grants Pass, Davidson was touch-

ed for five of the six hits and the only run. In his final two relief stints against Riddle, he has pitched a total of seven innings and has given up only one hit and no runs. His final four-inning role against the Irish last Saturday saw him set the batters down without a walk, hit or a run. Not bad for this early in the season.

On top of all this he leads the club at the plate, with an even 500 batting average on four hits in eight trips to the plate. All this and he still has one season left.

Although losing their first two starts of the baseball season, the Glide Wildcats don't look to be in for a losing season. Neither top pitcher, Bill Ewings or John Livingston, has seen action yet this spring due to arm troubles.

Livingston had his elbow operated on right after basketball season and has not yet even thrown a ball, although Coach Jack Forsythe expects him to be ready for the Umpqua Valley League opener on the 15th. Ewings is also having arm troubles, turning up with a sore spot that will require a little work to loosen up. He is also expected to be ready for the start of the counting games.

| A SCHOOL STANDINGS | W | L | Pct.  |
|--------------------|---|---|-------|
| Glendale           | 3 | 0 | 1.000 |
| Myrtle Creek       | 2 | 1 | .667  |
| Drain              | 2 | 1 | .667  |
| Roseburg           | 1 | 1 | .500  |
| Riddle             | 1 | 1 | .500  |
| Sutherlin          | 1 | 2 | .333  |
| Douglas            | 0 | 1 | .000  |
| Glide              | 0 | 2 | .000  |
| Oakland            | 0 | 0 | .000  |

**NOW COMES** the time for the first look at how the nine different A schools are doing in the recently started baseball race in Douglas County.

With the first two weeks gone by in the season, the powerful Glendale Pirates hold down the top spot with a record of three wins and no losses. We might add here that all of the wins for the Pirates were by a one-run margin, twice over the Glide Wildcats and once over the Douglas Trojans.

Still anyway you look at it, it's the total runs that count in the scoring.

The Myrtle Creek Vikings and the Drain Warriors hold down the runner-up spot with a record of two wins against one loss. Myrtle Creek holds a win over A-1 Grants Pass in its opener and a split against the Riddle Irish. Drain has a win over Elktion and a split with Sutherlin to its credit.

In the Drain win over the Elktion Elks, the score was not reported, but we do know that the game was a shutout with two of the Warrior pitchers combining for a no-hit no-run game. Not bad for a start.

The Roseburg Indians, largest school in the county, holds down a fourth place tie with Riddle, both with 1-1 records, after splitting a pair of games with Medford last weekend.

All in all the schools have rung up a record of 10 wins against nine losses against all opposition for a not-too-bad .526 average. Hope it gets better as the year goes along.

**Yakima Sets Tryouts**

YAKIMA, Wash. — Tryouts for area hopefuls will be held by the Yakima team of the Northwest Baseball League Wednesday and Thursday. Spring training will start Friday.

Two players, second baseman Jesse Douglas and outfielder Winston Foster, arrived here Monday from Los Angeles.

Manager Hub Kittle said Milwaukee of the National League with which the Bears have a limited working agreement has promised to send several players.

## Troy Track Team Deep In Veterans

With a total of 16 lettermen and a top transfer, plus some of the finest freshmen and sophomores seen for several years, the Douglas Trojans track squad looks like one of the powers in the Umpqua Valley League this season.

With one meet under their belts, a close 60-53 loss to Roseburg, the Trojans can place at least one letterman in every event this season. Heading the list of lettermen is the 880-yard and one-mile champion, Cliff Thomson, who is unbeaten in Umpqua Valley League competition during the past three years. Thomson is one of the 11 senior lettermen back.

In the field events the Trojans can bank on seniors Don Grass in the shot put, Bob Carlson and Gene Fisher in the discus, Phil Hill in the javelin and Jerry Griese and Dave Wylie in the pole vault.

Lettermen back in the running events include seniors John Erbe, Terry Counts and Russ Prock in the hurdles, senior Jack McLennan and junior Gary Strom in the 440-yard dash, senior Dave Gilman, junior Elmer Mills and sophomore Bill Helms in the 100-yard and 220-yard dashes and Thompson in the long distances.

Junior Kent Sproul, transfer from Roseburg, and sophomore Ted Thomson give the Trojans more added depth in the distance races, while freshmen Ted Green and Larry Dunkle figure to help the Trojans in the high jump and broad jump.

Last season, the Trojans finished second in the Hayward Relays and fifth in the state meet in their division.

