

# MEDFORD FAILS EVEN UP GAMES

Loses at the Post by a Score of 3 to 1—Costly Error Lets Two Players Score—Chinning Match In Seventh.

A costly error by Shorty Miles at second base in the fourth inning of a fast ball game at Grants Pass Sunday cost Medford the game by a score of three to one and unless Medford grabs the next three games straight, the championship of the valley. The fans who hoped to see the local team win yesterday's game and even up the season's percentage were badly disappointed. The error was made at a critical period and let two of Roper's runners cross the plate, clinching the game.

Although the official score book gives Shorty an error, and the runs stand, there is considerable doubt regarding the play. Shorty appeared to have recovered in time to get his man but the umpire called the runner safe—and that settled it.

Medford's only run came in the first canto. Miles, first man up, landed on the first pitched ball, getting a single. He took second on high throw. Captain McCarthy sacrificed and a hit by Pug Isaacs scored Miles. That was the only eventful innings Medford had at bat. Osborne was in fine form and held the local men to four hits. In the seventh Medford had a chance to score but Curley Wilson in trying to make third from second was trapped and unfortunately in turning was hit by the ball. A 20-minute convention was held in the center of the diamond, Wilson finally being called in by Court Hall for "the best interest of the game."

Grants Pass got a run in the third. In the fourth they filled the bases. Then it was that Miles made his fizzle and while playing tag with the ball around second base two runners scored. Had he been a fraction of a second sooner in handling the horsehide he would have had his man out on a forced run and the side would have been retired. That ended the scoring for the day.

The talk fest in the seventh followed Curley Wilson's blocking the ball inadvertently while turning on

## Scoops Around the Infield

Stevenson, Medford's new pitcher, looks like he was the goods. He uses the spit ball and has all of the others. One week ago he pitched and won an 11 inning game. He has considerable speed. Considering that he held the down valley bunch, all strangers, to three hits, it looks good. His control is not perfected as yet but it is believed that he will show

the base line after trying to steal third. Sheehy, field umpire, did not see the play. Glover for Grants Pass handling home plate called Wilson out. Captain McCarthy protested for 20 minutes and ordered Wilson to remain on second claiming that Glover had no jurisdiction. In his he was right. Glover ordered Wilson out and McCarthy ordered him in. Wilson camped on the bag while the bleacherites cried "Play ball." Finally Manager Hall, acting as he said, "in the best interests of baseball," ordered Wilson out and he came. Thereupon Captain McCarthy retired from the game, Wilkenson going to short and Wilson to first, while Taylor, a new man, donned the mask. Captain McCarthy was right in his contention and should have been sustained. He would have been in league ball, but in the bushes it is advantageous occasionally, as Court Hall says, to give in and get the game going. McCarthy was also right in retiring from the game for had he played after his hard fight for his team he might well have been termed a "hook."

But figure it out for yourself. Withington saw it this way and he has the say: Medford—AB R H PO A E Miles, 2b ..... 4 1 1 2 1 2 McCarthy, ss ..... 2 0 0 2 1 0 Taylor, c ..... 1 0 0 0 0 0 Isaacs, cf ..... 4 0 1 2 0 0 Wilkenson, 1b ..... 4 0 0 6 1 0 Wilson, e, 1b ..... 3 0 0 8 2 0 Gill, rf ..... 3 0 0 2 0 0 Antle, lf ..... 3 0 0 2 0 0 Rader, 3b ..... 3 0 1 0 5 0 Stevenson, p ..... 3 0 1 0 1 0

Totals.....39 1 4 24 11 2  
Grants Pass—AB R H PO A E Weener, 2b ..... 3 1 1 3 5 0 H. Paulson, ss ..... 3 0 0 1 1 1 Riggs, cf ..... 4 0 0 1 0 0 Williams, 2b ..... 3 0 0 1 5 0 Kelly, c ..... 3 0 0 8 2 0 Smith, lf ..... 2 0 0 0 0 1 Crawford, rf ..... 2 0 0 1 0 1 H. Paulson, 1b ..... 3 0 0 10 1 0 Osborne, p ..... 2 2 1 2 0 0

Totals.....28 3 3 26 16 3  
\*Wilson out for interference.  
SUMMARY  
Struck out—By Stevenson 2, by Osborne 6. Bases on balls—Off Stevenson 2. Wild pitches—Stevenson. Balk—Stevenson. Umpires—Glover, Sheehy. Time of game—2 hours.

great class here next Sunday. In the meantime he will get accustomed to the local grounds.

Taylor, captain and coach of the University of Oregon baseball squad, was in Medford uniform Sunday. He went in in the eighth and showed up well in the mask. He seems to have a good swing. Curly from first coached him on the players. If Taylor learns the favorites of the visitors he should make good. However local fans like to see Curly in his old position and Court will probably keep him there.

An up valley wind across the diamond Sunday made it hard to umpire at second. Grants Pass stole the third sack frequently early in the game.

Osborne won his game yesterday. Of the three hits secured by his team he got two and also two of the runs. The fans at the Pass are loyal to him and gave him a great welcome.

Williams, third sacker, nailed a hot one right off Shorty's bat, thereby robbing our second baseman of a hit. It was a pretty stop.

Pug Isaacs was in great form yesterday. He caught two long hard drives to center after a very pretty sprint. Frank nailed one of Osborne's offerings for a hit also, scoring Miles for Medford's only run.

Heard in the bleachers: A fair young dame warbled to her escort, "Oh I just love to see that Medford first baseman play. He is just too cute for anything."

Several loyal Medford fans journeyed to the Pass and made considerable money. They couldn't get it up.

H. C. Kentner, manager of the Fats, went up to get a few pointers. The Leans had best beware of his added knowledge.

Antle made a long run and nabbed a hard one. He also made a great try for a second long drive but it fell too fast. He just got his mitts near it when it landed.

The team rather missed the benign influence of Frank Frazier.

Rader secured one of the four hits

# FISHING UPPER ROGUE IS GOOD

Judge Kelly Catches First Steelhead of Season On Fly—Many Reports of Splendid Catches Made—Son of Ferryman Lands a 35 Pounder.

Steelhead trout are beginning to take the fly. Judge E. E. Kelley catching a five-pounder Sunday, the first one of the season.

Fishermen who have journeyed to the upper waters of the Rogue have been reporting splendid catches, the river evidently being better stocked this year than ever before, owing to the closing of the stream to commercial fishing.

Louis, the son of the ferryman near Trail, on Friday caught and landed a 35-pound salmon above the Enyart ranch. The salmon was taken on a spoon.

J. C. Aitkin and J. W. Myers in a half day took 73 fish from the Rogue above Trail. Fishing seems to be better there than ever before.

Haskins for Health.

by Medford but his fielding was a little off color. He was caulked up with an error but he had a narrow escape.

George Merriman, Bob Dow, Bill Muller, Grover Corum, Bob Flynn, Bert Harmon, Mart Reddy, Doc Brown, and F. K. Deuel were among the loyal ones at the Pass Sunday.

Tom Hanley turned the town over to the visitors. He entertained loyally. Tom has been elected to membership in the Withington baseball bug's fanning bee.

Shorty Miles gets the blame for losing the game yesterday but those who saw it still believe that it was His Ump who lost it. The play was close and Shorty fumbled. But it looked from the side lines as if he recovered in time. But it's all in the game.

Jack Withington has formed a great opinion of the Arlington. It is so deucedly quiet, doncherknow!

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