

Lithians To Face Griggs Again Here Sunday

WIMER CCC NINE PROMISES FAST EXHIBITION TILT

The return of Phil Griggs, clever right hander who whirled 15 Lithian batters last Sunday, to his Camp Wimer CCC nine will give the tree troopers formidable strength in the lineup which will face the Ashland Lithians at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the high school field here.

Only league contest for Memorial day will see Medford meet Crescent City in the coast town, substituting for a game between the two teams which was rained out earlier in the schedule.

Return of Cliff McLean to Ashland tomorrow night will add power to a weak array of Lithian batsmen for balance of the season, according to Manager Leonard Hall. The flashy redskin, who starred at Southern Oregon Normal before going to U-O where he has been regular catcher and hitting up in the high numbers this year, will be placed either behind the bat or in another strategic position in the Memorial contest. His widespread abilities allow his placement in almost any position to an advantage.

Reserves will be used as much as possible against Camp Wimer, Hall stated today, but regular players will be instructed to make their second lesson from Maestro Griggs show up to better advantage than in last week's game which the Merchants won, 10-2.

The brush marines from Wimer comprise a crack unit in the district CCC organization and in baseball games this year have played many strong nines, giving Grants Pass a hard struggle in a recent exhibition fray.

Griggs and Loller will do the Wimer pitching while Ewing will work behind the plate for the alphabet boys.

Wayne Combest probably will start on the mound, with Lowell Brown held in readiness should the going get tough. Boy Scouts will be on hand, as usual, to serve thirsty fans ice cold pop and refreshments.

HOW THEY STAND!

GAMES SUNDAY

Camp Wimer CCC vs. Ashland Lithians at Ashland (exhibition).
Medford Craters at Crescent City (league).

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Crescent City	3	0	1.000
Roseburg	3	1	.750
Grants Pass	3	1	.750
Ashland	1	3	.250
Glendale	1	3	.250
Medford	0	3	.000

LITHIAN BATTING AVERAGES

	AB.	H.	Pct.
Combest	2	1	.500
Leavens	17	7	.413
Schopf	15	6	.402
Montgomery	10	4	.400
Kenton	3	1	.333
Brown	11	3	.273
Ager	15	4	.268
Patterson	17	4	.236
Balding	15	3	.201
Simpson	15	2	.134
Durham	3	0	.000
Hall	2	0	.000
Leaming	2	0	.000
Gosnell	1	0	.000

O'Connells To Relax As Summer Vacation

Coach Forrest "Skeet" O'Connell Thursday signified his intention to spend a summer devoted entirely to recreation with no worries about high school athletics until school reopens next fall.

"Mrs. O'Connell and I plan to leave about 1 o'clock Friday afternoon for Corvallis," Skeet said. "We intend to spend our vacation in that city and in Portland. There is a possibility that I may attend coaching school for a short time at Oregon State college, but other than that I am taking a rest from the job."

AND THEN THE FUN BEGAN!



"Pepper" Now Boxing Manager



"Pepper" Martin, who has given sport fans their fill of sport events with his baseball campaigning and his midget auto racing, is now making a fling as boxing manager. He is shown above with his heavy-weight boxer, Junior Munsell, who is signed for a ten-round bout in St. Louis.

Hunting Out Sports

By LARRY HUNTER

A highly indignant group of Ashland fans were removed Sunday from behind the screen which stands back of the plate at the Ashland high school diamond. No, not removed, but requested to leave by Umpire Black at the suggestion of Hugh Hartman, Grants Pass catcher. Hartman insinuated that the curious onlookers were there for the express purpose of "giving away his signals to the pitcher" and, of course, the implication of espionage grated upon the sensitive nature of those honest fellows. It was not necessary to remove them. They left under their own power, muttering deprecatory remarks.

The bulky Caveman may have been right. He had apparently spent a lifetime perfecting a set of "secret" maneuvers which were scarcely more noticeable than a cat at a dog show, as is common with bush league catchers, from all accounts. And he did not intend to have them presented to the Lithian lineup without a struggle.

So the saddened fans repaired to the bleachers where they spent the rest of the afternoon with no more knowledge of the ball game than if Mr. Hartman had presented them with a complete set of blue prints drawn to scale, so

technical and complicated were his pitcher-wising tactics.

Two Lithians did not need signals to play ball. They were Jack Balding, the one-man infield, and Al Simpson, who spent his Sunday afternoon alternately doing a perfect job of catching, and calling umpires "blind robbers." Balding, moved in from the outfield against Grants Pass, found that a baseball in the infield looked just as round, white and catchable as one which had extended its journey into the outer gardens. So he caught four of them on the fly and stopped six more which he presented to his teammates with the suggestion that they be used to put Merchant baseballers out of the play, a plan which those citizens quickly understood, without benefit of diagrams. Simpson caught three Ashland pitchers with little distinction between offerings for which he had signalled and those which made their way aimlessly up to the plate.

Headman for the Merchants in point of hitting accomplishments was a certain gentleman named Chuck Ostrom. He did not have to prove that he was good. He admitted it by word and gesture to any and all spectators. And, furthermore, he backed up his contentions. It was not exactly exhilarating for one sitting on the Ashland bench to watch the ball soar off into the blue distance to the accompanying clatter of cleat-shod Grants Pass feet as they made a groove across home base, but Ostrom's cocky trick-step as he made good his boast to hit safely was typical of the chatter and life that makes baseball more than an athletic contest and, as such, earned admiration and applause from the stands. Ostrom combined his ability to hit with base-running technique to stamp him as one of the best in the league. He got around faster than gossip and could have stolen Combest's Sox at any time without untying his shoe laces!

