

Divarty Nine Meets Salem 'Grays' Sunday



'Game of Year' Slated At Waters Park, Salem

But Once-Beaten, 883rd Div-Arty Has Star-Studded Lineup

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to call it quits.

Sunday's big game, incidentally, is the only "outside" game this year for the Grays. The fact that a number of the prison players are long-timers has given them ample opportunity to play and practice together—and practicing together is one thing which the 883rd all stars have had little of.

Well-Rounded

The Divartymen, boasting at least a half-dozen ex-pro and semi-pro players, a powerful battery, a tight defense and good hitters, have a well rounded outfit.

Sunday's pitching burden will fall on the shoulders of top kick Hank (Smoky) Desmond, two years with the Pittsburgh Pirates and a speedball artist from way back. If Desmond should get in trouble, he will be relieved by an equally potent hurler, Cpl. Bill Welch, Btry. C, who can hold down first base with Butell or serve well on the mound.

The other half of the battery is S/Sgt. Joe Fido who's seen action in both the Three-I and the Kitty Leagues. He wields what is reputed to be the most potent bat among a powerful collection of sluggers.

Star-Studded

Either Cpl. Jack Butell, ex-Toledo Mudhens, or Cpl. Bill "Tonto" Welch, part-Cherokee pro, will

hold down the first bag. Lt. Cliff Cypert, a Texas Leaguer, is at second and Cpl. Buzz Fultz, a pro griddier with the Pittsburgh Steelers as well as a for-money baseballer, will be at the hot corner.

Cpl. Ray Borucki, ex-Chicago Cubs after five seasons in the Three-I, will be at short. In the garden will be Lt. Karl Millar, Texas Leaguer; Pvt. Joe Hill and Pvt. "Mac" McFarland, former semi-pros, and Pvt. Rowdy Raczkowski, from the Pennsylvania semi-pro leagues.

There will be a color-raising ceremony before the game and plans are being made to take along all or part of the Division Band.

League Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

W. L. Pct.	W. L. Pct.
St. Louis 42 32 .568	Washgtn 35 37 .486
Boston 39 34 .534	Cleveland 35 38 .479
N. York 35 34 .507	Detroit 35 38 .479
Chicago 33 33 .500	Philadelphia 32 40 .444

NATIONAL LEAGUE

W. L. Pct.	W. L. Pct.
St. Louis 48 19 .716	Brooklyn 33 39 .458
Cincinnati 39 31 .557	Philadelphia 30 38 .441
Pittsburg 35 30 .538	Boston 29 42 .408
N. York 34 36 .486	Chicago 25 38 .397

COAST LEAGUE

W. L. Pct.	W. L. Pct.
Oakland 45 41 .523	Portland 43 44 .494
San Fran 45 42 .517	Los Angeles 43 44 .494
San Diego 40 44 .511	Hollywood 43 44 .494
Seattle 44 43 .506	Sacramento 39 46 .459

Divarty Hard Ball Stars to Tangle With Salem Grays

HARD BALL STARS of the 883rd Bn. nine, which will represent Divarty of the Trailblazer Division in the "game of the year" Sunday when they tangle at George E. Waters Park, Salem, with the famed Salem Grays. The game will be the only "off the post" contest for the Grays this year.

CPL. BILL WELCH, Btry. B, 883rd (top left), half Cherokee Indian, former pitcher for the Ft. Sill All-Stars, champion Army team. A-1 player in any berth.

1st SGT. HANK (SMOKY) DESMOND, Hq. Btry., Divarty. Brilliant speedball pitcher of the Artillerymen. Formerly with the Pittsburgh Pirates. Gave up two hits to the Grays in their first deadlock encounter.

S/SGT. JOE FIDO, Service Btry., 883rd, catcher. In semi-pro ball, Fido played second base spot for Springfield in the 31 league and for Mayfield in the Kitty league.

CPL. AL FULTZ, Btry. B, third baseman (lower left), better known as "Buzz" Fultz, the 883rd's prime cleanup hitter, formerly played semi-pro for Fairmont in the West Virginia state league. Was iron man athlete, starring also in basketball and softball.

CPL. RAY BORUCKI (lower right), Hq. Btry., the "machine gun corporal from Chi" who's still property of the Chicago Cubs. Played ball for Moline in the 31 league. Will go in at shortstop Sunday.

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Camouflage blinds the enemy! When draping vehicles, prop net from vehicle and make shape irregular.



274th Champs Win to Softball Semi-Finals

Reg. Hq. Co., champs of the 274th Inf., defeated Baker Btry., championship team of the 725th FA, 4-0 in a closely-fought pitchers' battle.

Although both teams have a reputation for slugging the ball out of the lot, this time the heavy timbermen found nothing but the air. Selix of the 274th Inf. had the artillery completely baffled with his spinning wiggly rise ball, and held them to one hit while the dazzling speed of Slwanty Smykowski permitted the 274th Infantry's sluggers only four hits.

274th Away Early

The 274th Inf. scored two runs in each of the first two innings, taking advantage of the ground rule that a runner could advance one base on a ball dropped by the

catcher. Dicher of the 274th Inf., second at bat, hit a home run. Bianchi, the next batter, walked and then scored on Valendy's two-bagger. In the second inning Rawlings rapped out a home run and scored Bland as the scoring for the day ended.

The only hit allowed by Selix was made by Divarty's pitcher, Smykowski.

The next league game brings together the 274th Inf. and the 70th Recon Troops, both of whom remain undefeated in the championship playoffs.

274th Reg. Hq. Reaches Softball Semi-Finals



OUT BY A STEP! Action at the bag as 274th Reg. Hq. blanks 725th's Baker Battery in the Division semi-finals for the softball championship.

This Strike-Out Helped MPs Win 15 Gallons of Beer



SERVICE BALL PLAYERS performed for civilians Tuesday at Avery Park in Corvallis' Independence Day celebration as the Post MPs defeated the 882nd (which has not been defeated in league competition) 12-10. In the picture Doc Smith is the umpire, with Tec4 Stanley Jadwinski catching for the MPs as Pfc. Raymond Mayhul belts into one for the 882nd.