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Coast Leaguers Are Out to Cut Lead of Beavers

By United Press
Pacific Coast league teams, hopeful of getting into the pennant chase, return to the fields tonight in an effort to make up some of the ground they lost last week to the loop-leading Portland Beavers.

While Los Angeles remains idle on Tuesdays and opens with a double-header against Oakland on Wednesday, the six other clubs swing into action.

Portland invades San Diego; San Francisco entertains Hollywood in a "collar series" and Seattle visits Sacramento.

A major share of the fireworks may be shot at San Diego where either club can get in a make-or-break blow by handing out a sound trouncing. The Padres, considered by some to be the class of the league are finding that the breaks are catching up with them and they dropped a 4-3 series decision to the improving Los Angeles Angels last week.

Manager Marv Owen's Beavers are dangerous from the top of the batting order right down to the pitcher and their attack has outdone the defense in winning 25 out of 36 games played.

A slugging duel appears in the offing, too, at Sacramento where the Solons entertain Seattle. Both lines are stronger at the plate than on the hill.

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Chandler Will Hold Two Jobs

LEXINGTON, Ky., May 8 (UP)—Baseball's new commissioner, Sgt. Albert (Happy) Chandler, made it plain today that he intends to hold down two jobs "until the people protest."

"I am under no pressure to quit the senate and believe I can handle both jobs," he said. Speaking last night at a testimonial dinner sponsored by the Cooperative club of Lexington, he said that he will take money for one position only.

After the dinner he left for Cincinnati, O., where he will make arrangements to transfer the baseball commissioner's office from Chicago.

Policemen Attend Marksmanship Class

The state police force in La Grande, two members of the city police department, L. L. McBride of the FBI, and two Enterprise police officers are attending a five-day course in rifle and revolver shooting in La Grande.

The course is being conducted by L. J. Brier for the state board of education, division of vocational education.

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OUR MEN IN SERVICE

First Lt. James S. Mills, U. S. army infantry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Mills of La Grande has been awarded the Bronze Star medal for heroic action near Bayanbayan, Luzon, Philippine islands on March 20. The citation with the medal said: "Upon reaching their objective (Lt. Mills) platoon was pinned down by heavy automatic weapon and sniper fire which inflicted heavy casualties on the troops. Lt. Mills, disregarding his own safety, left his position to administer first aid to the wounded. He made several trips to remove wounded men to positions of safety while directing his platoon in successfully repulsing an enemy counter-attack.

Mills' wife and daughter are expected in La Grande Thursday from New York and will spend the summer with Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Mills. Mrs. Mills was an American army nurse in Australia when she and Lt. Mills were married.

Clarence Mullenburg, seaman first class, who has been on active duty in the Atlantic area, has been reassigned to the Miami, Fla. navy base. He writes his mother, Mrs. Tom Mullenburg of La Grande that there is a large detachment of Chinese stationed there, training for the American navy.

Mrs. Mullenburg also received a letter from one of the Chinese trainees who can speak or write English, telling how he likes the United States. He also voiced his appreciation of the friendship of the people here.

Manford W. Leale, chief pharmacist mate, has returned to Echo after visiting his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Keller, family and friends in La Grande. He is the son of Sgt. and Mrs. Walter Leale of Echo, formerly of La Grande. His sister, Mrs. Charles Brooks and her daughter, Patty Ann, accompanied him to La Grande.

Chief Leale will return to San Pedro, Calif., May 23 for reassignment.

A pre-war 3½-pound toy locomotive contained enough zinc for the carburetor of a jeep.

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TODAY'S SPORT PARADE

By JACK CUDDY
United Press Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK, May 7 — Little Mel Ott, popular manager and right fielder of the Giants, was changing from ball togs to civvies in his office. He had about as much privacy as a show-window manikin. The baseball writers wanted to know what he thought about the National league pennant race, now that the opening phase of the campaign was completed.

Modest Mel said, "I can tell you more about this race after we play the western clubs. Yes, we've done all right against the other eastern clubs. We're leading the league; and I'm convinced that our club is improved considerably over last season. But I expect rough going when the western outfits begin moving in on us Tuesday. Cincinnati tackles us first."

