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SPORT NEWS

JOSEPH TEAM LEADING ONE IN DISTRICT

(By SCOOP)

With no line on the strength of basketball team in Grant, Harney and Malheur counties, it begins to look as if Joseph, Wallowa, La Grande and Baker sport the strongest quintets in this district and it seems certain that all four of the teams will be reckoned with in the tournament at Union March 5-6-7.

At the present, with the pre-tourney season half finished, Joseph, in the writer's opinion, ranks mightiest with Wallowa a close second. La Grande is probably third and Baker fourth.

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Wallowa has been making strong claims for her team, as she did in the grid season, but she fails to mention Joseph's prowess.

Look this over:

Wallowa 26, La Grande 22; Wallowa 32*, La Grande 18; Joseph 12*, La Grande 9; Joseph 25, La Grande 9.

*Played at La Grande.

From comparative scores in the La Grande games, Joseph has the strongest team of the three. Wallowa defeated La Grande by a margin of four points each time. Joseph won by three points at La Grande and by 14 points at Joseph and the La Grande team was playing one of its best games when Joseph played here.

In other words, Joseph scored 37 points to La Grande's 18, while Wallowa scored 48 points to La Grande's 40. Figures would show that Joseph has a better defensive team than has Wallowa and just as strong on offense.

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Baker's showing has been the disappointment of the season so far. Expected to be the leading team, she came through most of her games by a narrow margin and then fell to Wallowa twice. Baker hasn't played Joseph and will meet La Grande for the first time this week at Baker. A close game is in prospect.

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Union high school girls' team seems about the strongest in this district and leads in the percentage. Union already has practically an iron grip on the district championship.

The percentage stands:

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Union	4	1	.800
Wallowa	2	2	.500
La Grande	1	2	.333
Baker	0	2	.000

Union has one game left to play in this district, with La Grande. Both La Grande and Union will play Pendleton girls and should Union defeat the Umatilla county champions, she would have a clear cleam to the Eastern Oregon title.

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To date, little has been done in reference to a baseball team for this summer. La Grande has the nucleus of a team in the city now and with a good pitcher, catcher and a little strengthening in the outer and inner gardens, would be able to place a better team in the field than last year.

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Lefty Swartz, who was released by La Grande last year in favor of Bench, made good in Montana and is now about ready to make his debut into the big leagues. The Pirates certainly let a good thing slip through their fingers when they turned Lefty loose.

Pasco also passed up a golden opportunity one day here when Lefty, without warming up, failed to make much of a showing and the Railroaders couldn't see enough in him to warrant signing him up.

And Lefty was the only player in the Blue Mountain league that was noticed by the big league circuits!

Sport Gossip

(By the Associated Press)

Ugo Frigerio, doughty little walker from Milan, Italy, who plodded to championships in the Olympic games in Paris and Antwerp, is reported on the verge of boarding ship, braving another seige of seasickness immediately rather than facing Willie Plant of the Morningside Athletic club again. It is expected, however, that he will reconsider and remain here for a month or so.

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Sammy Mandell of Chicago and Sid Terris of New York will clash at Madison Square Garden Friday night, in the first lightweight rumbling of the coming storm. Their match will not be a part of the tournament to name a successor to the title relinquished by Benny Leonard, but will go forward in determining one of the leading candidates. New York favors Terris for his speed and accuracy; the middle west favors Mandell for his mighty punch and ability to take care of himself.

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Babe Ruth, hammerer of homers, is well on his way to Hot Springs, Ark., intent upon a boiling out process which will bring him down to the heavyweight limit for the annual baseball campaign. He departed Sunday and his first swing of the year, it is reported, will be taken at a golf ball far from the maddening throng.

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Tommy Gibbons of St. Paul, who recently announced that he had quit the light heavyweight ranks for all time, arrived in New York Sunday to assist Sammy Mandell in his preparations to meet Sid Terris. "I would rather gain the title by fighting for it than claiming it," he said, when questioned regarding his views on the championship held by Jack Dempsey. "I will be ready for the battle whenever Tex Rickard notifies me that he has signed Dempsey."

