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CUE BALL

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LIGHT BURNS BRIGHT

Bright burns the light in the eyes of basketball fans in both Tigard and Beaverton high schools, as time comes to enter the Tualatin Valley district playoffs, March 4, 5 and 6 in Hillsboro, for the right to go to the state prep championship playoff. Tigard, meeting Forest Grove on Thursday in half of a double bill, remembers that it has beat them at least twice and if they can get over them just once more, their chances are good.

Beaverton, nestling cozily at the bottom of TVV league standings, can dream, anyway. Backers of these casaba tossers say that league standing doesn't have a thing to do with the playoff qualifications. So true—but games must be won in the following process. And the Beaverton opponent, in its first show, will be the Tigard-Forest Grove winner.

Not much is heard of Sherwood, also in the valley district playoff. But grizzled fans from that section say some of these smart slickers might be surprised.

STANDARD EQUIPMENT

Water skis, water wings, or canoe paddles might become standard equipment for prep track candidates in Tualatin valley, if there is no let-up in the efforts of one Jupiter Pluvius.

Tigard and Beaverton high schools have full schedules of competition lined up and are going to go "full splash ahead" as soon as allowable.

In collegiate circles, the valley's up and coming Lewis and Clark

college, S. W. Palantine Hill road, eyes track rather intensively. Coach Eldon Fix is said to have better than fair prospects, one of the brightest of whom is a freshman from Tigard.

This frosh, Merlin White, was state prep champion and his assistance in the sprint department will reportedly be highly welcome. Another frosh, Art Bakke, is a leading pole vault contender.

Hal Ellmers, football halfback, is another sturdy thincled for his boasts an all around ability which takes in the half-mile, sprints and 440. Harold White, from University of Oregon, also hopes to figure in 440.

UPHILL SWIM

Participation of prep swimmers in meets of the area is certainly an uphill proposition. Neither Tigard nor Beaverton has the first requirement for training and developing swim stars—a swimming pool.

Beaverton's main swim star, La-Valle Flannery hasn't let the high school's lack stand in her way. She has competed in a number of aquatic events and is the sole representative from this end of Tualatin valley in the Oregon high school girls' championship meet to be held in Buckman pool, Portland, on March 27, 1 p. m.

Tigard, according to report, boasts no girl natator qualified for the upper-bracket competition which the championship meet is expected to bring out. Boy swimmers, however, are planning to have a go at a meet being talked about for West Linn, sometime in the near future.

A swimming pool is more than a development means for champion swimmers. At the same time, it provides health-training and life saving features that would prove valuable for a full lifetime.

COLLEGIATE SWIM

Last of February, the Northwest Conference, intercollegiate, started what it hopes will be a full participation activity, with its first swimming meet, held in Multnomah Athletic club, Lewis and Clark college, with its own pool, had a full list of swimmers and was able to enter ten men. University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B. C., also sent ten while Willamette mustered four.

U. B. C. won it of course.

SPRING FEVER

One of the recognized signs of spring fever is the itching of the hand for a baseball mitt.

The seasonal malady broke out in a determined rash at Beaverton high school, about a month ago, when the boys in an assembly voted unanimously to have both baseball and track as a spring sport. Result is, plans are under way and negotiations are being made for the entry of the local Beavers into TVV league schedules. Full announcement is coming.

Tigard, hoping to manage a little better in baseball, has hopes of dimming the hopes of Hillsboro and other likely top rung aggregations, this year.

IN LEAGUE AND OUT

Lewis and Clark college, this year, expects a baseball squad of at least 45 report at the first turnout, March 8, when uniforms and other impedimenta will be handed out. Last year, there were thirteen in the squad, with two chubbers. This year prospects are for ten pitchers at least.

Schedule will include games in the Northwest Conference and out. Two games each have been lined up with Willamette, Pacific, Linfield and College of Puget Sound. In addition, arrangements are in the process for two games each with Vanport, Oregon State and Oregon as well as the possible sign up with Portland U. for four games.

NO SPRING FOOTBALL

Spring football practice, which has grown to be accepted as accredited activity elsewhere, is not favored in Oregon high schools. August 31 is the first date for team turnout that passes the censure of the Oregon State High School Athletic association.

Rumors have it—and only rumors, mind ye—that a summer recreational program can get around this ruling. Such a generality, of course, merely points out that if a community had a prescribed summer play program, it

would be comparatively easy to work in some pre-seasonal football priming. But, ferveus sake!

This year's pigskin revue will have Beaverton playing on its own stage, for a welcome relief. Two non-league and six league struggles have been lined up.

Season opens at Silverton, September 17, when Bevos play the first of three away-from-home games.

September 24, West Linn, there; Oct. 1, McMinnville, home field; Oct. 8, Forest Grove, there, will bring the Beaverton team into its home-field, last stretch with the following games to be played on the Beaverton gridiron:

October 15, Tigard; October 22, Corvallis; October 29, Hillsboro; November 5, Newberg; and November 12, Tillamook.

NOT ACCREDITED

Neither tennis nor boxing are accredited high school sports. But they go on, just the same, in Beaverton.

Tennis matches will be held when the whims of a fickle climate so permit.

Boxing is underway already with no interscholastic cards lined up. Possibility looms of meets with Multnomah Athletic club, PAL, Silverton and Chemawa—but nothing is definite.

There are some good leather-tossing prospects, too, in Dick Hesselgeser, Hal Walker and Bob Casteel.

But, officially, it's only for recreation.

WALCOTT AGREES

No one seriously doubted he would, of course, but it is supposed to be news that Jersey Joe Walcott has agreed to all stipulations on the contract he had to sign before getting another crack at the tottering crown of heavyweight Champion Joe Louis.

With the Police Gazette's mythical championship belt recently presented to him, Jersey Joe says he's going to make the outcome of the June 23 fight a one-sided there won't be any question about it.

The fans will love it, you may

be sure. But Jersey Joe shouldn't forget there's still a little power in the Louis punch—especially if he doesn't have to chase a man all over Madison Square Garden before he delivers it.

IS NOTHING SACRED?

The cry twenty years ago would be that a woman's place should be in the home—anybody's home. And maybe the cry of the nature will again sound when Babe Zaharias, who, as Babe Didrickson, at one time or another held practically all major women's golf championships enters the men's national open championship tournament, next June, in Los Angeles—if she can get past the doorman.

At least, she had made an application for entry.

BEATS DEADLINE

Ray Mueller, of West Slope, was one of the nimrods who beat the salmon closure deadline. On Wednesday, Feb. 25, Ray went to the Nehalem and got his limit of two steelheads. He reports there was lots of water and other fishermen as well.

Regulations call for closing of all waters south of the Columbia river directly or indirectly tributary to the Pacific ocean during the months of March and April. Rogue, Umpqua and Siuslaw rivers are exempt.

VFW OVER THE TOP

Beaverton post VFW went over the top with its national rifle charter last week. With 25 names needed to get the national recognition, and class A club rating, from 26 to 30, according to varying reports, have signed up.

Class "A" status will mean that every member of the post will be eligible to get himself a beat-up 30.06 for the trifling sum of \$7.50, from Uncle Sam. Beaverton is said to be second highest in rifle club membership of all state posts. Klamath Falls tops the list.

The vet riflers will probably use Clackamas national guard rifle range instead of trying to manage one of their own. At least—for the time being.

—W. K.

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