

SPORTS

BLANKET OF FOG SLOWS GOLFERS IN L. A. TOURNNEY

Los Angeles, Jan. 8—(U.P.)—Six professionals whose third round in the 19th annual Los Angeles open golf tournament was interrupted yesterday when a thick blanket of fog drifted across the Riviera Country Club, struck out early today to finish the tour and catch up with the other entrants.

Thanks to the fog, which made visibility at any distance impossible, Sgt. E. J. "Dutch" Harrison, Wright Field, O., and Byron Nelson, the Toledo, O., Texan, held the third round lead in the field of 53 professionals and eight amateurs, who are competing for the \$13,333 in war bonds.

Harrison and Nelson each had a card of 213 but two of the six top-flight linkmen who teed off with the sunrise today had a good chance of beating that mark and two others could tie it.

Sammy Byrd, Detroit, Mich., who had but one hole to play when the fog halted operations, needed a par four on the tough 18th green for a one-under par 70, which, added to his 70 and 72 would give him a tidy 212.

Swarthy Johnny Revolta, from Evanston, Ill., halted at the 15th hole, needed only even par for the last four holes for 71 and another 212 Revolta shot 71 and 70 in the first two rounds.

Defending Champion Harold (Jug) McSpaden, the Philadelphia pro, also could shoot par for his last four holes and finish with 73, which would give him 213, and Ray Mangrum, of Los Angeles, the second round leader at 140 with McSpaden, could keep pace with the Philadelphia by dropping a par on the last hole.

Navy Scores Win In Bermuda Bowl

Hamilton, Bermuda, Jan. 8—(U.P.)—Danny Vargo of Akron, O., who knows how to hit a moving target with a football, and John McQuary, former Southern California backfield star with the line bucking talents of a young bull, drew most of the plaudits today for Navy's 59 to 8 victory over Army in the third annual all-service Lily Bowl game.

Vargo threw two long touchdown passes and McQuary hit the line for two more to give Navy the "rubber" game before 11,000 fans yesterday in the annual match between personnel stationed here.

WAVES REACH HAWAII

Pearl Harbor, Honolulu, T. H., Jan. 8—(U.P.)—Eleven Wave officers and 200 enlisted women, the first large contingent of Waves to report for duty in the Pacific and the vanguard of several thousand assigned to the 14th naval district, arrived in Pearl Harbor this morning.

WEED ASSASSIN FACES JOHNSON

Promoter Mack Lillard announced today that he has signed Pete Belcastro, Weed Assassin, to meet Gust Johnson, coast junior heavyweight wrestling champion, in the top main event at Medford Armory Thursday night. The match will be for six ten-minute rounds instead of the one hour straight time limit as in the past. Two out of three falls will decide the winner.

The Gray Mask, who swept through all available opposition for several weeks in early winter, will definitely return January 18 and will meet the winner of this match, Lillard said.

Jack Kiser, coast light-heavy king, will meet Terrible Tony Ross in the four-round middle match and Lou Bellaveau, a newcomer from Canada, will meet Milt Olson in the three round opener.

J'VILLE HOOPERS WIN LEAGUE TILT

Jacksonville Redskins scored a 31 to 25 basketball victory over Butte Falls in a Jackson county eastern division "B" league game at Jacksonville Friday night. The Redskins led at halftime, 15 to 12.

Forbes of the winners led all scorers with 16 points, while Phillips and Conley were high for the losers with five each.

Jacksonville reserves defeated Butte Falls reserves, 14 to 2. Wendt was high for Jacksonville while Oden scored the losers' lone field goal.

National Football League Heads Meet To Eye Dim Future

Chicago, Jan. 8—(U.P.)—Although the sporting world is faced with a dismal future, 11 club owners of the National Football league convened here tomorrow to lay plans for a "bigger and better" 1945 season which is expected to send one and possibly two new pro teams into action next fall.