Ott was in excellent spirits. His Giants had just won the opener of a Sunday double-header from the Braves, thanks to ninth-inning home runs by Phil Weintraub and "Schnozz" Lombardi. And rain had washed out the nightcap, but not before Johnny Ruckler had stretched his hitting streak to 17 straight games.

Braves Are Key Opponent
Ott was pleased with the Giants' performances against the Braves, whom he tabbed the most improved club in the east. Including Sunday's victory, the Ottmen have beaten Boston six times in seven contests. Against all eastern opposition, the New Yorkers have won 12 and lost four. This is much better than last season, when the Giants registered only eight victories and nine defeats in the first phase of play.

The diminutive, brown-haired pilot emphasized that any impressions he might have formed of the western outfits were based merely on what he had read in the papers. The Cardinals would be tough again, despite the loss of Stan Musial and Walker Cooper. The Cubs were off to the kind of a start one would expect from a good club, and they were getting better pitching than last season. Pittsburgh was having temporary tough luck, and was a fair stronger outfit than its early showing indicated. "As for Cincinnati," he said, "The Reds are always tough—they've always got good pitching."

Where were the Giants most improved?
"Our pitching seems much better," he explained. "Feldman, Mungo and young Hansen are a big help. And Ace Adams has done fine relief work except in one game against Brooklyn."

Victory Only Half Won Says Truman

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ence that the watchword of the nation now should be "work, work and more work."

"I call upon every American to stick to his post until the last battle is won," he said. "Until that day, let no man abandon his post or slacken his efforts."

Declaring that he wanted it emphasized repeatedly that much work remained before final victory, he said "our victory is but half-won."

"The west is free," he added, "but the east is still in bondage to the treacherous tyranny of the Japanese. When the last Japanese division has surrendered unconditionally, then only will our fighting be done."

He also pointed to the need for hard, toilsome, painstaking work to achieve "an abiding peace, a peace routed in justice and in law."

Doenitz Offers to Remain at Helm

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Doenitz said he ordered the German high command to surrender unconditionally all German fighting forces in all theaters of war in order to "save the lives of German people."

"We bow in reverence before the thousand-fold proven gallantry and sacrifice of our dead and prisoners."

Doenitz has not revealed the personnel of his entire cabinet. He did announce that Count Ludwig Schwerin Von Krosigk had replaced Joachim Von Ribbentrop as foreign minister, however.

The allies probably will treat Doenitz as a defeated commander in chief.

London sources said it was almost certain that he will not be tried as a war criminal since he had been a naval commander without political power throughout the war until its final days.

Marines, Aussies Continue Gain

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American troops on Mindanao may have captured another airfield. Last reports said troops in the central part of the island had reached Maramag airfield, 45 mile north of Kabacan, Sunday.

Other American troops advanced within a half mile of Balste Pass leading to Cagayan valley in northern Luzon. Most of the remaining Japanese forces on Luzon were believed concentrated in the valley.

German Surrender Brings End to Costly Conflict

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Susloparov for Russia. Eisenhower did not appear until after the documents—plain papers resembling ordinary legal folios—were signed. Officers said that, in accordance with precedent, negotiations of this kind were carried out on the chief of staff level.

When Eisenhower appeared, he was greeted by Jodi's clicking of heels. He was asked sternly whether the Germans understood the terms completely. A stiff bow was his answer. Then, in English, he asked permission to speak. He uttered a plea for the Germans in his own language.

Throughout the conference the Russians and French were silent. The Germans wore full military uniforms with medals and ribbons.

Even in the hour of all-d triumph in Europe, Churchill turned sober attention to the war against Japan. He warned that Japan, "with all her treachery and greed, remains unsubdued."

No Word from Moscow

The allied proclamation of victory in Europe was made simultaneously in London, Washington and Paris. No word came immediately from Moscow. It appeared that the Russians might be waiting until Zhukov has signed the surrender document in Berlin later today.

