

SPORTS

Forest Hills Pro Helps 'em Improve

Golf scores at Forest Hills Country club near Cornelius are getting better these days! A guy named Norman Taucher is the main reason. The former Portland amateur flash started as professional at the club June 5 and since that time has ironed a lot of wrinkles out of swings or given beginners a running start toward mastering the game.

Taucher has been giving an average of 12 lessons on Wednesday (today) at the club and four to eight on Thursday (yesterday). That adds up to a lot of help. He says he has not had strokes in a few weeks, not to mention a reduction in general wear and tear on the greenward of Forest Hills.

The Forest Hills pro got off to an early start in the game and picked up his first important title in 1931, the Riverside Junior club championship in Portland. During the seasons of '31 and '32 he lost only one match in competition. From '33 through '37, when he went to California for six years, Taucher won a flock of trophies, including the Columbia Junior club championship in Portland in 1934. His latest exploit was on Labor Day of last year when he won the Mid-Columbia amateur at The Dalles, beating out Bud Cooper of Hood River on the second extra hole of a play-off in the 36-hole tournament. The slightly built divotter fired a score of 156 on a high wind day.

He qualified as second low amateur in Vic Ripley in the 1944 Portland Open with a 74. Ripley later being disqualified, Taucher turned pro on April 15 of this year after he had been elected president of the Oregon Public Links Association, succeeding Al White, Hillsboro studio proprietor.

Leaders might be interested to know that Taucher has fired about 10 rounds of golf at Forest Hills and has never failed to score an example of the golf he attempts to teach. He has carded a pair of two-under-par 66s and a flock of 72s and has never been worse than 72.

County Riders Place in Show

Washington county riders packed several places, including a couple of firsts in the third annual western horse show at Gresham Sunday in a preliminary to the 5th annual Multnomah county fair which opened Monday.

Beverly VanDyke, representing the Washington County Sheriff's posse took first in the junior western horse event, Eddie VanDyke of the County posse won the package race. Clarence VanDyke and Ted VanDyke, both of the posse, took second and third, respectively, in the obstacle race. Jane Paise of the Washington County Westerners took second in the ladies five-eighths mile race in Elmore Hansen of the County posse was third in the parade horse event, and Carolyn Hall of the posse was third in the "walk, trot and gait" contest. Washington County Sheriff's posse took third in the bareback relay event.

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GOLF TEACHER—Norman Taucher is teaching divottees the way of the game at Forest Hills Country club near Cornelius.

Perfection Takes American Title

American League
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 Forest Hills 3 3 .500
 Knighth of Pythias 2 4 .333

Perfection Bakery officially clinched the second half American League softball race and the circuit's pennant for the season by winning Birds Eye-Scider, 5 to 3, last Wednesday night.

The victory made it 9 out of 10 for Manager Chuck Ingram's team in the second half and a record of 17 wins out of 18 starts for the American League season counting eight consecutive wins in the first half.

Lanky Frank McCoy went the route on the mound for Perfection setting the canny outfit down with six hits. Both teams scored twice in the first inning and Perfection pushed over what turned out to be the winning three tallies in the third, although both teams later added a brace of tallies.

American League Results
 Wednesday, August 14
 Birds Eye 100 020—R H E
 Perfection 103 021—4 2 2
 Better and Walker; McCoy and Halverson.

Aloha turned in a 5-to-3 win over Tualatin Valley Co-op last Wednesday night to climb a notch into fourth place in the National softball league in the circuit's only contest played during the past week.

A four-run rally in the first of the second produced the victory margin after both clubs had gone scoreless in the first frame. The Co-op team came back with one tally in the third and two more in the fourth but was unable to do any further scoring. Aloha added its last run in the sixth inning.

The losers got only two hits off Pitcher Tollefson of Aloha while the winners were able to waste out nine.

Trouman Store had previously clinched the second half title with a record of seven wins and two



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Hilhi Football Prospects Meet Mentor Friday

Boys who intend to turn out for the 1946 edition of Hillsboro high football are being asked to meet at the rear of the gymnasium Friday evening (tomorrow) August 22 at 7 o'clock. Purpose of the meeting will be for Devit to get acquainted with his array of prospects.

First practice is slated for September 1 which will allow only 14 practice sessions before the league jamboree at Hillsboro September 25 and Devit is urging all boys who intend to compete for positions on the team to do some conditioning on their own in order to be in top physical shape. He recommends a fair amount of running.

The new Sparta's grid maneuver and equipment will be issued on the afternoon of August 30 and 31.

