

# Top Place Ball Clubs Meet on Sweetland at 8 Tonight

## Skits and Scratches

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If history repeats itself, it is probable Bob Hardy will come out of Texas within the next very few years and take his place alongside the long list of pitchers of major league calibre who got their mound schooling in the Lone Star state. The Texas league has had more than any other circuit in the country. So the farming out by the Detroit Tigers of the former University of Oregon ace moundman to the Beaumont club of the Texas league may very well be the first step toward a long and successful career for the boy from Ashland, Oregon. At present Beaumont is holding down the cellar in the Texas circuit, so whatever help Hardy can give that unfortunate club will no doubt be welcome. To date no information concerning the fate of Ford Mullen and Gale Smith, both Webfoot infielders, who were picked up by Detroit, along with Hardy, has been forthcoming.

An athletic phenom over at Toledo, Oregon, is put in the spotlight by Fred Hampson, Associated Press commentator of Portland. The 17-year-old youth is Ted Hoover, versatile pitcher on the American Legion Junior baseball club. Hoover's day achievements are recounted as follows: Pitched and batted Toledo high to a 5-3 baseball victory in the morning by doubling with the socks loaded; tossed the javelin 126 feet against Newport high in the afternoon to win, and also took second in the discus and third in the shotput; won the heavyweight amateur boxing championship of his district by beating a Siletz youth, previously undefeated, in the evening. Hoover, who is part Siletz Indian, blocked a punt in every one of Toledo's seven football games and converted three of them into touchdowns, last fall. He was his league's third high scorer in basketball. That boy won't need to build a better mousetrap; the coaches will not only beat a path to his doorstep, they will wear a ditch so deep it will take duckboards to keep them aloft.

When the diamond merchants up around Hills Creek placed a 24-foot "bat," bearing the inscription "Next time, try this," aboard a carload of logs destined for the Silver Falls Timber company a short time ago, the "Hillsillies" evidently figured they would get a rise out of the Red Sox. Silverton's joy and pride in the matter of baseball. Their figuring was correct. The prod from Hills Creek was brought about by the fact that recently Silverton took another beating from the Hillsillies in a state league contest. Now comes Orlo Thompson, Sox scorekeeper, with a few reminders on his own behalf. He points out that Hills Creek, an entrant in last year's state semi-pro tournament, was going great guns until they bumped into the Sox. On that occasion five H.C. pitchers were forced to weather a barrage of 20 hits, culminating in 23 Red Sox tallies. In the meanwhile "Squeak" Wilson was pitching a no-hit, no-run game for the home guard. No doubt when the Hills Creek aggregation shows up at Silverton for a return game, there will be plenty of excitement.

## Black Leads in Vancouver Play

Victoria, B. C., June 21 (CP)—Thirty-two golfers, survivors of a two day qualifying round, tee off today in the first match play of the Pacific northwest amateur golf tournament on the Royal Colwood course.

Heading the list is Kenny Black, of Vancouver, who set a dazzling pace yesterday to win medal honors with a total score of 135, five under par for Colwood's 70 par course. Black followed up his first day's 68 score for 18 holes with a 67 yesterday.

He was far in front of the field. Scotty Campbell of Seattle was his nearest rival with a 142. Don Thompson of Portland was third with a 146. Defending champion Jack Westland posted a 152.

## Hills Return Home

Mill City — Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Hill and Bob Hill have returned from a two weeks' trip to the World's Fair in New York City. The group made the trip to the East by train, Bob Hill leaving a week ahead of the others to attend the Golden Gate exposition in San Francisco and also to visit in Los Angeles, making connections with the Hills at Omaha, Neb.

Visitors in Hubbard — Hubbard — Miss Helen Smith of Portland is visiting at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Crittenden. Leon Bennett of Monroe, Wash., is spending the summer vacation at the home of his grandfather, C. M. Crittenden.

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## Pheasants and Schoen's Mix In Fast Game

Softball League	W	L	Pct.
Square Deal	3	0	1.000
Pheasants	1	0	1.000
Schoen's	1	0	1.000
Walt's	1	1	.500
Kennedy's	0	2	.000
Papermakers	0	3	.000

8:00—Pheasants vs. Schoen's.  
9:15—Kennedy's vs. Papermakers.

