

Local Softballers Action Monday

With a complete rain-out of the week's schedule, the Eugene Softball Association will attempt to resume action Monday. Some 20 games went by with the wet weather, but with this week with action slated at Washington Park Stadium except Friday, the feature attraction of the league will occur Thursday night on Diamond 1 when the River Road Merchants will battle in their first-place battle in the Major League. The two are currently tied for the top two victories apiece and a 12-inning tie in their first game.

Women's race with a 3-0 mark compared to 3-1 for Willamette Electric of Oakridge. Martin Sign, Snellstrom Lumber and Phillips Electric each have one victory to share the Men's A Minor lead, while Big Y Marine Reserve, Kendall Motors and River Road Merchants have similar 1-0 marks to share the Minor B leadership.

This week's schedule:

MONDAY:
Diamond 1 — Register-Guard vs. River Road Merchants, 7:30. Phillips Electric vs. Associated Plywood, 8:30. Diamond 2 — High School vs. Kendall Motors, 7:30. Big Y Marine vs. Glen & Verna, 8:30. Civic Stadium — Snellstrom Lumber vs. Martin Sign, 7:30. Eugene Plywood Mill vs. Active Club, 8:30.

TUESDAY:
Diamond 1 — Eugene Merchants vs. Warren Women, 7:30. Willamette Electric vs. Police Auxiliary, 8:30. Diamond 2 — Valley Plywood vs. Warren Men, 7:30. Verna's vs. Rubes, 8:30. Civic Stadium — M&K Furniture vs. Foster Saw, 7:30.

WEDNESDAY:
Diamond 1 — Register-Guard vs. High School, 7:30. Kendall Motors vs. Big Y Marine, 8:30. Diamond 2 — Planing Mill vs. Snellstrom, 7:30. Active Club vs. Phillips, 8:30. Civic Stadium — River Road vs. Glen & Verna, 7:30. Associated Plywood vs. Martin, 8:30.

THURSDAY:
Diamond 1 — Valley Plywood vs. Jensen's, 7:30. Rubes vs. Warren Men, 8:30. Diamond 2 — Warren Women vs. M&K, 7:30. Willamette Electric vs. Eugene Merchants, 8:30. Civic Stadium — Police vs. Foster, 7:30.

FRIDAY:
Diamond 1 — Warren Women vs. Police, 7:30. Eugene Merchants vs. M&K, 8:30.

HIGHCLIMBER

By Dick Strite

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Maybe Oregon will return here again next year with a more fenced club that could be strengthened with a few pretty sophomores. . . . Oregon's batting average for the two tournaments was .212, the fielding average .963.

Oregon has never played in a finer ball park than here in Omaha. . . . The city owned park, considered the best park outside of the major leagues, was built in 1949 at a cost of one and a quarter million dollars. It is located about 10 minutes from the center of the city and adjacent to the river. The park, that also houses a zoo and a golf course. . . . Seats for 14,200, mostly in the grandstand. There is ample parking for about 3,500 cars. . . .

The turf is beautiful for this hot and comparatively dry climate and it is extremely well laid out with several new ideas in the matter of cross walks from the dugouts to the plate. And there is a 20-foot area of fine white gravel completely around the field, in front of the green-painted fences that range in height from 343, 370, 420, 370, 343 from the left to the right-field line. . . . There are no signs on the fences, either, although the scoreboard has one that advertised Brandeis store, establishment that has a ten-year contract and refused to be replaced. . . .

The lighting system of 48,500 watts is considered the second in baseball. . . . Unusual in this NCAA tourney is that beer is available. . . . The prices of admission are unusual, too, \$1.10 for reserved and 90 cents for general admission—which is regular league prices but a very narrow differential between types of admissions.

National, American, American Association and Western League umpires are used in the tourney. . . . Lafayette is the only team that used a padded type of cap for its batters, changed headgear after finishing their chores at the plate. . . . One of the show places here, visited by the Oregon squad, is the Town.

The Webfoots, on their visit, were surprised to find the baseball team practicing in the school's air-conditioned field house. The school has everything and possibly better facilities than colleges. . . .

Michigan State has three of its quarterbacks on the baseball team and Catcher Tom Yewcic is considered one of the best league prospects in the tourney and has been approached by all. The other Spartan quarterbacks who play baseball are Shortstop John Matsock and Earl Morrall, sophomore infielder. . . .

Eugene Eppley, owner of the Fontenelle Hotel, was the host of all of the tournament officials at a cocktail party Wednesday night, but he did not house any of the teams. . . . He owns a large number of hotels, from a start made when his grandmother purchased the Sioux City Hotel many years ago. . . .

Greetings to Jack Foster from Homer Thomas of Atlanta, Ga., his daughter, Mrs. Suzanne Yelkin, wife of the director of athletics at the University of Omaha. . . . There was some brass at the cocktail party—Curtis LeMay, a four-star general.

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22 Teams Set For Goldenball

A total of 22 teams will compete in the Active Club's Goldenball Softball Program, which opens this week. Bill Cooley is chairman of this, the third annual Goldenball Softball, setup.

