

Pitching Big Question Mark on Legion Team

By CHRIS KOWITZ, JR.
Salem American Legion junior baseball coach Vince Genna got another good look at his 1953 team yesterday during a two-hour drill on Olinger field.

Genna is particularly anxious to look over pitching prospects, since the Salem team loses its entire mound staff which last season carried the Capital Posters to the Northwest regional championship.

Coming back from last year's squad are catcher Curt Jantze, infielders, Twink Pederson, Tom Pickens and Larry Springer, and outfielders Jerry Gregg, Mike Campbell and Paul Beck. They have not yet worked out with the Legion team, because they are all playing on the Salem high school team which is engaged in the state tournament at Albany this week.

Several other players on the high school team are eligible for junior Legion ball, and are expected to turn out for Legion practice next week.

Three pitchers were among the 16 boys who turned out for Legion practice last night. They were Dick Pedersen, a left-hander who recently moved to Salem from Los Angeles; Ed Warrenburg, another left-hander; and John Frederick, a right-hander who pitched for Leslie in the junior high league this season.

Others on hand for yesterday's drill included catchers

Howard Pingle and Dan Leiby; infielders John Garner, Jerry Walling, Don Pigley, Danny Olson, Don Baldwin and Ron Magee; outfielders Ray Kramer, Bob Foreman, Eddie Bryant, Ted Lawson and Floyd Williamson.

Genna announces that the team will work out nightly at Olinger field at 8 o'clock, and all boys interested in playing Legion ball are urged to turn out.

8 Million Buck Sports Center For Portland?

Portland (AP)—Proponents of a big sports center for Portland are aiming for an eight-million-dollar development on the northern outskirts of the city.

It includes a million-dollar baseball park, a 15,000-seat sports arena suitable for basketball, a 50-acre parking lot and facilities for the Pacific International Livestock Exposition and other shows. This goal was drawn up by a City Council committee and held before the council Wednesday.

The next step will be a meeting of business and civil leaders to talk over financing. Council Member Ormond R. Bean suggested issuance of utility certificates or bonds.

The site recommended is the West Vanport area, adjacent to the Pacific Highway. There are 640 acres there, but it is in the hands of the federal government. The Air Force has announced it plans to put a rocket storage depot there.

The committee suggested that the city acquire other property to trade to the government for the West Vanport site.

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OREGON AFIELD

By Bob Rowe
Last Sunday, seated on a rock in our lower meadow watching the horses graze, we were subjected to the not too pleasant experience of hearing rifle bullets ricocheting overhead. Later, two youngsters emerged from the timber some distance off, and sauntered away down the road. Seems that spring of the year turns a young man's fancy to target practice, among other things. To us, it is almost criminal the apathy a great many parents exhibit in the training and supervision of their children's use of lethal weapons. The half-dozen 22 bullets that whizzed over us were directly in line with two well traveled roads, a railroad track, and numerous country homes. We are sure the boys hadn't the slightest notion, when they squeezed the trigger, that they were releasing potential death or injury. If their folks had given them a proper respect for guns, we are sure they would be terrified at the possibilities. It is unfortunate that more youngsters are not enrolled in such fine clubs as the Cherry City Junior Rifle club, or that they do not have at least some opportunity for proper instruction, with emphasis on safety. It is the parent's responsibility to their children and the community that such training be given, to prevent the kind of tragic accidents that occur all too often.

Good Gimmick for Crappies

One of the tastiest little fish in the valley is the crappie, or calico bass. He is found in great abundance in the Willamette and backwaters, as well as most of the nearby lakes. He is easy to clean and scale, and when sprinkled with cracker crumbs and fried the crappie is delicious. Here's the best method we know of to catch him; using spinning tackle, attach a plastic float bubble, half full of water, to your line. Then tie an additional yard of the fine spinning line (two pound is best) to the bubble, and attach a small wet fly, size twelve or fourteen. A dark fly works best for us. Cast out, and retrieve very slowly. The bubble will make a faint V-shaped wake, which seems to attract the fish. Watch closely, you can see the water break behind the bubble as the crappie rises to the surface and inhales the fly. This method does equally well on bluegills, and occasionally a bass will strike. Lots of fun and plenty productive, especially in the evening.

Deschutes River Improving

Reports indicate that the fishing is gradually picking up on both the big and little Deschutes rivers. The Little Deschutes is still somewhat high, and the main river is not entirely clear, but experienced anglers are taking fish. Some anglers have been successful on the Little Deschutes using worms to catch brown trout. For the most part, the fish are 'way down deep. Within the next three weeks, the central Oregon country should be in good shape for some real fishing. Reports from other areas this week have not been highly encouraging. The coast streams have not been up to par, nor have the valley streams. A few steelhead are still being taken on the Santiam, and a few chinooks have been caught from Stayton on up. A sudden lift in the Willamette has loused up the bass fishing. However, for no reason other than a feeling of optimism, we predict that in general, angling this summer will be better than it has been for a number of years.

