

# Curt Comments

By CURTIS

Ship, ahoy! Avast there, mates, steady to the starboard! For boating, amigos, is a budding business—or, if you will, a growing pleasure in Salem-by-the-river. We stumbled upon this startling bit of sea-going stuff last week while talking to W. L. Hain, proprietor of the Salem Boat House, and Dr. Will J. Thompson, newly elected commodore of the Salem Yacht club.

Boating on the Willamette river, adjacent to Salem, has tripled in the last three years, according to Hain, and it's a sport that's bound to grow like Topsy if a few things like elimination of pollution in the river is accomplished.

Right now there are 100 boats, from row boats to cabin cruisers, tied up to Salem's one and old dock. Last year the Salem Yacht club had a membership of 24, and both Hain and Commodore Thompson predict at least a 50 per cent increase in membership this year. In fact, Hain foresees fully 50 members in the fold by 1931.

While the yacht club is mainly a fun-loving group, organized to get the most pleasure possible out of boating and to back the annual river regatta, it has an eye cocked on bettering river conditions for all types of sportsmen.

## River Purification An Object

Vitality interested in cleaning up our section of the Willamette, is the yacht club, and its head, Commodore Thompson. Just what steps it may take to help enforce the stream pollution measure that was passed by Oregon voters last November, the club does not yet know. It is, in fact, still a bit vague as to what the pollution measure is, and how much can be accomplished under it.

It is known that what must be done to purify the river, but the "how" is the particular item that at present has the river rompers stumped. The city of Salem must go in for an adequate sewage disposal plant, and the canneries must find other means of disposing of refuse than dumping it in the river. Those are the prerequisites for a pollution-free river, the stream enthusiasts are certain.

Immediate plans call for the appointment of a committee to work on the pollution problem, and a tie-up with the chamber of commerce in an effort to see just how much can be accomplished toward making the Willamette an even better river for boating and other sports, and safer from a sanitary standpoint.

That it is up to the yacht club, and similar organizations, to lead the fight against pollution of the Willamette is evident by the very character of the stream pollution measure passed in November.

## Measure Provides for "Cooperation"

The measure sets up a deliberate, orderly procedure for ridding Oregon waters of pollution, but leaves this to be brought about through voluntary cooperation. Although it empowers authority to bring proceedings to abate pollution nuisances, and provides that all sewer systems and disposal plant plans must be approved by the authority, it does not bluntly say, "the city of Salem will have to quit dumping sewage in the Willamette river or be blown from the face of the earth."

It declares it to be the public policy of Oregon to preserve the natural purity of streams, and declares that the discharge of any sewage or waste into them is contrary to this policy. But, while Salem is violating the "policy," nothing much can be done until the city acquires enough wealth to install a sewage disposal plant.

However, since the measure empowers the six-man sanitary authority to sue, to see that it holds hearings, and to take "appropriate action" for the enforcement of its rules and orders, perhaps by soliciting the aid of the authority the yacht club can quicken action that will ultimately have to come.

## Club Sets Regatta Date

Sunday, July 2, has been pretty definitely set by the Yacht club as the date for this summer's river regatta. It will be held this time at Riverdale, where non-paying guests will not be able to make use of bridges to witness as much as paying spectators.

Besides the regatta, the yacht club this summer will schedule a number of "picnic runs" of the river. The whole club fleet will go on these runs, which can be made as far south as Albany and as far north as Portland.

Governmental agencies, used in the interest of logging, have considerably enhanced boating as far as the upper river is concerned, according to Hain. By keeping the channel dredged, the government has assisted river sports here more than any other one thing.

Among the varied craft individually owned by members of the yacht club is a 30-foot, ocean-going sail boat that is now being given finishing touches by its owner and builder, Ray Barton. The seaworthy craft, which has a marine motor installed for auxiliary power, has been four years in the making.

