

# COAST BASEBALL IS DUE FOR GOOD YEAR IS BELIEF

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(Written exclusively for The Associated Press)

SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 2 (AP)— Unless all signs fall baseball is headed for a successful season. The reports which have been received in our office the past month or six weeks indicate the national game is well on the road to prosperity.

The fans of the Pacific coast will witness a superior type of baseball for the reason the clubs have strengthened their ranks. There is not a club but what will be stronger

than it was when it finished last season.

The managers have added new talent regardless of expense. It will be no lopsided race for the pennant. Well over half of the clubs have better than a fighting chance to land in first place.

We feel we have appointed a competent staff of umpires who will keep the games moving along and at the same time give the fans a fast article of baseball.

One thing which will add interest to the season's play will be the large number of new faces the clubs will present. Every team has many newcomers.

The return of an old favorite to the coast in the person of Manager Gaby Street of the Missions will be warmly received by the fans. Portland also will present an old stand-by in Manager Walt McCrede whose

popularity in other years is still remembered.

LOS ANGELES, Apr. 2 (AP)— With April Fool's day, six teams in the Pacific coast baseball league completed schedules of practice games that didn't count in the percentage column and took a 24-hour rest today before the umpires call "batter up" tomorrow to start off the 1933 pennant chase.

Portland and Seattle, playing their own practice series at the respective training camp sites, Ventura and Santa Barbara, ended the training sessions with the Indians holding a two-game edge over the Ducks in eight meetings. The Indians won five games but dropped the last two straight to the Ducks, who won Sunday's contest, 7 to 4.

The Hollywood Stars brought their training grind to an end by wallopping the Hollywood Paramount Cubs, 16 to 1, getting 17 hits, ten of them for extra bases.

# MICKEY COCHRANE ILL AT HOSPITAL

LAKELAND, Fla., Apr. 2 (AP)— Gordon (Mickey) Cochrane, the catcher-manager for whom the Detroit Tigers paid \$100,000 last winter, was in a hospital today suffering from an attack of appendicitis.

An operation, if it becomes necessary, will deprive the Tigers of Cochrane for eight weeks.

Dr. Grover C. Freeman, Cochrane's physician, expressed the hope last night that the operation might not be necessary. He said Cochrane was suffering a mild form of appendicitis, thereby confirming Cochrane's own diagnosis.

# NAME GAISER PRESIDENT OF E. O. EDUCATORS

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of La Grande as the place to hold the district track and field meet this spring. More than 350 educators attended the one-day conference.

Silas Gaiser, superintendent of the McLaughlin high school of Milton-Freewater, was elected president and Miss Kate Hous, director of the J. H. Ackerman Training school, was re-elected secretary. It was not learned until after the election that Mr. Gaiser had been selected as superintendent of the Salem, Ore., schools for next year.

Mr. Gaiser will serve as president until some future action as to his residence in Eastern Oregon is taken. Principal A. L. Gralapp, of La Grande High, is the retiring president.

Coach Ira Woodie, of La Grande High, invited the other schools in Eastern Oregon to hold the 1934 track and field meet here, and his invitation was accepted. The date was set for May 5, which is two weeks before the state track and field meet.

Mr. Woodie led the discussion at the sectional meeting Saturday having to do with athletics and physical training in the schools, and Dr. William Peare, of this city, was among the speakers, pointing out dangers that he saw as existing in the present day set-up. He also urged full publicity as to all athletics and physical training, to inform taxpayers of the state track and field meet.

Dr. Frank W. Hart, of the school of education of the University of California at Berkeley, was the main speaker of the conference, delivering two addresses Saturday at general assemblies. Other speakers included State Senator Fred E. Kiddle, and Charles A. Howard, state superintendent of public instruction, with headquarters in Salem.

The attendance was the best on record. Mr. Gralapp reported, with educators present from as far west as Bend and from the extreme southeastern part of the states, in addition to the guest speakers from other sections.

The meetings were held in the Eastern Oregon Normal school.

# SNOW RUINS DAY FOR LOCAL CLUB

With a snow storm engulfing the valley, shooters of the La Grande Gun club had a bad day of it Sunday at the Lone Tree traps, losing all three matches in the Oregonian telegraphic shoot, and probably as many in the Boise Statesman shoot, although reports on the latter have not been received.

The club could do no better than a 64, with Tracy Hollister shooting a 22 and Nate Zwiefel and Claude Mackey getting a 21 each.

Heppner-Pilot Rock burned in a 71. The Dales a 70 and Coos County 73. Both of the above Eastern Oregon clubs also were handicapped by weather, but not of as severe a kind as was experienced here.

In the skeet shoot, Dr. Faus was high with 16. A. J. Gower scored 15 with a 20 guage gun, and Nate Zwiefel broke 14 birds.

The club officers today were expressing thanks to sportsmen for the good work done in completing spending of the holding pens for pheasants at the sewage disposal plant.

