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New Buck on the block



Staff photo by Eric Singer

Pendleton junior Willie Camp talks with a teammate during the Buckaroos' football practice on Tuesday in Pendleton. The 6-foot-3 Camp transferred to Pendleton this summer from La Grande.

La Grande transfer Willie Camp getting acclimated with Bucks

By ERIC SINGER
East Oregonian

Switching schools is never an easy thing to do.

Willie Camp went through that process this summer, leaving behind his friends and the comfort of home in La Grande as his parents moved the family northwest on Interstate 84 up to Pendleton this summer. But the high school junior and football player got quickly

acclimated to his new town, new school and made plenty of new friends this summer which helped make his first official day as a Buckaroo on Tuesday an easy one.

"I love it here," Camp said at football practice on Tuesday. "It's an amazing experience for me here. Coach (Erik) Davis has really built an amazing program here and does a great job."

Camp expects to make a big impact on the Buckaroos this

season, especially on the defensive side of the field. Right now the 6-foot-4 athlete is slotted in as a starting outside linebacker on the defense, and also has the ability to play well in coverage. Observing Camp at practice on Tuesday afternoon, his potential on that side of the ball is obvious as he has the height to match up with taller receivers and tight ends, but still has plenty of speed to fly around in run support.

"He's a good-looking athlete and he's fit right in with these kids," Pendleton coach Erik Davis said Tuesday. "I hope he feels a part of the family here because he's a great kid and a great football player."

Camp said that the move up to linebacker took a little time to adjust to, after playing safety for two seasons in La Grande. But after a few weeks of practice he said he

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Prep Roundup

Pendleton boys drop opener

Oja scores lone goal for Buckaroos

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LEWISTON, Id. — The Pendleton Buckaroos boys soccer team kicked off the 2017 season in 100 degree weather on the road on Tuesday and came home with a 4-1 loss at the hands of the Lewiston Bengals.

Starting with five first-time varsity players, Pendleton gave up two early goals to Lewiston before it got settled in, coach Jeremy Talbot said, and kept the 2-0 score until halftime. Out of the break, the Bucks began to work the ball into some quality offensive chances and cashed in on a goal from senior Nick Oja with the assist from fellow senior Jose Rodriguez.

Lewiston then scored two more goals later in the second half to seal the win.

"(We) played tough but ran out of gas," Talbot said.

Sophomore Andrew Wolotira manned the goal for Pendleton and turned in 15 saves in the game.

Pendleton will open its home slate on Thursday when it hosts Milwaukie at 6:30 p.m. up at the newly-renovated PHS athletic field.

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MLB

Slumping Mariners blanked by O's

Baltimore's Bundy throws complete game one-hitter

By TODD KARPOVICH
Associated Press

BALTIMORE — A modest crowd that braved a rain delay rose to its feet as Dylan Bundy walked to the mound for the ninth inning.

The Orioles right-hander rewarded the Camden Yards faithful with a dazzling performance.

Bundy threw a one-hitter for his first career shutout, Manny Machado



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hit two of Baltimore's four solo homers, and the Orioles extended their winning streak to six games with a 4-0 victory over Seattle on Tuesday night.

"Grateful, humbled, to get a chance to go out there in the ninth and then also get a chance to complete it," Bundy said. "You've got to win games, so we've just got to win as

many games as we can."

Bundy (13-8) allowed just a bunt single to Kyle Seager in the fourth inning and set a career high with 12 strikeouts. The right-hander, who is pitching his first full season as a starter, has a 2.00 ERA in August and has struck out 10 or more in three of his last four outings.

Jonathan Schoop and Wellington Castillo also went deep for the Orioles, who moved two games over .500 for the first time since June 10. It was more support than Bundy needed.

"He doesn't have the time in the

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AP Photo/Patrick Semansky

Seattle Mariners' Danny Valencia, right, walks off the field after striking out swinging next to Baltimore Orioles catcher Wellington Castillo during the second inning of a baseball game in Baltimore on Tuesday.

