

Third League Meets With Organized Ball

New York - (UP) - Organized baseball meets officially today with founders of the proposed third major league, the Continental League, at the first of what Baseball Commissioner Ford Frick thinks will be a series of conferences.

Frick predicted today's confab would be confined to "an exchange of information" and said that "several" meetings would be needed "before any concrete developments can be expected."

There were reports that the Continental League, which announced a founding group of five cities (New York, Houston, Denver, Toronto, and Minneapolis-St. Paul) would tell Frick and Co. they are thinking of starting with a 10 team league, separated into two divisions.

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Branch Rickey Named Head Of New League

New York - (UP) - Branch Rickey, 77, "father" of baseball's farm system, today was named president of the Continental League, baseball's proposed third major league, at a salary of \$50,000 per year.

William Shea, chairman of the founders group of the Continental League, announced Rickey's appointment today and then introduced the baseball pioneer who has spent 57 years in the game.

Rickey, puffing on a cigar and appearing hale and hearty, said "I am confident our league will start operating in 1961. It is possible even to operate in 1960 but it is not probable."

Shea said that Rickey's contract had been purchased from the Pittsburgh Pirates and that the entire negotiation had the approval of baseball Commissioner Ford Frick.

Immediately after announcing his election, Rickey went with Continental League officials to a New York hotel to meet with representatives of the American and National leagues.

The object, he said, is to cut the annual kill by one-third to one-half.

Exceptions were Alaska, Montana and Wyoming, which feed the Pacific flyway. Production there was better than last year.

The Pacific flyway which includes Arizona, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, and Washington will have an open season on ducks geese (except Ross geese), coots, and gallinules not to exceed 94 days between Oct. 7 and Jan. 8, inclusive.

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Pacific Flyway Not Drastically Reduced In '59-60 Duck Shoot

Washington (UP) - The fish and wildlife service announced today a drastic curtailment in the 1959-60 duck hunting season for all flyways except the Pacific.

Because of sharp reductions in the duck population generally since 1947 have been adopted for the coming season.

The Pacific flyway was exempted because flocks there are expected to be larger than in other areas.

Daniel J. Janzen, director of the Interior department's bureau of fisheries and wildlife said the curtailment elsewhere applies to shooting hours and bag and possession limits as well as to the season itself.

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Welcome Planned For Morning Star

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The vessel is due here in the afternoon. The queen and princesses of Rainier Daze will greet the crew members who will be treated to a dinner that night.

The Morning Star II is retracing the route of the first Morning Star which traveled from Tillamook to Portland more than 100 years ago. It carries a large cargo of cheese. It is due in Portland Saturday afternoon.

About 30 per cent of all public school children in the U.S. ride on school buses.

Senator Would Include Baseball in Legislation

Washington - (UP) - Sen. Kenneth B. Keating (R-N.Y.) said today he would seek to include baseball in a new bill to grant exemptions from certain antitrust laws to professional football, basketball, and hockey.

The new measure was introduced in the Senate Monday. It would ignore baseball.

Keating said the new bill fails to protect "the sport (baseball) which most needs to be protected." The New York Republican said he would offer an amendment in the Senate Judiciary Committee to include baseball in the measure.

May Secure Passage Introduction of the new bill by sponsors of two rival Senate sports bills was viewed as indicating that a strong attempt may be made to secure passage before Congress adjourns.

Keating said, however, that there would be opposition unless baseball is included.

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Washington Traffic Death Toll Reaches 314

Olympia - (UP) - Six traffic deaths over the week end raised Washington's 1959 traffic death toll to 314, the State Patrol said Monday.

The toll for the comparable period of 1958 was 324.

The patrol recorded 29 deaths so far this month compared with 26 for the same period of last month.

DIAPERS STOLEN Chicago - (UP) - Some 100 mothers faced a major crisis Monday because of a thief. The thief made off with a truck containing 6,000 diapers, most of them clean ones.

Emergency shipments reached the 100 waiting homes about 2 1/2 hours late, according to Edward Weinberg, owner of the service.

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Phoenix PCL Club To Move to Tacoma

Phoenix - (UP) - Phoenix Giants General Manager Rosy Ryan announced today the team's baseball franchise would be shifted to Tacoma, Wash., next season.

Ryan blamed lack of attendance for the move of the Pacific Coast league club.

Phoenix became a member of the league in 1958 when the National League moved into San Francisco and Los Angeles. The local Giants won the pennant in the first year in the loop, but drew only 122,000 fans, one of the lowest attendance marks in the league.

In Last Place This season the club hasn't fared well, although it was considered the team to beat in the PCL race. The Giants currently are in last place, 8 1/2 games behind.

Horace Stoneham, owner of the local club as well as the parent San Francisco Giants, met with Phoenix city officials Monday night. He told them he wanted his major league club to continue winter training here. But, he said attendance problems were proving too much for the Phoenix farm club.

The Tacoma city council is anxious to bring the Phoenix franchise north. Monday night Tacoma officials voted 8-1 in favor of a \$590,000 bond issue.

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Fanfare

Congratulations to the Central Point Crater Cubs for their Oregon Junior Baseball association championship. As one Central Point resident said, "Well we've finally won a state championship here."

The Cubs defeated Woodburn, Albany and Eugene IOOF in the tournament at Eugene.

Players worked hard in fund raising activities in order to be able to make the trip and it seems quite obvious these efforts built up a morale which carried over and served a good purpose in the tournament.

