

## Seals Favored To Win League Flag As Season Opens

LOS ANGELES, March 30.—(AP)—The Pacific Coast League opens its 46th season of baseball today with Seattle at Hollywood, Los Angeles at San Diego, San Francisco at Sacramento and Portland at Oakland.

President Clarence Rowland predicted a banner season that he said would top even 1947, when 4,600,000 spectators established an all-time minor league attendance record.

The finish of the 188-game schedule surely won't be any closer than that in 1947, when San Francisco and Los Angeles deadlocked for first place. Los Angeles won the single game play-off on Clarence Maddern's home run.

Maddern is with the Chicago Cubs this year. The Angels are minus several more key players and the club is not regarded as a pennant threat. Manager Lefty O'Doul's San Francisco Seals are the pre-season favorite, with Casey Stengel's Oakland club rated as a dangerous contender.

San Francisco has most of its 1947 lineup on hand, but it is strengthened in the infield, outfield and catching department. O'Doul starting his 15th season as manager, no doubt will miss Bob Chesnes, his leading hurler, who went to the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Only new manager in the circuit is Sacramento's Joe Oringo, ex-major league infielder who is trying to get a first division berth with a group of veterans.

Los Angeles will send Red Lynn to the mound against San Diego tonight and the Padres plan to pitch the veteran Tom Seaver. Seattle, with Herman Besse on the hill, will bat against Hollywood's Rugger Ardizzone in another night game.

A day game will pit San Francisco's Jack Brewer or Cliff Melton against Tony Freitas or Jack Salverson of Sacramento, and Portland uses Vince Dibiasi or Roy Helser against Oakland's Will Hefey, in another night contest.

### FIRE ROUTS GUESTS

PORTLAND, March 30.—(AP)—Thirty hotel tenants scurried down fire escapes and ladders last night when smoke billowed through the window from a ground floor store room.

Fire Investigator William Goertz said damage was \$4500 in a music record shop, in which several hundred discs were destroyed.

## Bulk, Not Skill, Earns Decision for Tandberg

BOSTON, March 30.—(AP)—Towering Ole Tandberg, the Swedish heavyweight champion, today could thank his bulk rather than his boxing skill for his second triumph in his three American starts.

That 204-pound invader clashed with slender Duilio Spagnolo of Italy. In a 10-round feature bout at the Boston Garden last night, it was the former's 154 pounds pull in the weights that enabled him to collect a unanimous decision.

Tandberg leaned on Spagnolo so long and so often that he wore out the Italian long before the end.

## Salmon Fishing Seasons Reduced

PORTLAND, March 30.—(AP)—The commercial salmon fishing season will be shorter this year in a number of coastal streams. The State Fish Commission took the action yesterday as a conservation measure.

Rivers affected include: Nehalem—Open season changed from Aug. 1-Nov. 20 to Sept.-Nov. 20.

Tillamook Bay—Driftnet season changed from May 15-Dec. 10 to Aug. 15-Dec. 10. For Tillamook Bay feeder streams the May 15-Nov. 30, driftnet season was changed to Aug. 15-Nov. 30.

Siletz River—Season changed from Aug. 1-Oct. 31 to Aug. 15-Oct. 31.

Yaquina Bay and River—Changed from Aug. 1-Nov. 20 to Sept. 1-Nov. 20.

Alecia River—Changed from July 15-Nov. 20 to Sept. 1-Nov. 20. The Siuslaw season was changed to the same dates as for the Alecia.

Coquille River—Changed from July 15-Dec. 10 to Sept. 1-Nov. 20. Most of the stream week-end closure periods also were tightened.

## Perfect Scores Posted By Sutherland Marksmen

Seven sportsmen participating in the Calapooia Rod and Gun Club trapshoot at Sutherland Sunday turned in perfect scores.

Marksmen registering 25 hits in as many attempts included Monte Roundtree, Harold Hotcher, Lewis Allen, Tom Minor, Willis Dage, Rodney Leatherwood and Bruce Martin.

Other high scorers included Bill Trozelle with a 24; Herb Hogan and Lloyd Wilson, each 23, and Don Baird, Slim Goodman and Claude Harvey, 22's.

## Coach Friel Of Cougars Joins In Boom For Wallace

SPOKANE, March 30.—(AP)—Jack Friel, Washington State College basketball coach, moved from the sports to the political arena today to urge the election of Henry Wallace.

The veteran Cougar coach told a gathering of 300 persons at a Wallace-for-president meeting last night that support of Wallace is "the only outlet Roosevelt Democrats have today for expressing their views."

Friel said he was convinced after 20 years of studying the Soviet Union that Russians do not seek to dominate the world. He said he believes they are concerned mainly with "trying to build a better life at home."

He said he had taught economics and history for five years before taking up coaching and had been studying Russia for 20 years.

"Not from the belief that the Soviet ideology has any application in this country," he explained, "but to learn whether the United States and Russia can live without war."

His decision to address the meeting, Friel said, "was questioned, not by the administration of the state college, but by friends."

He made the talk, he said, because "in such a period of war hysteria, anyone who has convictions has not only the right but the duty to speak."

### Others Boost Wallace

Jerry O'Connell, former executive secretary of the state Democratic party and now a leader in the state campaign for Wallace, praised the Washington State College coach "for his tremendous courage at this critical hour."

