

Beavers Lose On Seven Errors but Keep League Lead

(By the Associated Press)
Seattle and Portland, riding high after successful home stands, came a cropper yesterday in opening Coast league games in the south on the Californians' home lots.

Portland's defense came apart with seven errors to hand San Diego a 7 to 1 victory. The Beavers remained atop the league, although second place San Francisco crept up as Seattle, southpaw who pitches only at home games and between shifts of his shipyard job, won his seventh victory of the season, beating Hollywood 4-2.

This victory boosted the Seals' advantage over the Rainiers who dropped a 4-3 decision to the tail-end Sacramento Solons. Oakland and Los Angeles were idle yesterday.

Team Standings:

	W	L	Pct.
Portland	24	14	.632
San Francisco	22	15	.595
Seattle	22	17	.564
San Diego	21	19	.525
Hollywood	18	20	.474
Los Angeles	17	19	.472
Oakland	15	21	.417
Sacramento	10	24	.294

Sutherland Girl Scouts Praised

Sutherland Girl Scouts were highly praised by Major William E. Millikin, special service officer at a port of embarkation, for their work in gathering 1500 pounds of current magazines to be sent to men overseas.

"I feel that you have done exceedingly well to collect 1500 pounds in a city the size of Sutherland. I only wish that other communities would get the same impulse," Major Millikin wrote to Mrs. Lila Chenoweth, leader of the Scouts.

The services can use women's magazines as well as reading material for men, he stated, as there are thousands of nurses and Wacs who will enjoy them. It was recommended that they be bundled separately and marked for service women.

Magazines collected at Sutherland, he started, have been distributed to New Caledonia, New Guinea, Guadalcanal and Bougainville, while others have gone to base hospitals located in the islands of the South Pacific near New Caledonia. In addition, some magazines went into an order for 50,000 from the chief of Chaplains in Australia and others were placed on board transports to entertain men en route to combat areas.

Marian Anderson Gets Smith College Degree

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., May 17.—(AP)—Miss Marian Anderson, noted American singer, received an honorary degree of doctor of music yesterday at the 66th annual commencement exercises at Smith college.

The citation, read by President Herbert Davis, said:

"Marian Anderson, an American woman of unselfish devotion, who, through the splendor of her voice, the nobility of her art, has awakened and fortified in the hearts of countless thousands a deeper understanding of that humanity in which we are all one."

Among others, Captain Mildred H. McAfee of the WAVES, received a doctor of laws degree.

Washington News From an Inside View

Argument, Sentiment, Comment

By HARRIS ELLSWORTH

Congressman, Fourth Oregon District

WASHINGTON, May 13.—Definite assurance was given by the War Production Board this week that the first plant in America to manufacture alcohol from wood waste (sawdust) would be constructed. This plant will be located at Springfield, Oregon. Thus successfully ends something of a battle to establish method of making needed alcohol from a product that has heretofore been wasted in vast quantities.

You may recall that the requirements committee of WPB considered this project a few weeks ago and refused to approve it. That action was rather generally announced as being the death of the idea. What actually happened was that Mr. Donald Nelson went on vacation fully believing that the Springfield application would be sent right on through to approval. But WPB is an enormous organization. It has numerous committees and many top executives—men who have considerable authority in their various divisions. Our application was progressing nicely when it crossed the desk of one of the vice presidents of the board who was unfamiliar with the background of the proposal and who considered it only on the basis of whether or not we had to have four million gallons more alcohol. After all, that amount of alcohol is a very small quantity in the whole program of alcohol production (630,000,000 gallons). Another point was that this vice president thought the plan was to build a big "experimental" plant. He did not realize that the proposed plant will be very nearly identical to 20 plants which have been operating in Germany for ten years or more, and identical to ten plants in Russia, three in Italy and two in Japan. At any rate, by the time Mr. Nelson returned from his needed rest, the project was stopped, disapproved, and "rigor mortis" was beginning to set in.

Mr. Nelson, however, has long been deeply concerned over the fact that vast quantities of grain are going into alcohol when grain is very badly needed as feed. He has made an exhaustive personal study of the possibilities of meeting alcohol requirements from non-food and non-critical sources. As a matter of fact, I am certain that Nelson knows more about this entire subject than any member of his executive staff. His knowledge of it is exceeded only by the technical men of the chemicals division.

