

Cellar-dwellers 'best hitting' squad

By United Press International

Denver is resting comfortably in the cellar of the Pacific Coast League's Southern Division, but the Bears are still the best hitting team in the loop.

Denver is batting .285 as a team, while nobody else is over .270. The Bears are also more than 100 runs ahead of their nearest competitor and also top the league in homers.

In other words, on those rare occasions when Denver gets some pitching, it's pretty hard to beat the Bears.

That was the story Tuesday night at Spokane where a good-sized crowd of 5,800 sat through a lightning storm and watched Dennis Ribant of the Bears toss

a three-hitter against the league leaders.

While lightning was flashing around the ballpark, Denver's bats provided the thunder with 20 hits on the way to an 11-1 romp.

J. W. Porter, Chico Salmon and Corky Withrow had three hits apiece for the Bears. Ribant has managed to compile an 11-7 record despite Denver's over-all losing pace.

Elsewhere around the wide-spread PCL, San Diego coasted to a 5-1 decision at Seattle, Tacoma spotted Salt Lake a 6-1 lead then roared back to take an 8-7 decision, and Hawaii edged Portland 6-5, at Honolulu.

Oklahoma City at Dallas-Ft. Worth was rained out. The teams

will play two tonight in their battle for the Southern Division lead. The 89'ers are currently a game and a half up on the Rangers.

Ted Wills and Dick Luebke of San Diego combined to hold the Rainiers to four hits, Wills, whose arm stiffened after the seventh, now is 12-9 for the Padres.

Tacoma climbed back in its battle with Salt Lake City with five runs in the fifth. Singles by Bill Hain, Gil Garrido, Paul Smith, and Matty Alou were topped by an inside the park homer by Jesus Alou.

Hain whacked a homer in the sixth and Tacoma added single tallies in the seventh and eighth. Hawaii has pretty well ce-

mented at least third spot in the Northern Division after winning eight of its last nine games.

Dick Sovde gained credit for the win, but owed much to the hot relief hurling of Bob Duliba and Tom Morgan.

Bill Myer hit a two-run homer for Portland in the first. It was his second homer in the last two games. Come to think of it, it was also his second round-tripper of the season.

Carlos Bernier hit his 29th blast for Hawaii with a mate aboard in the bottom of the first.

Four consecutive walks in the sixth inning gave the Islanders what proved to be the winning tally.

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By Jimmy Hatlo

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A LOOK AT SPORTS

Eligio Garcia back in Bend for training

By Web Ruble
Bulletin Sports Editor

Names make news and so do some from Central Oregon that have been making sports specialty headlines lately.

A face popped in the door yesterday. It was the familiar one of Bob Johnson, athletic director at Central Oregon College. It was a surprise, however, as Johnson has been spending his summer days up on Lava Butte, helping set up some "geological displays."

Johnson dropped a name to me: Eligio Garcia. Garcia. Garcia. Garcia. Where the Sam Hill have I heard that name before? Johnson hastened to add that he is an ex-resident of Bend, and thrust a copy of the Seattle Times at me as I was gulping a cup of coffee.

Garcia lived in Bend about 18 months ago, and spent about five months here. He is a Mexican from Mexico, who has been busy putting our southern neighbor on the international track map.

Garcia is a distance runner, and is a protégé of Johnson. Johnson brought him to Bend to train for that five month period. He lived with Johnson and trained diligently under his tutelage. Garcia is more than well received at home, as he is national hero of Mexico. He, however, prefers the training atmosphere in the United States in many ways. Garcia returned to Mexico after leaving Central Oregon. In the meantime Johnson sent him training suggestions. Johnson ran across Garcia when he was in Latin America a few years ago, and took a personal interest in him. Ever since then Garcia has looked to Johnson for training guidance.

In The Times it mentioned Garcia's winning of the three-mile in a track feature at Seattle called the Highland Games. He set a

three-mile record, shaving more than 20 seconds off the old mark. He ran it in 14 minutes, 25.7 seconds.

Garcia is now returning to Bend to spend some time with Johnson and his training methods. According to Johnson, Garcia is the only track hope for Mexico in the Olympics. He will be Mexico's top point getter.

While in Bend (his length of stay is indefinite) Garcia will compete under the label of the Bend Athletic Assn.

