

Sport Graphs

Billy Hulen Says:

Savage Schedule Faces Craters in Coming Ten Days

The critical period of the Medford Craters' 1940 baseball campaign is at hand. What the locals manage to accomplish in the next 10 days will spell success or failure for this season. It's the well-known "stretch" starting the Hawkins gang straight in the face, and if the lads are to emerge with any sort of honors they'll have to do it against odds that are practically overwhelming.

Starting Tuesday night with that 5 to 1 state tournament victory over Tillamook at Portland, the Craters embarked on a vicious two-week schedule that finds them playing eight games in 13 days, and only one of those tilts will be played at home—against the Piney Woods Collegians, barnstorming colored club, here next Wednesday night.

And, to make connections for those seven clashes the Craters must play on the road, the team will travel a mere 1,294 miles. If that does not give Medford the title of the state's "travelingest" ball club, we would like to hear some other team speak up.

First, the Craters left here Tuesday on a 308-mile hop to Portland for the state tourney. They play again Friday night, then drop down to Hills Creek for a two-game Oregon State league series Saturday and Sunday. When they reach Medford Sunday night they will have put 616 miles on their speedometers.

The following Sunday they jump 183 miles to Bend for a State league doubleheader, and from Bend stagger on to Portland for their third tournament game the night of July 22, which is a Monday. Bend to Portland will add 187 miles to their travel table, and Portland to Medford will complete the amazing total.

If the Craters can stand up under that gruelling schedule and salvage 75 percent of their games, it will be nothing short of remarkable. The burden will fall mostly on the shoulders of Rego, Lanning and Crippen, the pitchers, but those other players won't have an easy time of it. With eight games in 13 days, that means the three hurlers will be forced to go to the post more often than every other day, which in itself would be quite a feat. One bright spot in the situation is that tournament games, up to the finals, are of seven innings.

As for the tourney, it looks like Medford and Albany are headed for a crucial clash on July 22. Albany is slated to see action next on July 17, against the winner of tonight's game between Battle-ground and Bridal Veil, neither of which is rated too strong. If Medford gets over Gaston Dairy Friday eve, which they should do according to tourney dope, the Craters and the Alco-Oaks will be paired July 22.

So far as State league games are concerned, the Craters have only two more at home—against the Eugene Athletics July 27 and 28. As before mentioned, the locals meet Hills Creek at Hills Creek next week-end, and Bend at Bend July 21. Right now the Craters are tied with Eugene for second place, a game behind Silverton and Albany, and it looks like tough stuff from here on out, what with that tournament using up the hurlers and tiring the club in general.

HOW THEY STAND

Pacific Coast League.			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Seattle	63	38	.636
Oakland	55	45	.567
Los Angeles	52	49	.513
San Diego	52	50	.510
San Francisco	49	52	.485
Sacramento	50	55	.476
Hollywood	48	56	.462
Portland	34	64	.347

Major leagues unchanged.

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Chicago Colored Ghosts Softballers Play Medco Tonight

DIZZY DARK BOYS TO PUT ON SHOW FOR SPECTATORS

Steiner Slated to Pitch for Medco—Girls' Teams to Meet in First Game at 8

Games Tonight.
Girls' game: Hunt's Craterians vs. Community Club, 8 p. m. Feature game: Chicago Colored Ghosts vs. Medco, 9 p. m.

The Chicago Colored Ghosts, recognized as the world's best and most hilarious Negro softball team, will play the undefeated Medford Corporation club at the stadium tonight at 9 o'clock. Appearance of the Ghosts will mark the first appearance of a nationally-famous barnstorming team in the city this year.

Leading the colored lads will be Babe Favors, catcher; "Cool Papa" Johnson, center-fielder; "Oats" Fields, Mickey Mouse and "Pee Wee" Williams, all great softball players and top-notch comedians. A feature of the Ghosts' show is the "shadow ball" infield practice, but they boast many other tricks to keep the spectators rolling in the aisles.

Stars in Lineup.
Medco, last year's city champs and unbeaten this season, will have Morris Steiner on the pitching mound. Because some of the regular Medco players are in Portland with the baseball Craters, stars from other loop teams will be in the lineup this evening.

Only two games will be played, both on the center diamond. Hunt's Craterians and the Girls' Community club will meet in the first tilt starting at 8 o'clock.

In an exhibition game last night, Wooden Box trounced the Grants Pass National Guards, 10 to 1, as Boyle homered, Peccia tripled and Keevan hit three doubles. Peccia and Peterson held the visitors to five hits.

National league games saw Copco defeat Elks, 13 to 10, and Eagles beat Gasco, 11 to 5. H. Vessey homered and tripled for Eagles.

The Lost River team of the American league has disbanded, and its place will be taken by Copco, undefeated National league leader.

Scores:
R. H. E.
Grants Pass O.N.G. 1 5 0
Wooden Box 10 15 3
Jerkie, Coomler and Woodward, Snell; Peccia, Peterson and D'Arcy.

