

SPORT NEWS

La Grande Tossers To Play Baker Hi Tonight

Blue and White Squad in Fine Fettle for Trip to Queen City.

(By Scoop)
After getting away to a poor start at the first of the season but recovering recently, the Blue and White basketball contingents will visit Baker this evening for the sole purpose of attempting to defeat them in the hoop court. Coach MacTavish is taking eight players and with a week's rest, following the two wins over Pendleton and Union last week-end, the squad is expected to be ready to exhibit their best brand of basketball against "Red" King's protégés.

La Grande lost the first game played this year to the alumni team. Then two games were won from Union and Elgin. One of the most disastrous branchline trips in several years followed with La Grande dropping a game to Joseph and Wallowa and another to Enterprise under a large score in the final game in Wallowa county.

Hot on the branchline defeats came Baker high school with a victory over the locals 23 to 20. Since that time the Tiger tossers have added tonight but wins to their string, having beaten Wallowa, Joseph, Union, Pendleton, Elgin and Enterprise.

Almost to a man, the student bodies of other schools in Eastern Oregon are with La Grande in her claim to victory over Pendleton high school last Friday. Pendleton is not the most popular school in this sector and many other schools will have sore spots that are nursed occasionally when Pendleton's name is mentioned.

Plans for the entertainment of ten or more high school basketball teams at Union the last of this month in a district championship tournament continue to progress. Roy Conklin, L. H. E. superintendent in charge of the tournament, states that attempts are being made to secure the entrance of every basketball team in the district.

Seals to accommodate about 400 and standing room for an additional 400 is expected to be arranged during the tournament. From present indications all the seating and standing room will be taken. No reservations will be made at any time during the tour and those who come first will be served first, according to Mr. Conklin.

Homer Jamieson's reputation as a referee continues to grow. Several times in the past few weeks when referees were being discussed from other towns would uphold Jamieson as an official of unquestionable integrity and ability. The writer concurs in that opinion.

Little has been heard of the Joseph high team lately but beyond any doubt they are undergoing plenty of practice. Coach Pepper still has his eye upon another trip to Salem and his team, while not quite as classy a bunch of tossers as Pepper had last year, will make things interesting for their opponents at Union.

Wallowa high school is another strong factor in the coming tournament. Her past schedule, although not unadorned by defeats is praiseworthy and gives promise of some real competition at Union.

The American Legion team is humming about night. Hicks was expected to be a stumbling block but the Legionnaires went over the top in great shape. Coach Reynolds has a well rounded team that would have a 50-50 chance with many college teams.

Track and baseball are already becoming popular items for discussion among sport fans. In a short time the superintendents and principals will meet for the purpose of selecting, among other things, a site for the 1924 Eastern Oregon track meet. Baseball fans are spreading much time worrying

about a suitable field but track fans are not without their worry, either. L. H. E. hasn't got very far with preparations for that indoor track which was talked up last fall.

UNION TEAMS WIN AND LOSE

UNION, Ore. (Special)—Union high school won and lost to Baker high last evening at basketball.

In the boys contest the Queen City quintette took the local's measure 17 to 16 in a close, exciting game but in the girls contests, the visitors were not so fortunate and were defeated by the Union girls decisively, the final score being Union 25, Baker 7.

The boys game was fiercely contested from whistle to whistle. Jensen, Union center, was high point man with 6 markers. Ozman, Baker forward was second with 5 points.

Several Baker rooters were in attendance.

Summary: Baker 12, Union 10, Lineups: Baker: Payne—3, Ozman—5, Stoddard—3, Moody, Happe—2, Union: Geertson, McCallum—2, Jensen—5, Gilmore, Jackson—2.

Substitutions: Candiff for Ozman, Oxman for Stoddard, Stoddard out, Caldwell for Happe, Happe for Geertson, Geertson out.

Timer Jamieson, Baker, referee.

Would Retrieve Glove Trade. LONDON, (AP)—Efforts are being made to rehabilitate the glove industry in this country. Today, owing to foreign competition, there are only nine manufacturers of gloves in London. The Worshipful company of Glovers, with the help of the Board of Trade, is making an effort to get some of this trade back to England.

Ready for Battle. BIRMINGHAM, (AP)—Luis Firpo, Argentine, heavyweight champion, and "Fighting" Edgerly of the United States, have completed training for their fight Saturday, weighing 164 and 165.3 kilograms respectively. According to the Firpo weights 229.22 pounds as compared with 216.5 at the time of his championship fight with Jack Dempsey.

Fulton Stops McManis. MINNEAPOLIS, (AP)—Fred Fulton, Minneapolis, heavyweight, secured a technical knockout over Joe McManis of Newark, N. J., in the fourth round of a scheduled round-up decision contest here Friday night.

Box Set For March 31. SAVANNAH, Ga. (AP)—Young Stribling, Georgia school boy rings man, will meet Mike McTigue, whose title as world's champion light heavyweight is disputed by the Georgia boy in a return match on March 31, the engagement to be staged in Jersey City, N. J., it was officially announced Thursday night by "Pa" Stribling, father-manager of the Georgia fighter.

"Pa" Stribling stated he would leave for New Jersey Monday and on conference with Promoters Hark, Collins and Blantiss there, would sign articles with McTigue's new manager for the return match.

"Pa" Stribling said the engagement would be a six round, no decision match and the Georgian would have to knock McTigue out to finally settle the disputed title.

