

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE  
**SPORTS**

**Fanfare**

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News that the Cheney Studs now have Medford's Far West Baseball league franchise is particularly welcome because of the hope it brings for the future of professional baseball here. The franchise was included in the "package" in which the semi-pro club took over the facilities of Rogue Valley Baseball at the county fairgrounds ball park. A bill of sale on the transaction has been filed with the Jackson county clerk. The property was signed over by R. W. Frame, president of Rogue Valley Baseball.

Transfer of the franchise means that the Studs under President Ben Cheney, who is also president of the Cheney Oregon Lumber company, can, if the club sees fit and conditions warrant, make the switch into pro ball. This possibility is qualified by another if and when the Far West league suspended operations for this year and the prospects for 1953 are unknown.

We sincerely hope for revival of the circuit.

**RIGHT STEP**

We hesitate to make remarks that might be construed as slaps at those who have worked hard in past years to make a go of pro ball here. But we feel it is a step in the right direction to have the franchise in the hands of the lumberman and his organization.

Such ownership points toward more efficient and harmonious operation. It's well-known that too many cooks can spoil the pot.

Cheney has a deep interest in baseball and has considerable experience with team operation. He has been willing to spend a sizeable amount of money each year to field and maintain a team. We would like nothing better than to see the Studs eventually make the swing to pro participation.

**PREP FOR SEASON**

At the moment the Cheney organization is preparing for its second season in the semi-pro Southwestern Oregon league. The club previously announced plans to renovate the fairgrounds ball park. Legal entanglements up to now have prevented work.

Cheney has reported intentions of fielding a strong team for Medford. There are already indications with such ex-pros as Paul Gehrmann, Alex McDonald, Clarence Mellbye, Frank Rolandt and Clyde Blevins on the roster. Several high school and college stars will be added when school is out.

**MUST KEEP INTEREST**

It will be a task of the semi-pro Studs to keep interest in baseball alive and to build up that interest to facilitate the return of pro ball to the community. That can be done by fielding a topnotch team which will keep fans coming out.

It's support at the gate that keeps a club, at least a pro club, operating. A semi-pro aggregation of good caliber and color should be able to stimulate fan enthusiasm and gate receipts and thereby encourage the return of the professional sport.

**PLAN 11-MAN**

Three Jackson county B high schools, which have been playing six-man football, will make the switch to 11-man grid competition next fall. They are Talent, Jacksonville and St. Mary's of Medford. Second hand info

**2 Play Off In Golf Open**

Portland — (U.P.) — Tacoma's Chuck Congdon and Portland's Bob Duden were scheduled to play off for the Oregon Open Golf champion ship Thursday. They were all tied up at 282 at the end of the regulation 72 holes of play Wednesday.

Congdon shot a hot final nine in 30 strokes to gain the tie with Duden.

**Three-Way Tie**

Dick Yost of Portland finished in a three-way tie for third place at 285 along with Harold West, Pendleton, and Ray Honsberger, Clarkston, Wash.

Harry Umbinetti, Seattle, had 286; Frank Newell, Tacoma, 287, and Glenn Spivey, Longview, had an even par of 288.

George Harrington, Medford, shot a 302 for the 72 holes in the Oregon Open Golf tourney this week at Portland. Al Williams, pro at Medford's Rogue Valley Country club, tabulated 154 for 36 holes but did not qualify for Wednesday play.

is that Prospect is undecided but probably won't enter in the 11-man game because of lack of manpower.

None of the three schools which have made the decision for 11-man will have great manpower, however. At Jacksonville where the change was approved by the school board this week, a turnout of approximately 25 lads is anticipated. For St. Mary's its a matter of going along with the others in order to provide rivalry for its athletes.

**BETTER SCHEDULING**

The four B schools mentioned were the only ones in the county six-man loop last fall and played a home and home schedule among themselves. Under the 11-man plan the schools will not have to travel far to get competition out of their own circuit. They can schedule the small A schools in Jackson county.

Two schools which would have formed a natural loop with Talent, Jacksonville and St. Mary's, move from B into A classification next fall. They are Phoenix and Rogue River.

The B schools under the new program may not reach the heights in state rivalry that Jacksonville did last year or Talent the previous three years. But more boys will get to see more action in any given game. That in itself is a worthy reason for making the change.

**Additional Talent Show Winners Named**

Additional winners in the amateur talent contest staged last Saturday night by the Marine Corps league were announced today.

Taking first prize in the junior section was Paulette Chinn, five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Chinn, 716 West Second street. Paulette gave a tap dance number.

Second were the Ayres twins, Judy and Jackie, and Jerry Chennault, all seven years old, and third went to Sondra Hamilton and Paula Scott, also seven, the announcement said. Both the second and third place winners were dance numbers.

Patsy White, first place winner in the senior division, is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. White, 311 Howard street, and a sophomore in Medford senior high school.

**Morse Hopes Supreme Court Will Clarify Steel Seizure Issue**

Hope that the United States Supreme Court through its decision on the steel controversy will settle the long debated issue on the extent and limitation of the president's power to act to protect the security of the country was expressed here Wednesday by U. S. Sen. Wayne Morse.

Oregon's junior senator spoke at the luncheon meeting of Medford Kivans at Rogue Valley Country club. He was on the first lap of a tour through the state in attempt to persuade voters not to ballot for him in the primary for the Republican presidential nomination.

Morse spoke at Southern Oregon college yesterday afternoon and at Coos Bay last night.

**Historic Debate**

The senator brought out that the limitations on the executive power of the president under the constitution have been subject of historic debate and have never been defined by the supreme court. He declared that the court has avoided decision on the issue in the past.

Morse's talk centered around the steel controversy which he termed "probably the hottest issue in the country." He criticized President Truman, saying the president made a great mistake not stepping into the picture before the "11th hour."

The senator warned, however, that seizure by one man is dangerous if Congress has no check. He mentioned the so-called Corwin theory concerning the president's executive power, that, even though the chief executive may act to protect national security, Congress has checking power through legislation.

**Says "Sad Fact"**

Nevertheless, it is the "sad fact," according to Morse, that Congress has not passed such legislation before.

Morse spoke of his efforts at seizure legislation and his presently re-offered bill. He said that he yesterday had telephoned an amendment to the bill, which would provide that the president through the department of justice can ask a temporary injunction before a strike or stoppage.

The Taft-Hartley law, since an injunction cannot be obtained until after an act, was a worthless scrap of paper in the steel controversy, Morse maintained. He declared that there should have been legislation to stop the cooling of the furnaces. A law is needed in emergency cases to nip a stoppage at the beginning, he said.

**Astoria, Lakeview Join in Time Change**

**BY UNITED PRESS**

Astoria and Lakeview will move their clocks ahead one hour Sunday to join the voluntary movement to adopt daylight time in Oregon.

Warrenton was expected to follow the action of Astoria. Sisters, in central Oregon, scheduled a meeting to discuss the adoption of fast time.

**Pfc. Joseph J. Piper Returning From Korea**

Pfc. Joseph J. Piper, Medford, was one of 2,199 servicemen and dependents scheduled to arrive in Seattle today aboard two ships, according to the United Press.

Attempts today further to identify Piper were unsuccessful. He is not listed in any city directory, and the armed forces recruiters and the selective service board here have no record of anyone by that name.

In March, 1951, the first woman physician to be commissioned in the United States Air Force medical service was sworn in as a captain.

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