

# Sport Graphs

Billy Hulén Says:

## Baseball Revival In Climate City Due to Fine Club

Grants Pass, with a fine club in the Southern Oregon league, is gradually regaining the high position it formerly held among semi-pro baseball towns in the state.

There was a time in the not too-distant past when the Climate city was considered one of the best ball villages in Oregon, when the fans whooped it up and made the turnstiles sing a merry tune, and when the teams produced there were as good as any in the state. That was in the 1900's and 1920's.

Then, the bush baseball depression struck, as it did throughout the nation, and the national pastime foundered and almost went under in Grants Pass, the same as it did elsewhere, including Medford. It was a tough struggle for baseball to keep its head above water, but it did and now things are looking up, are tremendously brighter than at any time in the past 10 years. Like Medford, Grants Pass is truly "coming back a roar" in the baseball scheme.

Of course, the Climate city isn't drawing crowds as of yore, nor so spectacularly as Medford. But a steadily increasing number of fans are supporting the Merchants and Fred Roper, business manager, predicts that in another year or so it will seem like old times in Grants Pass, baseballically speaking.

Last Wednesday night when the Merchants played the Craters here, at least 300 Grants Pass boosters followed their club and kept up a continual chattering in the grandstand. Last year, five years ago or 10 years ago probably a tenth of that number would have accompanied their team to Medford for a ball game.

That increased baseball interest in Grants Pass, naturally, is due mainly to the calibre of ball being played by the home team. And the Merchants certainly are giving it to them hot and heavy. Jud Pernoll, the ex-major league southpaw pitcher, has a real ball club this year, one that would stand muster in fine fashion in the Oregon State league. In fact, the Merchants saw the last two Wednesday nights were better than any State loop clubs to play here with the lone exception of Albany.

That team is inciting more enthusiasm in Grants Pass than any since 1929, we were told. We also learned that softball, which had been getting the big play there the last three or four

# Crippled Craters Play Babes Four Games This Week-End

years, was not making expenses this season. Perhaps the baseball team isn't the reason for softball's decline in Grants Pass, but undoubtedly it has something to do with it.

If Grants Pass continues to pick up, and there is no reason to believe it won't a lighting system for night ball is almost a certainty next year or the year after. Roper has been shown by Medford what lights can do for baseball and he isn't a Dumb Dora by any means. Show Mr. Roper how to make extra checks, and Mr. Roper comes in. If, and when, Grants Pass installs arcs, the Oregon State league will probably expand further into southern Oregon. Klamath Falls, 10 to 1, will be the next city admitted, now that a lighted field is available there. Grants Pass will most assuredly be still another southern Oregon town with a franchise, after floodlights are put in.

## NEWSOM PITCHES 10TH WIN IN ROW

By Associated Press  
Big Buck "Showboat" Newsom of the Detroit Tigers, one of the poisonous personality kids of the thundering thirties in the major leagues, who is a fellow who will tell you it's better to be lucky than good anytime.

Newsom hasn't been beaten since the season's opening game with the St. Louis Browns and last night he checked off his tenth victory, a 2-1 tally against those same St. Louis Browns.

Another three-hitter last night was Hal Schumacher's performance against the Phillies to give the New York Giants a 7-0 shut-out.

In the only other action in the major leagues yesterday the Brooklyn Dodgers edged out the Chicago Cubs, 5-4, in a tight game in which each team got nine hits.

The victory brought Brooklyn within a game of the first place Cincinnati Reds with the Giants hot behind.

## FREITAS TOPPLES BEAVERS, 4 TO 1

By the Associated Press  
The worm has turned in Seattle. San Diego's Padres, smarting from two straight spankings, banged out 16 hits and deflated the Pacific Coast league pennant-defending Seattle Rainiers last night, 5 to 2. It ended an eight-game winning streak for Seattle.

