

Farnam Keglers Win Men's League Title

The Roy Farnam Supply company team won the men's bowling league championship last night by defeating the Service Wholesalers two games and series, giving them first place by a margin of one point over the Wholesalers.

Having previously won the lead in the first half of the season, the Farnam team automatically takes the championship without a playoff.

The loss to the Farnam five puts the Wholesalers in second place, one point behind the champions, with a margin that assures retention of that position in the final standing, as the Lorie team, which is in third place, cannot roll up a sufficient number of points in tonight's final play to move into second place.

The Farnam margin for the series point was but 22 pins, which accrued by virtue of a slender handicap margin, the scratch score being Service 2,502, Farnam 2,500, while the gross was Service, 2,874, Farnam 2,896.

In the other final game last night the Shell and Richfield teams split 2-2, Richfield taking one game and series, the latter by 2,878 to 2,835.

The scores:

Service Wholesaler				
Players	1st	2nd	3rd	Ttl.
Chadwick	174	173	154	501
Jordan	135	176	153	464
Cook	213	156	187	556
Montgomery	116			116
L. Courtney	163	180	168	511
Workman		170	184	354
Handicap	128	122	122	372
Totals	929	977	968	2874

Farnam Supply				
Players	1st	2nd	3rd	Ttl.
G. Smith	138	159	127	422
Marshall	160	139	126	505
Rlake	170	171	185	526
Evans	193	205	171	569
Farnam	191	138	149	478
Handicap	132	132	132	396
Totals	1012	994	890	2896

Richfield				
Players	1st	2nd	3rd	Ttl.
Knight	171	143	133	447
K. McCulligh	153	164	164	481
Hyde	147	175	175	497
W. McCulligh	96	120	149	365
Maxwell	158	146	142	446
Montgomery		168		168
Handicap	224	201	224	649
Totals	940	942	967	2876

Shell Oil				
Players	1st	2nd	3rd	Ttl.
Hall	170	145	143	458
V. Courtney	203	130	198	531
Karther	170	158	189	517
White	157	144	221	522
Sherrill	167	159	175	501
Handicap	102	102	102	306
Totals	969	838	1028	2835

FIGHT RESULTS
By United Press

NEW YORK — Joey Peralta, 141, Tamaqua, Pa., outpointed Al Guido, 135½, New York.

NEWARK, N. J. — George Parks, 135½, Baltimore, outpointed Austin Johnson, 130, Atlantic City, N. J. (10).

PROVIDENCE, R. I. — Ernie Forte, 150½, Providence, outpointed Jerry Fiorello, 156½, Brooklyn, (10).

Lifting of Racing Ban Is Indicated

WASHINGTON, April 17 (UP) — A nationwide resumption of horse racing by May 15—with certain definite limitations—was in the offing today although it was emphasized that conditions may arise to delay reopenings beyond that tentative date.

The conditional go-ahead was announced last night by J. Monroe Johnson, director of the office of defense transportation, who said the lifting of the ban by that date is under consideration although "it is not quite decided."

The official order to resume operations must come from Fred M. Vinson, new head of the office of war mobilization, the agency which ordered the closing down on the tracks last Jan. 1. He is expected to make the announcement later this week.

Coopers Agree to 'Talk Over' Salary

CHICAGO, April 17 (UP) — Mort and Walker Cooper, the St. Louis Cardinals' famed brother battery, are scheduled to meet with Cardinal President Sam Breadon in the baseball commissioner's office here today to thrash out their salary difficulties.

The Missouri duo, after walking out on the Cardinals Saturday in a strike for more money, agreed to talk the whole thing over at the suggestion of Leslie O'Connor, chairman of baseball's advisory council. O'Connor currently is handling the committee's duties.

They emphasized that they would not accept less than \$15,000 each.

The Coopers started their 1945 contract at \$12,000, the club's ceiling. They revolted when they learned that Marty Marion, ace shortstop, had been given a contract calling for an above-average salary. Marion's wage is subject to war labor board approval.

