Pelicans' 10-Inning Run Breaks Up Best Game Played In Rogue Valley League

It cost the Brookings Pelicans considerable effort, spread over ten innings of bitter baseball, Sunday, to down Eagle Point, 3 to 2, in the bast game played all year in Rogue Valley League. The win keeps the Pelicans at the top of the league standings, with their position pretty well intrenched.

For Hank Westbrook, who south-pawed the entire game, it was a sweet victory over his opponent who lowered the fat batting averages of most of the Pelicans, and gave Pete Lesmeister anxious moments.

Real Pitchers' Battle

Played on the Camp White field, the game was a real pitchers' battle with the issue in doubt all the way. Big Hank Westbrook won his fifth in as many starts and pitched by far his best game since joining the club. Although wild in the late innings and having difficulty with men on bases he scattered the eight Eagle Point hits and struck out 13, three of which came in the 10th.

Cy Golden, Eagle pitcher, rumored to have been borrowed from the Medford Craters, was equally tough, holding the Pelicans to three hits for the first six innings, a total of nine for the game, and also truck out 13 batters. Brookings earned all they got from him during the game.

Brookings scored first in the top of the third when Hank Westbrook stretched a hard-hit single into a double and scored on the first of Whitey Matson's 3 hits, also a double. Eagle Point evened the score in the fifth when Golden, after his single, was apparently trapped off first. Ackley, attempting to keep from hitting the runner, threw over Matson's head and the ball also eluded Nelson, Golden scoring on the double error for an unearned run The Eagles then forged ahead in the last of the sixth when Perry tripled for their only extra base blow and one of the few off Westbrook for the season, and scored on Belleck's single.

The Pelicans knotted the count in the seventh when Nelson singled, advanced to second on a wild pitch, and scored on Matson's single.

Missed Their Best Chance

Eagle Point seemed headed for victory in the last of the ninth, when after two outs Gordon Standley singled, stole second and romped for home on Perry's line single to left field. Neil Nelson, however, relayed the ball to Hank Westbrook who in turn threw to Desjardin for a very close out. Desjardin was hit so hard he also was "out" but cold. He was revived sufficiently to take his turn at bat in the top of the 10th to lay down a neat sacrifice bunt to advance Hanscam who had singled as the first hitter in the inning. Hanscam went to third on an infield out and then scored the winning run on Putnam's clutch hit to right field.

The first two Eagle fanned in the last of the 10th, Rippey then walked, stole second and third, but pinch hitter Chamberlain also fanned to end the game.

The box score:

Brookings	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Matson, ss	5	0	3	2	3	0
Spangler, 2b	4	0	2	2	1	0
R. West'k, 3b	5	0	0	1	1	1
Hanscam, cf	3	1	1	1	0	0
Desjardin, c	3	0	0	15	0	0
Ackley, 1b	4	0	0	7	1	1
Putnam, rf	5	0	1	1	0	0
Nelson, lf	4	1	1	1	1	1
H. West'k, p	4	1	1	0	3	0
Totals	37	3	9	30	10	3

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Eagle Point	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Simmons, 2b	4	0	0	1	4	0
G. Standley, ss	5	0	2	1	3	0
Perry, rf	5	1	3	0	0	0
Belleck, 1b	5	0	1	14	0	0
C. Standley, lf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Rippey, cf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Harnish, 3b	4	0	0	0	2	0
Phillips, c	4	0	1	13	1	0
Golden, p	4	1	1	1	5	0
*Champerlain	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	38	2	8	30	15	0

(*) Struck out (for Harnish in the 10th).

How they scored:

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Eagle Point .....000 011 000 0—2

Summary: Runs batted in: Matson 2, Putnam; Bellick. 2-base hits: Matson, H. Westbrook; 3-base hits: Perry; sacrifices: Desjardin 2; stolen bases: Matson, Simmons, G. Standley, C. Standley 2; Rippey 3; Left on bases. Brookings 11; Eagle Point 11; bases on balls: off Westbrook 5; off Golden 5; Strikeouts: Westbrook 13; Golden 13. Earned runs off Westbrook 1; off Golden 3; Wild pitch: Golden 2. Passed ball Phillips. Umpires: Fuze and Don Craig. Time: 3:35.

