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Sports

Hillsboro Nine Wins Third Straight in Semi-Pro Loop

Hillsboro's town baseball club bunched five hits in two innings Sunday to take a 6 to 1 win from Verboort on the Verboort diamond. The win was the third in succession for the local Taylor nine in the second half of play in the Tualatin league, and leaves the team in a tie with Forest Grove for first place.

The game was highlighted by a two-run homer by Center Fielder Jerry Meeuwsen in the fifth and with a two-run triple by Catcher Bobby Morrison in the fourth. Morrison later scored after Forrest Henning singled, giving Hillsboro its five-run margin as a direct result of the two extra-base blows.

Hillsboro scored all its runs in those fourth and fifth innings. Dale Frantz started the fourth by drawing a base on balls. Then, after Meeuwsen popped out, Pitcher Aubrey Van Loo singled and Morrison laced out his triple. Henning followed with his single and advanced to third when half of the Verboort team was trying to catch Morrison between third and home. Morrison slid in safely out of the hot box and Henning came home on Harry Frantz' long fly to center field.

First Baseman Wally Sigler was on base with a single when Meeuwsen connected for his round-tripper in the fifth. Two were out at the time. It was the first home run collected by any member of the Hillsboro team in league play this year.

Van Loo was very effective on the mound, never giving up more than one hit in an inning. He injured his elbow in the seventh, however, and was forced to give way to the

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Fifth-Inning Rally Gives Aloha 10-5 Softball Victory

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Aloha	1	0	1.000
Blooming	1	0	1.000
Troutman's	1	0	1.000
West Union	1	0	1.000
Bethany	0	1	.000
Knights of Columbus	0	1	.000
Laurel	0	1	.000
Verboort	0	1	.000

Coming games Thursday, Aloha vs. Troutman's; Friday, Troutman's vs. Commercial Bank (exhibition); Saturday, American League all-stars vs. National League all-stars (exhibition); Sunday, Tigard Electric vs. Blooming (exhibition); Tuesday, West Union vs. Bethany; Thursday, July 8, Laurel vs. Blooming.

A five-run upsurge in the fifth inning and four home runs gave Aloha a 10 to 5 win over Bethany in a National league softball game here Monday night. Aloha was trailing, 4 to 2, going into the last half of the fifth, then added three more runs in the sixth.

Aloha Pitcher DeHaan aided his own cause with two home runs. Shortstop Koenig and First Baseman Bud Cox also homered for the winners. Bud Boyd homered for Bethany.

In other National league games in second-half play last week, Blooming squeezed by Verboort, 5 to 4. Friday, Troutman's Store of North Plains dropped Laurel, 11 to 8, Thursday, and West Union edged Knights of Columbus, 9 to 8, Thursday of last week.

Blooming came from behind in the last of the eighth with two runs to drop Verboort. Right Fielder Art Gurske's double brought in the tieing run and he scored the winning run moments later on an error. Verboort had gone out in front, 4 to 3, in the top of the extra eighth inning.

Oscar Muhly, Blooming second baseman, led the winners with two hits in two trips to the plate. Gene Vandehey, Verboort third baseman, homered in the first inning.

A five-run rally in the top of the sixth inning provided the winning punch in Troutman's 11 to 8 victory over Laurel. Laurel was leading, 8 to 6, at the time.

Laurel started out fast, scoring five runs in the first inning and adding three more in the fourth inning. Troutman's pushed across one run in the first, two in the second, two in the third and one in the fifth. Studebaker homered in the third for Troutman's. Al Boleen homered and Wally Whitmore tripled in the fourth for Laurel.

West Union fought off a strong seventh-inning rally before defeating Knights of Columbus, 9 to 8. The lodge nine pushed across two runs in the top of the seventh before the fire was put out. The winners led, 6 to 3, going into the sixth inning. Each team pushed across three runs in the sixth, largely through extra-base blows.

