

Russ Acheson Leaves Medford High for Pilot's Training Course

ATHLETIC COACH GOES TO KLAMATH FOR INSTRUCTION

No Successor Yet Named For Football, Track, Cage Mentor—Has Fine Record

J. Russell Acheson, head football, basketball and track coach at Medford senior high school, left for Klamath Falls this morning to embark on a seven-months citizens' pilot training course simultaneous to being inducted into the U. S. army air corps reserve.

Acheson said he would be stationed in Klamath Falls for four months taking a course in primary and secondary flight training, plus 480 hours of ground training, after which he would be transferred to some C.P.T. school in the northwest for a three-months course in cross-country and instructors' flight.

Following successful completion of the entire course, he will be transferred to the ferry command or will serve as an instructor for army air cadets or citizen instructors, he explained.

The popular Medford athletic coach took his final examination for the C.P.T. course in Klamath Falls last Saturday, and Tuesday night was notified of his acceptance in a telegram received from J. C. Stovall, coordinator for the University of Oregon's C.P.T. school at Klamath Falls.

Who will succeed Acheson as head coach of three of Medford's four major sports was not known at this time, and probably won't be in the immediate future. E. H. Hedrick, city school superintendent, said he had nobody in mind, and had made no plans to acquire a man or men for the football, basketball and track coaching posts. Alex McDonald is head basketball tutor.

Mayfield Mentioned
With the war developing an acute shortage of athletic coaches, it was understood there was a possibility that Leonard B. Mayfield, principal, might be drafted for one or more of the coaching positions. Mayfield has had considerable experience along these lines at Grants Pass and Oregon City high schools, where his teams made fine records.

Acheson is the second Medford high coach to leave in less than one year. Lieutenant Bill Bowerman, athletic and recreation officer at Fort Lawton, Seattle, was called into active service shortly after the football season last fall, and Acheson was elevated to the head football and track coaching jobs.

He never had a chance to take over the gridiron reins, of course but his first fling at teaching track resulted in the Tigers winning the state championship last spring.

In his four years as head basketball coach his teams twice won the district crown and entered the state tournament. The Tigers reached the finals in 1939 where they were beaten by Salem, and won sixth place in 1942. Acheson also coached basketball in 1940, his club winning 11 out of 12 games.

A graduate of Portland's Washington high school and of Oregon State college, Acheson came here in the fall of 1935 to coach all athletics at junior high school. Both of his junior high basketball teams and both his grid eleven captured the Southern Oregon Junior High conference championship, his 1936 eagles being undefeated and his football teams losing only one game in two years.

Promoted in 1937
In the fall of 1937 he was promoted to the senior high school as Bowerman's assistant in football and track, and a year later was given the head basketball coaching position. Then, following Bowerman's call to active duty, he was elevated to head coach in track and football.

Acheson recently returned from taking a five-weeks teachers training course in civil aeronautics at the University of Oregon in preparation for teaching this subject at high school the coming year.

Acheson was accompanied to Klamath Falls by his wife and their young son, Kenneth Ray.

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FOX: NOVIKOFF PAN THIN SUITS OF CHICAGO CUBS

Boston, July 23.—(AP)—Jimmy Fox, who frightened many a pitcher by throwing out his chest and flexing his mighty biceps as he stepped to the plate, has yet to intimidate any of the National league hurlers.

"It's this monkey suit," Double-X complained, referring to the Chicago Cubs' sleeveless uniforms that has been compared unfavorably with a gay 90's bathing suit. "The fabric is so thin that I feel like a skinned rabbit in it."

Fox is only one of the Cubs who dislike their regalia. Lou Novikoff, who has been murdering the ball of late, is certain that the Cubs would be well up in the first division if they wore regulation spangles.

"All of us look thinner than Ted Williams in these outfits," Novikoff said. "No wonder we're in sixth place. We appear so skinny and weak to the other clubs that they convince themselves they can blow us down."

GEHRMAN STILL LEADS HURLERS
Los Angeles, July 23.—(AP)—He didn't win or lose a game this week, but big Paul Gehrman of the Pacific league pitching list with seven wins against no defeats.

Among the regulars Seattle's veteran Hal Turpin boasts the best record, 16-4, followed by Ray Prim of Los Angeles with a 14-4 score.

