



TRACK ROMANCE — Earl Motter, of Hayward, Calif., 17-year veteran of auto racing, and Mary Esther Vukovich, Fresno, Calif., widow of a two-time winner of the 500-mile race, looked equally happy about the engagement ring he gave her in Indianapolis. Motter said the wedding will be next fall.

Meet Of Champions Draws Host Of Track Luminaries

HOUSTON, Tex. — A galaxy of track stars featuring Glenn Davis, the world record holder in the 440-yard dash, and the Bobby Morrow-powered sprint combinations of Abilene Christian College will line up Saturday in the annual Meet of Champions.

Athletes from six major conferences and 28 states are entered in the meet, sponsored by the University of Houston.

Opposition Expected — The Abilene Christian 440-yard relay team that bettered the world's record with 39.7 at the California Relays Saturday faces strong opposition from the University of Houston, which will bring three brilliant freshmen up to the varsity and run as the Houston Track and Field Club.

Morrow did 9.4 at Modesto in returning to the form that made him 1956 sprint champion of the Olympic Games. He is entered in both the 100 and 220.



MORROW WINS 100-YARD DASH — Bobby Morrow, Abilene Christian's Olympic champion, left, is shown hitting the tape to win the 100-yard dash in the California relays at Modesto. His time was 9.4. Tied for second place were (left to right from Morrow) Ray Norton, San Jose State; Willie White, California; and Bill Woodhouse, Abilene Christian.

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Sidelineer

By BILL GOULD

With the Myrtle Creek Vikings trying for the state baseball title Saturday and the Viking cinder group coming close to a state title in track last Saturday, it should be safe to say the Vikings have had a good spring sports year.

Certainly, one could find no greater desire in players than that displayed by the Vikings baseball club and their fine track team. The fact the Myrtle Creek nine has drawn the underdog role in each of its playoff outings, and has won these contests is testimony in itself.

And the performance at the state Class A-2 track meet at Corvallis by that quartet of Viking speedsters speaks for itself.

BUT WHEN you find the two groups combining talents, as is the case at Myrtle Creek, you find the ideal one-two punch. The Vikings has played a major role in the Viking baseball club's drive to the title game. Almost always, it's Jim Murray, Bob Paine and Don Bishop being sent home on a squeeze or stealing second or third.

This is not to say these three are responsible for the number of Vik stolen bases, because there have been others, too, but the fact remains, speed on the track or the diamond has been the key at the Viking school.

Beat this outfield in this state, for A-2 schools; Murray in left, the Oregon State Class A-2 220-yard dash champion, and anchor man on the Myrtle Creek state championship relay team; Bishop in center, earlier a member of the top relay team; Paine in right, a vital member in that winning relay group and fourth fastest man in the 100-yard dash and the 220-yard dash in the state. I doubt very much, if any other A-2 nine in Oregon could touch them.

IT'S INTERESTING to note the number of stolen bases walked up by the Vikings and the number of bunts in the four games played, including the playoff game with Glide for the UVL title.

In four games, there have been 16 stolen bases and 11 bunts, almost all of which have figured in the Vik winning score. Frosty Loghry has really had them running. A good thing in this day of the almost forgotten art in high school ball.

Here's a look at the Viking batting averages in the four games played in the playoff games:

	W	L
Don Bishop	9	6 .400
Ed Cearly	9	5 .357
Rod Crank	9	4 .308
Gregg Lindquist	9	4 .308
Bob Paine	4	1 .290
Bob Cavener	9	2 .182
Wes Davidson	5	1 .187
Jim Murray	9	1 .100
Fred Earwood	6	0 .000

Again, these averages are for the playoff games and they aren't too impressive, which points out the type of play, namely, base-run.

ning, which has been most apparent in the Vik wins.

From the state track meet: **PENDLETON POLE VAULTER** Herman Mize was observed giving his all for his school in the event, while using an obviously warped pole. He failed to place. His buddy, Jim Donahue, ended in a five-way tie for sixth. He used a straight pole!

Biggest reason for Terry Counts' bad showing for Douglas in the javelin event was the fact he had worked until 2 a.m. that morning at the mill.

Biggest laugh by the crowd occurred following this announcement by the track announcer: The high jumpers are now jumping at six feet nine with six men left. I mean they're jumping at six feet with nine men left.

