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OUR MEN IN SERVICE

Cpl. Bill Santee,
returned from eight months in Italy with the 10th mountain division, is a guest at the home of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cecil. He will leave Tuesday for Fort Lewis for reassignment.

Capt. Johnny Group
is spending 21 days leave in London, Englind enroute between there and Germany, a vacation he has expected for the last four months, according to word received here by his relatives.

Arthur W. Lubbes,
20, son of Mrs. Ray Martin, Wallowa, Ore., has advanced to seaman, first class, aboard a cruiser in the Pacific. He has been aboard since January.

Lt. George Fleshman
of Walla Walla air base, spent the weekend in La Grande, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Fleshman.

Lt. Jack Hendrickson
hospitalized for many months following injuries received while on active service in the south Pacific, arrived in La Grande Friday night for a short visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Hendrickson.

● Your GI Rights

Problems of Men In Service

By DOUGLAS LARSEN

WASHINGTON (NEA) — Here are some questions from GIs who have just returned from overseas:

Q. I live in a college town, am married and own a house. What I want to know is can I borrow money from the government to fix up my house and also get money to attend school?

A. You can't borrow money directly from the government to repair your house, but you can get a loan guaranteed for that purpose. In addition, you can also receive educational benefits under the GI bill of rights. There is nothing to say you can't get more than one benefit under that act.

Q. My brother and I were farmers before I went into the army. While I have been overseas he has taken care of our farm. We now have a chance to buy an adjoining piece of property which I think is valuable. The question is may a veteran purchase property with a non-veteran?

A. Yes. The guaranty in this case would apply only to the interest of the veteran in the loan, and may not exceed 50 per cent of his interest. Under no circumstances could it cover any part of the interest of a non-veteran.

Q. I have been thinking of opening a shoe store in my home town as soon as I am disharged. I had just gotten out of business school before I went into the army and this sounds like a pretty good thing. I know I qualify for all the GI benefits but is there anything about having to have experience in a business before you can get a loan to start it?

A. The law provides that the administrator of veterans' affairs must find "that the ability and experience of the veteran, and the conditions under which he proposes to pursue such occupation are such, that there is a reasonable likelihood he will be successful."

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Klem Calls Feller Finest of All; Certainly No More Spectacular

By HARRY GRAYSON

CLEVELAND (NEA) — Bill Klem, dean of umpires, called Robert William Andrew Feller the greatest pitcher who ever lived.

Certainly none broke in as spectacularly, and the beauty of it was that the Iowa farm boy kept right on going.

Bob Feller is the only major league pitcher in history to strike out more batters than he allowed hits throughout a career.

The battle-starred gun-fire control director of three theatres won 76 games while losing 33 his last three years, averaging 250 strikeouts the last four.

No wonder Cleveland pitched a civic celebration for Rapid Robert following his three years and eight months in the navy.

Feller's return to baseball brings stirring memories.

The August afternoon in 1936 when as a 17-year-old Bullet Bob struck out eight Cardinals in the three innings he pitched in an exhibition game. Frank Frisch going crazy when told the kid was a peanut butcher. He was, for Cy Slapnicka had his contract all balled up, and had him working the concession department.

A Record Start

Feller tying the modern big league record by whiffing 17 Athletics in his first start.

Eastern baseball writers seeing Feller for the first time, April 1, 1937, in an exhibition game with the Giants at Jackson, Miss. The press box at the county fair park was only 10 feet behind the catcher, and young Bob wasn't fooling. The baseball writers fell out of it with every pitch.

Following the game the writers hastened to the champion Giants' dressing room for opinions, catching Klem on the way. Feller had pitched only three innings, but Klem, in his enthusiasm, called him the greatest pitcher who ever lived. A rare compliment indeed, coming from an eagle-eyed umpire pre-dating Christy Mathewson and a National leaguer at that.

Hal Schumacher wished he had Feller's arm. Bill Terry said he couldn't miss when he developed control.

The only criticism came from Dick Bartell. "He's not as fast as Mungo," observed the shortstop. Feller struck out Bartell 19 times out of the next 23 times he faced him on the exhibition tour. Bartell didn't get a loud foul until the clubs reached Fort Smith, Ark.

Feller hurting his arm. Slapnicka taking him to specialists all over the country, and finally having the precious soupbone yanked into place by Doc Austin, a bonesetter residing only a few blocks from the Cleveland park.

Feller fanning 16 Red Sox.

Rapid Robert fanning six in a row in '38, 28 in two consecutive games, and then, on the final day of the campaign, 18 Tigers for a modern nine-inning record—and losing, 4-1.

