

Sideliner

By BILL GOULD

Last week, this column was devoted to the new baseball park in Roseburg, and the amount of time and the amount of work being expended on the city project.

The comments last week brought, as expected, two very definite and different reactions. One, the applause of the baseball fans who have been more than patient on the overdue field; the other, the displeasure of the Roseburg Park Commission.

The latter was intended. Certainly the purpose of the column last week was not to take swings at the city park officials without offering equal space to this group. Thus, this week, here are some of the city's comments on the project:

First, the officials have been doing everything possible to get the park in playing shape. Weather has certainly been no asset. The extra amount of rainfall has set the project back at least 15 days, according to City Manager George Farrell.

A COMPLETION date cannot be accurately predicted now. However, Farrell believes the park could be playable in about three weeks. This would allow night ball, with bleachers installed for seating.

Farrell points out that most of the work performed thus far on the field has been volunteer, hence the small amount of city employees on the job. This fact, however, was wellknown and the firms and individuals supplying the help were pointed out by The News-Review some time ago.

Farrell says this writer was in error in regard to the seeding of the infield and the amount of irrigation the field has been receiving. According to the city manager, the infield was seeded only once and the area watered every day except Saturday and Sunday.

"This does not agree with the information gained by me in everyday trips to the site."

Farrell and other city officials are attempting a man-killing chore on the Stewart Park project, and everyone feels the park is a wonderful thing for Roseburg. Unquestionably, it's a tough job and officials are doing their utmost to complete the park.

STILL, IT'S unfortunate when a baseball, and in this case Legion ball in particular, is slowed considerably in this baseball-live city because of the delay.

To a more pleasant subject: The major leagues have their tryouts every year and young ball players give their all toward making the team. But tryouts are just as interesting on a much lower level.

Monday, I watched a mass of kids at Finlay Field all vying for a treasured spot on one of the Peeewe and Little League clubs. It was quite a sight. Fortunately all the kids will play ball, with the tryouts determining in what age group the youngsters should play.

The Roseburg teams will play ball with teams from Sutherlin and Glendale, with three leagues to be operated under the title of the Northern Douglas County League. It is hoped a playoff series may be arranged at the end of the season with the winners of the Southern Douglas County League.

THE THREE NORTHERN League teams will play under three

league sub-titles, the American League, the National and the International. The American will contain the teams for the 16 years of age and under group; the National for those 13 years and under and the International for the nine years and under class.

The teams will play ball on Tuesdays and Thursdays and those who like baseball will enjoy these games no end.

In the mail bag:

"The Riddle Baseball Club would like to apologize for any property damage which might have been caused during the ball game played on the Glendale High School field on June 22. With the Riddle field being tilled, the Myrtle Creek field unavailable, the Trojans had acquired the Glendale field for some games. The action by some fans at the game also ends the possibility of forming a booster or athletic club for all sports on the Southern Douglas County area."

THIS LETTER was received this week from the Southern Douglas County Trojans. A good ball club, which just Sunday knocked off the top favorite in the Rogue Valley League, Camp White, on the losers' field.

Rabid fans can either help a team or hurt it. The latter was apparently the case during the game to which the letter refers.

Bend Withdraws From Central Oregon League

BEND (AP) — The Bend team is being withdrawn from the Central Oregon League, a semi-pro circuit which it is leading.

Dick Maudlin, business manager, said Monday spectator interest has not kept pace with the team's standing and there was trouble getting jobs for players.

The Bend team was revived this spring after it had been disbanded at the beginning of the 1957 season.

Bend will be replaced in the league by Kinzua, a town near Fossil, some 150 miles northeast of here.

Burns, Prineville and Warm Springs are the other three clubs in the four-entry league.

Sports In Brief

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WIMBLEDON, England — Barry MacKay, Dayton, Ohio, gained the quarter-finals of the Wimbledon championship with a 6-3, 11-9, 6-2 victory over India's Ramanathan Krishnan.

GOLF — ST. ANNE'S-ON-THE-SEA, England — Peter Thomson fired a course record 63 and Frank Strahan scored a subpar 68 in the first qualifying round of the British Open.

BASEBALL — SPOKANE — Former Cleveland Indian Manager Bobby Bragan was hired as manager of the Spokane Indians of the Pacific Coast League.

South Annexes PCL Star Tilt

VANCOUVER, B.C. (AP) — The Southern All-Stars blasted five home runs out of Capilano Stadium here Monday night to crush the North 13-4 in the Pacific Coast League's 15th annual All-Star game.

A near-capacity crowd of 8,349 watched manager Red Davis' power hitters snow under their northern opponents.

