

Rickey Would 'Pool' Players to Offset Drafting of 4-F's

By WHITNEY MARTIN
NEW YORK, April 2 (AP)—Branch Rickey, who has an answer for everything, has the solution to the baseball man-power problem if the government decides to draft the 4-F's for labor. He'd pool the players so there would be enough to go around.

pool players? That is, when you take the 4-F's out of baseball you have left a dozen or so creaky old men in the over-35 class, and a bunch of 16 and 17 year olds the fans could see on any high school field of corner three-old-cat game. It is a generous gesture, this communist idea of Rickey's, where by the clubs richer in players would share their wealth with some of the poorer clubs, and it's particularly generous because Rickey's Brooklyn Dodgers, with the drippings of a once far-flung organization at their disposal, would be one of the few clubs which might conceivably be one of the larger contributors to the pool.

Rickey says the Brooklyn club will have had about 200 players at its various camps this spring. He does not say how many would be left after a 4-F labor draft got through with them, but you might get an idea by checking the Dodger roster alone. The current Brooklyn roll lists five men over 35, one under 18, and one or two medical discharges from the service. That adds up to not quite a baseball team, and under the circumstances offering to toss surplus players into a pool is akin to a very hungry kid offering to give up what is left of his candy bar to a friend. That may be taking a pretty

bleak outlook, but any way figure you would have an average of about one over-age player to every 20 16 or 17-year-old players. That would be high school baseball. If worse comes to worst and the leagues still wanted to continue play, they might call the various clubs the Junior Dodgers, or Junior Cubs, or Junior Yankees. That is, make it a junior major league. The fans would know what to expect and if they wanted to see some kind of baseball regardless of the quality, they'd turn out to some extent anyway, if the prices were cut.

Repair Shops Consolidated At Camp Adair

CAMP ADAIR, Ore., April 1—What were formerly the post ordnance and quartermaster repair shops have, during the past six months, undergone a drastic administrative change-over and have now been consolidated into a single unit on the post, the maintenance division, under the supervision of Lt. Col. James W. Fraser. On September 7, 1943, the war department, over the signature of the secretary of war, ordered that all army repair shops on fixed posts be combined, and that the entire responsibility for maintenance of clothing and equipment be placed in a single division of the army service forces.

Col. Fraser was appointed to the staff of Adair's director of supply, Col. W. Bruce Pirnie, in the capacity of deputy director of maintenance. It was his job to combine into a single unit all the various repair shops on the post, including ordnance, quartermaster, medical, engineering and signal corps, and to insure their smooth operation when the unification was completed.

The reorganization of Camp Adair's repair facilities has eliminated a great deal of duplication of work, and the savings in manpower and machinery have been considerable. The maintenance division now handles all repair work of any nature that may arise on the post, except carpentry work, which is still under the supervision of the post engineer. The shops are so complete and so well-staffed that only occasionally does the need arise to send repair work to high echelons, and in these cases it is usually some extremely specialized work, such as X-ray and chemical warfare equipment.

Not only do Camp Adair maintenance shops service the post, but they do repair work for the various stations in nearby sections and whatever tactical units may be in the area. The Portland army air base, the ASTUs in Eugene and Corvallis and the civil air patrols in Redmond all request service from the Camp Adair maintenance division. During the summer of 1943 the shops, at that time separate units, were swamped with work from the Bend maneuvers.

The tent and canvas repair shop on the post is believed to be the largest in the entire northwest, yet it is only one small portion of the total facilities available here. Col. Fraser is assisted in his work by three capable, specially chosen lieutenants, Chief assistant and production control officer is Lt. C. E. Smith. The two main repair shops are under separate supervision. Lt. James A. Noeker is in charge of the armament and automotive shop, while Lt. John E. Thomas keeps a watchful eye on the clothing and equipment repair shop.

Dewey-on-Ballot Decision Delayed

PORTLAND, April 1 (AP)—A decision on entering Thomas E. Dewey in the Oregon presidential primary was held up today pending word from Maj. Luther Felker, head of the Dewey-for-President forces here, who is in New York conferring on the situation. Frank S. Senn, acting chairman of the committee supporting Dewey, said the New York governor's name would not be entered until advice is received from Felker. The 1000 signatures needed to place Dewey on the ballot have been obtained, Senn added. Dewey asked his backers here again yesterday to keep his name off the ballot.

Feudin' Hatfield Thinks He Got a Jap

BOUGAINVILLE IN THE SOLOMONS, April 1 (AP)—Pvt. Jim Hatfield, 21, grandson of the original Jim Hatfield of Hatfield-McCoy feudin' fame, thinks he got a Japanese on Hill 260. Young Jim, from Williams, WVa., fired at a nip peering from behind an obstruction. The enemy disappeared. Two days later, when Hatfield was able to investigate, he found a body there.

