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## SPORT NEWS

### NEW TRAP AT CLUB GROUNDS

Members of the Wing, Pin and Pinetree club of La Grande will meet at the Lone Tree trap grounds Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock for the final practice shoot before the beginning of the La Grande-Boyer-Enterprise tournament which will be entered in the Oregonian's telegraphic shoot, it is announced by C. E. Kimbly, secretary.

### Okerberg Is Leading Scorer on Oregon Five

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Ore. (Special)—The Oregon basketball team returned from Fullman today where it wound up its northern trip with a victory over Washington, Montana, Idaho and Washington state. The Web-footers are now preparing for their game with Washington here Saturday night.

Okerberg, with 21 field goals and 11 converted foul throws, for a total of 53 points is the outstanding scorer of the conference. Gunther has connected with one more basket, but converted seven foul throws less and has a total of 48 points. Season's scores by the Oregon players follow:

	P.G.	F.T.	Total
Okerberg, center	21	11	53
Gunther, forward	22	4	48
Westergren, guard	19	6	44
Hobson, forward	8	6	18
Jost, guard	6	3	15
Kimbly, guard	0	0	0

The Web-footers have scored a total of 177 points in five games or an average of better than 35 points a game. The opposition has tallied 162 times or 20 and a fraction points a game.

**MILLER BEATS NICHOLS.**  
NEW YORK (AP)—Hay Miller, Chicago lightweight, won a judge's verdict over Johnny Nichols of St. Paul in a 10-round match at Madison Square Garden Friday night. Miller floored Nichols for a count of seven in the eighth round. Nichols substituted for Johnny of New Bedford, Mass., who was forced to cancel his engagement because of illness.

### WILL USE "CHARLESTON" IN TRAINING WRESTLERS

MOHANTOWN, W. Va. (AP)—Effective Friday the "Charleston," the country's latest dance craze, became a part of the training program for wrestling team candidates at West Virginia university. A number of new candidates reported for practice following the announcement.

### Thomas Clan Returns to Major League Batteries

CHICAGO (AP)—The name of Thomas, incomprehensible in major league box scores several seasons, will jump back into prominence this year if three twirlers of that name make good with the American league clubs that have signed them. Two right-handers and a southpaw comprise the trio, but they are not related.

Only way to stop a daughter from crossing her knees is put her into a pair of cotton stockings.



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### Billy Evans Says:

Ruth Ruth is probably the greatest showman baseball has ever had. The Babe has a way of doing things that keeps him in the headlines. Ruth Waddell was one of the few players to have rivalled Ruth as an attraction.

As great a pitcher as Ruth is a slugger, Waddell was always doing something that had the fans gasping. Waddell was far more eccentric than Ruth.

Ruth was born about 20 years too soon to cash in on his assets as a drawing card. He packed the parks in his day, but the capacity of most of them was closer to 15,000 than 50,000.

In addition, Waddell had a great partner in Catcher Ossie Shreck. He used to handle Waddell's blind-finding speed and fast-breaking curve in his glove hand.

With no one on the bases it was not unusual for Shreck to rest on his knees or even sit on the ground and catch Waddell.

When Ruth is delivering the goods he is the big noise, when he is slipping the fans are equally interested in his attempt to come back.

### ECCENTRIC WADDELL.

Ruth had a big year in 1921 when he cracked out his record-breaking mark of 59 home runs.

That winter Ruth turned actor, played the vaudeville houses and accumulated a lot of fat and poor health. He was more or less of a flop the next season in baseball.

During the winter of 1922-23 he reformed. His next two seasons were decided improvements. Last year he experienced another slump, due largely to poor physical condition.

The season of 1924 I understand terminates Ruth's fancy contract with New York. Apparently the big fellow realizes that he must step at top speed this year to have a chance.

Two months ago Ruth began to condition himself, something unusual for him as he always waits until the last minute and several times has been a trifle late, starting the season poorly.

Intensive work in the gymnasium, featuring hand ball, with care as to diet, has gotten Ruth to 212, by far the lightest weight of years.



WILD COUNTRY near Dayton, Tenn., was chosen for the Bryan memorial university. This shows wild oats on the crags near the chosen site.

### Sprint Star



This is Hubert Houben, famous German sprinter, who recently arrived in this country. He will match his stuff against the best in American Houben, it will be recalled, broke into the spotlight last year in Berlin when he defeated both Lorenz Marchion and Charley Paddock, a pair of America's finest runners.