The Cubs provided prestige for southern Oregon baseball and give an indication that Crater high will have to be reckoned with in the diamond sport. There's a source of pride for Medford, too, for Bob Quinney from the Pear City joined the Cubs for the tourney jaunt and pitched in two of the contests.

NO BACK SEAT When it comes to this matter of morale those Capital City Shamrocks of Salem don't take a back seat to anybody. That was plainly seen as the Shamrocks fought to the women's championship of the Oregon State Softball association, coming back after a Friday loss to win one game on Saturday and three on Sunday.

There are those who may claim that the Shamrocks (in this case is a four-leaf clover) and that the Salemites had the "luck of the Irish." But, it takes hustle, fire and enthusiasm along with a will to win to make a real champion. The Shamrocks certainly displayed those qualities and the way they played on Sunday they deserved their championship.

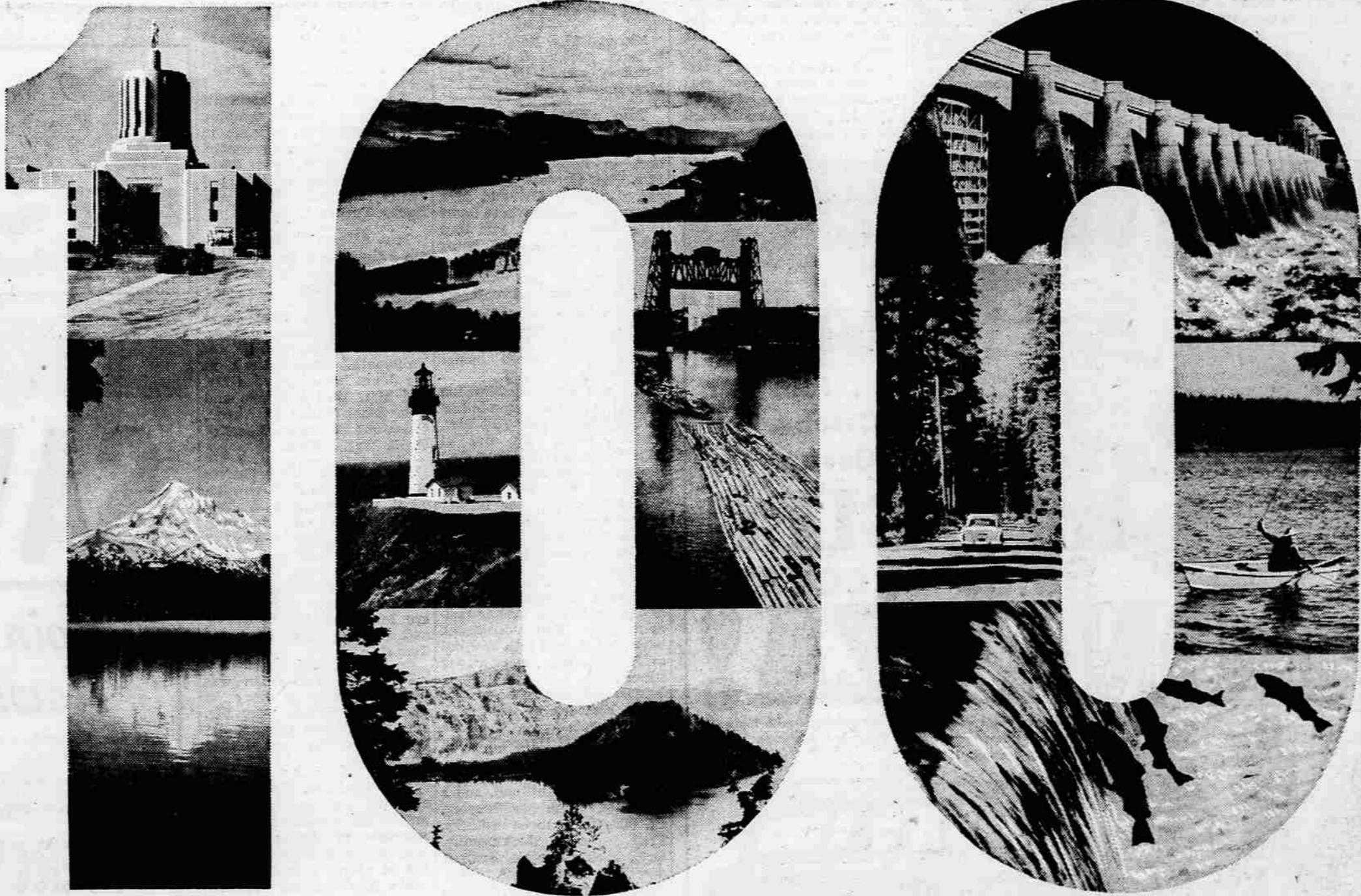
VISITING HOSTESSES Rogue Valley Dairy Maids were visitors as well as hostesses for the state softball tournament at Camp White last week end. Although Memorial stadium is their home park, the Maids had the first turn at bat in the innings of each of the four tournament games they played.

Its baseball tradition that the visiting team bats first and the home team last. Some different means of determining first and last ups, naturally, are needed in a tournament. A coin flip was used for the women's tourney.

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It is obvious that during the next hundred years, Oregon and the great Pacific Northwest are destined to play an increasingly important role in the

affairs of the United States—and the world at large. And we hope that when Oregonians gather to raise their glasses to another century, we will once again take part: that the toasts will be made then as they are being made now—with the world's number one American whiskey, world's foremost Canadian whisky, and the world's leading golden gin.



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