



BASEBALL SEASON PREMIERES

Darkness Forces Tie

Darkness called a halt to Thursday's Varsity baseball game with Venice with the score tied 4-4 going into the bottom of the ninth.

As it was only a practice tilt, the game will not count on the Vikings' league record.

Entering the ninth inning, the Vikes sported a 4-2 lead and appeared to be breezing. Viking pitcher John Flinn got the first two men in the inning, but then the roof caved in.

Flinn walked Warren Payne and seemed to be bothered by the Gondoliers' presence at first base as he also walked Tommy Boyd.

Noticeably unnerved, Flinn was touched up for a single to left by Jerry Turner to load the bases. Only a fine play in left field by Jerry McCarthur prevented Payne from scoring.

Then Venice's left fielder Bob New belted a tremendous shot up the alley in the right-center for a triple, apparently scoring three runs to give Venice a 5-4 lead.

However, New missed second and when the Vikes tagged the bag, he was declared out by the base umpire. Thus the last Venice run was nullified, leaving the game deadlocked at four apiece as darkness fell.

The Vikes drew first blood in the contest as they scored twice in the first inning off Venice lefty Harry Ozar. A walk to Skip Willis, a triple by Kim Andrew, and a single by McCarthur provided thr two tallies for the Vikings.

But that was all the Vikings were to get off the splendid southpaw as uzar shut them for the next six innings.

The Gondolier rallied and scored an unearned run off Tom Collier in the fourth on a line off the bat of Greg Lofman which skidded between the legs of McCarthur, enabling Lofman to circle the bases. It was ruled a double and a two-base error.

Venice tied the score at two runs each in the sixth, bunching singles by Turner, New, and Caal Gabriel together for a run.

Meanwhile, the Vikings were stymied by Ozar. But when the talented Venice hurler left the mound in favor of Brian Parry, the Vikes went to work.

Willis scored one on his own in the eight as he walked, stole second and third, and romped home when Gondolier catcher Gabriel fired the ball into left field for an error.

The crowd rose to its feet as Willis crossed the plate, but was disappointed when the run in the eighth didn't signify the end of the game, as high school

games are usually seven innings long.

However, play went right on and the Vikings scored another run in the eight on a pair of throwing errors by Lofman, the Venice shortstop, sandwiched around a stolen base.

But it was still not enough as the Vikings were forced to settle for a 4-4 tie.

Rehearsals for "Finian's Rainbow" are finally under way after losing a week of work due to the earthquake. "Finian" is the major musical production of the year and all of the performing arts department is involved in one way or another.

This show is one of the most difficult to put together because of the many people involved. Sets and props have to be completed and proper lighting perfected by the stage crew. Dances need to be coordinated by dance production. Lines have to be known backwards and forwards; music has to blend with the voices of choir and the principle singers. After all are perfected, they have to be put together complete with costumes

Jayvees Go One Extra Inning

Coming up with two important runs in the first inning of overtime, the Vikings swept past the Venice Gondoliers by a score of 6-4 last Thursday afternoon at Venice.

Tim Aames led off the eighth inning by reaching first base safely, on an error by second baseman Ideishi of Venice. Rich Guerra promptly singled. Jack Froschauer popped up to the first baseman. John Zaveral forced Guerra but Rich kept the inning alive by breaking up the double play.

Russ Johnson walked to load the bases. Wayne Terry's fly

Squad Drops Opener

In their first non-league meet of the season, Monroe's Varsity tennis squad dropped a 6-1 decision to a tough Cleveland team.

Despite their defeat, tenth grader Tony Graham won in straight sets by scores of 6-4 and 6-1. Graham, described by Coach Ken McKenna as the team's "most outstanding player", is figured to be one of the top twenty players in the city this year.

Netters meet Sylmar Thursday at 3:00.



FINIAN'S RAINBOW--Examining 'mini-set' (L to R) Valerie Lardner, Robb Westaby, and Ilise Kremer. Opening night for the performing arts musical is March 24.

"Finian's Rainbow" Rehearsals Begin

and make-up.

The story revolves around the character Finian McLonergan, played by Bob McIntyre, who had this to say, "This play contains a deep social message and I hope that through it people will understand the insanity behind bigotry."

Finian's daughter, Sharon is played by Valerie Lardner; Og, the leprechaun is portrayed by Josh Grenrock; Susan the Silent is "Danced" by Ilise Kremer and the hero of the play, Woody Mahoney, is played by Robb Westaby.

"It has a cast of thousands. If nothing else it will be an exciting adventure in numbers", quoted the overwhelmed director Mrs. Frema Rood who claimed, "if I recuperate, I will enjoy the

show...it will be hard not to!"

There will be six evening performances beginning March 24, 25, 26, 30, 31 and April 1. Tickets will be on sale sometime this week for \$1.50.