Facing the Lithians again this Sunday will be the imperturbable Phil Griggs who will climb onto the rubber to aid his erstwhile buddies from Camp Wimer CCC. Griggs let Ashland razzing bother him just a little last Sunday when he pitched for Grants Pass and, like a pawnbroker, his usual procedure was to hang up three balls before starting the business! But, oy! Vat a beezuss! He slapped them right down the groove from then on and had local batting efforts fizzling out flatter

MERCHANTS TOP LITHIANS 10-2 AS BROWN SLIPS

Manager Jud Pernoll led a team of Grants Pass Merchants here Sunday peddling a stock of base-hits, runs and strikeouts and left only after fleeing the Ashland nine into taking the short end of a 10-2 score.

The Storekeepers had a valuable man in Chuck Ostrom, center fielder, who got a triple and two two-baggers in five times at bat, scoring twice and driving in four more runs. Griggs, Grants Pass' righthanded pitcher, also got three hits for five fries, and only Machado, right fielder, went hitless in the Merchants' massacre of the lackadaisical Lithians.

After Grants Pass had scored one run in the second inning, two in the third, and two in the first of the seventh frame, Manager Hall sent Wayne Combest to the mound to replace Lowell Brown, weary southpaw. Combest's screwy floater fooled the Merchant batters for a brief few moments and he pitched two outs to retire the side but in the eighth inning they pounced on him for four walks and a couple of hits which were converted to five more tallies. Arba Ager was then replaced by Ed Leaming at third base and relieved Combest in time to pitch to Blacksmith who fled out to end the Merchants' half of the eighth. Ager was touched for a walk and a hit in the final inning but good fielding prevented any more scores.

Jack Balding crossed the plate in the fifth session and Al Simpson came home in the seventh after lofting a beauty over the left field fence for a double, to mark up the only Lithian counters. Griggs struck out 15 Ashland players during the game despite a continuous razzing he took from the local bench.

Simpson's errorless performance as catcher and the spectacular fielding of Balding, who was called in from his usual post in the backstretch Sunday to hold down the second cushion, were highlights of local efforts. Balding made four put-outs, six assists and started a double play in the second inning.

The batteries: Griggs to Hartman for Grants Pass; Brown, Combest, Ager to Simpson for Ashland.

Score by innings:
Grants Pass.....012 000 025—10
Ashland.....000 010 100—2
Umpires: Black and Riggs.

than a bottle of beer left open for a week.

It remains to be seen whether or not Cliff McLean can furnish the spark which is lacking in the local hitting (or should it be called batting?) department. Perhaps the sight of the crafty Sioux lurking in the hickory timber at the plate will be enough to unnerve Grants Pass' Griggs, the Texan tree trooper!

The Chief will find plenty of work here for his flashy fielding, catching and batting average which have made him a mainstay on Hobson's Duck nine at Eugene this spring.

And if Bob "Lefty" Hardy casts his lot with the Lithians when school is out the Ashland club should have just what it takes to subdue the lusty clouters which infest the other teams in the southern Oregon circuit. All other players have promised now to stay with the outfit until the pennant race is over and, with the balance two such players as Hardy and McLean can bring, optimistic predictions made early this season may have pennant-copping realization.

COMBEST GETS JOB HERE, WILL REMAIN WITH CLUB

Promise of a job by Arthur L. Coggins, former club president and baseball enthusiast, furnished assurance that Wayne Combest, right-handed slowball artist, will remain with the Lithians during the entire season. He had been approached by Medford baseball brass hats to join their club.

Combest was scheduled to start to work this morning at the Oregon-California Box and Lumber company plant here.

Fields To Go On Trial June 7 for Mow Affair

June 7 is the tentative date set for trial of William G. Fields, 62, former Ashland man charged with second degree murder for the admitted slaying February 6 of Marvin M. Mow, Ashland, at the Jacksonville home of Mrs. Fields.

Fields, who is confined in the county jail, claims self defense. Mow had been warned to refrain from attentions allegedly made towards Mrs. Fields.

MARATHON WINNER



Walter Young, twenty-four-year-old Canadian, crosses the finishing line the winner in the fortieth running of the famous Boston A. A. marathon, doing the 26 miles 385 yards in 2 hours 33 minutes and 20 seconds on April 19. He defeated seven former winners of the event. Young, who is now unemployed, hopes that his victory will land him a job on the police force of his home town, Verdun, Quebec, Canada.

DUDE CHICK TO MEET CRYBABY

Dude Chick, junior heavyweight champion of the world and a familiar favorite locally, returns to southern Oregon this week to meet Joe Smolinski, the "Crybaby" Pole in the top main event of Mack Lillard's weekly mat card at the Medford armory Monday night.

Smolinski has been going great guns the past several weeks, having defeated Alvin Britt, former champion, last Monday and winning over Pete Belcastro in Klamath Falls Tuesday night. This will be his first chance at the champion and if he maintains the fast pace of his present run will give the mighty Chick plenty to worry about.

A newcomer hailing from Austria, Jack Sterlich, will lock grips with Alvin Britt in the semi-windup. Sterlich has been wrestling in the east for some time and comes to the west coast highly touted as a fast and clean grappler.

Opening the all-star card will be Sailor Dick Trout, former middleweight champion of the navy, who meets another newcomer in Monte La Due, whose home is in France. La Due is classed as the roughest and toughest to appear on the coast for some time and has left behind him a reign of terror in Hollywood.

Trout has exhibited an ability to care for himself on several occasions and is not alarmed at advance dope on his French opponent.

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