

Fifth Annual Nevada Senior Olympics



By Karen Ernst

The Nevada Senior Olympics consisted of eight days of fun and excitement. Good-natured competition from the checkerboard to the 100 yard dash. Over 150 seniors participated in 29 different events with many seniors entering 4 or 5 different events.

Especially enjoyable to watch was the 8 ball pool. Starting at two in the afternoon, 30 participants played until by 7:30 three winners were announced in each division. In the men's con-

test, the three game play-off was between Walt Eiser, 61, and Wilfred Dolan, 81. The tenseness echoed through the room as observers watched the two champions. When Dolan won the first game and Eiser the second, the excitement grew and fans of each were drawn forward in anticipation of the third and deciding game. When finally Eiser announced the 8 ball in the side pocket, we knew we were looking at the gold medal winner. After Dolan received his second place (silver) medal, the 81 year old left for another tournament across town.

There was one pleasant morning spent at the Tropicana driving range and putting green. This writer had the dubious distinction of standing beside the 125 yard-marker while the golfers aimed the small white sphere at the marker. They were either very good, or very bad, depending on your point of view. Most reached the circle around the mark without coming close to me. Then we moved to the putting green where Norman Kirk won first medal on the 9 hole green and Betty Crinite won first in the women's division.

During the entire eight days of the Olympics, the endurance of these seniors was most impressive. As an example, some of the 9 A.M. paddle tennis players were also entered in the early afternoon Jarts (Lawn Darts) at UNLV and just after that, the 440 yard dash. Now that is stamina.

More than just stamina, these seniors displayed strength, skill, accuracy, dexterity, enthusiasm and energy.

Plans are now being formed for the 6th annual Senior Olympics to be held next spring. Sponsors are the Senior Olympic Steering Committee, Senior Nutrition Center and Health Plan of Nevada. Anyone interested in serving on the Steering Committee is invited to call Mary Daley at the Senior Nutrition Center, 385-5286 or Karen Ernst at Health Plan of Nevada, 382-2883. Our goal is to double the number of participants next year and add a few new events. Better start working out now to enter one or more of your favorite events.

Flap Over New Political Party In Israel Appears Settled

JERUSALEM (WNS) — While Defense Minister Moshe Arens believes the Jewish-Arab Progressive List for Peace to be subversive, he has taken no action to outlaw the party which hopes to participate in the July 23 Knesset elections.

According to Muhammed Miali, the Arab lawyer who heads the list, the party's platform calls for an independent Arab state to exist alongside of Israel, the latter reduced to its pre-June, 1967 borders.

A defense Ministry communique said Arens was convinced that key persons on the list have conducted themselves in a way that identifies with enemies of the State.

The No. 2 spot on the

list is held by Gen. (res.) Matityahu Peled who has long been involved in anti-war movements and has met, outside Israel, with Palestinians associated with the Palestine Liberation Organization. The Progressive list is a combination of Israeli Arab nationalists and Jews of a leftist political persuasion.

The Defense Minister is permitted, under law, to ban any political party he deems to be a threat to national security. But Arens, on his return from a visit to Washington, decided not to take any action while the Central Elections Committee is considering the application by the Progressives to appear on the ballot.

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Israeli Liaison Officer In Doubt

JERUSALEM (WNS) — Israel has had no official notice from the Lebanese government

of the possible closure of the Israeli liaison office maintained in a northern suburb of

Beirut, the Cabinet was informed by Uri Labrani, the coordinator of Israeli affairs in Lebanon. The

Cabinet decided to discuss the issue only if and when an official request is made by the Lebanese authorities to shut down the office.

According to Labrani, the Lebanese have a greater interest than Israel in keeping the office open because it is

the only channel of communications between the two countries. He noted that

Israel has stressed to the Beirut government that the issue of Israel's continued occupation of south Lebanon can be resolved only through direct negotiations.

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