West Union out-hit Knights of Columbus, 13 to 7. Ted Croeni and Mike Scheibel each had three hits in four times at bat to lead the winners. Croeni had two doubles and Schiebel, Al Croeni and Davidson each had one double for West Union.

Murray Frye, KC pitcher, had three for three at the plate, one of them a home run in the sixth inning. Catcher Vuylsteke also homered for the lodge nine. Norman Smith collected a double.

Tuesday, June 22		R	H	E
Knights of Columbus	120 053 2—8	7	4	
West Union	050 103 x—9	13	4	
M. Frye and Vuylsteke; N. Slunkard and Al Croeni.				
Umpires: Chiotti.				
Thursday, June 24		R	H	E
Troutman's	122 015 0—11	13	2	
Laurel	500 300 0—8	11	4	
D. Chamberlain, B. Troutman and L. Troutman; W. Whitmore and B. Whitmore.				
Umpire: LeBlanc.				
Friday, June 25		R	H	E
Verboort	200 010 01—4	4	2	
Blooming	100 002 02—5	8	2	
Hess and M. Jansen; Stark and Neuman.				
Umpire: Chiotti.				
Monday, June 28		R	H	E
Bethany	101 201 0—5	8	1	
Aloha	200 053 x—10	8	0	
Boyd and Zelstra; DeHaan and Slovick.				
Umpire: Chiotti.				

Three-Run Homer Beats Bakery Nine

A three-run homer in the seventh inning gave Forest Grove a 4 to 2 win over Perfection Bakery in a Clawaya league softball game here Friday evening. It was the first loss in two starts for the Hillsboro team in second-half play this year.

Forest Grove's right fielder connected for a terrific line drive homer that flew over Second Baseman Howard Schoen's head and rolled deep into right-center field. Two runners scored ahead of him. Hillsboro was leading, 2 to 1, when Trimble stepped up to the plate.

One of Perfection's runs came on a homer by Catcher Bob Halvorson in the fifth. The Hillsboro nine was limited to four hits in the tight contest.

		R	H	E
Forest Grove	010 000 3—4	8	0	
Perfection Bakery	000 110 0—2	4	2	
Therkelson and W. Haller; Sawyer and Halvorson.				
Umpires: LeBlanc and Chiotti.				

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SPORTS SPLASHES

By ELBERT HAWKINS

Sports Editor, The Argus

Dream of M/Sgt. Harry Mehrens, local army recruiter; Russ Hines, Forest Grove American Legion athletic director, and several others: To have a Tualatin Valley midget baseball league in operation next summer. They hope to have the Tualatin Valley semi-pro league sponsors each back a baseball team of kids up to about 13 years old, said teams to play preliminaries of about five innings to the regular league game.

Sgt. Mehrens is convinced that the midgets will draw big interest. He has been instrumental in organizing a midget league of four teams at Forest Grove, ages ranging from 6 to 13. Over 60 boys are signed up, with the following putting up the cold cash as sponsors: Blue Caps, Sid Hardy of Hardy's Cash Market; Green Caps, Jack Cate of Cate Motor Co.; Garlyn Munkres, Munkres' Cleaning & Pressing; Army Recruiting Red Caps, Sgt. Mehrens. Forest Grove baseball association is furnishing balls for the midgets, according to Mehrens.

The boys use a shortened distance of 75 feet between bases instead of 90 feet and a pitching distance three feet shorter than the usual 60-plus. They've come up with some terrific fielding plays already, a shortstop to second to first being their first twin killing. Eleven-year-old Jerry Anderson, catcher for the Gold Caps, recently tossed out three of four at second base on attempted steals and is regarded a hot prospect for the future.

Such a baseball program for boys would be a success in any community and we're hoping it can be a reality for Hillsboro and other country towns in the not too distant future. A midget Tualatin Valley league next summer would be wonderful.

