

There's Lots of Life Left In Ace Hudkins, "Wildcat" of Ring

By Paul Zimmerman
(Associated Press Sports Writer)
LOS ANGELES (AP) — Pistiana's firmament has seen many a forgotten fighter fade from view, but Ace Hudkins, although his ring days apparently are over, hardly can be numbered among them.

The Nebraska Wildcat who fought his way from the featherweight division up to the heavyweight division and was a title contender in three of the classes, continues to command attention because of his escapades outside the padded ropes.

Fighting was instinctive with Ace and his more than 100 fierce battles have not taken all of the Wildcat's enthusiasm even at the age of 28, as police blotters in numerous cities will attest.

Although Hudkins started as an amateur in Lincoln, Neb., and became quite a featherweight in Nebraska, he landed in Los Angeles a decade ago with his brothers, Art and Clyde, clad in overalls and financially embarrassed. They campaigned from fight club to fight club before Ace was given a chance to show his wares.

Threatened in Three Divisions
The Hollywood Legion Stadium gave him his first chance and within a year he was battling top notchers in the lightweight division. It was there the name "Nebraska Wildcat" was given him by Dan Tobey, clarion-voiced announcer.

He was a title threat as a lightweight but never got a chance at Sammy Mandell, the ruler then. In 1928 he was left waiting in the ring at Wrigley Field when Joe Dundee failed to make an appearance in what was to have been a fight for the world's welterweight championship.

As a middleweight he twice lost title bouts to Max Baer, but last of these in 1929 marked the beginning of the decline for Hudkins in the ring, but outside the squared circle his activities increased.

One charge of being intoxicated while driving an automobile resulted in a suspended sentence of one year in jail. T. Leonard Park sued for \$50,000 damages after a street brawl with Ace and received one dollar from the court.

At Fresno, Ace was arrested on a charge of driving an automobile while intoxicated a few months later was thrown into the bastille at Honolulu on charges of disorderly conduct resulting from an alleged fight in a hotel.

Seriously Wounded
The climax came last August when he was shot twice and seriously wounded by a cafe manager after a quarrel in which knives and guns were brought into play.

Yet it has not been three months later that George Kerkhoff, a longshoreman, put Hudkins down for the count by hitting him over the head with a pistol he said he wrested from the fighter. Ace was out before the year was out. Ace was booked on charges of intoxication.

There's still some fight left in the wildcat, although his last bout early in 1933 saw him unmercifully beaten by Wesley Ketchell, Portland, Ore., southpaw.

And while Hudkins has taken the count several times in impromptu bouts outside the ring, there has yet to be a toll of ten over him inside the ropes.

Negro Ghosts Win From Willamette

SALEM, Feb. 9 (AP) — The deceptive passing and uncanny basketballing ability of the Negro Ghosts, traveling basketball team from New York City, enabled the eastern five to trample the Willamette Bearcats 41 to 30 here last night.

Pacific Steps On College of Idaho

FOREST GROVE, Ore., Feb. 9 (AP) — Pacific university today led the northwest conference basketball race with five victories and no defeats, after chastising College of Idaho 42 to 26 here last night.

Pacific is coached by Anne Cornell who was coach of the Idaho team for several years.

Stanford Poloists Win From O. S. C.

CORVALLIS, Ore., Feb. 9 (AP) — The Oregon State college polo team will seek an even break here tonight against the Stanford university team which won last night's indoor game, 16 to 5.

Year Ago? 51 Below At Meacham, Oregon

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Now, just as a contrast, the minimum here this morning was 36 above—52 degrees warmer than a year ago! Turpines are up, pines and butternuts have been in bloom for weeks, the coal dealers are not doing such a rushing business, pipe thawing machines are idle, and the coldest weather Meacham has had all winter was seven below zero—but that was back in November, 1933.

The last snow in La Grande was on January 11, when an inch fell to turn to slush quickly and melt in short order.

But that isn't all! While the coast states continue to enjoy marvelous winter weather, New York City today had the coldest weather ever recorded in February with an official 11 below zero. It was six below today in Washington—breaking a 43-year record. St. Albans, Vt., had its 43th day of sub-zero.

