

Medford, Roseburg Tangle Here In Legion Play-Off Mix Tonight

Southwestern Oregon district championship in American Legion junior baseball will be settled this evening in the wind-up of a big day of the national pastime at the fairgrounds diamond here.

Roseburg and Medford Legion clubs scuffle starting at 6:30 p.m. The two teams are engaged in a two-of-three week end play-off and, if each has a victory in the book after one game tonight, a second tussle will follow, making this evening's skirmishing a potential doubleheader.

The teams opened their series last night at Roseburg. Winner of the week end play will advance into the semi-finals of the Oregon play-offs.

Roseburg's Lockwood Motors aggregation is fighting to follow the trail blazed by last year's Umpqua valley team which went to the national tournament and took third place in that event. Medford on the other hand aims at ending years of frustration in Legion ball.

Bissonette Out

Just a handful of players who attained the high honors for Lockwood last year have been on hand this season and one of them is now out of action for the rest of the campaign. When Larry Bissonette fractured his ankle in the game last Wednesday with North Bend, Roseburg lost its shortstop and No. 1 hitter.

Just how much difference his absence means remains to be shown in the current series. One thing Roseburg has that Medford is short on is depth. Don Wells, John Arana or Ted Kolberg could step into the position.

Medford moundsman or men for tonight will be chosen from among Dennis Barr, Tom Lawrence and Wayne Allen. Roseburg has Ron Beamer, Allen Smith, Dick Meredith, Bill Eswine and John Livingston as pitcher possibilities.

The Legion brand of ball is "The Baseball" in the Roseburg area. It has been drawing sizable crowds. A large following from the Umpqua capital could be on hand this evening and unless the local turnout is better than it has been at the fairgrounds this season, visitor fans may outnumber rooters for the home team.

Despite the loss of Bissonette, the Roseburg gang is still considered of state title caliber again this year. If the Medfordites can spill the dope, after two previous losses to the Lockwood team this summer, it will raise their stature tremendously.

The Lockwoods got off to a ragged start, then hit their stride and were helped along with their good balance and fine depth. There's opinion, that with the progress made, Roseburg now has an all-around better team than that of 1956. But the Medford nine has shown corresponding improvement this season.

Southern Oregon Dogs Win Honors In Coast Shows

Dog owners and breeders from this area have been participants in recent west coast shows.

There were shows at Lafayette, Calif., June 29, at San Francisco, June 30, and Gresham, July 13. Combined Oregon and Washington Weimarner Specialty show was at Salem on July 14. Other events were the Oregon Boxer Specialty, July 20, at Portland, and a show July 21 at Vancouver, Wash.

Best of breed Weimarner honors were taken by Dr. Catalano's Burt, owned by Ch. C. D. Lemery, Medford, and bred and handled by Joan D. Catalano, Medford. A major win was taken by Catalano's Rhoady, a Weimarner owned by Eldon Grow, Shady Cove, bred by Joan Catalano and handled by Elden McCormick. It was first in American bred and winners bitch.

Reserve Winner

Royal Rogue of Sirrak Crest, boxer owned by Olive M. and Alfonso Gonzales, Medford, and handled by Robert Hastings, took a third, a second and four firsts in American bred. It was also reserve winners dog.

Sommers Happy Girl, yellow Labrador, owned by Richard and Marilyn Wooton, Medford, and handled by Hastings, gained two best of breed awards. Porter Washington handled Graves Princess: Von Auger, Weimarner owned by Ray Graves, Medford, to a reserve winners bitch prize. Merrie Oaks Knight of Folly, tri-colored collie owned by George and Frances Stacey, won two best of breeds awards to finish for the title of champion.

Oriole Third Sacker Sideline By Finger

Baltimore—Oriole Third-base man Billy Goodman of the Baltimore Orioles is expected to be sidelined about two weeks with a broken left index finger. Goodman suffered the injury when struck by a pitch by Detroit's Lou Slaughter last Thursday.