The Coopers spent three days a week visiting hospitals. They gave driving and pitching demonstrations, held golf clinics and with Fred Corcoran, and put on quiz programs.

Such golfers as Byron Nelson, Sam Snead, Ed Dudley, Jimmy Hines, Bob Hamilton, Tony Danna, Denny Shute, Sam Byrd, John Revolta, Regal, Harold McSpadden, O. Dista and Jimmy Thompson participated.

As a result, the PGA will continue the program it followed during the winter tour when the leading pros, under the direction of Craig Wood, the duration open

Major Baseball Leagues' Season Will Open Today

NEW YORK, April 17 (UP) — Most of the "stats" are gone from major league baseball's banner, but it will be hoisted nonetheless proudly today for the opening of the fourth straight wartime season.

Never before has baseball been at such a low ebb for manpower yet paradoxically never before were hopes any higher for a successful season.

The majors open their season with the mandate of the late president Franklin D. Roosevelt to carry on. It is no secret that the executives of the game would have called it "guilt" for the duration without his provisional "green light."

The renewal today will be the 69th for the National league, which began operations in 1876 and the 44th for the American league which has been going since 1901.

Close races were forecast for both circuits. The two St. Louis clubs, whose off-season manpower losses were less serious than elsewhere, are expected to repeat for the respective championships, but neither can afford to falter.

OUR MEN IN SERVICE

Announcement that Dorothy Gillanders, former women's physical education director at Eastern Oregon college, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the medical department of the U. S. army, was received today from Washington.

She recently completed a course of instruction at the army medical center in the national capital and will be assigned to duty as a physical therapist.

Lt. Gillanders is expected to arrive in La Grande next week-end for a furlough prior to assignment to duty.

She was a member of the EOC staff for two years and left here about a year ago to enter the WAC, in which she was a sergeant prior to being commissioned.

Pvt. Ann Busey, WAC, who is stationed at an army air force convalescent hospital at Plattsburg, N. Y., is in La Grande on furlough, a guest at the home of her uncle, Lynn Bohrenkamp. Miss Busey attended the local college.

Pfc. Ralph Asla left last night for Camp Haan, Calif., after a 7-day furlough in La Grande with his wife and two daughters, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Asla.

Enlistment of Floyd Daniels of La Grande in the navy was announced today by the local recruiting station. He was enrolled a week ago and has been returned to inactive duty for a short time. He is the son of Floyd S. Daniels of Route 1, La Grande.

Pvt. Robert Gruts who has been stationed at Fort Knox, Ky., is here visiting his wife, the former Patsy McKlin, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McKlin. From here he will go to Fort Ord, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Bay of La Grande have received a telegram from their son, Staff Sgt. Howard Bay, announcing he has completed his missions and expects to return home soon. He is a tail gunner on a B-17, stationed in England and has been overseas since November, 1944.

NOTED YACHTSMAN DIES
VANCOUVER, Wash., April 17 (UP) — Capt. Orvel Skaggs, 47, noted northwest yachtsman and army officer, died Monday at the Barnes General hospital here. Appointed in 1942 as base fleet captain in charge of all floating equipment for the Portland army air base, he was in charge of the base's yacht boat facilities. He was transferred in 1943 to the army air transport service.

FACES SUSPENSION
BALTIMORE, April 17 (UP) — Negro lightweight boxer Chalky Wright of Los Angeles faces suspension in Maryland today because of his alleged refusal to "mix it up" in his fight here April 9 with Jackie Wilson of Pittsburgh.

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NO, NO, NO—EVEN FOR PRO—Collegians and professionals made good use of elbows blocking, but what bespectacled coach Steve Owen of New York Giants is doing to publicity director George Strickler of National league was barred by rulesmakers. Henceforth a player will not be allowed to hit with a swinging elbow or forearm. Penalty, 15 yards.

Coast League Leaders Open Home Series

By United Press

Seattle and Portland, running one-two in the Pacific Coast league pennant race, stage their 1945 home-town openers today as the loop continues its merry way toward a record-shattering attendance season.