And back east today, the weather man said: "Fair and continued cold."

First Ward Is Winner of Hoop Game at Baker

In a hard fought basketball game, the La Grande First Ward M. I. A. team defeated the Sawayay Stores quintet at Baker last night 24 to 22. It avenged a defeat suffered in La Grande last Thursday by the Baker quintet.

The lineups:
La Grande (24) (22) Baker
Lyman (4) (3) McKim
L. Stoddard (14) F. (5) V. O'Neil
Andrews (2) (2) Begley
Burnett (4) (2) Eddy
Stoddard (2) (2) Holman
Hogenson (2) (2) W. O'Neil
Referee: George Duff.

Oregon May Use Reserves in Two Tilts With Idaho

EUGENE, Ore., Feb. 9 (AP) — The University of Oregon basketball team commences the second half of its schedule here tonight and tomorrow night against the fast-improving University of Idaho team.

Chaired by reserve strength unearthed in the Washington games, the Webfoots will make a bid to leave the league cellar. A win tonight would put them in fourth place and a repeat tomorrow night would raise them a notch higher.

Gemphores Olan Sanford and Semple sparked in the rally Oregon's reserve lineup staged against University of Washington in the last game here. While Oregon lost all four games to the Huskies, an even break has been gained in games with other teams.

Coach Billy Reinhardt's men have been dangerous all season, but have not been quite effective enough in the scoring department. No change in the starting lineup has been announced, but it would be no surprise here if the reserves saw more action in future games.

F. R. REQUESTS REGULATION OF MARKETS

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It was emphasized at the White House that he had not seen nor approved nor disapproved any bill or bills drawn for introduction of Capitol Hill.

Complete federal control of stock exchange practices and the outlawry of many operations common in the past were proposed in legislation laid before congress today in response to a message from President Roosevelt.

The primary purpose of the bill is to require the registration of all exchanges with the federal trade commission, which would have broad power to promulgate rules and regulations for their operation.

But in addition, the bill would write into law a number of strict prohibitions and regulations of practices, including:

1. A 60 per cent minimum margin requirement, by prohibiting brokers to extend credit on a security of more than 40 per cent of its current market price.

2. Severe restriction on borrowing by exchange members and their use of customers' securities, including a requirement that loans on registered securities must be made from federal reserve banks.

3. Prohibition against manipulations of security prices, by making any of the following a criminal offense:

1. Washed sales.
2. Matched orders.
3. Any combination of purchases and sales for the purpose of raising or depressing the price of the security or creating a false impression as to the market of such security.

4. Spreading of rumors that prices will change in accordance with activities of manipulators.

5. Disseminating misleading information regarding a security.

6. Paying for the dissemination of information in aid of the operations of manipulators.

7. Paying the price of a security without informing the commission as to all the details of the operation.

8. Corrupting the supply of a security.

9. The use of options and trading against options.

10. Prohibition against short sales or stop-loss orders except in compliance with regulations adopted by the commission.

In general, the law would make persons engaging in any of these outlawed practices subject to liability for losses sustained through them by others. In addition, it would impose maximum penalties of a \$25,000 fine or 10 years imprisonment for violations.

Exchanges violating the law would be subject to a fine of \$500,000.

DR. W. J. KERR INSPECTS THE E. O. N. TODAY

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school is getting along at present does not mean it to be the best method of handling the work, he said, and saw no reason why the training school could not be erected.

Dr. Kerr had luncheon today with Charles H. Reynolds, who took him to Pendleton by car this afternoon, and the following:

Bob Quinn, Ernest DeLong, Lee Reynolds, Harry Avery, Dale Richards, Harold Boone, Dr. C. L. Gilstrap, Victor Beckley, Lyle Kiddie, Roscoe Neal, Jesse W. Andrews, Foster Sims, Elmer McManus, Lew Ketter, Pete Larson, S. B. Morgan and Mr. Haig.

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They explained as much as they knew. While they talked the train began to move, halting at first then with gathering speed. Lights began to slip past the car windows, then the trucks of the cars screeched around a turn. They were passing through a lane lined with shadowy buildings.

