

### R. H. S. Five Faces First Test in Tilt Against Cavemen

The Roseburg high school Indians will face their first test in the 1944-45 basketball season Thursday night when they meet the Grants Pass Cavemen at the Roseburg gymnasium. Roseburg is reported to have a veteran team on the floor. Roseburg will have two lettermen but other players will be inexperienced. The squad has been coached in a new style of play by Mel Ingram and it is expected that a few games will be required before a smooth-working combination is developed.

Young, veteran forward from last year, will be back in the lineup in later games, it is expected, which will give three experienced players, but he will be unable to play Thursday night because of an ankle injury suffered in scrimmage.

Volleyball Included Grants Pass is bringing a girls' volleyball team to play the preliminary game against Roseburg girls. Instead of matching the two basketball B teams, it was announced today.

Thursday's game is a non-conference contest, as Roseburg is matched in league play with teams of the southern division of

the Tri-County conference. Ingram announced today that his starting lineup will include Benson and Harvey, forwards; Krell, center; Caskey and Jones, guards. Krell and Caskey are seniors, Jones is a junior, and Benson and Harvey are sophomores. In reserve, Ingram will have Aterbury and Stark, forwards; Colley, center; Jacobson and L. Marsters, guards. It is expected that numerous substitutions will be made, if game score permits, in order to give experience to all members of the first string.

### Tokyo Bombed Afresh By Three Superforts

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searchlights and six bursts of flack but no fighters.

**Third Plane Faces Jam**

The third B-29, commanded by Lt. Everett P. Abar of Concord, N. H., got over Tokyo and found the bombay doors stuck and all guns inoperative. In the meager anti-aircraft fire he saw a few phosphorous bombs, the first reported dropped over Tokyo by defending Japanese planes. He finally got the doors open and bombed a small island down the coast. Night fighters attacked his plane 20 to 30 times. Their tracers came in from all directions but none got close to the defenseless Superfortress.

The previous night a B-29 under the command of Lt. Harold E. Sargent of Waymart, Penn., bombed Nagoya's suburb of Shimonoshiki, three miles southwest of that twice-hit city, touching off a large explosion with flames roiling to 1,000 feet.

**Chinese Score Gain**

On the central China front Japanese resistance stiffened against Chinese advances southward along the Kwangsi-Kweichow railway. Chinese captured a dominating height outside Hochih and pressed attacks against the city.

A Chinese broadcast from Yen-an said the 8th route army recovered 3,000 square miles of north China and liberated 1,405 villages with a population of 250,632 in the first ten months of 1944.

**Bomb-burying** China-based American fighters sank a tanker yesterday and probably sank a destroyer and two freighters off Hong Kong. Other Mustangs destroyed seven Japanese aircraft, including two shot down over still blazing Hankow.

### Congress in Harmony As Session Closes

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breaking 77th congress, it appropriated approximately \$182,000,000,000 and sent the national debt limitation up to \$260,000,000,000 to match the almost incalculable demands of war.

Although a exact sum was set up for spending, much of the total remained in reservoirs as yet unobligated by contracts. Actual spending this year was approximately \$67,000,000,000, compared with \$115,000,000,000 in the previous 12 months.

To meet about half of that drain, congress passed a series of revenue raising bills which boosted income tax rates to unprecedented heights and laid heavy excise taxes on many items, not all in the luxury class.

One of the most important bills enacted this fall sets up rules for the disposal of an estimated \$100,000,000,000 worth of surplus goods, plants, machinery and land held by the government as a result of the war. The senate approved the president's first two nominees to surplus property board—former Governor Robert A. Hurley of Connecticut and Lt. Col. Edward Heller of San Francisco.

### Football Scores of Oregon High Schools

(By the Associated Press.)  
Lebanon 32, Corvallis 29.  
University High (Eugene) 22, St. Mary's (Eugene) 21.  
Eugene 43, Pleasant Hill 24.  
Cottage Grove 29, Redmond 25.

### Bowling League Ends First Half With Two Ties

Two ties, one for first place and the other for fifth, marked the standings of the City bowling league which ended the first half of its season Monday night. The Umpqua Chiefs and Nordlings Auto Parts are tied for first place, and Gilkeson's station and Umpqua Cleaners are in a tie for fifth.

The season closed with all except two teams in the upper percentage bracket.

The Industrial league will complete the first half of its season tonight.

The second half will start Jan. 3 for the Industrial league and Jan. 8 for the City league.

