

Oakridge Beaten 3-2 By Arizona Ramblers

The Arizona Ramblers whipped the Oakridge-Westfir Loggerettes 3-2 Thursday evening at Gem Stadium in an exhibition women's softball game but not before taking a lesson from Oakridge's Darla Logan.

Logan, who captured the fancy of the local softball fans here earlier in the month during the state tournament, served up a neat five hitter to the Ramblers, but what is more important, the Loggerette lass set 19 of her "big league" foes down by the strike-out road. In the second and fourth frames Logan struck out the side with her breezing windmill delivery.

Both clubs opened with their top pitchers, Logan for the Loggerettes, and Marge Law, five times from Phoenix. Over the course of the seven inning game, Law gave up but four hits while striking out 15 Oakridge batters. Included in the number of strikeouts were three in each of the fifth and sixth innings.

LEAD-OFF
The Ramblers attacked Logan and her Loggerette teammates in the top half of the first inning, and before the 1955 Oregon runnerup knew what hit them, the Phoenix club has tallied three times. Bonnie Allum walked as the lead-off hitter. Harriet Lecke sacrificed her to second, then 13 times All-American catcher Dot Wilkenson doubled scoring Leck. Kay Rohrer lashed out with another two base hit scoring Wilkenson and tallied the third run herself when pitcher Law was safe on Logan's low throw to first.

That was the size of the "big league" scoring against the Willamette Pass softballettes. With Law and Logan both showing no signs of faltering, the large group of sport fans were

giving Oakridge a well deserved hand; when in the last of the sixth, the Loggerettes surprised most everyone in the stadium by shoving across two runs.

With two outs showing in the scorebooks, Jeanne Nicholl doubled over the head of the Ramblers' leftfielder, Jerri Gandy walked and Sharon Shepard singled through the pitcher's box scoring Nicholl. Betty Kimball lobbed a short infield tap just out of the reach of Law for another single filling the bases. The second Loggerette run crossed a few minutes later when Law gave up a base on balls to Sharon Helms. The Arizona pitching star got out of the log-jam by striking out Logan with the bases loaded.

WARMUPS
The Ramblers showed plenty of class during their pregame warmups and during the seven inning fracas. Oakridge's best weapon against their talented foes, who are headed to Portland and the World Tournament, was the word "hustle." That same six letter word was the key to near successful triumph in the state playoffs just a few weeks back.

Aida Wright, the bubble gum chewing catcher for the Loggerettes, had the only other base hit off Law, that a first inning bunt single that rolled dead just inside the first base line. Margie Law doubled, and Anita Byrd and Harriet Lecke singled to snare the remaining base blows off Logan.

In the preliminary game, VFW moved into the finals of the men's softball playoffs by whipping the Elks 11-6. Included in the Vets' barrage of 11 hits were several home runs topped by Bill Toole's grand slammer. VFW now meets Suburban in the championship for the president's cup Monday evening at Gem Stadium.

TIME OUT



"Sure, I'm okay, Doc, but douse that light, will you... you're frightening the birds!"

Hardtops Reschedule Special Money Event

Hardtop racing action resumes tonight at Klamath Speedway, and by special request the Klamath Racing Association has planned to stage their \$1,000 give-away again for some lucky lady hard-top fan.

Last week the jackpot give-away was held for the first time, but an over exuberant fan tried to pack away too much and lost the entire amount by dropping the sack of money before crossing the finish line.

Lucile Bender of Klamath Falls held the lucky ticket and was given the chance to take home \$1,000 of the hardtopper's money, but she attempted to haul off too much and the load grew too heavy to handle.

A three minute time limit of filling the big cloth bag, then all the time the contestant wants to return to the finish line are two of the minor rules governing the contest. The woman who gets the chance at copping the loot must also walk a straight line, which will be marked, on her return to the finish without falling, stumbling or dropping the sack.

RACING CARD
Besides the hardtopper's give-away plans, the weekly racing card will include the regular oval schedule including three or four heats, the final heat if only three heat races are held, the A and B trophy dashes, the B-main and the 25-lap A-main which will complete the evening's speedway show under the lights.

Last week Johnny Hixon bounced into the limelight by sweeping the main event and the A-trophy dash to give the local racing fans a picture of the "old Hixon" who topped last year's point race. This week, Hixon will probably have an added incentive to bring home the bacon after he and his wife were greeted by a baby daughter Tuesday, August 23.

The point race for the 1955 season tightened following last Friday evening's program as Ray Brackman and Bob Crawley closed ground on the point leader Allen Boussman. The lead is still held by Allen, but by a narrow margin. Boussman has 540, Brackman 531 and Crawley is a close third with 516 counters.

POSITIONS
In fourth spot is Glenn Stevens with 470 and Dave Vincent in holding on to fifth with 462 digits. Sixth and seventh positions are held by George Smith and Dale Himeil-wright with 451 and 412 showings respectively.

