

SPORTS

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ON PACIFIC COAST
IN ENSUING YEAR

Coast League to Operate
Despite Ban on Night Call
—Football Also Planned.

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San Francisco, Jan. 7.—(U.P.)—Although operating under curtailed schedules, it will be sports as usual on the Pacific coast this year.

The Pacific Coast league, one of baseball's three class AA circuits, will operate despite the ban on night ball; basketball, semi-pro hockey and all the other indoor sports already are underway and plans are being made for college football next fall.

Circumstances may alter the outlook, but if the war effort makes no further inroads on sports the west coast's 1943 program will be the same as last year.

Racing Suffers

Thus far, horse racing is the only sport which has suffered since the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. Three tracks—Santa Anita, Tanforan and Hollywood Park—failed to open, but the latter may have a meeting beginning in May. There definitely will be no more racing at Santa Anita and Tanforan for the duration. So far, Bay Meadows has been the only major track to operate as usual.

The banning of night games probably will take all the profit out of baseball and some changes are being made so the league can operate. The schedule, usually the longest of any league in the nation, will be shortened and the player limit probably cut from 23 to 20.

Final plans will be worked out next month. Because the transportation problem is more acute here than in the east, the southern clubs may make only one northern trip—to Portland and Seattle—instead of the usual two.

Basketball never has been the drawing card in the far west that it is in the east and midwest, but college officials don't expect much of a drop in attendance, particularly in the population centers. They point out that the decrease in football attendance on the Pacific coast last season was less than any other section of the country.

Bowl Crowd Cited
That the people of this section still want their sports was demonstrated by the more than 93,000 who turned out for the Rose Bowl football game between Georgia and UCLA on New Year's day, the 59,000 who saw the East-West charity game at San Francisco, and the crowd of more than 9,000 who spent \$14,778 Tuesday night to see Henry Armstrong fight Jimmy McDaniel.

So far as football is concerned, the Pacific Coast conference expects to operate as usual. But, if necessary, the conference could be split into two groups to conserve transportation facilities. In one group would be Oregon, Oregon State, Washington, Washington State, Montana and Idaho, while in the other there would be Stanford, California, Southern California and UCLA.

BOWLING

Participants of the Commercial League bowled last night with the following results: McDonald Candy Company 3, Valentine's Cafe, 1; Medford Mill Workers 8, Your Office Boy 1.

Scores were:
McDonald Candy 197
Handicap 197
Kemper 488
Day 304
Boehrs 454
Johnson 485
Swanson 408
Total 3573

Valentine's Cafe
Jacobson 500
Read 501
Herried 503
Kenny 493
De Marco 498
Total 2400

Medford Mill
Pinch 482
Nemita 390
Schantel 480
Uzuel 442
Walter 542
Total 2422

Your Office Boy
Handicap 90
Cotton 471
Adler 400
B. Orr 399
Klein 484
G. Orr 456
Total 2358

Cage Scores

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Temple 45, Syracuse 44.
New York University 49, Penn State 40.
Columbia 49, Cornell 40.
Ohio University 53, Ohio Wesleyan 37.
Penn 55, Swarthmore 38.
Kansas 69, Missouri 44.
Princeton 47, Seton Hall 30.
Massachusetts Tech 41, Boston University 34.
Western Kentucky Teachers 72, East Knox 24.
Texas 55, Rice 36.

Bob Newland High Scorer



BOB NEWLAND

University of Oregon, Eugene, Jan. 7.—(U.P.)—Bob Newland, former Medford high school athletic star, will be a starter on the University of Oregon basketball team when the Webfoots start the northern division hoop race on the Inland Empire trip next week.

Newland has been the leading scorer of the Oregon team in nine pre-season games with 71 points, or an average of 8.9 a game. He has a deadly two-handed long shot that makes him a constant threat on offense.

Newland is also a good defender. Coach Howard Hobson rates the versatile southern Oregon athlete a contestant for northern division scoring and all-star honors.

Newland earned his letter as

a sophomore last year, despite the fact he was on the sick list most of the season. He was high scorer of the freshman team two years ago, and also earned his numerals in track and baseball. Last year he earned a varsity letter in track and was one of the best high jumpers in the northern division.

Playing with Newland on the first string will be Captain Don Kirsch at the other guard post, either Freshman Roger Wiley or Letterman Wally Borrevik at center, and Warren Taylor, Ralph Fuhrman or Bob Wren, all lettermen, forwards.

First home games on the Webfoots slate are January 22 and 23 when Oregon meets the University of Washington in what are traditionally two hectic racehorse affairs.

BIG LEAGUES PLAN
TO DO TRAINING IN
HOME TERRITORY

New York, Jan. 7.—(U.P.)—Virtually certain to be unaffected by the ban on pleasure-car driving and already resigned to the continued employment of any baseball player working in an essential industry, major league officials rushed completion of "close-to-home" spring training plans today.

From the St. Louis Browns in the west to the Boston Braves in the east, the search for conditioning sanctuaries for the surviving diamond stars went rapidly forward while organization of an exhibition game schedule to include as many college teams and nearby baseball squads as possible was being formulated to replace the former spring southern setup.

The majors already had planned to conform to Manpower Commissioner Paul V. McNutt's pronouncement that baseball players were in a non-essential category and therefore not subject to draft deferment and Leon Henderson's curtailment on the use of automobiles for pleasure will not hamper attendance at ballparks—most of which are close to excellent transportation facilities. Thus yesterday's rulings failed to excite diamond devotees.

TIGER BASKETMEN
INVADE ROSEBURG
FOR TWO CLASHES

Coach Lorne Arnold and his Medford basketball squad will journey to Roseburg this weekend for the first conference clashes of the season, with games scheduled for both Friday and Saturday nights. The Tiger squad is not up to full strength, Arnold states, several of the squad having been laid up with the flu.

