

Chiefs Work Out Diligently for 2 Games This Week

LEAGUE STANDINGS		
	W.	L.
Crescent City	7	1
Umpqua Chiefs	6	1
Grants Pass	6	3
Medford	5	3
Ashland	5	4
Tri-City	2	6
Gold Hill	1	7
Central Point	1	8

The Umpqua Chiefs completed this week's baseball practice last night with heavy batting practice and intense infield work under their jerseys. A league title is the anticipation of the locals. Coach Rudy Ritzman reported, and said the team's morale at its highest all season. Much of this added team zest is due to the outcome of league games played last weekend.

Crescent City, formerly leading the Southern Oregon Baseball League with seven straight wins, fell to third-place Grants Pass; cellarized Gold Hill knocked over Ashland to place the latter in fifth position, and Medford eased over Central Point to move up to fourth and lower the Centrals to the bottom.

Two Games Slated

This weekend the Chiefs will get a chance to display their stamina with two games on tap. Saturday afternoon they meet the South Douglas County Tri-City nine in a non-league benefit game at their home grounds and travel to Grants Pass Sunday for an afternoon contest with the Merchants of that city.

New bats arrived this week and the locals have shown definite improvement in hitting power with each member possessing a stick of his personal choice. Coach Ritzman said. Last night's workout consisted mainly of an intense infield practice with a tapering-off of light batting.

Roy Low will command the mound in the Tri-City contest at the local diamond Saturday afternoon at 2:30. Although the game is a non-league affair, the visitors will claim personal prestige if victorious as the Chiefs won 5-3 against them last week in an uncomfortably close match. Bus Sporer will hurl for the Chiefs in the Grants Pass game Sunday at that city.

The Sunday game will be aired to Radio Station KRNR from Grants Pass for local followers unable to make the southern trip. H. W. Grav, league president, announced Thursday.

Baseball School Location Changed

Due to the great turnout of local youths to the city recreation department's baseball school, the location has been changed from the Rose Park to Finlay Field and additional classes have been scheduled to begin next week.

Teaching the basic fundamentals and supervising the school is Jerry Huggins, Umpqua Chiefs' catcher and city softball manager. The new schedule is arranged to give each boy thorough coaching and participation on the playing field.

Boys 14 years and under will meet at 10 A. M. Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. Those 14 to 16 years inclusive will meet Tuesday and Thursdays at 10 A. M. This latter group will be trained for graduation onto the local Junior American Legion Club.

"It is the purpose of this school to arouse baseball interest, build up, and develop ability for strong future ball clubs in Roseburg," Huggins said. "Similar programs have been operating in other cities throughout the country and the baseball talent has turned into a yearly cycle with the youngsters starting out with basic fundamentals and yearly working up to the bigger clubs."

Doubleheader Billed For Tonight's Softball

Tonight's softball doubleheader includes the four lower bracket placed nines. Beginning at 7:30 P. M. at the local ball park, the

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National		
	W.	L.
St. Louis	50	34
Brooklyn	49	34
Chicago	44	36
Boston	41	43
Cincinnati	39	41
Philadelphia	34	44
New York	36	47
Pittsburgh	34	48

American		
	W.	L.
Boston	62	24
New York	51	35
Detroit	46	36
Washington	42	40
Cleveland	39	45
St. Louis	37	48
Chicago	33	50
Philadelphia	25	47

Pacific Coast		
	W.	L.
San Francisco	74	38
Oakland	74	39
Los Angeles	59	52
Hollywood	58	53
Sacramento	54	58
San Diego	51	63
Portland	38	69
Seattle	37	73

Jap-American War Vets Honored At U. S. Capital

WASHINGTON, July 17.—(AP) President Truman stood in the rain yesterday to pin the presidential distinguished unit citation banner to the colors of the 442nd regimental combat team of Japanese-Americans.

Standing on the Ellipse, a park just south of the White House, the president congratulated about 500 Nisei soldiers—Japanese of American extraction—for victory both over the enemy and "prejudice."

He urged them to continue the fight after their return home to prove that the Constitution is dedicated for the "welfare of all the people."

President Truman referred to a statement of former President Franklin Roosevelt "that Americanism is not a matter of birth or creed but a matter of the heart."

"You fought not only the enemy but prejudice, and you won," President Truman said. The ceremony was followed by a review of the 442nd combat team by the president.

Thousands lined the streets earlier to see the combat team—some of the most decorated outfits of the American Army—parade up Constitution Avenue. The parade was headed by the Army Band.