After each team scored two runs in the first, the North took its only lead briefly in the second on singles by Jim Baxes, Charlie White and pinchhitter Al Lary.

The South tied it up with an unearned run in the third, then broke the contest wide open with a four-run outburst in the sixth inning. Carlos Bernier lofted a 365-foot homer over the leftfield wall to start it off.

It was in the eighth that the Southern squad really went to work. Three homers sailed out of the park in that one.

The crowd was the largest of the year at Vancouver and exceeded by almost 2,000 the attendance at Los Angeles in 1957.

Three PCL teams played exhibitions at the halfway mark breather in the league's season. Seattle traveled to Anchorage, Alaska, to humble a local All-Star team, 8-0. Sacramento beat Lewiston, winners of the Northwest League's first half of play, 6-1, at Lewiston. Portland lost to Eugene of the NWL, 8-6, at Eugene.

'Musical Chair' Game Results In Hiring Of Bragan

SPOKANE (AP) — Bobby Bragan was hired Monday to manage the seventh-place Spokane Indians of the Pacific Coast League in a sort of "musical chair" arrangement involving the Cleveland Indians.

Bragan, who will succeed the ousted veteran Goldie Holt here, was fired last week as manager of the sixth-place Cleveland and was replaced by Joe Gordon, the ex-American League infielder.

It developed that Bragan, 44, took a job that Gordon gave up to take the one that Bobby left.

Spencer Harris, general manager of the Spokane club, a major farm of the parent Los Angeles Dodgers, said it went this way:

Holt, a veteran of 35 years in baseball, had to go. His team was mired deep in the PCL second division, 14 games out of first place and the fans here were riding him hard although they continued to pour into the new half million dollar ball park.

Last week, Harris got in touch with Gordon in Sacramento where he has been working as an insurance salesman. Would Gordon come to Spokane and manage the Indians? He would. An hour later, Gordon got another call from General Manager Frank Lane and was offered Bragan's job.

Gordon, called Harris, called Bragan, called Bragan. Thus Gordon went from Sacramento to Spokane by telephone, then from Sacramento to Cleveland by plane.

Spokane leads the minor leagues in attendance this year with an average of about 4,000 for each home game.

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Drain Blasts SF Presidio

The Drain Black Sox rolled along to the fifth win of the year Monday night at Drain with a 6-1 defeat of the San Francisco Presidio nine.

The game was called in the fifth due to rain, but it went the required distance to give lefty Elwood Hahn the win. The WSC chuckers pitched on a hit ball against the visiting club with the shutout rained in the fourth.

The Sox gave their southpaw plenty of backing at the plate early in the contest, as four runs came across. Dan Luby started the inning with a single and scored when Jim Pifer crashed a double off the left field wall. Wimp Hastings was safe on a fielder's choice and Norm Welch walked. With the bases loaded, San Francisco hurler Bill Lippard balked to advance the runners and gave the Black Sox another run.

The Manager Ray Stratton connected for a single driving in Welch and Hastings.

Drain Scores Again

In the second the Black Sox picked up another tally as Pifer was safe on an error, stole second and scored on Hastings' single. Jerry Barrow scored run number six for the Sox in the third, as Jerry Droscher singled and the San Francisco nine committed two boos.

The only hit off Hahn was a triple by Bill Julian in the fourth frame, driving in Ken Carroll.

The two teams play again tonight with game time 8 p.m.

Lineups:

San Francisco 000 10-1 5 1
Drain 411 0x-6 1 4
Batteries: Lippard and Bilaser; Hahn and Roth.

Legion Clubs Journey For Tilts With Lowell, Bandon

Lockwood Seeks 2nd Place Spot

The Lockwood Motors American Legion junior baseball club attempts to gain a firmer grip on the number two spot in the District One standings Wednesday night.

Bill Harper's club travels to Lowell for a league double-header. The last time the two teams met, the Lockwood nine handled the Lowell team easily, winning 12-1 and 17-0. Since that time, the Lowell team has improved greatly and has a 3-4 league mark.

One of the wins was over the league leader, Springfield, and a Lowell downed Winnetroutr Ford twice.

Lockwood now stands at 4-2 in district play and with four tough games with Springfield yet to come, plus doubleheaders with Eugene and Winnetroutr. Thus a sweep at Lowell is almost a must.

For Lockwood, righthander Bill Eswine draws the mound assignment in the first game. Eswine is now 3-0 for the season, two of the wins in league play.

The second game will find lefty John Livingston on the hill. Livingston is now 1-2 and threw a no-hit no-run game against Lowell in the district opener.

