

Pendleton Noses Out La Grande In Track Meet

Tigers Hold Lead Until Final Event, When Bucks Forge Ahead by 3 Points

PENDLETON, April 21 (Special) — The track and field team of the La Grande high school seemed on the way to win the annual track meet here yesterday, holding the lead until the final event, which was won by the Buckaroos, and La Grande taking third place to give the local team the meet by a score of 57½ points to La Grande's 51½. Mac-Hi was third with 42, and Hermiston and Baker finished fourth and fifth with 36 and 14 points. Goss, Tiger hurdler and high jumper, was high point man.

One meet record went by the boards, when Hashino, Pendleton jumper and hurdler, leaped 5 feet, 10½ inches, to take first place in the high jump. The record formerly was held by Staff of Pendleton.

Goss of La Grande finished second, and Knapp of La Grande and Seknun of Mac-Hi tied for fourth, and Henderson of Baker took fifth place.

Runner Falls, but Wins

Another highlight of the meet was the running of the mile, which was won by Hoxie of Pendleton in 4:56.2, although he fell down at one point in the race. Lemmon of Baker was second, Hendricks of Pendleton, third, Leal Graham of La Grande, fourth and Schoonover of Hermiston, fifth.

Other results follow with competitors listed in the order they finished:

100-yard dash — Kelly (P), Schoonover (H), Garrison (LaG), Keith (B), Olson (M). Time, 10.8.

120-yard high hurdles — Goss (LaG), Thomas (H), McElroy (M), Aickie (M), Rowell (H). Time, 15.6.

Shot put — Kilgore (LaG), Sektnun (M), Hyde (LaG), Hatfield (B), Rugg (H). Distance, 42 ft., 2¼ in.

Pole vault — Aickie (M), Winston (M) and Roundy (LaG), tie. Shoemaker (LaG), Gorman (B). Height, 10.6.

Javelin — Wells (P), Myrick (H), Alford (P), Ward (LaG), Schoonover (H). Distance 147.2.

Discus — Smythe (LaG), Rugg (H), Rowell (H), Hyde (LaG), Mills (M). Distance 116.11.5.

400-yard dash — Myrick (P), Purr (M), Follett (H), Marshall (P), Brinton (B). Time 55 sec.

220-yard dash — Kelly (P), Myrick (P), Keith (B), Garrison (LaG), Olson (M). Time, 24 sec.

200-yard low hurdles — Rowell (H), Smythe (LaG), Edinger (M), McElrath (M), Hashino (P). Time, 26.2.

880-yard run — Herkenrider (H), Lamb (M), Graham (LaG), Hall (M), Anderson (P). Time, 2:09.

Broad jump — Cox (P), Hashino (P) and Goss (LaG), tie, Garrison (LaG), Matott (H). Distance 19 ft., 10 in.

Union Wins 11-2 Game from Elgin

UNION, April 21 (Special) — Nine hits, well bunched, and three errors gave the Union high school baseball team a victory over Elgin by a score of 11 to 2 here yesterday.

Elgin's starting pitcher, Wilkes, was knocked from the box in the third inning, after Union had rolled up 10 runs, four each in the first and second innings, and two in the third frame. Widdell held the Union hitters to a single additional tally during the final three innings.

Johansen of Union was the hitting star of the game, scoring two homers and a single in four times at the plate, and Widdell accounted for one of his team's runs, slugging out a homer, and getting a two-bagger in four times up.

Roberts held the Elgin team to four scattered hits.

Cafe Closure Looms In Wage Dispute

BREMERTON, Wash., April 21 (UP) — The Bremerton restaurant industry, ordered to roll back the war-swollen wages of employees, today awaited outcome of an appeal of the order with predictions that denial of the appeal would force widespread cafe closures.

A strike threat by members of the Hotel, Restaurant and Bartenders' union (AFL) was averted yesterday by union leaders.

AFGHANS ARE SHIPPED
Forty-three afghans today were shipped to the naval hospital at Corvallis. Mrs. Harold Dow is in charge of the making and shipping of the coverlets, which have been made by all the organizations of the county, and channeled through the camp and hospital unit.

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Sportsmen to Meet Here Tuesday Night

Ernie Walden, president of the La Grande Sportsmen's club, today urged all sportsmen of the area and members of the organization to attend a meeting Tuesday evening in the city hall.

