

Nevada, Arizona gain finals; Roseburg rallies, dies

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Phoenix, to hardly anyone's surprise, and Hawthorne, Nev., to almost everyone's surprise, meet tonight for what could well be the championship of the 1961 Regional 8 American Legion baseball tournament.

All Phoenix needs to gain the trip to the nationals at Hastings, Neb., is to win tonight boasting a 3-0 tourney mark.

Hawthorne, on the other hand, having suffered one loss, must knock off Phoenix tonight and

come back with a victory Tuesday night to gain the crown.

Phoenix gained the finals via three straight wins — 4-1 over Las Cruces, N. M., 9-3 over Roseburg, Ore., and 11-8 over Hawthorne.

Phoenix Well Rested

Those three straight wins gave Phoenix a bye Saturday and Sunday, insuring a very well rested pitching staff for the remaining one or two games.

Hawthorne, the big surprise of the tourney in view of Nevada's miserable showing here last year, opened with a 5-3 win over Salt

Lake and followed with a 2-0 shut-out over a good Pomona, Calif., team.

Then followed the 11-8 loss to Phoenix, but the Nevada boys made the Arizonans go an extra inning to take that one.

Hawthorne took a rest Saturday night, then upset a rather tired Roseburg club 11-9 Sunday to gain the finals.

Roseburg Pulls Rally

Roseburg, however, looked anything but tired as it scored five runs in last night's final inning and almost pulled a win.

Trailing 11-4 after eight innings, Roseburg led off the top of the ninth with a walk to pitcher Tom Hobbs and a single by Marv French.

And the large Roseburg contingent, which had little to cheer about after a nine-run Nevada explosion in the first inning, suddenly came to life.

The next Roseburg batter, second baseman Jim Jarvis, hit to Hawthorne shortstop Toby Leigh for what should have been a routine double play.

Leigh scooped the ball up easily and tossed to second baseman Ray Montoya — who dropped the ball, leading the bases.

Pinch hitter Bob Manning singled to short right and it was an 11-5 game.

Lake Doubles Home Three

Then up stepped big 6-4 Ron Lake who belted a long double, three runs scoring. And Nevada starter Keith Stauffer gave way to Dean Sisk.

Gordon Avery then doubled home Lake to make it 11-9, taking third when the centerfielder went into a juggling act.

A walk to Larry Burr put the tying run on first and the Roseburg delegation began thinking about cancelling the long drive home.

But the pressure, which had been rather light when Roseburg appeared out of it, suddenly became heavy when the Oregon batters realized they had an excellent chance to tie or win the game.

Sisk got the next three men in short order — Chuck Hiney striking out, Jim Beamer popping to the shortstop and pitcher Hobbs lining out to second.

Hawthorne Attack Erupts

Hawthorne won the game in the first inning, jumping all over start-

er Walt Edmonds and reliever Arlan Foote.

Edmonds bowed out only four batters, giving up three walks and a single.

Foote appeared to be out of trouble when he whiffed Oliver Blanks and got Tom Lyle to ground out.

But with two outs and three Hawthorne runs in, the Nevada sluggers went on a spree.

Toby Leigh greeted Foote with a two-run homer over center for the fifth Nevada run. And Alan Langendorf followed with a solo homer to make it 6-0.

Dick Blackorby, ninth batter in the Hawthorne lineup, sent a routine opposite-field single to left. But Chuck Hiney, instead of waiting for the ball to bounce, lunged for a circus-try, missed and Blackorby went all the way to third — the first triple of the tournament.

Blackorby scored a minute later with the seventh run of the inning when Ray Montoya was safe on Lake's error.

Keith Stauffer and Dale Jeffers walked to load the bases, and Dean Sisk singled home two more runs to make it a 9-2 game. Finally, Oliver Blanks obliged with his second strikeout of the inning and the explosion was over.

Roseburg Fights Back

Roseburg kept fighting, scoring two runs in the sixth to make it 10-4. With two out and the bases loaded, Roseburg shortstop Marv French sliced a hard drive to right that had trouble written all over it, but at the last second the gangling Blanks dug it out of the air.

In the end, it probably meant the difference between winning and losing for the Cinderella Nevada kids.

Sisk was again the leading Nevada batter with three for four,

while Keith Stauffer joined the homer brigade with a solar blast in the eighth.

Ron Lake topped Roseburg with three for five.

Hobbs Earns Win

It was Lake who helped keep Roseburg in the tourney with a "junk-ball" pitching performance Saturday night, Roseburg edging Pomona 5-4.