The list of unbeaten teams in the Salem Softball association is bound to be trimmed tonight on Sweetland field, unless the Golden Pheasants and Schoen's Bakers fail to reach a conclusion. The two teams, along with Square Deal, have as yet to taste defeat. But that situation will doubtless be remedied when they clash at 8 o'clock in the first game of tonight's double bill. A bang up ball game is expected to develop out of the contest since each aggregation is determined to maintain its undefeated status.

The nightcap will feature Kennedy's Cleaners and the Papermakers, joint occupants of the cellar. Although down deep in the league, managements of both clubs are determined to push upward through the circuit and are making every possible effort to strengthen. They may hand out a few surprises before the season is much older.

The return of better weather is expected to bring back the hundreds of fans who have followed the game during the past few years.

## September 8th Starting Date

Mt. Hood, Ore., June 21 (P)—The Pacific coast conference voted at its annual meeting at Timberline Lodge yesterday to start football practice on Thursday, September 7, giving teams a little more than two weeks to drill for early games.

The get-away date last year was Thursday, September 8. Frosh teams were granted the right to start practice the first day of registration but must finish their schedules the second Saturday before Thanksgiving. Southern division frosh teams were authorized to schedule as many as six games but northern yearlings can play but three.

The 10 conference delegates granted Lee Orr, Washington State track captain, another year of competition although he participated in a preliminary, non-conference meet in this, his senior year. The solons delayed action on a similar case affecting Hampton Pool, Stanford football player.

There was no mention of Edward N. Atherton's survey on conference athletic conditions.

## Softball Leagues

Commercial League	W	L	Pct.
National Youth	7	5	.583
U. S. Bank	13	12	.520
Guthrie, Boyce and Humphries; Bertelson and Gustafson.			
Pete's Station	5	2	.714
Parker's	9	7	.563
Micklenham and Day; Welner and Littlefield.			

## Albany Softball Clubs Win Two

Dallas — Albany teams won two softball victories Monday night when the Albany Pirates defeated Rickreall 4-1 and the Frager Furniture company team defeated Criders of Dallas 3-0.

Both games were played under the lights and both games were seven-inning affairs with Frager's Furniture team scoring two runs in the first and once in the third for their three runs against Criders while in the second game the Albany Pirates scored once in the second, once in the fifth and twice in the sixth. Rickreall scored their lone tally in the sixth.

## Sweeney Has Stroke

Woodburn — Charles T. Sweeney of Woodburn, route 1, suffered a severe stroke Monday morning while picking berries near his home. He is recovering slowly but still confined to his bed.



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## Dodo Shooting Luck, Weary Pro Declares

Beverly Shores Country Club, Michigan City, Ind., June 21 (U.P.)—A slender young professional, shot with weariness and painful blisters, pounded his 1,817th golf ball at a flickering candle light marking the tenth hole early today and decided that luck, not science, breeds a hole-in-one.

After 16 hours of driving, on a \$25 bet with Duffer Phil Volz, who scored an ace on the same 136-yard hole a week ago, Professional Harry Gonder, 25, finally was forced to quit.

He had hit the pin dozens of times, once as late as his 1,758th shot, but at 2 a. m. (CST) he admitted his blistered left hand was too painful to continue.

"Let the 100 shooters have their holes-in-one," he grinned. "It's just luck after all. I thought I could do anything a duffer like Bill Volz could do. Now I'll have to pay him \$25."

Once, yesterday, he had it. The ball dropped quickly into the cup, but with such force it popped out again and spun four inches away.

Gonder, who consistently shoots the course in par 72, finally admitted that luck might be the way and toward sundown mechanically began to pay the law of averages.

By midnight he was hitting without thinking at the rate of slightly less than three shots a minute. During the 16 hours he wore out two "welcome home" doormats he used for tees, both hands of his trainer and rubber, Boots Whitener, and the five caddies who stuck with him chasing six pairs of practice balls.

## Fathers of Lyons Honored at Church

Lyons — A special Father's day service was held by the Lyons Sunday school Sunday morning. The following program was offered: Reading, James Nye; reading, Paul Johnston; solo, Perry Clippell. Kendall Cobbin was the youngest father present. "Grandpa" Gavette the oldest father present and Joe Weitman the father with the most sons present. Each was presented with a gift. A no-host dinner was held in the community hall, following the service by the young married people's class.