U of O Revises School Calendar

EUGENE, Ore., April 1 (AP)—The University of Oregon's 1944-45 school year has been revised to give students more time for summer defense work and longer study terms.

Final Plans Made For Softy Openers

Eight Clubs Start Twilight Loop Sessions Wednesday; Rules Set

By CHRIS KOWITZ
Keith Brown faces Salem air base, Papermakers vie with Faculty, Golden Pheasant goes up against Willamette's Golds and the Willamette Cardinals meet the Willamette Blues in opening day firing of the newly-formed Salem softball loop Wednesday.

Two contests will be played at Olinger and one each on Leslie and Sweetland field diamonds. Although it has not yet been decided which games will be played where, all contests are tabbed for a 6 p.m. start.

The process of signing players is expected to hit full stride early this week by the managers of the four civilian teams in the circuit, all of which are in search of talent. Contracts now held by Keith Brown, Papermakers and Golden Pheasant, sponsors of Salem in 1942, the last year in which the loop operated, are still stable, and all players signed to them must be released by their present "owners" before signing with any other club.

Jim Sheldon, who had already lined up a diamond crew, said yesterday he had acquired Golden Pheasant as sponsor of his squad. Les Sparks is still shopping for a faculty nine backer and expects to land one in a couple of days.

Each sponsor is to be assessed \$10 for the right to field a team in the circuit. The registration fee must be in the hands of Chet Goodman, league secretary and treasurer, not later than game time Wednesday.

It is not probable that admission to be games will be charged at any time during the season, since the registration fees will suffice to cover the cost of umpires, and balls and bats will be furnished by sponsors. All contests will be of the seven-inning variety, with nine men to a team, except when two service crews meet, when ten softballers will be used by each squad. The remainder of the schedule will be announced late this week by the schedule committee, composed of Charles Davis, Sparks and Goodman, Loop President Elton Thompson announced yesterday.

Trappers Name Coach

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 1 (AP)—Curt Ledford, former Washington State college sprint ace, was named track coach at Vancouver high school today to succeed his former tutor, Carl Gustafson, who now is with the Greater Vancouver Recreation association.

Softy Loop Boss



ELTON THOMPSON has been re-elected president of the Salem Softball league which, after a year's inactivity, swings into action on three village fronts Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Brown Sisson Has Birthday Surprise

Employees of Miller's gave Brown Sisson, the manager, a surprise Saturday, which was his birthday. When he was out at noon, a table was fixed up in his office, and employees assembled for the occasion. Sisson was kept busy through the afternoon serving cake and punch to callers. Born on April Fools' day, Sisson has in the past fooled his employees on that date, so they reversed the joke this time.

Sportsmen Open Club

ASTORIA, April 1 (AP)—Sportsmen of this area have organized the Clatsop county Rod and Gun club to protect and improve fishing and hunting. Angus Walker, Astoria, is president.

Dragons Slate Airmen

DALLAS — Dallas high school's baseball team will meet the Salem army air base nine here Tuesday at 3:30 p.m.

STATESMAN SPORTS

By Al Lightner, Sports Editor

Finds New 'V' Pitch

Bobo Located; In Shape, Too

FREDERICK, Md., April 1 (AP)—Louis "Big Bobo" Newsom called Connie Mack by telephone (collected) today from his home in Hartsville, SC, and told him to quit worrying. Mr. Mack was somewhat perturbed earlier in the week when he told newspapermen he had nominated Bobo to pitch the Philadelphia Athletics' opening game against Washington, but hadn't heard from the "peculiar fellow" since Newsom ordered some balls and bats shipped to Hartsville before the A's opened training camp. "I'll pitch that opening game for you, Mr. Mack," Newsom boomed. "I've got a new pitch. I call it the V-ball—you know, 'V' for victory. "I've been in Florida working out. The trip cost money but it was worth it. I'm in shape. I'll be with you on the 10th."

Major League Baseball Notes

BALTIMORE, Md., April 1 (AP)—The Boston Red Sox were welcomed by the Coast Guard Cutters of Curtis Bay, 23 to 16 today in their opening exhibition game.

FREDERICK, Md., April 1 (AP)—Using a rookie lineup, the Philadelphia Athletics defeated the Frederick Hustlers 4-0 in an exhibition game this afternoon which was called after four and half innings because of rain.

