

# SPORTS

## KEGLERS KALL

By Betty Davis

The weather has certainly cooperated in helping put everyone in the mood for bowling. Behind the scenes activity is buzzing. Fred Anderson of the Medford Bowling Lanes took time off to chauffeur the senior boys winners of this area to Gladstone for the YAB tournament, then was home only long enough to catch his breath before returning to Portland. He had Ed Barnett of KBES-TV and Dick Jewett of the Mail Tribune as his guests to the Oregon Bowling Proprietors association press party there, given in appreciation for sports editors and other of press media.

### MAJOR LEAGUE POSSIBILITIES

Guest speaker, Whitey Harris, spoke at the dinner on the prospect of professional bowling teams on a major league basis. They would compete in proposed arena type areas for spectator participation. Harris, formerly bowled on the Budweiser team from St. Louis and is on the Brunswick, Balke, Callender Co. staff of champions. He has turned his talents to writing for sports publications. A major league for bowlers isn't a too distant possibility. College level bowling is getting to be quite popular - with their own lanes on campus. A member of a college bowling team is protected much like the football players. He cannot bowl on a league other than the college team.

### SUMMER LEAGUE

The Washout league finished its summer season led by the Awkward Five's 38 wins, 18 losses. Glenn Wilkins 558 series helped them stay just ahead of the second place Alley-Gators who had 36 wins. Last place champions award (for holding up the others) went to House-O-Wood.

### WOMEN'S PLAY

The Rolling Pin league's second week of competition saw Marilyn Gascon's 426 series help pull the Tom-Toms from seventh place to first, edging out Pioneer Club, Jack's Drive-Up and Cedar Lodge by one game. All valley rollers are asked to be present at a meeting next Thursday, Sept. 8 at 10 a.m. at Medford Bowling Lanes.

### FAVORITE SPONSOR

In talking with the bowlers, both guys and gals, the highest praise was given to Jorgensen's Dairy, a sponsor. Three members of the original team in 1952 still bowl under the big "J" colors, Jackie Wilson, Pat Gardner and Frances Willett. They go to State tournament each year besides vying in our local Southern Oregon handicapped and city meet. A make-up team went to the nationals in Denver in Jorgensen's shirts, along with the teams sponsored by Crater Inn Motel, Ross Lumber Company and Union Club.

Beck's Bakery was another of the women's sponsors who rates high in the gals books. A new sponsor being warmly accepted is the Southern Oregon Trophy Company in Central Point. Plans are for five teams to come under this sponsorship. For those of you who haven't ordered your shirts yet, styles are outstanding and delivery time is fabulous. Sponsors are wonderful people and, although not all of them are active bowlers themselves, take enough interest in their teams to outfit them in matched shirts and enter them in the local tournaments besides their regular leagues. Others go a step further and send their teams to the state meets and other out-of-town tournaments.

New sponsors being welcomed into the fold at this time are Laura Scudder Chips, Richplan, Ro. Al Oaks Mobile Manor and possibly the Flame.

### MANY RATE WELL

It wasn't possible to distinguish a favorite of the men's sponsors. Those who all seem to rate well in their books were Trail Creek Lumber Co., Sewing Machines, Center, Kim's, Ross Lumber Co., Alexander and Brown, E. H. Mann, Quality Market, Lampert's, High's Realty, Elks, Chubby's, Tower Broiler (where special bowlers prices prevail after leagues) and Medford Bowling Lanes formative teams. Beck's Bakery took a state championship three years ago

and is resting on their laurels.

Rogue Equipment is another special sponsor, planning to send a team to the ABC's back east this next year.

### TOURNAMENT SITE

The Gateway Lanes in Portland with 34 lanes will be the site of the 20th state tournament for men next February and March. Medford is planning a determined bid for the 1962 tournament bidding against Roseburg, Grants Pass and Klamath Falls. Ray Wise, state secretary wants to emphasize to the men that bowlers are classified by average so that a man with a 160 average doesn't worry about the 200 average bowlers. Class A is for all those with a 180 average and better, class B for 170-179 average, class C for 160-169 average and class D for all under 160.