The Beavers, entertaining Hollywood, expects 18,000 for their inaugural; the Rainiers, playing Oakland, predict around 16,000 for their opener. Other games today send San Diego to Los Angeles and Sacramento to San Francisco.

Ad Liska, veteran underhand thrower, will be on the mound for Manager Marv Owen's Portland club, opposed by Johnny Intkofer, another veteran, for the stars.

Rainiers Meet Acorns
At Seattle, Manager Bill Skiff is expected to call upon Joe DeMott, a big winner last year to oppose Jack Lotz of the Oaks.

The surprising San Diego Padres, getting fine hurling and timely hitting, will invade Wrigley field in Los Angeles to battle the Angels. Manager Bill Sweetney is anything but happy about his 1945 edition of the Seraphs and reportedly a hurry-up call has been sent for help from the parent Chicago Cubs office.

Sacramento, winner of four out of five from the Angels last week, hopes to continue its winning ways against the hapless and San Francisco Seals. Manager Lefty O'Doul's club has yet to win a series in 1945 play and has been getting spotty fielding and weak hitting, despite superior performances.

Former Hoop Star Wins New Laurels In North Africa

Don R. Andrews, former basketball star at Eastern Oregon college, has won new laurels at the hoop game in North Africa, where he is a second lieutenant and pilot in the air transport command.

Information from Casablanca, where he was a member of the Air Transport, a C-47 air base team, says he played forward in a North African allied tournament following which he was named on an all-star team, and was chosen as the best player in the entire area.

Andrews played with the college team here in 1941 and 1942, and was captain of the championship team which won the right to go to Kansas City in the latter year to compete in the national eliminations.

He entered the army air forces in July, 1942, received his flight training at air bases in California and was commissioned April 19, 1944. He has been overseas nine months, and now is stationed at the African base at which aircraft from five continents land daily.

Liquor Sale Ban On V-E Day Sought

PORTLAND, Ore., April 17 (UP)—The 2000 members of the Hinson memorial Baptist church of Portland today wired President Truman to request churches to hold thanksgiving services V-E day and to close all places serving liquor that day.

Offices Are Opened By Dr. E. C. Kellogg

Dr. E. C. Kellogg, former Los Angeles physician and surgeon, today announced he has opened offices in the suite formerly occupied by Dr. E. T. Sloan in the Seacrest annex.

Dr. Kellogg formerly was an instructor in the Lama Linda, (Calif.) medical college and at Union college in Lincoln, Neb., and was president of Walla Walla college for six years prior to going to California. He and his family are making their home in Cove.

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Ernie Pyle Finds Okinawa Pastoral

So far the Okinawa climate is superb and the vistas undeniably pretty. The worst crosses to bear are the mosquitoes, fleas and the sight of the pathetic people.

Most of the roads on Okinawa are narrow dirt trails for small horse-drawn carts. Then there are several wider gravel roads. One man aptly described it as "an excellent network of poor roads."

Our heavy traffic of course has played hob with the roads. Already they are tire-deep in dust and troops on the road have mask-like faces, caked with dust.

Bulldozers and scrapers are at work constantly.

I've mentioned before about our fear of snakes before we got here. All the booklets and literature given us ahead of time about Okinawa dwelt at length on snakes. They told us there were three kinds of poisonous adders, all three being fatal. The booklets warned us not to wander off the main roads, not to step under the trees or snakes would drop on us (as if you could fight a war without getting off the roads!). In some of the troops briefings, they had the marines more scared of snakes than Japs.

Well, I've kept a close watch and made a lot of inquiries. And the result is that in the central part of Okinawa where we've been there are just practically no snakes at all.

Our troops have walked, poked, sprawled and slept on nearly every square yard of the ground. And in my regiment, for one, they have seen only two snakes.

One was found dead. The other was killed by a battalion surgeon, coiled into a gallon glass jar and sent to the regimental command post as a souvenir. It was a vicious rattler, a type called Habu.

Those are the only snakes I've heard of. There was a rumor that in one battalion they have caught and made pets of a couple of snakes, but I don't believe it.