ATLANTIC CITY, April 1 (AP)—The New York Yankees poked only five hits today but defeated the Philadelphia Phillies, 5 to 4, in the first exhibition game of the year at this resort. A crowd of 2878 paying fans and some 500 wounded soldiers watched.

Johnny Lindell cracked a homer for the winners with a mate on base and George Shrinweis banged out a triple with two men on. In both cases the hit was made off Charlie Schanz.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 1 (AP)—The Detroit Tigers and Chicago Cubs emerged from an April Fool's day slugfest today with the last laugh going to the Cubs. They won, 10 to 9.

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Md., April 1 (AP)—There was no April fool's about Milt Byrnes. St. Louis Browns' outfielder when he batted with the bases loaded in the fifth inning against Toledo of the American association today. Byrnes doubled, driving in three runs, for a 6-4 victory in the 7-inning practice game.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 1 (AP)—Twenty hits provided the Chicago White Sox with an impressive 16-3 triumph over the Pittsburgh Pirates today in the first spring training exhibition contest of the year for the Bucs.

Jones Named to Post on State Defense Council

S. Paul Jones, Hood River, state evacuation and transportation officer for the Oregon state defense council the past year, Saturday was appointed by Gov. Earl Senn as administrative assistant to the council. Jones succeeds James D. Olson, who recently replaced Jerrold Owen as state civilian defense coordinator. Owen is now in military service.

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PVT. OWEN GARLAND, line plunging fullback for Salem high's Vikings two years ago and son of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Garland, 1190 Hood street, is now in action with the marine corps in the south Pacific theatre, it has been reported.

Article Sees Great Industry On West Coast

A dream of industrial empire has excited the great and golden states of California, Oregon and Washington. Since 1939 a million and a half new faces have answered the "go-west" call booming out from the aircraft and shipyard industries on the west coast, according to an article in the current issue of The Saturday Evening Post titled "The West Coast Weighs its Future" by Post Associate Editor Arthur W. Baum.

"The fever runs hysterically high, but even in the chambers of commerce and civic clubs there are parallel chills of apprehension. This huge population and production shift is war-borne and war-fueled. When the war ends, will the new far westerners stay to make the revolution real? Will the new industry remain to support them?" asks the Post article.

Rolls conducted by industrial plants on the coast indicate that as high as 96 per cent of these new employees have said they would never go east again. By and large the coast wants them to stay. Henry Kaiser calls them "the argonauts of today, the builders of tomorrow."

The east may talk of reconversion but the west cannot, for these new machines of the west simply did not exist before. To keep these machines in production the coast must find thousands of new customers to replace the one customer they now have—the government.

"It may be well to twist an old saying and suggest that it has never paid to sell the Pacific coast short. It has sunshine in the south and eternal greenery in the north. People like to visit the coast, and population figures say that many of them will stay there. Perhaps these things will turn out to be postwar assets greater than any others," concludes Mr. Baum in his Post article.

"Strictly Private" By Quinn Hall



DEAR MOM:— EVERY DAY THE ARMY DECORATES GUNS FOR EFFORTS BEYOND THEIR LINE OF DUTY. SEEMS TO ME BRIGLIERS IS OVERLOOKING SOME THINGS THAT WOULD DISTINGUISH THEM FOR EXTRA MEDALS. YOUR SON
P.S. LIKE SHAKING US WHENEVER WE OBEYSLEEP. *John Quinn Private later Plink*

27 Year Old Mystery Solved

HAYESVILLE—At last, an old mystery has been solved for Dave Janzen. For the last six months, at night, he has been annoyed by feeling something scratchy in his bed. Examination revealed nothing unusual until Wednesday when the scratch made a much deeper impression on the bottom of his foot.

Long Lost Scissors Appear To Prod Sleeper's Memory

By LOTTIE STETTLER
He dug more deeply into the location of the mystery and the point was clearly revealed with the remainder of a pair of scissors attached.

Reminiscing he figured it was 27 years or more since that pair of scissors disappeared. His wife must have accidentally left them in the quilt which she made and which later was made into a mattress protector.

Through years of wear, the points had finally worked through the layer of cotton to take their vengeance on Dave. Since they were packed in cotton, the scissors are in perfect condition.

Propaganda Groups Send Out Literature

NEW YORK, April 1 (AP)—Shortly, on 100,000 desks in the United States, will lie a startling pamphlet called "Know Your Enemy," issued by the society for the prevention of the third world war.

It will go, free, to congress, newspapers, radio stations, the clergy, colleges — quite frankly, to all who can influence public opinion. It's a chilling document for the average, unworried American because it traces through 125 years of German history the Germanic ideas of a "master race," commonly credited today only to the nazis.