It also was announced a registered shoot will be held here April 29, and that the club is continuing its plans to seek the 1935 state shoot for La Grande.

but is capable of 110 and more. It is reported that two six-car trailers of this type are in construction and one nine-car train has been ordered. It is estimated that when these trains are established regularly, the running time from Chicago to Portland will be about 40 hours.

The train, the latest thing in streamlining design, nosed into La Grande about 10:30 last night. Many were surprised today to see it was canary yellow and golden brown in color, as they had expected an aluminum colored train—similar to the color of the souvenir coins given to each who inspected the train today.

The train is expected to revolutionize transportation in the United States. It consists of three cars fitted up as a unit, and is powered by a 500-horsepower diesel burning motor, which operates an electric generator which in turn drives two traction motors mounted on the axle of the front truck. The cars are made of aluminum alloy and are of a low center of gravity. Scientific streamlining has been used to minimize wind resistance. Vestibules are completely covered and trucks entirely shrouded.

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# LIVESTOCK MEN GAIN BY BETTER CATTLE VALUES

CORVALLIS, Ore., (AP)— Oregon and Washington livestock producers benefited by at least \$130,000 in increased cattle value during January and February of this year through the expenditure of only \$25,000 by government relief agencies for surplus beef purchased on the Portland terminal market, on the basis of a survey of market trends completed at Oregon State college.

The study of market changes during the past winter was made by B. W. Bodenwold, assistant professor of animal husbandry, at the request of Oregon livestock organizations.

From early in January to March 1 the government purchased about 800 carcasses, of 330,000 pounds of beef dressed weight.

After accounting for the seasonal rise and all other factors as revealed from 8-year averages, Professor Bodenwold found that the average increase above normal price changes, attributable only to the surplus purchases, averaged from 40 to 60 cents a hundredweight over all classes of cattle. Applied to total sales during the two months, this rise meant at least \$130,000 increase in returns.

"This is the usual experience where small surpluses are taken from livestock markets," Prof. Bodenwold said, "and indicates the importance to this region of the decision of the government relief administration to make its beef purchases in the states in which they are to be used. It further indicates the advantage of having such purchases made on the terminal markets where any effect on prices will be reflected throughout the industry over the whole region guided by the price changes on these terminal markets."

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# ELGIN PEOPLE INSPECT TRAIN

Among the residents of Elgin who were in La Grande this morning to pass inspection on the train were E. C. Gettings, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Hill, son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Parsons and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Parsons.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Whitney and family have recently moved to the A. T. Hill house, 1604 Elgin street, where they will reside in the future.

The body of John G. Holl who died Saturday morning will be forwarded to Salt Lake City by Walker's Funeral Service on train No. 20. Funeral services will be held there, probably on Thursday April 5, it is announced.

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# ERA Officials Await Word As to Program

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setup will be investigated by expert social service workers. It was learned today. If found to need less than 54 hours work a month to make his budget balance, the applicant will be given direct relief in the form of food and clothing. If he needs more than 54 hours he will be given work at the prevailing wage in his locality.

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row, give them your signature and get your keys." Judith nodded wearily, then went to the door to admit a tall young Texan in the nondescript attire of a commercial airman.

"Judith, Miss Lane, this is Slim Sanford." At the name Judith looked up and smiled—"You're Clia's brother."

"And you're small Jude. I came all the way from China to meet you and found you down in the Devil river country. Now that you're here I have to go down there . . . never mind, I'll catch up with you some day."

"I hope you do," she returned sincerely. She did hope so, if he were half as fascinating as his sister thought him, he would make an ideal guest for her home . . . hers and Norman's . . . she'd almost forgotten Norman during the previous hours of work.

She found herself recalling what Clia had told her of him, as he talked with her chief. Breath-taking adventures mostly. Clia was always expecting a wire telling her he had cracked up in Timbuktu. He had spent a week on an arctic ice floe while Clia haunted the telegraph room awaiting word, and there was another time when he had come down inside some Chinese province to be captured by a doughty young war lord, who had later released him.

"Slim" Sanford looked up at her and smiled. No wonder the war lord had been lenient, thought Judith at his flash of white teeth and nice blue eyes, intensely blue.

SHE thought of him again when she reached her apartment, found her food closet bare (she'd had no time to shop since reaching town), the refrigerator turned off. As far as anything edible was concerned, it was a desert island, and then the telephone rang.

"Judy . . . good morning, Norman speaking, say dear, I've got things all fixed up with the architect. Can you have lunch with me, then go to his office?"

Architect, thought Judith? Oh yes, there had been talk of a house on a hill, oaks behind it, terraced lawn.

"Judy . . . what's wrong?" "Forgive me, Norman, I just got in from the office and I'm so tired, I'm stupid, could you make that late afternoon?"