The majors' first opening-day no-hitter in 40 years. Feller's 1-0 performance against the White Sox in '40.

Feller leading in strikeouts in '38-39-40-41, heading the list in bases on balls in '38-39-41, showing the way in shutouts in '39-40-41.

He either knocked 'em off or put 'em on. He gave you the jitters, but there was never a dull moment.

Bob Feller was—and is—baseball's top pitching show.

Bob Feller . . . batters at sea now.

TRAPPED QUISLING — Evidence obtained by Col. John Harlan Amen, above, former special assistant to the U. S. attorney general, in questioning the German war prisoners at Nuernberg, is expected to be the most vital link in the chain of guilt being forged around Norwegian Vidkun Quisling. Depositions from the nazis claim Quisling worked with the Germans against his own government.

San Francisco Bay Area Hit by Quake

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 27 (UP) — San Fraciscon Bay area was shaken early today by a sharp earthquake that apparently did no damage.

Residents said they felt two shocks which came at approximately 2:14 a.m. They were severe enough to cause windows to shake and to wake sleepers.

The quakes were felt in San Francisco and in Marin county to the north.

San Jose, Burlingame and other peninsula as well as east bay points reported feeling the shocks which were believed to have lasted approximately five seconds altogether.

12 Honor Prisoners Missing From Cells

MISSOULA, Mont., Aug. 27 (UP)—Twelve inmates are missing from the Fort Missoula army disciplinary barracks today after two "honor prisoners" perpetrated the fourth escape in less than two weeks Sunday afternoon.

Fort officials identified the men as George W. Hatcher, 22, Seattle, and William A. Comer, 26, Wickliffe, O. They were believed to have escaped in a half-ton truck.

Congressmen Will Boost Salem Plant

SALEM, Aug. 27 (UP) — Any attempt on the part of the government to sidetrack the Salem alumina-from-clay plant will be "bitterly" opposed, U. S. Senator Guy Cordon and Rep. James W. Mott declared yesterday following an inspection of the $5,000,000 industrial development.

The two congressmen from Oregon said they will do everything possible to insure early operation of the plant.

The inspection party included State Senator Marshall Cornett of Klamath Falls, County Judge Grant Murphy of Marion county, and several members of the Salem chamber of commerce. W. R. Seyferth, plant manager, guided the group.

Hayworth, Blair Dazzle in Film

To start off the review of a picture which stars Rita Hayworth, Janet Blair and Lee Bowman by first calling attention to a newcomer in the already may seem to some like rank heresy. But that is what this piece is going to do. The young man's name is Marc Platt. He's Rita Hayworth's new dancing partner in Columbia Pictures' Technicolor dramatic musical "Tonight and Every Night," currently playing at the Liberty theater.

Dazzling Loveliness

In general, "Tonight and Every Night" is dazzling with loveliness, shimmering beauty, songs set to heart beats and tender romance

TODAY'S SPORT PARADE

By JACK CUDDY
United Press Correspondent

WEINHEIM, Germany, Aug. 25 (UP)—Maj. Gen. Alexander Bolling, commander of the 84th division, seventh army, paid high praise today to professional athletes and their part in the war.

"Anyone who thinks baseball players didn't fight in the war," he said, "are far off base. My division alone had 16 professional ball players killed or wounded."

Fighters

They were all minor leaguers in their chosen sport, but major leaguers in the grim game of warfare, the commander observed.

"My experience with baseball players was that they proved excellent fighters," he added.

Bolling, tall, slender and genial, sat at the head of a huge table in the handsome dining room of the impressive mansion which is his headquarters in Weinheim. The 23 dinersi ncluded staff officers and five sports writers from the "states," currently on an observation tour of athletic activities in occupied Europe.

Plenty of Athletes

Bolling said that in his opinion the best way to keep up the spirits of the American boys remaining in Germany is to "provide plenty of athletics."

He added, "And a good brass band, and that is why we are embarking on an ambitious sports program and also have a 100-piece band, and also stage our own GI shows in Heidelberg. It's easier to take men there in buses than to move the scenery about."

The commander took the writers to the Heidelberg opera house where they witnessed the show, "It's All Yours," produced and acted entirely by GI men, most of them holding higher than a sergeant's rank. The cast of 60 also included a 23-piece orchestra.

The show was a most excellently-patterned musical comedy about a sad-sack who is trying to get home. Bolling was justly proud of the performance.

"Remember that every performer has previously been in combat," he pointed out.

About 1,500 men and women of the U. S. army attended the show.

Soldier Killed By Oregon Policeman

McMINNVILLE, Aug. 27 (UP) —Army authorities are investigating the death of George R. Yasie, 30-year-old soldier from Chicago, who was shot Saturday by city police officer George Eggert.

