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SPORTS

Earl Buchholz This Year May Renew Bid Toward Top Place in Net World

Los Angeles - Three years ago the talk of the tennis world was a promising young man from St. Louis by the name of Earl (Butch) Buchholz.

This precocious youngster, who was then 20, had achieved some remarkable victories over players who were supposed to have beaten him rather handily, and had several unfortunate breaks that cost him dearly in matches against Neale Fraser and Rod Laver, the number one and two players in the world. He was forced to default to Fraser in Wimbledon because of a sprained ankle, after having five match points. Fraser, of course, went on to win the tournament.

Then in the United States Nationals he was plagued by leg cramps and eventually lost a bitter match, after having had three match points, to Laver. He was ranked fifth in the amateur tennis world in 1960, and things indeed looked bright for this youngster who could make the difficult shots like rolling off a log and the impossible ones without too much more effort.

Earl Buchholz will be among six professionals who will appear at Hedrick Junior high gym here on Monday evening, May 20. The six are on tour in the world series of professional tennis. The series is presented by the International Professional Tennis Players association and is being brought to Medford by Jose Corona, tennis pro of Rogue Valley Country club.

In everyone's future book he was looked upon as a can't miss prospect and is internationally thought to be the most promising youngster in the world. He had just reached the pleasant place in amateur tennis where he was important to tournament committees, because they needed his appearance if they were to have a real successful event. Wait until next year was the challenge hurled out by his supporters, he will rule the amateur game.

But next year never came for Earl and the amateur game. Instead, the classy youngster who had been toiling at his trade since the age of five; who entered his first tournament at seven; who had to fight for every break that he ever got . . . and he didn't get many; who won a roomful of trophies; who never had two nickels to rub together and still didn't succumb to the lucrative professional offer that was tendered his way by Jack Kramer.

All of his life Butch had been insecure, and the healthy contract that was offered represented at least a partial victory over that toughest of all opposition, To young Buchholz's way of thinking, this was a giant step in the right direction but this was not the main reason why he deserted the amateur ranks just when things showed promise of getting better.

The prime reason was that Earl Buchholz felt, and still does, that he has the ability to become the world's best player . . . amateur or professional. He had not been satisfied with his progress and felt that he would improve more rapidly under the stiffer competition of the pro ranks where the best in the game were showing their wares for you in every match.

So he took the plunge and found himself thrown in with three seasoned pros - Pancho Gonzales, Lew Hoad and Alex Olmedo - plus two other rookies like himself, Andres Gimeno and Barry MacKay. They played a round robin similar to the present tour. In these contests it is imperative that you get off to a fast start or it is all over. Tense and overly anxious to prove himself, Earl pressed too hard from the outset and didn't play as well as he might have. Being conscientious, hard-fighting, and a tough loser, he became discouraged with his inability to do as well as he thought he should. He soon found himself at the bottom of the standings, in a sad

frame of mind, and his game shaky and uncertain. In this game where no quarter is given and none is asked, things got bad for Earl early and stayed that way through the entire series. He finished last . . . and, worst of all, disheartened.

By the end of his first year as a pro he was wealthier but very unhappy over his performance. The few weaknesses that he had, such as temperament, an erratic second serve, a tendency to overplay certain shots, and a little too much offense with not enough defense, had been exploited by the veterans to the hilt.

Fortunately for Earl, there was no tour in 1962, so he was able to spend some time reflecting on his problems and to go about correcting them. He has done this and it has started to pay the kind of dividends that he has been looking for. He is now much less inclined to give a match away because of temper, his serve is getting better, and he is a much smarter match player. In other words, he is getting some mileage from his game.

His 1962 record, while not up to the standards that he had set for himself, was pretty good. He won the tournaments at Cleveland and Salisbury and did very well in all but two of the 11 in which he competed. He finished the year in fifth place in total points earned in tournament competition.

All of which adds up to the fact that 1963 could well be the year that young Earl Buchholz renews his climb towards his goal of being the best player in the world.

Spivey Leads At Oswego

Lake Oswego - (UPI) - Glen Spivey of Portland fired a two-under-par 69 to take the lead in the first round of the 72-hole Oregon Open golf tournament Monday.

Heavy rain fell on the opening day of the tourney. Spivey, a professional playing out of Glendover, had a 37-32.

Gordon Marlatt of Salem grabbed second place with a 70. Tied for third with 71's were Tom Shaw of Portland, Duke Matthews of Eugene, Tom Everham of Spokane, Al Feldman of Olympia, and amateur Stu Schroeder of Corvallis.

Defending champion Bob Duden of Portland was one stroke back with four other players.

