

Clackamas slides from first to fourth

Baseball team loses four straight to fall into the middle of the league standings

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The Clackamas baseball team toppled down in the league standings after playing Mt. Hood and Lane last week.

The Cougars stepped into the game with Mt. Hood in first place. By the end of the games at Lane, the team plummeted to the middle of the league standings and are now 4-5.

Back-to-back-to-back losses

- 7-1 loss to Mt. Hood
- 4-3 loss to Mt. Hood
- 10-6 loss to Lane C.C.
- 6-1 loss to Lane C.C.

Last Tuesday, the team traveled to Mt. Hood in a game that ended in a Cougar defeat.

The Cougars, who were 4-1, dropped to second place in league after losing to Mt. Hood 7-1.

Aaron Shanks was the pitcher and now has a 3-1 record.

Unfortunately, the second game didn't allow the Cougars to hold onto their second place standing. The Cougars moved back down to the middle of the pack with a 4-3 record.

"The second game was a heartbreaker, we ended up getting beat 4-3. Schofield ended up picking up that loss, but pitched very well in the game," explained Head Coach Robin Robinson.

The Cougars moved on to play Lane, who were 5-2 going

Lane, the Cougars were again overcome by a final score that tallied 6-1.

"In the second game at Lane, they really came back and it should have been a 3-1 game but we kept messing around at the end of the game and it finally ended up 6-1," explained Robinson.

in to the game; but after picking up a win against Robinson's team, Lane moved up in standings with a 10-6 win. Clackamas left a total of 14 players on base during the game.

"We left 14 guys on base which is a huge offensive failure," noted Robinson. "When the games are close and you are leaving that many guys on base it means guys are not getting the job done."

In the second game against

"We actually hit the ball very well and we got a lot of guys on base," added Robinson.

"We just didn't get the base hits when we needed to."

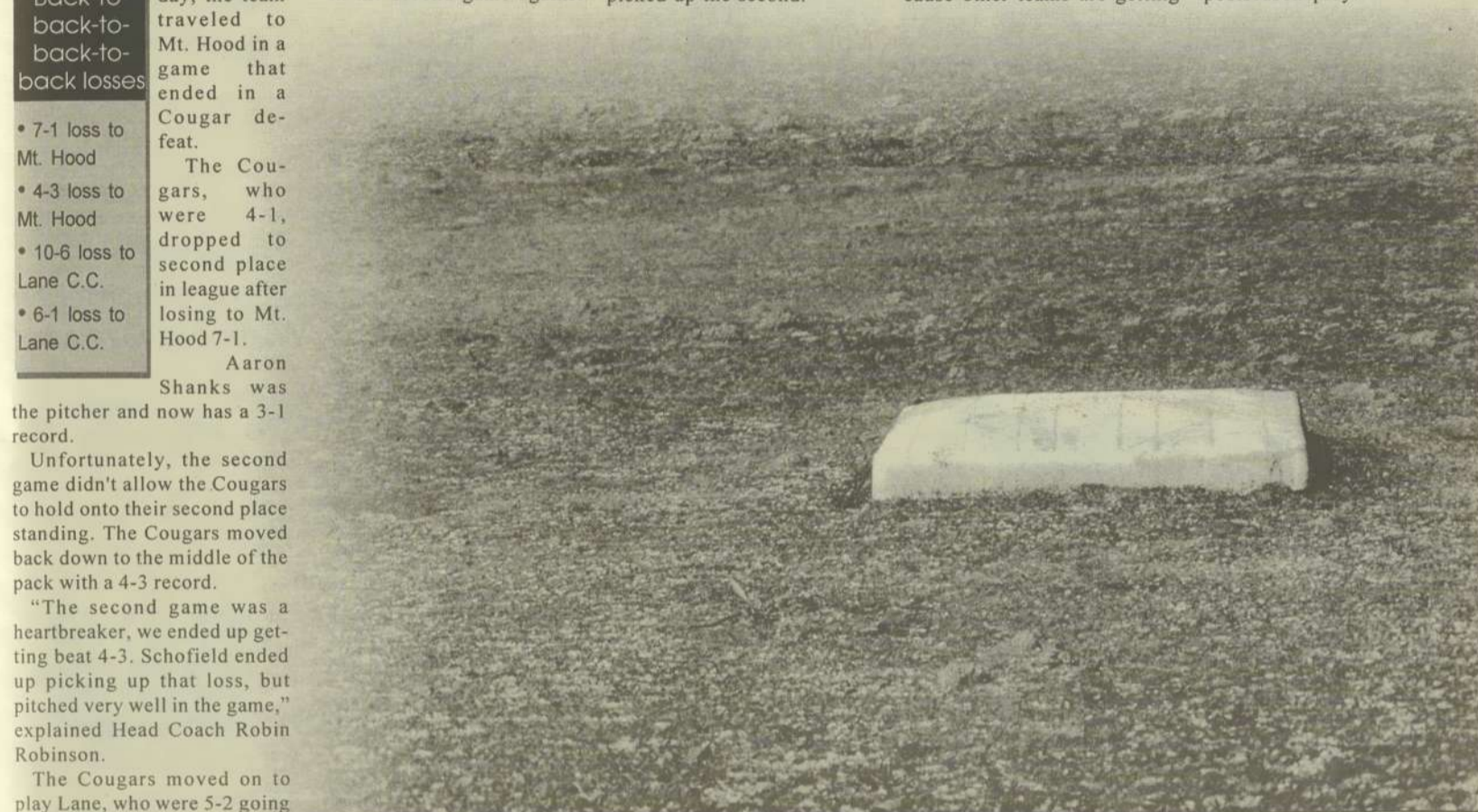
Clackamas will work on their weaknesses throughout the week to start winning games, according to the veteran coach. The team will be working on how to play smarter baseball.

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Head Coach

"[Greg] Palmer (3-2) picked up the first loss then [Ryan] Oliver picked up the second."



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