

Track Teams Await 'Relays'



RAY HENDRICKSON takes a pause while he can, as he looks over his "paper plans" for the Hayward Relays this weekend, which will attract the leading Oregon high school track powers. Ray, as usual, is general chairman for the Active Club-sponsored Relays, and also will "triple" as coach of the University High and Eugene High track squad.

Strong Field To Participate

Haywards Here Friday, Saturday

The 15th annual running of the classic Hayward Relays will unfold next Friday and Saturday afternoons, with the Washington State-Oregon dual meet as an added attraction the second day of running.

A smaller, more streamlined entry field is expected this year for the high school events since Washington preppers aren't permitted to participate in out-of-state meets. A total of 50 Oregon high schools—in the "A," "B," and "C" divisions—representing some 900-odd runners is anticipated by Bill Wood, director of the events. The Eugene Active Club is sponsoring the Hayward Relays.

ONLY A HANDFUL of entries had been received Friday by general chairman Ray Hendrickson, but he expected most of the entries to come in over the weekend. The high schools, to be eligible, must have their entry lists postmarked no later than Sunday.

Friday the B and C schools will compete. The C's will vie in six events, with high schools having enrollments of 150 and under eligible. The B preppers will compete in 10 separate events, with enrollment of 150 to 500 as a requirement. The Friday field events will start at 12:30 p.m., with the running events to start an hour later.

Ashland is the defending champion in the B bracket, while Pleasant Hill will be on hand to defend its C laurels.

Division Diamond Opener With Cougars this Weekend

The Northern Division baseball opener and the start of spring football will feature spring sports at the University of Oregon this week.

Coach Don Kirsch's Webfoots ball club, one of the best-balanced squads in recent years, will meet Washington State's perennial pennant contenders here on Howe Field Friday at 3:15 p.m.; Saturday at 2 p.m.

Despite the solid performance of the Oregonians to date, including five games in California, the Webfoots will face a rough schedule against four opponents rated stronger than usual, Oregon State, defending champion, will be favored.

Although he will not be in his office until later in the week, Len Casanova has outlined the spring football schedule that starts Monday with the first of 20 sessions. A Monday-through-Friday schedule will be followed, and the two-hour drill is expected to come May 9.

CASANOVA, recovering from a

JUST PUTTERING BILL WASMANN

★ The annual battle of Eugene greenskeepers vs. green grass has started. Already the city's grass tenders are glancing skyward, looking for anything in the way of a dark cloud. Oakway started watering greens last Wednesday night. The Country Club reported Thursday that watering would begin "in a couple of days" unless the rains came. Laurelwood isn't thinking about watering yet, still plenty of spring runoff, however, they are "watering in" fertilizer on the greens.

A greenskeeper is part weatherman, scientist, magician and florist. When Lincoln abolished slavery he apparently forgot about greenskeepers. Their day, during the summer months, begins around sun-up and if they are fortunate and the day isn't too warm, they'll knock off for the day somewhere between midnight and two a.m. The best time for watering greens is after dark, therefore the late hours.

I don't want to alarm the city's unsung heroes. But one of their own colleagues, Ralph Hope, Sr., who keeps Oakway in such fine shape, isn't looking forward to any favors from the clouds this year and for the next eight years after this one. He read a weather article by a long range forecaster last year that the Pacific Northwest is just beginning a 10-year cycle of dry, hot summers, like the one we had last year.

Practically anyone remembers last year's dry spell. But Mr. Hope, from memory, can just about name every drop of rain that fell during that dry spell. Without batting an eye he'll tell you that in April, 1951 there were three days of intermittent light rain and 28 days of nothing but dryness. Then, he recalls that nothing substantial in the way of rain came until October, 1951.