The engine in the Wright brothers first flying machine had no carburetor. Gasoline was dripped into the cylinders.

SPORTS

Daredevil Drivers To Have 'Ball' in Auto Stunt Show

Bob Hanna and Art Nipper, a couple of daredevil skippers of the Joie Chitwood Auto Thrill show, will have themselves a "ball" Tuesday evening at the Valley View speedway near Ashland.

The Chitwood show is slated to be presented at the track starting at 8 p.m. with a couple

Two Junior Loops Close This Week

SOUTHERN OREGON JUNIOR BASEBALL			
Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Medford	3	1	.750
Grants Pass Cubs	3	1	.750
Ashland	2	2	.500
Grants Pass Bears	0	4	.000
Intermediate League			
Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Central Point	3	2	.600
Ashland	1	3	.250
Talent	0	4	.000
Pee Wee League (Southern Division)			
Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Medford Tigers	7	0	1.000
Medford Wildcats	5	2	.714
Central Point	4	3	.571
Eagle Point	2	3	.286
Ashland	0	8	.000

Medford and Grants Pass Cubs are favored to maintain their Cub league tie Monday afternoon in Southern Oregon Junior league baseball.

Medford will be host to Ashland and the GP Cubs will meet the Grants Pass Bears.

Competition in the Intermediate circuit and Pee Wee loops is due to wind up this week with Medford teams having clinched championships in each.

In final southern division Pee Wee games on Tuesday the champion Medford Tigers meet the Medford Wildcats and Central Point goes to Eagle Point. The Tigers' unbeaten status assures them of the division title. Wildcats, twice defeated, will look for a win to preserve lone grip on second place.

League President Warren LaBounty said a play-off between Medford and Grants Pass all-star Pee Wees loomed unlikely because of GP lack of interest. Grants Pass has had its own Pee Wee loop, forming the northern division.

Medford Intermediates, also unmarred, have a two-game margin over Central Point, going into their final game Wednesday with Talent. Ashland is to play at Central Point on Wednesday. There could be a make up fray this week between Ashland and Talent.

August 9 Fray In Tournament For Dairy Maids

Rogue Valley Dairy Maids will have their first action in the Oregon state Women's Softball tourney at 2:30 p.m. on Aug. 9.

The tournament will be at Amazon park, Eugene. The Maids will see their first activity against the winner of the Thursday night mix between Forest Grove and Bend. Victory would put Rogue Valley in opposition Friday evening against the Albany-Springfield victor.

The tourney is double elimination and if the Maids drop their opener they would vie in the loser's bracket at 9 p.m. Friday. Other teams in the tourney are Lebanon, Eugene, Hillsboro, Salem and Astoria.

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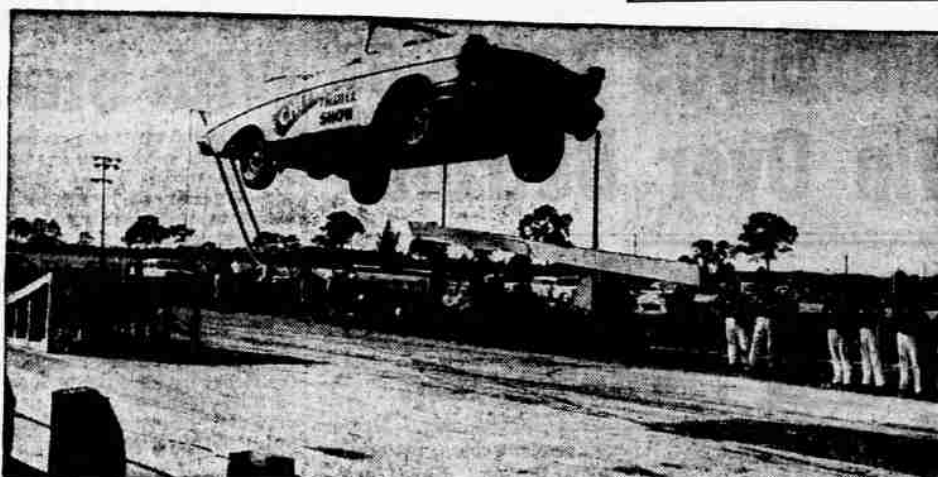


