Merchants Capture Valley Crown

SPORTLINES . . . .

(By Ed O'Meara)

Washington county, with more than its share of able young baseball players, may be somewhat interested in a couple of baseball schools being held in the next few weeks. Portland's Beavers, who are apparently in a bad way for baseballers who can hit, field and do a few other things, are staging a tryout series at the Vaughn street park this week.

Conducted on a more pretentious basis it the farm clubs scheme of the Cincinnati Reds of the National league, who are staging a series of camps for boys of ability between ages of 17 and 21 from the Canadian border to the Mexican line. Closest camp to Portland will be that at Vancouver, Wash., from September 7 to 11, with another at Medford from September 21 to 24. The Cincinnati camps were organized in 1934. Among last year's products is Paul Gehrman, picked up at the Medford camp for a major league trial. He is now with the Albany, N. Y., team acquiring a little polish and is due to join the Reds either late this year or next spring. There's no tuition charge. Anyone interested can delve into matters further at the Argus sports department or C. E. Chapman, Box 904, Orinada via Berkeley, Cal. (Furthermore, if any Washington county lad makes good, we'll demand a percentage of next year's pay check for calling it to his attention).

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Silverton's Red Sox suffered a setback Tuesday night at the national semi-pro tourney in Wichita, with big Roy Helser, on loan from Hillsboro, absorbing the defeat in a pitching role. Final score was 3 to 1, with the big Dutchman yielding nine hits while his mates got only four.

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Come out of the woods, you saw-swingers. There's a place for you at the county fair coming up next month. Those in charge have set some sort of log-sawing contest, with the championship of the county offered the man who can do the job in the least time. So oil up your old Siimmons and be ready to come to town on September 2.

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Its mostly all over but the shouting in the Portland Valley league race. In fact, it wasn't quite a race at all, the way Hillsboro's Merchants went at it—although it looked very much like one for a while last Sunday. But when a ball club absolutely refuses to be beaten, as the Hillsboro lads did throughout the season, then it's awfully hard to do that little trick. We must pay tribute, however, to the Merchants' ability to pull up from behind in the closing innings of a game and push across the winning runs. Four games were won in overtime tussles, two more in the ninth and four in the eighth.

Good Hunting Looms For Fall Sportsmen

An abundance of water and feed in the favorite haunts for wild fowl is indication of "good hunting" for Oregon sportsmen when the duck season opens October 15, according to the Oregon State Motor association.

Federal regulations permit 15 extra days of shooting this year, with the opening changed from November 1. The state game commission has amended rules to permit shooting of ducks and gease on Sundays and Wednesdays only in Sherman, Wasco, Gilliam and Hood River counties.

BAKERS BILL TILT

Perfection Bakery will play host Friday night to the Beaverton town team in a softball game on the Hilhi field. Both teams were in the recent four-team tournament to decide the county representative at the state meet, but did not clash in the course of the playoffs.

SHERWOOD BILLS ST. PAUL

Championship of the Sunset league will be at stake next Sunday when Sherwood, first-half titlist, tangles with the St. Paul team. St. Paul drove out a 7-to-4 win over Tualatin Sunday in a second-half playoff to earn a position in the title series.

At-A-Glance

Valley League Standings

	W	L	Pct		W	L	Pct
Hillsboro	6	1	.857	Police	3	4	.429
For. Grove	5	2	.714	Benvercreek	3	4	.429
Sellwood	4	3	.571	Redmen	2	5	.286
McElroy's	4	3	.571	Canby	1	6	.143

Hillsboro champion of both halves

Merchant Batting Averages

	B	H	Pct		B	H	Pct
Helser	63	28	.444	Schlaffle	27	7	.259
Chiotti	80	33	.412	Holscher	79	19	.240
Kemper	85	29	.341	Knispel	30	7	.233
Cook	88	28	.318	Swank	35	8	.228
Fleskes	75	21	.280	Dierickx	28	5	.178
Schwab	58	16	.276				

Orchardale

Miss Frieda Timmerman underwent an appendectomy at midnight August 13 at the Forest Grove hospital. She is doing nicely.

L. P. Lundberg of Yamhill is spending a few days at the Pete Parson home.

Anna June and Clara Hunger are spending a week at the home of their cousin, Emma Meury, at Timber.

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Hillsboro Drops Dancers, 8 to 5, In Season's Finale Sunday

Hail Hillsboro's heroes!

They're the members of the Hillsboro Merchant baseball club which captured the 1938 championship of the Portland Valley league last Sunday by downing the McElroy Dancers, 8 to 5, in a sizzling contest on the local ball-lot.

Starting away last April, the Merchants began carving their way through the Valley league ranks, and emerged Sunday with 13 victories and one loss in circuit play. Had they lost Sunday, however, they would have been thrown into a three-way tie with Forest Grove and McElroy's.

