

Defending Champ Dick Hanen, Alva Merritt Reach Tourney Finals

SIMMONS BEATEN BY HANEN; CLARK BOWS TO MERRITT

Finalists Score Twin Wins Sunday; Donaldson, Watson Lose Quarter-Finals.

It was bespectacled, long-socked Dick Hanen of Marshfield, defending champion, and tall, dark-haired Alva Merritt of Roseburg in today's 36-hole championship battle of the 13th annual Southern Oregon-Tournament of the Pacific Valley Golf club after both winners, Hanen the pre-tourney favorite and Merritt, the boy who was almost completely ignored by the early prognosticators, blazed their way through a pair of tough 18-hole quarter-final and semi-final matches Sunday.

They played their first 18 holes of the title struggle in the rain this morning and were scheduled to tee off for their final round at 1:30 this afternoon. Final matches in all other flights were staged this morning.

Hanen, the University of Oregon youth, moved into the finals by eliminating Medford's Eddie Simmons, 1 up, in a dramatic semi-final duel after he had ousted Cy Donaldson of San Francisco, 3 and 2, in another hard match in the quarter-finals.

Merritt, former caddy at the Rogue Valley club, came through with an uphill, surprise 3 and 2 victory over Medford's Leland Clark in the semi-finals, after having disposed of another local golfer, Jack Creager, by a 2 and 1 margin in the morning quarter finals.

Ends on 18th
Hanen's victory over Simmons, whom he defeated in last year's finals, came on the 18th green after both shotmakers had performed considerably below their usual form. All square on the 17th after they halved the hole in fives, one over par, the defending title-holder fired a par-four on the final hole while Simmons was three-putting the green for a terrible six, to take the match and enter the finals.

Twice Hanen was forced to come from behind to square the match. The local oil station manager, four-time tourney winner, had a two-up lead starting the 15th, but Hanen shot par four on the next two holes while Simmons was one over on each to square the battle on the 16th. Simmons started off like a house afire, with two fours to take a two-up bulge, but after they halved the third Dick parred the fourth to cut Eddie's lead to one up. They halved the next two, and on the seventh Hanen's par-four squared the match. After both parred the eighth, Hanen birdied the par-five ninth to take the lead for the first time, one up.

Both parred the 110-yard 10th, and on the 11th Eddie drew abreast again with a par-four to Hanen's five. On the 12th both took three, and Simmons birdied three on the 13th gave him a one hole advantage, and his par four on the 14th made it two up. Here, Hanen started his rally to square the match on the 16th.

Mediocre Scores
Neither turned in good medal scores. Hanen carding a 38, two over perfect figures on the first nine, and the same on the back nine, four over, for a total 76, while Simmons went seven over par for the 18, due to a 39 on the front nine and a 38 on the return stretch.

In the morning, Hanen and Donaldson battled neck and neck for 10 holes; then, Hanen went one-up on the 11th when Cy's second shot found a trap and increased it to two-up on the 14th with a par four. They halved the 15th and Hanen ended the match on the next hole by shooting a par four. Both had medal scores of 39 on the front nine.

Merritt captured his match from Clark the hard way, fighting up from a three-down disadvantage at the turn to string together seven straight pars on the back nine and end the contest on the 16th. In that match-winning rally Merritt launched on the 10th hole, he won six of the seven holes before the duel ended, the other being halved. Alva birdied the first hole to go one up, but Clark immediately squared the match on the second with a par-four and leaped into a two-up lead with a birdie on the four-par third and a par on the fourth. They halved the fifth in par fours, and Merritt took the sixth with a fine birdie to chop the Clark margin to one-up. Clark went two-up again on the seventh with a par four, and after they halved the eighth the Medford insurance

man birdied the ninth for his three-up margin at the turn.

Eases Up

Seemingly having the match in the bag, Clark noticeably eased up starting the back nine and before he knew it Merritt had the battle all square, with impetus enough to carry him to victory. Alva parred the 10th and 11th, a three and a four, and Clark was only one up. They both shot three on the 12th, but Clark took a five to Merritt's four on the 13th, and it was all even.