Portland, Hollies Rained Out Again; Two Tonight

(By The Associated Press)
The debut of Dixie Upright in the Pacific Coast League was downright sensational.

Ten days ago, Manager Stan Hack of Los Angeles was yelling for a long ball hitter. So the club purchased Upright from the St. Louis Browns.

Wednesday night Hack sent Upright in to bat for Frank DiPrima in the eighth inning against Sacramento. The Sacs had just scored two runs and held a 2-1 lead. Bob Usher was on base. Upright smashed Burt Barkeley's second pitch deep into the right field bleachers for a home run that gave the Angels a victory, 3-2, which by an unusual coincidence was the score of the two other PCL games played.

But Los Angeles didn't gain ground on the league-leading Seattle Rainiers, who nudged San Francisco again. Steve Nagy held the Sacs to five hits and Seattle got only six off Bill Boemer, Walt Clough and John McCall. Neither team scored after the third inning.

The winning tally came in the third as Leo Thomas scored while Catcher Ray Ortel was bouncing into a double play.

San Diego and Oakland struggled through 12 innings before Oakland First Baseman Jim Marshall's hard grounder took a high bounce over first and scored the winning run.

Hollywood was rained out at Portland and lost more ground in its fight to keep in the pennant contention. The teams will play a PCL round-up double header Thursday night, if the skies clear. The weather man thought there would be showers into the evening. Portland and Hol-

lywood haven't managed to get in a game so far this week.

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Hitters Enjoy Field Day In Major League Games



By CARL LUNDQUIST
New York (AP)—Take to the storm cellar you pitchers with your no-hit, low-hit performances, the lively batters suddenly have discovered the lively ball.

Yesterday was no time for the weak-hearted to go to the ball game, especially in the National League. At the finish there were 163 hits for eight games, 103 in the National and 79 in the American. There were 54 extra base hits, 15 homers, eight triples, and 31 doubles.

The Giants set the pace with 21 hits, including three homers, three triples and three doubles in their 16-6 trouncing of the Cubs for fourth straight victory. The Cardinals collected 17 hits as they also hit their high for the season with an 11-6 victory over Pittsburgh—in which Red Schoendienst evened Stan Musial's previous six runs batted in on a homer two doubles, and a single for a perfect night. Pittsburgh collected 14 hits.

Cincinnati was the third N. L. club to hit a season high for the day with a 14-hit 14-5 victory over the Phillies, who made 11 hits in defeat. Things were a little quieter in Milwaukee where Brooklyn's Billy Loos pitched a six-hitter and Brooklyn picked up 10 in a 7-2 triumph.

Washington hit its high in hits for the year in a 16-hit 8-3 win over the yearling Cleveland while Boston made nine hits in 14 innings in its 3-2 victory over St. Louis decided on Del Wilber's pinch-homer. The Yankees and Tigers each made 12 hits as the Bombers again won in the final inning 9-8. The only pitching battle of the day found lefty Morris Martin turning in a five-hitter for the A's in a 2-1 victory over lefty Billy Pierce of the White Sox, who yielded seven hits.

A four-run rally in the third and an eight run rally in the eighth were the crushers for the Giants at Chicago as Monte Irvin, Alvin Dark, and Davey Williams hit homers, Bobby Thomson, Henry Thompson and Whitey Lockman tripled, and Tookie Gilbert, Irvin, and Dark doubled. Dee Fondy and Roy Smalley hit Chicago homers.

Schoendienst boosted his average .34 points to .354, second highest in the league with his big night at St. Louis while Musial and Steve Bilko collected three hits each and Frank Smith got four for Pittsburgh.

Brooklyn added six stolen bases to its 10 hits at Milwaukee as Loos became their fourth route-going pitcher in a row. The Dodgers never trailed after Jackie Robinson hit a two-run first inning homer.

Wilber's third homer, all in pinch-hit roles, gave veteran Edis Kinder his second victory in as many days in a battle of relievers at Boston. Loser Dpn Larsen pitched scoreless three hit ball for seven innings for the Browns before the blast by Wilber.

Joe Astroth's single in the ninth brought home the winning run for the A's after Cass Michaels and Ed McGhee walked and moved up on a wild pitch by Pierce. It was the second time the White Sox dropped a two game series to the A's.