★ The weather bureau, if you check it, won't quite agree with this greenskeeper's nightmare. However, the fact of the matter is that both greenskeeper and weatherman are right, in their own worlds. To a greenskeeper there hasn't been a trace of rain unless enough falls to supply underground moisture for his grass. The weatherman, on the other hand, records everything from a "trace" on up to floods big enough to float arks. The weather station at Mahlon Sweet Airport defines a "trace" as anything less than .005 of an inch and they somehow keep records on those atom-tiny amounts.

Mr. Hope was quoting last year's dry spell rainfall figures from his memory. Without looking back at any note books he knew that we had rain the last three days of April, 1951. Here's the official weather bureau report for that same month: .55 of an inch, on the last three days of April, 1951. From the end of April up to October 13, 1951, Mr. Hope and his fabulous "weather memory" recall nothing but dryness. Here's what the weather bureau recorded that same period with the Eugene mean over at least a 10-year period in brackets: May 1.75 (1.8); June "trace" (1.14); July .01 (.46); August .51 (.49); September 1.22 (1.23); October 5.75 (5.13).

That October fall seems pretty large, but remember that the greenskeeper said up to October 13, the weather bureau more or less bears him out. The rainfall that month was 5.75. Of that amount 2.55 fell the first 11 days but it was so distributed that it would be of only mild use to a greenskeeper.

The article Mr. Hope read probably wasn't by anyone officially connected with the U. S. Weather Bureau. They usually only stick their necks out in public for 30 days at a time, no more. Anything longer than that has to come from the publishers of rural almanacs; in this case of the cycle business, probably from some person who is absorbed with the so called "science of cycles."

After the summer of 1960 we'll check to see whether or not there was anything to this present dry cycle which we are supposed to be going through.

★ A guest at Eugene Country Club's last women's day last week, Mrs. Herbert Staats, toured the course in 79, a three-over-par performance. She comes from Davenport, Iowa, and on the best available authority has been that state's woman's champion. Missing three four-foot putts made the difference between even par and the 79 she carded.

Prep Ball Scheduled Monday Thru Friday

This is a busy week with a capital B—week for the "A" Lane County prep athletes. For every day of the week, Monday through Saturday, a spring sports event of one kind or another is on the schedule.

The week's slate opens Monday with two baseball games and a track meet. In the cinder run, Creswell moves to Junction City for a dual test. On the baseball front, Springfield has tentatively billed a game with the Oregon junior varsity, while Cottage Grove will host Northwest Christian College.

TUESDAY, THREE baseball games dot the schedule. The key contest will pit Elmira and Junction City, both unbeaten in four

Eagles Slate Card Next Wednesday Night

Mike Nixon, 140, of the Albina Athletic Club and Jack Pucias, 132, Eugene, will fight the feature bout of a nine-bout card Wednesday in Eagles' Hall at 8:30 p. m.

On the same card will be a second mail event between Bill Patrick, 180, Portland, and Mike Coleman, 166, Eugene. This is a re-match battle.

Wesley Johnson, 148, Eugene, and Bobo Jordan, 147, Portland, are listed for a three-rounder. Carl Steen, 134, Eugene, and Dave Manning, 136, also of Eugene, are scheduled for a go.

In addition, five other bouts will complete the card.

games, on the Tiger diamond. The two clubs jointly share first place in the Valley League and District 5-A-2 races, which makes this an important battle. In the other Tuesday tiffs, Drain moves to Yoncalla for a Douglas "B" game, while Mohawk is at Pleasant Hill.

One baseball contest is on tap Wednesday afternoon when St. Francis moves to University. This is a District 5-A-2 encounter.

Thursday afternoon, the District 5-A-1 baseball race gets underway when Eugene moves to Cottage Grove.

FRIDAY, A LITTLE bit of everything is scheduled. Featured, of course, will be the "B" and "C" division of the Hayward Relays.

In the golf picture, University and Eugene will jointly host the Upstate Golf Meet at Laurelwood. Other clubs expected to enter in the two-day 36-hole medal play are defending state golf titlist, Medford, Corvallis, Cottage Grove, Marshfield, and Springfield.