Yet another locally constructed boat is Don Cavanaugh's commercial fishing boat, a 25-footer with a steel-hull hull, which he intends taking to the coast. Hain, himself, is in the boat building business, and says his company right now has more orders than it can fill. It makes utility runabouts for pleasure, and made-to-order fishing rowboats.

## Waits to Have Strong Club

The "Jones" struck out four and caused the two other batters who faced him in two innings to pop up, while pitching for Waits last week, was none other than Frank Mandic, the Oregon State basketball star.

Such was the revelation here Saturday, and the lads in the know claim Mandic, who got his softball start in Hollywood, is a better hurler than Percy Crawford, Waits' new manager, Pete McCaffery, admitted that "Jones" is Mandic, and that he means to sign the big guy if possible.

If McCaffery gets the Waits club lined up as he wants it, he'll have George Scales at first base, Ernie Garzarino at second, Billy Beard at short, Lowell Gribble at third, and Drynan, Nicholson and Pickens or Buckman in the outfield. With Pete doing the catching, and both George Roth and Mandic on the hurling staff, it looks like quite a tough lineup.

Tommy Drynan, one of the top hitters of the circuit last year, has already forsaken \$0-30 in favor of Waits, but Nicholson, who played with the championship Papermakers last season, hasn't yet signed a Waits contract. Buckman is a fleet-foot who played with Mt. Angel last year, and who has been coaching at St. Paul.

All the clubs are strengthening for summer league play, and the way Square Deal romped through the spring league, (having already won nine straight and only one to go), it looks like they need it. Watch for June 13—that's when the summer circuit fees off.

## Leaders Pair Off In Valley League

Silverton and Woodburn, Canby and Sherwood Will Face Today

Willamette Valley League	W	L	Pct.
Silverton	5	0	1.000
Woodburn	4	1	.800
Canby	4	1	.800
Lone Elder	2	3	.400
St. Paul	1	4	.200
Willamette	1	4	.200
Beavercreek	0	5	.000

The four top teams in the Valley league will pair off this Sunday in games at Woodburn and Sherwood. The feature game of this round will undoubtedly be the Silverton-Woodburn contest in which Manager Bomhoff of Woodburn will send Bourbonnais to the mound in an attempt to halt the winning ways of the Bees. Carl and Johnson will take over their regular duties for Silverton. A win for the Bees in this game will assure them at least a tie in the first half play, possibly the championship.

At Sherwood the Canby Firemen back in full strength after dropping a costly one to Willamette, will send "Squack" Wilson to the mound with hopes of remaining a contender. Sherwood will probably pin their hopes on southwest Podolsen now that his arm is in shape again.

Paul is the next side. Opponent at Beavercreek by a much improved nine and will find them working earnestly for their first win. Roberts for Beavercreek and Ci-

## Loise Close Is Archery Winner

Salem High School Girl Hits Most Bullseyes; Leslie Team Tops

Loise Close, Salem high school girl, won the special prize awarded in yesterday's invitational archery contest on Leslie field, given for the contestant hitting the most bullseyes. She hit 13.

Leslie won the plaque for the most points for four scorers, with 1475, with Chemawa second and Salem high third. Forty participants entered, from Salem high, Sacred Heart academy, Chemawa, Woodburn and Leslie. Three rounds of 30 arrows, at 20, 30 and 40 yards were shot. Prizes were awarded by Harry Hobson & Sons.

Winners: Girls—Loise Close, Salem high, 357; Anna Takayama, Salem, 311; Edie Peltio, Woodburn, 246.

Boys, 9th to 12th grades—Glen Clark, Leslie, 386; James Richardson, Leslie, 337; Bob Palmateer, Leslie, 330.

Girls, 5th to 8th grades—Shirley Robinson, Leslie, 323; Shirley Parker, Leslie, 292; Joan Ryan, Leslie, 282.

Boys, 5th to 8th grades—Ted Gordon, Leslie, 459; James Green, Chemawa, 372; Abner Herewald, Chemawa, 348.