"We have a number of plans affecting the activity of the club and many of them vitally concerning the welfare of sportsmen to consider," Walden said. "Everyone interested in fish and game matters should be present." Business will include reports on recent meetings and consideration of appointment of committees to handle distribution of pheasants and fish offered by the game commission for release in this area, he said.

Plans for enlargement of the scope and activities of the group will also be discussed, including plans for a dinner in the near future.

White Sox Trim Champion Browns In Extra Inning

NEW YORK, April 21 (UP) — The Chicago White Sox made it three in a row yesterday in their first home game of the season when they squeezed out a 3-2 victory in the tenth inning over the champion St. Louis Browns.

Outfielder Oris Hockett hit his third single, went to second on Johnny Dickshot's sacrifice bunt and scored on Roy Schalk's double. Ed Lopat, veteran southpaw, shaded Al Hollingsworth, Brownie lefty, in a duel in which both were hit frequently, but at scattered intervals.

Also atop the American league with four straight victories are the New York Yankees, who beat the Senators at Washington in their home opener, 6 to 3. First baseman Nick Eiten, drove in three runs with three hits to lead the 11-hit attack. Floyd Beyens, with relief help from Al Gettel, gained the victory.

Indians Beat Tigers

Cleveland gained its first triumph, topping the Tigers at Detroit, 4 to 1, on Steve Gromek's six-hit pitching. Southpaw Frank (Stubby) Overmire permitted all the Indian runs to score in the first three innings.

A two-run homer by Frankie Hayes in the first inning started the Philadelphia A's off to a 5 to 3 victory over the Red Sox at Boston. It was the fourth straight loss for the Sox. Don Black scattered nine hits to gain the win for the A's.

Elmer (Butch) Neuman hit a three run homer in the ninth to give the Boston Braves a 6 to 5 victory over the Phils in their home opener at Philadelphia. Reliever Pitcher Charley Cozart was the victor, taking over in the seventh. Vince DiMaggio hit a two run homer for Philadelphia.

Homers Are Numerous

In a battle of homers, the Giants won their home opener from the Brooklyn Dodgers, 10 to 6. Phil Weintraub getting two and Pitcher Harry Feldman one for the winners. Eddie Stanek and Mike Sandlock got their first big league homers for the Dodgers in a losing cause.

The Pittsburgh Pirates and Chicago Cubs, expected to be pennant contenders, put on a battle royal at Pittsburgh, the Cubs winning, 5 to 4, when Al Lopez singled in the eighth to score Frankie Gustine from second. Truett (Rip) Sewell won his 100th major league victory, going the route for Pittsburgh.

Fight Results

Providence, R. I. — Bert Lytle, 154, Fresno, Calif., outpointed Joe Reddick, 157, Paterson, N. J. (10)

New York — Jake Lamotta, 163, New York, outpointed Vic DeLuca, 158½, New York. (10)

Hollywood — Nick Moran, 140, Mexico City, decisioned Eddie Hudson, 136, Chicago. (10)

Dance
WITH ARKIE AND HIS JOLLY COWBOYS
Tuesday, Apr. 24
Dance Starts at 8:30 p.m.
ZUBER HALL

TODAY'S SPORT PARADE

By LEO PETERSEN
NEW YORK, April 21 (UP) — The field for the successor of the late Kenesaw Mountain Landis as baseball commissioner has narrowed down to such an extent that it no longer is a question of whom the club owners want, but whom they can get.

The two men who could have had the job have turned it down. James A. Farley eliminated himself in the deliberations of the special four-man committee which the major leagues set up to recommend Landis' successor. The money he is receiving as an executive with a soft drink manufacturing concern was too much more than the 50,000 a year the commissionership pays.

And Edward Grant Barrow declined against the job because of his health and his advanced years. He soon will be 77.

So it looks like Ford Frick, president of the National league, is going to get the job after all. He has been the only campaigner for the post and he would have had the job now had it not been for opposition within his own league.

The situation is such that there seems to be doubt whether the major league club owners will be able to muster the majority of 12 votes necessary to select Landis' successor when they get together in Cleveland next Tuesday. The word from the pipe line department now is that the commission is going to recommend two men, Frick and Leslie J. O'Connor, who for years served as Landis' secretary.

A deadlock may develop since O'Connor is strong in the west, but has no support in the east. If Frick cannot be named as a compromise candidate, the majors may have to go through the season without a commissioner.

