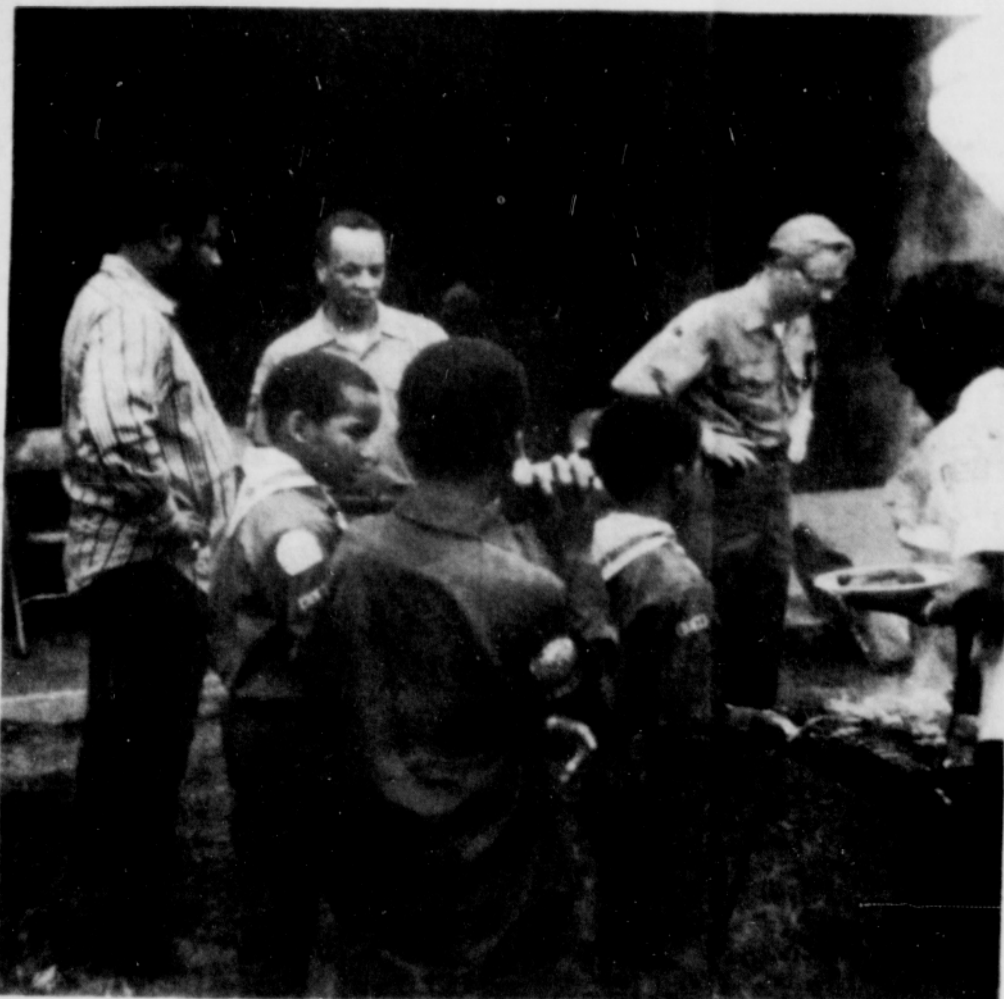


Scouts enjoy outing on Scouters mountain



Visitors to Scout Mountain are: (l-r) Jessie Lewis, Director Albina Task Force; George Simmons, Scoutmaster Troop 152; Jack Thompson, Boy Scout executive; Mrs. Joan Harris, Den Mother Pack 152, Duane Harris, Chuck Beasley and Darren Brown.



Alzena De Deleux, Jessie Hudson and guest look over the camp site, which is east of Happy Valley. There were 15 boys from the Albina area, eight Scouts and seven Cubs at the July 31 two day camp.



There are 11 Scout Troops in the Model Cities Area. At the cook-out (l-r) Phil Rogers, Scout executive; Darren Brown; Duane Harris, Joan Harris, Jessie Hudson and Jack Thompson wait for steak.

Time to Buy home

The government's top mortgage money man claims that now is the time to buy a home, since interest rates have bottomed out from their previous record highs.

Preston Martin, chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank, says, "Rates don't look like they will fall much further."