Surviving are five daughters: Ellen Claire Shortridge, Roseburg; Mrs. Elva Sanders and Mrs. Dorena Smith, both of Glendale, Oregon; Mrs. Drennon Casper, Sunnyside, Wash., and Mrs. Doris Payer, Ashland; also by seven brothers and sisters: A. W. Shortridge, S. P. Shortridge, L. R. Shortridge, Mrs. Emily Adams, Mrs. Ann Adams, Mrs. Frances McKay, and Mrs. Lillie Sutherland, all of Cottage Grove, Oregon.

Funeral services will be held in the chapel of the Roseburg Funeral Home Sunday, July 21, at 2 P. M., with Dr. Charles A. Edwards officiating. Interment will be in the Civil Bend Cemetery.

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War Bond Sales First Half Of 1946 Exceed Redemptions By Half Billion Dollars

By PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent.

WASHINGTON—The wholesale wave of cashing in war bonds, which was so freely predicted a year and more ago, has not materialized and apparently isn't going to.

For the first six months of 1946, sales of all types of war savings bonds were half a billion dollars greater than redemptions.

The period of war contract cancellations, of reconversion, has come and gone, a long hard period of strikes has come and gone. And over 71 per cent of all bonds sold are still held by their owners. Three figures released by the Treasury's War Savings Division give total sales to date at 42 billion dollars. Twelve billion dollars turned in and 30 billion dollars worth are outstanding.

If the 29 per cent turn-in sounds high, it can be explained by a number of factors not visible in the figures themselves. Reasons given by people who have cashed in their savings bonds provide good source material on what has happened to the financial condition of large numbers of people in the last year. The number of people who are buying bonds on payroll deduction plans has fallen off. The high was 27 million last November. Today it is 15 million. Naturally, when there were cancellations of government contracts, layoffs, strikes and other work stoppages as well as the discharge of millions of war bond buyers in the armed services, many people had to stop buying.

The idea that all or a large part of the wage earners have had to turn in their bonds does not appear to be correct. Those who have cashed their bonds are not necessarily the ones hardest hit by strikes. In the Pittsburgh and Detroit areas, which were hardest hit by steel and auto strikes that ran nearly 100 days, redemptions actually declined during the shut-down period. Better than average paid workers in these industries weathered the strikes without having to sacrifice savings.

Lower income groups did not fare so well. During the war years there were 10 million people making \$15 a week or less. Half of them bought bonds. In the next income group earning from \$15 to \$35 a week, three-fourths bought bonds. Instead of buying \$5 savings stamps which were all they could afford and all that would have been expected of them, they bought higher denomination bonds. When the war was over and their earnings declined, they had to cash in first and they're out of the bond buying market now.

Redemptions were highest last October. The victory bond drive of November and December reversed that trend and in January, always a good bond buying month, sales were greater than redemptions.

For the first six months of 1946, sales of bonds in the farm states of Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa and the Dakotas, plus the high average income of the District of Columbia and the state of Massachusetts, were greater than redemptions. These are the best records. West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Kentucky, the big coal producing states, have good records with only 20 to 25 per cent of the bonds cashed in despite the coal strike.

In general, southern and western states have the worst records with from 28 to 53 per cent of the bonds cashed in. Southern California and Michigan, which were big aircraft production centers, also experienced heavy cashing in of bonds in the first half of the year. But much of it is believed to have come from migrant war workers who cashed in their bonds in the states where they had bought them, then used the money to go back where they came from.

Some of the case histories run down by the Treasury Department War Savings staff showed these ex-war workers went home

to buy farms and re-establish homes paying cash from their bonds. Okies and Arkies who migrated to California poor in the drought years, went back prosperous after cashing in their war bonds.

The Treasury will put on another drive to sell bonds next fall. They hope that by that time there will be enough stability so that sales will again exceed redemptions.

Land Bank's Loan Service Extended To July 1, 1947

Congress has extended the time for making land bank commissioner loans to July 1, 1947. R. L. Strickland, secretary-treasurer of the Douglas County National Farm Loan Association, is advised by R. E. Brown, president of the Federal Land Bank of Spokane. Authority to make these loans had expired on the first of this month.

Commissioner loans, made through the facilities of the land bank and national farm loan associations, may be secured by either a first or second mortgage but may not exceed 75 per cent of the appraised normal value of the property. Mr. Strickland said.

Douglas County farmers, according to Mr. Strickland, are taking advantage of the high income from farms and are reducing their primary obligation, and many have paid their real estate loans in full.