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The other passengers crowded through the door. Outside they could see dozens of armed soldiers patrolling the platforms. There was a commotion at the doorway. A huge man shouldered himself through the press and approached down the aisle.

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BLOND GODDESS A New Serial by Herbert Jensen

SYNOPSIS: Frank Grahame, a millionaire, found out the wife of a friend to look for traces of his missing son. He found him in the hands of a woman named Ortega. Frank suspected he was the man who tried to kidnap the young girl, Janice Kent, in Hollywood shortly before Janice had refused Frank's proposal of marriage. Janice and a company from Hollywood are in Yucatan, unknown to Frank, to make a picture. Ortega, Janice's half-brother, has been shot on the way to Merida.

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Greene stirred irritably. "Where is he?"

The big man's glance flickered over Mr. Greene and passed at the torn and stained shirt front. He allowed the question to remain unanswered and addressed himself to Janice.

"So Mr. Myberg decided to go on with the picture? It is good. I shall be delighted to help you. It has been a great regret of mine that I was forced to leave Hollywood so suddenly. I was planning to return when I met Mr. McGrath. I decided, then, to wait your arrival."

JANICE wished the man did not make her feel so uneasy. Was this the suave, well-mannered Ortega that had sent her daily flowers in Hollywood? He seemed the same but with a subtle difference.

Once, two years before she had met an industrial executive and had been taken through one of his factories. She had admired him for his power, decisiveness, and shrewd command of his organization; later she met him at a masquerade costume as an eighteenth century beau and he had been clumsy and ridiculous.

She thought of him now, looking at Ortega. In a sort of reverie was this had happened to him. The polished latin aristocrat in Hollywood had become somewhat gross—he was more effective this way Janice admitted—but there was a shade of incongruity in it—like a top turned round.

"So you waited," said Mr. Greene. "Yeah. That's fine. But where is he? McGrath? He should have met us at Progress. He didn't show up. Instead we came here and get shot at. What is it? A revolution? What's the matter with you guys down here? Don't you know this is lousy publicity? Now if I was running this country—"

"I am sorry you were attacked on the way in from the coast, but the revolutionaries were marching on Merida and the troops on your train were federal soldiers. The revolutionary party have captured Merida. The federalists have retreated and are encamped, we think, a few kilometers from the city. They await reinforcements from Campeche."

"What effect will that have on us?" asked Janice. "Mr. Myberg planned for us to take the location shots at Chichen Itza, instead of at the place you spoke of."

"Impossible," Ortega shrugged his shoulders. "That is why I am here. A week ago McGrath was going to Chichen Itza to make arrangements for a camp there where you could stay while you took your pictures. However, he was unable to get permission from the authorities. They had word that the revolution was about to begin and the ruins at Chichen would probably be within the zone of war."

"Then what did he do?" asked Mr. Greene disconsolately.

"He met me," replied Ortega with the slightest of bows. "All the ruins in Yucatan are not at Chichen Itza, nor yet at Uxmal. Back along the trail of the Caribbean coast are others, bigger ones, and in better condition, too, for your work. McGrath has gone ahead. I will guide you there."

"THANK YOU, no," snapped Mr. Greene. Something in the tropic air had made the little man as aggressive as a fighting cock. "Not any at all, thank you. Yours very truly, accompanied by Miss Kent and these three sons, will take the next train back to the coast, and thence to these or those—take your choice—United States."

Ortega shook his head and smiled. He appealed to Janice with a gesture of his unhurt arm.

"I am afraid he does not understand. There will be no steamers away from Progress. None will come to go away. The revolutionaries control Progress. When steamers come their supplies will be seized, so none will come. It is always so."

"Well, I don't like this ruin business of yours," persisted Mr. Greene. "What's more, I don't like you, Ortega. I think you're up to some monkey business. You're bad copy, if you want the truth—"

"Mr. Greene!" exclaimed Janice with some sharpness. For Greene to call a person bad copy was, for him, highly insulting—almost a curse.

"Well, anyway," continued Greene in a quieter tone, "we'll stay right here in Merida until you settle who's who and what of it. You can tell McGrath to come back and make an occasional fourth at bridge until we can get to the only legitimate ruins I know of in this country."

