

ELK BATTERS BEGIN HITTING

Portland Babes to Be
Here Sunday

Five Bend Players Over
300 Mark; Kirsch
Has 500

For the first time this season, the Elks of Bend in their games against Silverton last week-end displayed their batting power, and, as a result, five regular members of the squad have averaged that are now well above the 300 mark. Manager Clyde Stokoe has known all season that the Elks are capable of hitting, and he is now hopeful that they will continue in their old stride for the second half of the season.

Stokoe is especially hopeful that the Elks will continue hitting Sunday, for Bend's old rivals, Ray Brooks Portland Babes, will be here for a doubleheader. Brooks has made a rather slow start this season, while waiting for his players to report from high school and college, but he now reports that he is ready for action and is confident that his 1940 team will be even better than the West-side Babes, a Brooks team that won two state titles. The Babes of 1939 displayed their latent power Sunday when they won two state league games from Hills Creek.

The Elks in their Sunday game against Silverton, former state champions, also displayed plenty of power and speed. Don Firsch, John Buhalo and Wally Graser led the attack that netted the Elks an 8 to 2 win over Silverton. Buhalo has returned to Bend and will be in the Sunday lineup, but Kirsch, two-year all state second baseman, remained in the valley, where he was promised work for the summer, and will probably team up with Silverton.

The Elks will practice tonight and Friday for the Sunday game against Brooks Babes.

Here are the batting averages of the Elks for state league games

Out Our Way

By J. R. Williams



played so far this season:

	A. B.	Hits	Avg.
Don Kirsch	10	5	.500
John Buhalo	10	3	.300
Wally Graser	10	4	.400
Marv Nohl	10	2	.200
Jim Farmer	10	1	.100
Harlow Burton	10	2	.200
Bill Hahn	10	1	.100
Wally Krenner	10	1	.100
Bob Thompson	10	1	.100
Andy Hartney	10	1	.100
Jack Lorch	10	1	.100
John Mordick	10	1	.100
George Walker	10	1	.100
Bob Houtshut	10	1	.100
Clyde Ashken	10	1	.100
Eddie Turpin	10	1	.100

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WANT TO BE MECHANICS

Portland, June 13 (AP)—City school officials were flooded today with requests for information about federal plans to train 2,000 war industries mechanics and 50 pilots in Portland beginning July 1.

CONTRACT RENEWED

Oregon City, Ore., June 13 (AP)—A contract with the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, CIO affiliate, was renewed today by the Oregon City woolen mills with minor wage increases.

BACK FROM CONVENTION

Redmond, June 13—J. F. Short, manager of the Deschutes Grain and Feed company, has returned from a two weeks' trip to California, during which he attended the convention of the Pacific States Seedmen's association, held on Catalina island, and called on the grain and potato trade in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Sacramento and other California points. Short was accompanied by his wife and daughter, Donna.

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McLemore's Sport Parade

New York, June 13 (AP)—This is written as I gaze toward the mantelpiece at the gold loving cup presented to me last December for being the most non-skeptical sport writer of 1939.

Everyone knows that I am no snob. I keep my nose out of other people's business and I strictly adhere to the theory of live and let live. But today I'm going to change my ways. I want to inquire just why the white flannel fathers of the United States Lawn Tennis association happened to pick 1940 as the year to enforce the eight-week expense rule.

Now if I were a snob at heart, I would say flatly there might be some tie-up between the sudden enforcement of this regulation and the fact that the European war has eliminated Davis cup competition from the 1940 tennis schedule. But if I did that I might have to give back my loving cup. So instead of saying it flatly, I'm merely going to hint it.

From my mantelpiece it looks as if the U. S. L. T. A. action was simply another expression of the workings of the law of supply and demand. Last year there was a great deal of demand, but not much of a supply. The United States was challenged by the Australian Davis cup team and a Davis cup match meant gold in the U. S. L. T. A. coffers. Plenty of gold.

So the word was tossed around that anything went. The association needed strong players and every man, youth and boy with two arms and a change of rackets was coddled like an Indian princeling. The stratosphere was the limit. No food was too good, no linen too fine for the representatives of Uncle Sam—the nickname I have chosen for the United States.

But now, now things are a great deal different. There will be no Davis cup matches this year nor perhaps next year or even 1942. The demand is no longer there. So what happens? So the U. S. L. T. A. cracks the eight-week whip. From now on no player will be permitted to have his expenses paid for more than eight weeks of competition each year. From now on the lush gravy circuits in Bermuda, Florida, Long Island and Newport will be almost closed to the boys who can't pay their way when their eight-week allotment is used up.

Actually, this action will lead only to new subterfuges. Tennis players never have paid their own way except in a few isolated cases such as that of Sidney Wood, who was more or less independently wealthy. Where, for instance, did Don Budge and Gene Mako get their clothes, equipment, food, lodging and transportation? Certainly not from their families, who were much too busy earning a living to support offsprings in Newportian luxury. Or Bobby Riggs? Or Bill Tilden, Fred Perry, George Lott, Ellsworth Vines or any of the others? Were any of these players doctors, lawyers, brokers, mechanics or grocery clerks on the side?

Certainly not. Few of them ever earned a dime until they turned pro. What does the new regulation mean? It means first of all that the U. S. L. T. A. isn't in need of good box office draws this year. It means secondly that the players will follow the circuits much the same as usual. Instead of staying at hotels they will live at the home of mythical "aunts" or "cousins" on the outskirts of town. Within a year every case-hardened tournament player will have "relatives" in every tennis town. On the surface this will be thoroughly legal because a player's right to compete in as many tournaments as he likes hasn't been curtailed. It is only his right to compete for more than eight weeks on the house that has been taken away.

But I'm willing to bet that this right will be returned faster than a rubber check if there is another Davis cup competition in, say 1942. If I lose, you can find me at the corner of 42nd St. and Broadway on Sept. 1. I'm meeting a friend there for lunch at 2 p. m.

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OAKLAND, SEATTLE SWAP LEAD AGAIN

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Rainiers Lose

(By United Press)
The Oakland and Seattle clubs, which have been changing places as though engaged in a game of musical chairs, pulled the grand right-and-left last night and the A's once more took command of the Pacific Coast league.

The Oaks turned the trick by setting down Portland again, 8-2, behind Stan Corbett's eight-hit pitching. Meanwhile San Diego was lapping Seattle, 9-2.

Los Angeles moved up a notch and dropped San Francisco into seventh place with a 5-3 victory while Sacramento was ending Hollywood's eight-game winning streak, 5-1.

Two four-run spurges turned the trick for Oakland. The first was off Ad Liska in the second inning, the second off Joe Gonzales, former San Diego pitcher, in the seventh. Liska's error paved the way for the first rally and Gonzales' wildness, which included two walks, a hit batter, a

double and two singles, allowed the second.
First country to use railways in military operations was Canada—troops were transported by rail in the Papineau rebellion of 1937-38.

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