Lockwood will have the usual lineup for the tilts. In the first game, this will find Byron Baker behind the plate, Livingston on first, Gene Waring on second, Mike Hatfield at second; Don Wells at short and Ted Kolberg at third.

The outfield will find either Floyd Phillips or Celler in left; Wes Young in center; and Bob Scott in right.

The twin-bill will get under way at 7 p.m.

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Donovan Not 'Lucky'

Luck of the Irish? Don't try peddling that line to Dick Donovan, who a year ago was the right-handed ace of the Chicago White Sox and now is the last to get started on their late-starting staff.

The big guy, who lost only six all last season while winning 16 (no one topped his .727 winning percentage a month ago), now is 3-0-one loss shy of his worst season, as far as defeats are concerned. He was 12-10 in '56.

He took it on the chin again last night, losing to Cleveland.

Donovan, 30, gave up all the Innings' seven hits and runs in his 6-1-3 innings and lost his second in a row since blanking Baltimore 4-0 June 15.

Minnie Minoso, late of the Sox, belted his 12th home run to open a two-run second after Jim Landis' ninth home run had given Chicago a 1-0 edge. Mickey Vernon drove in two Cleveland runs with a single and a double.

Cal McLish (4-5), checked the Sox on five hits, giving way to reliever Hoyt Wilhelm when doubles by pinch hitter Earl Torgeson and Billy Goodman counted the other Sox runs in the eighth.

The Tigers, who blew two leads, scored three runs in the ninth, after Bob Cerv's solo 20th homer gave the A's a 6-4 edge. Harvey Kuenn, hitless in five at-bats, caused all the fuss with the bases loaded and one out.

Kuenn rapped what looked like a double-play ball to third baseman Preston Ward, but two runs scored when he pegged it into right field, and the winning run came home when Roger Maris cut off a bum throw after retrieving the ball. Reliever Tom Gorman (1-3) was the loser, while Billy Hozer (7-8) picked up the decision in relief.

State Bowlers Choose Astoria As Tourney Site

The annual meeting of the Oregon State Bowling Assn. was concluded this past weekend at Astoria with the site for next year's Oregon State Tournament decided.

Bowlers will compete next year in the tourney to be held at the Lower Columbia Bowl in Astoria. The 1959 tournament will begin Feb. 13 and conclude Mar. 29.

No changes were made in the classification and bowlers will still have four classes in which to compete. The top averages for the four classes will be as follows: Class D, 150; Class C, 165; Class B, 175; Class A, open.

The new rules on averages voted during the meeting are the same as those voted into effect by the local group. The highest league average for the 1957-58 season or the highest 1958-59 average of 21 games or more, whichever is larger will be accepted. No summer league averages will be considered.

The entry fee for the tournament is unchanged with a fee of \$5 per each event and a \$1 fee for all events. Entry must be made by Jan. 4, 1959 and bowlers must submit their averages by Nov. 30, 1958.

All-Star Grid Coaches Seek Player Conditioning

PORTLAND (AP) — The coaches of the Oregon Shrine prep all-star football game have this tip for their players:

They had better show up in near-perfect condition for the opening of training here Aug. 3.

"We don't have time to wait for players who aren't ready to go," said Tom DeSylvia, coach of the Metro squad.

DeSylvia said that the coach of the state squad, Lee Gustafson of South Salem, feels the same way about the condition of the players.

The game will be played in Proceed Stadium here Aug. 16. Proceed will go to the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children.

Virgil Akins Named Best Boxer Of Month By NBA

MILWAUKEE (AP) — The National Boxing Assn. Tuesday chose welterweight champion Virgil Akins as its boxer of the month for July.

The power punching St. Louis fighter won the nod for stopping Vince Martinez of Paterson, N.J., on June 6 to take the vacated welterweight title.

The NBA's latest ratings pegged Martinez as the second leading contender for Akins' newly won crown behind Cuba's Isaac Logart.

Harold Carter, Camden, N.J., heavyweight, won a 10-round decision from Germany's Willi Besmanoff in Carter's first start since serving a 17-month A.F.M. hitch. The NBA promptly listed Carter No. 5 in its rankings.

The ratings:

Heavyweight — Champion, Floyd Patterson, New York. 1. Eddie Machen, California. 2. Zora Foley, Arizona. 3. Roy Harris, Texas. 4. Willie Pastrano, Louisiana. 5. Harold Carter, New Jersey. 6. Jimmy Jones, Sweden. 7. Alex Miteff, Argentina. 8. Nino Valdez, Cuba. 9. Cleveland Williams, Texas. 10. Mike DeJohn, New York.