Three straight fours on the 14th, 15th and 16th, all par-four holes, gave Merritt his 3 and 2 victory on the 16th. Clark, unable to pull his game together, took fives on the last three holes of the match and bowed out of the title chase.

Their medal cards for the first nine showed a one-under-par 35 for Clark and a 38 for Merritt, but it was a different story on the back nine as Alva fired regulation golf for the seven holes played while Clark was going seven over perfect figures.

Overcomes Lead
The Roseburg clouter also had a torrid match in the morning against Creager. He was one down at the end of the first nine, after shooting a four-over-par 40 medal score, but came rushing back to square the match on the 10th, win the 11th, halve the 12th and win the 13th, 14th and 15th.

In the two other quarter-final struggles, Simmons eliminated Seattle's Forest Watson, former northwest amateur champion, 5 and 4, and Clark defeated Medford's Ike Staples, 4 and 2.

Eddie had no great difficulty in breezing past Watson, developing a two-up lead at the turn thanks to eight pars, and ending the match on the 14th after three more pars and a birdie three on the 11th.

In his match against Creager, Clark was one down at the end of four holes. He squared it on five, and went two up with two pars and a birdie three on 10, 11 and 12. They halved 13 and 14; then, Clark took 15 for a four-up advantage and canned a 40-foot putt on 16 to close out the battle.

Jim Johnson of the Eugene Country club captured medal honors for the tourney by firing a 35, one under par, in a nine-hole playoff with Hanen and Bob Hammond, who shot 36's. All qualified with 71's.

Semi-final medal scores:
Out
Hanen 556 335 434-38
Simmons 446 435 535-39
In
Hanen 353 554 454-38 76
Simmons 343 345 556-39-77
Out
Merritt 354 444 543-38
Clark 443 345 444-35
In
Merritt 3 434 444-26-64
Clark 4 635 555-33-68

RIGGS TOPS TRIO OF TENNIS AGES

New York, Sept. 1.—(P)—Three players who have been nominated to scrap it out for the national amateur tennis championship, Frank Kovacs, Bobby Riggs and Don McNeill, took turns demonstrating their Sunday shots at Forest Hills today, and Riggs might have looked just a little better than the other two.

Bobby, at least, made the loudest impression on the crowd in the big stadium as he swept aside young C. Robin Hippenstiel of San Bernardino, Cal., in their first round match by scores of 6-2, 6-4, 6-3.

As for McNeill, he looked like his old self only in spots as he turned back George Pryor of Pittsburgh, a moderately good player, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4. The Oklahoma City star still is not swiping the ball like he did a year ago, his backhand in particular lacking authority.

Kovacs had a genuine battle on his hands in subduing Bernard Welsh, a bespectacled barrister from Rockville, Md., 6-3, 4-6, 6-1, 7-5.

OYSTER INDUSTRY SENDS F.D.R. GIFT

Washington, Sept. 1.—(P)—The Greeks had some words for it—"the perfect prelude to a meal"—and the Romans called it "the dainty manna of the sea". It's the oyster, and September is the first "r" month of the new season.

To mark the occasion the oyster industry will send a supply of "pedigreed" bivalves to the White House next week for President Roosevelt's table.

Lake Ladoga, Russia, is the largest lake in Europe and covers 7,000 square miles.

Al Wray's 13th Inning Blow Produces 7-6 Crater Victory

A screeching drive down the rightfield foul line by powerful Al Wray, scoring Bobby Churchill from second base, broke up a wildly-dramatic, nerve-wrecking ball game at the fairgrounds park yesterday afternoon and gave the Medford Craters a 7 to 6, 13-inning victory over the Silverton Red Sox to set the stage for today's playoff battle between the same two clubs for the 1941 Oregon State league championship. The penultimate clash starts at 2:30 sharp.

The husky leftfielder's payoff blow, coming after the teams had struggled scoreless following a three-run Silverton rally in the ninth inning that deadlocked the score at 6-6, gave the Craters the second half championship. Silverton won the first half toga, so it will be a one-game "sudden death" affair this afternoon for the loop gonfalon.