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# Whitman Blanks WU for Title

## Grant of Portland Takes State Prep Meet

### Eugenean Hits Shotput Mark

Elliott Chucks 54 Feet to Go Records Two Better; Shinn Wins 880

HAYWARD FIELD, University of Oregon, Eugene, May 20.—(Special)—Grant, high of Portland's favored Eugenean grabbed the first place team trophy in the 13th annual Oregon State High School Athletic association track and field meet here this afternoon, but it remained for a husky hometown and a well-coordinated Woodburn to put two new marks into the all-time record book.

Big Chuck Elliott of Eugene put his 230 pounds behind the iron ball to net 54 feet 1 1/2 inches—lacking but one inch of being a full two feet over the shotput mark registered by Corvallis' Bill Blackledge in 1927, while Woodburn's Lester Nelson soared over the pole vault bar at 12 feet 1 1/2 inches—three-eighths of an inch better than the former state mark.

Gibson of Washington stepped the low sticks in 23 seconds flat, equaling the year-old record held by Brady of Washington.

Grant got but one first place, Likins successfully defending his javelin title, but added a generous sprinkling of place points to score 28, nine more than second-place Medford, the hard luck squad of the meet. Washington high, annexing two firsts, collected 17 points for third, while Salem finished fourth with 12.

Shinn Wins Going Away

Salem's Bill Shinn, running one of the prettiest races of the day, easily romped to victory in the half mile. Despite a track made heavy by light showers that preceded the meet, Shinn strode the 880 yards in 2:02.7. Starting in a field of 17, the chunky Salem runner dove into third place as they strung out on the first turn. He steamed into a lead that he never relinquished on the back stretch, steadily drew to the fore until chased by Mohawk's Hoskins as they turned into the stretch, and turned on the heat to finish yards ahead.

The capital city relay foursome, not figured in pre-meet dope to place, pushed Benson's winning foursome hard. It came a second, as Bailey Salem's anchor man, pushed Pettit of Benson, Chapman, the only graduating member of the quartet, was credited with the best race of his career.

Nelson Thrd, Javelin

Stuart Nelson couldn't better his qualifying javelin mark of 170 feet 11 inches, and placed third to Grant's Likins and Beaverton's Smith. Jerry Mulkey, who had run the mile but four times previously, finished seventh in a field of 18, with Washington's Fischer out-driving Chemawa's Lodge in the stretch to win in 4 minutes and 34 seconds.

Individual scoring honors were shared by Loyd LeClair of Gold Beach, who won the discus and took second in the shot; Jesse Truax of Corvallis, who won the century, tied for second in the 220 and ran the anchor lap on the fourth-place relay; and Griffin of Pendleton, who won the 220 and took second in the 100.

Summary:

100-yard dash—Won by Fischer, Washington (Portland); second, Lodge, Chemawa; third, McGreggor, Grant (Portland). Time 4:35 minutes.

220-yard high hurdles—Won by Taylor, Scappoose; second, Jones, Athens; third, Wells, Union. Time 15.3 seconds.

Truax Dash Winner

100-yard dash—Won by Truax, Corvallis; second, Griffin, Pendleton; third, Still, MacLoughlin high. Time 10.3 seconds.

Shot put—Won by Elliott, Eugene, 54 feet 1 1/2 inches; second, LeClair, Gold Beach, 49 1/2 inches; third, Stamm, Grant (Portland). Old record 52 feet 6 1/2 inches set by Elliott, Eugene, in preliminaries.

440-yard dash—Won by Johnson, Medford; second, Hopkins, Mohawk; third, Eagles, Lincoln. Time 2:08.2 seconds.

Discus—Won by LeClair, Gold Beach, 136 feet 10 inches; second, Harbonski, West Linn; third, Blake, Cottage Grove.