College Football

From Week 0 & beyond, scheduling quirks abound in Pac-12

By ANNE M. PETERSON
Associated Press

It's Week One for the college football season. So that means Utah must be playing a Thursday night game.

The Utes have opened the season on a Thursday

night since 2009 — before the school joined the Pac-12 conference. This season they'll host North Dakota.

Those Thursday starts help showcase the Utes on television, in this season's case on the Pac-12 Network.

It also gives Utah fans the chance to make other plans

for the long Labor Day weekend.

Utah has requested a Thursday game each season with the understanding it may not always be granted.

The Utes also have two Friday night games this season. The Pac-12 is among the conferences that schedule

games on Fridays, with nine games involving league teams set for this season — not including the conference championship.

"We've got schedules that accommodate the short weeks, the long weeks, every possible conceivable time we can play, we've done that,"

coach Kyle Whittingham said, discussing how scheduling quirks impact the team.

There are a number of other calendar twists in the Pac-12 this season:

BYE BYE BYE: The fourth-ranked Trojans have no off week this season. None. So there's no chance

for a team that many say has a good shot of making the playoffs to rest and recharge.

What does work in USC's favor is the start of the season: The Trojans have three straight at home, starting Saturday with Western Michigan. Then

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Sports shorts

Mark Helfrich hired by Fox Sports

(AP) — Fox Sports has added former LSU coach Les Miles, former Oregon coach Mark Helfrich and former Florida State quarterback Danny Kanell to its lineup of game analysts for college football.

Miles, whom LSU fired last year after 11-plus seasons, will be teamed with play-by-play announcer Tim Brando and analyst Spencer Tillman for select games this season, starting Sept. 16 when Northern Illinois visits Nebraska. The game will air on FS1.

Helfrich, who was fired by Oregon after last season, will call games weekly. He joins the announcing team of Justin Kutcher and analyst Petros Papadakis. Helfrich's first game will be Maryland at Texas on Saturday, which is airing on FS1.

Kanell, who was laid off by ESPN after eight years there, will join play-by-play announcer Eric Collins and analyst AJ Hawk.



Helfrich

"I am not damaged. I'll be back, and I'll be the same player ... Maybe I am not going to be back as soon this season as everyone wants me to be, but I'm going to be back, and I'm going to be the same player again. No doctor has told me anything different than that."

— Isaiah Thomas

The NBA All-Star guard talked to ESPN on Tuesday about his injured hip that ended his season in the 2017 playoffs, which is hanging up the finalization of the Boston-Cleveland trade because of the Cavs' reservations about his health.

University of Houston cancels football season-opener

HOUSTON (AP) — The University of Houston has postponed its football game at Texas-San Antonio on Saturday as the city deals with catastrophic flooding from Hurricane Harvey.

The Cougars have been in Austin practicing since Friday, but decided that this week was not the time to play a game.

"The epic disaster that continues to unfold in and around the city of Houston has made it evident that our athletic events are not a priority at this time," Houston athletics director Hunter Yurachek said Tuesday.

Officials said they will explore options for rescheduling the game. Houston has an off date on Nov. 11.

The Cougars will not compete in any sports this weekend with events in cross country, volleyball and soccer also being canceled.



THIS DATE IN SPORTS

2001 — Ashley Martin becomes the first woman to play in a Division I football game, kicking three extra points without a miss to help I-AA Jacksonville State hand Cumberland its 18th straight loss, 71-10.

2006 — Curt Schilling becomes the 14th pitcher in major league history to reach 3,000 strikeouts when he fans Oakland's Nick Swisher in the first inning of the Red Sox's 7-2 loss to Oakland.

1937 — Joe Louis wins a 15-round unanimous decision over Tommy Farr at Yankee Stadium in the first defense of his heavyweight title.

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