

# SPORT NEWS

## Bairrie Gets K. O. In The Second Round

Coker Beats Ralph Wright In Fourth Round; DePinto Decision Kid Sarp; A Large Crowd Saw Card.

Results of Events:  
Bairrie K. O.'s Wright in second round.  
Coker K. O.'s R. Wright in fourth.  
DePinto decisions Sarp.  
Gene Krause wins battle royal.  
Red Coker gets newspaper decision.

A short uppercut, landed at close range to Young Wright's chin, resulted in referee McKim or Baker counting ten over the prostrate body of the Yankin boy about midway in the second round of last night's headliner on an evenly balanced boxing card held in the Star Theater.

This Bairrie, who fought Wright instead of Johnny Fugate, who didn't come through, won the first round by a clear margin, landing several good blows and taking one or two in return.

The second frame started out about the same as the first and about the time things were going good, Bairrie pushed one over on Wright. There is no doubt but what the blow landed strong, but there is a lot of doubt in the minds of a great portion of the fans as to whether Wright was really knocked out or merely took the count. Maybe he did and maybe he didn't; the writer was not in a position to be certain.

The semi-windup, between Jimmy Coker of La Grande, and Ralph Wright of La Grande, looked like all Wright at the end of the first round. Coker, however, evened things up by taking the second round. The third was about even with Wright showing signs of weakness and fatigue. The fourth round found Wright still gamely hanging on. Before the final knockout came, Coker sent Wright to the floor twice for the count of nine with uppercuts. The third uppercut sent the boy out completely.

Coker, though but a kid, shows a lot of stuff. He is clever, shifty, uses his head, but lacks a real punch. Coker had a dozen chances to land on his button hard enough.

The special event, six rounds, between Mike DePinto of Portland, and Kid Sarp of La Grande, was a good scrap, ending with the decision in the Rose City boy's favor. A little too much clinching slowed things up a bit, but several good exhibitions of mixing helped to make up for the in-fighting.

DePinto is clever and fast. The first five rounds were fairly close, Sarp being knocked to his knees once, with DePinto slightly ahead in some of the rounds. The last round, however, found the Portland boy doing his stuff in class style, easily winning the last round and naturally the referee's decision. DePinto is expected to fight Grandetta, the powder puff sensation of Portland, in his second May 16th.

Preliminaries Good.  
The battle royal, with five local lads in the ring, ended in favor of Gene Krause. Stung by windmill punches, landing on the biggest boy in the ring, and the occasional knock-down that always eliminated the unlucky one, made the affair a thoroughly interesting one from bell to the final knockdown.

A four-round gloved rooster fight put the fans in a fine mood for the succeeding events. Although no decision was given, the writer is of the opinion that the red cock was master of the day. He scored several knockdowns.

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## Union Joins Intermountain Ball League

Satisfaction reigns supreme in the La Grande and Baker, Ore. communities at last positively decided to join the Intermountain baseball league. In fact, the Baker team, under the leadership of Coach Ross, has been selected to play in the league this afternoon and his conversation with the Intermountain league, which is now actively formed. "Coke" will open his season at Union Sunday and Baker will receive La Grande at Baker."

Union's decision to join the league wiped out the possibility of having to struggle through the season with but three teams, as timber, the last straw, couldn't come in. Union is bound to have a good team and with her entry it is safe to say that the league this year will be one of the faster in Eastern Oregon baseball history.

Last night's baseball practice was one of the best of the season. A large number of the members of the squad, eager to make the line-up, which will be announced in tomorrow's edition of the Observer, for the Baker-La Grande opening game to be played at Baker Sunday, providing the weather is fair. Vix and plenty of it was displayed, and from present showings it looks as if the Pirates would be a hard-working, dangerous crew at Baker. With only two weeks of good practice behind them, the Baker game is going to be a tough one to win, but the Pirates are planning on doing just that nevertheless.

La Grande is still planning on attending the Baker game, which will dedicate the new Baker baseball park. In large numbers and approximately 700 fans are expected to make the trip.

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## Union County Meet Saturday

La Grande high school will send practically the same track and field team to Union tomorrow that went to Pendleton last Saturday, in the announcement made by Coach Ross today. In addition a grammar school relay team will go over to enter in the grammar school relay tomorrow afternoon.

Quite a large number of rooters will make the trip, most of them planning on leaving in cars about noon and returning after the meet in order to attend the Junior-Senior banquet.

La Grande, although favorites for victory, will have a lot of stiff competition to struggle against, and a hard week of practice came to a close tonight with a light workout.

## May Form a Ball League

Considerable talk has been going the rounds in La Grande and nearby points about forming an amateur baseball league, tentatively to consist of Abbe, Butler, Legion, La Grande, Louisa, Cove second team, Perry and possibly others. Nothing definite has been arranged as yet, but it is possible that a meeting will be called for Sunday morning in the Home Place for the purpose of reaching an agreement.

When the timber legion team challenged the La Grande team to a game, the idea began to take an active form.

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## Bill Hayward To See Meet

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Mr. Hayward will give a lecture in the high school auditorium. He has a number of slides of the Olympic sprinters to show. The trophies also will be presented at that time to the winners of the track meet. After the lecture the junior class will entertain members of the visiting track teams at a formal dinner to be given in the gymnasium.

The high schools of Pendleton, La Grande, Union and Baker will enter large delegations, and entries from the smaller schools are expected.

## Ouimet Winner Over Willing

(By Associated Press.)  
SANDWICH, Eng., May 4.—Francis Ouimet, of Boston, won the Royal St. George's championship grand challenge golf trophy today, defeating by one stroke Dr. O. P. Waring, of Portland, Oregon, in a playoff of yesterday.

Ouimet took 77 strokes for 13 holes, while Waring got 78.

Adolph Newlin Lands A Big One Near Starkey

One more fisherman of La Grande is happy today. He caught a big one, and it didn't get away, either. The happyangler is Adolph Newlin and the fish is a rainbow variety, was caught at Starkey and measures 29 inches from nose to tail tip. It weighed 2 1/2 pounds. "I never was so surprised in my life," commented Mr. Newlin.

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