200-yard low hurdles—Won by Gibson, Washington; second, Edwards, Grant (Portland); third, Laxton, Ontario. Time 23 seconds.

100-yard dash—Won by McKee, Pendleton, in 1928.

Javelin—Won by Likins, Grant (Portland), 177 feet 11 inches; second, Smith, Beaverton; third, Nelson, Salem.

220-yard dash—Won by Griffin, Pendleton; second, Crosby, Medford; and Truax, Corvallis, tied. Time 21.3 seconds.

880-yard run—Won by Shinn, Salem; second, Hopkins, Mohawk; third, Hamer, Eddyville. Time 2:02.7 minutes.

880-yard relay—Won by Benson (Portland), Sinclair-Turner-Thomas-Pettit; second, Salem; third, Washington (Portland). Time 1:33.3 minutes.

High jump—Tie between Cain, Grant (Portland), and Newland, Medford, 6 feet.

Broad jump—Won by Dollard, Lakeview, 22 feet 5 1/2 inches; second, Davis, West Linn; third, Fisher, third, Finch, Medford, 21 feet 4 inches.

Nelson Sets Pole Mark

Pole vault—Won by Nelson, Woodburn, 12 feet 1 1/2 inches; tie for second between Frakes, Scappoose, and Muro, Grant (Portland). New state record. Old mark 11 feet 4 inches set by Benson, Bend, and Simmons, Forest Grove, in 1926.

Point totals: Grant 28, Medford 19, Washington 17, Salem 12, Corvallis 11 1/2, Pendleton 8,

### Sports News

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# SPORTS

Salem, Oregon, Sunday Morning, May 21, 1939

### A Homer—

In the Statesman sports page; home sports news comes first in all ways.

## B Basketball Tournery Plan

Separate Tournament Is Talked, With Winner Entering A Meet

Be schools of the Oregon State High School Athletic association will compete in a separate basketball tournament, with the winner entering the A-team tourney here at Salem, if a committee recommendation accepted by coaches of the association during a meeting at Eugene Friday night finds equal favor in next fall's delegate assembly.

This was revealed yesterday in Eugene by coaches who attended the meeting, and who gave unanimous approval to the move. The separate Bee tourney would pit the four district champions against each other in double elimination play. Contemplated sites for the meet are Linfield, Oregon, Oregon State, or Central College of Education at Monmouth.

The Bee champion, under the proposed plan, would draw for a position in the A tournament, the same as A teams.

Vern Gilmore, secretary of the State Coaches association, and Salem Basketball Coach Harold Hank both favor the move, they said yesterday.

## Ruffing Wins It As Pinch Hitter

Yankees' Mound Veteran Singles, Scoring Two, Erasing Cub Lead

NEW YORK, May 20.—(AP)—Red Ruffing, the burly veteran who has won six games for the New York Yankees on his pitching this spring, decided one with his bat today.

Pinchhitting in the seventh inning with two out, the bases loaded and the champions trailing the Chicago White Sox by one run, he singled two scores across and spurred the Yankees to their tenth consecutive victory, 5 to 2.

Chicago . . . . . 2 0 0  
New York . . . . . 5 1 0  
Lee, Rigney (8) and Silveiro, Hildebrand, Murphy (8) and Dickey.

Browns Quit Losing

Boston, May 20.—(AP)—The St. Louis Browns snapped out of a six-game losing streak today to comb four Boston Red Sox pitchers for 14 hits while gaining a 3-5 victory.

The win was Rookie John Kramer's fourth of the season.

St. Louis . . . . . 3 1 0  
Boston . . . . . 5 1 0  
Kramer and Glenn, Galehouse, Weaver (7), Dickman (7), Wade (9) and Desautels.

Nicaraguan Sees Game

PHILADELPHIA, May 20.—(AP)—With President Somosa, of Nicaragua, an interested spectator, the Athletics came from behind today to beat Detroit, 6 to 5, for their straight victory.

