

Utah Champ, Provost Entered In SO Golf Tourney at RVCC

Two more steller linkstars have been added to the field of strong contenders who'll head the scrap for the Southern Oregon Golf championships at Rogue Valley Country club.

Mrs. Marge Willis, Salt Lake City, Utah, will be one of two out-of-state standouts who'll present principal challenge to women's champions of former years. And Rogue Valley committeemen announced that Dom Provost Jr., Ashland, will be one of three past titlists who'll oppose a host of stern competitors when the 28th annual Medford links classic opens with a probable record-shattering field.

Qualifying rounds for entrants from out-of-town formally launch the Southern Oregon on Wednesday, Aug. 29. Matches begin on Thursday and finals will be on Monday, Sept. 3, Labor day. 236 Entered

A total entry of 296 men and women were reported yesterday by Rogue Valley club committees headed by Ray Mencke, the general chairman. The count includes 228 men and 68 ladies. A few dropouts may occur but the list of participants still is expected to exceed last year's total of 262 when qualifiers finish their 18 hole stints on Wednesday. Sixty-three women and 219 men qualified in 1955.

Mrs. Willis is the Utah state and Salt Lake city champion. She and Mrs. Edean Anderson Ihanfeldt, Seattle, will be strong bidders for the women's trophy won last year by Carole Jo Kabler, youthful Sutherlin star. Miss Kabler will come here to defend after playing in the Mile High tourney at Denver, Colo. She recently saw action in the contention at Tam O'Shanter at Chicago.

Other past SO champs making a try for the 1956 laurels are Mrs. W. W. Davis, Redding, Calif., and Miss Sue DeVoe, Medford. Mrs. Davis, formerly of Medford, took the trophy seven straight times and Miss DeVoe won in 1954.

Provost was the Southern Oregon champion in 1954 and will be among the many carrying the standard of RVCC in this year's tournament. Back to defend his 1955 honors will be Bob Atkinson, Columbia-Edgewater club, Portland. He is just out of the Air Force. Atkinson also took the championship in 1951 and 1952.

The other titlist of former years in the men's rivalry will be Eddie Simmons, Medford. He has captured six southern Oregon championships.

Champion in another big Oregon tourney this summer will be entered. He is Marvin Clark, Grants Pass, who copped the Southwestern Oregon mantle at Coos Bay. He is a Rogue Valley Country club member and vied in the finals yesterday with George Stacey for the club's senior toga.

There'll be plenty of competition for the 1956 title from among the host club membership. Looming as contenders are Phil Getchell, Justin Smith Jr., Bob Rector, Alan Holmes, Harry Millette, Clayton Lewis, Dr. Bruce Stanley and Harvey Woods Jr. Getchell was medalist last year, setting the course competitive record, and was runner-up to Provost in 1954. Smith, who played on the University of Oregon varsity, is the reigning club champion, defeating Rector in finals.

UO Players

Some strong opposition should come from among Smith UO teammates. Art Abrahamson, Everett, Wash., Bob Prall, Salem, and Bob Norquist, Columbia-Edgewater, Portland. Prall is expected to defend his Oregon Golf association medal play diadem here in October.

Among top lay contestants will be Mrs. Maxine Hammond, Medford; Mrs. Ray Scott, Top O'Scott, Portland, and Miss Shirley Siegmund and Miss Elaine Porritt, Eugene. Miss Siegmund was medalist last year.

Sixty-four opening round berths will be occupied in the men's championship flight with 16 spots for both men and women. There will be consolation play in all flights.

All but men's flights seven and up will have matches on Thursday. There will be Friday action for all but the men's second through sixth flight. Only the women will have a day of rest on Saturday. Men's quarter and semi-finals in the championship and first flights are set for Sunday with semi-finals for all other men's and women's brackets. Finals on Sunday will be 36 holes in the championship

matches and 18 holes in other flights.

To relieve conjection on the links RVCC players are qualifying ahead of Wednesday. High handicappers not gunning for the championship handicap must play their qualifying rounds by Monday night, Aug. 27. Low Aug. 28.



1955 CHAMPION—Miss Carole Jo Kabler, outstanding young Sutherlin golfer, will defend her 1955 women's toga in the 28th annual Southern Oregon Golf tourney at Rogue Valley Country club. The Medford links classic formally begins Wednesday, Aug. 29, when out of town entries qualify. Match play opens Thursday and concludes on Monday, Sept. 3, Labor day.



SO DEFENDER—Bob Atkinson, above, Columbia - Edgewater, Port., will seek his fourth crown in the Southern Oregon Golf tourney starting this week at Rogue Valley Country club here. Atkinson defeated Dick Bailey, Redding, Calif., in last year's finale after taking the title also in 1951 and 1952.

Al Williams Is Tied In Match

Portland — Medford's Al Williams and Jim Russell of Walla Walla, ended their match with C. H. Weston Jr. of Portland, and Harry Giban of Seattle, deadlocked with 151 at the end of 18 holes in the Hudson Cup Golf matches at the Portland Golf club Saturday.

SPORTS

St. Mary's Footballers Will Report

St. Mary's high of Medford, twice in a row Jackson County B league football champion, will begin workouts Monday in preparation for its title defense.

Millard Webb, starting his second season as head coach of the Crusaders, has set practices for 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. daily at the Medford high field. Grid aspirants have been instructed to report for at least one drill per day and both if possible. A number of the grid candidates are presently holding down jobs.

