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JUNIOR BASEBALL

By Charles V. Stanton

Baseball fans attending the American Legion junior baseball game at Finlay Field Friday night saw an exciting contest. It was most encouraging to supporters of Legion ball to have such a large and enthusiastic "gate."

The Roseburg team last year went into the semifinals of the state championship playoff, losing to The Dalles in a three-game series in which both teams were very evenly matched.

The team this year will be even stronger than last year, it is believed, although Friday night's game indicated that a good deal of emphasis will be needed in the hitting department. However, the team has exceptionally good potential hitting power which should come into evidence as the season progresses and batting eyes are sharpened.

Although it is called a Roseburg team, it draws heavily from the surrounding area, with players from Glide, Dillard, Camas Valley and other points, on the squad.

Followers of the Legion activity are extremely hopeful that this year's team will take the state championship—and more.

Post To Be Commended

Umpqua Post, No. 16, of the American Legion is to be highly commended for the way in which it has promoted junior baseball over a long period of years.

This activity was started shortly after the First World War.

Veterans of that war quickly recognized in their organization, the American Legion, an opportunity to be of service to the nation's young people.

The Legion introduced programs of education, citizenship, Americanism, and others. Training in sportsmanship was felt to be equally important. So in addition to its citizenship program, as exemplified in Oregon by the Beaver Boys' State, The American Legion organized junior baseball. Umpqua Post became a charter member in that activity. It has continuously maintained its sponsorship and participation, even though the Post at times had extreme difficulty in paying its bills, and members of the committee frequently had to dig into their own pockets to make up deficits.

In later years Legion ball has had outside financial help, but it still is inadequately financed. It costs a considerable amount of money each year to furnish uniforms, equipment, transportation, meals, lodging, supplies and other such items. Yet, Umpqua Post has met the demands year after year, through good times and bad, although many seasons saw serious shortages.

The activity also has demanded a great deal of time from many veterans to work on the various committees and to perform the scores of incidental tasks. It is interesting to observe that the local committee still includes several World War I veterans, active throughout all the years of the program, indicative of the fascination the work holds, as well as the dedication of these men to service.

Further Effort Inspired

The success of American Legion junior baseball inspired extension of the program through Pee Wee and Little League baseball, which now takes a boy through various stages from the time he is able to handle a baseball until he reaches his late teens. There still is a gap between the time the youth leaves junior ball and the time he is ready for semipro ball, but that gap, too, is being closed gradually.

Aside from its many educational and recreational benefits, Legion ball has opened the way for thousands of young men to carve out careers in professional baseball. The ranks of major and minor leagues are full today of young men who got their start under American Legion sponsorship. Many of these men come from poor homes and remote areas. Without the help of the American Legion they would never have had the opportunity to break into professional baseball, with its opportunity for fame and fortune.

Junior baseball, in my opinion, is an activity deserving of highest commendation and of enthusiastic support from the general public.

Hal Boyle

NEW YORK (AP) — There are at least 26 million overweight Americans, and Leonard Louis Levinson has just written a book dedicated to them all.

His dedication reads: "To the thin person, inside every fat person, fighting to get out."

A reformed fatty himself, this repentant sinner is the Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde of the diet field.

For most of his life Levinson, now 32, never counted his calories, and preferred to take them rather than leave them alone.

He was a highly successful writer of film scripts, stage scripts and radio shows. He wrote for Fibber McGee and Molly and many other entertainment headliners.

Then he was commissioned to write "The Brown Derby Cookbook," to celebrate the sophisticated cuisine of the Hollywood restaurant he patronized himself.

"In preparing that book," he recalled, "I tasted about 1,500 dishes they had in a card file as well as all those they had in the menu. For example, they had 23 different ways of preparing lamb kidneys—imagine that!—and I tried them all."

"The recipes weren't for people worried about putting on weight. Most of them started off—take a half pound of butter...or a pint of rich cream and..."

Levinson who wore a great brown walrus mustache when he started the project, resembled a walrus in other ways when it was finished. He was round, unfirm and fully packed. He was also short of breath and uncomfortable.

His doctor told him he had to reduce at least 13 pounds.

