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The Weather

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In the Day's News

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cago, you will pay about 75c per pound. But if you are willing to contract to buy butter for delivery IN JUNE, this week's dispatches tell us, you can find people who will agree to deliver it to you then for 53c per pound.

THE same trend is apparent in wheat.

The present CASH wheat price in Chicago is around \$2.20 per bushel ("cash" price means for delivery NOW). But if you want to buy for March delivery, the present price in Chicago is \$2.04. If you don't want delivery until July, the price is \$1.79.

The general trend in the futures markets, the dispatches make quite clear, is that the more INSTANT the date of delivery, the lower the price. All of which reflects the opinion of men in the business that food prices will drift gradually downward.

WHEN an employer stands on a street corner (or in a congressional committee room) and beats his chest and proclaims that food prices are coming down and so WAGES SHOULD COME DOWN NOW, instead of going up, it means little or nothing because he is merely trying to keep wages from going higher.

When a union official similarly proclaims that food prices are going higher and higher and so wages will have to go higher and higher, it is equally meaningless. Both sides, in such a case, are dealing in guesswork in an effort to get a better deal for themselves.

But when experienced men are willing to go out on a limb and CONTRACT to deliver food at a later date at a lower price, it means something.

WHAT is meant is that food prices have about reached their peak and are due for a drop. As food prices drop, OTHER prices will be inclined to drop. As all prices drop (within reason) we shall get back to something like normal.

The thing to keep in mind is that a reasonable decline in prices will be good for all of us, because it will mean that our dollars will buy more. When more people have more things, there is comfortable prosperity—which is what we all want.

Accidental Alarm

REEDSPORT—The first false alarm of the year, which caused the ReedSPORT volunteers to assemble to gather at the fire house, occurred this week with linemen for the Central Lincoln PUD, stranding a new copper wire, let the wire draw across the line to the fire department siren alarm system, grounding one phase of the circuit and causing the siren to sound.

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THE BACK OF A HAIRBRUSH

By CHARLES V. STANTON

A good deal of trouble seems to be brewing at Sutherlin as the result of a minor uprising of 8th grade students concerning a change of teachers. School fights, usually involving some event of a more or less petty nature in itself, have a habit of generating the intensity of an atomic bomb, often serving to completely disrupt a community, dividing it into rival factions and seriously handicapping civic cooperation.

It is not our purpose to take sides in the Sutherlin controversy. We do not profess to sit in judgment upon the issues involved. But our advice to those concerned is to shake hands all around, pat one another on the back, go buy up all the hair-brushes in town, and use them freely and adequately on the first youngsters who step out of line.

Maybe we're a bit old fashioned but we still believe it becomes necessary at times to drive knowledge into a youngster's head by sharp raps on the opposite end of his spine. Particularly is this true when it comes to lessons in discipline.

One of the greatest problems faced by our school officers today is that of discipline. Many youngsters receive cursory discipline at home, while parents resent any physical punishment administered to their offspring by school authorities. On the other hand, we can't expect effective conduct of our schools without good discipline.

Some teachers have the ability to maintain order without resorting to forceful means. Others seem to have trouble no matter what their methods. In these days of teacher shortages it becomes impossible to be selective in the choice of instructors, teachers occasionally being retained despite inability to maintain discipline without antagonizing pupils.

We do not believe in abusive corporal punishment. We do not believe that any school officer has the right or authority to punish a child in a cruel or unnecessarily severe manner. But we do believe that principals should have the right of administering a good, sound whipping, if and when needed by the pupil, and that parents should, for the sake of the child's education in the matter of discipline, support the principal, even to the extent of adding further punishment at home.

Certainly, no child is learning a lesson in discipline when a parent sides with him against a person in authority, unless there is most definite and substantial proof that the child was innocent or charges against him insufficiently investigated. Too often a parent accepts a child's word in preference to that of the teacher and does not carefully inquire into the facts. The natural instinct to believe and defend one's offspring frequently causes a parent to harm his child by nullifying a needed lesson in obedience.

We are not, mind you, offering any criticism of parents or children concerned in the Sutherlin uprising, nor are we offering defense or criticism of teachers in the Sutherlin school. We are simply stating our own general theory in the matter of discipline, and we speak from experience, having been in our own school days one of those "problem" children who would have been far better off if some of our knowledge had been "beaten in." We also speak from experience when it comes to the matter of sympathy at home. The teacher was always right and we were always wrong—a fact of which we were not thoroughly convinced until later years. But we agree now that the cooperation of our parents with school authorities was to our own benefit in learning lessons of discipline.

We would urge upon the residents of Sutherlin that they do not let this school affair drag out nor that they let it produce enmities or divisions. The matter should be entrusted to the responsible men who constitute the board of school directors. The directors should hasten to make adjustments on a basis of efficiency in the school system, regardless of personal feelings, and should be given the support and cooperation of parents and faculty.

Nor should it be forgotten that the back side of a hair-brush is often as useful as the front side.

Jr. High Papooses Trim Bulldogs of Medford, 36-28

By ROYAL S. DENTON

Roseburg's Junior High Papooses rallied in the final period last night at the local court to oust Medford's Bulldogs, 36-28, in a thriller thus far unsurpassed in Roseburg court play this season.