The team will face a tough schedule this fall with nine games on tap in addition to the jamboree. Home games are slated against McMinnville, Troutman, Seaside and Forest Grove. The Grizzlies, defending champions of the Tualatin-Yamhill league, will play here October 11.

Davit, a former Albany college gridiron luminary, will adapt his system to the material on hand. He played halfback, end and quarterback at Albany for four years and was All-Northwest conference end all a senior.

Schedule
 September 25—Jamboree, here.
 September 29—McMinnville, there.
 October 4—Troutman, here.
 October 11—McMinnville, here.
 October 18—Seaside, there.
 October 25—Tillamook, here.
 November 1—West Linn, there.
 November 8—Astoria, here.
 November 15—Seaverton, there.
 November 22—Open.
 November 29—Forest Grove, here.

Wins Place at Fair
 Mrs. George Ortman of Forest Grove won first on pillow cases, crochets, in the bedroom furnishings section at the Multnomah county fair this week.

We are all the same underneath but some keep themselves further underneath than others.

Losses against five triumphs and many for Blooming first half winner. Despite Wednesday's defeat the Co-op held third place with six wins out of 10 league games. Aloha was half a game behind with one less win.

National League Results
 Wednesday, August 14
 Aloha 54 301 3-3 2-2
 Co-op 61 291 3-3 2-2
 Tualatin and Voorhees; L. Wald and Boushler.

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SPORTS Splashes

By ELBERT HAWKINS Sports Editor, The Argus

Out Banks way the Sunset chamber of commerce boys are going ahead with their plans to finance a baseball team for the State league next year. Lights for the field included, and the way they're looking forward on the idea it looks like a sure shot.

Ernie Vandebey, manager of this year's strong Banks entry in the Tualatin valley league and a strong proponent of the plan, points out that "we may lose our shirts," but he maintains that such an outcome is far better than for a community to sink back and slowly go to sleep.

A group of Sunset chamber of commerce baseball boosters thought enough of the plan to gamble \$1,000 and that kind of backing goes further than a lot of verbal blarney. At last Thursday's meeting of the group they decided how-ever to put on a big field day at Banks on September 8 as a first means of raising money for the project. Judging from the offerings, it is big baseball game between county army and navy vets, a dance, horse show, and other attractions.

Looks like the Banks outfit is stealing the ball from Hillsboro and running with it for a touch-down speaking footballistically about this game of baseball. From having a really strong bush baseball club in 1938 Hillsboro arrived at exactly nothing for the summer of '46 in the way of a town semi-pro team.

We're not for one moment overlooking the strong American League Junior baseball nose "Goody" Goodman herded to the county championship—that's the real groundwork for a team of townies. But the summer of '46 saw the Hillsboro array of bush baseball talent (and there are a lot of good players in this town) migrating to Banks. Cornelius and other nearby spots to play their Tualatin league baseball.

Ham Chioffi and some other boys around these parts are determined to show. A glance at the total wins and losses of the local American and National league teams for the season reveals that Perfection and Blooming were on top that way, too. Manager Chuck Ingram's look-

ery outfit won exactly 17 and lost one in the three round-robin Round Electric was second. Five and a half games below, with 11 wins and six losses.

Blooming, managed by Walter Rucker—a team which has been labeled by many as "best sports" in the district turned and by earlier National league play—won 14 and lost two, for an edge of three full games over Troutman Store of North Plains which won 11 and lost five.

Sports splashes... a couple of local National league teams had identical percentages for first and second half play. Aloha had five wins and four losses each time for 355. Knights of Columbus was at the 500 mark each half with four and four the first try and five and five the last.

Don Kirsh, Hills' baseball and basketball coach, is in Wehila, Kan., this week playing with Gilbert Furniture, Oregon semi-pro baseball champion.

First half championship of the Tualatin valley baseball league will be at stake when Forest Grove and Verboort tangle at Banks Sunday afternoon, August 25, in a play-off.

Forest Grove defeated Banks on the Hillsboro diamond Sunday afternoon, 9 to 1, behind five-hit pitching by Lefty Bill Lee to take the second half title of the league. The winners crumpled the offerings of two Banks hurlers for 12 hits and two Banks batters for 12 hits and turned in only one error behind Pitcher Lee.

Grove, Verboort Meet in Tualatin League Play-off

The Grovers and Banks had finished their second half schedules with identical records of six wins and one loss. Verboort was a close third with five wins and only two losses.

Forest Grove can clinch the Tualatin valley pennant outright by defeating Verboort Sunday afternoon. The first half winners will start starting September 1.

Forest Grove and Verboort wound up their regular first half schedules in a tie for top position with five victories and two defeats apiece. Cornelius and Sheridan were a full game behind.

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