ONE WRECK VICTIM BETTER

SALEM, Ore.—Searching parties were unable to find the body of Charles Purcell of Talbot, who was believed drowned in the Willamette river here when a motorboat in which he was riding capsized. P. L. Turnidge, who managed to swim to shore, was reported as recovering. He was found clinging to some bushes by residents of West Salem and was suffering from exposure. He was taken to a hospital.

At the time of the accident the men were returning to Salem from Clearlake where they were engaged in logging operations.

Officers said the motorboat was wrecked by coming in contact with some obstruction in the river.

Liquor Cases to Open.

PENDLETON, Ore. — Trial of jury cases in circuit court will be resumed here when the case of the state against Fancho Stubblefield, charged with violation of state liquor laws, will be tried. An addition venire of talesmen was drawn Saturday by the sheriff and the county clerk to serve during the session.

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AGGIES TAKE LEAD IN TWO CONFERENCES

Pacific Coast Conference Standings

	W.	L.	Pct.
Oregon Aggies	3	1	.750
Washington	2	1	.667
Montana*	1	4	.200
Montana's Opponents	4	1	.....
Oregon	0	1	.000
Washington State	0	1	.000
Idaho	0	1	.000

Northwest Conference Standings

	W.	L.	Pct.
Oregon Aggies	8	1	.889
Washington	7	1	.875
Oregon	6	1	.857
Washington State	4	1	.800
Idaho	3	2	.600
Montana	2	4	.333
Whitman	3	8	.273
Gonzaga	1	6	.143
Pacific	0	4	.000
Willamette	0	6	.000

*As Montana does not play the same number of games with each team in the Pacific coast conference, its scores do not count in tabulating the standings of its opponents. Montana's own standings however, are tabulated. Montana's games count in the Northwest conference, however.

PORTLAND, Ore. (Special) — Oregon Agricultural college, conqueror of Washington last Friday, will play University of Oregon at Corvallis Saturday. The Aggies must beat the Webfooters to retain their lead in both the Pacific coast and northwest conferences.

Oregon met its first defeat Saturhrday at the hands of Washington, 29 to 33. The Washingtonians, after losing a one-sided game to the Aggies, 16 to 27, looked like an entirely different team against the Webfooters. Their teamwork was perfect in advancing the ball, although their defense was weak, and Oregon broke through time and again, but lost its own game by failure to make many easy shots count, and falling down miserably in converting four throws.

While the Aggies and Oregon will be putting on their little'setto, Washington will be host to Washington State college at Seattle. The Cougars have played only one game in the coast conference — against the Aggies at Pullman a couple of weeks ago — losing by four points, 14 to 18.

Play by the Aggies has been the most spectacular of the conference race. After winning from Pacific, 33 to 16, the Aggies dropped a one-sided game to Washington, 17 to 32, at Seattle. The defeat caused the Corvallis lads to fight harder than ever, and they licked Washington State, Gonzaga, Idaho and Whitman on their floors and on returning home proceeded to take the measure of Whitman, Montana and Washington.

The Aggies had to fight for every one of their coast conference victories. They defeated Washington State by a four-point margin, 18 to 14; Gonzaga, Idaho and Whitman by one-point margins, 22 to 21, 19 to 18 and 12 to 11, respectively. On returning home they won handily from Whitman, 40 to 18, but had the time of their life downing Montana, 24 to 22. They capped their victorious march with the win over Washington.

The Webfooters started the week with a rush. They won from Whitman, 44 to 22; and Montana, 33 to 24, but lost to Washington. Oregon's only game this week is against the Aggies, who play Willamette at Corvallis tomorrow and then rest until the Oregon game Saturday.

Scores of coast and northwest conference teams:

Oregon Aggies.

Ore. Aggies	32	Pacific	16
Ore. Aggies*	17	Washington	32
Ore. Aggies*	18	Wash. State	14
Ore. Aggies	22	Gonzaga	21
Ore. Aggies*	19	Idaho	18
Ore. Aggies	12	Whitman	11
Ore. Aggies	40	Whitman	18
Ore. Aggies*	24	Montana	22
Ore. Aggies*	27	Washington	16

Oregon.

Oregon	63	Willamette	31
Oregon	48	Pacific	15
Oregon	65	Pacific	21
Oregon	51	Willamette	17
Oregon	44	Whitman	22
Oregon*	33	Montana	24
Oregon*	29	Washington	33

Washington.