Accordingly, the alcohol from wood waste project was immediately taken up and reconsidered. The complete story was placed before the other key men in WPB with the result that all concerned are now in agreement with Nelson as to the need for the plant. In other words, when Governor Earl Snell wired the War Production Board, saying that the proposal must not have been fully understood, he was absolutely right.

Although it may seem that this matter has been under consideration by WPB for a long time and that there has been long and unreasonable delay, I think it only fair to point out that the original project application was filed only 93 days

ago and that the revised application was completed some three or four weeks after that. Considering the size of this government's organization for production for war, I think our project was handled with fair rapidity.

For some weeks I have been endeavoring to get some reasonably positive information regarding selective service. There has been much confusion and uncertainty. Finally this week the air seems to have been fairly well cleared. The new statement of general policies recently issued to the state directors is the clearest statement to come out of selective service headquarters in more than six months.

The war handling of the manpower problem in general and the selective service problem in particular has not been good. The army has contributed its percentage of error in the over-all picture, too. For example, local boards have been driven night and day to meet large quotas for induction. In our state the quotas have not been met on the dot. General Hershey told me not long ago that the record of Oregon was superior in every way. But what did the army do with the men called by the local boards? (Between November 1, 1940, and December, 1943, 62,200 men were received in the army from Oregon. During that same period 12,263 men were DISCHARGED. In other words, out of every five men inducted and sent to training, one is kept in the army for months and is then discharged. Many of the discharges are for no stated reason—merely carrying the line "discharged at the convenience of the government." If the army had kept all of the men inducted, our quotas could have been reduced 20 per cent. Fortunately (at last), a stop has been put to this wasteful practice—at least it is partially stopped.

Right now selective service has a million men ready for induction, but the armed forces are not ready to receive them.

Here are some statistics that may give an idea regarding the possibility of men over 26 being called. In the 18-26 age group, 1,200,000 are registered—are available. This does not mean that number of men will be called and accepted—some 40 per cent will not be inducted for one reason or another. However, the rate of induction is now only 100,000 per month. Accordingly, I do not see much likelihood of men over 26 being called into the service during the remainder of this year.

Now, on the less cheerful side, I must point out that today's figures will mean nothing if the contemplated invasion goes badly and more troops and heavy replacements are required.

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Congressmen of Oregon Polled on World Peace Plan

PORTLAND, May 17.—(AP)—The Oregon branch of the United Nations association, an affiliate of the Carnegie endowment for international peace, today announced results of a poll of Oregon congressional candidates on foreign policy.

They were asked if they would work for United States membership in a world organization to prevent aggression, participation by this country in joint military measures to preserve peace, and a world tribunal empowered to decide international disputes by peaceful means.

Senatorial candidates replying in the affirmative were Sen. Guy Cordon, Edgar W. Smith, Charles A. Sprague, Wayne L. Morse, Walter W. Whitbeck and Willis Mahoney. No replies were received from Sen. Rufus Holman, Henry Black, Earl E. Fisher and John McBride. The association said Holman denied receiving the questionnaire.

Candidates for the house of representatives answering yes to all questions: Representatives Harris Ellsworth and Homer D. Angell; L. Nicholas Granoff, C. J. Shorb, Dan Harmon and O. Henry Oleen. Representatives Lowell Stockman and James W. Mott, Lester Sheeley and Floyd K. Dover did not reply.

Flier's Toll Puts Point On Home of Neighbor

AN AMERICAN FIGHTER BASE IN ENGLAND, May 17.—(AP)—Get that paint brush out again, neighbor: Lt. Robert Weld-

en has downed another German and has become an ace.

When Lt. Welden went off to war, his neighbor, Maynard Stapleton of Lewiston, Mont., said he'd paint a blue stripe around his house every time Welden shot down a German. They shook hands on it.

Welden, a Mustang pilot in the Ninth air force, escorted a mission of heavy bombers to Germany recently and they ran into a pack of German fighters. Welden bagged an Me-109 during the ensuing dogfights, bringing his total to five and three-quarter kills.

"I hope I can keep going until those blue stripes reach Maynard's roof," he said yesterday. "If he can find the paint I'll find the Jerries."

NEWS OF OUR MEN—WOMEN IN UNIFORM

SUTHERLIN—The promotion of Staff Sergeant Lawrence M. Chenoweth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Chenoweth, to the grade of technical sergeant—the second highest grade that can be achieved by a non-commissioned officer—has been announced in England by the headquarters of the IX Air Force Service Command, air-craft assembly depot.