O'Connell predicted that Wallace's name will be on the ballot "in every state of the union, and asserted that "we will have a new and permanent common man's people's party in the state of Washington."

"Only a month ago they kicked me out of the King County Democratic party because I was against Truman," O'Connell commented. "Now every National Democratic leader wants to know how they can dump him so they can save their dying party."

State Treasurer Russell Fluenf also spoke at the meeting. He said the Democratic party is "liquidated and is completely breaking up" because it deserted the policies of Franklin Roosevelt.

"The Wallace vote will not be a protest vote," he predicted. "It will be a majority vote."

## King Kobra Klub Riders Take Part In "Egg" Hunt

Eleven riders from the King Kobra Motorcycle Klub of Roseburg entered the Easter egg hunt sponsored by the Springfield Cycle Club Sunday.

Instead of the usual Easter eggs, cans of motorcycle oil were hidden in a 100-acre field. Riders had to pick up the "eggs" while still on their machines and were disqualified if they got off. Three marked "eggs" turned out to be cash prizes.

Approximately 35 riders took part in the contest, which turned out to be more of mud-obstacle run than hunt," observed June Holmes of the King Kobra Klub.

## Umpqua Chiefs May Enter State League

Possibility that the Umpqua Chiefs baseball team may enter the State League this year was viewed following a meeting of sponsors of the Roseburg team Monday night.

Harold Sanders and Grant Phillips were delegated to attend a meeting of the State League executives in Albany at 1 p. m. Sunday. Invitation to attend the meeting had previously been received by the local team.

Vern Heibig, Manager Doug Taitt and Secretary Elmore Hill will go to Medford Saturday to attend an evening meeting of the Southern Oregon League. Purpose of this meeting will be to make final arrangements for the season, which opens April 25. Final details in the schedule and general playing conditions will come up for consideration.

The local team has been holding workouts in the high school gym each Wednesday and Friday nights, and will work out each Sunday at 2:30 (weather permitting) on Finlay field. About 25 ball players were out last Sunday.

Sponsors attending Monday night's meeting included Sanders, Wallace Rapp, Walt Bernal, Phillips, H. G. Jefferies, W. C. DePriest, Heibig, Fred Lavascer, Elmer Hampton, E. A. Vanderhoef, and Team Manager Taitt and Secretary Hill.

### Vital Statistics

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BURY-FELTON—Byron Elmer Burt and Marie Marie Fernen, both of Reedsport.

At zero, Fahrenheit, a cubic foot of air can absorb less than half a grain of water, but at 100 degrees it can absorb nearly 20 grains.

## Oregon-Idaho Pact On Motor Vehicles Displeases Newbury

SALEM, Ore.—(AP)—Secretary of State Newbury "reluctantly" signed a new agreement with Idaho governing reciprocity on the subject of motor vehicles between the two states.

Before the new agreement, each state granted free licenses to trucks of the other state. This agreement provides the trucks of more than 4,500 pounds in one state shall have to be licensed by the other state.

Newbury said this means that a large truck and trailer combination from Oregon will have to pay \$500 for a license when it enters Idaho. He said an Idaho truck and trailer combination entering Oregon can be licensed for only \$5.

Reciprocity for trucks, under 4,500 pounds, and for farm trucks and other classes of motor vehicles will be continued.

In a letter to the Idaho State Public Utilities Commission, Newbury said:

"In wiping out even a portion of reciprocity, I fear we have opened the door to needless future misunderstandings, further burden on our policing activities and a general economic loss to business and industry."

But Newbury said he felt that he had to sign the agreement in order to keep reciprocity for the farmer and small truck owner.

"We have felt, and still feel, that motor vehicles from one state should be permitted to pass in and out of a neighboring state without being forced to buy a second set of registration plates. We in Oregon have taken pride in our record of reciprocal agreements with 27 states," Newbury wrote.

Newbury said he believed Idaho dropped reciprocity on larger trucks because Idaho officials didn't like Oregon's new motor transportation fees. These fees

## Babe Ruth Picks All-Time All-Star Baseball Team

PHILADELPHIA, March 30.—(AP)—Babe Ruth picked an all-time all-star baseball team today but left right field open because "I just don't want to pick myself."

Here is the lineup as it appeared in the Saturday Evening Post: Pitchers—Walter Johnson, Washington Senators; Christy Mathewson, New York Giants; Grover Cleveland Alexander, St. Louis Cardinals; and Herb Pennock, New York Yankees.

Catcher—Ray Schalk, Chicago White Sox.

First Base—Hal Chase, New York Yankees.

Second Base—Napoleon Jallie, Cleveland Indians.

Shortstop—Honus Wagner, Pittsburgh Pirates.

Third Base—Jimmy Collins, Boston Red Sox.

Left Field—Ty Cobb, Detroit Tigers.

Center Field—Tris Speaker, Cleveland Indians.

Right Field—Mr. X.

Leaving the selection of the right fielder to his readers, Ruth offered as candidates, Harry Hooper, Joe Jackson, Harry Heilmann, Ross Young and Mel Ott.

are based on the tonnage of the truck.

He said Idaho's registration fee for the largest size truck and trailer combination is about \$500. Oregon charges only \$5, he said, because Oregon gets its revenue from the tonnage tax on trucks.

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