Washington	40	Gonzaga	23
Washington	48	Whitman	22
Washington	70	Willamette	10
Washington*	32	Ore. Aggies	17
Washington*	29	Montana	27
Washington	41	Willamette	15
Washington*	16	Ore. Aggies	27
Washington*	33	Oregon	29

Washington State.

Wash. State	40	Whitman	16
Wash. State	33	Gonzaga	30
Wash. State	42	Gonzaga	33
Wash. State*	28	Montana	17
Wash. State*	14	Ore. Aggies	18

Idaho.

Idaho	36	Whitman	14
Idaho	37	Gonzaga	23
Idaho*	18	Ore. Aggies	19
Idaho	24	Gonzaga	19
Idaho*	27	Montana	31

Montana.

Montana	33	Whitman	28
Montana*	17	Wash. State	28
Montana*	31	Idaho	27
Montana*	22	Washington	29
Montana*	22	Ore. Aggies	24
Montana*	24	Oregon	33

Gonzaga

Gonzaga	23	Washington	40
Gonzaga	46	Whitman	32
Gonzaga	30	Wash. State	33
Gonzaga	23	Idaho	27
Gonzaga	33	Wash. State	42
Gonzaga	21	Ore. Aggies	22
Gonzaga	19	Idaho	24

Willamette

Willamette	31	Oregon	63
Willamette	10	Washington	70
Willamette	24	Whitman	37
Willamette	17	Oregon	51
Willamette	15	Washington	41

Pacific.

Pacific	16	Ore. Aggies	32
Pacific	15	Oregon	48
Pacific	21	Oregon	65
Pacific	16	Willamette	36

Tom Gibbons Is Awaiting Title Match

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press) — Tom Gibbons, St. Paul heavyweight, Monday came to definite terms with Tex Rickard for a title match with Jack Dempsey about June 1, either in New York or Jersey City, with an understanding that the winner will oppose Harry Wills, negro contender, in September.

Rickard announced his plans for two title heavyweight shows this year after an hour's conference with Gibbons and the latter's manager, Eddie Kane. At the same time the promoter asserted confidence that he would have little or no difficulty signing Dempsey for the title holder's part of the program.

DEMPSEY AGREES

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Tom Gibbons and Harry Wills will both have an opportunity to meet Jack Dempsey this summer, it was decided here Monday by Jack Kears, manager for the heavyweight champion.

Kearns made this announcement after being advised of the report from New York that Gibbons had come to terms with Tex Rickard for a match with Dempsey. Kearns said he had nothing to say on the New York report.

ROOKIES BOLSTER RED SOX; MOUND STAFF STRONGER

BOSTON (By Associated Press) —Bolstered in almost every position by promising youngsters as a result of trades and a thorough combing of the minor leagues, Lee Fohl, manager of the Boston Red Sox, will take his entire squad, numbering about 40 men, to New Orleans, the Sox new training ground, March 1.

The pitching staff will be strengthened by Rudolph Kallio, a right hander from Salt Lake, and J. W. Keefer, who pitched for Bay City, Mich., and 19 games last season.

Exhibition Games Scheduled.

CHICAGO (AP) — Twenty-two games have been scheduled for the Chicago Cubs before they open the season with Pittsburg here April 14. Eighteen of these will be with Pacific Coast league clubs and four with the Kansas City American Association club. The Cubs leave for training camp on Catalina Island, near Los Angeles, February 26.

Reading the wrong kind of books is just the same as association with the wrong kind of people.

Trying to enjoy money you haven't earned is about like sitting down to a big meal with no appetite.

Whitman

Wmitman	14	Idaho	36
Whitman	16	Wash. State	40
Whitman	32	Gonzaga	46
Whitman	28	Montana	33
Whitman	22	Washington	48
Whitman	27	Willamette	24
Whitman	11	Ore. Aggies	11
Whitman	18	Ore. Aggies	40
Whitman	22	Oregon	44
Whitman	37	Willamette	34
Whitman	36	Pacific	16

*Coast conference games.

This weeks games in the Pacific coast conference:

Saturday—Oregon versus Oregon Aggies at Corvallis; Washington State versus Washington at Seattle.