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CAR JUMP ON THRILL SHOW—A car jump, with a vehicle leaping from one ramp to another, as shown above, will be one of the stunts on the Joie Chitwood Auto Thrill show set for the Valley View speedway on July 30. The Tuesday night event is set for 8 p.m. Spills, screaming wheels and fiery crashes will liven the evening for spectators. Harry Woolman is slated to drive the car in the jump. Advance notices say he flies the auto off the ramp at 50 miles an hour and crashes on another ramp 85 feet away.

Four Softball League Encounters Monday; Special Scuffle Tuesday

JACKSON COUNTY SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION			
Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Crater Lake Motors	7	0	1.000
Parsons Motors	5	1	.833
M-W Chain Saw	5	2	.714
National Guard	3	2	.600
Courtesy Chevrolet	2	4	.333
Morris Motors	1	5	.167
Dairy Maids	1	5	.167
20-30 Club	1	5	.167
YMCA CHURCH LEAGUE			
Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Medford Nazarene	6	1	.857
First Baptist	5	1	.833
St. Peter's Lutheran	5	2	.714
First Methodist	4	3	.571
Latter Day Saints	4	3	.571
Phoenix Presbyterian	4	3	.571
Temple Baptist	1	5	.167
Zion Lutheran	0	7	.000

Top will oppose bottom Monday in the lead-off game this week in the Jackson County Softball association and a special non-loop game is slated Tuesday between two association teams.

YMCA Church Softball league play Monday will see a fourth place play-off mix and a make-up encounter.

Crater Lake Motors, the undefeated leader, tussles 20-30 club, the cellarite, at 7 p.m. Monday at Camp White in the Jackson circuit. The Ford team is heavy favorite but the service club has been heartened by its first league win last week. Second game matches Courtesy Chevrolet and National Guard.

The special fray on Tuesday at Camp White will have M and W Chain Saw against the Dairy Maids. The clubs will trade pitchers. It likely will be Pat Barron throwing for M and W against her usual feminine teammates. Willard Barnum will take the hill for the Maids, hurling

Beavers Buy Bonus Man

Portland—The Portland Beavers, attempting to bolster their Pacific Coast league status, announced they have acquired bonus pitcher Don Kaiser on option from the Chicago Cubs.

In return, Portland returned Bob Anderson, young relief hurler, to the Cubs.

Portland also sent Gene Fodge, who had only a 1-4 record, to Memphis of the Southern Association. Darrell Martin, young right-hander, is returning to replace Fodge.

Kaiser, 22, has a 2-5 mark with Chicago this season.

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Turner Recovers From Head Injury

New York—X-rays disclosed that coach Jim Turner of the New York Yankees did not suffer a serious injury when Howard's line dive during pregame practice Friday night.

Turner will remain in Lenox Hill hospital 48 hours as a precautionary measure and then resume his duties as pitching coach with the Yankees.



Alex Miteff TKO Winner

Washington—Julio Mederos, an ex-stevedore from Havana, Cuba, who is an expert at taking punishment from both, declared today that Argentina's unbeaten Alex Miteff "is just about as good" as heavyweight challenger Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson.

The 22-year-old Miteff "made a believer" of Mederos Friday night when he scored a seventh-round technical knockout over the Cuban at the Capitol arena. Mederos went 10 rounds with Jackson last year but never had a chance with Miteff and lost all six rounds.

Referee Ray Bowen halted the slaughter just before the bell sounded for the seventh round after Mederos lurched virtually through the ropes at the conclusion of the sixth session. Miteff's relentless pounding had cut Mederos under the left eye and puffed his right eye almost closed.