Detroit . . . . . 5 0 0  
Philadelphia . . . . . 6 1 0  
Rowe, Eisenhart (8), and Tibettis, Potter, Joyce (3), and Hayes.

Feller Loses Second

WASHINGTON, May 20.—(AP)—Washington defeated Cleveland today, 6-3, behind the Knuckleball pitching of Dutch Leonard. Bob Feller, starting for Cleveland but replaced by Joe Dobson at the start of the seventh, was charged with his second loss of the season.

Cleveland . . . . . 3 0 0  
Washington . . . . . 6 1 2  
Feller, Dobson (7) and Hemaley, Pylak (6), Leonard and Guiland.

West Linn 9, Gold Beach 8, Scappoose 8 1/2, Mohawk 6, Benson 7, Eugene 6, Mac-Hi 6, Lakeview 5, Woodburn 5, Ontario 5, Athens 4, Chemawa 4, Cottage Grove 4, Beaverton 4, Union 3, Milwaukie 3, Lincoln 3, Eddyville 3, Franklin 3, McMinnville 2, Bend 2, LeGrande 1 1/2, Arlington 1 1/2, Hood River 1 1/2, Albany 1 1/2, Gresham 1, Toledo 1, Molalla 1, Phoenix 1, Redmond 1.

## Dixie Cup for Jockey Meade



Don Meade and Alford G. Vanderbilt Making a comeback following a long suspension, Jockey Don Meade is presented with the Dixie cup at Pimlico, Md., track after he had piloted his horse to victory. The presentation is being made by Alford G. Vanderbilt, the rich young sportsman and president of the Maryland Jockey club.

## Ray Morgan Working Hard on Fight With Peterson Here This Wednesday; Portland Ringman Eyes State Title

If hard work means anything—and there are those who claim it's 90 per cent of the battle, Portland's Ray Morgan Wednesday night at the armory will give Buddy Peterson more to think about than a possible defense of his Oregon middleweight belt against Leo "The Lion" Turner at some later date.

For Morgan, who fights Buddy over the 16-round romp in the main event of this week's VFW card here, has been hitting the road and ring like his life depends on it, according to word received from Portland yesterday.

So perhaps it will come to pass that Peterson won't have the state middleweight hardware at all after Wednesday night, and that

## League Baseball

COAST LEAGUE (Before Night Games)			
W.	L.	Pct.	
Los Angeles	29	30	.492
Seattle	28	29	.488
San Francisco	28	31	.471
Hollywood	24	24	.500
San Diego	22	24	.478
Sacramento	21	27	.438
Oakland	20	26	.435
Portland	18	23	.431

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
W.	L.	Pct.	
St. Louis	15	9	.625
Cincinnati	16	10	.615
Chicago	14	13	.519
Boston	13	13	.500
Pittsburgh	12	14	.462
Brooklyn	11	13	.458
New York	12	15	.444
Philadelphia	10	16	.386

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
W.	L.	Pct.	
New York	20	8	.706
Boston	15	7	.682
Cleveland	13	12	.520
Chicago	12	13	.479
Washington	11	14	.440
Philadelphia	9	15	.375
St. Louis	10	17	.370
Detroit	10	19	.345

WESTERN INTERNATIONAL		
W.	L.	Pct.
Yakima 6, Bellingham 4,		
Spokane 5, Vancouver 4,		
Tacoma 12, Wenatchee 5.		

## Softball Planned At Independence

INDEPENDENCE—The Independence softball association cleared decks for the coming season when Friday night they elected officers and set machinery in motion that will probably provide a 12-team league here.

Dr. George Horley was elected president, E. E. Addison named secretary-treasurer, Torry Taylor named all-star manager, and C. C. Harwood appointed chairman of the equalization board.

Seventy-six players names were turned in, and as soon as the Hop bowl is ready play will start. It is expected that June 1 will find all teams ready to go.