The men's association is well represented by Gene Piazza as Medford's member on the state association's board of directors.

### DEPOSIT BOXES

Since our local bowling program encompasses just at 60 leagues and has a membership of over 1200 men and 1000 women, it will not be possible to give adequate coverage for all on just one day each week. Henceforth, the bowling publicity will be given space in one other issue, most probably Sunday, as well as the current Thursday issue. There have been deposit boxes set up at each alley for the convenience of the publicity chairman of each league.

## SOC Needs Back Who Can Pass

Ashland—"We need a passer," is the cry from the Southern Oregon college football camp as it prepared for the opening session next Tuesday.

Raider coach Al Akins lost his two senior quarterbacks last year when Lance Locke and Jack Brown graduated. Frank Ballard appeared to be the gridster who would step in and take up the slack, but an injury this summer eliminated him from the role.

"Here we have the surest fingered end in the Northwest in Gordie Carrigan and no one to throw to him," continued Akins over the lack of a signalcaller with college experience.

Akins did reveal that he plans to try John Buck and Bob Jensen along with newcomer Dave Hughes. Buck has been a defensive back while Jensen is in his second year at SOC after having quarterbacked Mapleton High school. Hughes is tall and fast in addition to having a strong arm.

"Other than a quarterback, we should have a well tried first unit in most of the positions except possibly one end and the center spot," the Raider mentor added as he scanned the returning list.

Akins got back to his favorite subject of Carrigan's ability to hang onto the flying pigskin under all conditions. "We know that most clubs will be laying for Gordie, and will often times double team him," Akins said, "but remember the Eastern Oregon game last year when he caught three touchdown aeriels with two and three defenders hanging on."

Carrigan was named to the Oregon Collegiate conference team and the NAIA all-district team. He received honorable mention on the all-coast All-American team by virtue of his 37 receptions for 580 yards.

Although Akins is high on Carrigan, he said Willie Garner not to be overshadowed by any means. Garner was a tackle last year on offense and a line backer on defense in gaining his berth on the OCC all-star team and mention on the NAIA district squad.

"Garner is perhaps one of the greatest linemen ever to come out of Southern Oregon," reflected Akins, "his speed and strength hits and overpowers opponents before they can figure the play."

SOC's Red Raiders open the season in Coos Bay on Sept. 17 in the annual Shriner's Myrtle Bowl against Sacramento State college.

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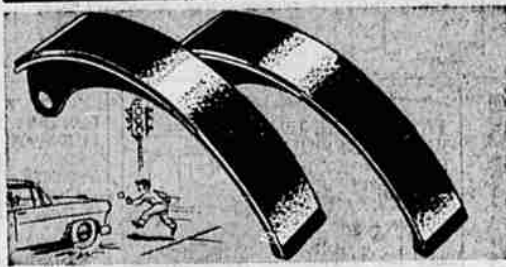
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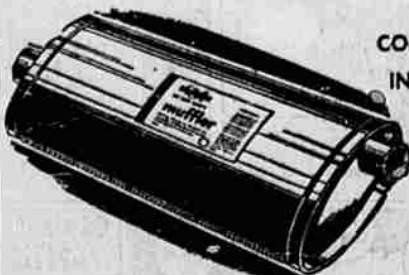


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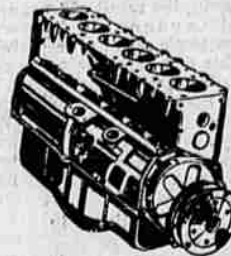
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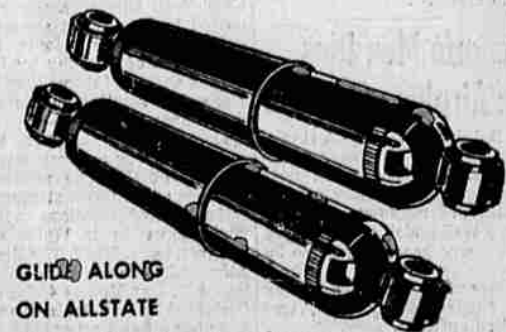
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