The agency, which supervises some 4,500 savings and loan institutions which supply much of the home mortgage money for consumers, reports a nationwide survey which shows mortgage rates of about 7 1/4%.

Martin stated that "interest rates should remain at the present level due to the tremendous inflow of money into savings institutions between January and March. During that period, a record \$7.4 billion was received in accounts."

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Tennis anyone?

Satchel Paige in a tennis tournament? And Rocky Graziano? And Whitey Ford? And Allie Sherman?

Impossible! Not according to an announcement made jointly at Gallagher's Steak House in New York City on August 16 by famed tennis players, Fanchito Gonzalez and Billy Talbert.

It seems that the Hall-of-Fame pitcher, the ex-middle weight boxing champion, the Yankee pitching ace of the Sixties and the former coach of the New York football Giants will be among 16 big-name athletes to compete for the Dewar's Cup in the first Sports Celebrity Tennis Tournament to be held Tuesday, September 14, at the Concord Hotel in Kiamasha Lake, New York.

The cup, a handsome sterling silver bowl, was created by Tiffany. Dewar's sponsorship of sports events is traditional. Since 1912 the company has presented another Dewar's Cup to the winner of the open soccer championship in the US, and during the past four years has offered a similar trophy to the winner of England's indoor tennis tournament.

Gonzalez, former world's amateur and professional champion, is chairman of the tournament; and Talbert, a former Davis Cup player and captain, will direct the match. They both see more and more Americans, especially athletes from other fields, favoring tennis over golf as their free-time sport.

"A few years ago," Gonzalez said, "twice as many people played golf as tennis. Now, there are 11 million tennis players, compared to 12 million golfers. In a few years the tennis buffs will outnumber the golfers." "Tennis is a lifetime game," Talbert added. "We hope that through this tournament we can show athletes, who are accustomed to - and want - vigorous exercise during their off-seasons that tennis will not only give them a sound workout, but keen competition and enjoyment, too."

What now McAlister

James McAlister of UCLA was tabbed by many football experts as the finest prep player in the country in 1969.

Attending Pasadena's Blair High as a senior, James literally demolished opponents. He hustled for 2,168 yards, scored 228 points, and averaged 9.2 yards per carry.

In addition, McAlister saved enough time to tie the national prep longjump record. He got off a jump of 25.7 feet that was the third best ever for a youngster.

The 6'1" UCLA freshman was the most sought-after player on the west coast in 1969. He chose UCLA and says, "UCLA was interested in me as a person and has shown that interest since I was in the tenth grade."

As a frosh this past season, James lived up to all expectations. The freshman played only three games, but McAlister dominated them all. He scored four TD's; one being for 95 yards. He rushed for 360 yards and had a 5.45 average.

The inevitable comparisons with O.J. Simpson are there, but James firmly declares: "I don't want to be another Simpson, I want to be James McAlister."

Here's a safety tip for bike riders from the Portland Traffic Safety Commission: Even with good lighting equipment, a bicycle is hard to see at night.

Visitor From Kansas

George E. Wood is a gentle man. He is in Portland visiting his two daughters and one son who live here. They are Mrs. William White, Mrs. Mary Jane Berry and Harold Wood. He has 13 grandchildren and six great grandchildren who also live here.

Wood lives in Coffeyville, Kansas, on four acres, which have been an important factor in his happy life. He and Mrs. Wood are the parents of six children, all of whom are college graduates. He explains that when the children were young and at home, they all helped with the vegetables and flowers grown on the acreage. Today, with the family grown, his biggest problem is gathering the crops. He still raises one acre of lima beans, which he sells green to one of the big stores.

It is difficult to believe that this articulate man attended formal school through the third grade. He is self-educated. He was raised in the Indian Territory and when his mother died, he was six, his father remarried a lady who knew about farming. George, being the oldest, was put to work in the fields. Among the many accomplishments he has achieved, are the building of three houses while employed eight hours a day raising his produce.

He retired from St. Clair Oil and Refinery after spending 23 years in the maintenance department.

He flew in Sunday, his second flight, and may visit a son in New York before returning to Coffeyville.

At age 88, he is raising flowers and plants but in his "spare" time he is an officer in the Baptist church, does mission work in all denominations, is active in lay church groups, senior citizens' activities and has had time to start a credit union.



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