A ninth-inning splurge was staged in Hollywood, where Hugh Luby laced out a home run with one on to give Oakland a 5 to 4 decision over the Stars. In San Francisco the Seals dropped a ten-inning contest to Los Angeles, 6 to 3.

In Portland the deep-cellar Beavers could not solve Tony Freitas' left-handed tosses and took a 4 to 1 beating from Sacramento.

A department of labor survey has proved it—women spend more for their clothes than men.

## COOK, M'DONALD, LANNING OUT OF ACTION SATURDAY

Buster McMillan Heads Portland Club at Plate; Games Start at 8:15 and 1:30

With their lineup shattered by injuries and other activities, Medford's second-place Craters will stagger to the starting line for four Oregon State league ball games in two days against the flashy Portland Babes at the fairgrounds park Saturday night and Sunday afternoon.

The Saturday eve double-header, a makeup series from the first-half race, will start at 8:15. The Sunday twin bill, regular second-half games, will begin at 1:30. All tilts will be of seven innings.

Three Crater regulars will probably be out of action Saturday night, and two of them may not get to play in any of the four games.

Big Bill Lanning, right-handed pitcher, cut the first finger on his flinging hand on a broken insulator while working for Copco yesterday, and Manager Tommy Hawkins has grave doubts whether he will be fit for service over the week-end.

Thumb Split  
Alex McDonald, shortstop, split his right thumb against Grants Pass Wednesday night in tagging a runner at second base, and his appearance in the lineup is doubtful. He can't grip a bat.

Second Baseman Riney Cook will be absent for at least the first game Saturday night, as he will be in Marshfield with his American Legion Junior team. Cook may arrive back in Medford in time to play the nightcap Saturday, and will definitely be here Sunday.

Surveying the wreckage, Manager Hawkins shook his head sadly and made plans to sign at least two ball players before Saturday night, if possible, to fill in for the injured.

With Lanning a question mark, the Craters were left with Jim Rego, Steve Crippen, Virgil Haynes and young Al Wimer as their pitching staff, and Manager Hawkins was undecided as to how the hurlers would work the "killer" schedule of four games in two days. He also was undecided as to the way the rest of the club would line up, although it was almost a certainty Bill Calvert would be shifted from the outfield to shortstop. He said practically nothing would be known until game time Saturday night.

McMillan Slugger  
The Babes, managed by Ray Brooks, will hit town with a sparkling array of youngsters and powered at the plate by Buster McMillan, ex-Portland Beaver catcher, who will play first base. Up to last week's games McMillan was leading the league in hitting with an average of .529.

The Babe mound staff includes Southpaw Jack Carstens, Bob Warner, Richard Carlosio, Dick Mason and Jim Bird. Harry Amacher will do the catching, with the brilliant Barney Koch on second, Billy McClusky on short, Harold Martenson on third, Joe Pecla, Bob Rennie and Vic Brown in the outfield.

Crater Skipper Hawkins attaches great importance to the first two games, as Medford must win them in order to retain a chance at the first half title. The Craters and Albany tied for the first-half pennant, and losses Saturday will practically give the Oaks the bunting.

A workout is scheduled for 6 o'clock this afternoon at the fairgrounds park, and the Crater boss wants all players to report.

## Youthful Keystone Pair



Billy McClusky (left) and Barney Koch, shortstop and second baseman for the Portland Babes, are considered the best double-play combination in the Oregon State Baseball league. They'll show their wares here Saturday night and Sunday afternoon when Ray Brooks' outfit clashes with the Craters in a pair of double-headers at the fairgrounds park.

## 300 THINCLADS ENTER AAU MEET AT FRESNO; TRACK FAST AS FLASH

Fresno, Cal., June 28.—(P)—Nearly 300 of the nation's track and field aces and a clay track rated one of the fastest in the country combined to give fans more hope they might see a few national or even world records shattered in the two-day national A. A. U. championships opening here tonight.

The fifty-second running of the annual championships finds most of the men who were shut out of a chance at Olympic Game records, because of the war, entered in the Fresno tournament.