The tournament continued today. It ends with two rounds Wednesday. Rogue Valley Country club professional representatives Ron Caperna shot an 81 and Maxon Helton a 90. The club's amateur representatives Dr. Ralph Odell shot a 78, Harry Millate a 79. Phil Getchell's score was unavailable.

Northwest Games Erased

By United Press International The Northwest league will try to get rolling again tonight after a scheduled state of two games fell victims to the raindrops Monday night.

Wenatchee had been scheduled to play at Salem and Yakima at Eugene but those games were rained out. Lewiston and Tri-City were not scheduled.

Tonight's slate has Lewiston at Tri-City, Yakima at Eugene and Wenatchee at Salem.



PROTEST BILL-A group of the Yurok Indians of the Hoopa Reservation Extension, Humboldt county, appeared at the Capitol in Sacramento, Calif., in protest of Assemblyman F. P. Belotti's Bill No. 544. The bill affects the fishing rights of the Indian people of the Hoopa Valley Reservation Extension. (UPI)

Womens' Golf

Mrs. James Bayliss is the women's spring golf handicap tournament champion at the Rogue Valley Country club. She defeated Mrs. Fred Coleman in the title match.

Winners in the other flights were: First - Mrs. Charles Swenson over Mrs. John Flynn; second - Mrs. Randall Gifford over Mrs. Dean Lambert; third - Mrs. C. B. Collins over Mrs. Charles Gustafson; fourth - Mrs. Robert Morris over Mrs. Richard Schwahn; fifth - Mrs. Ren Taylor over Mrs. William Cowning; nine-hole (championship) - Mrs. R. H. Leer over Mrs. Dorothy Dawson; (first flight) - Mrs. Bruce Hammond over Mrs. William Tyler.

Hostesses Last Thursday the Rogue Valley lady golfers were hostesses to the ladies of Ashland and Grants Pass golf clubs.

Winners from Ashland were Mrs. Lea Doves, over-all low gross; Mrs. Mary Lib Voris, over-all low net; Mrs. Almida Zitakas, second over-all low net; nine-hole, Mrs. Dorothy Hunley.

Winners from Grants Pass were Mrs. William Hewitt, over-all low gross; Mrs. Margaret Biddle, over-all low net; Mrs. J. S. Wolke, second over-all low net; nine-hole, Mrs. Aileen Hitchins.

Medford winners were Mrs. Lloyd Brooks and Mrs. S. A. Peters tied for over-all low gross; Mrs. Frank Tamney and Mrs. Anthony Cappello tied for over-all low net; A group, Mrs. Harvey Woods; B group, Mrs. Charles Gustafson and Mrs. H. S. Covington (tied); C group, Mrs. William Cowning; D group, Mrs. Andrew Foley; nine-hole group, Mrs. Bruce Hammond.

March and April ringer tournament winners were A group, Mrs. R. H. Torheim; B group, Mrs. Randall Gifford; C group, Mrs. Arthur Wood; D group, Mrs. James Bayliss; nine-hole group, Mrs. E. S. Wentjar and Mrs. William Tyler (tied).

Play for Thursday, May 9, will be 18-hole and nine-hole play on the Rogue Valley women's trophy. This will be the second play on the trophy.

MAY 16 PAIRINGS: Medames Ron Caperna, Ed Nave C. A. Holmes, John Flynn, Russ Acheson, Lloyd Brooks, Dean Lambert, Jack Wood, Ray Frisbie, T. A. Culbertson, Brian Douglas, H. S. Covington, E. W. Sackels, Frank Tamney, Warren Bayliss, Robert Boyer, Harvey Woods, F. G. Bunch, Fred Coleman, Al Williams, S. A. Peters, C. B. Collins, Gale Sanner, William Schei, Gordon Reeves, Charles Gustafson, Robert Palmer, Robert Morris, R. H. Torheim, Leonard Schildt, William T. Clark, Frank Benesh, Charles McCann, E. E. Heywell, Randall Gifford, Richard Schwahn, Ren Taylor, Tom Tubbs.

Medames Jack Six, Charles Swenson, Howard Scroggins, Paul Moore, B. D. Mitchell, Karl Tiche-

BOWLING

BLUE MONDAY M & W Chain Saw (39-17) 3, Lee Goddard 326; Christens Service (17-1-28) 1, Grace Hunter 424. Tarco (33-21) 1, Helen Nikodym 432; North West Heating Oil (23-1-27) 2, Isabel McMillan 438. Ray's Texaco (34-21) 4, Honey Hobbs 449; Richfield Truck Stop (13-1-3) 9, Nancy Weber 480. B & B Auction (32-34) 3, Anne Lowry 427; Medford Ambulance (4-28) 478; Roxy Coach 410. Ben Goddard 193, Vi Lewis 173, Lee Matthews 170, M & M Chain Saw 170.