The Midget group has been broken down into two leagues—seven in the American and six in the National. Six teams will vie in the Junior division and three in the Senior category. The American league opens Monday, the National Tuesday and the Junior division on Friday. The Senior clubs will play on Tuesday and Friday.

This week's schedule, with playing fields listed (all starting times 6:30 p.m. unless otherwise indicated):

MONDAY:
Diamond 1 — Little Rubes vs. Bishop Electric, Skimmers Butte; Maxon's Tackle Shop vs. Everybody's Cardinals, University Park; Hendershot's vs. Twin Oaks, Roosevelt JHS.

TUESDAY:
Apaches vs. Zip-O-Lug Rockets, Skimmers Butte; McKay's Market Comanches vs. Sawyer Maching Work, University Park; Big Y Marine vs. 1st National Bank United, Roosevelt JHS; Saunderson Cleaners Blue Bats vs. Moore Steel Riders, Frances Willard.

FRIDAY:
Skimmers Gold Strikers vs. Koke-Chapman Blue Blazers, Washington Park No. 1; Tillman-Booth Vampires vs. Hewitt's Market, Washington Park No. 2; Busey's Union Badgers vs. Robertson-Simons, Invaders, Washington Park No. 2 (7:45 p.m.); Moore Steel Riders vs. American Steel Riders, Washington Park No. 1 (7:45 p.m.).

Oakway Sets June 20 Deadline for Tourney

Oakway golf club has set a deadline of June 20 to complete the 18-hole qualifying for the summer handicap tournament. The playoff is open to all Oakway Men's Club members. Low gross and low net prizes will be awarded based on qualifying scores.

All entering the summer handicap will be entered in one flight. First and second-round losers will then each drop down a flight. Thus the tournament will be triple-elimination. Players will use 85 percent of handicap to determine scores and results.

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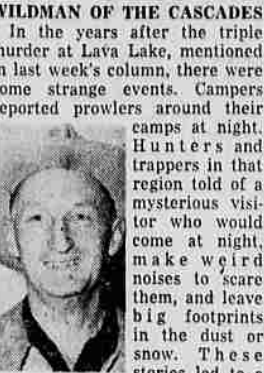
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AROUND THE CAMPFIRE With Prince Helfrich



WILDMAN OF THE CASCADES
In the years after the triple murder at Lava Lake, mentioned in last week's column, there were some strange events. Campers reported prowlers around their camps at night. Hunters and trappers in that region told of a mysterious visitor who would come at night, make weird noises to scare them, and leave big footprints in the dust or snow. These stories led to a supposition that there was a mad man living in the high Cascades.

One fall two trappers packed their provisions into the Horse Lake area and built cabins in preparation for a winter trapping. The cabins were about six miles apart. Each man would live in his own cabin but check in with his partner ever so often for company and trapping news. When the first snows of the winter came it found the trappers busy taking fur and making further preparations for deeper snow to follow.

One morning one of the trappers rose early and stepped outside to note the new snowfall. The first thing he saw was the fresh tracks of a big man who, during the night, had walked up to his window. This immediately recalled stories of the madman, so without even getting breakfast, he grabbed his gun and set out for his partner's cabin.

About halfway there he met his partner who reported the same strange behavior of a nocturnal visitor. This was too much for the trappers. They immediately started for civilization.

The next fall a group of deer hunters had packed into Horse Lake and made camp in the old cabin. During the day while they were away, someone pinned the coffee pot to the door with a big knife. That night someone prowled around the cabin and kept the dog barking all night. Although the hunters were seasoned woodsmen, it was beginning of a big man following them on the trails. That night a shot rang out to get on their nerves. The

next day they noticed the tracks out just outside the cabin. This was too much for even brave men. They packed up and hit the trail out.

Another story deals with a Forest Service man who camped at Scott Lake. He had just arrived for the summer and had camped outside the shelter, making his bed within a few feet of the campfire. During the night a big man had walked up to his bed and looked down at him sleeping. The tracks showed in the dust between his bed and the fire. This didn't run him out of the mountains but thereafter he carried a gun strapped on his hip.

These stories were told for many years but they finally were forgotten as no new events recalled the wildman. It was thought by some that a local trapper was using this method to keep people out of his territory.

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Cascade Clubs Play Sunday

Two division leaders will attempt to stretch their undefeated records to three games Sunday afternoon in the fourth round of the Cascade League baseball race.

Westfir may have a tough time retaining its lead in Division 1 in a game at Dexter, whose ball club has won two and lost to Swisshome. Waltherville, pacesetter in Division 2, will be at home in hopes of handing McKenzie its second defeat in three league games.

Eugene or Swisshome could join Westfir in a tie for the runnerup spot if Dexter takes the Division lead by beating Westfir. Swisshome will be host when the two clubs match 1-1 records.

Marcola, after winning two and losing one, could capture first in Division 2 by winning at Veneta if Waltherville tumbles. Coburg, after dropping three league battles, will host Leaburg (1-2) in an inter-division clash.

All games are scheduled for 2 p.m.

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