Light Heavyweight — Champion Archie Moore, California. 1. Harold Johnson, Pennsylvania. 2. Tony Anthony, New York. 3. Erich Schoppner, Germany. 4. Yvon Durelle, Canada. 5. Willie

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UW Crew Draws Tough Russians

HENLEY ON THAMES, England (AP) — The University of Washington crew will make its first appearance in the Royal Henley Regatta against a formidable Russian crew, the Trud (Labor) Club of Leningrad.

Russians and the Washington eight were brought together in the draw Saturday. The regatta starts Wednesday. The race is Thursday. The winners will meet the London Rowing Club in a semifinal Friday.

On the other side of the Grand Challenge Cup draw, the Leichhardt Rowing Club of Australia, will meet the Thames Rowing Club of London in the first heat.

In the first heat of the Thames Challenge Cup, the Harvard University lightweight eight will meet a relatively obscure British eight, the Twickenham Rowing Club, on Wednesday.

Kent School of Kent, Conn., drew the First and Third Trinity Boat Club of Cambridge. If both Kent and Harvard crews win they will meet in the second round.

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	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	43	23	.652	
Kansas City	35	33	.515	8
Boston	35	34	.507	9½
Detroit	34	34	.500	10
Chicago	31	36	.478	11½
Cleveland	34	38	.472	12
Baltimore	31	36	.463	12½
Washington	29	40	.420	15½

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Milwaukee	38	28	.576	
St. Louis	36	31	.539	2½
San Francisco	37	33	.529	3
Cincinnati	32	33	.492	5½
Chicago	34	37	.479	6½
Pittsburgh	34	37	.479	6½
Philadelphia	30	34	.469	7
Los Angeles	31	39	.443	9

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Warren Spahn and Stan Musial, Mr. Pitcher and Mr. Hitter in the National League, have shown the kids how to do just about everything else, so now they're giving lessons in how to shake slumps.

Spahn, like Musial a light-hearted 37, suddenly got to throwing gopher balls after winning eight of his first nine decisions and just as suddenly lost three in a row.

Stan the Man, a near unanimous All-Star Game selection, was flitting with a .500 plus average until three weeks ago, then sagged into a 4-for-38 slump that averages out to .105.

Now they're back in business.

Spahn became the first pitcher to win 10 in the NL this season, winning his second in a row for the league — leading Milwaukee Braves with a six-hitter that flattened his favorite victims, the Cincinnati Redlegs, 9-2, last night. Musial was 2-for-3, driving in two runs with his 13th home and a double, as the second-place St. Louis Cardinals stayed within 2½ games of Milwaukee with a 4-2 victory over Los Angeles in the only other game scheduled in the NL.

Tigers, Cleveland Win

In the American League, Detroit defeated Kansas City 7-6, and Cleveland beat the Chicago White Sox 5-3.

Spahn, who had given up 12 home runs in his last four games, kept the Redlegs inside the park at Milwaukee, walking one and allowing only one earned run while the Braves bunched 10 of their dozen hits in a four-run fourth and a five-run fifth. Del Crandall drove in three runs with a single and a double.

Right-hander Bob Purkey (8-5) suffered his fourth consecutive defeat.

Musial, batting .382 in his last nine games and now .363 for the year behind the .369 posted by Willie Mays of San Francisco, hit his 39th homer in a two-run Cardinal first that chased rookie Bob Giallombardo in his first major league decision. A walk, stolen base and an error gave the cards the payoff run in the third and two more in the fifth.

Portland looked in the ninth as though it might salvage the game but two unearned runs were the best it could do, adding them to a pair picked up in the first and two more in the fifth.

Bob Wales, who started for Eugene, was the winning pitcher.

Three Portlanders, including heavy hitting George Freese, were not at hand for the exhibition game. They were with the Pacific Coast League's Northern all-star team at Vancouver, B.C.

Only 936 fans turned out for the game here.

RACING

STANTON, Del. — Jockey Eldon Nelson set a Delaware Park record with six straight victories, including Tremont (\$3,401) in the feature.

NEW YORK — Miss Blue Jay (\$3,101) captured the Pelham Bay Purse at Belmont Park.

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On the other side of the Grand Challenge Cup draw, the Leichhardt Rowing Club of Australia, will meet the Thames Rowing Club of London in the first heat.

In the first heat of the Thames Challenge Cup, the Harvard University lightweight eight will meet a relatively obscure British eight, the Twickenham Rowing Club, on Wednesday.

Kent School of Kent, Conn., drew the First and Third Trinity Boat Club of Cambridge. If both Kent and Harvard crews win they will meet in the second round.

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