ROQUETTES W. L. Moore Construction (25-13) 1, Dolly Cain 476; Stevens Construction (25-19) 2, Winnie Muirvey 461. Chen's Flying A (28-18) 3, Nita Sutton 331; Hutchins and Clark Construction (20-24) 1, Ella Adkins 422. Oakgrove Furniture (25-19) 1, Kathy Adams 460; The Westerner (23-21) 3, Juanita Brenner 463. Modern Masonry (17-27) 3, Shirley 417; Park Motors (13-27) 2, Estate (10-34) 1, Helen LaFever 355. Nita Sutton 223, Dolly Cain 188, Stevens Construction 182.

ROXY ROLLER LEAGUE The Meat Mart (25-19) 2, Ginny Weaver 443; Park Motors (13-27) 4, Jean Peyton 411. Suckley Masonry (24-16) 6, Harriet Sherman 397; Stones T.V. (23-17) 4, Dolores Madden 456. Forest Chief Boat Co. (24-18) 3, Carole Archer 495; Woodland Heights (13-27) 1, Joan Davidson 430. Oregon Bookkeeping (21-19) 4, Ruth Johnson 456; Eds Van Line (17-23) 4, Fayr Collier 429. Carole Archer 180-175, Ruth Johnson 170 and Freida Swanson 173; Oregon Bookkeeping 194.

SUNDAY ROLLERS Jokers (13-7) 1, Pete Sols 573; Tigers (9-11) 3, Leonard Rhodes 512. Four A's (13-7) 3, Wayne Archer 497; Sad Sacks (10-10) 1, Mattie Perry 475. Double B's (10-10) 3, Marvin Rogers 348; Hanson's Douglas (7-13) 1, R. E. Bewley 429. Four Roses (9-11) 2, Wanda Booth 430; Flintstones (9-11) 2, Leonard Rhodes 216, Evelyn Rhodes 205, Marvin Rogers 202.

MOON SHINERS LEAGUE Bowlers Cha Cha Cha (44-20) 4, Char Heavilin & Butler Campbell; Rinky Dinks (28-36) 0, Chuck Hoyt. Revenuers (41-23) 0, Judy Barnum 485; Boozers Four (23-41) 4, Bob Peterson 484. The Zots (35-29) 2, Burrell Facey 335; Nite Owls (33-31) 2, Claude Lewis. Ridge Runners (31-33) 4, Ruth Carpenter 348; Cha Roe's (29-35) 0, Bob Peterson 444. Ruth Carpenter 234, Burrell Campbell 192, John Wisely 191, Burrell Facey 220.

MONDAY NIGHT OWLS Cowwell Mkt. (201-71) 1, Centers 469; Chucks Garage (17-11) 3, Thornton 496.

nor, James Gish, W. B. Walker, Wayne Safley, William Cowning, M. Donald McGear, Max Millholting, Ken Teeter, J. A. Dickey, R. H. Leer, Marcel Theibaud, Arthur Wood, Jerry Olson, Floyd Somers, Andrew Foley, Paul Beaver, Dick House, Glen Fabricik, F. L. Brewer, Andrew Wetant, Jim Bayliss, Russ Hogue, C. R. Williamson, B. B. Knight, S. L. Stark, W. L. Stark, R. M. Sorenson, Ed Milne, Lawrence Buencore, W. H. Pyde, Willis Williams, Wayne Struble, Tony Cappello.

NINE HOLE PAIRINGS (MAY 9): Medames Daryl Carlson, Ota Binegar, B. L. Lagerson, Luke Vorhek, Royal Behn, R. D. Ford, Thomas McPadden, Ellis Chartier, W. C. Tycer, Vern Collins, Ralph Marlatt, D. B. Lowery, Paul Haviland, Bud Parsons, Wayne Christwood, J. S. Gunnison, Mel McGrew, E. S. Wentjar, G. L. Lewis, Ray Wise. Those wishing information on pairings should call Mrs. S. O. Prough (772-3962) or Mrs. Robert Hart (773-7937).

Hess, Taylor Take 1st Spots In CBL Finale

Bruce Hess and Donita Taylor of Medford YMCA won first places in their classes over the week end in the Columbia Basin league swimming championships at Willamalane pool in Springfield. Miss Taylor set a CBL record in taking the girls' 10 and under 50-yard breaststroke and was fifth in the 100-yard individual medley. Hess was victor in the senior boys 100-yard free style.

In the 13-14-year boys' competition, Medford's Paul Larson was second in the 50 yard freestyle. Phil Taylor second in the 50 breaststroke and fifth in the 200 medley and the relay team of Larson, Taylor, Louis Budge and Dennis Carlson second in the 200 free and 200 medley. Kathleen Wilson took fifth for Medford in the girls' eight and under 25 yard free style. Tualatin Hills Swim club won the meet.

