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Sextette Serenely Sends Boy Basketeers Backward

High School Girls Defeat Youthful Masculine Players in Decisive Manner; Score 50 or More to Zero Slightly Plus.

(By J. S. L.)

These boys (the basketeers) were sitting on the porch, wank girl and last night at the high school six of them were unglamorous enough to play basketball with the girls' team and attempt to win. This last night's attitude on the part of the boys, most of whom were great, big, overgrown freshmen, was properly dealt with. Incidentally we might mention that the score was, girls, 50; boys, five or six or less.

Anyway it was a great victory and the boys were put in their proper places once and for all. When the Observer reporter heard yesterday that the boys' team and the girls' team were going to fight it out to a finish, he was quite excited but suspected a catch in it somewhere, and found it. The boys' team was composed of the third string of the freshman squad, and the important part of it was the game was played according to girls' rules with which the boys were about as familiar as with the

twists and turns in crocheting or some other art of feminine gender.

All feeling aside, however, the game brought out one point and that is that the La Grande girls' team has several members who can shoot baskets. Little Cora Stanley has been warming the bench most of the season but went into the game in the second half and covered herself with glory. She shot baskets from every conceivable angle and on all sundry occasions. Her partner, in the person of Miss Betty Cochran, was almost as good for a lucky and also picked up a big lead on the luckless boys.

The rest of the team yesterday showed similar improvement although of course as the boys were unfamiliar with the girls' rules and were rather afraid of that girls anyway it was difficult to tell much about it. A big improvement is noticeable in the passing particularly between the guards and we're thinking that the La Grande team will be about good enough to give the Union team a drubbing next Saturday evening.

Sport Gossip

(By the Associated Press)

Vincent "Pepper" Martin, lightweight of Brooklyn, has not quit the ring in spite of the knockout he sustained at the hands of Mike Pellegrino last week that sent him to the hospital for several days. Martin has signed for several bouts in the near future and hopes to stage a comeback.

When the new Henderson "race" in Long Island City is completed in the spring with a seating capacity of 110,000, it will be the metropolitan district's biggest athletic arena. Boyle's Thirty Acres, Tex. Rickard's bowl in Jersey City seats about 90,000. All told, arenas in the greater city area will provide aggregate accommodations for a half million spectators by spring.

Louis Foustel, who trained Man O'War, has signed as trainer for the Lee cabin stable, the owner of which, W. A. Harriman, has purchased the racing stock of the late August Belmont. Foustel has had this stable, including Laddie, under his direction for several seasons as trainer for Major Belmont.

The Cincinnati Reds will go to the Orlando training camp two weeks from next Saturday with its present roster intact, there being no further trades, transfers or purchases in prospect, says an announcement by President August Herrmann on his return from the league schedule meeting at New York.

Manager Branch Rickey of the St. Louis Cardinals announced that Max Black, outfielder, who refused to be sent to the Coast league, has signed a contract for 1925. He has not yet been re-instated by Commissioner Landis.

Six members of the Detroit club have signed and returned their contracts and the rest are expected to arrive soon. The men under contract are the veterans of the team, headed by Manager Ty Cobb, who is working on a long time agreement; Harry Heilmann, Johnny Bassler and Larry Woodall, catchers; George Ibanes, pitcher; and Lu Hiss are those in addition to Manager Cobb who have signed.

BOXING

WINS BY TECHNICAL K. O. SALT LAKE (AP)—Bus Barrie, Salt Lake lightweight, scored a technical knockout over Red Davis, also a local boy, in the second round of a scheduled six-round bout at the Manhattan club bouts here. Barrie staggered his opponent with rights and lefts to the head for almost two rounds of fighting. Jackie Gordon and Jack Andrews, local featherweights, fought six fast rounds to a draw.

BERLENBACH AGAIN VICTOR PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Paul Berlenbach, New York light-heavyweight, stopped Frankie Maguire, Williamsport, Pa., in the first round of a 10-round bout here Monday night. At the end of the fourth round Maguire sank to the floor from exhaustion and shortly after the opening of the fifth, Berlenbach landed a hard blow to the body and Maguire went down. The referee stopped the fight to save him from further punishment. Berlenbach weighed 171, Maguire 160 1/2.

FRENCHMAN WINS PEORIA, Ill. (AP)—Charles Raymond of Paris, France, won a decision over "Kid" Worley of

OREGON LEADS CAGE LEAGUE BY VICTORY

BASKETBALL RESULTS. Whitman College 28, Gonzaga University 22. University of Idaho 31, Willamette University 15.