"However," said Mr. Strickland, "there is a healthy demand for new money which is reflected in the volume of new loans closed through the Roseburg National Farm Loan Association's group office, the preceding 12 months being in excess of 260 per cent of the volume closed during the same period two years ago."

"Federal Land Bank funds at low interest rates are available to farmers for the purpose of buying new farms, round out their present holdings, refinance present indebtedness at lower rates, purchase machinery, livestock, and improvements."

Internationalizing of Trieste Displeases Italy

ROME, July 18.—(AP)—Premier De Gasperi, expressing disappointment in "American promises," said today he feared the new Italian republic would fall if Trieste were internationalized as recommended by the four-power foreign ministers council. The premier described the Trieste compromise as a "solution" which satisfied neither Italy nor Yugoslavia, and said that Italy was pinning her hopes on the forthcoming Paris peace conference to veto the internationalization proposal.

Lions Club, Fair Board to Sponsor 4-H Food Contest

Sponsorship of the fourth annual 4-H Club food production contest by the Roseburg Lions Club and the Douglas County Fair Board, was announced last night by Kenneth C. Minnick, county club agent.

Six hundred dollars in cash will be distributed among the county's 4-H boys and girls participating in the contest. Awards will be made for the outstanding projects in vegetable gardening, dairy and beef cattle, sheep, swine, poultry, and rabbit raising, and in canning.

Judging will be done by members of the Lions Club and by Minnick, and a banquet is tentatively planned for the winners, he said. All awards will be made when the projects are completed and judged.

In last year's contest, Minnick told the Lions Club last night, there were 146 participants, with \$556.25 being awarded in prizes, and an additional \$58 going to the 58 boys and girls who did not place.

A summary of the projects undertaken shows that they had a value of \$22,719.76 when completed, including 11.5 acres of garden under cultivation, 57 dairy animals, 13 swine, 92 sheep, 2,358 chickens, 353 turkeys, 12 beef cattle, 159 rabbits, and 3,925 quarts of canned food.

The food production contest this year was approved by the Lions committee on boys' and girls' work, which includes Minnick as chairman, Walter Allen, and Earl Henry.

4-H Scholars Speak
Last night's meeting also included short talks by Marjorie Zeller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Zeller of Brookway, and Bill Matthews, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Matthews of Melrose, who this year attended the 4-H summer school at Corvallis on scholarships sponsored by the Lions Club.

Marjorie told the Lions that of all the classes she attended, she most enjoyed the one in which she learned to iron a shirt. "I don't imagine any of you gentlemen know what a job it is!" she said.

Bill enjoyed his classes in farm record keeping and weed control, in which new chemicals were demonstrated, and he enjoyed inspecting the big dairy barns near Corvallis.

Federal Support Prices for 1946 Seed Crops Cited

The approach of harvest time for seed crops brings a reminder to Douglas county growers from John H. Ferguson, chairman of the county agricultural conservation committee, that they need not sell their 1946 seed crops for less than the announced government support prices.

While as yet there is no indication that market prices will be less than support prices, it's good business for farmers to have in mind the support prices when the time comes to market their crops, states Mr. Ferguson.

Cover crop seeds, of which Oregon is the nation's leading producer, will again be supported

through a direct purchase program. As in previous years, the county committee will act for the government in buying seed direct from producers at 12 cents a pound for hairy vetch, 6 cents for Willamette vetch, 11 cents for crimson clover and 7 cents for common rye grass. These prices are for seed meeting basic requirements, and appropriate differentials are provided for lower quality seed.

Willamette vetch purchased by the government will need to be field tagged by the state certifying agency, the chairman said. But except for blue tar foundation seed, clean seed will not require a certification tag.

Austrian peas are not included in the purchase program, but loans are offered at 3 cents a pound on seed stored in approved warehouses.

Prices of forage crop seeds again will be supported through a loan program. Loan rates for the more important varieties include \$1.35 a pound for ladino clover, 40 cents for certified and 33 cents for common alfalfa, 25 cents for alfalfa clover, and 34 cents for certified and 28 cents for common red clover. Loans will be available through the county office on seed stored in approved warehouses.

In addition to the support price special incentive payments again have been authorized by Congress to encourage greater production of three important legume seeds. Mr. Ferguson re-

mined. These payments will be made on seed sold into commercial channels before January 1, 1947, at the rate of 9 cents a pound for red clover and 7 cents a pound for alfalfa and alfalfa. A special harvesting payment of up to \$35 a farm also is offered.

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