Tummy Beats Burke. NEW ORLEANS, (AP)—Gene Tummy of New York successfully defended his American light heavyweight title against Martin Burke of New Orleans in a 15-round bout here Friday night.

Wallowa Rod and Gun Club Now Organized

WALLOWA, Ore.—Organization of a Wallowa Rod and Gun club has been effected and plans have been formulated for trap shoots and scattered hunting parties. The constitution and by-laws of the former club have been adopted.

J. P. Morelock has been chosen president; Jay Billings, vice-president; H. B. Halsten, secretary; E. P. James, Treasurer; Reese Supkin, field manager.

THE SPORT CRUCIBLE

DAVID J. WALSH

Yes, We Have No Alibi. Some attempt has been made to account for the defeat of the United States hockey team by the Canadians in the Olympic games by declaring that the result was the fruit of team work rather than individual brilliancy. This is as much nonsense, according to the best informed sources.

The latter account for the American victory in a man-to-man analysis of the two teams.

1. Superiority in team work. That would seem to cover the situation like a chafed mortgage.

Also it is said that some of the best American "amateurs" were not members of the Olympic team; that these men deemed it more profitable to remain at home.

This, if true, rates not only the amateurism but the sportsmanship and patriotism of those worthies at somewhere less than nothing.

A New York critic is responsible for the statement that Charles Weissmuller, the swimmer, is in for a big year. Yes, and we can say the same thing for Charles McGraw and Charles Evers, well-known baseball figures; Charles McCormack, the tenor; Charles Frazier, featherweight champion, and Johnny Padlock, the sprinter.

"A Babe in the Hand Is Worth Two in the Woods." Words and music by Miller Huggins.

Re-time Story: Once upon a time there were two wrestlers who did not battle 2 hours, 55 minutes and 18 seconds to a draw. They had to catch a train.

Origin of the "Squeeze." According to Clark Griffith, the celebrated baseball player, an inventor imprudently set off on the spur of the moment by Jack Chesbro and Willie Koeber, both members of the Yankee white Griffith was manager of that club. It is supposed to have happened as follows:

Chesbro was on third base, Koeber at bat and Adlie Joe pitching. The base runner, obeying that impulse, started toward the plate with the wholly laudable idea of stealing home. Half way down the base line he realized he couldn't make it and shouted to Koeber to "lay it down."

While Ad and the runner secret, standing up.

"That was the first squeeze play," Griffith declared at the recent American League schedule meeting, while Chesbro, a member of the group, nodded agreement. "We pulled it for a month or more after that before any of the other clubs realized what a valuable scoring play it was and began to use themselves."

Joe Page, another old timer, takes violent exception to Griffith's claim, however.

"They were working the squeeze play before Griffith saw a major league ball park," says Joseph.

Hot Case Again. The discredited Hot Chase was the greatest man the game ever knew on the burning end of the play, in Griffith's estimation.

"We used to get all kinds of money that no pitcher could throw a ball past Chase, provided he wanted to hit it and the ball could be reached," quoth Clark. "He could cool them off, even if you threw them under his arm pit. He would get his bat in there and tick them, somehow."

"I saw him sign for the squeeze eight times in succession against such a great pitcher as Joss and get away with it. Adlie knew he was signing for the play but he couldn't prevent Chase from protecting the runner with a foul tip."

"Then, on the ninth pitch, Chase hammered out a two-base hit."



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er in Thibet, revealed this in describing the annual ceremony of gaming with the devil for "the luck of the year." The devil's opponent picks the dice, and his partner shows nothing but sixes. The devil's shooter gets dice with nothing but deuces. "Big Dick" always wins over "Little Joe."

Marriage is a church function in Bulgaria, but after the church priests discover the exact adjudicate questions affecting property, alimony and custody of children. There is no civil marriage in Bulgaria.

Bulgarian Divorces Decrease. SOFIA, (AP)—Government sta-

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Vinnie Elopes



Vincent Richards, internationally known tennis star, was married a few days ago at Greenwich, Conn. He's shown here with the happy young woman, formerly Claremont Gushue. They will honeymoon in Palm Beach.

A Glimpse Into Spring Fashions

The first signs of Spring, at least as far as Spring Fashions are concerned, are delightful, indeed. The nicest colors are brick, dust and beige. The styles have never been more interesting or alluring.

FROCKS Reveal Tunics
If keeping with the beltless lines the three-quarter length tunics are very chic.

WRAPS The most characteristic feature of the new Spring Coats is that they are three-quarter length.

HILLS DEPT STORE

NEW COACH WELL RECEIVED; START PRACTICE MAR. 1

EUGENE (Special)—Joe Maddock, newly elected football coach of the University of Oregon, has made a hit with University students and faculty members.

Maddock arrived in Eugene on Wednesday evening and on Thursday was treated to the hospitality of the Oregon campus. At the latter assembly, crowded to overflowing, Maddock was introduced to the students and was received with a demonstration of Oregon's rights as a state.

The new coach has announced that he will start spring football practice on the Ward Field on March 1. At the assembly Maddock told his audience that he was going to give his football men the kind of training that they seemed most to need, "if they need work in the fundamentals, we'll start there, or if they are ready for advanced work, they'll get it," he declared.

Maddock met football candidates Thursday for the purpose of getting acquainted with the men. At the meeting plans for the coming season and spring practice were discussed.

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