

MH Football Tickets Now Being Sold

Season reserve seat tickets went on sale today for the 1953 Medford senior high school football state.

Principal Lester Harris said that persons who had season tickets last year will have through August 29 to purchase the same seats they had.

The school office will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday.

Students can also pick up their tickets and Harris advised that they should have them by Saturday September 10 in order to be admitted to the season opener on that date.

First Game September 10 Medford is host to Cleveland of Portland in its starter. There will be six home games during the regular season. Others are Grasham on September 16, Crater on October 7, Eureka on October 21, Ashland on October 28 and Grants Pass on November 4.

Games away at Roseburg on September 23, at Milwaukie on September 30 and at Klamath Falls on October 14.

The Black Tornado will be defending district and Southern Oregon Conference champion. Some 20 lettermen are expected back. Practice will start on Monday, August 29.

Prospective gridirers will receive equipment on August 25, 26 and 27. Physical examinations are set for August 26 at the Doctor's Clinic on West Main st.

ROCKY LOSES SLEEP Grossinger, N. Y. (U.P.)—Heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano is losing sleep as long as the Boston Red Sox keep playing night baseball games.

Rocky, a rabid Boston rooter, has been staying up listening to accounts of the team's games on the radio and his manager, Al Weill, is worried. "As long as they play at night, Rocky won't go to bed until its over," Weill moaned.

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Obscurity Boys Shine As Red Sox Stop Yanks, Tigers Down Indians

By CARL LUNDQUIST United Press Sports Writer

That American league pennant race is just as dizzy as ever today, folks, so how about "time out" to toast a few of baseball's obscurity boys, Ike Delock, Babe Birrer, Jim Bunning, Ramon Monzant, and Elroy Face.

They get their names in headlines about as often as the nice, quiet fellow who runs the corner grocery but Wednesday was their day to shine and they made the most of it.

Delock, a second-line Red Sox pitcher who hadn't won a game since June 29 and who hadn't gone the route all season, went in and stopped the red-hot Yankees with a five-hit, 7-1 victory that ended a seven-game winning streak. Delock himself had been batted out by the Yankees in the early stages of that winning streak last week and with an attack that had netted 57 runs in the past five games, the odds against him looked formidable. The victory put fourth place Boston against within 3 1/2 games of the leading Yankees.

Rookies Dump Indians Rookies Bunning and Birrer, two peach-cheeked Detroit youths worked together to perform a similar job on the Indians, the Tigers knocking them out of second place with a 9-5 triumph.

The Tigers staked Bunning to seven runs in the first three innings but when he began to coast and Cleveland took over and pitched scoreless three-inning ball the rest of the way to gain his fourth triumph. Idle Chicago took over second place from Cleveland a game behind the Yanks.

In the National league, Monzant pitched the first complete game of his major league career, retarding Brooklyn's pennant-bound Dodgers with a 5-1 Giant victory in which he gave up eight hits, also striking out eight.

It was almost the same sort of a night for Elroy Face of the Pirates, who went the distance for the second time this year and gained his third victory, a six-hit 6-4 job over the Phillies in which his mates backed him with 16 hits.

Second place Milwaukee, half-a-continent away from Brooklyn and just about that far behind in the standings, cut the margin to 14 games by beating the Cardinals 11-4 on a grand slam homer by Del Crandall and two-run blasts by Andy Pafko and Ed Mathews. It was No. 32 for Mathews.

Sauer Hits Two Homers Hank Sauer, for whom life has gone a little sour, came off the bench for the first time in 11 games and cracked a pair of his old specialty home runs to give the Cubs a 3-2 victory over the Redlegs at Cincinnati and Bob Rush's 10th pitching victory. A two-run homer by Smoky Burgess in the first inning deprived him of a shutout.

The Baltimore-Washington doubleheader was rained out. Two other obscurity boys helped Delock to his triumph at Boston. Eddie Joost moved into the lineup at second and contributed a hit. Billy Goodman moved to first for the injured Norm Zauchin and had two hits. Jack Jensen drove in three runs with a bases loaded double after Grady Hatton and Jimmy Piersall tripled to start a five-run sixth.

Detroit pounded out five runs in three innings off erstwhile Cleveland ace Bob Lemon but Cleveland countered with home runs by Larry Doby, Bobby Avila and Gene Woodling. Frank House hit a Tiger homer.

In the Giant triumph Willie Mays paced the hitters with a triple and two singles. Pittsburgh's hit parade was led by Eddie O'Brien, Jerry Lynch and Preston Ward with three apiece.

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MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS



AS FAR AS YOU GO—Bobby Avila is called out at second by umpire Bill Grieve as Tiger second baseman Fred Hatfield makes throw to first to double Al Rosen, who had hit to third baseman Ray Boone.

Avila came closer than any other Indian to getting past first base as the Tigers blanked Cleveland, 7-0, at Detroit. Pitcher Bill Hoefl tossed a two-hitter.