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It won't be long before Hillsboro's new bowling center, Rueckeer's Bowl, is in operation. Owners Herman and Walt Ruecker hope to have the big opening by the middle of July if possible. Brunswick representatives have been busy installing the eight hardwood lanes. Ruecker's Bowl features a new development for alleys in the form of a range finder. Dots are placed at various places in front of the foul line to help the bowlers develop their accuracy.

A full dozen six-team leagues have already indicated they'll be ready for action for the coming season, which will just about keep six lanes busy every evening of the week. Two lanes will be kept free for open bowling, which will be very fine for casual bowlers who aren't in leagues but would like to toss a few games now and then through the crowded winter months. Paul and Mickey Ruecker will have a soda pop and sandwich counter at the new pin center.

Sports splashings . . . Art Scott came up with a hot streak of golf last Thursday evening at Forest Hills. Playing with Eddie LaHaie and Johnny Frantz, he got off to a very mild start by going six over par on the first five holes. But that's when the fun began. He then proceeded to card birdies on 6, 7, 8 and 9 and added a fifth consecutive birdie on the first hole! Five birdies in a row—we haven't heard of a hotter streak at Forest Hills . . . . add to nature notes. Sandy Will of North Plains last Wednesday spotted an albino swallow perched in the barn back of his house . . . While on the subject of birds: Bud Jensen recently spotted a family of four golden eagles along the Tualatin river. While eagles—especially the big ones—have quite a reputation for being toughies to tangle with, some blackbirds have had the courage to power-dive the young eagles and peck 'em on the back of their heads.

Perfection Wins Clawaya Tilt, 8-6

Hillsboro's Perfection Bakery softball nine, winner of only one in four games in the Clawaya league's first half, last week spoiled the first half champion McMinnville Elks' second-half debut by singeing out an 8 to 6 victory at McMinnville.

The Hillsboro nine pounded two McMinnville pitchers for nine hits, most of them counting for runs. Shortstop Lloyd Koehler and Outfielder Don Foelker paced the Hillsboro attack with three for five and two for five, respectively.

Hillsboro started out with four runs in the second inning when Howard Webb singled, Bob Halvorson was safe on a bunt and Foelker doubled both home. Chuck Sawyer came home on Koehler's first safely and both Foelker and Sawyer came home on Koehler's double. The bakers added three more runs in the sixth and one in the seventh.

		R	H	E
Hillsboro	0 4 0 0 0 3 1—	8	9	4
McMinnville	2 0 1 0 0 1 2—	6	9	6
Sawyer and Halvorson; Davis, Littlejohn (2) and Rich.				

Racing Opener Taken by Ness

Stan and Milt Ness, Portland midget auto racing brothers, finished first and second in the feature class A 30-lap race of the Portland midget racing club's first program at the Hillsboro Speedway Sunday afternoon.

A large crowd watched as the racers sped around the reconditioned track at the Tualatin Valley Rodeo grounds. Bob Christie of Grants Pass and Walt Sain of Portland followed in third and fourth places in the feature attraction.

Fans witnessed an unscheduled event during the program when one car spun on the track and was struck broadside by another. The driver was rushed to Jones hospital but was released after observation.

Results of the meet:

Helmet dash—won by Shorty Clements, Beaverton; second Walt Sain, Portland; third, Milt Ness, Portland. First heat—Won by Shorty Clements, Beaverton; second, Walt Sain, Portland; third, Milt Ness, Portland. Second heat—Won by Frank Moran, Portland; second, Chuck Pontz, Portland; third, Hank Whitney, Portland. Third heat—Won by Milt Ness, Portland; second, Stan Ness, Port-

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Bevos, Seattle In Long Series

Independence Day and the customary fireworks are celebrated on the 4th of July, but there is lots more fireworks at Lucky Beaver Stadium for the five days preceding the usual holiday. If a red hot Portland team just out of the cellar and a cooling Seattle team just slipping out of second place doesn't make for firecrackers, then it must be raining in Portland again.