There were two gone when Wray, nitting from the left side of the plate against Earl Toolson, Silverton's ace right-hander, pulled the second pitch on a line almost to the rightfield boards. Churchill, who had opened the 13th with an infield single and gone to second on Al Kretschmar's wild throw to first on the grounder, tallied with ease, and all that remained was for the jubilant Craters to literally swarm all over Mr Wray as he rounded second and trotted for the bench. They did.

A magnificent relief pitching job by young Jack Brown, the Crater's righthanded second string flinger, contributed greatly to the victory. Brown took over the mound task with none away and two Red Sox on base in the 12th inning, and not only got the next three batters on an infield out and two flies but in the 13th whiffed Jimmy Robertson and Toolson and forced Granato to fly out to Sauer. He faced only six men, allowed no hits and no runs and received credit for the victory.

Dutch Lieber, after doing heroic work for 11 frames, was forced to retire in the 12th. In the 10th, with two gone, Robertson of the Sox smashed a vicious drive that struck Lieber on his right foot. Lieber threw him out at first, but was painfully injured. Refusing to leave the game, he got through the 11th safely, but in the 12th it was apparent that he couldn't put enough weight on the foot to bear down. After Lee Shinn

Schroer's walk, Churchill's nit-batsman, McLean's sacrifice and a passed ball yielded the Craters a run in the first inning, and they picked up another in the third on McLean's double to left and Wray's single to right-center, giving them a 2 to 0 advantage.

Held to three hits by Lieber in the first four heats, the Sox forged into a 3 to 2 lead in the fifth when Robertson singled to center, Granato singled to the same spot, Kretschmar tripled to left and Shinn doubled to left. A beautiful squeeze bunt by Frank Roelandt in the seventh scored Schroer from third with the run which made it 3-3. Schroer had walked, Churchill had singled infield and McLean had been hit by a McIrvin pitch to load the bases when Roelandt dropped the bunt down the first base line.

Then, in the eighth, the locals really teed off on McIrvin. Fleishman started it with a double to center and Dick

Kohler singled, sending Fleishman to third and taking second, himself, on the throw-in. Lieber, with the fans begging for a wallop, obliged with a roaring double to the rightfield wall and two runs were across. Schroer sacrificed and Churchill singled to right scoring the big hurler and giving the Craters a 6-3 lead.

Starting the Silverton ninth, Ken Manning singled, but when Robertson and McIrvin hit consecutive flies to Wray in left it looked like it was all over. Then all Hades broke loose. Granato doubled to right-center scoring Manning. Kretschmar slammed a nasty hopper that bounced off Churchill's leg into centerfield for another two-bagger, and Granato tallied. Shinn then doubled deep to left-center and Kretschmar came across with the tying run.

Bill Carney, Silverton leftfielder, staved off defeat for his club in the 10th by spearing Churchill's long fly to left-center. Lieber was on second after walking and being sacrificed, at the time, and would have scored on the wallop, but Carney raced far back and to his left and stabbed the ball one-handed. It was a great catch, one of the best seen here this year.

Manager Lou Sauer of the locals also came up with a sparkling snafu of Whitman's terrific 360-foot drive to center in the fifth inning, with two down and a man on second. Sauer grabbed it one-handed with his back to the grandstand, almost against the centerfield scoreboard.

McIrvin, although he fanned seven, including Roelandt thrice, was wild, walking 10 and hitting two. Lieber, in his 11 innings of labor, gave up 15 blows, but he didn't walk anybody.

Box score:
Silverton AB R H PO A
Granato, 2b 7 2 2 4 4
Kretschmar, ss 6 2 3 0 3
Shinn, 3b 5 0 3 0 9
Whitman, cf 6 0 1 3 0
Carney, if 6 0 1 2 0
Richard, rf 6 0 1 2 0
Manning, 1b 6 1 1 5 0
Robertson, c 6 1 2 9 2
McIrvin, p 8 0 1 0 5
Toolson, p 1 0 0 0 0
Totals 54 6 15 38 20

Medford AB R H PO A
Schroer, ss 3 2 0 3 6
Churchill, 3b 5 1 3 3 4
McLean, 2b 4 1 1 2 2
Roelandt, c 6 0 0 4 0
Wray, lf 4 0 2 5 0
Sauer, cf 5 0 0 5 1

Bob Sherwood, defeated I. C. Irwin, Ashland, 2 up.
A. D. Johnson, Klamath Falls, defeated J. Stallings, Klamath Falls, 1 up on 20th.