"He means," chuckled Hogarth, "that he's placarded a lot of copy out of the Encyclopedia on Chichen Itza. Any other ruins would cramp his style."

"Who says so?" Svengali!" Hogarth flushed. Greene knew the director's weakness.

Ortega looked at Greene speculatively.

"Merida," he said, "will be under fire continually. It will be safer where I will take you."

"Oh," said Mr. Greene after a reflective pause.

"Again," continued Ortega. "Mr. McGrath told me to say that he was in complete charge of arrangements, and that if Mr. Greene wanted to stay and be killed, by all means I was not to discourage him."

Greene bristled. Hogarth chuckled. Wallace, the older of the camera men said, "Go ahead and stay, Greene."

But Mr. Greene looked pensive. His glance shifted from the face of Ortega to that of Janice, and back to Ortega's again.

"I don't like this layout," he said. "It seems to me that the best thing we can do would be to get out of this country as soon as we can. You never can tell about these revolutionaries. They've got me in a fix. I've been turned out of the way I came. Is there any other way?"

The big man dropped his cigar and ground it under his heel. "The territory of Quintana Roo lies to the eastward. It is there I intend to take you."

LOCAL BRIEFS

En Route to Nebraska—Mrs. J. H. McSloy, of Portland, visited Dr. and Mrs. J. L. McPherson recently en route to Kearney, Neb., to visit her daughter, Mrs. Burk Beeman. Mrs. McSloy and the late Dr. McSloy, who died in November, have been frequent visitors at the McPherson home here.

Minor Operation—Wilma Jean Byer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Byer, 507 Seventh street, was taken to the Grande Ronde hospital yesterday where she underwent a minor operation.

Ill of Pneumonia—Roger Kennison, baby son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kennison, of Meacham, is suffering from pneumonia at the Grande Ronde hospital.

Has Operation—Mrs. J. W. Westerman, of La Grande, underwent a minor operation this morning at the Grande Ronde hospital.

Leaves Hospital—Billy Winn, who has been receiving medical treatment for acute croup at the Grande Ronde hospital, was able to return to his home today.

E. P. Agent Here—D. E. Clark, stock agent for the Union Pacific system, is transacting business in La Grande today.

In Pendleton—George T. Cochran, attorney for the state of Oregon in a case brought by the state of Washington involving the water rights of the Walla Walla river, is transacting business in Pendleton for a few days. He is working on the water case as well as on other business there.

From Union—Arthur M. Busick, a pioneer resident of Union, is a business visitor in La Grande today.

At Pendleton—Miss Ruth McGuire, of La Grande, is visiting at Pendleton this week at the home of her sister, Mrs. Charles Dawson.

In Baker—W. C. Williams, division engineer of the state highway department with headquarters here, was in Baker Wednesday on business.

Weekend in West Oregon—Miss Eloise Wright, case social service worker for the Union County Relief committee, will leave late this afternoon to spend the weekend in Portland and in Salem.

ELKS PLAN TO HOLD ANNUAL BALL FEB. 22

The Elks annual ball, the largest social activity of the lodge's winter season will be held on Feb. 22 and plans for the event were started last night at the weekly meeting at the temple. Victor Eckley and his committee are in charge of the dance and will meet tonight to complete plans.

Initiation originally planned for next Thursday was postponed until March 1. Other routine business was transacted under the direction of R. E. Williamson, exalted ruler.

To Cancel All Airmail Contracts

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It was explained that the contract with the Pan-American Airways was not included in the cancellation order.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9 (AP) — The house military affairs committee was told today that one contractor made such a big profit on his army business that he agreed to sell 50 additional airplanes to the army for a dollar apiece.

The contractor was the Consolidated Aircraft Company of Buffalo, New York, the committee heard.

Catholic high of Indianapolis, 1933 national Catholic prep basketball champion, this year has two O'Connors and two Connors on its varsity. One of the O'Connors starred last year with a third, now graduated.

"Milligan Dan," a pointer owned by Dr. R. L. Milligan, of Montgomery, Ala., has sired 41 dogs that won field trials 127 times.

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