"Make it tomorrow, you poor youngster, had your breakfast?" "No, I'm going right to bed. I'm sorry about the architect; it isn't that I'm not interested—"

"Don't worry about that, dear, call me later." Judith nodded at the mouthpiece, laughed at her sleepy stupidity, said goodbye and went to her bed. Too tired to sleep, she tossed and turned, thought of Big Tom and his peculiar request, thought of Norman and his kindness.

There came a rap on the door and going to it she found Lige, with a tray in his hand—"Mo'nin', Miss Lane, Ma's Norman he sent round some breakfast Delphy fix up. An' Delphy she say you is to eat ev'ry bite."

Judith surveyed the tray, steaming cereal with plump dates poking their heads from the cloistered cream, golden peaches, flaked with sugar, thickly buttered toast and a pot of chocolate. Delphy had boasted she'd "fatten that child."

Overwhelmed with Norman's thoughtfulness, Judy sat eating and thinking. Some men would have resented her lack of interest in her future home; resented her lack of responsiveness, but not Norman.

Had she the right to marry such a person while under bondage to Big Tom? Suppose he died right away . . . foolish thought, the doctor was probably trying to frighten him into taking a rest.

That trip with its intense heat had been trying on them all . . . she'd call Dr. Kelly and make sure, out of fairness to Norman. She reached for the telephone, called the number, talked to his office girl and then to him.

"Miss Lane? Oh, yes, Big Tom's secretary, I've just come from there, Miss Lane, they called me to his office."

Judith listened to Tom Bevins' physician in alarm—"Did you say you were called to his office? Is he ill?" she stilled.

"He's all right now, but why did you let him work all night? My goodness, Miss Lane, you should know better."

# RALPH HURON RETURNS HOME

Colonel Ralph Huron returned Sunday night from Portland where he has been spending the last several days on business. Mr. Huron was one of the guests on the Union Pacific steamline train to Baker.

# DEMONSTRATE CASTING HERE

A demonstration of fly and bait casting by R. C. Perrow, of the Honeyman Hardware Co., of Portland, is to be held here beginning at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning on the vacant lot near the Union Pacific depot through the courtesy of the W. H. Bohnenkamp Co. It was announced today.

# SNOW FALLS IN LA GRANDE EASTER DAY

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The snow was from Eastern Oregon, and was accompanied by a drop in temperature, and a chilly west wind. In La Grande, the minimum this morning was 32 above, nine degrees colder than Sunday's low. The maximum Sunday was 47 above, the coldest in recent weeks. There was no indication of any injury to crops as yet.

The snow started falling about 7 a. m. Sunday, and soon the city was in the grip of a typical January squall, with visibility very low. About two hours later, the city and surrounding hills were blanketed in white when the storm started easing up, and before noon the snow had melted. Later in the day another storm added additional snow, and traces remained on the ground this morning.

The weather man predicts fair skies tonight and Tuesday, but either frost or freezing temperatures for Eastern Oregon, with a moderate northerly wind offshore.

PORTLAND, Apr. 2 (AP)— A warning that "tender vegetation will be endangered by frost tonight was issued by the weather bureau here today, for Oregon and Washington. Colder weather with freezing temperatures in the interior, was predicted.

Fair weather over the entire northwest was expected. Cold winds carried snow to the higher altitudes of Eastern and Central Oregon Sunday, while Western Oregon was pelted with rain, but enjoyed intermittent periods of sunshine.

A foot of snow fell at government camp on Mount Hood. Burns and Bend were blanketed with snow. McKenzie pass was closed by persistent snows.

Rain was general along the coast and in the Rogue river and Willamette valleys.

Baker reported four inches of snow, the heaviest fall since Feb. 10, 1933.

# I. C. SCHOOL IS CLOSED A WEEK

Because of the illness of the principal, Bennie Hicks, the Island City school is closed this week. Mr. Hicks has been suffering from an attack of rheumatism, and for the last two weeks, Mrs. Homer Schroeder has been substituting for him.

# PLANE TRAIN STOPS TODAY ON WAY EAST

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tal of 352,391 persons who have inspected the train since it began its tour about a month ago. From here the train went to Baker for a 90-minute stop and this evening it will be in Boise on its return to Omaha.

So great was the interest here that the inspection started at 7 and closed at 9:30 o'clock, and then several hundreds failed to get into the train before it was necessary that it continue its trip.

J. L. Haight, vice president and assistant to the president of the U. P. system, said they regretted the necessity of scheduled time and travel which prevented all who came to see the train from getting inside in the space of time that could be allowed here. "Everywhere we have gone there have been many disappointments to the visiting public unable to view the new train within the scheduled time. In our part, we have been as keenly disappointed as many of the thousands we have been forced to turn away."

Several La Granderers rode from here to Baker today on the train, including Colonel Ralph Huron, State Policeman Bill Howard, Harold M. Finlay and last night Angus McAllister and Harold Boone rode from Pendleton to La Grande on the plane train.

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