Fans Must Be Lured Away From TV, Radio Sets To Enable Minors To Survive

(This is the second of a two-part series on the plight of minor league baseball and what can be done to solve its problems. Presidents of minor leagues, where cities dropped out this season, discuss the situation.)

By CARL LUNDQUIST United Press Sports Writer

Minor league baseball can make a comeback, perhaps even a spectacular one, but something will have to be done first to lure people away from their television and radio sets.

Minor league presidents who had cities fold up on them this season blame not only the broadcasting of major league games into their territory but the overall magnetism of that magic living room screen.

"We can't take baseball broadcasts, either radio or TV, away from the people," said Tommy Richardson of Williamsport, Pa., president of the Class A Eastern League. "They feel they have a right to watch or listen when a big league game is on, even though it may take them less interested in going out to our parks. It is up to us to make our product so attractive the fans will come out and see us no matter what else is going on."

Emmet Harty, president of the Cotton States League at Greenville, Miss., thinks that rebirth of interest could come through greater devotion to baseball at the local level by community press, radio, and television.

"Our papers carry a small column on the Cotton States league and the rest of the sports page baseball is on the majors," he said. "Our announcers devote five minutes or less to our league and the rest to majors."

Shelby Peace, president of the Kitty League at Hopkinsville, Ky., cited the need for making the local minor league star the hero he used to be.

"I recall that when Gabby Street, who went on to big league fame, was the catcher at Hopkinsville, kids stood outside the entrance to the ball park to carry his glove. He was an idol and there were other players in those days who were idolized. In almost every town there were one or two outstanding kid players on the high school team. These kids would sign with pride on the home team and they would draw 200 to 300 extra fans to each game. Now they sign big league contracts and drift away."

Jerry Donovan, head of the California League at San Francisco, also declared local pride needs to be restored, but that it will take a more spirited brand

of baseball with fewer delays to bring back the customers. "We should make managers assume more responsibility for keeping the game moving," he said.

"Warm up pitches between innings could be cut in half and there should be none of this business of managers and players going to the mound to talk with the pitcher. They don't go out and talk to the center fielder, do they? Even a little thing like throwing the ball directly to the pitcher after an out is made would snap up the game, instead of throwing the ball around the infield."

Chauncey Devault, head of the Appalachian league, thinks better promotion and more help from sports writers would give the minors a big shot in the arm, while A. O. Hadden, president of the Georgia State league at Dublin, Ga., cited poor management and poor promotion as the cause of failures in his league. "Both situations that can be remedied," he said.

Both Richardson and Donovan declared that the majors could help to restore lost prestige of their minor league brothers by financial aid.

"It is time to ask the majors to subsidize us," said Richardson. "And it won't take a lot of money, either. In some cases just putting in a top flight manager and paying his salary, then encouraging him to comb the territory for good ball players would be enough to keep a town going. The major league club can save some scouting expense and they can put money to use that is now going in big chunks to these bonus boys."

Donovan recommended that the major leagues re-establish strong farm systems in different sections of the country and "subsidize them or let the small independent operators sign young players in their section."

"Then let the majors buy the players from baseball operators instead of giving the bonus to the player," he said. "Just think of all the bonus money paid to players in the past number of years. That money is out of baseball, never to return. If the small operators received all that money from selling players, I don't believe we would be facing financial difficulty."

In 1954, Americans spent an unprecedented 234 billion dollars for goods and services.

Fishing on Rogue Fair To Good

Portland (U.P.)—The weekly report on fishing conditions prepared by the State Game Commission:

Southwest: Winchester bay good for salmon but ocean choppy; Smith river producing cutthroat; Loon lake fair to good; Tenmile lake slow except for perch; upper Umpqua area fair; Steamboat area improved for steelhead; most Cascade lakes slow; main Rogue fair to good for trout.

Bird Hunting Regulations Announced

Washington (U.P.)—Under-Secretary of the Interior Clarence A. Davis today approved hunting regulations which will be in effect during the 1955-56 season for doves, woodcock, rails, and gallinules.

The regulations contain specific dates of the hunting seasons for the states, together with bag and possession limits. The department specified Sept. 1 to Jan. 10, except on woodcocks, as the outside date with in which framework the states are permitted to select the season dates most desirable to them.

Shooting hours: Rails and gallinules—generally one-half hour before sunrise to sunset; woodcock—half hour before sunrise to sunset; mourning, or turtle, doves—shooting hours in Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia will be from noon until sunset.

In those other states which have a dove shooting season—Arizona, California, Colorado, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Utah, Washington, and West Virginia—these birds may be taken one-half hour before sunrise to sunset.

Seasons, daily bag and possession limits by flyways include: Pacific Flyway

There is no open season on rails, gallinules, and woodchuck in Arizona, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington. The season for rail and gallinules in Utah will be set later. There is no woodchuck season in Utah.

Shooting of mourning, or turtle, doves.