Yesterday's star — Red Schoendienst of the Cardinals who drove in six runs with a homer, two doubles, a single

Major Leagues

(By The Associated Press)
NATIONAL LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct.
Philadelphia	17	9	.654
Milwaukee	16	10	.615
Brooklyn	17	12	.588
St. Louis	18	11	.617
New York	18	12	.600
Chicago	9	18	.333
Cincinnati	9	18	.333
Pittsburgh	10	18	.357

Wednesday's Results:
New York 14, Chicago 6.
Cincinnati 14, Philadelphia 6.
Pittsburgh 9, Milwaukee 3.
St. Louis 11, Pittsburgh 6.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct.
New York	20	9	.690
Boston	17	13	.563
Chicago	17	14	.552
Cleveland	18	13	.580
Washington	18	16	.524
Philadelphia	14	18	.438
St. Louis	12	18	.400
Detroit	9	24	.273

Wednesday's Results:
Boston 3, St. Louis 2, 14 innings.
New York 9, Detroit 1.
Philadelphia 1, Chicago 1.
Washington 8, Cleveland 6.

Oregon College Conference to Conduct 'Day'

Portland, O.R.—The Oregon Collegiate Conference will wind up spring sports here Saturday with a conference track meet and baseball tournament.

Baseball teams from the four conference schools will play two games each, starting at 8:30 a.m., when Oregon Tech meets Oregon College of Education. Portland State and Eastern Oregon follow at 10 a.m.

The losers will meet at 1 p.m. and the winners at 3 p.m. for the championship.

The track meet is scheduled at 1:30 p.m. with Eastern Oregon favored to defend its title successfully.

Golf and tennis also will be played, but Eastern Oregon and Portland State are the only entrants.

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By CHRIS KOWITZ, JR., Capital Journal Sports Editor

The Southwest Oregon semipro baseball league still denies it ever made an attempt to raid players from Western International league teams . . . but we still aren't convinced that the Southwest Oregonians are innocent . . . a team in the S.W. Oregon league tried to get its hands on Salem Pitcher Jack Hemphill recently . . . the offer was so attractive that Hemphill came awfully, awfully close to becoming a teammate of ex-Senators Lou Scrivens and Ray Stratton in the sawdust circuit.

The Oregon state Junior Chamber of Commerce sponsored golf tournament, for boys up to 18 years of age, will be conducted at Salem Golf club in July . . . Bill Shattuck, of 2085 Evergreen avenue, Salem, is chairman of the state tourney. . . Shattuck isn't new to golf tournament sponsorship. . . Shattuck was instrumental in planning the district Jaycee tournament here last year . . . with that bit of experience, Shattuck and his committee are leaving no stone—or divot—turned in planning this year's state playoffs . . .

entries in the state tournament must first qualify in district playoffs throughout the state . . . four top finishers in the state tournament will earn a trip to the national playoffs at Ann Arbor, Mich.

Speaking of the Junior Chamber of Commerce golf program, Horace (Hunk) Anderson, national Jaycee president, will play a round of golf on national golf day at Salem Golf club Saturday . . . Anderson will be in Salem for the Oregon State Junior Chamber of Commerce convention . . . playing in a foursome with Anderson will be Larry Moore of Eugene, state Jaycee president; Jack Danby of Eugene, chairman of last year's national Jaycee golf tournament, held at Eugene, and Shattuck . . . they, like thousands of other Americans that day, will be played against U. S. open champion Julius Boros . . . Boros will play at Oakmont Country c in Pittsburgh . . . while, 120,000 Sunday (Saturday in this case) golfers will be playing against him on courses throughout the United States . . . the duffers will be allowed to use their full handicap, and everybody who beats Boros (he'll use no handicap) will be awarded a medal saying "I Beat the U.S. Open Champion, Julius Boros, May 23, 1953."

All you have to do to play against Boros is register at any golf club and pay a dollar entry fee . . . half of your buck goes to the USO and half to worthy golf causes, in including the Jaycee Junior golf program.

Bunny Mason Wins \$200 in Pendleton Open

Pendleton, Ore. (AP)—The new Pendleton Open Golf champion is Joe Greer, Yakima professional.

Greer clipped four strokes off par Wednesday to win the title, and \$500, by one point from Bob Duden, Oregon Open champion from Portland. Greer toured the par 70 Pendleton Country club course in 67 and 68 to gain a three day total of 376 while Duden finished with a 69 and 68.

Third place went to Bud Hofmeister, Hayden Lake, Idaho, who finished with a 282 total.

Duden's second was good for \$300, while Hofmeister collected \$250. John Langford, Portland, and Bunny Mason, Salem, got \$200 each

for 283s, while Jim Russell, Walla Walla, and Al Feldman, Tacoma, received \$145 each for 288s.

Other prize winning performances were turned in by Harold West, Pendleton, \$100 on a 286, and Tom Boucher, Walla Walla, Joe Steiger, Salem, and Bob McKendrick, Oswego, \$53.33 each for 289s.

The low amateur score was turned in by Bill Rowe, Seattle, with 290.

Industrial League Softy Meet Tonight

All players, sponsors and managers of teams in the Salem Industrial softball league are urged to attend a league meeting in room 109 at Salem high school tonight at 8 o'clock.

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