Ten men will make the trip—Don Fawcett, Darrell Monteith, Dale Niedermeyer, Al Weir, Hob Deuel, Harry Nordwick, Bob Weisenburger, Herb Edwards, Bill Bayless and Doug Plumley. Jack Kresse is one of the squad out of the picture for the weekend. Kresse recovered from the flu only to suffer a sprained ankle.

Both games are scheduled for 7:30 p. m. and will be broadcast from Roseburg's station KRNR, 1490 kilocycles.

VETERAN MARINE
DRAWS \$21,269

Quantico, Va., Jan. 7.—(U.P.)—Hugh F. Deakins, marine quartermaster clerk, received a \$21,269.29 check today for his 35 years of service as a marine corps enlisted man.

When an enlisted man is promoted to a warrant office grade, his enlisted accounts are settled. Deakins had been permitting part of his salary to accumulate ever since he joined the marines. He became a warrant officer to day and was paid the full amount of his savings.

The marine corps public relations office reported that Deakins took the entire amount, added some to it, and bought five \$5,000 war bonds.

Closing time for Classified ads 9 a. m.—Too late to Classify 12:30 p. m.

Whispers
from
Camp WhiteAbout Facts and Faces
On the Reservation.

Corporal Jack Miller, theatrical booking agent from New York

city, promising to do his old "hat trick" and round up some hidden talent among the entertainers in his Medical outfit.

Private Thorvald Jorgenson, Jr., soldier boy of Swedish descent, whose home is in Colonia Dublan, Mexico, playing La Paloma on a Yankee harmonica. Come along with this column and meet the American Army.

Private Granville Mitchell, a Michigander in the Camp MPs, getting a very important wire via phone in his Orderly room.

Sergeant Major Mike Forgosh of the Engineers is from the canyons of New York city. Disturbed over the local price of eggs, he was "sold" 18 chickens. Now each lunch time he dashes to a phone to check on his production line. Both the Sarge and the chickens are unhappy—as yet—no eggs!

Over in an IX Corps Field Artillery Battery is Pvt. Roy

Moore. West Coast fight fans will recall his Los Angeles battle with the daddy of them all, Jack Britton.

It is Pfc. James Butler—from over the bridge in Brooklyn—who edits "The Yardbird," one of the IX Corps Detachment newspapers that mushroom from camp organizations.

One of the hottest camp piano swing artists is Captain Harold R. Meyers from a Field Hospital Unit. The nuances of his lyrics are strictly in the style of "Fats" Waller. Can go swinging on nothing.

Promise Inmates
Better Tobacco

Salem, Ore., Jan. 7.—(U.P.)—Convicts at the state penitentiary, as well as inmates of other state institutions, will get a better grade of tobacco furnished them in 1943, the state board of control decided today after learn-

ing that the convicts had been throwing some of the tobacco into Mill creek on the prison grounds.

Roy Mills, executive secretary of the board, who apprised the members of the situation, estimated that the state would spend \$12,000 for tobacco for the institutions in 1943.

GORILLA 635 POUNDS
San Diego, Cal.—(U.P.)—Officials of the San Diego zoo claim "Ngagi," an inmate of the zoo, to be the world's largest gorilla in captivity. He weighs in at 635 pounds when his weight doesn't crush the scales to smithereens. "Bushman," a 500-pound gorilla at Chicago's Lincoln park zoo, is believed to be the second largest.

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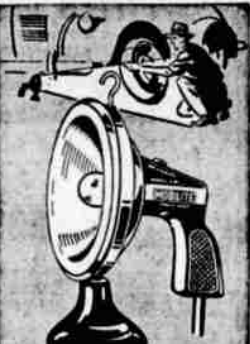
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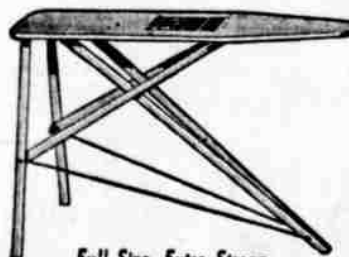
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Washington, Jan. 7.—(U.P.)—Baseball playing is not essential to winning the war and no occupational draft deferments will be granted to players even if they are stars who might bring the pennant to their clubs, War Manpower Commission Chairman Paul V. McNutt ruled today.

McNutt, in an explanation of baseball's status under the manpower program, said that sports and kindred professions such as acting are useful as morale builders, but not essential. "The usefulness of the sport is a separate question from the essentiality of the individuals who play it," he said.

Ration Rules

Important rationing dates of January are listed below:

Coffee
Coupon number 28 became valid January 4. It will be good for one pound of coffee and valid until February 8.

Sugar
January 31—Coupon number 10 in war ration book one is good for three pounds of sugar through this date.

Gasoline and Tires
January 21—Last day for using number 3 coupon in "A" coupon books. Number 4 coupons become valid January 22.

January 21—Last day that temporary "T" coupons will be issued directly by rationing boards. Beginning February 1, "T" rationing will be issued on the basis of ODT certification of war necessity.

January 31—Motorists must have auto tires inspected by this date. Official OPA inspectors at designated filling stations, garages, tire shops, and other places, will check all tires on your car and make report on your tire inspection record.

War Ration Book One
January 15—Dead line for obtaining war ration book one. Persons who do not have this book should apply to local rationing boards.

Springfield, Mass. (U.P.)—A Springfield store's regular Santa Claus has gone into war work so an 83-year-old minister has taken his place. The Rev. George Cummings donned whiskers and the regular trappings of Santa Claus. Despite his age the store manager says, Mr. Cummings is the best "Santa" he ever had.