

# SPORTS

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## Coast Leaguers Change Scene For Second Series

By United Press

Home-town fans in two cities tonight get their initial glimpse of the season of their representatives in the Pacific Coast league, while in two other baseball hot-spots home teams open their third consecutive series.

### Seals and Beavers Mix

At San Francisco Manager Lefty O'Doul unveils his 1945 edition of the Seals to the local populace. The opposition will be furnished by the stout Portland Beavers.

The Seals are just one game out of the cellar, but opponents admit they are better than that. They will get their chance to prove it against the hard-hitting Beavers. Bob Joyce, 21-game winner last year, will be on the mound for the home team, opposed by Jake Moety, the ex-Detroit hurler. Mayor Roger Lapham will toss out the first ball.

### Stars Meet Rainiers

In the cinema city, the tail-end stars, getting away to a weak start under their new manager, Buck Fassett, face the task of opening their home season against Seattle. The Rainiers currently are tied with Portland for the loop leadership. Notables of the silver screen will participate in the opening festivities. The veteran Newt Kimball is the choice of Fassett to take the mound for the Stars, with Bob Elliott likely to get the call for Manager Bill Skiff's nine.

### Padres Take on Oaks

San Diego, the surprise club of the league on the basis of the first 11 games, entertains the slugging Oakland A's. This series should prove one of the most interesting of the infant season, with the unheralded Padre pitching testing the booming bats of Dolph Camilli's boys. Sacramento, deadlocked with Los Angeles and San Diego for fourth place, plays host to the Angels and one of the two clubs is bound to improve its percentage in the seven-tilt series. Both teams dropped 4-2 decisions in their last series, although the Sacs finished on a high note by copping the Sunday double-header.

## Nagurski Gets Call For Physical Test

INTERNATIONAL FALLS, Minn., April 10 (UP)—Bronko Nagurski, former football star, said today he had been ordered to report for a second time for military service physical examination.

Nagurski was rejected after the first examination because of a knee injury. He said under no circumstances will he play professional football next fall.

## Hoppe Boosts Lead In Billiard Match

CHICAGO, April 10 (UP)—Challenger Willie Hoppe, New York, pushed his lead to 100 points today over Champion Welker Cochran after winning two blocks in their transcontinental world's championship three-cushion billiards match.

Hoppe took the afternoon block 60-47 in 33 innings and the evening one 60-55 in 43 innings, with high runs of 10 and 9 Cochran's high runs were 8 and 11. In the total scoring, Hoppe has 1,856 points compared to 1,248 for Cochran.

### GRID SQUADS MERGE

NEW YORK, April 10 (UP)—The Boston and Brooklyn teams of the National professional football league voted today to merge for the 1945 season and will play one game at Yankee Stadium against the New York Giants.

## Official Records

Water turned off, April 9: Jack Griffith, 608 Jefferson; K. E. Walker, 2015 Washington; E. H. Kelley, 501 Fourth; John E. Holt, 704 A.

Water turned off: Argie Salkield, 1306 O. E. Bergland, 803 Jefferson; George White, 2015 Washington; Mrs. H. P. Neilson, 1412 Cherry; K. E. Walker, 2062 Third; Lawrence Moore, 708 Fourth; Gladys Brown, 903 Division; Alden Long, 2001 Second.

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## Stanford Sports Outlook Gloomy

PALO ALTO, Cal., April 10 (UP)—Al Masters, graduate manager of athletics, today said that it was "very improbable" that Stanford university will be able to field a football team in 1945, even if victory in Europe is achieved this spring.

"However," he said, "if all goes well along the war fronts, we hope to be able to field a club in 1946."

He intimated that it would be doubtful that other sports will be resumed during the 1945-46 season.

## TODAY'S SPORT PARADE

By LEO H. PETERSEN  
United Press Sports Editor  
NEW YORK, April 10 (UP)—If reports from Chicago are correct, they mean that Ford Frick will be the next baseball commissioner.

The reports have it that the four-man committee which was appointed by the major leagues to sift the candidates for the post will not recommend James A. Farley. If true, that means only one thing—Farley did not want the job.