The yellow track, carefully tended for attempts at record performances, was at first declared "too fast" by several eastern athletes who had never raced on it before.

Ed Dugger of Tufts, Fred Wolcott of Rice Institute and Joe Batiste of Tucson, Ariz., each left after tripping on the first hurdle of their practice run for the 110-meter event. Each declared the track too speedy, but after a few more runs expressed confidence he could make good time tomorrow night.

## ROGUES IDLE SUNDAY IN SO. OREGON LOOP

Medford's Rogues will remain idle Sunday afternoon as the Southern Oregon Baseball league opens its second half pennant race with Grants Pass, first half champs, entertaining Crescent City and Roseburg playing at Gold Hill.

Medford's bye was caused by the disbandment of the Ashland-Talent Atees recently. Next loop tilt for the Rogues will be at Crescent City July 7.

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## HOW THEY STAND

National League			
	W.	L.	P.C.
Cincinnati	38	20	.653
Brooklyn	35	20	.636
New York	35	21	.625
Chicago	33	30	.524
Pittsburgh	23	32	.413
St. Louis	22	33	.400
Boston	19	32	.373
Philadelphia	20	37	.351

American League			
	W.	L.	P.C.
Cleveland	40	24	.625
Detroit	36	24	.600
Boston	34	24	.586
New York	29	31	.483
St. Louis	30	35	.462
Chicago	27	32	.458
Philadelphia	23	35	.397
Washington	25	39	.391

Pacific Coast League			
	W.	L.	P.C.
Seattle	53	23	.624
Oakland	49	41	.544
Hollywood	46	44	.511
San Diego	44	43	.506
Los Angeles	42	44	.488
Sacramento	44	47	.484
San Francisco	41	46	.471
Portland	31	53	.369

## BABE DIDRIKSON SETS NEW MARK IN TOURNEY

Milwaukee, June 28.—(P)—Long-driving Babe Didrikson Zaharias, with a sparkling 72-card to her credit, loomed over the field of eight survivors in the women's western open golf tournament today as one of the chief threats to defending champion Helen Dettweiler's title.

The Los Angeles shotmaker entered the quarter-finals yesterday by touring the Blue Mound course three under women's par for an all-time Wisconsin record as she eliminated Mrs. J. A. Ochiltree of Indianapolis, 8 to 6.

Miss Dettweiler, Washington (D. C.) business woman golfer, stepped through her second round with a 2 and 1 conquest of Kathryn Pearson, Houston, Texas.

## BEAN, MARU HURL 4-0 CONQUEST OF LOST RIVER TEAM

Games Tonight  
American league: Fluhner's vs. Wooden Box, 8 p. m.; Medco vs. Lost River Dairy, 9 p. m. National league: Bear Creek vs. Gasco, 8 p. m.; Eagles vs. Elks, 9 p. m.

Excellent hurling by Russ Bean and Maru, coupled with Lowery's home run and Bean's triple, gave Fluhner's Broad-aters a 4 to 0 shutout over Lost River Dairy in an American league game at the stadium last night.

Leavens and Ayres got the only hits off Bean, who worked the first five innings for the winners. Maru hurled hitless ball the last two frames.

In the other American loop clash, Jennings Tire blasted Catholic Men, 12 to 4, with D. Singler hitting a triple and Barker a double for the winners. Lewis doubled for the losers.

In National league games, Copco edged Faber's, 3 to 2 and Eagles outslugged Teamsters, 11 to 9. In the latter game, Burnham and H. Arthur homered and H. Lewis and R. Arthur tripled for the Eagles, while Littrell, Balding and Kenton tripled for Teamsters.

Scores:  
R. H. E.  
Jennings Tire 12 6 5  
Catholic Men 4 7 5  
Walker and Nave; J. Gitzen, L. Sakraida and Darland.