It quotes from all classes of Germans: The army, writers, philosophers, poets, teachers and the clergy. This pamphlet is only one of several signs that the United States is to undergo a full scale propaganda war, concerning the shape of the peace, during unofficial United Nations peace talks in London.

In both England and the United States the battle of ideas centers around a "hard" or a "soft" peace. Roughly, this is what they advocate: "Hard peace": The "unconditional surrender" enunciated at Casablanca by President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill as United Nations policy. Groups supporting this policy say the Germans are so filled with the "super man" theory that both their education and their industrial policies must be directed by the United Nations until it is certain they drop their "super man" beliefs.

"Soft peace": There are plenty of democratic Germans who should be permitted to take over government the minute the United Nations armies have won victory. The "hard peace" crowd is led by the Society for the Prevention of the Third World War, headed by the American author, Rex Stout, who is also chairman of the writers war board. They have enlisted the aid of several European researchers, among them Dr. Friedrich Forster, a famous German scholar, who was first thrown into jail in 1895 for opposing the Kaiser's plans for the first World war.

The "soft peace" movement is led by the "American Friends of German Freedom," headed by Paul Hagen, German author who also uses the name Carl Frank.

Addyse Lane Wins Humorous Reading

EUGENE, Ore., April 1 (AP)—Addyse Lane, Salem, won first place in the humorous reading division of the annual Oregon high school speech league forensics tournament today.

Don Yocum, Salem, and Harold Marr, Roseburg, tied for second in extempore speaking. Tom Brand, Salem, placed third. Yocum also tied for third in the discussion contest.

Mahoney Registers As Voter in Klamath

KLAMATH FALLS, April 1 (AP)—Willis E. Mahoney, who has announced his candidacy for the US senate, registered yesterday as a voter at the Klamath county clerk's office. He registered as a democrat.

He had to register to become eligible to file, the Multnomah county clerk's office in Portland said previously, because his registration lapsed when he failed to vote by absentee ballot from Washington, DC, in 1942. He formerly was registered as a voter in Multnomah county.

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BOWLING SCORES

Nicholson's youthful Insurance-men clung to a 2-game lead in the Commercial league at Perfection during the past week's sessions and made ready to meet second-place Goldies in this week's crucial series. George Scates of Paulus Bros. continued at No. 1 bowler in the circuit with his 178 average.

Wahl Bros., winner of the Industrial loop's first half play, finally regained the top spot in that Tuesday night circuit after a hot week and replaced the Statesman. Wahl Bros. hold a one-game lead over the Statesman and Papermakers quints, and Fred West of the leaders stayed atop the individual chase with 184 average.

Army-Navy Store and Cline's Coffee Shop made it a two-team race in the Major league, the former leading the latter by a single game. Bert's Pros slipped to five games behind the Shoppers and are tied with City Cleaners and Ramage's 7-Up. Walt Cline, Jr., of the Cleaners dropped a point in the individual chase and is now tied with Ellsworth Hartwell at 185 for high honors.

Acklin's Bootery maintained its 3-game Ladies' league lead over Broadway Beauty Shop, Miller's Furniture and Rialto, all tied for second. Virginia Garbarino's 159 average is still tops.

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Hartman Bros.	18 21 462
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Paulus Bros.	16 23 410

Averages leading 10 bowlers: Scates 178, Hill 173, Dahlberg 173, Steele 170, Drifus 168, Zeller 168, Wheatley 167, S. Mills 167, E. Garbarino 166, Melville 164.

MAJOR LEAGUE

Wahl Bros.	22 11 567
Statesman	21 12 536
Papermakers	21 12 436
Valley Oil Co.	18 18 455
M & F Grocery	15 18 455
Scio	15 18 455
Capital City Laundry	13 21 384
Brite Spot	11 22 333

Averages leading 10 bowlers: West 184, Denmore 168, Wheatley 165, Melville 165, Edwards 165, Kirohman 164, Mathis 164, Pederson 162, Forgard 160, White 159, Ertsgaard 156.

LADIES' LEAGUE

Acklin's Bootery	18 15 500
Broadway Beauty Shop	15 15 500
Miller's Furniture	15 15 500
Rialto	15 15 500
Ramage's 7-Up	13 17 433
Acme Wreckers	13 17 433
Kaglettas	14 16 467
Sears, Roebuck	11 19 387

Averages 10 leading bowlers: Garbarino 159, Lloyd 156, Poulin 152, Meyer 145, Jones 143, Mills 141, Tamblin 141, Bowley 140, Hannan 140, Holt 138, Kirohman 138.

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