Tom Hobbs, who took over in the seventh, got credit for the win — Roseburg's Gordon Avery breaking a 4-4 tie with a solo homer in the eighth.

Phoenix appears to have the inside track, especially in the pitching department, with all of its hurlers available for a full 12 innings if needed.

And that staff has looked formidable with Bucky Staley, Joe and Dan Swingle all starting at one time or another.

The odds are way in Phoenix's favor, but Nevada Coach Bob Loflin and his boys haven't been too worried about odds.

Surprise Experts

For one thing, they weren't supposed to win a game — according to some pre-tourney forecasters. And even the Nevada boys weren't very sure, bringing only a few bats with them.

But in their three wins, they've

licked two of the better tourney teams and they're not afraid of Phoenix — almost having pulled one out in that 11-8 loss last Friday night.

Nevada's pitching staff is fairly well rested, too, with Sisk eligible for 11, Stauffer for four and Leigh for 12.

And anything's possible in Legion ball.



DRIVES IN RUN—Roseburg catcher Jim Beamer, a 15-year-old sophomore, slashes a hard drive to short that scores Jim Jarvis from third. Roseburg went on to beat Richland 11-7, edged Pomona, California, 5-4 Saturday, then was eliminated Sunday night by Hawthorne, Nevada, 11-9 despite a five-run last-inning rally. Hawthorne and Phoenix clash in finals at 8 o'clock tonight.

Bend Legion tournament at a glance

Phoenix, Arizona (3-0) vs. Hawthorne, Nevada, (3-1) 8 p.m. at Municipal Baseball Park. If Phoenix wins, Phoenix will advance to National Legion "Little World Series" at Hastings, Neb. Aug. 26-Sept. 5. If Phoenix loses, same two teams will play at 8 p.m. Tuesday, with winner to advance to nationals.

Saturday's line scores:
GAME NO. 12
Roseburg 000 310 010 — 5 6 3
Pomona 000 111 100 — 4 6 1
Ron Lake, Tom Hobbs (7) and Jim Beamer; Bill Singer and Chris Lopez, Pat Whitten (9).
WP: Hobbs. LP: Singer.
HR: For Roseburg, Gordon Avery.

Sunday's line scores:
GAME NO. 13
Roseburg 200 002 005 — 9 10 5
Hawthorne 000 100 01x — 11 10 3
Walt Edmonds, Arlan Foote (1), Tom Hobbs (6) and Jim Beamer; Keith Stauffer, Dean Sisk (9) and Dale Jeffers.
WP: Stauffer. LP: Edmonds.
HR: For Hawthorne, Toby Leigh, Alan Langendorf and Keith Stauffer.

Prineville gal golfers due here

Prineville women golfers will play at the Bend Golf Club Wednesday in a dual match beginning at 8 a.m.

The 18-hole schedule:
8:00 — Dot Olson, Eunice Coryell, Eleanor Wheeler; 8:07 — Theresa Healy, Ruth Thompson, Marie Randall, Caroline Grote; 8:14—Addie McFarland, Bea Grimley, Lucille Grahlman, Phyllis Short; 8:21 — Virginia Elliott, Peg Wood, Geneva Berry; 8:28 — Alma Waugh, Mary Pat Moty, Lou Stipe, Troy Bowling; 8:35 Clara Lee White, Joyce Slinkosky, Marie Closs, Barbara Grimes; 8:42 — Vivian Rayeralt, Jeannette Berger, Fran Bagley, Virginia Rhoden; 8:48 — Helen Ostrander, Pat Fischer, La Donna Hahn; 8:56 — Elva Viley, Jean McClain, Betty Prodehl, Judy Baker.

The 9-hole schedule:
9:03 — Louise Brogan, Eve Severance, Marian Kirby; 9:10 — Lucille Denning, May Barney, Polly Dorn; 9:17 — Rene Paner, Marie Gray, Nita Endicott; 9:24 — Patsy Cashman, Ann Nielsen, Stella Reinohl; 9:31 — Pris Blakley, Helen Lackaff, Velma Lewis; 9:38 — Gladys Greig, Edith Crighton, Donna Miller.

Rotary Olympics due on Wednesday

Track takes over the spotlight from baseball Wednesday with the staging of the Fourth Annual Rotary Olympics at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. at Bend Municipal Baseball Park.

Girls in the first through sixth grades will compete (as of the last school year), with boys in the first through ninth grades participating.