Daily bag and possession limit of mourning doves, 10 each in: Arizona, split season: Sept. 1-Sept. 30 and Dec. 17-Dec. 31; California Sept. 3-Oct. 2; Colorado Sept. 1-Oct. 15; Idaho Sept. 1-Sept. 10; Kansas Sept. 1-Oct. 15; Missouri Sept. 1-Oct. 15; New Mexico Sept. 1-Oct. 15; Oklahoma Sept. 1-Oct. 15; Oregon Sept. 1-Sept. 25; Utah Sept. 1-Sept. 15; Washington Sept. 1-Sept. 30.

Work Moving Along On Umpqua Fishway

Portland—Steelhead and salmon will find the South Umpqua falls mighty easy this fall and winter if all goes well on the fishway now under construction.

According to George Kernan, chief engineer, Oregon Game Commission, low water flows have favored construction and the Teller Construction company of Portland, contractors on the job, have been progressing well ahead of schedule.

All excavation and forms for the concrete fish ladder have been completed with the reinforcement steel now being installed. The first concrete will be poured within the week. Construction of the ladder will be completed before high water this fall.

South Umpqua falls has long been a stumbling block for migrating fish. Only at certain stages of water flow were steelhead, salmon, and other fish able to pass. During extreme low flows all fish were forced to remain below the falls, seriously reducing the number which were able to spawn successfully. The new ladder will allow passage at all stages of water flow, enabling fish to reach the vast spawning reaches to the headwaters.

AUTO PACE UP

Detroit (U.P.)—The automobile industry, which in the record-breaking year of 1950 didn't turn out its 3,000,000th car until the last week in June, produced the 3,000,000th of 1953 on May 4.

Rapp Spurs Pad Win; Beavers Bounce Suds

By PETER HAYES United Press Sports Writer

Earl Rapp broke out of a batting slump and propelled the San Diego Padres to a 10-inning 4-3 win over Sacramento which boosted the Pads into a virtual tie for second place in the Pacific coast league.

Rapp, whose booming bat spearheaded the Padres during their 10-week occupancy of first place, socked a two-run homer in the sixth inning and batted in the winning run in the top of the 10th. He had another single for a total of 3-for-5.

The winning run in the 10th actually was unearned. Buddy Peterson singled with one out and moved into scoring position when catcher Buddy Heslet threw the ball away in an attempted pickoff. Rapp then singled home Peterson and Charlie Bishop shut out the Sacs in the bottom of the 10th to take the win.

The victory left San Diego one percentage point behind the Hollywood Stars, who were idle. Other Games

In the only other games, Portland downed league-leading Seattle, 5-4, with an unearned run in the ninth inning and San Francisco likewise edged Oakland, 4-3, with a ninth inning run forced in when reliever Tom Borland walked Reno Chesu with the bases loaded.

Seattle saw its first place margin trimmed to four games as the Beavers squared the series at a game apiece. Relief pitcher Bill Kennedy's throwing error allowed Portland's ninth inning run.

Relief pitcher Ed Burtchsky singled with one out and was sacrificed to second. Carl Powis grounded to the pitcher and Kennedy threw wild to first, permitting Burtchsky to score the winning run.

The Beavers also foiled Lou

Theft of Salmon Breeding Stock Hinders Program

Portland—Some would-be sportsman got a dandy mess of fish last week but in so doing almost dealt a death blow to the Oregon Game Commission's Atlantic salmon rearing program.

The theft last week of 22 of these fish from the brood ponds at the Wizard Falls hatchery, almost one-third of the total brood stock, will seriously reduce the Atlantic salmon rearing program for several years to come, curtailing the game commission's attempt to plant this fighting strain of fish in Oregon waters.

State police who investigated the theft found evidence that a car or light truck had been parked across the bridge. A dipnet or snagging method were used to take the fish from the holding ponds. Blood at the pool edge indicated injury to some of the fish.

Average Four Pounds

The large Atlantic salmon averaging about four pounds each were brood fish from which eggs are taken and hatched at the Wizard Falls plant. Waters judged to be most suited for successful growth are then planted with the fingerling salmon.

Aside from a few at Klamath, all of the Atlantic salmon brood fish were being held at the Wizard Falls hatchery.

Davis lake in 1951 was the first lake in Oregon to receive plantings of Atlantic salmon stock. This year, Dave Erickson, state patrolman, talked with an angler who had landed three of these salmon weighing from three to five pounds. Erickson definitely identified the fish as Atlantic salmon.

The angler stated that they were the "fighting fish" he had ever caught.

Gun Club Event Provides Bird Hunter Practice

Medford Gun club will give bird hunters a chance to sharpen their shooting eyes on two Sundays, August 21 and 28.

Skeet fields will be open at 10 a.m. both dates to help scattergunners to prepare for the dove and pigeon season.

Non-members are welcome to turn out for the two Sunday events. Members have been reminded to bring along friends who are shooters.

While skeet will be the main attraction, 16-yard and handicap events will be offered also.

Jim Bolton To Attend NRA Directors' Session

D. J. (Jimmy) Bolton, 527 Spencer st., will leave tonight by plane for Camp Perry, Ohio, where he will attend a meeting of the board of directors of the National Rifle association. He is a member of the board.

While there Bolton will participate in a national rifle match. He will be away about 10 days.

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