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SATURDAY'S RAIN

In the local sporting world, Saturday's steady downpour of rain had a dampening effect, in more instances than one. But only at the San Diego-Portland baseball game was it disastrous when the Lucky Beavers came to the turning of straight victory street, after racking up 7 consecutive wins in Pacific Coast league play. Still, it took the rain to wash them out, team partisans point out, at the end of five innings when the score was a close 3-2.

Foot sloggers in the Banks Chamber of Commerce Bunyan Derby of some 75 miles duration, on the first lap of some 45 miles, went off on schedule even though the field of 29 dwindled somewhat during the up and down walk or run.

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dry, at home, but those attending the Bike Carnival report a great success.

ANNUAL BIKE EVENT

So entirely satisfactory was the Bike Carnival, committee members report, that the Kiwanis club will definitely stage such an event every year. Next year, according to the plans today, the affair will be held in the middle of July when it is hoped there will be less competition vying for spectators.

Net proceeds go for a worthy cause, the aiding of lesser privileged youngsters of the area. But even beyond such a background, those who attended the carnival felt well-rewarded for braving the rain.

The youngsters' races were of particular interest to those who knew them, or were the parents. But the motorcycle posse's exhibition established a new high mark for local entertainment. All the daredevil thrill stunts in the book seemed to be included in the motorcycle exhibition. And those who watched the proceedings were practically gnawing their fingernails to the bone in the excitement generated.

Carefully planned, the Bike Carnival rates a solid success by the Beaverton club. Next year's offering will doubtless be as much of a success for the Kiwanis seem to well recognize how much hard work must be done in an event of such nature.

WITH ACHING FEET

Joe Oliveira, of Multnomah, is receiving many congratulations from his neighbors by reason of finishing third in the Banks Bunyan Derby, which wound up to a glorious finish in the early afternoon of August 15, to the tune of aching feet.

Winner of the event, Robert Lynn, of Battle Ground, Washington, copped the \$1,000 first prize while Clifford Burton, Portland,

grabbed off second prize of \$500. Oliveira found his third prize of \$250 just about payoff enough for the grueling session.

All in all, the walkathon is considered a successful venture, also to be followed by annual repetitions, according to immediate plans. Twenty-nine contestants fell a little short of the minimum required to "pay the freight" but the publicity Banks received is probably worth what it will finally cost for the meeting of all bills to be paid.

Next year, the sponsors might alter their plans to reduce the repetition of this year's deficit.

Blueprint originally called for 35 sponsored walkers, at the nominal fee of \$100 per sponsorship. To accomplish the many things required, the Chamber of Commerce engaged a public relations man, to handle advertising and publicity, but relied upon volunteer help to line up sponsors. It was the same old story that frequently is repeated in volunteer workers.

The entire job fell upon the shoulders of the man hired to take care of one phase of the deal. That he was able to accomplish so much is credit enough. But the \$600 deficit over the announced cost of the event might well be made up in future walkathons—if full note is taken of the work that must be done in preparation.

MAYHEM SPECIAL

August 31 is the date set for the resumption of a wild act of mayhem, when Roy Hawkins and Bill Petersen enter the ring for a 15 round Pacific Coast heavyweight title rematch. This card, planned for the Portland auditorium, will offer a star supporting card which matchmaker Ted Salkeld is just throwing in for good will. Petersen and Hawkins alone have created enough interest in their return tangle to guarantee a full, enthusiastic house.

Petersen, who retained his coast heavy crown by the intervention of Referee Ralph Gruman in awarding him a TKO after he had knocked Hawkins across the ring and was hitting him almost at will, will probably enter the ring as favorite.

CUE BALL CONTINUED

But don't think Hawkins won't have his rabid backers, who remember his glorious heights of raw courage in the first fight. Fans from Tacoma, who have seen him in action more often than has Portland, are said to have entered a block reservation for quite a number of seats, to see their favorite take another go at Petersen's crown.

Supporting fights will bring out Joey Clemo, Portland bootblack, against Bucky Edwards, Frisco featherweight. Joey, who looks so young, has been on the shelf for some time with a hand injury but has won two in a row after going back in the business of beak-busting.

Jack Chase, frequent local gladiator, will give a test to Henry Lee, stable mate of Petersen in a 6 round light heavy event.

Another 6-rounder will pit Charley Johnson, Tacoma welter against Arty Allison, Reno redskin. A four round curtain raiser will start off the evening's fireworks.

Prices will be unchanged and 1,000 general admission seats will be offered for sale at the Auditorium on the night of the fight. For reserved seats, Mitz Alexander, of Canyon Drug, will take care of Cue Ball drugs.

BASEBALL DECISION?

Hearty fans of the Lucky Beavers are hoping that the current seven-game series with Sacramento will prove to be the week of decision as to the first division standing Portland seems valiantly striving to achieve. But against this sturdy hope, there is always the threat of the underdog rising up—even as the Beavers do, themselves.

While Sacramento is nestled snugly in the league cellar, they have not forgotten that all league standings are relative and a last place club can very definitely win ball games against higher rated opponents.

