

Chamber Forum Hears Discussion on Plans For Baseball in Area

The proposed entry of a Medford team in the Northwest Class B baseball league was discussed at length at a Chamber of Commerce forum luncheon at the Jackson hotel yesterday.

E. B. DeVoe, Hale Greenman and Harry Chipman explained various phases of bringing a professional baseball team to Medford. Plans of financing the proposal, plans for renovation of the Fairgrounds baseball park and the value of such a team to the community were brought out.

It was explained that financing it being planned with a partnership agreement, whereby signers would agree to underwrite from one to 10 per cent of any loss, or would share equally in any profits, depending on the percentage figures for which the signer subscribed. Plans to obtain considerable financing through advance ticket sales and program and fence advertising also was explained.

Value To Community

Advertising value to the area through signs on vehicles carrying the Medford players up and down the highways in Washington, Oregon and eastern Idaho was pointed out. It also was mentioned that listing of Medford and the Northwest League in sports pages across the nation, plus frequent articles pertaining to Medford in Sporting News, a national baseball publication, would be of value to the community.

Plans for renovating the baseball park to include an additional grandstand and box seats, plus

outfield parking for approximately 100 cars for an overall seating capacity of 1500 for the first season, and additional seating to accommodate approximately 2500 for the second season of operation was explained.

Not Beyond Possibility

The forum was generally agreed that lack of adequate park facilities will greatly hamper a Medford entry but the members also were agreed that it was not beyond possibility to improve the present facilities to enable Medford to enter the league in 1956.

Vic Milnes presided at the meeting and announced that next Monday's forum would be a joint meeting with the Chamber of Commerce greeting committee, at which time the topic for discussion would be "What Would Be Expected of Us as a Chamber of Commerce."

United Operations Resume at Portland

Portland — (U.P.) — United Airlines spokesmen said that all schedules from Portland International airport should be normal and all employees back at work today.

The statement came on the heels of a hearing on United's suit to enjoin unruly picketing at the airport. Presiding Circuit Judge James R. Bain continued the hearing indefinitely yesterday.

The judge said the hearing seemed unnecessary in view of reports that picketing by striking flight engineers was peaceful at present. But he added that the hearing would be renewed if law and order was not maintained on the picket line.

The airline had alleged in a suit filed last Saturday that auto suits of non-striking employees had been damaged in flareups and that pickets had prevented tradesmen and passengers from entering United property by use of threats.

Jaye P. Morgan Named Most Popular Vocalist

New York — (U.P.) — Jaye P. Morgan, who was born in a log cabin and borrowed the name of a millionaire for her musical career, was voted the most popular female vocalist of 1955 in the second annual United Press poll of disc jockeys.

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Mrs. Worden Cleared On Charge of Murder

Kingsville, Tex. — (U.P.) — The Kleberg county grand jury late yesterday cleared Mrs. Violet Canales Worden on a charge of murder in the "Svengali" slaying of her husband. The jury reported there were "not sufficient facts to support a charge of murder against anyone under the laws of the state of Texas."

"I have been fairly dealt with and vindicated," the wealthy 42-year-old widow told newsmen.

Mrs. Worden admitted shooting 45-year-old Don Worden of San Antonio. But she told officers she killed him only because he tried to make her shoot her five-year-old daughter.

The shooting took place at a lonely beach on windswept Padre island. Mrs. Worden rolled her husband's body into a shallow grave which she said he had made her dig.

The all-male grand jury heard two days of testimony about the weird slaying last month and then recessed until yesterday.

SENTENCE

Mitchell, S. D. — (U.P.) — Municipal Judge Merton B. Tice turned stern schoolmaster recently and sentenced two Huron, S. D., young men to write a thousand times, "I will not destroy anyone else's property."

They were charged with malicious mischief for throwing beer bottles at a truck.

Navy Secretary Due In Okinawa Wednesday

Yokosuka, Japan — (U.P.) — U.S. Navy Secretary Charles S. Thomas will arrive on Okinawa Wednesday to begin a 10-day inspection tour which also will take him to Japan and Korea, the Navy announced today.

During the tour, Thomas will inspect Navy and Marine bases, witness U. S. Seventh fleet maneuvers and confer with Japanese officials and Republic of Korea President Syngman Rhee.

DOCTOR LOSES

Carthage, S. D. — (U.P.) — Even a doctor can't beat the stork. A son was born to Dr. and Mrs. Karl Avots of Carthage one night recently as they were speeding to a Huron, S. D., hospital.

Film Speeds May Increase 100 Times

Chicago — (U.P.) — Photographic film speeds may increase as much as 100 times in the next 75 years, according to Science Digest.

The magazine quotes Donald McMaster, vice president and general manager of the Eastman Kodak Co., as making these forecasts:

Film processing will become much simpler and quicker. Color picture quality will continue to improve, and color-film speeds will be faster.

Medical motion picture radiography will become widely used as a diagnostic tool by doctors.

New types of photosensitive materials will come into use.

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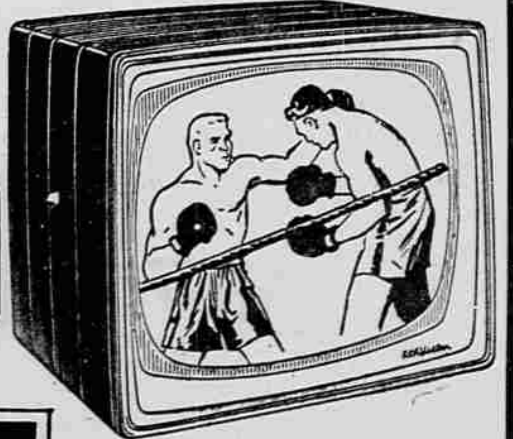
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