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Along the Sports Horizon
by BILL LANG

The Opening Game
Cathedral vs. Holy Family at Aquinas Field.
Immaculate Conception vs. Holy Family at Aspecko Field.
C. F. M. A. vs. O. L. P. H. at Edgerton Playground.
Holy Rosary vs. St. Mary's at West High Field.

What thrills are there in these five words as the Catholic League faces the start of its sixth season Sunday morning with an all-star cast that fairly twinkles and team rivalries that seem to be starting to a new high.

Back in the swirl after a fourth successive championship is the Holy Rosary team leading one of the greatest arrays of diamonds collected in the league's aggregation. (Sounds like circus ballyhoo, but it's a fact.)

Pitted against the champions is the field—seven clubs with but one thought—to check the Holy Rosary parade.

Look out of the east comes one of the most serious threats faced by the champions in two years—an O. L. P. H. team boasting of the cream of the southeast's crop and matching the champs man for man in practically every position.

On the west coast the threat from Holy Family is a determined combination of youngsters and veterans united in one mighty attempt to sweep Holy Rosary from the throne they captured last year.

These two contenders head the list of challengers. This year none of them can be considered as mere pushovers. All have improved since last year, determined to keep it out on the baseball front.

Like a full summer which it undoubtedly will.

The season has determined to be Catholic to the heights of they are and they're backing their forecast with a strong belief.

St. Mary's Avenue was the two teams. Poles and Hubert are ready to pick up where Immaculate Conception left off last September when they gave away a championship to the Holy Rosary.

Clay Mayer has rounded up a team of players from a wide area to give O. L. P. H. a good punch.

St. Michael's, residing at O'Connell, made their presence felt, giving a league baptism of fire.

From West, Eckert comes the forecast that Holy Rosary will be swept from the throne next September.

These opening games may bring some ups and downs along the line, and any attempt to pick the winners beforehand is a rather precarious job.

Manager Frank Mooney of the Holy Rosary aggregation says Holy Family is the team he outfit must beat to win another flag.

Manager Frank Eckert of Holy Family says he has no secret of the fact that he'd rather defeat Holy Rosary than meet anything you can think of.

Manager Herman Wals of O. L. P. H. says the league is beautiful, a ball club as it has seen in many moons and then invites some real competition.

So it goes all the way down the line. The w. k. managers are selling optimistic predictions at a dime a dozen.

After a long series of conversations, contacts and whatnot, Manager Wals of O. L. P. H. dropped what proved to be a last minute bombshell in league circles this week when he disclosed his tentative starting lineup.

The invincible Tony Ferrari will be in the pitching box with "Lefty" Tischer behind the bat. Dick Palmer will be on first, Joe Gerow on second, Ernie Rabman at short and Ray Interhizan at third.

And that outfield!—Sweeney, Ned Bauer and Crosey, a return visit that is bound to strike fear into many a staunch twirler's soul.

In addition you might find such stars as Johnny Paprocki, Nowack, Colomb and Clarence Neitsel under O. L. P. H. colors.

This year's schedule extends eighteen weeks with two halves of nine weeks each.

The umpiring staff comprises Pejger, Maguire, Schwarzarmeyer, Sullivan, Lipinski, Filittiere and Eggleston.

Provisions have been made to provide an official scorer for each game in order that the league might have a fair estimate of the batting, pitching and fielding abilities of the various teams.

Missing its forecast of 175 entries by only being the third or greatest Holy Name bowling tournament under the auspices of the Catholic Men's Bowling Association rolled into action at Culver Hall this week for a ten day stand.

The opening night wasn't productive of any startling scores but some are bound to pop up before the 186 teams complete the schedule.

The Rev. F. William Stauffer, director of the Diocesan Holy Name Union, rolled the first ball to start the teams in action.

The St. Michael's team of the Catholic League minus Ed Hefter and with Tony Gals rolled into first place with their 2387 in the A class on opening night while a loss by the Hawkins paced the B class.

Our Lady of Sorrows Indoor League plans to launch its third successive season with either a eight or ten team setup May 7.

The various leading sporting business places in the parish include Bay Marchant, St. Phillip's Church, Morreale's, New Dept. Democrats, San Cataldo Society, N. Y. M. A., Snyder's Men Shop, and Vallieri's Shoes.

Joe Meyers is league commissioner. Other officers include Dominic Salamone, president; Frank Al-

Boys Their Interests

The Parochial Swim Meet will be held Saturday afternoon, May 4. All arrangements have been made. A vaudeville diving act and fancy diving will be demonstrated for the benefit of the boys and the gallery. No admission price. Watch this column next week for the time.

SWAT! ZANGO! It's a home! No! A two-base hit! No! A foul ball! (Berry). The call of the ball is heard in the Parochial Baseball League. The teams are pouring in such sure that they will win the pennant and that week at Camp Stella Maria. "PLAY BALL" will sound on Wednesday, May 7, if all things go well. The opening game will be between St. Monica, the champions, and some rival in the southern section of the city.