"I thought it would be easy," said Levinson, "but it took me a full year. I had become too used to stuffing myself with rich food.

"But I like to throw myself into a thing, and I got really interested in nutrition and made a thorough study of it."

The result, after more than two years of experimentation with himself as the guinea pig, is a book on the other side of the dietary fence. It is called "The Complete Book of Low Calorie Cooking."

Just how thorough was his research?

"Well," said Levinson, "I found 365 ways to prepare a breakfast egg—a different way for every day of the year."

The book abounds with tips on how ordinary diet cheaters, such as the midnight icebox raiders and the between-meals snackers, can gorge themselves on extra food and still not put on weight.

"The single most important thing a dieter should learn is moderation—then he can eat almost anything," he said.

"But moderation is something many people just can't practice. So for them the answer must be to pick low-calorie foods to fill up on. If we use more old world spices, herbs and seasonings—kitchen today is that we are using more varied and tasty."

The days when he ate lamb kid-

By WALTER BREEDE JR.

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You didn't have to look far for signs that the economy was strong and lusty.

The Commerce Department reported that 65 million Americans had jobs last month—a new record high for May. Wages and incomes were higher than ever. Retail trade continued to outpace the record sales of a year ago; even automobile sales, which had been lagging badly, showed signs of perking up.

"Consumers have jobs, they have money, and they are buying," said the First National City Bank of New York. "Even though they have cut spending for certain products, in the aggregate they are spending more than ever before."

Business was spending more than ever before too. The Commerce Department predicted that business spending on new plant and equipment in the third quarter would hit a record annual rate of \$36,700,000,000—a gain of nearly two billions over April-May-June.

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tion's privately owned power companies would double their generating capacity in the next ten years—at a cost of more than 40 billions.

But if strong spots in the economy were getting stronger this week, some of the soft spots were getting softer.

Farm equipment manufacturers announced new layoffs. New textile shutdowns were reported. Price wars flared in the home appliance field. Prices of several industrial commodities drifted lower.

Summing it all up, it was another week of mixed trends with some lines bowling along at a record clip and others in the doldrums.

The comeback in auto sales stirred hopes of dealers who had been wrestling with the biggest new car inventories on record. There was nothing sensational about it, and measured against the fantastic sales of a year ago, it looked thin indeed. But combined with drastic production cuts at the factories, the sales pickup was sufficient to make a noticeable dent in the record stocks of unsold cars cramping dealers' lots and showrooms.

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IN THE DAY'S NEWS

By FRANK JENKINS

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to three points. By then, word had spread that nothing was wrong with the President's heart.

That checked the selling, and prices began to recover.

Meanwhile, the President's personal physicians had held a conference and diagnosed his trouble as an intestinal inflammation and ordered him to the hospital for a complete examination.

When that news hit the floor of the exchanges, in London and Paris as well as New York, it touched off another selling wave—quite naturally, because to the average person being rushed to the hospital means that something grave and menacing is suspected. No body stopped to think that if the President of the United States cut his finger while sharpening a pencil he might be sent to the hospital to make sure that an infection didn't set in.

As this is written, the second selling wave is continuing and prices have dropped as much as \$6 a share.

Why this recital of what the stock markets did as a result of the President's indisposition?

Well, it reveals startlingly the FAITH of people throughout the world in President Eisenhower and his policies. The feeling is general that if he can be spared to serve another term everything will be ALL RIGHT. But if something happened to him that removed him from his post of leadership nobody knows WHAT might be the result.

Self-preservation, you know, is the first law of nature—and that applies to FINANCIAL as well as physical self-preservation. People's first thought, on hearing the news of his upset, was one of personal grief and sorrow. Their second thought was that they'd better sell their securities while the selling was still good.

Hence the rush of selling orders on the financial exchanges.

News prepared in 23 sauce-rich ways are past for Levinson, who fought successfully to get out of his old fat self. But he has no regrets.

"We are what we eat," he said, "and the more we eat the more we are."

Shoulder to the Wheel



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Neuberger Lashes Eisenhower Again

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Neuberger (D-Ore.) Thursday took President Eisenhower to task because, the senator said, "he is more likely to interfere in a Republican primary to promote anti-conservation policies than to advance his own foreign policy."

