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U. S. STARS HOPE TO TAKE MEDLEY

Strong Entries for Hop-Step-Jump Event in Olympic Games

HOP, STEP AND JUMP CHAMPIONS

NEW YORK (AP)—Olympic hop, step and jump champions and their performances:

Four Winner, Country Distance
1904 Connolly, U. S. 45
1906 Prinstein, U. S. 47
1908 Prinstein, U. S. 47
1912 O'Connor, Ireland, 48
1920 T. Ahearn, Gr. Br. 49
1924 Lindblom, Sweden 49
1924 Tuulos, Finland 47
1928 Winter, Aus. 50-10 1-8*

*—Olympic and world's record.

By Alan J. Gould
(Associated Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK (AP)—The hopes that the Olympic hop, step and jump championship will be brought back to the United States after a lapse of 24 years and the world's record with it, rest chiefly upon the ability of the great negro athlete, DeHart Hubbard, to stand the strain of two events.

Hubbard, along with Ed Hamm of Georgia Tech, will lead the American broad jumping brigade. Four years ago the Summer Olympic began with the Olympic broad jump crown but a foot behind Jorgensen of Denmark, who in turn he is regarded by Eddie Farrell, Harvard and Olympic coach, as superior to any rival, when in form.

"I am positive Hubbard can break the world's record any time he desires," Farrell says. "But it is a difficult event, a three-in-one performance, and only a trained jumper can be successful.

"The hop, step and jumpers must start off on their right foot, make their hop, land, then step off and, after landing again, make a broad jump. Most of the jumpers outside this country can do but 45 feet in the event. They hop 14 feet, step 9 and jump 22 for a total of 45. I have watched Hubbard many times in this event and am positive he can break the world's record by hopping 15 feet, stepping 25 and then jumping 30 for a total of 70."

Any such performance by Hubbard or any other performer would surpass by more than a foot the mark set by J. W. Winter, the Australian, in winning the Olympic title four years ago. Winter accumulated 50 feet, 11 5-16 inches, while Romeiro of Argentina and Tuulos of Finland, the 1924 Olympic champion, also cleared 50 feet, all better than the former Olympic record.

Although the previous world's record had been held in America, by Ten Ahearn since 1920, no representative of this country has scored in the Olympics since 1904 when Myer Prinstein, Pennsylvania star, registered a "double" in the hop, step and jump. Ahearn did not compete in the 1920 or 1924 Olympics and in 1928, when past his prime, did not better than sixth. He won the national championship eight times in the colors of the Illinois Athletic club.

Five separate countries have produced triple jump champions in the Olympics since America won the first three titles but Prinstein has had the best record. Prinstein finished 1-2-3 in the 1912 Games and 2-3-4 in 1908.

Winter will make the long trip from Australia to defend the championship this year but reports are that he has not been in as good form as he was in 1924. Finland and Sweden also will be well represented. While Hubbard has a potential champion in Hamm, credited with surpassing the world's record with a mark of 51 feet 2 inches.

While Hubbard is considered the most dangerous foreign rival Lee Carey of Los Angeles, national champion for the past two years, may be just as formidable a threat. Carey's 1928 championship mark of 49 feet, 4 1-8 inches is the best since Ahearn won at the top of his form. Hubbard with the national title in 1922-23, has best mark being 48 feet, 8 1-2 inches, but he has done 50 feet in other competition.

Absence of the triple jump from the college meets has hindered development of specialists in this event but Cecil Bowdren, Louisiana athletic, just out of junior competition, looks like a coming champion.

In the Indian Olympic tryouts he led the field with a mark of 49 feet 1 inch. Homer Harris and Ralph Christofferson of the Illinois A. C., together with two Los Angeles A. C. men, Louis Hinter and Robert Parker, will be among the score Olympic team candidates.

LA GRANDE STILL HAS STRONG NINE

Pendleton Writer Praises Revamped Club—Play Burns Here Sunday

Sunday's play in the Blue Mountain league had a few surprises.

For example, Walla Walla announced late last week that it was not unlikely that the collar team might, while the second place Bakers club, thereby eliminating it from the pennant race.

That happened and the score was the biggest of the season—22 to 8.

And the La Grande Pirates, with a revamped team mostly composed of local players, demonstrated that considerable strength is still retained. Pendleton has an edge, fresh in games this year but in spite of the Blackwood strength, the Champs would have won if they had stopped just a little back.

Set to be Surprised By

The club, while not as strong as before, nevertheless is not to be passed at. Burns is leaving La Grande early this week for Portland and from there he expects to go down into California. This will leave Kirkham to shoulder the burden for the last two games of the season.

Kirkham hasn't had much chance this year to demonstrate his ability, but in two games that he started, he turned in victories, pitching here Sunday.

Against the Home of Good Beer, Hartford turned in a nice game, going in to relieve Brown after the game had been lost. In the last three innings he pitched hitless ball, only one man reaching first base and that on balls. Then at Baker, Kirkham was sent in to relieve Barringer with the score 6 to 1 in favor of the Elephants. Kirkham then proceeded to shut the Bakers out the remainder of the game, giving up but a few hits.

Hartford has a lot of stuff and with Kirkham recovering, La Grande's battery will make plenty hot. Kirkham, besides outpitching everything that comes his way, has a wicked peg to second and wields a mean willow. Against Pendleton Kirkham got two hard singles in four times at bat.

The infield, although lacking smoothness which comes from much practice together, is fast and can be counted on for one of the best infields in the Blue Mountain league.

Last Sunday the outfield wasn't starting at its best but a little practice is expected to correct that.

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Bartlett's departure will finish him the leading pitcher in the Blue Mountain league, with the wins and two losses for a percentage of .833.