Final City league standings were as follows:

Team	Won	Lost
Umpqua Chiefs	27	15
Nordling Auto Parts	27	15
Patterson's Bakery	25	17
Myrtle Creek	23	19
Gilkeson's Station	21	21
Umpqua Cleaners	21	21
Umpqua Hardware	15	27
Youngs Bay	9	33

### Bond Contest Lead Swings Back to Douglas

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tinued to be received at county 6th War Loan headquarters, indicating the campaign is still continuing satisfactorily. The Farmers Security bank, Yoncalla, reported sales amounting to \$8,450. Canyonville reported \$731.25. Virginia A. Grubbe, postmaster at Gardiner, reported sales totalling \$6,798.75, while the Gardiner bank reported \$25,012.50 in E bond sales. Eldon Fisher, Kellogg chairman, reported \$2,150. The Umpqua Savings and Loan company, Roseburg, had sales amounting to \$5,231.25 E bonds and \$2,000 G bonds. The Roseburg branch of the U. S. National bank, reporting sales other than E bonds listed \$127,742.50, series F; \$57,900, series G, and \$35,200 of other series. An additional credit through allotment from the Richfield Oil corporation, Los Angeles, included \$2,000, corporation bonds.

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### Headquarters of Japs On Leyte Taken by Yanks

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35th is facing the same treatment in the north.

**Japan Attack Smashed**

American troops continued to operate without ground interference on Mindoro, northwest of Leyte, which they invaded last Friday. MacArthur reported that 13 Japanese planes attacking American positions on Mindoro

were shot down, with the loss of one U. S. fighter.

Yankee fighters and bombers continued their sweeps, and in a series of actions accounted for 47 enemy planes. One Japanese freighter was sunk and five damaged. Three enemy barges were destroyed.

Americans continued their air assaults on Japanese airdromes and supply and ammunition depots in the Visayas, Luzon, Mindanao, Borneo and elsewhere, dropping more than 600 tons of bombs in the combined operations.

### U. S.-China Domination Of Pacific Held Needed

The Pacific area should be dominated by the United States and China following the current war, in the opinion of W. G. Paul, who spoke before the Roseburg Kiwanis club at its regular Tuesday luncheon program.

Mr. Paul, who has travelled extensively in the Orient and Far East, believes it will take many years to completely subdue the Japanese, and when the task is completed the United States and China should take joint action, he believes, to patrol the Pacific area to prevent Japan from again becoming a military power.

He advocated allocation of several large Pacific islands to the Japanese for colonization, to care for surplus population, but contended they should be safeguarded to prevent development for military use.

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### Germans Smash Deeper Into U. S. Army Lines

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able to widen materially the bases of their penetration triangles, but the points of the triangles were pushing deeper. Another dispatch said first army infantry south of Morschau halted the Nazi advance near the northern end of the enemy attack zone, where the Germans posed the greatest flanking threat to Aachen. Losses on both sides apparently have been heavy.

To the south U. S. Third army troops in the Saar basin cleared all but the east side factory district in Dillingen and made progress in the Saarlautern bridgehead against stubborn resistance, and on the Third army's right, the U. S. Seventh inside Germany threw back two strong counterattacks northwest of Wissembourg.

### NEWS OF OUR MEN—WOMEN IN UNIFORM

Corporal Mary Barker of the women's army corps is now stationed in New Guinea. She writes her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Barker, that it is extremely hot through the day, but usually rains at night, which makes it cool enough to sleep comfortably. She states that they are kept busy and work Sunday mornings until 10 o'clock. Then they are given time off to attend church services held in the chapel constructed by the natives. She recently attended the wedding of the first white couple to be married there. The bride's wedding dress, Corporal

Barker said, had been made of parachute cloth.

Word has been received that Wilbert Maurice Chamberlin, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Chamberlin, of Route 2, Roseburg, has been discharged from a hospital in Iran and is now back in active service. He has served with the U. S. forces in India and Iran for the last 19 months. He enlisted in the service December 20, 1942.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Rhoden of Roseburg have received word from their son, Sgt. Lowell Jay Rhoden, that he is in the Philippine islands and that he is alright and sends Christmas greetings to all his friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Fogel of Roseburg have received a letter from their son, Dean, that he is in a London hospital and has received the Purple Heart. He states that he is getting along fine and the doctors and nurses are some of the finest he has seen.

### Fire Destroys School

PRESTON, Ida., Dec. 19—(AP)—The four-room brick-veneer east side school building, located two miles east of Preston, was destroyed by fire yesterday. Origin of the blaze was undetermined.

The fire occurred when school was not in session.

At least part of the sun is visible above the horizon in northern Norway from May 12 to July 29, and in the extreme south there is no real darkness from the end of April to the middle of August.

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