**Schedule:**

April  
5—Relays at Sutherlin  
11—Hayward Relays, Eugene  
18—Sutherlin, Myrtle Creek, here  
22—Riddle, Glide, here  
25—Douglas, Drain, Sutherlin at Sutherlin

May  
1—Phoenix, Glendale, Douglas at Glendale  
5—Glide, Oakland, here  
16—Sub-district and UVL, here  
24—District meet at Ashland  
30-31—State meet at Corvallis

# Sports

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## From The Training Camps

WICHITA, Kan. — Outfielder Al Smith apparently will not be in the Chicago White Sox lineup in next Tuesday's opener against Detroit.

Smith, who came to the Sox with Early Wynn in a trade which sent Minnie Minoso and Fred Hatfield to Cleveland, has been hampered by a leg injury all spring. Manager Al Lopez used Smith for several innings Sunday and again Monday in exhibition games with the Cardinals but Smith was limping noticeably.

Asked if he thought he would be ready to go at top speed opening day, Smith said he didn't think so.

**SCOTTSDALE, Ariz.** — Right-hander Jim Brosnan, who had a 5-5 record last season apparently will be the opening day pitcher when the Chicago Cubs tangle with the Cardinals at St. Louis April 15.

Manager Bob Scheffing said he won't make up his mind until Sunday but "right now I'm giving strong consideration to Brosnan."

**RICHMOND, Ind.** — The much heralded Albie Pearson probably won't be Washington's starting center fielder when the Nats open against the Boston Red Sox next Monday.

The half pint star of the Pacific Coast League last year was picked by the Sporting News Monday as prospective Rookie of the Year in the American League.

But after a fine start in spring training Pearson's hitting has leveled off recently and his present average is .234. In contrast, Whitey Herzog, another bidder for the center field post, is batting .357.

As a result, Manager Cookie Lavagetto has indicated Herzog is

likely to get the starting nod for the season's opener.

**MEXICO CITY, Mex.** — The Pittsburgh Pirates open a three-game exhibition series Tuesday night against Mexico City of the Class AA Mexican League.

Manager Danny Murtaugh has slated left-hander Bob Smith to do the pitching. Murtaugh instructed Smith to go as far as he can.

**LAKELAND, Fla.** — The Detroit Tigers head north Tuesday carrying the optimism of Manager Jack Tighe and the worst spring exhibition record in the club's history.

Tighe, whose Tigers compiled a 6-17 mark in Grapefruit League play, said:

"I feel more strongly than ever, after the way Harvey Kuenn and Billy Martin have come through, that we have a real chance to go all the way."

Kuenn, the Tigers' shortstop in past seasons, was switched to centerfield. Martin, a second or third baseman in previous major league play, has been put at shortstop by Tighe.

**AUSTIN, Tex.** — Whip-wristed Henry Aaron has regained the runs-batted-in leadership on the Milwaukee Braves this spring with a total of 21.

Aaron, who drove in two runs of the Braves' three runs at Houston Monday, also led the team in home runs with six, two more than Eddie Mathews and Joe Adcock. Mathews is second in the RBI spring standings with 19.

**Ex-Ashland Coach Hired By Grovers**

**COTTAGE GROVE, —** The new football coach at Cottage Grove High School this fall will be Al Simpson.

He will replace Sam Bell, who will take over the football coaching job at Benson High School in Portland.

Simpson signed his contract last weekend, a few hours after he resigned a similar post at Ashland High. Before going to Ashland, Simpson coached at Medford and led that school to the 1944 state championship.

**Hurler Loses No-Hitter**

**PORTLAND, —** Washington High School's Jon Swanson hurled his second no-hitter Monday, but lost the game 2-0 to Jefferson.

The winners scored two runs in the first inning on two walks, two sacrifices, an error and a wild pitch. The game was called in the fifth inning because of rain.

On Thursday, Swanson pitched a no-hitter as his team defeated Benson 8-0.

## Sports Calendar

**TUESDAY**  
BOWLING: Ladies leagues, 7 and 9 p.m.  
ARCHERY: South Umpqua Archers, Tri-City, 7 p.m.  
RIFLE CLUB: Juniors, Winchester, 7:30 p.m.  
VOLLEYBALL: Men, 6:30 p.m. Women, 8 p.m., Central JHS.

**WEDNESDAY**  
BASEBALL: Emerald League: St. Francis at Drain, 2 p.m.  
BOWLING: Industrial and Sportsman leagues, 7 p.m. Commercial and Nina Clock leagues, 9 p.m.  
PAL CLUB: Winston, Douglas High.  
RIFLE CLUB: Seniors, Winchester, 7:30 p.m.