It has been pretty definitely established that Farley, former postmaster general and who as chairman of the democratic party directed two of President Roosevelt's campaigns, could have had the \$50,000 a year post had he wanted it. Farley isn't talking and neither are the members of the committee. But Farley was known to have such backing that the committee members, regardless of their personal feeling, would not have gone so far as to eliminate him unless there was good reason. And the only good reason most baseball men can think of would be for Farley to have come out and informed the committee he wasn't interested.

If Farley did that, it is understandable. He is making \$25,000 a year more in his present capacity as an executive of a soft drink corporation and besides he wouldn't have had the power in the commissioner's post which the late Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis had. For major league club owners clipped the wings from the job at their winter meeting. That may have turned Farley against it, although the salary angle is the more probable.

The same Chicago sources said Frick and Leslie J. O'Connor, Landis' secretary, were recommended by the committee and that J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation was among those candidates mentioned prominently who failed to win approval.

The position on Hoover is understandable for Hoover had said he would not leave his present post during the war. And baseball didn't want to take a man from a vital war job in Washington because of the possible public reaction which might have resulted.

## Abbott and Costello On Liberty Screen

Bud Abbott and Lou Costello will be the attraction at the Liberty theater beginning tomorrow, when the attraction will be "In Society," which has been described as one of their best pictures.

They are cast in the role of plumbers who break into society by way of a flood which they create from a leak in a bathroom water pipe.

Chief members of the supporting cast are Arthur Treacher, Marion Hutton, Kirby Grant and Will Osborne's orchestra.

**FIGHT IS PROBOD**  
BALTIMORE, April 10 (UP)—The Maryland athletic commission today was investigating the featherweight fight between ex-champion Chasley Wright of Los Angeles and Jackie Wilson of New York, which was declared no contest after six rounds last night because of Wright's refusal to mix it up.

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**HISTORY PROVIDES A 'SECRET WEAPON'**—Because some smartie remembered his story-book reading of the ancient days when cross-bows were hot stuff in battle, Yanks on the Western Front have a new "secret weapon." It's the huge cross-bow pictured above getting finishing touches from T 4 Alan J. Hamm of the 26th Division. It doesn't shoot arrows, like its historic prototype, but it does hurl grenades a lot farther than is possible by hand.

## "Meat on the Hoof" Lures Thousands Oregon Offers Hunter Many Varieties

PORTLAND, Ore., April 10 (UP)—Despite curtailment of gasoline, 51,000 big game hunters stalked through Oregon's forests during 1943 in search of ration points running wild.

The two-year-old estimate is the latest one available, but it is indicative of the ever-increasing return to nature. Some game animals are being killed off too rapidly; these must be replaced. Some are increasing so rapidly; in this case the hunting season must be lengthened so that the population may be cut until the land can support the game.

A census of Oregon's game population reveals a number of species rarely hunted but appearing in abundance. For instance, the average hunter may not recognize the game birds in the following list, all of which may be shot in the state within state game commission season:

Ducks, geese, grouse (sooty and blue), Hungarian partridges, prairie chickens, quail, sage hens and Chinese pheasants.

The last-mentioned bird is the most frequently hunted, and the state game commission maintains farms on which pheasant eggs are hatched in order to repopulate the species every year in proportion to the number shot.

Experts calculate the number of birds to an acre just as accurately as a cruiser can estimate timber or a farmer can gauge the size of his crop.

Fish planting throughout the state has slackened off considerably. During 1942, only three species were planted. At the present time bass, catfish, crappies, perch, salmon, shad, striped bass, sturgeon, sun fish, and trout may be angled for during their respective seasons.

And not forgetting the deer and the antelope publicized extensively in songs of the west, the following species of big game are found in Oregon: Antelope, deer (whitetail, blacktail, mule), Roosevelt elk, Rock Mountain elk, black bear, mountain sheep, fox, badger, beaver, marten, mink, fisher, otter, muskrat, racoon, ringtail cat, skunk, weasel, lynx, bobcat, mountain lion, coyote and wolves.

War-time reports compiled by the forest service show that hunting has increased during war-time, but mirrors visit the forests for shorter periods, intent on securing a few extra ration points, not in enjoying the sport.