The National league, the only major professional gridiron group currently doing business, apparently is unalarmed concerning War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes' recent order that all professional 4-F athletes be re-examined. Ten teams fought through the past season and now, according to league headquarters, plans are being made for an 11th and possibly 12th outfit for '45.

Total of U. S. first line combat planes as of Oct. 31, 1944, including reserves, was approximately 23,000.

POINTERS WIN IN BASKETBALL TILT

Central Point high's basketball quintet defeated Rogue River, 25 to 22, on the Pointer court Friday night in a county western division "B" league game. It was a close but rough game all the way, with 23 personal fouls being called. Central Point led at halftime, 18 to 16.

Lineups:
Central Pt. Pos. R. River
Wilson (7).....F..... (4) Burton
Cooley (4).....F..... (9) Dimick
Strier (10).....C..... (1) Finsted
Childress (3).....G..... (8) M'Gregory
Holland (1).....G..... Lee

CAVEMAN QUINT BOOKS POINTERS

Central Point and Grants Pass high school basketball teams will meet in their annual non-conference game Tuesday night on the Central Point floor. Reserve teams of the two schools will meet in a preliminary beginning at 7:15.

Grants Pass won last year by a two-point margin and the Pointers, who are undefeated in league play, are eager to wipe out that loss.

President's Speech Causes Concern To Baseball Leaders

New York, Jan. 8—(U.P.)—President Roosevelt's call for the greater diversion of manpower to the war effort left baseball men wondering today whether the major and minor leagues will operate in 1945.

Although they withheld comment pending more definite congressional reaction to the president's proposal, some leaders of the sport privately expressed doubt that the game would survive a fourth war-time season.

The chances at best appeared 50-50 and it became increasingly apparent that the major item of business at the next major league meeting—in New York February 5—would be a decision on whether to attempt to carry on if the manpower picture does not improve.

U. S. Fans Attend Mexican Racetrack

Tijuana, Baja Calif., Mex., Jan. 8—(U.P.)—The Hipodromo de Tijuana today reported the most successful racing day in more than a year as it counted up the profits from yesterday's performance, the first since the racing blackout in the United States.

More than 5,000 racing fans poured across the border yesterday despite U. S. officials' efforts to discourage the use of rationed gasoline to attend the Mexican races.

The restricted meat supply has increased the production and shipments of baby chicks which are often forwarded when one day old. More than 50,000,000 will be handled in the United States this year alone.



WHO SAID TOBACCO SHORTAGE?—Largest loose leaf tobacco mart in the world at Lexington Ky., opened its sales with bumper crop. Buyers (in background) bid on the weed, rarely taking more than five or six seconds to each basket, so fast is the bidding.

Chaplin Jury Dismissed



Her face registers a mixture of surprise, Joan Barry holds little Carol Ann on her lap as she hears news that jury, deliberating whether Charles Chaplin is father of child, was discharged after becoming hopelessly deadlocked. The jury took six ballots and the vote on every one was seven to five for Chanlin.

LITRELL PARTS WILL MOVE INTO NEW STORE SOON

Littrell Parts will move into a new home at Sixth and Bartlett streets April 1, it was revealed today by E. A. Littrell, owner. Conversion of the former Safeway store building at that location is now under way and another building of the same size will be constructed on the west side of the present structure. The property was purchased by Mr. Littrell some time ago from John Tomlin. Consideration in the transaction was not revealed.

The new building will house the automotive parts store and the old building will house the office and machine shop where 10 men are employed in motor rebuilding, metalizing, crankshaft grinding and other custom work.

About 27 are employed altogether in the local concern, and 12 others are employed in branches at Yreka, Calif., and Grants Pass, Ore. Littrell Parts was established here 23 years ago, the first place of business being on Front street. The concern moved to the present location, 318 East Main street 20 years ago.

DRAFT OF NURSES SEEMS FAVORABLE TO CONGRESSMEN

Washington, Jan. 8—(U.P.)—Rep. Edith Nourse Rogers, R., Mass., said today she would introduce legislation for drafting nurses if that were the only way to end "needless suffering and death" among wounded servicemen.