R. H. E.
Copco 12 9 4
Elks 10 14 3
R. Singler and P. Sakradda; C. Stelle and Archer.

R. H. E.
Eagles 11 10 3
Gasco 5 7 7
H. Arthur and Adams; Shimoda and Kyker.

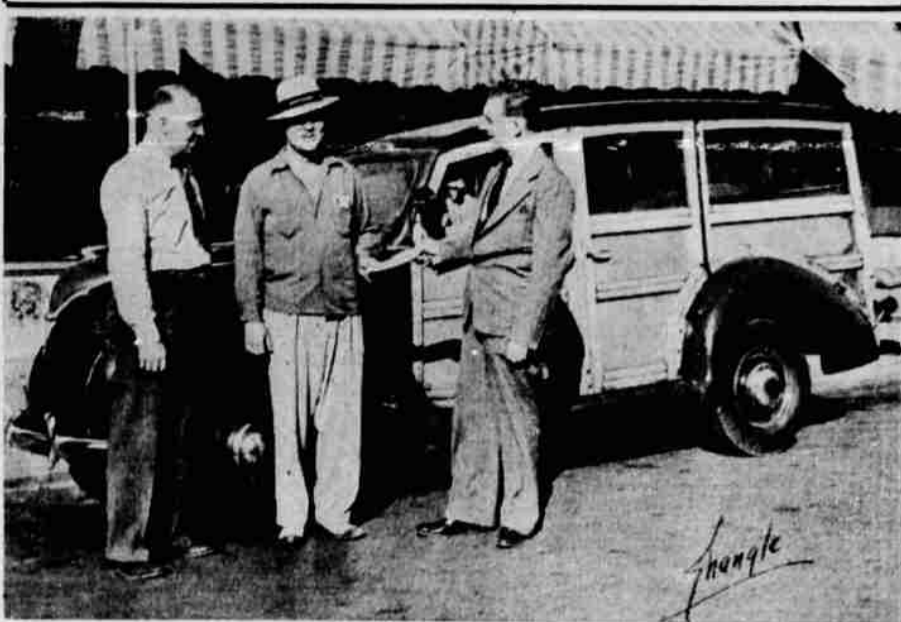
ROGUES, G. PASS TANGLE SATURDAY

Grants Pass-Medford baseball rivalry will flare again here Saturday night, but this time it will be the local Southern Oregon league Rogues instead of the Craters, colliding with the Grants Pass Merchants under the lights at the fairgrounds park.

Originally scheduled to be played here Sunday afternoon, the Merchant-Rogue game was shifted to Saturday night to make way for the clash between the Roseburg and Medford American Legion junior teams.

The game Saturday, a regular Southern Oregon league affair, will start at 9 o'clock.

Why Craters Entered State Tourney



Cooperation from any sources enabled the Medford baseball Craters to enter the State semi-pro tournament at Portland, where they are now playing. Shown above is Arthur W. Render, president of the Lions club, handing a \$230 check to Glen Fabrick, treasurer of the Medford Athletic association. The check represents part of the money raised by the Lions to defray the cost of sending the Craters to Portland. At left is Hobart M. Price of Skinner's Garage, which loaded the station wagon to transport six players to Portland.

MEDFORD GUNNERS PRACTICE SUNDAY

In preparation for the Pacific Coast International trapshooting tournament to be held in Portland, July 26 to 28, inclusive, the Medford Gun club will practice at the local club grounds Sunday morning commencing at 10:30 o'clock.

Medford shooters enjoy the Portland tournaments and always send a large delegation there. The Portland Gun club grounds are the best on the coast and Portland shoots are always well managed, with the events taking place on perfect schedules. The largest attendance for any shoot on the Pacific coast this year is predicted for the Portland event.

NEXT WRESTLING PROGRAM, JULY 22

Promoter Mack Lillard announced today that the next wrestling card in the Medford armory would be staged July 22, instead of next Monday night as originally planned.

Lillard explained that he couldn't get Dangerous Danny McShane signed for next Monday, but that he had him definitely secured for the following week. The program will probably be a ladies' night affair, Lillard said, with a possible battle royal opening festivities.

40,000 VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT BY CANADA

Ottawa, July 11.—(P)—Canada opened her first full-fledged recruiting campaign today to get 40,000 new volunteers for the Canadian active service force, full-time soldiery for duty at home or overseas, and to train 37,000 militiamen during the early part of August.

Fights Last Night

By the Associated Press
Hartford, Conn.—Pete Scalza, 125, New York, N.B.A. featherweight champion, stopped Bobby (Poison) Ivy, 125 (15).
Oakland, Calif.—Ray Lunny 133, San Francisco, stopped Jose Gallardo, 134, Mexico City (8).

Scores Yesterday

Major leagues idle.
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San Francisco 11, Seattle 9.
San Diego 5, Los Angeles 0.
Oakland 4, Sacramento 3.
Portland 9, Hollywood 7.

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MORE PRIZES LISTED AS SWEEPSTAKES AT OREGON STATE FAIR

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Entirely new are premier breeder and premier exhibitor banners to be awarded in the Jersey, Holstein, Guernsey, Brown Swiss and Ayrshire shows. Also new is the sweepstake banner for the best display of all fruits, including peaches, apples, prunes, plums, peaches, quinces and grapes.

Eastern and western Oregon banners will be given also for the largest and best display of certified seed potatoes.

In the floral show, sweepstake honors are designated for the most outstanding dahlias exhibited.

A sweepstake banner will be awarded in the honey and bee show and 10 gold medals will be presented by the American Poultry association to poultry show champions.

Parchment of 1607.
Woodbury, N. J. (U.P.)—A sheepskin parchment, painted or "written" in 1607 and conveying a tract of land in Virginia to a member of Capt. John Smith's Jamestown colony has been received by Frank H. Stewart of Woodbury. The deed was signed by Oveskat, uncle

of Powhatan, who once started to kill Smith and Capt. Martin, a member of Smith's party.

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