SEATTLE, Wash.—University of Oregon leads the Pacific northwest intercollegiate conference with a percentage of 88% and also for the highest number of points scored, having 255 against 245 made by their basketball opponents as the result of a 26 to 24 victory over Washington state college, according to statistics here.

University of Washington, although dropping to third place with an 80% percentage as the result of losing to the University of Idaho last night 29 to 26 in an overtime basketball game and being tied with a 54% percentage with Oregon agricultural college for second position in the northern section of the Pacific coast intercollegiate conference, leads the coast league in scoring with 182 to 152 made by opponents.

Scores made by the teams in both conferences:

Pacific Northwest Conference		
Points	Team	Opponents
255	Oregon	245
251	Washington	233
227	Gonzaga	248
220	Whitman	410
215	O. A. C.	309
204	W. S. C.	186
204	Montana	246
229	Idaho	171
152	Willamette	324
142	Pacific	353
Pacific Coast Conference		
Northern Section		
182	Washington	152
124	O. A. C.	124
121	Montana	151
114	Oregon	190
89	W. S. C.	98
75	Idaho	79

Shelton, Neb., in a 10-round bout here Monday night. Paul Miller of St. Paul knocked out Jack Catrino of Chicago in the seventh.

GARCIA GETS VERDICT BALTIMORE (AP)—Bob Garcia of Camp Holabird was awarded the decision over Lew Maxner of Baltimore at the end of a 12-round contest here Monday night.

MATCH ANNOUNCED

PARIS (AP)—The sporting paper, L'Express, says Edouard Mascart's manager, M. Tetard, has called Tex Rickard, New York fight promoter, accepting his terms for a bout with the world featherweight champion, Kid Kaplan, in Madison Square Garden on March 20. Mascart will receive 17 per cent of the receipts with a fixed guarantee of \$5000, but will pay his own transportation. He expects to sail for New York about the end of this month.

MONROE OUTPOINTS SANGER MILWAUKEE (AP)—Frankie Monroe of Los Angeles outpointed Joey Sanger in a 10-round bout here Monday night, in the opinion of the majority of newspapermen at the ringside. Sanger weighed 125 1/2 and Monroe 125. The fight was clean and fast with Monroe landing the harder punches and boxing more effectively.

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Damages Asked for Dead Child.

PENDELTON, Ore.—Damages of \$7500 were asked in a suit filed in circuit court by Frank B. Ritchie, an administrator of the estate of the late Frank B. Ritchie, Jr., against the Walla Walla Valley Railway company and the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company. The plaintiff claims that his 21-month-old son was fatally injured April 1, 1924, when he fell into a post hole on the right-of-way of the defendant companies when a power line was being constructed. The accident was due to negligence of the defendants, according to claims made by the plaintiff.

Oratory Tryouts End

MONMOUTH, Ore.—The competitive tryout to determine the Oregon Normal school representative for the state oratorical contest was won by Mrs. Dorothy Sellers of Monmouth. Three other contestants were in the finals, one being disqualified. The state oratorical contest will be held at Monmouth Friday, March 13. Practically every college in Oregon will be represented.

BUCKS COMING HERE FRIDAY, TWO GAMES ON

A great deal of basketball of various varieties is being played at the high school this week with the most important game—the return contest between the La Grande Tigers and the Pendleton Buckaroos.

The fastest game the local teams have played this year was played against Pendleton recently and although the local boys lost by a comparatively small margin the circumstances will be in their favor to some extent when they play here Friday night.

In order to avoid getting the Blue and White men side at the same MacTavish has been having nothing but light, short workouts this week, following the hard workout in getting ready for the tinker game.

Team Hampered Some.

The La Grande outfit is still hampered by a lack of confidence and an anxiety about meeting other teams. In practice the team is now showing some real ball but the younger members of the squad still let the crowds get the best of them when in actual competitive play. When this type of stage fright is mastered the La Grande team will start winning games, but not until.

Preceding the high school game Friday evening a preliminary contest will be played between the Pendleton Nighthawks and the La Grande Five Horsemen, the two leading amateur teams of the two cities.

The Nighthawks have to their credit victories over the Purple Giants of Helix and have never been successfully ridden by the opposition.

To Play at Union.

On the same evening the La Grande freshmen will journey to Union to play a return game with the Union second string. The Frosh won the first game and are expecting to cop off the other one.