Congressmen of both parties appeared generally receptive to President Roosevelt's request for a nurse draft to relieve the acute shortage that is hampering the work of military hospitals both at home and abroad.

Mrs. Rogers, who sponsored the bill creating the women's army corps, said in an interview that she would introduce nurse draft legislation but only as a "last resort"—if the latest figures in the recruiting drive showed clearly that voluntary methods would fail.

"I abhor the idea of a draft of women, but we can't let our service personnel suffer needlessly and die because of lack of proper nursing care," she said.

Chairman Andrew J. May, D., Ky., of the house military affairs committee, and Rep. Walter G. Andrews, R., N. Y., ranking minority member, both endorsed the president's proposal. May said he would confer with war department officials and go to work on his own bill patterned on their recommendations.

Inmates of federal prisons produced more than \$17,000,000 worth of manufactured and processed goods during the fiscal year of 1944. Ninety per cent of the goods was consumed by the armed services and war agencies of the government.

Lt. Larry Schade Home From South Pacific Missions

First Lt. Larry Schade, Jr., arrived in Medford today from Fort Lewis, Wash., with his wife, the former Mary Shreve, for a 21 day visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Schade of 989 S. Oakdale.

Schade, who is an army pilot on a B-25, returned to San Francisco several days ago from the south Pacific where he completed 63 missions. He was awarded the air medal and wears two oak leaf clusters. He was overseas over a year and joined his wife in Portland before arriving home.

On conclusion of his furlough Schade will report to the AAC reassignment center at Santa Monica, Calif.

DAM BUSTER KILLED
London, Jan. 8—(U.P.)—Wing Commander Guy Gibson, who led the Mohne and Eder dam-busting raids against the Ruhr in 1943, was listed officially today as "presumed killed in action." The R. A. F. previously had listed him as "missing in action."

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Racing Pigeons Aid Sale Of War Bonds

Shreveport, La.—(U.P.)—Pigeons are carrying some mighty important war messages these days, but the birds also have been enlisted in behalf of the treasury department.

At a state fair war-bond rally, Rube Liebman, chief barker for the fair, did a bang-up job of selling the treasury certificates. Topping it all off, Liebman bought a big bond for himself. This entitled him to send a message by racing pigeon.

The message, sent to a showman friend in San Antonio, Tex., read, "When you get this, please buy a bond."

BIRTHS

WRIGHT—To Mr. and Mrs. Alva, Prospect, Jan. 7, 1945, boy, 6 lbs., at Community hospital.

BUIZE—To Mr. and Mrs. James, 21 Genesee, Jan. 7, 1945, girl, 7½ lbs., at Community hospital.

WOLFF—To Mr. and Mrs. Edward, 820 Dakota, Jan. 7, 1945, girl, 7 lbs., at Sacred Heart hospital.

JOHNSON—To Mr. and Mrs. Cleo, route 4, Jan. 8, 1945, girl, 7½ lbs., at home.

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Daily Weather Report

Forecasts
Medford and vicinity: Cloudy tonight and Tuesday with occasional drizzle or light rain. Little change in temperature.

Oregon: Cloudy, with intermittent rain over state tonight and Tuesday. Snow over mountains. Slightly warmer tonight.

Local Data
Temperature a year ago today: Highest 47; lowest 20 degrees.
Total monthly precipitation 35 inch. Deficiency for the month 21 inch.
Total precipitation since September 1, 1944, 6.57 inches. Deficiency for the season 1.27 inches.
Relative humidity at 4:30 p. m. yesterday 81%; 4:30 today 95%.

Tomorrow
Sunrise 8:39 a. m.; sunset 5:56 p. m.
Past 24 hours: High Low Prec.
Boise 53 32 .04
Boston 20 15 .06
Chicago 28 22
Denver 55 42
Eureka 60 52
Havre 9 -4 .48
Los Angeles 77 46
Medford 53 33
New York 23 23 .30
Omaha 32 31
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