Close behind him comes Erickson, with five wins but with more losses. Kirk at Walla Walla has two victories to his credit in two starts but hasn't gone strength the best of games that Erickson and Bartlett have. Kirk has shown more than Erickson, and here's then over at a better clip than Bartlett, who now most of the pitching above the shoulders.

Lafollie Taking Two

It is rumored that Tony Lafollie former La Grande captain, has made arrangements for both Erickson and Jake Rogers. Pendleton thinks, to pass him in Chesnimo. Rogers is a smart hitter for some innings in any game and would make an ideal relief pitcher.

If Rogers joins this week, Pendleton will probably start Tonie Pierce, who started the season with Walla Walla, against La Grande here next Sunday.

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Getting back to La Grande's team, here is what the Pendleton East Oregonian sports writer had to say:

"La Grande, minus the regulars who put the club far out in front in the pennant chase, played now defensive ball with practically a new set of players. Only three errors were charged up to the team while Pendleton made a dozen number."

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Many local fans are wondering what happened at Walla Walla and if Kirkham pitched.

Kirkham started the game, chalked four innings of shutout ball and then blew higher than a kite. The Bears scored six runs off him and put two men on bases, with nobody out, before he was relieved by Russell. In the ninth inning the Bears fell on Russell and Ryan shut the game. Four runs were scored off Ryan in the second and Kennedy, substitute, tried his pitching arm. He let one man arrive the plate in the eighth. Baker scored six runs in the third and fourth and two more in the ninth.

BOXER DISCOURAGED WOMEN TOUGH IN RING

NEW LONDON, Conn. (AP)—Boxing fans were given a jolt here during a bout between a male gladiator and a sailor of the U. S. S. Camden.

Two fast rounds had been concluded during which the gladiator had been floored, almost for the count. The third round was on when the gladiator walked to the corner, took a chew from a sponge and threw it into the ring, the colors of defeat. The attendants were speechless at first but quickly recovered to "rush" the discouraged boxer.

TEX WILL RATE SEATS FOR KIMB AT TWENT

NEW YORK (AP) — Boxing fanciers see one ray of hope on Tex Rickard's horizon.

If the ballyhoo fails on the Tunney-Sharkey bout, the famous promoter will have numbers for the reception of the fans as never have been available in New York.

The Yankee Stadium, where the heavyweight championship bout will take place July 26, will have its seating capacity increased to seat 87,000 on fight nights. And $1,000,000 will be taken in from ring side seats alone if Tex succeeds in disposing of all the 140 boxes for the big show.

Why he is that congress never investigates the amount campaign funds?

Reds Seem Due To Hold Forth In Lower Class

American League Standings

	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	40	23	.714
Philadelphia	37	23	.617
St. Louis	34	21	.618
Washington	29	22	.569
Cleveland	28	22	.560
Detroit	24	22	.522
Chicago	23	28	.451
Boston	17	40	.298

National League Standings

	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Louis	30	20	.600
New York	29	20	.592
Chicago	27	20	.574
Cincinnati	26	22	.542
Brooklyn	24	23	.511
Pittsburg	23	22	.511
Boston	20	28	.417
Philadelphia	17	28	.378

A second division berth looms for the Giants if their pitching can hold up. Jack Scott has not yet been defeated since he joined the team a few weeks ago.

The Reds lost ground that could not afford when the Cardinal won a 2-0 triumph in 10 innings.

Incidentally it was the Cardinals the Giants in the last 17 games.

While the Chicago Cubs and Pittsburg Pirates were idle the New York Giants moved into second place with a double win over the Phillies, 10 to 4 and 9 to 2.

The Dodgers hit Brooklyn hard and clinched the Cubs fourth straight game at the expense of the Boston Braves 5-2.

The Washington Senators knocked off the Philadelphia Athletics twice in the capital, 3-2 and 7-2.

The Tigers came home from the earlier white Chicago, but meeting one when the Sox lumbered out an 8-6 victory in Detroit.

Hornsby's Braves won one of two from Boston, since the Cleveland Indians 5 7-8 win over the Browns at St. Louis.

Tilden And Lott Score Easily In Wimbledon Play

WIMBLEDON, Eng., June 26 (AP)—William T. Tilden and George Lott of the United States Davis cup tennis team, have put in one a set in the English championship tournament, scored easily today in the second round of play.

After Tilden had defeated E. C. Fisher, young Oxford university man, three in scores 6-2, 6-2, 6-2, Lott downed E. K. Lester, captain of the Cambridge university team, four by 6-1, 7-5, 7-5.

Another favorite up win today was Baron H. L. Temperley Hallett, who defeated D. H. Williams, 6-2, 6-4, 6-2.

Rain interrupted play shortly after it started, but the shower soon passed.

The shower was only a passing one and Tilden, taking the court against Fisher, was in short order by scores of 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.

The defending champion, Henri Cochet of France, having matters rather easily at first, was extended in the final set to defeat the American, Sherman, 6-1, 6-4, 6-4.

TO REST WE BELIEVE

BALTIMORE, Md., June 26 (AP)—The south now leading new being considered in Seattle by the International commerce commission will probably be resumed in Portland, Monday July 2, according to notice sent out by the Oregon public service commission. The Portland session will be held at the Benjamin hotel. The commission will permit to rates between points in Oregon in connection with the interstate commerce commission.

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OLYMPIC HOPES

Clarence "Bud" Houser, holder of the Olympic championship in the discus throw with a mark of 151 feet 2 1-16 inches, will be a member of the 1928 Olympic team in Amsterdam this summer. He is a product of Dean Cromwell at Southern California, and has been one of the most consistent performers in the discus and the javelin in the world the past few years. He scored 20 points at the 1924 Olympics with a first in the discus and the javelin. He graduated from Southern California in 1926.