## Oakland Thin In Lettermen

Oakland, with a total of seven lettermen back this season doesn't figure to have enough strength to be any threat in dual meets this year, but figure they should do fairly well in the Umpqua Valley League track meet at the end of the season.

Five of the lettermen are seniors, with most of the strength in the middle distances and the weights.

Seniors back this year are Dan Cantwell in the mile run, Mel Nickols and Larry Turner in the 220-yard and 440-yard dashes, Ron Tegan in the weights and Lonnie Leonard in the high jump and broad jump.

Junior lettermen are Jim Seehaver in the weights and Vic Brint in the 880-yard run and high hurdles.

Top candidates for the squad include juniors Bill Fugate in the sprints and Carl Whitworth in the discus and pole vault and sophomores Jerry Clark in the high jump and broad jump and Frank Keilum in the 880-yard run.

According to coach Ted Zetterburg, several top marks and times should be turned in before the year is out, providing the squad rounds into shape as it is expected to.

**Schedule:**

April  
11—Hayward Relays, Eugene  
15—Myrtle Creek, here  
25—Douglas, Drain, here

May  
2—Glide, Yoncalla, here  
9—Glide, Riddle, Douglas, Sutherlin at Douglas  
16—Umpqua Valley League meet at Douglas  
24—District meet at Ashland

**Starting Hurler Named For Seattle Rainiers**

**LAREDO, Tex.** — Starting pitcher in the opening game of the Pacific Coast League season April 15 at Seattle will be right-hander Art Fowler, Rainier manager Connie Ryan said Monday night.

The 34-year-old Fowler won the starting assignment against Spokane when he went the full nine innings for a 9-2 victory in an exhibition game here Monday night against Dallas. Fowler struck out 10 and limited the Rangers to eight hits.

## Drain Drops Doubleheader In Emerald League Opener

Drain opened defense of its Emerald League baseball co-championship Monday by dropping a pair of games to the Junction City Tigers, 8-3 and 3-1 at Drain.

The Warriors were held to three hits in the first game. Junction City broke a 4-4 deadlock in the top of the fifth inning with a four-run rally, then coasted in for the win.

Three walks, two errors, a double by Dick Barber and a single by Ken Johnson gave the Tigers their four runs in the fifth.

Junction City held a 4-1 lead going into the last of the 3rd inning after pushing across three runs in the second on two walks and three errors, but Drain bounced back with three runs of its own in the third to knot the score.

Walks to Dick Blomberg and Ray Heaton, two Junction City errors and a sharp single by Catcher Floyd Phillips gave the Warriors their runs. They added a single run in the last of the seventh inning on a single by Phillips and a single by Frank Jacobs.

The second game went five innings without a run by either team, but each club pushed across a single tally in the sixth to go into the final inning still knotted up. Drain scored its run on an interference

by a sacrifice and an error, while Junction City nabbed theirs on a walk, two passed balls and an error.

**Winning Runs Scored**

The Tigers then pushed across two runs in the top of the seventh on a walk to Dick Nicks, a sacrifice by winning pitcher Frank Snow, a wild pitch and a single by Jack Buck.

Snow, who held the Warriors to only one hit during the game, set Drain down in the seventh in order to preserve the win.

Both pitchers in the first game, Pleasner for Junction City and Bob Whipple for Drain were sharp for this early in the season, with Pleasner allowing only three hits, while striking out 10. Whipple gave up only five hits and struck out nine. The only extra base hit of the game was a double by Heaton of Drain. Dean Baber led the winners with 2-3, both singles.

Jacobs for the Warriors gave up only three hits in losing the second game and struck out five. Winning pitcher Snow allowed only a single by Phillips in the fourth inning in his fine showing, while striking out nine and walking six.

**First game:**  
Junction City 001 040 9-8 5 3  
Drain 013 000 1-3 3 6  
Pleasner and Bowman; Whipple and Phillips.

**Second game:**  
Junction City 000 001 2-3 3 2  
Drain 000 001 0-1 1 3  
Snow and Bowman; Jacobs and Phillips.

WP: Snow. LP: Jacobs.

## Gunners Perfect In Telegraphic

The Roseburg Rod and Gun Club shot another perfect round Sunday in the Journal Telegraphic Trapshoot to hold onto first place. Last week the Roseburg team was high in the 15-team league with a total of 23 points.

Harold Woolley, C. W. Collins and Forrest Solomon all shot 23's Sunday in league competition.

Others hitting 23's for the day were H. M. Shirliff Sr., Ken Ellison, Dean Buhary, Leighton Cornish, Ray Emery and Sam Crites.