But when more trees and game are again available there will undoubtedly be less deer and antelope playing around the Oregon country.

## Disease Level In County Is Low

Two cases of scarlet fever and one of pneumonia were the only communicable diseases reported in the state board of health during the last week of March. The figures are given in the weekly report of the board, which says eight new cases of undulant fever were reported in Portland, three in Douglas county and one in Baker county during that week.

Eighty-eight cases of chicken pox and 30 of measles were the chief diseases reported throughout the state.

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## OUR MEN IN SERVICE

First Lt. Donald Hunker, recently released from a German prison camp by the Soviet army, arrived in the United States yesterday and will be in La Grande in two or three weeks.

Two hours after his arrival upon American soil he telephoned his wife, Mrs. Marian Hunker, saying he would be detained at an undisclosed point for interrogation and physical examinations but after two weeks will get a 21-day leave, ten days of which will be at an army rest camp.

A telegram from the war department Sunday night advised that Lt. Hunker was enroute home and would communicate with her upon arrival.

Peter Russell, seaman second class, who recently completed boot training at San Diego, Calif., spent a short leave with his mother, Mrs. Myrtle Price, and his sister, Miss Lynn Russell. He was to leave today to return to San Diego for assignment to duty.

Latest United States navy recruit from La Grande is John Edward Turner, 2116 First street. He is the son of Mrs. Pauline Miller.

Mrs. Fern McDonald has been notified by her nephew, Staff Sgt. Elmer Webb, that he is enroute here for a furlough under the rotation plan, after 35 months duty in the south Pacific. He will be a guest in his aunt's home.

Pfc. Clyde W. Pyle has arrived here from the south Pacific after three years and four months active duty, for a 21-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Pyle. At the conclusion of his furlough, he will report to Santa Barbara, Calif., for reassignment.

Pyle left La Grande with the national guard in September 1940, and has been with that company since then, serving in Australia, New Guinea and the Philippines.

Kent Richeson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Richeson of La Grande, Dick End, son of Mr. and Mrs. Antone End of near La Grande, and Wilbur Dale of Imbler, all second class cooks in the merchant marine, will leave today to return to Catalina island for assignment to sea duty.

They had a six-day leave after completing their basic training at Catalina.

Edward R. Robertson, motor machinist mate second class, and his bride, the former Irene Kusti of Loonerville, Idaho, visited here recently with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Yohn, and his grandmother, Mrs. W. H. Briggs of 2708 North Second street.

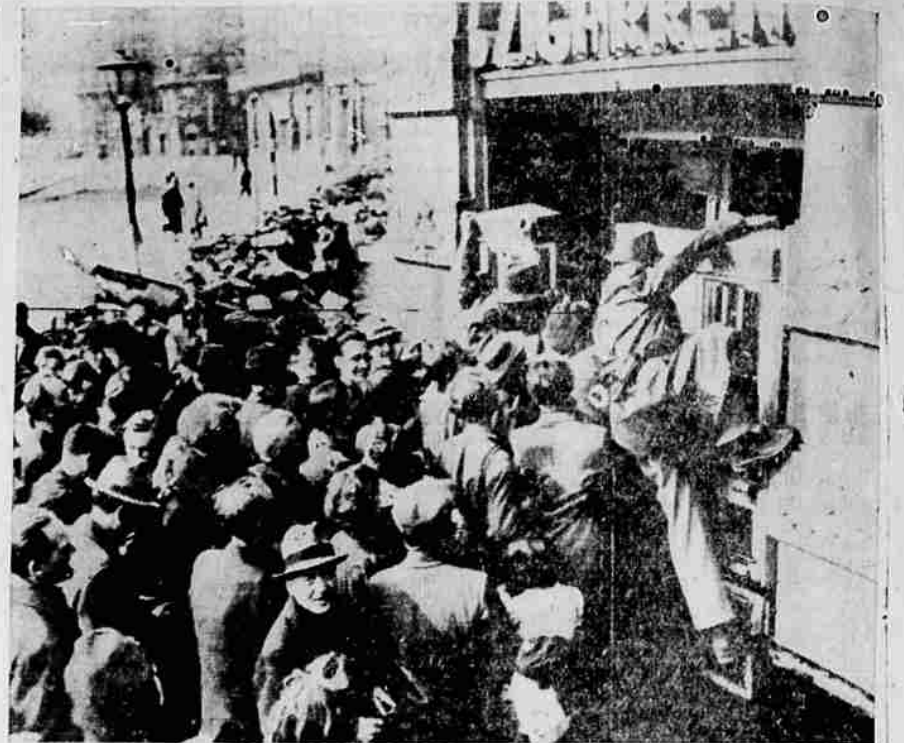
Robertson arrived in the United States a week ago after serving more than a year in the south Pacific. The young couple was married last Tuesday in Spokane. After visiting here, they went to Idaho to spend the remainder of his leave with her parents.