Five baseball contests will complete the Friday action. Springfield moves to Roseburg in the contest pitting the other District 5-A-1 clubs; Junction City moves to St. Francis and University goes to Willamette in District 5-A-2; Creswell plays at Elmira in a Valley contest; and Drain is at Gledale for a Douglas "B" diamond tiff.

Saturday will wind up the heavy week's action with the "A" division of the Hayward Relays, and the final 18 holes in the Upstate Golf Meet.

SPORTS

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Favorites Call in First Round of Club 'Calcutta'

Several favorites among the 32 golfers in the championship have already called in the wayside in the first round of the spring handicap golf tournament at the Eugene Country Club. Also featured in lesser flights have been several extra-hole battles.

First-round matches do not have to be completed until Sunday night.

In the meantime, plans have been made for the first "social" event, mixed four-ball eightsome's next Sunday, starting at 1 p. m. Another big event will be the 72-hole Palm Beach sweepstakes, sponsored by Baxter & Henning.

McKenzie Scores 8-4 Victory Over Mohawk

VIDA — Bob Gardner's two-run homer and Frank Wheeler's triple paced a big five-run third inning here Friday to lead McKenzie High to an 8-4 Lane County "B" baseball victory over Mohawk. Eleven Mohawk walks were costly. Lee Brown collected 10 of the six McKenzie hits as Mohawk out-slugged McKenzie.

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McKenzie 105 200 x-8 4 10
B Lane, Fuklin 3, and T. Lane, Hawks and Smith, Rookard 17.

HIGHCLIMBER

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a rushing yardage mark of 4.7 yards per carry and four touchdowns. Van Brocklin's 0.3-yard average and two touchdowns. . . . Carpenter paced the locals in kickoff returns with a 21.8-yard average. . . . Speaking of pro football, the Hoo Hoo (local lumbermen) still negotiating for the big pro game here on Hayward Field August between the Rams (Van Brocklin, Lewis, Dick Daugherty) and either the Cleveland Browns (Carpenter) or the Yankees (Daugherty) who have Garza, Brad Ecklund and Iversen. . . .

According to Van Brocklin in a telephone call with Joe Sydnor, coach of the Rams, Eugene is the favored site for the game rather than Portland. . . . Harry Glickman, ex-Oregon publicity man and now publicist for pro fights and the Shrine football game Portland, has also put in a bid for the game.

★ Close followers of Northern Division golf will be sure to learn of the death of Francis Llewellyn "Frank" James, a notable little Scotman, at Moscow, Ida., last Thursday. . . . 74-year-old golfer has visited here frequently as coach of the variety of Idaho team. . . . He was considered one of the nation's foremost golf course architects and his latest job was to design the new golf course to be constructed this year. . . . Dale Johnson, golf writer for The Oregonian, and Rudy Lachmeier, Portland sportscaster, have edited a little booklet that should be made available to golfers at all of Lane County's four courses: Cottage Grove, Laurelwood, Oakway, and the Country Club. . . . It is titled "Are You a Gopher or a Golfer", aimed at teaching golf etiquette with humor. . . . The booklets are available at 10 cents a dozen for a dollar.

★ Gary Nelson, the 7-foot, 1½-inch junior basketball center from Elma (Wash.) High visited here this week—to purchase his annual supply of over-sized clothing from his friend, C. Baxter. . . . Can you imagine one college team with both Nelson and "Swede" Halbrook, sub-7-footed, in the lineup. . . . What a double post that would be. . . . Might even put college basketball out of business.

But remember, the only reason Gary was here was to buy new clothes and visit his aunt and nephew, Frances and Jim Pearson of Eugene. He averaged 25 points per game in a 16-3 season.

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Coast League Umpire Suspended Indefinitely

LOS ANGELES — (UPI)—Pacific Coast League umpire John Young was suspended indefinitely Friday by league president Clarence Rowland for using profane language during a game at Sacramento April 3.

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