Gag Awards Highlight Upcoming Breakfast

Highlighted by the presentation of numerous gag awards, the Amourian class will hold the annual Senior Breakfast this Wednesday on the senior lawn.

The presentation of the gag awards will cap off the breakfast. About 200 all told will be given. Mark Onspaugh will enceed the affair and announce the winners. The girl voted "Prettiest" and the guy voted "Handsomest", will pin on the awards. These awards will be worn around campus for the remainder of the day. Awards will also be presented to members of the administration and faculty.

Prior to the awards ceremony, the actual breakfast will take place. The menu consists of scrambled eggs, sausage, hash browns, sweet roll, fruit cup, and a selection of cocoa, coffee or milk.

"So much work went into the breakfast that I think it's going to be a big success," stated Amourian treasurer, Jady Cope-land.

Preparations for the breakfast included the hand drawing, coloring, and lettering of the gag awards; the writing and forwarding of invitations to administration and faculty members; making the breakfast menu, and coordination of ticket sales.

Chairman of the event, Tom Jones, worked extensively in planning the breakfast. "I hope everyone will make an effort to come," he said.

Tickets for Wednesday's breakfast, which Amourian President, Kevin Allen, called "terrific fun," are still on sale at the Student Store for \$1.25.

ball to left was dropped by the Gondolier's Lelton scoring Aames and Zaveral with the deciders.

Four Viking pitchers Jeff Booth, Johnson, Brad Rice and Roberts scattered seven hits to record the win.

The Jayvee hardballers will face Granada Hills tomorrow on the Viking field in the league opener for both teams. Admission to all Jayvee games is free.

Film Competition Slated

The third annual California High School Film Festival competition will be held during the Memorial Day weekend, May 29 to 31.

The Festival Committee will award \$1000 in prizes. In the past, winning films have appeared on television and been distributed overseas by the U.S. Information Agency.

Complete rules and regulations concerning technical aspects are now available. Posters advertising this event can be seen in G4 or see Mrs. Peterson in the Media Center.

Viking Hockey Stars Latest Threat to NHL

by Greg Waskul

They may not be as good as the Boston Bruins, but the players in the Monroe Hockey Association, have just as much fun as anybody on ice.

Comprised of both current and former Monroe High Students, the Hockey Association schedules its contests whenever their "stadium" Van Nuys Iceland, is available.

The pucksters play two hour games and frequently end play with 30 or more goals scored in the short span.

But although the defence isn't fantastic, everybody manages to have a great time.

Dubbing their friends (or themselves) with nicknames is commonplace. "Pocket Rocket" (Mike) Dubrow and "Tinkerbell" (Jim) Morris are only two of the players so dubiously honored...

The biggest problem for many is getting a uniform. No two players look exactly alike. Some such as Brad Jones, wear full dress uniform of a pro hockey team, while other wear nothing to protect them from the hard ice, vulcanized rubber puck, and numerous checks (which inevitably occur in rowdy contests).

The Vikings have taken on several local teams and have never failed to skate to victory yet. Who knows, in a few years we may see names like Howard Abrams and

Dave DiSarro on a roster of the Chicago Black Hawks.

Or better yet, maybe the Hockey Association will get a franchise when expansion once again comes to the National Hockey League.

However, members of the team are skeptical.. Doug Hutchison summed it all up when he said, "We'd get a franchise, but the NHL doesn't want us to drive the Kings out of town."

CINEVIEWS

Barefoot Executive Called Delightful and Humorous

by Ed Kasper

Humorous, delightful and exciting is only one of the many ways one can describe Walt Disney Productions new film "The Barefoot Executive". Although it carries a general rating, it's the type of film which can put an hour and a half of the lighter side of life into the viewer's day.

The picture stars young Kurt Russell, an ambitious network page, destined to make his ideas known to his reluctant network executives. But the real show stealer is Raffles, a T.V. oriented chimpanzee who seems to possess the rare ability to pick the top-rated shows. Russell secretly puts the chimp to work and in no time becomes a network executive himself.

Other cast members include Dagnet's Harry Morgan and comedians Joe Flynn and Wally Cox.

Scheduled for release later this month, "The Barefoot Executive" is guaranteed to leave you laughing regardless of the rating or your age.