Sacramento's Blix Donnelly leads the strike-out department with 116.

HOW THEY STAND

(By the Associated Press)

Pacific Coast	W.	L.	Pct.
Los Angeles	69	39	.639
Sacramento	66	44	.600
Seattle	56	52	.519
San Francisco	54	52	.509
San Diego	57	55	.509
Oakland	46	63	.422
Hollywood	47	66	.416
Portland	41	65	.387

National	W.	L.	Pct.
Brooklyn	62	27	.697
St. Louis	56	32	.636
Cincinnati	47	43	.522
New York	47	43	.522
Pittsburgh	41	44	.482
Chicago	45	49	.479
Boston	38	57	.400
Philadelphia	24	65	.270

American	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	61	28	.682
Boston	50	39	.562
Cleveland	51	42	.548
St. Louis	48	45	.516
Detroit	47	48	.495
Chicago	38	51	.427
Philadelphia	38	60	.388
Washington	35	57	.380

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Pat Abbott Major Casualty In Tam O'Shanter Tourney

Chicago, July 23.—(AP)—Without much doubt the most confused golf tournament in history, the Tam O'Shanter open and amateur, unlimited, proceeded today into its fourth or completely unintelligible stage—the one just before they bring out the padded wagon and say, "Take it easy, pal, sure you're Napoleon."

On today's program, as someone explained it, was the first 18 holes of the Tam O'Shanter \$15,000 medal play open. Also scheduled were two rounds of match play in the all-American amateur championship, these being the third and fourth rounds of this particular championship. The man who explained this disappeared before his name was obtained, but his version may be taken as fairly authentic.

George S. May, president of Tam O'Shanter club and the man who thought up all the strange events that have been taking place on its acreage this week, said that was his general understanding of the situation, too. He would not, however, consent to be quoted directly.

Today, 136 professionals began battling for \$2,500 first money in the 72-hole open championship. The 16 surviving amateurs from yesterday's shambles tied up in two match play rounds, while at the same time competing in the open. All of the amateurs who were eliminated yesterday—48 of 'em—continued to compete in the open, boyoboy!

Pat Abbott was the only major casualty among the amateurs. He was knocked out by Gus Novotny of Chicago. The other top-drawer players came through on schedule, and several fine matches were on tap today. Corp. Marvin Bud Ward, the national champion, faced a worthy opponent in Earl Stewart, the 1941 intercollegiate king.

Rainiers Call Upon Yanks for Receiver

Seattle, July 23.—(AP)—The broken finger which catcher Bob Collins received from a foul tip in the Seattle-Portland Pacific Coast league baseball game last night left the Rainiers with only Bill Beard, a rookie, to work behind the plate.

Beard has a call from his draft board next week. Manager Bill Skiff has asked the New York Yankees to send one of three catchers now with Newark—Ed Kearsse, with Seattle two seasons ago, Aaron Robinson or Tom Paddon.

Rationing Board Members Resign

Portland, July 23.—(AP)—Seventy-five members of Oregon's rationing boards have resigned. Walter W. R. May, state OPA organization officer, said yesterday.

They "worked themselves ragged," and felt that "some of their neighbors should work for a while," he added.

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RED SOX, TIGERS SLUMP AS YANKS TAKE 11 IN ROW

Champs Boost LeLad To 12 Games With 5-1 Win Over Tribe—Dodgers Win.

By Judson Bailey
Associate Press Sports Writer
All the people who for weeks devoted themselves industriously to trying to solve the slump of the New York Yankees probably are busy now figuring out reasons for the sliding of the Boston Red Sox and the Detroit Tigers.

This is a thankless task, but nevertheless a form of endeavor in which there never is any unemployment. Somebody always is in a slump and right now both the Red Sox and the Tigers have it bad. Boston has lost four in a row and nine of its last 11 games, while Detroit has dropped 11 out of 14 and has fallen from the first division.

The Red Sox were shut out 2-0 yesterday by Lee (Buck) Ross of the Chicago White Sox, although they made the magnificent total of five hits, one more than Chicago collected off Broadway Charley Wagner.