Third Flight (Semi-finals)
Allan Riebel, Grants Pass, defeated R. E. Kelly, Roseburg, 1 up on 19th.
P. Langston, Cottage Grove, defeated Bill McAllister, Medford, 1 up.

Third Flight (Quarter-finals)
Allan Riebel, Grants Pass, defeated Bert Orr, Medford, 2 and 1.
R. E. Kelly, Roseburg, defeated H. B. Brainerd, Grants Pass, 1 up.
P. Langston, Cottage Grove, defeated Bill Davidson, Medford, 4 and 3.

Bill McAllister, Medford, defeated Bernie Williams, Medford, 8 and 7.

Fourth Flight (Semi-finals)
Max Peirce, Medford, defeated J. Littrell, Marshfield, 5 and 4.
George Robertson, Medford, defeated J. Wood, Medford, 3 and 2.

Fourth Flight (Quarter-finals)
J. Littrell, Marshfield, defeated E. C. Kelly, Portland, 3 and 2.
Max Peirce, Medford, defeated John Cupp, Medford, 1 up.

J. Wood, Medford, defeated Dick Mather, Portland, 2 and 1.
George Robertson, Medford, defeated Al Littrell, Medford, 1 up.

Fifth Flight (Semi-finals)
E. C. Jerome, Medford, defeated Roy Donelson, Medford, 4 and 2.
J. C. Hanen, Marshfield, defeated Bob Marsh, Medford, 2 and 1.

Fifth Flight (Quarter-finals)
E. C. Jerome, Medford, defeated Ed Dewe, Ashland, 2 up.
Roy Donelson, Medford, defeated Ed Drysdale, Medford, 2 and 1.
Bob Marsh, Medford, defeated C. M. Kidd, Medford, 3 and 2.
J. C. Hanen, Marshfield, defeated Elmo Hemmilla, Medford, 8 and 6.

PORTLAND TEAM SOFTBALL KINGS

Oregon City, Sept. 1.—(P)—Commercial Iron of Portland came from behind to slug out an 8-7 victory over the Corvallis Bottlers in the finals of the Oregon softball tournament Saturday night.

Trailing by a 6-2 score, the Ironmen leveled on Corvallis Pitcher Elwin MacRae for five runs in the sixth inning.

The United States has been importing 13 pounds of spinach seed for every pound produced by national growers.

HOW THEY STAND

American League		
	W.	L.
New York	88	44 .667
Boston	68	63 .519
Chicago	68	64 .513
Cleveland	65	63 .508
Detroit	62	69 .473
St. Louis	58	71 .450
Philadelphia	57	72 .442
Washington	53	73 .421

National League		
	W.	L.
St. Louis	81	45 .643
Brooklyn	82	46 .641
Cincinnati	69	54 .561
Pittsburgh	68	47 .594
New York	60	65 .476
Chicago	56	63 .469
Boston	62	74 .453
Philadelphia	36	89 .288

Pacific Coast League		
	W.	L.
Sacramento	91	61 .599
Seattle	85	64 .570
San Diego	85	65 .567
Hollywood	76	74 .507
San Francisco	70	82 .461
Oakland	67	85 .441
Los Angeles	64	84 .432
Portland	63	86 .423

Scores Yesterday

National		
Brooklyn 13, New York 6.		
St. Louis 6, Cincinnati 3.		
Pittsburgh 4, Chicago 3.		
Boston 8-5, Philadelphia 3-8.		

American		
New York 5, Washington 2.		
Detroit 7-4, Cleveland 3-7.		
Chicago 8-4, St. Louis 12-5.		
Philadelphia 3-3, Boston 5-2.		

Pacific Coast		
Portland 3, Seattle 2. (Called end sixth, rain).		
Hollywood 1-2, San Francisco 5-3.		
Sacramento 0-5, San Diego 1-2.		
Oakland 7-8, Los Angeles 5-1.		

Western International		
Spokane 20, Wenatchee 9. (Only game played)		

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