Police officials said Yasie and a companion were cautioned several times by the officer against bothering women. Both men were extremely intoxicated, officers reported. When Eggert attempted to quiet them, the two men pounced upon the officer and began striking him.

Eggert left to call the police station for aid and returned before reinforcements arrived. The soldiers, both considerably larger than Eggert, jumped him again. This time he pulled his gun and shot Yasie. His companion, who was not identified is held by authorities.

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Beavers Lose 2 To Los Angeles; Rainiers Split

Seals Beat Sacs, Stars, Padres Also Divide

By JACK DAILEY

Seventh-place Los Angeles, defending Pacific Coast league champions, reared back Sunday and knocked Portland off in both ends of a doubleheader. The scores were 8-6 and 1-0. In doing so, the Cherubs handed the Beavers their third straight setback and second whitewash in two days.

Coupled with Portland's twin loss, Seattle divided two with Oakland, and gained a half game. The Rainiers now are three and one-half games behind Portland. Oakland won the opener, 5-4, but dropped the nightcap, 4-3, as Carl Fischer notched his 18th pitching victory.

Sacs Split

San Francisco won the first game from Sacramento, 11-4, but Guy Fletcher won the finale for the Sacs, 10-2, to register his 22nd triumph. He is second to the Seals' Bob Joyce in games won. Big Bob has won 28. Hollywood and San Diego split a pair. The Stars won the first, 8-6, but lost the second to Carl Dumler, 3-1.

The Beavers got off to a 5-2 lead in the opener at the end of the third, but the Angels kept picking away at Roy Helser until the eighth when they took over the lead with a three-run blast.

Win First

The Acorns almost lost the first game to Seattle during a wild ninth frame in which a Rainier rally fell one run shy and Manager Bill Skiff and outfielder Ted Norbert were chased.

In the final inning of the nightcap, Joe Dobbins cracked a single to center to score Hal Patchett with the winning run.

Both San Francisco-Sacramento games were free hitting affairs, Battle Malone (Bones) Sanders, Seals' first baseman personally accounted for the O'Doul victory in the opener. He made four hits including a triple in five trips to the plate to hand young Joe Vivalda his PCL hurling defeat.

Byron Nelson Wins Open by 10 Strokes

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 27 (UP)—Byron Nelson, who should spell golf "g-o-l-d" added first prize money of $2,000 from the Knoxville open to his previous winnings today to bring his 1945 total past $50,000, an all-time one-year-high for golfers. He has won 14 major 1945 meets.

In contrast to the Memphis open when he lost for the first time in 11 straight major tournaments, he won the meet here with the greatest of ease, finishing 10 strokes ahead of his nearest opponent, Sammy Byrd of Detroit.

Durocher to Receive $55,000 in Salary

NEW YORK, Aug. 27 (UP) — The Brooklyn Dodger home attendance was over the million mark for the season today, making Leo Durocher the highest paid manager in the business.

Durocher, given a pay cut to $20,000 last spring, was told by Branch Rickey, he would get $5,000 for each 100,000 increase in attendance after the 500,090 mark was reached and $10,000 when the million mark came up on the turnstiles. Durocher now stands to receive $55,000 for the year's work.

WANT TO BUY PULLMAN

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 27 (UP) Otis and company, Cleveland investment firm, filed a petition in U. S. district court today seeking permission to submit an offer for buying the sleeping car service of Pullman, Inc.

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COMPANION FEATURE

St. Louis Teams Put Out Stretch Drives

By CARL LUNDQUITS

NEW YORK, Aug. 27 UP)—There is more than a remote possibility "meet me in St. Louis" will be the theme song for the 1945 world series.

For their forlorn fans who have given up early season high hopes the Cardinals and Browns would meet in another one-park classic it is well to consider the following:

1. Currently they are the hottest clubs in their leagues. The Cards, riding a six game victory streak, the last three over the leading Cubs, have won 18 out of 24 games. The Browns, climaxing a four game streak with a Sunday double header victory over the White Sox, have won 18 out of 23.

Good Pitching

2. Pitching, key department in a stretch drive, is brilliant on both teams. The Cards have held the leadng natonal league batters, the Cubs, to two runs in three games. Rookie Ken Burkhardt,a 15-game winner, completed a string of 34 scoreless innings before the Cubs finally ended it. Ted Wilks and sylvester Donnelly of the Cards have recovered from arm ailments and will be ready to pitch when the team returns home. For the ,Browns, Al Hollingsworth strictly a liability last season, and Nelson Potter, a disappointment this year until recent weeks, each have won five straight games

3. Both have reputations for gameness in the stretch. In five out of eight years the Cards have won the pennant they have done it late in the season. The Browns put on a fine stretch drive last summer to beat the Tigers, winning their only pennant on the last day.