In a practice game here an independence pick-up club defeated the Salem Red & White team 4 to 2. Joe Rogers and Junior Hartman formed the battery for the locals.

## Seattle Win Rides Homer

Leading Suds Break Ball Game at 11 Innings With Portland

SEATTLE, May 20.—(AP)—Shortstop Alan Strange of the Seattle Rainiers broke up a ball game with a home run in the 11th inning to give Seattle a 4 to 3 victory over Portland in the Pacific Coast baseball league.

The victory kept Seattle at the top of the league standings in a tie with Los Angeles.

Strange was the first batter up in the last half of the 11th and poled one over the fence to save a game that Seattle had under control once and nearly booted away.

Both teams scored in the second inning and Seattle added two more in the third. A Portland rally in the fourth resulted in one score but was ended with the Rainiers still in the lead. In the sixth, however, an error by Pitcher Paul Gregory allowed Manager Bill Sweezy to come in with the tying run. Both pitchers tightened up for four scoreless innings then until Strange's cannonball drive ended a game that threatened to last most of the night.

Portland . . . . . 3 10 2  
Seattle . . . . . 4 8 3  
Thomas and Adams, Gregory and Campbell.

Angels, Seals Hold Up

OAKLAND, Calif., May 20.—(AP)—Ray Prim, Los Angeles left-hander, yielded only five hits today to hand the Oakland A's a 3 to 0 defeat.

Los Angeles . . . . . 3 8 0  
Oakland . . . . . 0 5 1  
Prim and R. Collins, Fallon and Conroy.

San Francisco . . . . . 5 10 2  
Hollywood . . . . . 4 10 1  
Powell, Ballou (?) and Woodall, Muncieff and Brensel.

San Diego . . . . . 4 6 1  
Sacramento . . . . . 4 7 0  
Tobin, Clemence (8) and Dettore, Seata and Ogrodowski.

## First 6-0 Win Clinches Crown

Anton Shaky in Instances; Bearcats Win 4 to 0 in Anti-Climax

WALLA WALLA, May 20.—(AP)—Whitman college won the 1939 Northwest conference baseball title from Willamette university here today, Karl Schneidmiller blanking the Bearcats, 6-0, in his farewell appearance in intercollegiate ball.

Whitman also won Friday night, 6-2, behind four-hit pitching by the sophomore sensation, Chuck Greer. Schneidmiller went him one better by limiting the visitors to three singles.

Anton Forces Run in

Bill Anton's unsteadiness was his undoing, the Willamette hurler forcing in one Whitman run when the bases were building.

In a nightcap played "just for fun," Harold McAbee for Willamette whitewashed the champs, 4-0, C. H. Whitman contributing three unearned runs conference U. of A. Walker, another senior hurler, Umpire Myron Harmon, working the bases, had to retire in that game when hit in the temple by a thrown ball.

Willamette . . . . . 0 8 1  
Whitman . . . . . 6 5 1  
Anton and Robertson; Schneidmiller and Gross.

Second game:  
Willamette . . . . . 4 9 1  
Whitman . . . . . 0 6 3  
McAbee and Robertson; Walker and Shaw.

## Rickreall Forms Softball Outfit

RICKREALL—Young men of the community have organized a softball club with Frank Farmer as their sponsor.

Firms of the town are sponsoring individual players and providing their jerseys.

Extensive work is being done upon the ball diamond in the Birch grove. Any one interested in games can get in touch with Frank Farmer or D. V. Price.

Rickreall has always been baseball minded and looks with just pride to Curt Davis of the St. Louis Cardinals, a Rickreall boy.

## Rook, Fresh Baseballers Washed out in Finale

CORVALLIS, May 20.—(AP)—Rain forced postponement of the third University of Oregon Freshman Oregon State college Rooks baseball game of the season today will be played at Eugene next Thursday. The Rooks won both earlier games.

In tennis, the frosh blanked the rooks, 7-0, today, winning every set with one exception.

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