Playing under considerable strain, the Hillsboro lads pulled the game out of the fire in the eighth inning with a four-run outburst, after walks, hit batsmen and a couple of errors had put the Dancers ahead, 5 to 4. Frank Dierickx pitched beautifully throughout most of the game, holding the McElroy-men to three safe hits, one of which bounced through the fence for a fluke home run. Wildness popped up several times, however, to put him in the hole.

In the sixth inning the young right-hander blew up after a goofy error had put a man on base and walked two runs across the plate by issuing four consecutive passes. Bauer's blooper was the cause of the bone-head play, with Bill Schlaffle chasing the ball down and then watching it drop to the ground. For quite a while afterwards Dierickx wasn't able to find the plate. That put the score at 3 to 4. In the seventh the Dancers pushed across two more counters when Jerry Melcher slammed out a bounding ball that should have gone for a two-bagger but which bounced through the seive-like fence and went for a four-ply swat.

Cook Gets Homer

Behind, 5 to 4 going into the eighth, the Merchants marshalled forces for another of their famous eighth inning rallies which have won plenty of games during the season. Art Knispel, first man up, poked out a single, and Vernon Cook, who undoubtedly deserves the hero crown for the game, whaled one of Lefty Hoffman's pitches far over the rough and ragged burlap fence for a four-base blow and the winning run. That took the heart out of McElroy drive and two more runs pushed across before the inning ended.

Hillsboro run-making started in the first canto when Cook as lead-off man rammed the ball into center field for a double. He ambled home when Ham Chiotti got the first of three hits he collected during the afternoon. In the third Cook got on base, this time via an error, took second on a bunt by Schwab and tore home on Kemper's infield poke that went for an error. Dierickx singled, Knispel surprised himself with a double, and Schwab and Kemper hit safely to score another pair in the fourth inning.

Dierickx Wins Tilt

Dierickx closed the league schedule for Hillsboro by pitching another excellent game, allowing only three hits and bringing his total of five hits in the last two games he pitched. He struck out 14 batters and but for his wildness would have had a shutout. Vernon Cook cut short McElroy scoring in the seventh when he gathered in a bounding ball far back of first base and beat the runner to the bag for the putout to end the inning when Knispel wasn't close enough to take the throw.

McElroy's	B	R	H	Hillsboro	B	R	H
Melcher, l	5	1	1	Cook, 2	5	3	3
Gottman, 3	4	1	1	Schwab, r	5	0	2
Turzinski, m	4	0	1	Kemper, s	5	0	1
Bauer, r	4	1	0	Chiotti, m	5	0	3
Litz'be'ger, c	3	1	0	Schlaffle, 1	4	0	0
Sauer, 2	2	1	0	Holscher, 3	4	0	0
Mebus, 1	3	0	0	Fleskes, c	3	1	1
Poffenroth, s	3	0	0	Dierickx, p	4	2	2
Hoffman, p	3	0	0	Knispel, 1	4	2	2
Williams, *	1	0	0				
	32	5	3		39	8	14

* Batted for Sauer in 9th.

McElroy's	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	5
Hillsboro	1	0	1	2	0	0	4	x		8

Errors, Sauer 3, Kemper; struck out, Dierickx 14, Hoffman 6; walks, Dierickx 8, Hoffman 5; home runs, Melcher, Cook; two-base hits, Knispel, Cook, Fleskes.

Grovemen Win Finale

Other Portland Valley league closing day games saw barrages of base-hits figuring in the scoring. Forest Grove smacked 14 safe blows off the boards in downing Sellwood, 11 to 9. The win put Forest Grove in second place in final standings.

Portland's Policemen chalked up their third victory of the half by downing Canby's Firemen, 10 to 8.

	R.	H.	E.
Forest Grove	11	14	5
Sellwood	9	9	3

Linde, H. Zimmerman and Slyter; Winn and Palmer.

	R	H.	E.
Portland Police	10	9	5
Canby Firemen	8	14	4

Smith and Mitola; Anton and Mitchell.

	R	H.	E.
Benvercreek	11	13	3
Red Men	10	19	6

Bennett, Recher and Hagedorn; A. Peccia and J. Peccia.

Merchant Trio Shows Well at Beaver Tryouts

Three members of the Hillsboro Merchants, Ham Chiotti, Vernon Cook and Frank Dierickx, have all attended the Portland Beavers' baseball tryout series during the past week and a half, and have all been asked to return by Manager Bill Sweeney of the Portland team.

Chiotti, fleet-footed outfielder, is one of the three outer-gardeners retained for the final looking-over. Second Baseman Cook was one of 10 infielders asked to return, and Dierickx, trying out as a pitcher, showed enough ability to be invited for the final days of the tryouts. With a number of Western International league scouts showing considerable interest in the showings of the youthful players, it is possible that they may have a chance in faster company next season.