DIVERSIFIED New York - (UPI) - The manufacture of steel for an ordinary razor blade may require manganese ore from India, chrome ore from Rhodesia, graphite from Korea, basic refractory from western Canada and aluminum made from bauxite originating in Dutch Guiana, according to the American Iron and Steel Institute.

Track

MONDAY COLLEGE RESULTS Lewis and Clark 84, Pacific 46

Frick Sets Meeting On Balks

New York - (UPI) - Baseball Commissioner Ford Frick will inform league presidents Warren Giles and Joe Cronin today that he feels the balk rule should be called the same way in both the National and American leagues.

This does not necessarily mean Frick is in favor of easing the rule. On the contrary, he has already said, "I am in favor of enforcing the rules."

So far this season National league umpires have called 96 balks while American league umpires have called only eight. "I feel there should be a uniform interpretation of the balk rule by both leagues," Frick said.

"When we are finished with our meeting today, I expect that the same instructions will be sent to all umpires in both leagues," he added. "We all have to operate by the same rule."

Frick does not have the power to change the rule, nor does Giles or Cronin. The only way a change could be made is by baseball's official rules committee, which is not scheduled to meet until this winter.

Frick's chief concern now is that a uniform rule be applied when the two leagues meet in the annual All-Star Game on July 9 at Cleveland and when they meet again in the World Series this October.

Otherwise, enforcement of the balk rule is strictly up to American and National league umpires, who are under the jurisdiction of Cronin and Giles.

Giles instructed his umpires last week to return of the one-second stop requirement for pitchers with men on base but balk calls in the National league still have not decreased appreciably.

Bobby Layne Says He Will Retire

Pittsburgh - (UPI) - Bobby Layne, one of the National Football League's greatest quarterbacks, has decided to quit and devote full time to his family and business.

Layne, a 15-year veteran of NFL warfare, made his disclosure in a letter to Pittsburgh Steeler Coach Buddy Parker after a season which saw him set career records in four passing categories.

CHIPPING IN

New York - (UPI) - The potato chip industry in the United Kingdom is growing at an annual rate of 30 per cent, according to the Golden Wonder Crisp Co., Ltd. About 150 million chips are sold annually.

Sport Parade

By JACK CUDDY
United Press International

Las Vegas, Nev. - (UPI) - Tony Lema, a 29-year-old ex-Marine who looks like Ted Williams and swings like Sammin' Sammy Sneed, has turned golf's "big three" into the "big four."

The 6-foot, 2-inch slugger clinched his right to a place among the current giants of the fairway in the Tournament of Champions at Desert Inn Country Club as he tied Arnold Palmer for second place. And he did it the hard way.

He played Palmer head and head in the final round and when it was over he had beaten Palmer on the day, with a six under par 68 against Palmer's 68.

Lema thus moved into second place, behind winner Jack Nicklaus, on the list of the year's money winners with total earnings of \$32,496. And, while a tie for second may not be too memorable, it meant that the congenial Lema had whacked out a satisfying \$56,957 to stand right with the "big three."

"Bridegroom" Sunday Tony was a "bridegroom" for the fifth time this year. Previous to this he was second in the Masters, at San Diego and at New Orleans. The other time he was a bridegroom was last Saturday when he married pretty Betty Cline, an airline stewardess.

Thus, starting his sixth year on the pro tour, "Champagne Tony" definitely had arrived. They call him that because, before the last round at Orange County when he was shooting for his first official tour victory last year, he promised newspapermen "If I win this, I drink champagne." He won it by beating Bob Rosburg on the third extra hole in a playoff - and bought the champagne.

But Lema, despite that "Champagne Tony" tag, is a quiet, serious young man who speaks fervently and with careful thought. "I didn't think I'd ever win my official tournament," he admitted. "I'd let my bad shots upset me and blow wide open. Everybody told me I could play winning golf and I knew I had quite a bit of God-given talent. So I took inventory and decided to always forget the last shot and simply play the next one. It's done the trick."

Marriage Steadying Influence "Getting serious, and deciding to get married, put my

Eagle Point Sports Night Set Wednesday

Eagle Point - The Eagle Point high school Lettermen's club will sponsor a sports night Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at the high school gym.

Featured events will include tag team, battle royal and blindfold wrestling, trampoline exhibitions, competitive rope climbing and peg board exhibitions.

Proceeds will go into the lettermen's club scholarship fund.

Admission will be 75c for adults, 50c for high school students and 25c for grade school students.

WOODALL DIES

Boston - (UPI) - Charlie (Larry) Woodall, 67, playing manager of Portland of the Pacific Coast league in 1930 and 1931, died Monday.

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