Rounding out the top ten are Pee Wee Rouls with 409, Don Harris 397 and Benny Morrison 349. Other drivers who are above the 300 mark are Hixon with 315, Bud Taylor 313 and Bud Cook 311.

Members of Klamath Racing Association have voted to give Dale Hankins an honorary third place finish in the point standings for the season. Hankins was in the number three spot when he broke both wrists in a fall while helping to install the lighting system at the track. Up to the time when Hankins suffered the accident, he had accumulated 278 counters.

MANCHESTER, Mass. — Fourth seeded Dorothy Head Knode defeated Karol Fageros, 6-4, 6-0, in the only singles match played at the Essex Invitational.

Munger Trips Bevos, Seattle Bumps Seals

By PETER HAYES

United Press Sports Writer
Hollywood's Red Munger, enjoying the best season of his 18-year career, became the Pacific Coast League's first 20-game winner last night with a 7-4 triumph over Portland which kept the second place Stars 3½ games behind Seattle.

The 36-year-old right-hander tired in the last two innings when the Beavers reached him for four hits and three runs.

But George Vico, George Freese and Bill Hall sparked an 11-hit Hollywood attack to boost Munger to his fifth straight win. Vico hit a two-run homer in the fourth inning off loser Bob Hall and Freese and Hall each banged out three hits.

Munger walked one man in the eighth — the first base on balls he had issued in 23-23 innings. He gave up eight hits.

HURLER
The former Cardinal hurler has lost seven. Until this year he had never won 20 games in any one season.

Elsewhere in the loon, Seattle's Lou Kretlow posted his 13th win against one defeat with a three-hit 6-0 win over San Francisco; Oakland whitewashed San Diego, 5-0, behind Chris Van Cuyk, and Sacramento walloped Los Angeles, 11-1, as Nippy Jones went five-for-five.

Kretlow, who was beaten by Portland his last time out after winning 12 in a row, shackled the Seals for his sixth straight shut-out although he twice had to pitch out of bases loaded jams. He did it once in the fourth with one out and again in the fifth with nobody out.

Gene Bearden of the Seals checked the Rainiers until the eighth when Seattle scored six runs on six hits including Bill Glenn's three-run homer.

DEPARTURE
In San Diego, Van Cuyk gave up eight hits as he squared his record at 7-7. Joe Brovia hastened loser John Carmichael's departure.

RENO, Nev. — Milo Savage, 162, Salt Lake City, stopped John Houston, 156½, Oakland, Calif., 4.

Call Made For Henley Gridders

Coach Al Fairchild called for all prospective Henley High School football players to report for the equipment draw Saturday afternoon, August 27, at the high school, anytime after 1 o'clock.

The Henley mentor said the first practice session would be held Monday evening at 5:30, August 29. Equipment may also be drawn at this time or Sunday afternoon.

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Davis Cup Play Opens

By ED CORRIGAN

FOREST HILLS, N.Y. — The Davis Cup — perhaps the most coveted prize in international sports — went up for grabs today when the two titans of world tennis, the United States and Australia, clashed in the Challenge Round at the West Side Tennis Club.

Vic Seixas, the U.S. champion from Philadelphia crossed rackets with Ken Rosewall, an old nemesis, in the first singles match. The second singles test of the best-of-five competition pitted U.S. strong man Tony Trabert against the equally muscular Lewis Hoad.

The doubles — Seixas and Trabert against Hoad and Rex Hartwig — are scheduled for tomorrow, with the final two singles Sunday. If the decision still is in doubt going into Sunday's matches, Seixas will play Hoad, and Trabert, Rosewall.

But American Captain Billy Talbert sees no such eventuality. "We'll have a 3-0 lead by Sunday," he said. "That means we'll be playing for fun by then. I am already considering using Hamilton Richardson in one of the last two matches."

Talbert admitted he would prefer to have Trabert take the court. "I am sure we'll win," he said. "That means we'll be playing for fun by then. I am already considering using Hamilton Richardson in one of the last two matches."

"It isn't a major point, but Trabert would rather play first and if he won, Seixas would have a psychological advantage of not having so much pressure on him. Remember, when we won the cup in Australia last year, Trabert played the first singles match and beat Hoad. That gave Seixas a lift."

If there was any pressure, it didn't appear to bother Seixas. "What's there to be nervous about?" asked the 32-year-old veteran. "I've played plenty of Davis

Cup matches and a lot of first ones too. I've prepared for the Davis Cup and I'm ready."

"Furthermore, I think I have overcome whatever jinx Rosewall held over me."

Until Seixas whipped Rosewall in the Challenge Round last year, the Aussie had beaten him nine straight times.

Captain Harry Hopman of the Aussies was only slightly less optimistic than Talbert. "I am sure we'll win," he said. "I figure we are sure to win both the singles matches with Seixas and have an even chance in the other three—the two with Trabert and the doubles."

Trabert probably was the coolest cookie on the court. He was the big boy and he knew it. He didn't even discuss his own match but, as if to give Seixas a pat on the back, he observed:

"I'll bet Rosewall will be the nervous one when he and Vic go on the court."

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