Archery Meet Set for Fair

Shades of Robin Hood and the old Indian days around Hillsboro will be polished off in modern fashion during the Washington county fair when the first of what is hoped will be a series of annual archery meets is run off on Saturday afternoon, September 3.

Between 40 and 50 archers, including almost the entire Portland Archery association membership, is expected to be present, according to Leon S. Davis, fair manager. Pat Chambers, national champion of the York round accuracy shooting, and Ben Warnick, national flight champion, both of whom won their titles last week at San Francisco, will be among those present.

Features of the archery competition will be a spectacular balloon shoot, with all archers showering arrows at released balloons; a stationary animal shoot of 30 arrows for each archer at 30 yards, and a stationary target shoot, with 30 arrows at 60 yards.

Committeemen in charge of arrangements for the meet include Henry Schainck and J. Milton Poynter of Hillsboro, LeRoy Smith of Forest Grove, and Merton Bixler of the Rose City Archery company.

Student Aid Program Enlarged for Year

Funds for student aid projects in Oregon under the National Youth Administration have been increased by $19,000 to $134,000, it was announced by Ivan G. Munro, Oregon director.

These student aid funds are available for needy college and graduate students in regular attendance during the coming year. Individual earnings are limited to an average of $15 per month for college students and $30 for graduates. Students wishing to make application should apply to the head of the institution which they are attending. Funds and allotments are now being prepared for high school student aid program, with both public and private secondary schools eligible to participate provided they are non-profit making.

Oregon State college's quota was raised from $36,045 to $41,985; University of Oregon from $26,350 to $33,075; Oregon Normal from $4860 to $5535; Pacific university's from $2565 to $3105.

A church congregation was giving a reception for a former minister and his wife. The present pastor greeted his predecessor heartily.

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Verboort, Roy To Play for Tualatin Title

Verboort and Roy will meet for the Tualatin Valley league's 1938 title.

That much was decided Sunday when Verboort downed Gaston, 9 to 5, in the last of a three-game playoff for first half honors. Jansen, on the mound for the winners, let Gaston down with eight hits, but errors aided greatly in deciding the winner. Gastonians booted the ball seven times, while Verboort made but two errors.

The winning team led from the start, getting off to a husky three-run lead in the opening inning, adding a pair in the fourth, two in the seventh, and then topping off with another two-run outburst.

	R	H.	E.
Verboort	9	10	2
Gaston	5	8	7

Jansen and Wahner; Davis and Saunders.

Tualatin Girl Leads Fair Queen Contest

(Continued from page 1)

Grove, Sherwood and Helvetia will also appear during the three days, and will make a massed appearance on September 2.

Coronation of the queen will take place at 9 p. m. Thursday September 1, Davis said. Friday will see a log-sawing contest open to loggers of the county, and in the evening the Clan Macleay bagpipers of Portland will present Scottish program in Shute park pavilion. Saturday's events list the now-famous Rotary club mutt dog show for 1:30 p. m., with a gala archery contest shortly thereafter.

Saturday evening will see the much-awaited "Lucky Buck" auction and will be followed by the Queen's ball in the Shute park pavilion, at which all honors won at the fair by 4-H members will be presented.

Thursday, September 1

9 a. m.—Fair opens; exhibits open to public.

1 to 4 p. m.—Band concert by 20-piece Sherwood Legion band.

7 p. m.—Arrival of 218th Field Artillery band from Portland.

7:15 p. m.—Military parade, headed by 218th Field Artillery band, through Hillsboro streets to the park, escorting the queen and court.

8 p. m.—Band concert by 218th Field Artillery band.

9 p. m.—Presentation of the Harvest Queen and court; coronation ceremonies and 4-H and FFA parade.

9:30 p. m.—Dance in Shute pavilion, music by Vivian Lewis band.

Friday, September 2

9 a. m.—Exhibits open.

1 to 4 p. m.—Band concert by Forest Grove band.

2 p. m.—Log-sawing contest for cash prizes and county title.

7:30 p. m.—Massed band concert by Sherwood, Forest Grove and Helvetia bands of more than 70 pieces.

8:30 p. m.—Clan Macleay bagpipe band of Portland, full program Scottish music, dances and special numbers in Shute park auditorium.

Saturday, September 3

9 a. m.—Exhibits open.

1 to 4 p. m.—Band concert by Helvetia band.

1:30 p. m.—Mutt dog show sponsored by Hillsboro Rotary club.

2 p. m.—Archery contest.

7 p. m.—Helvetia band concert.

7:30 p. m.—Lucky Buck auction starts.

9 p. m.—Queen's ball; awarding of 4-H honors and prizes.

