

Benson Unshaken By Farmers' Vote On Wheat Quotas

Washington—(U.P.)—Secretary of Agriculture Ezra T. Benson's opposition to high farm price supports has not been shaken by last week's referendum in which wheat farmers overwhelmingly endorsed high supports for 1954, an aide said today.

The statement followed a warning from Sen. Milton R. Young, (R-N.D.), that "if Secretary Benson sticks by his previous policy pronouncements in spite of the wheat vote, there will be no hope for the Republicans winning the farm vote in 1954 elections."

Hailed As Proof
Young and other farm bloc legislators from the Midwest and South hailed the wheat verdict as proof that farmers generally want high supports. They noted that 87.2 per cent of the farmers participating voted for high supports coupled with production controls.

If fewer than two-thirds of the farmers voting last Friday had approved controls, they would have been dropped and price supports would have dropped from 90 per cent of the "fair earning power" parity level to 50 per cent.

Verdict Expected
Benson said he had expected the verdict and called it "a wise decision . . . in the best interests of the farmers."

An aide made it clear today, however, that Benson was speaking only about 1954 wheat. This spokesman said there is "no change at all" in Benson's long range belief that high supports are bad for farmers "because they encourage over-production and maintain the inefficient producer."

SHIRT SHIFT
Toledo, O. — (U.P.)—Command officers of each shift of rookie policemen here receive a bulletin each week, but one was unique. "Eighteen police academy-trained recruits will be assigned to initial uniform duty June 1. There will be six men to a shirt."

Doubles Match Creates Interest

Chestnut Hill, Mass.—(U.P.)—Vic Seixas and Tony Trabert, America's Davis Cup hopefuls, play their quarter-final match today in the national doubles tennis championship but client anticipation is growing over one of tomorrow afternoon's semi-final matches.

The upset team of Virginian Hal Burrows and Californian Straight Clark may repeat history in their match Saturday with second seeded domestics, Gardner Mulloy of Miami, and Billy Trabert of New York City. Burrows and Clark defeated the four time winners of the doubles crown in Mexico last October.

The fourth seeded Americans qualified to meet Mulloy and Talbert by eliminating the young Australian "wonder boys" Lewis Hoad and Ken Rosewall, yesterday, 5-7, 14-12, 18-16, 9-7.

Barber Shatters Course Record

Montreal—(U.P.)—The rest of the field forgot about par today and tried to beat Jerry Barber, a determined little golfer from La Canada, Calif., as the \$25,000 LaBatt open went into the second round at the Summerlea Golf club here.

Barber led the way with his six-under-par 64, breaking all records on the par 70 Lakeshore course. Thirty golfers, however, either broke or equalled the par for the 6,515 foot course which has a par 36 for the first nine and a 34 for the second.

The five-foot, five-inch 137-pound Barber stripped two strokes off the competitive course record of 66 held by Montreal's Jerry Proulx since the 1942 open.

OGA Medal Tiff Gets Underway

Portland—(U.P.)—Some 82 golfers open play today for the Oregon Golf association's medal play championship over the Oswego Lake Country club course. Dick Yost, who is in the Army and will not compete, won the title last year.

The 72-hole tourney ends Sunday afternoon.

Rogue Valley Country club golfers scheduled to participate in the OGA tourney at Oswego were George Harrington, Harry Millette, Dr. William Miller, Clayton Lewis and Bob Rector.

GOOD IDEA
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SPORTS

Crater Comet Footballers Open Practice on Monday

Central Point—Crater high, and Harvey Tonn, Melvin Harsh, Vern Parent and Harry Mallon. The Comets play a nine-game schedule and are to open the season on September 11 against Class B Rogue River. However, the slate may have to be altered by removal of Rogue River or Talent, another B school, to make way for Henley, which joins the A-2 ranks this year and is in the District 6 southern division.

Barney Riggs, new Central Point junior high coach, will assist the Crater coaches, until school opens.

SCHEDULE:
September 11—At Rogue River; September 18—At Medford; September 25—Talent here; October 2—At Phoenix; October 9—Myrtle Creek here; October 16—Illinois Valley here; October 23—Ashland here; October 30—At Eagle Point; November 6—Coquille at Myrtle Point.

Star Clubs Wait Shrine Grid Game

Portland—(U.P.)—Coaches for City and State all-star football teams today pronounced their forces in good shape for tomorrow night's Shrine game here, but City Coach Harry Scarff was the most optimistic.

"I believe it is one of the best balanced city squads I have seen," Scarff said. Pete Susick, head man for the Staters, was more cautious—saying, "they've been looking a lot better the past few days."

Game time tomorrow night is 8:15 o'clock. Pre-game ceremonies start at 7:45 o'clock.

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