There will be nine games in this series with double-headers on both the fourth and fifth of July. The ticket office reports a brisk sale for this series and suggested that you either call in or write for reservations early.

All evening games start at 8:30 and double-headers at the usual time of 1:30.

Say You Saw It In The Argus

Bakery, Electric Softballers Play 8-Inning, 5-5 Tie

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	T	L	Pct.
Commercial Bank	0	0	0	1.000
Perfection Bakery	1	1	0	1.000
Tigard Electric	0	1	1	.000
Knights of Pythias	0	0	1	.000
Moose Lodge	0	0	1	.000

Coming games: Thursday, Moose Lodge vs. Perfection Bakery; Friday, Troutman's vs. Commercial Bank (exhibition); Saturday, American League all-stars vs. National League all-stars (exhibition); Sunday, Tigard Electric vs. Blooming (exhibition); Tuesday, Moose Lodge vs. Knights of Pythias; Thursday, July 8, Commercial Bank vs. Perfection Bakery.

Perfection Bakery and Tigard Electric, the two teams that were tied for second place in the American softball league when first-half play concluded, last Thursday fought to a 5 to 5 draw in eight innings then had to quit because of the time limit. It was the second game for both teams in the second-half play.

The electricians came through with three much-needed runs in the last of the sixth to throw the game into a 5-all tie which neither team could break. The scoreless innings followed the Tigard upsurge of the sixth and the game was finally called because of time.

Perfection jumped into a 2 to 1

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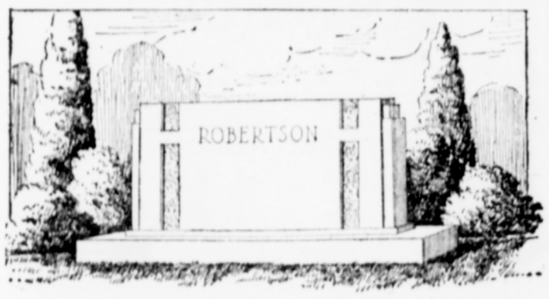

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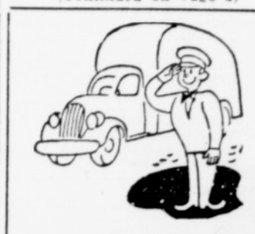

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—1923—

TWO-IN-TWO: Jack Dempsey won on points from Tommy Gibbons in 15 rds. at Shelby, Mont. Twq months later Dempsey KOed Louis Firpo in the 2nd at Polo Grounds. $1,082,590 worth of customers went wild at Sportdom's "No. 1 Thriller."

TWENTY STRAIGHT: *Athletics in American lost 20 in a row for second time to tie record of Boston in National (1906).*

WASHINGTON WIN: Washington nosed out Navy to win at Poughkeepsie. Frosh finished second to Cornell.

—1928—

MAKING TEN: UCLA joined P.C. Conference, making membership of ten. Conference organized in 1915; four original members, Cal., Ore., Ore. State and Wash.

'NUFF: *Gene Tunney retired after KOing Tom Heeney in the 11th round in New York City.*

CELLARITES: With 31 wins, 67 losses for a percentage of .316, Seattle ended up in the Coast League cellar.

—1933—

GENTLEMAN JIM: James J. Corbett died in N. Y. KOed John L. Sullivan in 21 rounds to win title in 1892; lost it to Bob Fitzsimmons in 14 rounds in 1897.

—1938—

QUICK FINISH: *Al Hostak KOed Freddie Steele in one round for the middleweight title in Seattle's "Battle of the Century."*

YEAR'S BEST: Athletes of the Year: Patty Berg, golfer; Don Budge, Tennis.

NO DICE: Max Schmeling, "Germany's Pride and Joy," was KOed in 2.04 seconds in an attempt to regain his heavy title from Joe Louis.

—1948—

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