Baseball Notes: The Immaculate Conception series will be represented this year and are warning all rivals to beware. Corpus Christi has been practicing for some weeks and reports that they are in good shape. Coaches from St. Boniface are daily associating their prospects and claim a good crop. Sacred Heart will not be in the League this year. This is a blow for they have always turned out good teams and have hosted the caliber of the League.

For the number of available parishes in the League is a very high average in the Parochial League. Many of the parishes have not enough boys and in some would only be submitting to a terrible beating every week. Such defeats injure the local team and also the League. Of those schools who do not enter teams in the League, perhaps only three are capable of mustering a good team. This year will be the year of parishes both for their boys and for their spirit—not to mention baseball.

The impetus for the League this year have been drawn from the high schools. Only seniors will be allowed to umpire. They will receive careful instructions and interpretations of the rules before turning their duties. The umpires will make it easier to watch the game and will eliminate arguments and disputes.

The Civic Center under the management of Father Lambert will conduct the League. Father George Vogt will again be President. Both of these officials feel that the League does a great deal to provide healthy amusements for our parochial school children and that it promotes a just sense of parish pride and loyalty.

CAMP STELLA MARIS: Ho-Hum! Warm weather, green grass and sparkling water enough to wake up Ole Rip Van Winkle himself! Plans are already under way to make the Camp bigger and better. We are going to have at least two ping-pong tables, one low

Board comprising Rev. Patrick Moffatt, pastor of Our Lady of Sorrows, Samuel Borzilleri, Meyer Magin, Joseph Vallone and Walter Wheeler.

The league is playing under the new national league rules and are preparing to give the "old" with a social at Columbus Civic Center May 18. Infantolino's Peerless Orchestra will furnish music.

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St. Aloysius Five Again Wins Church Basketball Loop Title

Auburn—For the second time in two years, the crack St. Aloysius Church quintet has annexed the Catholic Church Basketball League title. The representatives of the Rev. John B. Crowley's parish in northwest Auburn won the 1935 championship by conquering the St. Hyacinth's Church cagers, 28 to 23, in the finals of the league playoffs. The winning combination included Ray Muldoon and Billy Jones, forwards; Ernest Newcomb center; Paul Graney and Fidelis Newcomb, guards. On the losing team were J. Wawro, Kubark, forwards; Eddie Wojnar, center; Kott, J. Noga, S. Noga, S. Kulakowski, and B. May, guards.

St. Aloysius Church and St. Mary's, the two clubs which have each and St. Hyacinth's Church on the Catholic Church Basketball League All-Star team, selected by six coaches, Stanley Suborski and Frank E. Flood by this method for the first time in 1935. Includes—Bernard (Dutch) Deering, of St. Mary's and Steven positions; Ernest Newcomb of St. Aloysius at center; Fred Corcoran of St. Mary's and Billy Jones of St. Aloysius, at guard posts. Francis (Red) Corcoran was named captain of the varsity. Fred Pfeiffer of St. Mary's and Joseph Cahill of

St. Aloysius were awarded the forward berths on the second five, Eddie Wojnar of St. Hyacinth's at the pivot; Joe Noga of St. Hyacinth's and Ray Muldoon of St. Aloysius at guards.

The following received "honorable mention": Kulakowski, St. Hyacinth's; Graney, St. Aloysius; Bayus SS. Peter and Paul; Martino, St. Francis; Asiasi, De Angelo, St. Francis; L. Barron, St. Mary's; Keating, Holy Family; Christian SS. Peter and Paul; Wawro, St. Hyacinth's; Welgoss, SS. Peter and Paul.

Immaculate Ball Team Arranges Frolic on May 1

Arrangements have been completed for the second annual May Frolic of the Immaculate Conception Baseball Club. The social will take place on Wednesday evening, May 1, in the Immaculate Conception Auditorium, Edinburgh and Glasgow Streets. A well-known local orchestra will furnish music. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

Thomas Larkin is chairman of the committee in charge, and is assisted by the following: Orchestra, Harry Murphy; tickets, Leo Maloney; reception, John Hubert; checking, Philip McGuire; publicity, Joseph Pierce.

Cleric: Cleanliness, my friend, is next to Godliness. The new road is in and has stood the winter in fine shape. Mamma can drive up the hill now without cutting the tires to shreds.

1935. Papa, you won't have to worry any more?—The Camp is looking for some one to donate a pony for the summer and a small church bell to be used in emergency cases, fire, etc. In case you have either of these notify Father Lambert at the Civic Center Building.

The Rev. Joseph Vogt of St. Boniface Church conducted the Spiritual Retreat for the Columbian Sisters and members of the Don Bosco Fraternity.

Recently we inspected an Outline of History of Religion, a part of the history course at Benjamin Franklin High School. We were under the impression that religion was not to be taught in the Public Schools. One of the books of reference (and there were others) recommended by and loaned to the students by the school was a book openly attacking the divinity of Christ, credibility of the Gospels, etc. It was as usual a one-sided presentation of the subject. We protest against this as a conspiracy against the Faith and against those immature minds whether Catholic or Protestant.

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