Neuberger said the President intervened to support former Secretary of the Interior Douglas McKay in the Oregon GOP Senate race but stayed out of the Wisconsin contest where Sen. Alexander Wiley "who has fought for the supposed foreign policy of the administration," was opposed by the state GOP organization.

The senator said in a statement that McKay "has done more to retard conservation than any other official in modern times."

Neuberger noted that President Eisenhower said in his news conference Wednesday that he had intervened in the Oregon contest on "the understanding there would be no other candidates in the Republican primary."

Bruce Blossat

The decision of the United Nations Command to throw out the "neutral" truce teams operating in South Korea was long overdue. They have been functioning as agents of communism rather than truce inspectors.

When the armistice was approved in 1953, a neutral team comprising Swedish, Swiss, Czech and Polish representatives was formed. The first two were assigned to study truce enforcement in North Korea, the latter pair in South Korea.

Almost from the beginning the Chinese thwarted efforts of the Swedish and Swiss representatives to determine the degree of Communist compliance with the truce terms. They were unable to make on-the-spot checks to see whether any new military build-up was taking place in violation of the agreement.

MEANTIME, reports accepted by the U.N. Command as authentic filtered in to the effect that Red

violations were continuous and numerous.

Across the line in South Korea, the Czech and Polish representatives freely used their "inspection" privileges for espionage and subversion. The command charges them with being "flagrantly" unneutral.

Judged practically, what the Chinese have done is to employ the period since July, 1953, as if it were merely an interval between phases of a war rather than a postwar prelude to real peace in the area.

One gets the feeling that the Reds might decide to move south again, if and when they believed the military balance was sufficiently favorable to them and political conditions in South Korea were conveniently unstable.

The truce has meant an end to shooting war, and that is of tremendous importance. But it has not spelled the end of uncertainty, for the Communists feast on uncertainty.

IN their callous corruption of the neutral armistice commission for their own strategic purposes, they have revealed afresh that they respect no agreement except as it suits them.

The normal devices of international accord and association are for the Reds mere elements to be warped to fit a plan of conquest that changes but never dies.

Reader Opinions

Keep Old Library Park, Urges Ex-Roseburg Girl

FT. MEAD, MD. — After having read Mrs. McKanna's letter concerning possible parking lot plans for Library Park, I fully intended to add my two-cents' worth. Now that another letter has been written on the subject, I'm postponing it no longer.

When I went home on my first leave since joining the service small things, even then, were noticeably different. I plan to be home again this summer, and I would certainly hate to see that library area without the park. It's the small changes that make the difference, and that park, with its easy reach of so many people for so many purposes, as Mrs. McKanna stated certainly is not something which would be easily and quickly forgotten by many, many people in Roseburg.

I do, however, disagree with Mr. Bashford. Why not leave the bandstand? It is used, and enjoyably so, during the summer months. There isn't enough of that type of thing in Roseburg. Let's keep what we do have.

Remember the song, "Don't ever Go Back To Your Old Home Town?"

Don't let your service people develop the feeling, "Advance, go forward, certainly! But don't destroy old, well-known, well-loved things while attaining that advancement."

Pvt. S. Polter, WAC
Ft. Geo. S. Mead, Md.

Robeson's Passport Refusal Is Upheld

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U. S. Court of Appeals Thursday upheld the State Department's denial of a passport to singer Paul Robeson, who refused to say whether he is or has been a Communist.

The appellate court unanimously upheld the ruling in which U.S. Dist. Judge B. S. Matthews dismissed Robeson's complaint against Secretary of State Dulles.

Writing for the court, Judge Edward Barrett Prettyman said Robeson made no reply to the State Department's request that he execute an affidavit concerning present or past membership in the Communist Party.

Robeson then was told, Prettyman said, that he could have an informal hearing but would be expected to answer questions about past and present membership in the party. He made no reply to this, but instead filed suit contending the passport regulations violated his constitutional rights.

In upholding dismissal of Robeson's suit, the appellate court said he "failed to exhaust his administrative remedies."

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