Webb has indicated that he expects 28 men to join the squad. Most of the players have drawn equipment already. Opening game of the season will be on Saturday, Sept. 8, against Sacred Heart of Klamath Falls.

While a number of top players from the 1955 crew are gone because of graduation and other reason, a good number of boys are back from last year's squad.

New Athletic Director

Among those expected to turn-out are John Brunk, Jim Darland, Jerry Flakus, Rodney Read and Michael Feiss, ends; David Hartley, Dennis Duggan and Alson Geren, tackles; Francis Murphy, David Espey, Jack Relling and Eddie Fogel, guards, and Dick Hayes, Ron Pruitt, and Gary Kay backs, and Gary Miksche. Its possible that Webb will have Darland, Espey, Fogel and Read in the backfield this fall.

The Rev. John Iig, a newly ordained pastor from Springfield, will replace the Rev. Robert J. Tomisser as director of athletics at St. Mary's. Iig will handle the athletic post in connection with Sacred Heart church parish duties. Father Tomisser will leave Monday for Eugene where he will have an assistant pastorate at St. Mary's church.

The Crusaders' grid schedule is: Sept. 8—Sacred Heart here; Sept. 14—Illinois Valley at Cave Junction; Sept. 28—At Jacksonville; Oct. 13—Prospect at Medford; Oct. 19—Talent at Medford; Sept. 26—At Rogue River.

Butte Falls, Colts Tussle

Medford Cheney Colts tussle Butte Falls in a Rogue Valley league baseball game at the fairgrounds here today. Game time is 2 p.m.

Unless championship play-off action in the RVL should be scheduled for the Medford field, today's brush will be the last one of the season here.

A change in game site will have Cave Junction playing Eagle Point on the Veterans Administration domiciliary field at Camp White. The Camp White team goes to Ashland and will picnic in the park there after the tussle. Grants Pass travels to Glendale on this the last Sunday of the regular RVL schedule.

GP, CJ, the Colts and Glendale will engage in championship play-off Sunday and Monday, Sept. 2 and 3.

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Seixas And Richardson Top Aussies

Chestnut Hill, Mass. — (U.P.) — American aces Vic Seixas and Ham Richardson recovered from a sluggish first-set loss Saturday to beat Aussies Mal Anderson and Roy Emerson, 8-10, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4, in the semi-finals of the National Doubles championships and set up a possible Davis Cup preview with the top Australian team.

The Philadelphia and his new partner from Westfield, N. J., secondseeded, qualified to meet the top-ranked and favored Australians, Lew Hoad and Ken Rosewall, in Sunday's final at the Longwood Cricket club. The latter two bested countrymen Ashley Cooper and Neale Fraser, 10-8, 6-4, 10-8, in one of their typical battles of mechanical and brilliant tennis before some 5,000 fans.

The favored two teams in the women's division also were victorious Saturday, which meant defenders Louise Brough of Beverly Hills, Calif., and Margaret Osborne Du Pont of Wilmington, Del., were again in the finals.

The 10-time champions defeated the third-seeded team of Janet Hoops of Sattle, Wash., and Diane Wootton of Santa Barbara, Calif., 6-3, 6-2.

In the other semi-final, Shirley Fry of St. Petersburg, Fla., and Betty Pratt of Jamaica, playing together for the first time in a major tourney, defeated the fourth-seeded tandem, Darlene Hard of Montebello, Calif., and Mrs. Richard Buck of Manchester, Mass., 4-6, 6-4, 6-3.

Don January Leads Open

St. Paul Minn. — (U.P.) — Don January, a tall, easy-going Texan, blistered the Keller golf course again Saturday with a three-under-par 69 to take a two stroke lead at the three-quarter mark in the \$20,000 St. Paul Open.

January, of Lampasas, Tex., had a 54-hole total of 202, fourteen strokes under par.

The soft-spoken 27-year-old shotmaker who is playing his first year of professional golf sank three birdies and an eagle to move two strokes ahead of Big Paul Harney of Bolton, Mass., Bill Nary of Wayne, Mich., and little Jerry Barber of Los Angeles.

Slamming Sammy Snead had putting troubles again and had to settle for a 71, one under par, on one of his favorite courses.

Snead said "I played bad golf. I seemed to do everything wrong," he missed a four-foot putt on the fourth hole and had trouble getting the putts under 10 feet that would have put him further up among the leaders.

Snead, who has won over \$11,000 in St. Paul opens, was the leader at the end of 18 holes with a 68. His 54-hole mark is now 206, ten strokes under par.

Four were tied for fifth place. Ernie Vossler of Midland, Tex., Babe Lichardus of Hillside, N.J., Harold Henning and Johannesburg, South Africa, and Bob Rosburg of San Francisco, all had 205, eleven under par.

George Bayer, a long ball hitter from Grossingers, N.Y., tied a Keller course record with a 10-under-par 62.

Swaps Falter To Come In 7th

Chicago — (U.P.) — Mahan, an English-bred entry of Hasty House Farms, Saturday won the \$54,950 Washington Park Arch Ward memorial, completely eclipsing the favored Swaps who wound up seventh in an eight horse field.

Phil Rizzuto Is Released

New York — (U.P.) — The New York Yankees gave veteran shortstop Phill Rizzuto his unconditional release Saturday to make room for veteran outfielder Enos (Country) Slaughter, acquired from the Kansas City Athletics.

Rizzuto was given his release so he could have an opportunity to obtain some other position in baseball, the Yankees announced. If he decides that he wishes to remain in the Yankee organization later, the Yankees said they would be happy to find "some place for him."

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