

Sport Gags

By K. D. P.

Well, Faber's team lost the first game of the season last Tuesday night in the big opening program at the Medford high school gym. The score was 5 to 1, though the three innings were all we are allowed to play that night and it counts officially in the race. Watch our team, because as soon as possible they will hit their stride and will be on the winning streak that is going to be mighty hard to stop. Lee Pinkham has hit his stride and is going to be one of the best pitchers in the league.

There are still some guys in this town who ask me what is the matter with my special friend, Copco because they have not started any work on the new fish ladder at the Gold Ray dam yet. Some of them claim that there are no water in the ladders now, holding back new runs of salmon. I don't know if there is any water in the ladders now but I will make an investigation and find out for sure. Because there always seems to be plenty of hot air that I have to investigate first.

But as to the new fish ladders at the dam, I am sure that Copco is making plans carefully so that the fish may get over the dam without any trouble and I assure you it takes lot of time to make a perfect ladder but when they do actually start the work on the new ladders, they are going to be good, in fact good enough to shut forever the mouths of those forever cussing guys. I would not be surprised if it won't be very long before we hear that the actual work has started.

With modern equipment to work with they can finish building the new ladder before high water level comes next winter and when the next spring salmon runs come, they will not have any trouble going over the new ladder, providing they can get by the Savage Rapids dam.

It seems to me that Savage Rapids dam company are the ones to be cussed at and not Copco because they

have been so careless with the methods of allowing so much water to go down the ladders and with the exception of one rebuild ladder, they have never done much work for the good of the salmon run.

While, Copco, though guilty a few times, has attempted to improve as much as possible conditions on the ladders. I remember a few years ago when they were having trouble with the salmon going through the spillway that they built an electric screen to prevent the fish from going through. But after an year's operation, the company found out that the electric screens killed too many salmon for the good of the river, so they promptly abandoned the plan, which must have cost them a tidy sum.

Some thirty thousand dollars is a lot of money to make a new ladder at the Gold Ray dam and naturally Copco wants to make a careful investigation of all type of ladders and the best way to build so that the ladder may serve faithfully for many years without having to be discarded as worthless.

Clubs Formed to Boost Ore. State

Frank Hull, Medford, was elected president of the Jackson County Oregon State Boosters' Club at a meeting held this week of students attending Oregon State College from Jackson County. Other officers elected for the coming year are Jim McNair, Ashland, vice president, and Jean Platt, Medford, secretary-treasurer.

The purpose of this organization and similar clubs in other counties throughout the state is to boost Oregon State and to build up interest in the college. The members have planned an active summer season. A picnic-rally dance has been scheduled for the latter part of June. Prospective Oregon Staters will be guests at this event. Members of the executive council of the Boosters' Club are to be guests at the Jackson County Alumni Association banquet to be held in Medford June 26.

Softball Season Starts Off With Bang in Medford

Over 1,000 fans turned out for the opening of Medford's 1940 softball season last Tuesday night at the Medford high school stadium. In the first American League Lost River grabbed a 15-10 slugfest from Jennings in the opening fracas.

Lone shoutout of the evening was registered by Morris Steiner, Medco fireballer, who let Wooden Box down with three blows and beat them, 6-0. Catholic Men sprung an upset by crushing the reputedly powerful Fluhrer's Brededeasters, 9 to 3.

In the National league, Elks beat Gasco, 8-5; Bear Creek trounced Eagles, 5-2, and Copco beat Faber's, 5-1. Girls' Community club edged out Hunt's Craterlans, 4-3.

Scores follow:

	R.	H.	E.
Lost River	15	10	4
Jennings Tire	10	7	6
Barton, Luman and Wray; D. Singler, Thompson and Shafer, Brugger.			

	R.	H.	E.
Wooden Box	0	3	0
Medco	6	5	6
Freeman, Peterson and Kubli; Steiner and Wilson.			

	R.	H.	E.
Fluhrer's	3	4	4
Catholic Men	9	5	2
Maru, Applegate and Lowery; Dal-laire and McGuire			

	R.	H.	E.
Elks	8	9	2
Gasco	5	5	1
Oliver, Stelle and Archer; Colton and Kyker.			

	R.	H.	E.
Eagles	2	2	1
Bear Creek	5	5	1
Stelle and Huntley; W. Curry and L. Wooten.			

	R.	H.	E.
Copco	5	6	0
Faber's	1	3	0
Singler and P. Sakraida; L. Pinkham and Babb.			

	R.	H.	E.
Hunt's	3	5	1
Community Club	4	5	1
Gill and Brooks; Clendenning and Gibson.			

Queen



ASHLAND, June 5—Reigning over the Sixth Annual Oregon Shakespearean Festival productions here this year is pretty Mary Elizabeth Shreve, 19, of Medford who has been formally selected as the official "Queen Elizabeth."

Accompanied by a court of three princesses, Miss Shreve will be costumed in authentic Elizabethan styles and will make a number of good-will tours in Oregon and northern California advertising the event, slated for August 9 to 17 in the world's only civic Elizabethan theatre here.

WRESTLING NEWS

Jimmy Mitchell, the colored Black Panther from Toledo, Ohio, dropped his first grappling match in the Medford armory last Monday night when Portland's Ernie Pilluso torpedooed him twice in 23 minutes with flesh-shattering sonnenbergs and pinned him with body presses. A fairly large crowd turned out for the 100 percent scientific program.

Don Sugal, Salem Japanese flash, made it two straight here with a two to one fall victory over Prince Selaki Mehalikis in the middle event. Bobby Chicks defeated Herb Parks in the opener.

Full Text Given of Valedictory Address

(Following is the text of the valedictory address given by Miss June Furry at the graduation exercises last week:)

Probably some of you know what it is to stand before an audience and with trembling knees, a wildly beating heart, and a shivering spine, attempt to deliver a valedictory.

It is hard to express in appropriate words our gratitude to our teachers and also to the members of the board of education. To the careful guardianship and earnest efforts of the former and to the careful planning and supervision of the latter, we feel that we owe all that we have attained at the end of these four years.

In taking a review of the past four years I wonder if my classmates would agree with me as to what is the most important lesson acquired by us. It seems to me that the most important lesson learned by us is the value and power of work.

Today we are the Senior Class of the Central Point High School. Tomorrow we will have no place here, but will have passed on to begin a new phase of our life. We all have dreams of the future, but to make these dreams a reality unremitting work is required. The conscious efforts of our teachers to instill definite principals of honesty and perseverance of untold value helping us to overcome the obstacles in our paths of progress.

Many times there have been wrinkles or worried frowns on the brows of our teachers over the antics of this over-active, fun-loving class of ours, but we hope the traces of those wrinkles will not remain long. We have traveled a goodly distance since the first day we entered this high school and while we have

failed many times to do the things as well as we should have done them, and while we have often been careless and thoughtless; yet thanks to the patient zeal of our instructors we feel that a splendid foundation has been laid for a superstructure of broader learning and culture.

We appreciate the opportunities and privileges which you have made possible for us. We recognize the self sacrifice and far-sightedness of what you have planned for all required of us.

We have had very pleasant times together and our only regret is that our high school days are over and that we have to each take our separate ways. The recollections of these days will be among the brightest spots in our memories.

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The car has been to Mexico City on its 10,000 mile international good will tour. Civic receptions have been held at hundreds of points along the route. The car will arrive in New York on Ford Day, which marks the 37th anniversary of the company. It will be placed on display in the Ford Building in the New York world's fair.



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