TOP RODEO MEN

A story by the Associated Press that recently appeared in the Grants Pass Courier, noted an announcement by the Rodeo Information Commission that four Oregon cowboys are in the top 10 money winners in their specialties.

Three of the four were from Central Oregon. Ken Stanton of Sisters leads the group, having picked up \$5,974 in bull riding, ranking sixth nationally in that division — and \$5,022 in bareback bronc riding, good for tenth place. He is just out of the top ten overall money winners nationally this season.

Enoch Walker of Bend is another. Walker ranks third among saddle bronc riders with his earnings of \$9,805 in that division this year. Last year's national bronc riding champion, Walker broke an ankle recently at Nampa, Idaho, ending hope of repeating.

Prineville has one, too. He is Ronnie Raymond, who is fifth in saddle bronc riding with \$6,758 won. The fourth Oregonian hitting the financial orbits is Mack Griffith of Pendleton, who has won \$5,722 in bull riding. He ranks eighth in that division.

Cushman, Panner meet in finals for Bend Golf Club championship

Defending champion Owen Panner and former champion Glenn Cushman meet in the semi-finals of the club championship tournament at Bend Golf Club this week.

Panner edged past 17-year-old Dennis Slimkosky in last week's match one up on the 19th hole in a thriller. Cushman defeated Ted Gibbons 2 and 1 in another quarter-final match.

Elsewhere in the semi-finals, veteran linkster Bob Thomas will meet the winner of the Des Currie - Charles Donley match. Thomas advanced to the semi-finals with a 2-1 victory over Jim Barlow.

The Panner - Slimkosky match

was the most exciting in the tournament to date. The veteran Panner had the Bend High School youngster three down at the end of nine holes. Slimkosky fought back with a pair of birdies to tie up the match after the regulation 18 holes. Panner won on the first extra hole with a par four.

In the first flight, Dr. Harry Mackey downed Don Blevins 1 up in a tight match and Merle Sanders defeated Skip Skinner 3 and 2. Matches yet to be played are Sandy Panner vs. Irv Hogan and Kay Thompson vs. Mike Currie.

In second flight play, Brad Fancher meets Farley Elliott and Bill Van Allen plays Bob Smith.

Nimrods in Central Oregon should have good weekend

Fishing in the Cascade lakes this weekend looks to be good, an angling report from the Bend District office of the Oregon State Game Commission said today. It follows.

Angling has been good for small kokanee at Elk Lake for those using bait while trolling for brook in deep water. Trolling with spinners and bait or flatfish is good for rainbow at Three Creeks Lake. Fly fishing is especially good in the evenings.

At Wickiup Reservoir, angling for kokanee is good in the channels using bait. Brown trout catches have been good in the Deschutes River channel. Kokanee are being taken in the river channels at Crane Prairie Reservoir on bait or small spinning lures. Large rainbow angling is good in the Deschutes channel for those trolling with flies. In general, fly fishing is good.

At East Lake, rainbow are being taken on troll. Angling in the morning or evening is producing the best catches. Paulina Lake has seen a yield of fair catches of rainbow on troll and bait fishing. Fly fishing is good in the evening.

Angling for rainbow is fair at South Twin Lake. At Davis Lake, angling is improving with a few large rainbow to five pounds being taken on lures and flatfish. The best results have been made near the Odell Creek channel.

Blue Lake angling is good for rainbow. Fishermen have been using bait. Angling is good for smaller kokanee at Suttle Lake.

River nimrods have been getting good catches, too. Fly fishing has been good on the Metolus River. The Deschutes River above Bend has produced nice catches of rainbow.

Harry Jerome getting in shape

EUGENE (UPI)—Star sprinter Harry Jerome of Canada is working himself back into shape while recovering from a serious leg injury suffered last year. University of Oregon track coach Bill Bowerman said today.

Bowerman said that Jerome, who will be a senior at Oregon this fall, has competed in the 400-yard dash in two all-comers meets here this summer. He finished second in each race in 54.1 and 51.1, respectively.

"He wasn't trying to win," Bowerman said. He was just striding through the race to see how it felt. After all, one leg is six months behind the other in condition."

The 22-year-old Canadian injured his leg while competing for his country in the British Empire Games at Perth, Australia, last November.