Attendance at practices has been very light, but officials are hoping for a sudden bulge of late entries. Workouts are scheduled for tonight and Tuesday at the softball field behind the Bend High gym at 4 p.m.

The past three Olympics meets, held at old Bruin Field, attracted hundred of youngsters yearly.

Heading the games committee are Fred Cartmill, chairman, Vince Genna, H. M. Kemp and Dick Ettinger.

Clerk of the course will be Tom Winbigger, with Dick Ettinger chief scorer.

Bill Arnold will be starter, with Vince Genna in charge of awards, Jack Lutz head field judge and Dick Geeser head finish judge.

Finish judges will include Bud Rose, Lloyd Freese, Steve Baker, Rollie Anderson and Bill Ellis.

Timers are Art Corcayl, H. M. Kemp and Morley Madden. Harvey Olson will be the announcer.

In charge of tickets will be Charlie Davis, Ed Kruk and Dennis Marvin.

Field judges will include, pole vault, Hap Taylor and Milt Griffith; high jump, Pat Cashman and Al Gray; broad jump, Bill Stollmack, Elmer Hudson, Mike Mahoney and Lucky Shields; and shot put, Dave Wilson, Al Mahoney and George McGeary.

All past events will be held, with the exception of the 440. The lighted torch bearer will circle the field prior to the finals at 7 p.m.

Prelims are tentatively scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. Wednesday.

Late registrants may still sign up for the Olympics at the practices. Events include shot put, broad jump, dashes, and relay events for the younger ages, as well as pole vault, high jump, broad jump, dashes and middle distance races for older boys.



SPACE PLATFORM — The Ranger satellite is visible at top of an Atlas booster (its protective covering has been made transparent). In the middle is the Agena B second stage rocket, which will carry the Ranger into a "parking orbit" 115 miles above the earth. From there, the Ranger will be fired into a looping orbit which will take it deep into space and back around the earth again. The entire assembly is 102 feet high.

ROBINSON NEXT

PORTLAND (UPI) — Sid Flaherty, manager of Portland middleweight boxer Denny Moyer, said Friday the winner of the Moyer - Nulio Nunez bout here Sept. 9 will fight former middleweight champion Sugar Ray Robinson in October.

Flaherty said the winner of the Sept. 9 fight would meet Robinson in Pittsburgh or New York Oct. 14. Flaherty said that bout would also be televised.

Johnson-Boyd fight Aug. 29

SEATTLE (UPI) — Chicago middleweight Bobby Boyd has been signed to fight a co-feature 10-rounder on the Harold Johnson-Eddie Cotton light heavyweight championship card here Aug. 29, promoter George Chermes announced today.

Boyd, a veteran of several nationally televised ring battles, holds a win over current National Boxing Association champion Gene Fuller.

Chermes said Boyd's opponent would be either Al "Tiger" Williams, Los Angeles, or J. C. Johnson, a local fighter.

Meanwhile, Johnson was scheduled to arrive in town from Philadelphia this afternoon.

The champion will begin his Seattle workouts Sunday at noon in the Evergreen Gymnasium.

Florists lose softball game

PORTLAND (UPI) — Marge Lange hurled a no-hit-no-run game here Sunday night as the Phoenix, Ariz. Ramblers defeated Portland's Evr Lind Florists 3-0 in Women's softball action.

The only two Florists to reach first base were on errors.

Phoenix won the contest in the sixth inning by scoring three runs on Jay Sheppard's two-run double and a single by Marlene Wills.

The two clubs meet here again tonight.

11-day juvenile upland bird season planned

PORTLAND (UPI)—An 11-day season for Juvenile Upland Game bird hunters on E. E. Wilson game management area has been granted by the State Game Commission.

The commission said dates for the shoot will be Sept. 23, 24, 30, Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28, and November 4, 5, 11 and 12. The waterfowl season was set for Dec. 16, 17, 23, 24, 30 and 31.

Parents can legally shoot Oct. 23, and Nov. 4, 5, 11 and 12.

Juvenile hunters from 14 through 17 are eligible.

Portland Little Leaguers lose

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. (UPI)—Rapid City, S.D., blanked Oregon Trail of Portland 2-0 to capture third place in the Western Regional Little League baseball tournament here Saturday night.

In the championship game, El Cajon, Calif., defeated Concord, Calif., 3-1 to gain a spot in the Little League World Series at Williamsport, Pa., this week.

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