RECORDS AT RANDOM

Three Dog Night Scores Hit With 'Golden Biscuit'

by Greg Waskul

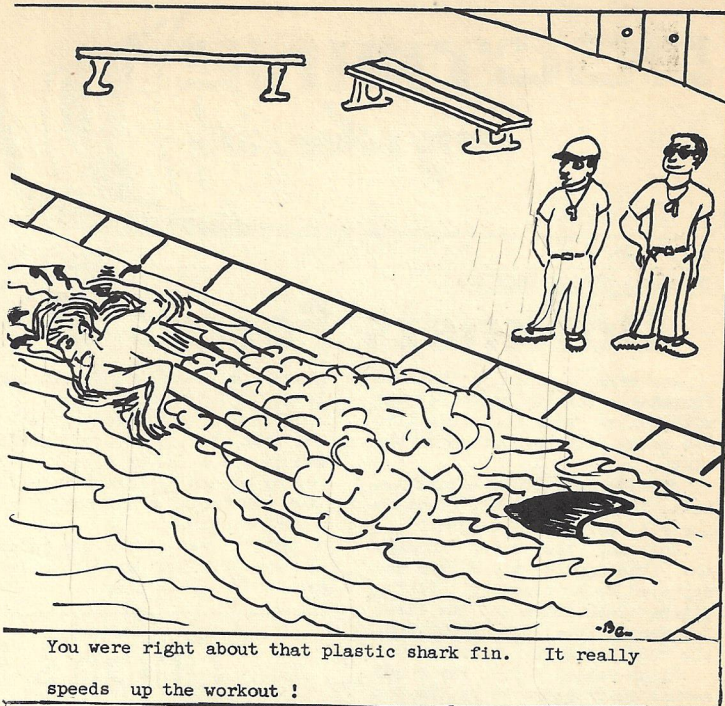
Fantastic. That's the only word that can describe Three Dog Night's new album, Golden Biscuits.

Faced with the termination of the group's recording contract, ABC-Dunhill records decided to release a greatest hits album by the talented trio.

And what an album it is. Besides their new hit "Woman", the album contains "One", "Eli's Coming", "One man Band", "Easy to be Hard", "Mama Told Me", "Celebrate", "Out in the Country", "Try a Little Tenderness", and "Nobody", all hit singles for the group.

As one can quickly see, this album has something for everybody, from the gently flowing "Out in the Country", to the tremendous beat of "Mama Told Me".

With all these great songs on it it's no wonder "Golden Biscuits" is climbing rapidly in the charts. It's sure to be one of the biggest albums of the year.



Football Player Chosen On Top Five Athlete List

Sports Editor's Note: This is the first in a series of stories about the top five athletes of the fall and winter athletic season as chosen by the DOCTRINE sports staff. Today-Kirk Miller the number five athlete of the semester. Wednesday-The number four athlete of the semester.

Kirk Miller, Player of the Year in Bee Football, has been named the number five athlete of the semester by the DOCTRINE sports staff.

Miller had a fantastic season as he led the city in yardage gained and points scored. Anytime the gridgers needed a key first down they called on Miller. An excellent all-around athlete, Miller played defensive back as a sophomore and junior, and made the All-Mid Valley League squad both years.

Although Miller played a little running back as a junior, his accomplishments were nil compared to his unbelievable performances last season.

Miller was unstoppable as he ripped loose on long gainers in nearly every contest.

He joins a long list of great "B" running backs to make the top five in the Athlete of the semester balloting. Two years ago Brian Clark led the Bees to a league title, and last year

Repertoire Company to Appear At Library

The Monroe Repertoire Company will appear at the North Hollywood Children's Library on April 20.

They will present "Alice in Wonderland" with Carl Swingle, Debbie Kleidosty, Jeff Wieslow, and Vic Benoun. Myths and Fables with Mindy Schetman and Michele Bornstein, and selections from Thurber Carnival.

Dave Muoio paced the squad. This year it was Miller's turn.

Miller's best game was against Garfield in the opener. He ran off 152 yards from scrimmage and scored three touchdowns.

Miller was also called on in numerous occasions to return punt returns. He returned one early in the year 72 yards on a razzle-dazzle play invented long before dinosaurs. Commented,

Coach Rich Raymond commented, "Kirk is the best natural athlete I have ever coached at Monroe. He has that strong will and desire that makes him strive towards the end zone."

Twirlers Selected For Halftime Performances

Seven girls, Monroe's first flag-twirling squad, will perform at half-time shows next year.

The girls, Rhonda Prescott, Debbie Cook, Maureen Hurley, Shannon McClary, Paula Rooney, Judy Hedenberg, and Marcy Torrey were chosen on their twirling ability, personality and poise, marching, ability to create a routing (the girls performed their own routines at the try-outs), and general effect.

Several girls also tried out for majorette, a spot which will be vacated by the graduation of Patty Rosengren. Kim Slevin will be the next majorette.

However, two girls, Rose Salazar and Cathy Stolz are presently working on their routines with the possibility of having a majorette corps of three girls, according to Mrs. Verjean Owen, sponsor.

The girls will be part of Drill Team, sponsored by Mrs. Owen and Miss Yolanda Garza.

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