Lucien Whealy, seaman second class, has returned to Memphis, Tenn., after a short visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Whealy. He recently completed boot training in Memphis, and upon his return will take five months training as radio air crewman.

Frank Kessler, seaman first class, spent a three-day leave with his wife and daughter in La Grande last week, and has returned to his ship. Kessler is in the armed guard in the Pacific area.

Capt. Walter Buckley is in La Grande visiting his sister, Mrs. M. K. Cannon. He previously visited in Ogden with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Buckley at the home of his grandmother.

Captain Buckley has been overseas more than three years. He left La Grande with company E of the national guard in September, 1940. His tour of duty included New Guinea, Bala, Lusa, Hollandia, and two landings in



GERMANS LOOT FRANKFURT TOBACCO SHOP—Taking advantage of confusion of early moments of American Third army's seizure of Frankfurt, these tobacco-hungry German civilians down doors of tobacconist's shop to raid his supply of cigars and cigarettes.

## Science Finds Gold Mine In Sawdust Many Things Come From Refuse Piles

By FREDERICK C. OTHMAN

WASHINGTON, April 10 (UP)—You put the sawdust in at one end, see, and out of the other comes molasses. Now you're set to make alcohol, aspirin tablets, fodder, perfume, vanilla and other things that Rep. Harris Ellsworth of Oregon gladly will mention.

What brought this up was the cattle shortage, caused by a lack of feed. I was talking to Rep. Ellsworth and he said this was a shame because sawdust, which piles up in mountains at every saw mill, can be turned into cattle food as rich or richer than soybean cakes.

It turns out further that Rep. Ellsworth, a Roseburg, Ore., newspaper publisher when he isn't lawmaking, is one of the sparkplugs behind the world's greatest sawdust rendering plant, now being built at Springfield, Ore.

Waste mounts rapidly because 825 tons of sawdust pile up there every day, more than any place else in the country. Before the end of the summer, the experts will be percolating sawdust in a solution of acid, thereby releasing sugar in the form of molasses.

This they will turn into alcohol at the rate of 4,600,000 gallons a year. That's a lot of alcohol, but its only the beginning. The alcohol comes out of one spigot; from another comes lignin, a kind of chemist's Chinese puzzle, but similar to coal and petroleum. From it is made the vanilla, the aspirin, and all the other products upon which the chemists now are working.

Alcohol costs nothing "If we can sell the lignin for two and a half cents a pound, the alcohol won't cost us anything," Ellsworth said. "What we need is further experimentation and that takes more money for the federal forest products laboratories at Madison, Wis., which have been doing a marvelous job on limited appropriations."

He said—and it's not easy to disagree—that here's one place the government can sink some-

the Philippines. While on active duty he was in command of the national guard company from Baker.

He flew from the Philippines to the United States. At the termination of his leave, May 12, Captain Buckley expects to return to active duty.

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## Today We Pay Tribute to—



Sgt. Otto Paul Klein, 29, the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Klein of 2901 North Spruce Street.

He attended Greenwood school and is a graduate of La Grande high school. Before entering the army in 1942 he was employed in Chate's cigar store.

## DeMolays To Attend Milton Meeting

A delegation of 20 or 25 DeMolay boys will leave this afternoon for Milton where they will attend a meeting of the Milton DeMolay order. Some Masons also plan to attend the meeting.

An honorary degree will be conferred and a 6:30 o'clock dinner will be served.

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