Flew To Medford To Watch

Heinie Westbrook, the story is told, flew to Medford from Crescent City, and watched his sons play. He told people after he arrived home that the trip was well worth while, for he saw a game comparable to any in the big leagues, and also saw his son triumph in a real pitchers' duel.

League Schedule Muddled

The league schedule would see Merlin in Brookings for next Sunday. However, it is understood the Merlin club may have disbanded in which event an effort will be made to book a substitute game for Brookings. Merlin, it is reported, suffered from dissension among players, and the manager has left the community.

Batting Averages

Player	*ab*	*h*	*Pct.*
Matson	66	38	.575
Hanscam	55	24	.436
Mendenhall	33	15	.429
Ackley	44	18	.409
H. Westbrook	25	10	.400
Desjardin	45	16	.355
Swearingen	6	2	.333
Spangler	54	17	.315
Putnam	5	14	.280
R. Westbrook	35	9	.257
Nelson	39	9	.231
Salvage	18	3	.167
Team Average (12 games)			.370

League Standings

Team	*Won*	*Lost*	*Pct.*
Brookings	7	1	.875
Butte Falls	6	2	.750
Glendale	6	3	.666
Cave Junction	5	3	.600
Eagle Point	5	4	.444
Merlin	1	7	.143
Rogue River	0	8	.000

Along Azalea Row

Isn't it gratifying that Brookings is beginning to receive national recognition by way of National Federation of Garden Clubs. We shall be looking forward eagerly to the next issue of the *National Gardener*. The letter which Mrs. Rice received from the editor requesting pictures of the flower show, was printed in full in the Brookings-Harbor Pilot last week.

Committtees are taking form, and if you are asked to serve on one, please do so, remembering the many hands make the work light, and besides, it gives us all something to think about besides our troubles while washing the breakfast dishes, or puling weeds.

Conservation, our president, Olive Page's "word of the year," was brought home with real force last week, when a picnic to the Loeb State Forest Park, disclosed the fact that one of the fireplaces has been badly smashed, and a bench is missing from a table. And the park was dedicated less than a month ago. People who do such things never seem to stop and think it is their own property they are damaging. Property they help pay for in one way or another, besides the spoiling for themselves as well as others, a beauty spot.

The fireplace could have been broken by accident, by someone backing into it from the parking space across the road. It would be nice if he came forward and offered to make repairs, wouldn't it?

It makes cents, or ratesr, dollars and sense to take care and conserve all our natural recources of beauty of mountain, woods and sea. Fred Harris, president of the Southern California Hotel association, says that the tourist industry, last year, produced $490,473,000 or the second largest source of area income for greater Los Angeles.

Brookings and Harbor could use a little of that! I must up and out with the hoe, now, Weedy Acres is calling! Yours for Brookings by the C's (conservation — co-operation — co-ordination). — B. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Brooks, of Chico, Calif., former residents of this area, who had been called to Portland by family illness, arrived in Brookings Monday evening for a brief visit before continuing to Chico.

Quarter Inch Rain Settled Little Dust

Since shortly after Memorial day, this area has had but a trace of rain on two occasions, with the soil becoming dry, as well as the forest facing the worst fire danger in years. The situation was only partially and temporarily relieved Saturday, at which time .23-inch of rain fell, in form of drizzle.

The thirsty soil drank in the moisture so rapidly that there was but slight appearance of any wetness. The week's readings:

Weather Report

For the past week, ending on Sunday:

	Max.	Min.	Rain
July 18	66	46	....
July 19	67	47	....
July 20	74	48	....
July 21	67	46	....
July 22	64	48	....
July 23	58	54	.23
July 24	67	54	....
Total rain for week			.23

Last week it was quoted in the Pilot that the amount raised in the benefit dance for Owen Carter as being $1250.0; the decimal point should have been over one digit, to read $125.00.

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