Rickey's Choice

Here is Bert Shotton, the only Sunday manager in the major leagues Branch Rickey, because of religious scruples, stays away from the ball park on that day and Shotton fills in as director of the St. Louis Cardinals. It is understood that Rickey intends to retire shortly and that Shotton is certain to succeed him as the every day in the week leader of the Cards

TONIGHT'S TILT IS POSTPONED

UNION, Ore. (Special). — The basketball game between the Five Horsemen of La Grande and the Athletic club of Union for Tuesday evening has been postponed and will be played on Thursday of next week if arrangements can be made for the use of the school gym on that night. The Athletics went to Richland and played a return game with that place Saturday evening. The Union team lost to Richland. Geertson, their main forward, did not make the trip, being scheduled to referee a game at North Powder, between that place and Huntington.

PLAN NEW LICENSE LAW

TWIN FALLS (AP) — Views of local automobile dealers and a number of petitioners regarding amendment of the Idaho motor vehicle registration and gasoline tax laws are to be embodied in bills to be drafted here for submission to the state legislature.

These proposed bills will provide for flat registration fee of $10 for all cars; imposition of gasoline tax of 4 cents per gallon, and division of the gasoline tax revenues give 75 per cent to the state and 25 per cent to the county or district in which it was collected. The task of drafting these measures has been delegated to a committee composed of S. Claud Stewart, Twin Falls county assessor; T. J. Lloyd, former state representative, and a number of local auto dealers.

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STUDENTS' AID SAVED TROTZKY

WENATCHEE, Wash. (AP).—How an experience in the early life of Leon Trotzky which resulted in saving him from execution by the Russian Czarist government made him a convert to communism was related recently by his cousin, Mrs. Rose Kornbilt of Manson, Wash. The mothers of Trotzky and Mrs. Kornbilt were sisters.

When quite young Trotzky, whose real name is Leon Brunshteen, was sent by his wealthy parents, David and Anna Brunshteen, from their home in southern Russia to European schools, Mrs. Kornbilt said. He sympathized with fellow students less fortunately situated than himself, and divided his means with them.

Later Trotzky was jailed by the Czarist government on a charge of being a Socialist, and was condemned to die. It was then that the friendly acts toward his fellow students bore their fruit. They started to dig a tunnel into his cell and effected his escape on the night before he was to have been hanged, his cousin related.

Dressed in feminine garments he fled to Paris, and kept himself in seclusion until the vigilance of the Russian secret police was relaxed. Then he came to America where he assumed the name of Trotzky to help in avoiding detection.

"So it is only natural that Leon would believe in communism," Mrs. Kornbilt said. He gave to the poor and in return the poor gave him what could not be bought with money—his freedom."

His parents did not know for years after his escape that he had not been hanged. After his return to Russia and his rise to the head of the Red Army he rejoined his mother. With the revolution she had lost her wealth. She now resides in Leningrad.

Mrs. Kornbilt, with her husband, Aaron Kornbilt, resides on ten acres of highly productive orchard land on the shores of Lake Chelan, not far from this city. She left Russia in 1907 for fear of persecution of the Jews and came to America in 1913. In Seattle, where she landed she met and married her husband, who also had fled the Jewish persecutions in Russia.

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Yesterday In Congress

(By the Associated Press)

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The house agricultural committee began consideration of farm legislation.

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The official text of the Paris reparations agreement reached the state department.

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A bill designed to prevent clogging of the supreme court docket passed the house.

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The contempt case of Harry F. Sinclair was argued in the District of Columbia court of appeals.

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The department of justice announced it had identified 332 foreign rum runners in the last year.

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Attorney General Stone's nomination for the supreme court again was approved by the senate judiciary committee.

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A report recommending the seating of Senator Mayfield of Texas was filed in the senate by the elections committee.

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Senator Magnus Johnson of Minnesota, filed a petition contesting the election of Thomas D. Schall, his opponent in the senate.

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The supreme court held a state law requiring a license of sale of intoxicating liquor is valid notwithstanding the prohibition amendment.

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Benjamin and Harry F. Morse lost their contest in the supreme court over the legality of their arrest several months ago in New York City.

COVE CAGERS BEAT POWDER

COVE, Ore. (Special). — The basketball teams of Cove high school played the boys and girls of North Powder Friday evening. The result was a victory of 28 to 15 for the Cove boys and 16 to 10 for the Cove girls.

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