From here and there: **RIDDLE HIGH SCHOOL** is receiving bids for grading and ditching of the new football field and track. Work on the new setup for the Irish is expected to be completed in about six weeks.

Ray Palm has been doing a great job this spring for the Joseph Lane track team. He's a fine sprint and hurdle man. This is understandable as his dad, Len Palm, was state high hurdles champ for Roseburg High in 1933.

The man who still holds the Roseburg High 100-yard dash record, set in 1934, not 1935 as previously written, is Ray Palm, the Joseph Lane star's uncle!

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Other high games: Thelma Andrews 186; Isabella Stewart 178; 162; Donna Parker 174, 164; Olive Coon 168; June Brasseur 165; Beulah Lyons 161.		

Hornets Downed By Gaston, Lose Out In State Tourney

The Camas Valley Hornets are out of the Class B baseball playoffs.

The Hornets lost to the defending state B champs, the Gaston Greyhounds, Monday on the winners' field by a 3-1 score.

It was a big first frame which

gave the Gaston nine its three runs.

The Douglas County nine was unable to solve the slants of Greyhound hurler Laddie Gooding.

The Gaston ace, who is responsible for a good share of the 16 wins recorded by the Gaston nine this year, set the Hornets down with just one hit. He struck out nine and walked four in the tilt.

Mae McClellan went the route for the Hornets, and he, too, pitched well, giving up only four hits. But it was that good first enjoyed by

Gaston which beat the Hornet chucker.

Greyhounds Score

In the opening frame, Stacy Stillinger singled for the Greyhounds. Then it was a combination of a walk, an error and a sacrifice which found the three tallies crossing the plate. The host by the Hornets in this frame was one of four committed by the Camas Valley nine in the fray.

After the first inning, McClellan kept the Greyhounds in check for the remaining innings, while the Hornets were picking up one marker.

The Camas Valley club got in the scoreboard in the fourth stanza, and it was the Hornet chucker and Ray Looney who did the job. McClellan worked Gooding for a walk and went to second on an

infield out. Gooding came up with a wild pitch, with McClellan moving on to third. Then it was Looney who tagged one of Gooding's offerings for a single, the only one in the game for Camas Valley, and McClellan scored.

Rally Ends — There the rally by the Hornets ended, and they went scoreless through the next three innings.

Although beaten, the Hornets forced the champs to work for the vital win; witness the ball pitched by McClellan after the first. Last year, Gaston downed Adrian another playoff team this year, by a 3-1 score for the state title.

Linescore:
Camas Val. 0000 100 0-1 1-4
Gaston 300 000 x-3 4-9
Batteries: McClellan and Baker; Gooding and Seifert; WP: Gooding; LP: McClellan.

Adrian, Gaston Reach B Finals

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Oregon Class B high schools were set Tuesday for a repeat of their 1957 baseball championship game and two other divisions had their semi-final games on tap.

Gaston and Adrian, the Class B finalists last year, won berths in this year's championship game by Monday victories. They did it with identical 3-1 scores, Gaston beating Camas Valley and Adrian beating Merrill.

Two semifinal games were scheduled Tuesday in the A-1 division. Grant of Portland will meet David Douglas in one and Lincoln of Portland will play South Eugene in the other.

One class A-2 semifinal also was on schedule Tuesday. Central of Monmouth-Independence playing Wy-East. The winner will meet Myrtle Creek in the division final.

The three championship games will be played at Multnomah Stadium in a tripleheader starting at 5 p.m.

Dellinger To Run In Air Force Race

KALAMAZOO, Mich. (AP) — 1st Lt. Bill Dellinger, one-time University of Oregon track star, runs the half mile Tuesday in the track and field championships of the U.S. Air Force Defense Command.

Monday he turned the three-mile into a one-man race. Competing on a half-mile track, he lapped the field and coasted in with a time of 14:30.6.

Sports

Pilots Lose Opening Tilt

PORTLAND (AP) — The best of three semi-final series for the District 8 NCAA baseball playoffs opened here Monday night with Occidental defeating Portland University, 5-2.

Ken McKenna went the distance to pitch Occidental to victory, allowing eight hits. Portland's Art Bull gave up 10.

The winner of the series will play Southern California for the NCAA Far Western regional crown.

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