Gen. Charles DeGaulle told the French people by radio that "the war has been won! Victory is here! The victory of the United Nations and the victory of France!" The Germans have capitulated, and the French high command was a party to the act of capitulation, DeGaulle said.

Big Job Lies Ahead

President Truman in Washington soberly told his radio audience that victory "is only half won" and the job would be done only when unconditional surrender has been forced on the Japanese.

He urged the American people to "work, work, work" and advised the Japanese to surrender. First he issued his proclamation of victory and his statement on the task yet to be done at a news conference in the White House. Then he broadcast them to the people.

A German high command communique, presumably referring to yesterday's events as usual, said big guns of the German garrisons in the western coastal pockets—La Rochelle, St. Nazaire, Lorient, Dunkerque—shelled enemy batteries and troop movements.

Evidently this was the last communique the high command would issue, since it now was committed to stop fighting.

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Landlubber Marks Himself As He Goes Aboard Ship

ABOARD A CRUISER IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC — (By Wireless) — My nap was interrupted by a voice that seemed to come from inside my pillow. The voice intoned, "The smoking lamp is out throughout the ship."

It seeped through my drowsy consciousness that I was aboard a warship. And that we were about to depart for some serious shooting.

The loudspeaker announcement was the navy's ancient way of saying, "no smoking" — we were taking on gasoline.

I had come aboard the previous evening with three other newspapermen. After several months of visiting army units it was quite a change.

No more shaving from a helmet—there was a wash basin with faucets in the cabin I shared with a warrant officer. No more lukewarm chlorinated water to drink — there were ice-water fountains all over the ship, and though this was distilled sea water it tasted pure and wonderful. (Actually this converted seawater has less salt content than normal fresh water.)

No more mosquitoes or dirt-floored tents or living from a duffle bag. And our first meal was steak, asparagus, potatoes (not dehydrated), pie and ice cream.

And presently I turned in, not on a cot, but on the top layer of a double bunk, with mattress and pillow. It was too much. Though I went to bed after midnight I was awake at 5:30. Hence my afternoon snooze.

My introduction to the navy was rather elaborate, since we traveled first in a little LCVP, boarded a destroyer escort, were picked up by a PT boat and travelled at 38 knots to an anchorage where a small barge transferred us to a cruiser.

As we stepped from the gangway onto the quarterdeck, the officer saluted us smartly. I returned the salute all right, but I clean forgot to salute the colors first as is the navy custom, so they undoubtedly—and correctly—marked me down as a landlubber.

Three of the four correspondents aboard were replacements for men killed out here. Sam Kinch of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram succeeded Stanley Gunn, and Jerry Thorp of the Chicago Daily News replaced John Terry. Gunn and Terry and Asahel Bush of the Associated Press were killed when a Jap bomb hit their billet at Tacloban on Leyte. Another member of our party, Jim Hutcheson of the AP, moved from that Tacloban house a few hours before the bombing—because ants were bothering him. And I've been assigned to take over Ernie Pyle's column.

Before coming aboard, incidentally, I had received a wireless from Lester Cowan, Hollywood, producer of the picture GI Joe, suggested by Ernie's work. The picture, he said, would still be "shown first wherever Ernie is as I promised him." Lester had intended showing the film to whatever unit Ernie would be covering at the time. Now it will be shown on that bleak far island where he fell.

Ernie's old friend, Paige Cavannaugh, wrote me a few weeks ago from Hollywood that the picture was turning out fine. If the finished product is as good as some of the sequences Ernie and I saw in Hollywood in December, it may even be a great picture, though a melancholy one under the circumstances.

I'd try to get to Je Shima for the showing if Lester gives me sufficient notice to arrange the trip.

Ore. City Woman State's War Mother

SALEM, Ore., May 8 (UP)—Mrs. Ella Garner, Oregon City, was today named "Oregon War Mother" for the second consecutive year. It was announced today by Douglas Mullarky, private secretary to Gov. Earl Snell.

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But our men are still fighting and dying out there in the Pacific. If we slow down now, we'll be letting them down!

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