Ireland's Wallop Fading Maling Softballers, 8 to 6

After an undefeated reign of several months in the Hillsboro city softball circuit, the B. E. Maling outfit bit the dust twice in consecutive weeks and is working its way into the second division. Ireland's Hardwaremen turned on the power in a surprise finish last week to take an 8-to-6 decision from the fading Cannerymen.

Ireland's came from behind to tie the score in the first half of the sixth. With the score 3 to 3 in the seventh, one man on base and two out, the Malingites resorted to strategy, walking Don Batchelar to get at Frank Baker, who was enjoying a bad night at bat. Instead of succumbing to VanDyke's wiles, Baker poked a pitch out of the lot for a home run. One run was the best the Cannerymen could do with Pete Schukart's tossing in their last time at bat.

	R.	H.	E.
Ireland Hardware	8	6	2
B. E. Maling	6	5	6

Schukart and Dillon; VanDyke and VanGrunsven.

KNIGHTS SCORE AGAIN

Hillsboro's Knights of Pythias scored an 8-to-10 victory Friday night over a team made up of Lester Ireland & Co. employes.

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Jay Raymond et ux to Beverlyn Davis, part of Section 15 T1N R4W.

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Amelia Hogg et al to Ida C. Bernstein, part of Section 28 T1N R1W.

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David Kuratli to H. A. Kuratli et ux, part of 79 Acres Section 12 T1N R2W.

J. W. Vanderveiden et ux to Arthur H. Flynn, Lots 21 and 22 Block 4, Forest Grove.

Celestine Oefinger to Harry Hansen et ux, 1¾ Acres Spender Homestead.

John Dappen et ux to Arnold G. Noreen et ux, Lots 1 and 2 Block 5, Orenco.

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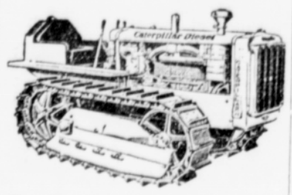

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Hillsboro Men Hike On Vacation Trip

W. C. Christensen and R. R. Easter returned Sunday from a week's vacation trip, which included a 48-mile hike from Odell lake to Diamond lake. Starting on Sunday, August 7, they made the lengthy walk in three days.

Dryness causing a lack of places to build fires without restrictions and absence of good water, cut short the hike, they explained. From Diamond lake they motored to Crater lake, and visited the Oregon caves on the way home.

the Baker batterymen. Others include Tod Stook, Bud Roberts, Mel Alter, Wayne Proctor, Wayne Haller, Ronald Miller, Dennis Gerrish, John Hudson, Hal Wineland, Brooks Taylor, Wayne Hutchins, Bob McIrvin, George Boyd and Eldon Cain, manager. The Forest Grove lads will play the second preliminary game at 8:30 p. m. Monday on Sweetland field at Willamette University in the tourney opening program.

	R.	H.	E.
Fendall	2	6	4
Perfection	1	3	2

Stock and Alter; Geist and Wahner.

Geist Loses No-Hit Game By 2-1 Score

Tough luck in large doses greeted Hillsboro's Perfection Bakery softballers Monday night as Eddie Geist pitched a no-hit game but lost, 2 to 1, to Fendall hardware of Forest Grove. The winners automatically became the county's representative at the state tournament in Salem next week.

Two lucky breaks put the Fendall team out in front. Brooks Taylor scored the winning run in the seventh inning after he had worked Geist for the only base on balls given in the game. For that matter, only two Fendall men reached first base, with the other making it on an error. But both of them scored, while the Bakers were not making much of the three blows they gathered off Bud Stook. Art Krause, C. Betzer and Warren Wahner made the only safe hits of the ball game, which was raced through in the speedy time of 35 minutes.

Dozen Strike Out

One of the largest crowds of the year, estimated at more than 250 people, watched the game played on the Hilhi field as Geist ran into the toughest luck of the season as he pitched his second consecutive no-hit game. Last week he shut out Blooming in a no-hit encounter. He fanned 12 Fendall batters in seven innings, while Stook chalked up no whiffs.

Fendall had won its way into the final game by trouncing Beaverton, 8 to 2, last week.

Fendall's management announced it would practically stand pat on its regular lineup for the tournament next week. Only players added are Geist and Warren Wahner.

Season Over, Abrams Says

No more baseball!

Thus declared Doc Abrams, Hillsboro manager, yesterday. So far as the Hillsboro Merchants are concerned, there will be no more baseball activity this season. They completed a hard 20-game schedule Sunday, and "winning the Valley league title, was enough for us," Abrams said.

Had the Merchants lost Sunday, they would have been plunged into at least a four weeks' playoff series to determine the league champion. In the course of the season, they played 11 of their games before home crowds.

One more event remains on the team's schedule, however, Abrams said, with players planning a benefit dance for late this month or early September. Proceeds will be used to reimburse players for loss of time from work, equipment expense, gasoline and other minor costs.

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