Eugene B. Peterson, son of Mrs. J. R. Kelly, Roseburg, was graduated from naval air gunner's school at Purcell, Oklahoma, as an honor student, according to the report which came from his commanding officer, Commander V. O. Clapp.

Meredith Wilson, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wilson of Umpqua, has been sent to Camp Hill, Farragut, Idaho, for boot training as an apprentice seaman.

Reedsport Airman Wins Purple Heart

A U. S. NINTH AIR FORCE BOMBER STATION, England—Staff Sergeant Howard C. Worden, 29, brother of Miss Reah May Worden of Reedsport, Oregon, has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action during a recent operational mission with the Ninth air force over enemy territory.

The presentation was made recently by Colonel Harold L. Mace of Jacksonville, Florida, commanding officer of the first All-American A-20 bombardment group to land in the European theatre of operations.

S/Sgt. Worden, a former member of a bombardment group sta-

tioned in the Southwest Pacific, has completed 12 offensive sorties against German occupied Europe.

He attended high school at Salmon, Idaho, and prior to his ar-

my service was employed as a farmer.

Here Yesterday—Roy Stearns of Idleld Park spent Tuesday in Roseburg on business.



Robert W. Ruhl, editor of the Medford Mail-Tribune answers the "Smear" campaign connecting Wayne Morse with Harry Bridges. His editorial appearing in the Medford Mail-Tribune April 13, 1944, is here reprinted as follows:

Trying to Smear Morse

The Dalles Chronicle has abandoned its long established policy of letting the candidates fight it out in the party primaries, without newspaper interference, by inaugurating a "smear campaign" against Dean Morse.

Just why The Chronicle wants "Raucous Rufus" in the U. S. Senate for six more years, and wants to defeat one of the most competent candidates for the U. S. Senate the Republican party in this state has ever produced is not made clear in The Dalles paper's campaign to date, but the hostility and animus of the attack against the former head of the University Law School is very evident.

The Chronicle might have broken its primary precedent in a more worthy cause, and in one more promising of success.

For the spear-head of this mud-slinging campaign is the old canard that Dean Morse is not only a New Dealer at heart, but a pal of Harry Bridges, the radical labor leader of the waterfronts, and alien trouble-maker from "Down Under."

Well the more such charges are investigated, and the facts at the basis of them understood, the more strongly they reflect credit upon Dean Morse, as a man of exceptional integrity, and of the highest sense of impartial fair play and justice.

Dean Morse against his desire WAS subpoenaed by the defense to testify in favor of Harry Bridges at the judicial inquiry into the latter's political affiliations.

And he did, as any man of honor would under oath, tell the truth—the truth as he knew it.

And the truth happened to be that in his OFFICIAL relations with the defendant the latter had always kept his promises, never had broken his word, and there had been no evidence presented to prove "beyond reasonable doubt", that the Australian agitator was, or ever had been, a member in good standing of the Communist party.

And here comes an interesting point. The representative of the EMPLOYERS of labor in San Francisco (a former well known rancher in the valley, by the way, none other than H. van Hovenberg of Sams Valley) who had continual official dealings with Harry Bridges, gave almost precisely the same estimate of the man, and of the facts.

And if anyone cares to investigate they will find this view prevails very generally among the ship owners and business men of San Francisco who know Harry Bridges best.

Finally, if Dean Morse WERE a "pal of Harry Bridges" or approved of him, his methods, or his political philosophy in any way, does any sane person think for a minute that the large ship-owners of the Bay district like Roger Lapham, now mayor of San Francisco, would specially request the dean to act as arbiter in local labor-capital disputes?

Hardly. Yet THAT HAPPENS TO BE THE FACT.

No, this is just "one of those things," a typically cheap politician's trick, designed to fool the unwary and the unthinking, on the assumption no one will go to the trouble of getting ALL the facts, but will draw damaging conclusions from a superficial few.

But thanks to this smear attack by the Chronicle, all the facts eventually WILL be brought out. Therefore what might have made some progress as a back-alley whispering campaign will not only make no progress in the open and the light of day, but will prove a boomerang, revealing Senator Holman's opponent as a man of greater stature and rarer judicial qualities of heart and mind than the people of Oregon as a whole had ever realized.

In short instead of losing votes for Dean Morse, this campaign will make them. Which is as it should be.

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