Eight other shooters out of the turnout of 30 missed only one bird during the shoot, while four missed two and four missed three. Hitting 24 were Wes Topping, George Sherwood, Ted Rice, Enos Hamdy, Deak Miller, Ivan Pickens, George Voytilla and George Cornish.

Those hitting 23 for the day were Ted Soden, Tom Mehl Sr., Jim Miller and Dutch Davis. Those with 22's for the day were Joe Sayre, Cecil Patchen, Jack Culver and Charles Klinger.

In shooting for the Joe Sayre Trophy, George Sherwood and H. M. Shirliff tied, both with 48 X 50. The tie will be shot off next Saturday morning to decide the winner.

Also on the calendar of events for the Rod and Gun Club is the annual PITA registered shoot Saturday and Sunday. This will be preceded by a non-registered back-up and 50-target shoot.

The club will also hold a handicap event this Friday under the lights at Winchester.

**PILOT GOLFERS WIN**

**OSWEGO, Ore.** — The golf team from the University of Portland defeated Pacific Lutheran, 17½-4½ on the Oswego Country Club course here Monday.

## Drain Track Squad Has 8 Lettermen

The Drain track squad numbered eight lettermen in the turnout of 19 to start the year, but doesn't expect too much in the way of top marks, except for the pole vault, javelin and discus.

Senior Bob Beaton in the javelin, senior Jerry Nash in the discus and juniors Albert Lowell and Eugene Merrill are expected to pick up more than their share of points in these events, but the rest of the squad is classed as weak.

Other lettermen back include seniors Larry Gurney in the hurdles, Eddy Johnston in the shot put and Eddie Turner in the distance races and junior Dick Crites in the 440-yard run and shot put.

The rest of the squad will be made up of freshmen and sophomores.

Most of the meets for the Warriors will be run against Emerald League competition, except for one meet against Sutherlin in the Umpqua Valley League.

**Schedule:**  
April  
11—Hayward Relays, Eugene  
14—Mira, Drain at Willamette  
21—Creswell, Drain at Junction City  
25—Sutherlin, here  
28—Pleasant Hill, there

May  
2—St. Francis, Drain at Oakridge  
9—Sub-district at Springfield  
16—District at Springfield  
30-31—State meet at Corvallis

## Veterans Return To Pirate Track

The Glendale Pirates figure to have fair success in the coming track season as six lettermen answered coach Jerold Williams' first call of the year.

Included in the lettermen is senior Wes Young, who was third in the state last year in the high jump. Other lettermen are Troy Reynolds in the broad jump, Ron Smith in the 100-yard and 220-yard dashes, Lloyd Clark in the javelin and Bill Mullarkey in the high hurdles. All are seniors. Lone junior letterman is Larry Mollers in the pole vault.

Top prospects for the squad this season include senior Tom Mehl in the shot put and sophomore Carlos Stanfill in the mile run.

The Pirates had a turnout of only 15 for the team this year, with most of them being freshman and sophomores.

Five meets are on the Glendale schedule for the year, with all of them slated to be held on their home field. They will also participate in the sub-district meet in Ashland.

**Schedule:**

April  
12—Myrtle Creek, Rogue River, Riddle, Days Creek, here  
17—Days Creek, here  
22—Canyonville, here  
25—Illinois Valley, here

May  
2—Douglas, Phoenix, here  
17—Sub-district meet at Ashland

## Tag Team Match Scheduled Thursday At Fairgrounds

Promoter Elton Owen has lined up Thursday night professional wrestling card for the Douglas County fans this week, with a new starting time of 8 p.m. at the fairgrounds.

Headlining the card will be an Australian tag team match between champions Wild Bill Savage and Haru Sasaki and challengers Black Hawk and Al Sazas.

Savage and Sasaki are the Northwest champs, but have refused to lay their title on the block in this match because Black Hawk and Sazas have not yet made a name for themselves. The two challengers will be out to gain some reputation.

Also on the agenda for the evening will be two preliminary events between unannounced foes.

The challengers will be slightly outweighed in this match, but figure to use their superior speed to advantage. Black Hawk specializes in the Indian stake hold, while his partner Sazas is known for his whip-wristlock.

Savage is known as a rough-and-ready wrestler with a knowledge of all the wrestling holds. He holds the Northwest heavyweight title along with the tag team trophy.

His partner, the sinister Sasaki, is an expert at judo and with his rough style makes an ideal partner for Savage.



WILD BILL SAVAGE  
... champion

## NRA To Hold Meeting

**DALLAS, —** The National Rifle Assn. will hold its annual meeting here April 12-19 with some 10,000 expected.

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