Gain Two

The Browns gained two full games yesterday, beating the White Sox at St. Louis 3 to 2 in 10 innings behind Bob Muncrief and 4 to 1 with Potter pitching. The victories, coupled with double defeats of the Tigers and Senators, left St. Louis four and a half games off the pace.

The Cards moved within two and a half games of the Cubs, winning a single game at Chicago, 5 to 1 as Charley (Red) Barrett won his 19th game. Just a week ago today the Cubs led by seven and a half games.

Senators Lose

Cleveland upset Detroit twice, winning the first game 3 to 1 on three unearned runs as Allie Reynolds edged Paul (Dizzy) Trout. Steve Gromek scored the winning run after singling in the ninth to break up the second game, 5 to 4, for his 16th pitching victory.

The Yankees made it four in a row over Washington at New York, 3 to 2 and 7 to 1. Catcher Mike Garbark drove in all the runs for Charley Ruffing who won his fifth game in the opener.

Dave Ferriss won his 20th game for the Red Sox, beating the Athletics at Boston, 4 to 3 with a 10th inning double which scored the winning run. Rookies Ty Laforest had tied up the game with a homer in the ninth. The Red Sox also won the second game, 4 to 3.

Two Split

Pittsburgh beat the visiting Reds, 10 to 7 and 2 to 1. A seven-run second inning sparked by Jim Russell's three-run homer clinched the opener in which Bill Salkeld also homered.

The Braves and Phils split at Philadelphia. Two run homers by Tommy Holmes and Phil Masi gave Boston a 6 to 5 win over Hugh Mulcahy, making his first start since leaving the army, but the Phils took the second, 4 to 3.

The Giants salvaged one game of a set of four with the Dodgers, winning 6 to 2 at Brooklyn. Billy Jurges made three hits and drove in three runs to back up Jack Brewer's win over Ralph Branca in a duel of rookies.

Baseball Standings

By United Press

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
Portland	92	59	.609
Seattle	88	61	.591
Sacramento	78	72	.520
San Francisco	78	73	.517
Oakland	72	79	.477
San Diego	71	82	.464
Los Angeles	65	87	.428
Hollywood	60	91	.397

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
Detroit	68	51	.571
Washington	67	53	.558
St. Louis	63	55	.534
New York	60	55	.522
Cleveland	61	57	.517
Chicago	60	59	.504
Boston	57	63	.475
Philadelphia	36	79	.313

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
Chicago	74	43	.632
St. Louis	73	47	.608
Brooklyn	66	53	.555
New York	65	57	.533
Pittsburgh	65	60	.520
Boston	56	67	.455
Cincinnati	47	72	.395
Philadelphia	36	83	.303

Oregon U. Center Drafted For Army

EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 27 (UP)—Word was received here today Kenny Hays, 6-foot-7½-inch center on the University of Oregon basketball team, has been drafted into the army.

Coach Howard Hobson said it put the U. of O. 1945-46 varsity basketball squad in a predicament, especially if the Webfeet resume their annual eastern barnstorming jaunt in December.

Hays' parents in Waitsburg, Wash., sent Hobson the bad news.

However, Hobson said he had hopes the Pacific Coast conference will approve Oregon's acceptance of one of three dates to play in Madison Square Garden next December. The Webfeet also have a tentative date to play Depaul in Chicago.

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Phyllis Otto Wins Women's Western From Former Foe

CHICAGO, Aug. 27 (UP)—Phyllis Otto of Atlanta, Ia., was fully repaid today for the long, tiresome hours she spent on the Pacific tee in an effort to cure a wicked slice.

For it was two booming drives on the 36th and final hole of her championship match with Mrs. Babe Didrikson Zamarias of Los Angeles Saturday that enbaled the chubby 21-year-old Iowa girl to score the season's No. 1 golf upset and win the women's western amateur golf title, one up.

During the six-day tournament, Miss Otto came close to being eliminated three times, each time because of her scatter-gun drive which repeatedly got her into trouble. But she spent many hours during the tournament at the practice tee.

She reached the 430-yard 36th green hole high with two screaming drives. After Mrs Zaharias holed out with a four, the 21-year-old northwestern university senior stepped up and cooly canned her 10-foot putt for a birdie three and the championship.

Miss Otto played the last 18 holes of the 38-hole title match in 73 shots, four under par, to tie the course record.

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