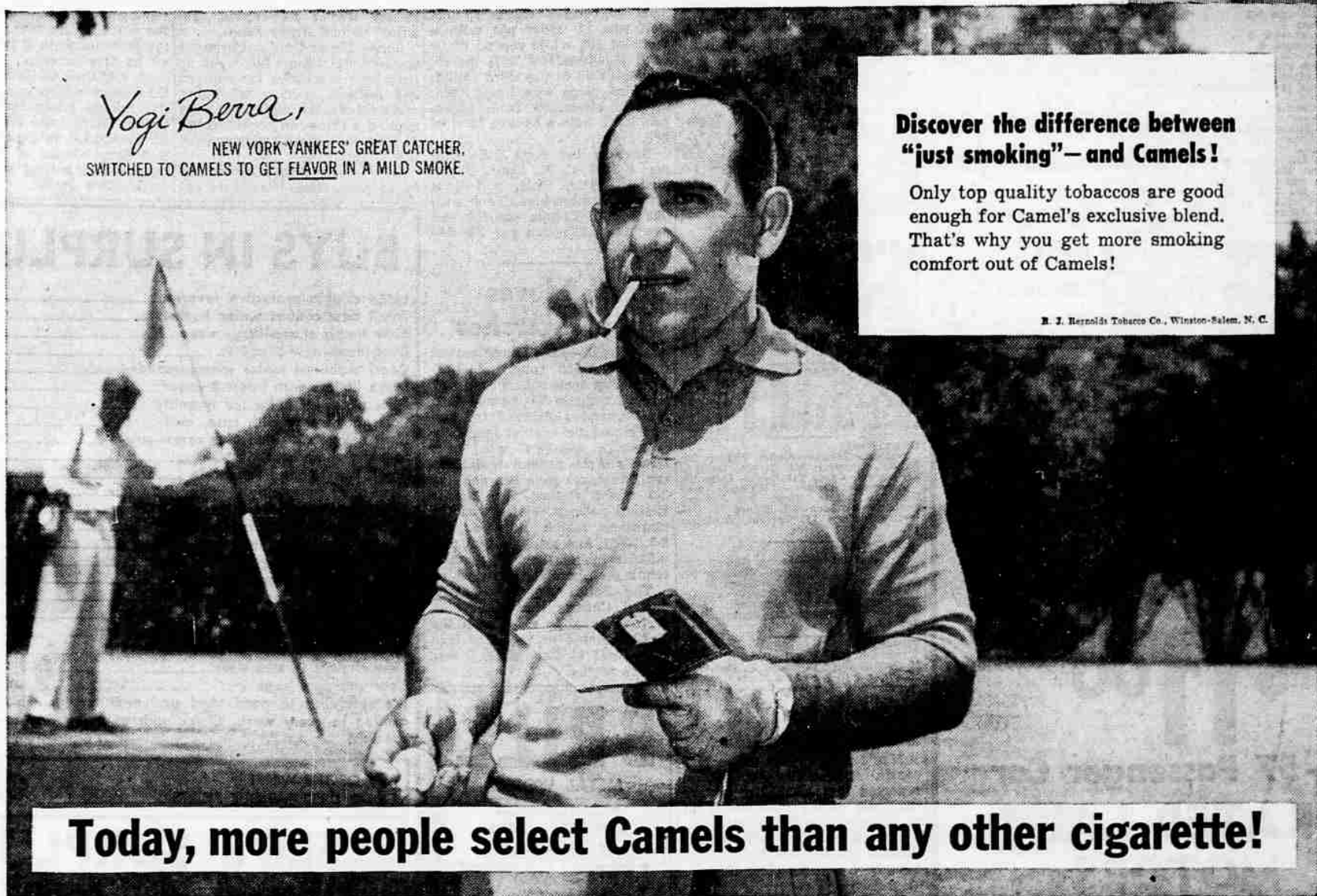
Miteff, who weighed 202 1/4 to his opponent's 197 1/2, made a human punching bag of Mederos from the opening bell and almost stopped him in the first round.

There were no knockdowns but Mederos was "out" on his feet at the end of the round and never was able to take the offensive during the scheduled 10-rounders.

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