

Russian Propaganda Might Impress Certain Groups, Truman Says

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Raiders Face Oregon Tech In Diamond Doubleheader

Ashland — Doubleheaders against Oregon Tech Saturday at 1 p.m. and Chico State college Tuesday at 1 p.m. are on tap for the Southern Oregon college Red Raiders baseballers in the next week on their home diamond.

Saturday afternoon against the visiting Owls in games that will not count in conference standings Dave D'Olive and Jack Brown will take the mound for the Raiders.

D'Olive has a record of one win and one defeat in his only starts this year, against Humboldt State last week. D'Olive won his first appearance in going six innings and giving up one hit. In the second game two days later he lost 4-3 on a six-hitter.

Brown has started one game. It was rained out after two innings in which Humboldt scored six runs.

Raider coach Ted Schopf has an effective keystone combination in shortstop Willie Jones and second baseman Jim Dietz, who in their first game of the season against Humboldt had three double plays.

Schopf also has Chuck Nevi to alternate at either position and Nevi can also work the twin-killing well as evidenced by past performances.

Sluggish Larry Maurer will start at first base for SOC. Maurer proved to be the big power hitter against Humboldt, knocking out two triples in one game along with a single.

At third is Gordie Thoreson

who can cover his share of territory around the bag and he also hits the ball well on occasion. Backing him is Eldon Francis a capable ball-player from Medford in his freshman year of play.

Phil Sword is slated for catching chores and may alternate with Ron Maurer in the outfield. Sword, too, is a long ball hitter.

The outfield is made up of Leroy King in left, Ron Maurer in center and Jim McAbee in right. King has a fine throwing arm according to Schopf and all three can hit the ball solid.

Ray Weinhold and Al Kimura are the outfield reserves in any field. Weinhold has been hitting the ball extremely solid in practice and quite possibly will see action in the coming games.

For relief hurling duties Kermit McLemore is on hand along with Dale Walters and Jim Eggers. Eggers has the big fast ball and has been effective in early season play.

To date the Raiders have a one win and two lost record and will be out to bring up the win side this next week of play.

LA Dodgers Like Early Grid Pros

Phoenix, Ariz. — Chicago Cub owner Phil Wrigley today compared the move of the Dodgers to Los Angeles to play baseball in the Coliseum to the early days of professional football when games were played almost exclusively in baseball parks.

"It didn't look like football until it got on its own field," said Wrigley.

But Wrigley angrily denied he ever said the huge coliseum was unfit for baseball.

The Cub executive, contacted at his palatial home overlooking the exclusive Biltmore Estates in Northeast Phoenix, said that with the 105,000 seat capacity of the coliseum, the Dodgers undoubtedly would have high attendance records.

Wrigley agreed that the Wrigley field in Los Angeles where the Cubs' former principal farm club, the Angels, once held forth, would have been more adequate for baseball.

"I'm sorry big league baseball had to come to Los Angeles to be played in a football stadium, because first impressions are important," he said. But Wrigley said he could understand the Dodgers choice of the coliseum for the first couple of seasons.

Dodger owner Walter O'Malley has plans for a "fine baseball park" in Los Angeles as soon as various complications — including the Chavez Ravine referendum — are cleared up, Wrigley went on.

Wrigley maintains a winter residence here, and the Cubs train at nearby Mesa, Ariz.

NBA Stars Have Array Of Talent

University of Oregon, Eugene — Oregon basketball fans will be treated to one of the greatest arrays of scoring talent in the world at McArthur Court on Friday, April 18, when the Oregon club presents the National Basketball Association all-star game between the top players from the eastern and western divisions of the league.

Nine of the top 10 scorers in the NBA will be on hand here for the game with five on the east squad and four on the west team. The group includes George Yardley of Detroit for the West, who set a new NBA record for a single season this year when he tallied over 2,000 points, and Adolph Schayes of the Syracuse Nationals, who broke the all-time career record this winter when he ran his total to 12,565 points.

Yardley and Schayes ran one-two in the scoring race in 1958 and were followed by Bob Pettit of St. Louis (24.6 points per game), Clyde Lovellette of Cincinnati (23.4), Paul Arizin of Philadelphia (20.7), Bill Sharman of Boston (22.3), Cliff Hagan of St. Louis (19.9), Neil Johnston of Philadelphia (19.5) and Ken Sears of New York (18.6).

Yardley, Pettit, Lovellette, and Hagan are members of the Western team and the other five are set to play for the East. Boston's sensational Bob Cousy was not among the top 10 for the first time in several years because injuries sidelined him for about 10 games and limited his action to part-time duty in a number of others.

NBA figures for the past season show that it doesn't pay to foul the Easterners as the top four sharpshooters from the foul line all will be playing for the East. Schayes hit a amazing .904 percentage or better than nine out of 10, while Sharman was right behind him with a .893 average. Cousy hit 85 per cent of his chances and the fourth man was Carl Braun of New York, who connected 84.9 per cent of the time.

Tickets for the all-star attraction are now on sale at McArthur Court.