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## Creek Indian Faces Nelson, Main Event

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8 Rounds, Main Event  
Curley Hopper vs. Louie Nelson, lightweights  
6 Rounds, Semi-Final  
Frankie Burns vs. Powder Proctor, welters  
6 Rounds, Special  
Bill Toomey vs. Kid Thornley, middleweights  
4 Rounds  
Johnny O'Connell vs. Jimmy Davis  
4 Rounds  
Les Carter vs. Tommy Orrin  
4 Rounds  
Lefty Reynolds vs. Jack Curley

Whether he is a contender for serious consideration as a coming lightweight boxer, destined to make his mark in flat circles, or whether he is just another good boy, may be determined to some extent tonight when Curley Hopper, Oklahoma Indian youth, pulls on the gloves against Louie Nelson at the armory. Hopper is making his debut as a main eventer. In his previous appearances in the local ring, Hopper has shown a world of aggressiveness and stamina. Against Johnny Woods he appeared to have everything except a knockout wallop.

The six-round semi-windup featuring Powder Proctor and Frankie Burns, the latter from Salt Lake City, is attracting practically as much attention as the main event. Proctor, undefeated in several appearances here, weathered a vigorous assault at the hands of Kid Thornley. He gained a lot of valuable experience from that attack which should stand him in good stead tonight.

Les Carter, who has appeared on recent armory shows out of condition, will try it again tonight, with Tommy Orrin as his opponent. They will travel over the four-round route. The first preliminary is scheduled to go on at 8:30.

## Excellent Catch At Diamond Lake

Silverton — Roy Davenport and Walt Davis returned Monday evening from an eight days' fishing trip to Diamond lake and report the "limit of the prettiest trout you ever saw" as a reward for their visit to the mountain resort.

They told of extremely hot weather for three days then a sudden change on Thursday and by Friday morning a fall of seven inches of snow which laid on the ground for several hours.

Davis and Davenport took their own boat along with them. During the good weather more than 150 boats piled the lake but the vacationists thinned down to only a few when snow began to fall.

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The contestants will be the range riders who make their living wrangling cows in the southwestern cattle country.

## Cowhands Reclaim Prescott Rodeo

Prescott, Ariz., June 21 (P)—The 52nd annual rodeo at Prescott, where America's first public exhibition of cowboy sports was staged, is being turned back to the real cowhands this year.

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## THE STANDINGS

American League	W	L	Pct.
New York	42	11	.789
Boston	30	21	.588
Cleveland	29	23	.557
Chicago	28	24	.538
Detroit	30	27	.520
Philadelphia	21	33	.389
Washington	22	32	.406
St. Louis	15	39	.278

## Dean Accuses Mates' Failure To Push Hard

Chicago, June 21 (P)—The 1939 tailspin of the Chicago Cubs, now battling to stick in the first division, is kicking up almost as much general excitement in their home ballpark as did their stirring charge to the National league pennant last September.

Ever since the Cubs started a skid which sent them into fifth place, a wave of "what's wrong with the team" comment has swept the town. Then yesterday, just after a published "open letter" by Owner Phil Wrigley, azzet his club's showing, inquisitive Dizzy Dean came up with one of his well-known popoffs as his contribution to the furore.

Diz, speaking before the Chicago Association of Commerce, accused his mates of "not trying hard enough." Winner of three games and loser of none this season, the \$185,000 pitcher said "the reason we're down where we are today is because the players aren't pushing hard enough. Only two-thirds of us are doing our best. The rest of us ain't. Just let me pitch more often and everything will be okay. I'm getting tired of pitching only on Sundays."

"Oh, what the hell," snapped Manager Gabby Hartness when he learned of Dean's diagnosis and remedy for the case. "Let him talk. I'm not going to comment. It's none of my business what he says. It's his story, not mine."

In his "open letter" to a Chicago sports editor, Wrigley said "It is always a little disconcerting to me to have it so forcibly brought home from time to time that the winning team, which belongs to everyone, is so exclusively mine when it is losing."

Tuesday's games:  
American League  
New York 13, Chicago 3; Boston 8, St. Louis 1; Cleveland 4, Washington 3; Detroit 5, Philadelphia 0.

National League  
Cincinnati 4, Brooklyn 2; Chicago 3, Boston 1; Philadelphia at St. Louis, rain; New York at Pittsburgh, rain.

Motor to East Coast  
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