Scores:  
R. H. E.  
Lost River 0 2 1  
Fluhner's 4 8 2  
Leavens and Wray; Bean, Maru and J. Smith.

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R. H. E.  
Faber's 2 6 1  
Copco 3 4 2  
L. Pinkham and Babb; R. Singler and Soller.

Scores:  
R. H. E.  
Teamsters 9 15 3  
Eagles 11 11 3  
Dallaire, Balding and Fraley; Adams and Arthur.

## BEAVERS SELL THOMAS TO SAN DIEGO PADRES

Portland, Ore., June 28.—(P)—The Portland Pacific Coast league baseball club sold William Thomas, right hand pitcher, to San Diego today. The amount of the straight cash deal was not announced.

Greater Paris has a population of about 4,933,000. Greater London contains about 8,655,000.

The lightship off San Francisco records an average of 1,135 hours of fog per year.

## SWIM EXHIBITION SATURDAY TO END SAFETY CAMPAIGN

Climaxing the 10-day Red Cross water safety campaign, attended by more than 450 students of all ages, the annual water carnival will be held in the natatorium Saturday night at 7:30. The public is cordially invited to attend, and there will be no charge for the exhibition.

According to Miss Frances Arnsperger, acting chairman of life-saving of the Jackson county Red Cross chapter, the program will include mass drills staged by the beginner classes, races of all kinds, watermelon polo, diving, stunts and form swimming. The junior and senior life-saving classes will demonstrate holds, breaks, approaches and carries used when saving a drowning person, Miss Arnsperger said.

Under the direction of Harry Harvie, expert instructor, the classes were considered the most successful ever held here, both in the number of students and the benefits gained.

The Red Cross wishes to express its appreciation to the following persons for devoting their time and efforts to the campaign: John Nagley, Frances Port, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Brock, Mrs. Dorothy Perl, Walter Clements, Jack Hamilton, Floyd Brownlee, Wardle Purdin, Dick Nelson, Dorothy Coffeen, Bill and Richard Fredericks, Dean Showers and Jimmy Morrow.

## Fights Last Night

By the Associated Press  
New York—Joey Fontana, 133, Brooklyn, knocked out Lee Harper, 131, Texas (7).

Baltimore—Georgie Pace, 123, Cleveland, bantamweight champion, stopped Lawrence Gunn, 123, Baltimore (1) (non-title).

East Liverpool, Ohio—Teddy Yarosz, 174, Pittsburgh, outpointed Bud Mignault, 169, Brockton, Mass. (10).

Minneapolis—Chuck Crowell, 220, Los Angeles, outpointed Arne Anderson, 188, Sweden (10).

## FORMER TENNIS STAR DIVORCED ON CRUELTY

Bridgeport, Conn., June 28.—(P)—Mrs. Rebecca Tenney Shields of Greenwich won a divorce in superior court yesterday from Francis X. Shields, the former tennis star, on the grounds of cruelty and intemperance.

## USC TENNISER IN QUARTER FINALS

Haverford, Pa., June 28.—(P)—The national intercollegiate tennis championships entered the quarter final round at the Merion Cricket club today with a pair of "dark horses" vying for the limelight with the six remaining seeded entries.

Top-ranked Don McNeill, national clay court titleholder from Kenyon college, faces one of the "outsides" in Bill Reedy, of Southern California. Frank Guernsey, the defending champion from Rice Institute, is pitted against the other—Bill Canning, of California.

In the remaining matches second-seeded Joe Hunt, of Navy, is matched with Isadore Bellis of Pennsylvania, while Ted Schroeder, of Southern California, meets Bill Talbert of Cincinnati.

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New York 7, Philadelphia 0.  
Only games scheduled.

American League  
Detroit 2, St. Louis 1  
Only game scheduled.

Pacific Coast League  
San Diego 5, Seattle 2  
Oakland 5, Hollywood 4  
Sacramento 4, Portland 1  
Los Angeles 6, San Francisco 3.

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