The Frosh will play a practice game with the girls' team tomorrow afternoon. The girls defeated the Frosh third string in a decisive score last evening and have decided to move up a notch and take on some real competition.

On Saturday evening both boys and girls first teams will play the Union teams in a return contest at Union.

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Coming Champ?



Here's a likeness of Alf Summers, lightweight champion of Great Britain, who recently arrived in this country bent on copying Benny Leonard's crown in the coming elimination tourney.

New Teams To Vie Thursday In Hoop Game

Progress is being made toward the formation of a local amateur basketball league. Two new teams have made their appearance this week and will play their first contest tomorrow night at 7:30 in the gymnasium of the Odd Fellows' building.

The La Grande Athletic team and the Orange and Black quintet are the two new comers in the local lists. Both are rated as strong outfits. The Athletic club team is composed of practically the same squad as the American Legion squad last year.

The lineup for the game Thursday will be, Orange and Black: G. Bean, Kilpack, Hendricksen, Simard, Hallmark, Caldwell; La Grande Athletic club: Theiston, Ash, MacTavish, MacDonald, Carity, O'Connell and Bud Newton. The game is scheduled to start at half past seven. A small admission will be charged.

WAR SCENTS REVISITED

PENDELTON, Ore.—Some of the scenes he witnessed as a soldier during the Spanish-American war, when he was a member of the Second Wisconsin Infantry, will be visited by Dr. M. S. Kern and Mrs. Kern on an eight-week trip on which they departed. They will visit Cuba and Porto Rico, Florida, Chicago and New Orleans on their journey.

GIBBONS SEES TWO BATTLES

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP)—Tommy Gibbons of St. Paul, contender for Jack Dempsey's heavyweight boxing crown, has two important matches in prospect for the coming summer, he announced here on his return from New York, where he discussed with Tex Rickard, promoter, the possibility of meeting Dempsey for the title.

Gibbons said that he had agreed to fight Bartley Madden in New York early in May and Luis Angel Firpo in Detroit in May or early in June. The Firpo and Madden matches are a certainty if Dempsey does not agree to defend his title against Gibbons in June, the St. Paul heavyweight said. Even if signed with Dempsey, Gibbons said, he will take the matches, provided Rickard does not object.

Gibbons said he expected to leave in a few weeks for the Pacific coast where his manager would attempt to arrange several bouts.

COUNTY BUYING SYSTEMIZED

MEDFORD, Ore.—The Jackson county court this week inaugurated new buying methods for the county, providing that all purchases of county supplies must be made in wholesale lots and on sealed bids. Each office is required to take out requisitions for the supplies it will need for the year and submit them to the county court for approval.

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GRANGE OVERSEER TO VISIT KENNESAW, Ore.—M. C. Gowar of Clackamas county, overseer of the Oregon state grange, will next with members of Lane county from February 12 to 21, inclusive according to announcement here. He will also address the members of the Grange Chapter of Clatsop county at the regular meeting Thursday, February 19.

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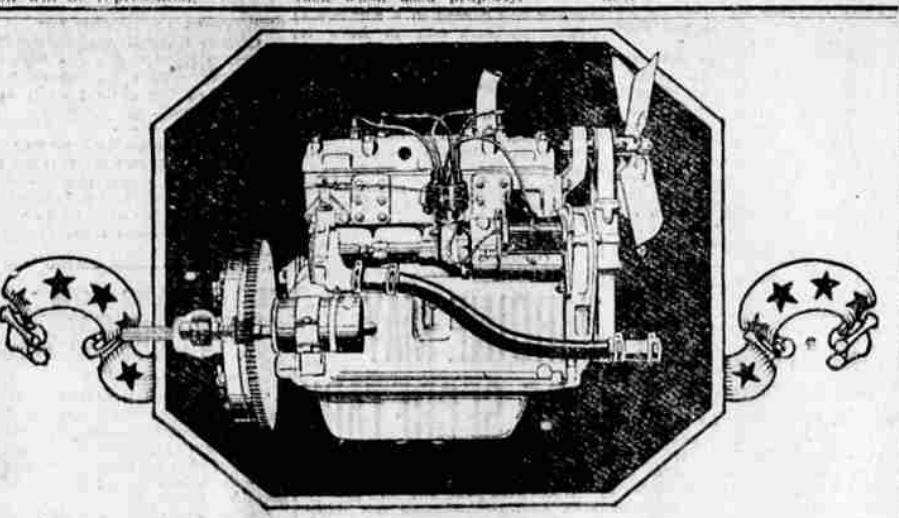
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