### HUGGINS INTERESTED.

No doubt Miller Huggins is much interested in Ruth's early season training stunts.

Ruth in tip top condition means much to Huggins, for the big fellow playing his best game, has an important effect on the general play of the Yankees.

A year ago, in discussing Ruth with Huggins, the manager of the Yankees said:

"I don't like to see Ruth too much under normal weight. When he made the 59 home runs in 1921 he was around the 225 mark all year. He must have power back of the swing."

Will Babe Ruth do another comeback? Fans everywhere are hoping so for the game can ill afford to lose so colorful a player, a big attraction at the gate.

## HOLLYWOOD TO GET BEE TEAM

HOLLYWOOD, Cal. (AP)—The Salt Lake club of the Pacific Coast league will hereafter be known as the "Hollywood club" and will begin training here March 1. Harry Barratt of the Hollywood chamber of commerce announced Friday.

Barratt who recently completed arrangements with its owner, H. W. Lane, for transfer of the club to Hollywood said a training field with club house accommodations had been provided with special rates at local hotels arranged for the players. In addition to these provisions motion picture studio officials have agreed to provide employment for players who wish to remain here during the off-season.

The Hollywood club will divide the new Wrighty field with the Los Angeles club.

### SEATTLE TO SEND TEAM.

SEATTLE (AP)—The University of Washington announced today that it will send a track team to the National Intercollegiate association track and field meet in Chicago, June 12.

### PRICES PAID FOR PLAYERS NO LONGER ARE REVEALED

CHICAGO (AP)—Announcements of large sums changing hands for baseball players, which used to provide the fuel for the base runner league, are heard no more. All the fans have received this winter to mull over, have been expressions referring to big but indefinite amounts of cash.

Since the days of the "\$20,000 lemon" years ago, the cost of minor league talent has mounted until \$100,000 for one player was reached, and one brilliant pitcher this winter was tagged at \$125,000.

The list of players who have cost the major leagues more than \$50,000 would fill several ball clubs, but open talk of big money no longer is heard.

### Baseball Becomes More Popular Among Frenchmen

PARIS (AP)—Baseball, as a result of the visit of the New York Giants and the Chicago White Sox to Paris in 1924, made more progress in France in 1925 than at any time since the game was played here by the A. E. F. boys.

### Avoid Clutch Trouble.

Clutch trouble may be avoided if oil is administered to the throated collar on the clutch at least once each week.

### With One Arm



Marshall Claiborne of Hartsville, Tenn., has only one arm, but he placed second in an old-time fiddlers' contest at Nashville. He holds the bow between his knees and moves the violin back and forth against it with his left arm.

### SEATTLE BOYS ARRESTED.

MONMOUTH, Ore. — Leonard Erickson, 18, Henry Arnold, 16, and Herbert Bond, 16, all of Seattle, were arrested here by Constable Mulkey on a charge of having a stolen car in their possession.

The boys drove an automobile with a Washington license into Salem and abandoned it, taking another machine and driving on into Monmouth where they ran the car into an electric light pole, police declare. They then proceeded on foot, carrying their suitcases and were overtaken on the Pacific highway one mile south of town.

You could build yourself a private street car line with what it takes to keep up an old auto in winter.

**JUDGE REMOVES SCHATNER.**  
LEWISTON, Idaho—Following an order made by Probate Judge Woolfen, L. D. Schatner resigned as administrator of the estate of Joseph Murray, who died last September and whose estate became an object of litigation by the state bringing an action to remove Schatner, County Treasurer J. F. Thompson today became administrator. In his order, Probate Judge Woolfen said:

"L. D. Schatner was heretofore appointed by this court through inadvertence and by reason of a mistake in the law, and whereas, it appears the appointment was illegal and should not have been made, it is therefore ordered that he immediately transfer the property of the estate to the county treasurer."

Attorney General Connor sent word from Boise today that as the result of the new development in the Murray estate, he would not reach Lewiston this week, as planned, but would arrive about February 15.

Always use a socket wrench to remove spark plugs. An open wrench may slip and break the porcelain of the plugs.



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Enterprise	7:50	11:20	2:20	
Lostine	8:10	11:35	2:35	
Arrive	Walla Walla	8:25	11:55	2:55
Leave	Walla Walla	8:30	12:00	3:00
	Minam	9:10	12:40	3:40
	Elgin	10:00	1:30	4:30
	Timber	10:20	1:50	4:50
	La Grande	10:50	2:20	5:20

Trip No. 4 Off on Sunday.  
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