He was operated on at his home city of Vancouver, B.C., following the accident and spent nearly a month in the hospital. He had his leg encased in a cast for 4½ weeks and was on crutches for another several weeks.

Swimming Day set for Friday

Friday will be a big day for playground children.

Allen playground children will leave the school grounds at 10:30 for a hike around Juniper Park, taking their lunches with them. Anyone wishing to take his roller skates with him will have an opportunity to skate on the Juniper Park slab before swimming at the city pool at 1 p.m.

Harmon youngsters will leave right after lunch time for the swimming pool. Both groups will return to their respective playgrounds at 3 p.m.

MEET RE-SCHEDULED

This weekend's swim meet at the Bend Municipal Pool has been re-scheduled for Saturday at 10 a.m., it was announced this morning.

Lakeview is the opponent. The swim meet was originally scheduled for Sunday.

Gabriel to start

ORANGE, Calif. (UPI)—Los Angeles Ram coach Harland Svar said today he will start quarterback Roman Gabriel against the Minnesota Vikings Saturday night.

Svar refused to have anything to do with a suggestion that he agree to start Terry Baker if Viking coach Norm Van Brocklin would agree to start his rookie, Ron VanderKelen.

"Van Brocklin can start anybody he wants to," said Svar. "I'm going with Gabriel." Baker is expected to start a week from Saturday in Portland when the Rams meet the Dallas Cowboys.

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8:00 p.m. — Recreation and Park Board Meeting at City Hall.

Portland to host regional

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI)—The executive committee of the NCAA Tuesday announced the creation of three regional indoor track championship meets next year.

The Portland Memorial Coliseum was named as the site of the Western finals Feb. 28-29. Louisville, Ky., and Lubbock, Tex. were picked for the Eastern and Southwestern finals on the same dates.

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Cincy's Maloney looms as best of soaring NL hurlers

CINCINNATI (UPI)—Three National League pitchers are on the high road to great seasons, and Cincinnati's young Jim Maloney may wind up with the best year of all.

Maloney met another of the mighty triumvirate, San Francisco's Juan Marichal, here Tuesday night and wound up a winner 4-0 after tossing a two-hitter.

The 22-year-old Maloney now has an 18-4 record, including five shutouts, one one-hitter, and two two-hitters. He has fanned 187 men in 185 innings.

Marichal is 18-6, while the third and the loop's most publicized ace, Sandy Koufax of the Los Angeles Dodgers, is in between at 18-5.

Marichal and Maloney put on their expected duel until the sixth inning when Tommy Harper, who has murdered the Giants all year, singled. Then Frank Robinson, alleged to be in a slump, bombed a homer to the most distant reaches of Crosley Field.

The game finally fell apart for the Giants in the eighth when the pesky Harper beat out an infield single, and the other half of the traditional redleg one-two punch, Vada Pinson, also hit a homer.

Bob Bolin then took over for Marichal and finished out the contest.

Maloney meanwhile sailed right through the Giant batting order with frightening ease. Harvey Kuenn singled in the fourth when he blooped one into the outfield while falling away from a pitch. Felipe Alou later hit a more legi-

mate single but was promptly wiped out in a double play. Maloney fanned seven and walked one.

The evening's most startling development from the Giant point of view occurred in the eighth inning when Willie Mays, a fixture in center field for the past decade, was out in at shortstop in the eighth inning.

It was the first time he had ever played shortstop in his big league career. Manager Alvin Dark wished to pinch hit for Ernie Bowman in the eighth and also to save Jim Davenport for pinch-hit duty in the ninth. With Jose Pagan hurt and Willie McCovey serving the second day of his two-day suspension, Dark had practically no other choice.

But both pinch hitters failed and Mays did not get a fielding chance at his new position.

McCovey rejoins the Giants tonight as they meet the tough Redlegs in a rematch. Dark planned to go with Billy O'Dell (11-6) against John Tsoutsouris (8-5).

The Dodgers also lost last night so the Giants stayed four games back. Trouble is that St. Louis and the Reds both crept closer. St. Louis is a game back of the Giants and the Reds a game and a half behind the Cards.

Beaverton wins

PORTLAND (UPI)—Beaverton defeated PACC 8-6 and Grimms of Vancouver downed Forest Grove 4-2 in 12 innings Tuesday night in American Baseball Congress state tourney play here.

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