The Tigers were tamed, 2-1, by the Washington Senators on the five-hit hurling of Sid Hudson. Meanwhile the New York Yankees squeezed to their 11th consecutive victory and extended their American league lead to 12 full games by blasting across four unearned runs in the tenth inning to beat the Cleveland Indians, 5-1.

Joe Stopped
Joe DiMaggio's hitting streak was stopped at 18 games by Lefty Al Milnar, but Rollie Hemsley made four hits, including two doubles, and Charley Keller hit his 12th home run. This was the Yankees' only score till the overtime chapter.

The St. Louis Browns blew a 6-0 lead attained in the first four frames and lost an 11-8 decision to the Philadelphia Athletics. Sparked by Chet Laabs' 18th circuit clout, the Browns scored five runs in the fourth.

In the National league, the Brooklyn Dodgers disposed of the Cincinnati Reds without trouble, 5-1, with Kirby Higbe pitching five-hit ball and he and his teammates tagging Ray Starr and Gene Thompson for twice that many.

This kept the Dodgers six and a half games ahead of the St. Louis Cardinals, who slammed out a 7-0 victory over the Philadelphia Phils, who were unable to score on ten hits off Johnny Beazley.

The Chicago Cubs evened their score with the Boston Braves in the day's other game as Claude Passeau pitched a masterful two-hitter for a 2-1 verdict. It was Passeau's 14th triumph of the year.

Scores Yesterday

By the Associated Press
Pacific Coast League
San Francisco 6, Oakland 1.
Los Angeles 3, Hollywood 1.
San Diego 7, Sacramento 4.
Portland 2, Seattle 4.

National
Cincinnati 1, Brooklyn 5.
St. Louis 7, Philadelphia 0.
Chicago 2, Boston 1.

American
New York 5, Cleveland 1 (10 innings).
Boston 1, Chicago 2.
Philadelphia 11, St. Louis 8.
Washington 2, Detroit 1.

Western International
Tacoma 3, Vancouver 7.
Spokane 8, Salem 11.

Rainiers Whip Bevos Again by Collecting 10 Hits Off Ad Liska

By the Associated Press
If the Seattle Rainiers were not playing the weak and helpless Portland Beavers, Rainier fans might be encouraged by the rise from fifth to third place the Rainiers have made this week.

Pitted against a stronger team, however, the Rainiers might not have done so well and fans are not yet conjuring visions of another late season rally such as marked the Rainiers' drive to the Pacific Coast baseball league title.

Newly established in third place, the Rainiers won their second straight game from Portland, 4 to 2, last night but the victory was costly, for Catcher Bob Collins suffered a broken finger in attempting to handle a foul tip.

The Rainiers combed Ad Liska, usually baffling to Seattle batters, for 10 hits while Larry Guay yielded six safeties.

Coast league fans are learning to expect anything of the San Francisco Seals, one of the loop's notorious in-and-out clubs.

Last night the unpredictable trounced Oakland, 6 to 1, the same score by which the Seals lost to the Oaks on the previous night.

The win kept the San Franciscans in a tie for fourth with the San Diego Padres, who also came back after a loss to defeat Sacramento, 7 to 4.

Los Angeles continued its league-leading pace with a 3 to 1 win over Hollywood. The Angels have won their last 14 efforts.

Short score:
Portland score: 2 6 2
Seattle 4 10 2
Liska and Mayer, Leovich; Guay and Collins, Beard.

Use Mail Tribune want ads.

TOURIST RESORTS MAY GET RELIEF

Washington, July 23.—(AP)—Legislation designed to give financial relief to operators of tourist and vacation businesses hit by the gasoline and rubber shortage was introduced today by Senator McNary (R-Ore.).

His bill would authorize the Reconstruction Finance corporation to make loans up to 75 per cent of the value of such properties, with interest not to exceed three per cent, and no payment due on either principal or interest until two years after the end of the present emergency was proclaimed by the president.

The loans would be issued only where it could be shown that 50 per cent or more of a

Cannery Pickets Hold Up Supplies

Salem, July 23.—(AP)—Pickets at the Paulus Brothers cannery last night prevented delivery of two railroad cars of empty cans to a spur track at the south end of the cannery, as the two-weeks old strike spread beyond the cannery itself.

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