Portland is definitely "on the make" for the first division, even though it is extremely dangerous

from a superstitious standpoint to state the situation more fully. No fan will actually hold their two defeats by San Diego and the rain against the local favorites. All beliefs that the boys are on the way, at Vaughn street, remain as firm as ever.

The team is playing more like a team, after its long languishing in the cellar. Pitching staff, which has undergone additions and changes, is finally shaped up to continue this all-out drive toward the top, as has characterized its recent activities.

Some of the wondering fans are looking ahead to 1949 and forecasting dire things for local baseball representation. Quips and opinions point out the probability that next year's team will have to start from scratch, with big leagues bound to exercise options and pick off the lads who are showing so well from the Vaughn street base.

If such is the case, then Portland fans will be able to extend their enthusiasms into the big leagues as they follow the rise or fall of today's local favorites. Such a development, of course, is to be expected in baseball circles. Players give their all, not for dear old (Siwash) this city or that. They're seeking to climb up that old ladder to fame and fortune.

PASSING OF BABE RUTH

With the passing of George Herman "Babe" Ruth, last Monday, one of Baseball's legendary figures moved from the scene. Of heroic stature to followers of the game, the Bambino, in death, left many admirers to mourn the fact.

Starting his major league career as a pitcher, Ruth established World Series records in that position before it was discovered that he was a potential home-run king. As the Sultan of Swat, he moved to the outfield and piled up more and more spectacular records, establishing a top yearly salary of about \$80,000 and standing head and shoulders above all in the game as the "Mr. Baseball" of the era following the first World War.

A life story of Babe Ruth, under Hollywood interpretation, will soon be out, portraying the overgrown swat-smith as a great-hearted, lovable chap whose every act was conditioned by his concern for the kids of America.

This false legend shrieks of hypocrisy. Those who read of his exploits, via news accounts and the more fortunate who had personal contact with Babe Ruth will know that he broke most of the rules and in every way was a normal, sometimes unthinking American.

And from that fact was his greatness sprung.

SOFTBALL PITCH

A definite pitch for the world softball series, to be held in Portland from September 12 to 26,



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drew attention Wednesday night, when the top gal softball pitcher, Betty Evans, showed off her "razzle dazzle" to an assortment of Portland batters prior to the Sacramento game at the Vaughn street ball park.

This is the first time in softball history that the playoff has been held west of Cleveland, Ohio. Portland backers of the occasion are going all out to put on a real, first class show. Sixteen girl and 16 men teams, who will appear as the best in the world, are due to show off their wares before fans of the area.

Granted favorable weather, the first such tournament will decide an important question as to whether or not Portland is as sports-minded as sports promoters are wont to suppose.

FOOTBALL TURF

Newly planted turf at Beaverton high school's athletic field is coming along nicely. Last Saturday's motorcycle didoes did it no appreciable harm and the coming football season will find the football area well-cushioned.

First game of six to be played on the Beaverton gridiron will not be until October 1, when McMinnville comes as the visiting opponent.

—W. K.

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IN THE FUTURE

Mrs. F. W. Merewether and Mrs. L. S. Uppelhouse will stress the need for complete cooperation of parents in keeping their children's appointments. A guaranteed number of children is necessary each time to make it possible for the clinic to continue the secured services of the pediatrician and nurses in charge.

MASTER BEDROOM

The Clarence Leutholds are adding a master bedroom to their home on Beusonic Heights Drive.

FISHING VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert May and children have been vacationing through Oregon with the Oregon coast and inland lakes as fishing areas.

ENROUTE SAN DIEGO

A guest of the Bert Fleskes is their daughter, Mrs. Robert Safford, and small son recently of Washington, D. C. Mrs. Safford will join her husband soon at San Diego, Cal., where he will be an instructor at the naval base.

FROM CORVALLIS

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Davis have been entertaining Mrs. Davis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jones of Corvallis and her nephew, Terry Jones of California during the past week.

LEASE AND OPTION

Mr. and Mrs. William Scofield have leased their home with an option to buy to Mr. and Mrs. Archie Moore, who will occupy it soon. The Scofields plan to leave September 1, to tour the United States visiting friends and relatives en route. St. Petersburg, Fla. is their planned destination for the winter months.

SCHOOL SEPT. 13

Cedar Mill school will begin on September 13.

BIRTHDAY CLUB

Guest of honor for the birthday club party held Saturday evening at the James Walters home was Mrs. Frank Laukat. Pinocle and refreshments were enjoyed by the group.

BRIDAL SHOWER

A bridal shower Friday evening at the Grange Hall honored Bob Polette and his fiancée. Grangers and other friends of the couple participated.

GUEST IN SEATTLE

Mrs. Nelson Stevens spent last week in Seattle as the guest of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde E. Moller.

SECOND DAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde E. Moller announce the birth of their second daughter at Providence Hospital in Seattle, Washington, Aug. 3. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Anton Moller of Seattle and Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Stevens of Cedar Mill.

CHILD HEALTH SESSION

The first in a series of monthly scheduled child health conferences at the school house Tuesday August 10 proceeded with seven children receiving physical examinations and necessary shots.

EXTENSIVE VISIT

Mr. and Mrs. George Olson and daughters of Cedar Mill have returned home from an extended trip through Washington, Idaho, Montana and Saskatchewan, Canada to visit friends and relatives.

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