That the major league executives, seasoned business men who have made a million dollar industry out of baseball, would let anything stand in the way of replacing the commissioner is inconceivable even though it could happen.

Baseball never needed a commissioner more. Within the next year dozens of service men are likely to return to their clubs after military leaves and the resulting confusion may produce many disputes which only a commissioner could settle.

Bing Crosby Film Booked at Liberty

The motion picture, "Going My Way," which brought Bing Crosby to the 1944 "Oscar" of the motion picture academy, will open tomorrow at the Liberty theater for a week's run.

Crosby appears in the role of a young priest, while Barry Fitzgerald has the part of an elderly man of the cloth, and Frank McHugh is seen in a similar role.

Chin members of the supporting cast are Rhea Stevens, opera and concert star, Gene Lockhart and James Brown.

The story is that of a young priest who is sent to a small parish to take charge of its activities and put it on a sound financial basis. Posed as an assistant to the shrewd Father Fitzgerald, he accomplishes results while at the same time catering to the whims of his superior.

Musical features are "Adios Amigos," "Ave Maria," sung by Crosby and Rhea Stevens with the Bob Mitchell boys' choir.

Attention Sportsmen!
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Many matters of importance to hunters and fishermen will come up for discussion. Be sure to attend.
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LA GRANDE SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

Marines Lug Odd Souvenirs, Wear Assorted Headgear

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horses to carry heavy pieces. One of the marines had tied the pack onto his horse with a Japanese oboe—one of those brightly colored reams of sash Japanese women wear on their backs.

And here came this marine, dirty and unshaven, leading a sorrel horse with a big bottle of black and white silk, three feet wide, tied across its chest and another similar one tied under its belly, the ends standing out on both sides.

Troops carry the oddest things when they move. One marine had a Jap photo album in his hand. One had a wicker basket. Another had a lacquered serving tray. They even had an American phonograph with Jap records, strapped onto a horse.

Lots of them wore Japanese insignia or pieces of uniform. Later an order came out that any marine caught wearing Jap clothing would be put on burial detail. I guess that was to keep marines from shooting each other by mistake.

There were frequent holdups ahead of us and we would stop and sit down every hundred yards or so. One marine commenting on the slow progress said:

"Sometimes we take off like a ruptured duck, and other times we just creep along."

The word was passed down the line, "Keep your eyes open for planes." About every sixth man would turn his head and repeat it and the word was sent back along the column like a wave. Except toward the rear they made it comical—

"Keep your eyes open for Geisha girls."

We were walking almost on each other's heels, a solid double line of marines. My friend, Bird Dog Clayton was behind me. He said, "A column like this would be a Jap pilot's delight."

Another said, "If a Jap pilot came over the hill, we'd all go down like bowling pins." But no Japs came.

At one of our halts the word passed back that we could sit down, but not to take off our packs. From down the line came music, a French harp and ukelele, playing "You Are My Sunshine." When it was finished the marines would call back request numbers and our little concert went on for five or ten minutes out there in the Okinawa fields.

The harmonist was Pfc. William Gabriel, a bazookaman from a farm on rural route 13, about 10 miles out of Houston, Tex. He is only 19, but a veteran with one wound.

He is a redhead and the shyest soldier I've ever met. He is so bashful he can hardly talk. But he makes a harmonica talk.

Playing with him was an officer—Lieut. "Bones" Carsters of Los Angeles. Bones has a mortar platoon. He strummed cords on a sort of ukelele common to Okinawa. It has three strings and the head is always made of tightly stretched snakeskin. It gives you the willies just to look at one.

When we started on again the way ahead was clear and we went that time like the well-known ruptured duck and after about a mile we were there, all panting.



LAST PICTURES OF ERNIE PYLE—Ernie Pyle, famous war correspondent, is pictured here, center foreground, as he talked to Marine Pvt. I. P. Murray, a short time before he was killed in the little island of Ie off Okinawa. Below, he is shown talking with "that girl," his wife, Mrs. Geraldine Pyle in their home in Albuquerque, N. M., a few days before he left for the Pacific.

OUR MEN IN SERVICE

Jim McPherson, F 2 c, who recently completed his basic engineering course at the naval training center at Galport, Miss., is spending a short leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James McPherson, and sister, Kathleen, at their home, 1312 O avenue, before reporting to Shoemaker, Calif., for further assignment.

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