The local people say the island was very snakey up until the middle 50s when they imported some mongooses which killed most of the snakes. But we have not seen any mongooses so we didn't know whether the story is true or not.

Correspondent John Lardner says his only explanation is that St. Patrick came through here once as a tourist and took all the snakes with him.

Patton, Hodges Promotion Sought

WASHINGTON, April 17 (UP) — Lt. Gens. George S. Patton and Courtney H. Hodges, respective commanders of the spearheading third and first armies in Germany, were nominated today to be full generals in the first list of nominations sent to the senate by President Truman.

They were the first army commanders to be promoted to lieutenant general. The rank heretofore has been reserved for army group commanders and highest staff officers.

Mr. Truman also nominated nine major generals to be lieutenant generals: Joseph L. Collins, Oscar W. Griswold, Lucius Clay, Geoffrey Keyes, Edmund B. Gregory, Walton H. Walker, Levin H. Campbell, Wade H. Haislip and Eugene Reybold.

All of these ranks are temporary wartime promotions.

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Living Memorials To be Subject of Sam Hayes' Talk

Sam Hayes, veteran Pacific coast newscaster, will be in La Grande May 4, to address a mass meeting of community leaders in his capacity as regional advisor for the American commission for living war memorials. He will speak at noon in the Elks' temple.

Charles H. Reynolds, local member of the Oregon state committee, announced that all civic, fraternal and service agencies and

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organizations, as well as the general public are invited.

The commission which Hayes represents in four western states, is a non-profit organization, working in co-operation with the national committee on physical fitness of the federal security commission, and has been approved by the American Legion and other veterans' organizations.

The commission is dedicated to the ideal of helping each community select memorials in honor of its war heroes. Memorials dedicated to their unselfish devotion, established to carry on the tradition of physical fitness that will encourage sports, recreation and the wholesome use of leisure time.

Hayes is now on a tour of California, Oregon, Washington and Nevada, that will take him to every major city on the Pacific coast.

College Observes Annual Dad's Day

The fourth annual Dads' day celebration was held on the Eastern Oregon campus Saturday, with a coffee hour, a tour of the campus, and a dinner with Dr. James Millar as principal speaker.

Phyllis McLaughlin of La Grande welcomed the dads to the campus, and W. E. King, county school superintendent of Pendleton, gave the response.

President Robert J. Maske told of the developments and advantages of the college.

Miss Dorothy Schell of Eastern prize was toastmistress. The women's glee club sang and Janet Frazier of Milton played a piano solo.

Officers of the Dads' club elected for next year are Rev. Clarence E. Kopp of La Grande, president; W. E. King, Pendleton, vice president; and J. B. McLaughlin, La Grande, secretary.

ROGERS JOINS MARINES

SAN PEDRO Calif., April 17 (UP)—James B. Rogers, 29-year-old son of the late Will Rogers and associate publisher of the Beverly Hills, Calif., Citizen, reported for duty with the marine corps today.

His brother, former Congressman Will Rogers, Jr., is serving in Germany.

Former Prisoners En Route to Homes

The impending arrival in La Grande of 1st Lt. Donald R. Hunker, former prisoner of war in Germany, was announced today by the Ninth service command, Fort Douglas, Utah. Hunker is expected here Friday.

Hunker was among a large group of former prisoners who were returned to the United States recently after being liberated by American and Russian forces.

He was an infantry officer in Gen. Patton's Third army and was reported missing in action last November. His wife and small son live in La Grande.

Also among the former prisoners is T5 Harry S. Dunley of Vancouver, Wash., a former resident of Enterprise.

Romantic Comedy Shown at Liberty

A romantic comedy, "The Impatient Years," will be the attraction at the Liberty beginning tomorrow.

Starring Jean Arthur, Lee Bowman and Charles Coburn, the film is the story of the love affair of a soldier, who met the girl married her four days later, and then went away to war, not to return for 18 months.

It tells how one bride, impatient for the return of her warrior husband worried about being a stranger to him when he returned.

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