The eighth graders, coached by Warren Coyne, were edged out by Medford's graders, 25-20, in a similar breath-taking maple fray. Driven by the dead-eye potting of Spud Rodgers, husky Papoose guard, Roseburg rallied in the third quarter to take command of the game which they had previously fought with doubtful aspects of victory.

Roseburg, showing a great amount of court aggressiveness, trailed at the close of the initial quarter, 6-8, and 12-15 at half-time, returning to the floor in the third period with just the added power to knock over a strong opponent when the chips were down.

The Medford crew, well matched in size with the Papooses, employed a similar fast-break, but found the Roseburg close-checking man-for-man defense not easy to fathom. On two occasions the visitors resorted to a zone defense, attempting to check Roseburg's repeated fake and break tactics.

Tide Turns in 3rd Period Weber, rubbery reserve, ball-hawked and scored midway in the third period to put the Papooses on the first even terms since the first half at center when Matthews did the first scoring. From then on Roseburg built up their lead to 23-18, Medford came back, led by Morris, to trail 25-24, and then the Papooses cut loose into winning form to increase their margin toward ultimate victory.

Medford displayed a strong strategy in catching Roseburg, but the close-in work of Rodgers, plus the fancy floor work of Blank and Olson, soon put the Papooses in a last quarter walk-away lead.

Rodgers led the night's scoring with 10 points, sinking them on layups as well as on set shots. Morris, lanky Medford forward, led the Bulldogs with eight points.

A colorful drill exhibition was staged at half-time by William Black's Junior High School Girls' basketball team, which drew a big hand from the throng of fans.

Lineups: Roseburg (36) P. (28) Medford Gary, 2 F. 5, Goodman Ingram, F. 8, Morris Blank, 6 C. 4, Wendt Rodgers, 10 G. 8, Holzgang Matthews, 3 G. 1, Smith Substitutions: Roseburg—Olson 5, Weber 8, Strickling, Reiffman, Parr, Henninger, Ellis; Medford—Yarnell 1, Irvin 1, Wilkinson, Official: Moore.

Cascade Baseball Loop Turns Down Expansion Plan

EUGENE—The Cascade Baseball League, at its second annual mid-winter meeting at Eugene Wednesday night, rejected a proposal to expand the present four-team circuit to a six-team league.

Horace DeBernardi, Umpqua Chief first baseman, representing Roseburg, reported that the Chiefs were extremely interested in joining the circuit and were ready to assume obligations financially and in the matter of club personnel to gain entrance.

The four club owners, Frank Graham of Hills Creek, Orrin Snellstrom of Shellstrom Braves, Ray Miller of the Lumbermen, and Nat Guistina of the Guistina Reds, rejected the proposal for a five-team league, including Roseburg. At the same time the four men notified Roseburg and Cottage Grove the proposal would be reconsidered again next winter.

Necessity for additional travel was the chief reason against expansion of the league.

Although Silverton made no formal application, it was reported that the former State League club was interested. Cottage Grove, represented by Alton Woodard, reported definite plans for development of a field and organization of a club for the 1948 season.

In retaining the present four-team league, there was some discussion of staging an invitational tournament in Eugene in August, bringing in the best semi-pro teams in Oregon, Washington and California for a tourney that would carry a top prize of about \$1,000 for the winner.

Commercial Loop Ends First Week Of Basketball

Commercial basketball completed its first week of play last night at a whirlwind pace throughout the country as all 13-teams saw action. Sutherlin's Pastime Tavern took over undisputed first place in the north with three straight wins, while Rainbow Grill and Umpqua Valley Hardware led for top positions on the southern division ladder.

Canyonville Quint Edges Out Riddle

Canyonville's B League hoopers squeezed out Riddle in a "sudden-death" period last Tuesday, 30-28, following two overtime periods in their second conference hoopfest.

Riddle's girl net team rolled over Canyonville's volleyball squad, 29-9. Resuming county competitive sports after a two year lapse, Ethel Harrison, student sports editor, reports that it has almost become necessary for every member of the student body, which totals 23, to participate.

Canyonville led the Riddle Irish through three periods 9-4, 12-10 and 16-15, Riddle rallying to a one goal lead in the final seconds of the fourth quarter for a standing tie of 26-26.

Jack Hensley boosted Canyonville to a 28-26 lead in the opening of the three-minute extra period, only to see Gene Cornelius up Riddle's half of the score to another tie.

The "sudden death" period began with Riddle's Zumwalt potting a free throw for a three-point lead, but Hensley again pulled Canyonville out with a field goal and a 30-29 victory.

Riddle's Holder, and Hensley and Sullivan, all split scoring honors with eight each.

Yoncalla Basketeers of B League Trim Glide, 29-24

Yoncalla edged out Glide in a B league basketball contest last night at Glide, 29-24, after playing on even terms through three quarters.

The Glide girls' volleyball crew won from Yoncalla, 24-14. With the score never more than two points apart, Glide held the Yoncalla hoopers with tied scores through the first two periods, the victorious Eagles pulling ahead in the final two minutes of play.

Ritchey, forward of Yoncalla, led scoring with 16 points. Engles, Glide forward, potted 11 points.

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Meeting Dates Changed by Central Labor Council

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New firms recently signing agreements with the local A. F. of L. labor office are: Teamsters, Medford's Associated Service and Scherner Brothers Beverage and Walker's Cafe in Sutherlin.

Roberts also announced the recent employment of Mrs. Ruby Scallan as office assistant at the local labor headquarters.

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