Major Loopers May Be Found At Young Age

Portland — Dr. Creighton Hale, director of research for Little League baseball, says major leaguers of the future may be discovered at the age of 12 or even younger.

Dr. Hale, speaker at the closing banquet of the Pacific District Recreation conference, said a series of physical and mental tests have been developed which can be used to determine necessary characteristics of a major leaguer. He said that from these tests it is possible to compare the youngster with his counterpart in the major leagues.

The tests include 77 different studies of the human body plus finding on reflexes and reactions. Dr. Hale said the tests could tell who was a long ball hitter without the player being seen in action.

U. S. Leadership Said Lacking in Creative Thinking

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How then could anyone construe this as any kind of victory for the Russians? At most this propaganda might, for a short time, tend to impress certain groups here and abroad who by now ought to know better.

There is, of course, only one reason why even this obvious propaganda is having some effect on some people, and that is because our leadership is lacking in action and creative thinking and a clear cut and consistent program.

Such lack of leadership provides opportunities for the Soviets to practice their crafty propaganda techniques.

Danger Growing

We have been sitting still while Russia has been acting and advancing. As a consequence of our failure to act and to lead, Russian expansion and penetration in the Middle East and the Far East is continuing and the danger to the West is growing.

Yet we have been hard on our friends and at times have driven them to despair by our vacillating policies.

It is not Russian propaganda that gained expansion for the Soviets. It has been Russian action as against our inaction.

I would say, therefore, our leadership lead. Let us have bold and imaginative programs and let us act in a way that will restore the confidence of the free world in our true strength and purposes.

And let us keep in mind, as we are faced with the monumental problem of dealing with unrestricted nuclear experiments and atomic weapons, that 40,000,000 people were killed in the last war by conventional weapons.

The real test facing humanity is how to prevent another war. Unless we can prevent another war in this age, the choice of clean bombs or dirty bombs or tests or suspension of tests are secondary.

History of Uncertainty

I realize, of course, that one of the difficulties of dealing with the Russians is the instability of their leadership. Soviet dictators have a history of uncertainty of tenure and reversals of policy as succeeding dictators seek to discredit or disavow their predecessors.

What are the chances of any commitments made by a Russian dictator having validity or durability?

Khrushchev is now supreme ruler in the Kremlin. He has been pressing for another meeting at the summit.

Khrushchev has been exploiting Russian scientific achievements to browbeat the West and intimidate the satellites. Khrushchev prefers bilateral meetings to working through the United Nations.

In fact, Khrushchev wants to use a summit meeting to get around the United Nations, especially on the question of disarmament.

Let Him Come To UN

There can be no genuine disarmament except through the United Nations and a system of international control and inspection.

Therefore if Khrushchev seeks another summit conference let him come to New York and make his proposals before the United Nations. And our Government should invite and encourage him to do so.

This may provide a fitting occasion to take up the question of a joint common effort by the United States, Great Britain and Russia for development and control of atomic energy for the benefit and security of all nations, and for peace.

Dunsmuir, Weed Sports Group Receive Praise

Beaumont, Calif. — A resolution wishing "all success" to the Dunsmuir Rod and Gun club and the Weed Gun club was passed here recently by the Riverside County chapter of the Pines to Palms Wildlife committee.

The resolution urged all such groups to "follow the lead of these devoted organizations." The Dunsmuir and Weed clubs recently conducted an intensive study of the Siskiyou county deer kill.

The study was sponsored by the Northern Counties Wildlife Conservation association. The association has been working with the Pines to Palms committee in opposing game management policies of the fish and game department.

Back Stairs: Ike's Plans Up in Air

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Washington — Back stairs at the White House President Eisenhower's plans for an extended vacation this year are indefinite both as to place and the time. The only thing definite is that he will not take it until Congress adjourns. But White House aides hope that Congress will complete its work and get out of time for the President to start vacationing in the latter part of July.

The President will be looking for a low-altitude spot with good golf course and good fishing nearby. The mountains are out because of the heart attack he suffered in Denver, Colo., in 1955.

Denver's altitude is not high enough to rule it out on that basis alone. But to get to his favorite fishing spot in the area at Frazier, he would have to go over Berthold Pass

at an altitude of 11,300 feet. The altitude of Frazier is 8,600 feet.

Another factor that would complicate a Denver vacation for the President this year is the poor health of his mother-in-law, Mrs. John S. Doud. She has been ailing for some time and it would be inconvenient for the President and Mrs. Eisenhower to stay at her residence as they have in the past. Mrs. Eisenhower

stayed at a Denver hotel when she recently visited her mother for two days.

Mayor Henry C. Wilkinson of Newport, R.I., was quoted recently as saying there was a "very good likelihood" that Eisenhower would vacation there again this summer. The President enjoyed his vacation at the naval base there last year. But members of the White House staff who would know first about a vacation site say they have no idea what made the mayor

Schrunk Escapes Injury In Collision of Autos

Portland — Mayor Terry Schrunk escaped injury Wednesday night when his car and one driven by William Smith, 16, a Columbia Christian College student, collided.

Salem — Ben Davidson, administrator of the Oregon Potato Commission, said he will resign.

so optimistic. However, Newport is a possibility.

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