

Big Crowd Sees Two Speedy Colts Hit Derby Stride

By Leo H. Petersen
(United Press Sports Editor)

New York, May 31 (AP)—The east plinned its Kentucky Derby hopes on Jeep and Hopp Jr. today after the two speedy colts demonstrated their fitness for running in that kind of company before the largest officially recorded crowd in American turf history, a throng which set new racing marks for betting.

They won the two sections of the \$25,000 added Wood Memorial at Jamaica yesterday and were shipped along with another eastern hopeful, Alexis, to Louisville last night. Some of the other eastern horses nominated for the run for the roses also may go in the big race, but if they do they will rank as outsiders. A total of 15 Derby nominees ran in the Wood.

Big Crowd Out

This annual eastern preview of the Derby—winners of the Wood have gone on to capture the classic four times—brought out a Memorial day throng of 64,537. While that figure does not approach the 90,000 once estimated at Churchill Downs or the 70,000-odd which have been estimated at Santa Anita, it was the largest crowd ever officially counted at a race track in the United States.

Here is what the crowd did in the way of setting new betting records:

A new mark for the largest amount of money ever bet on a single race—\$596,679 on the second section of the Wood. The former mark was \$592,708 set at Belmont Nov. 4 last year.

A new world's record for the total amount wagered on a seven-card racing program—\$3,541,167.

Old Mark Surpassed

A new world's record daily double handle of \$202,216 was taken in surpassing the old mark of \$189,116 also set at Belmont last Nov. 4.

Had thousands who jammed the little Jamaica track—its seating capacity is 15,000—not been shut out from the betting windows there is no doubt but what the total wagering would have exceeded \$4,000,000. Thousands were left waiting in line when the windows, under the New York rule, closed at the scheduled post time rather than the actual post time. The track turned over its receipts of the day, estimated at \$130,000, to charity.

A so-called pressure sealing zipper, made partially of rubber, is used on bomber tunic currents to prevent entrance of air, rain snow or sleet.

Out Our Way



By J. R. Williams

Today's Sport Parade.

By Jack Cuddy

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

New York, May 31 (AP)—Lt. Cmdr. Benny Leonard of the maritime service said, "I hope one post-war boxing boom for more than a million dollars, and I expect to do very well on the next one."

Leonard made this significant statement Monday night as he rode back from a Brooklyn bond-selling show that honored the 38th anniversary of his winning the lightweight championship of the world.

Leonard said, "I'll remain in service until after we lick the Japs. Then, when I get back into civvies, I'll gather a stable of fighters who can cash in on the greatest boxing boom the world has ever known—a boom which will make the one that followed the last world war look like small potatoes."

Benny—Slightly plump and slightly bald, but quite dapper in the maritime blue and gold—emphasized that the approaching furor over fisticuffs would be

terrific because of (1) the war-stimulated interest in boxing and (2) television.

Leonard, generally regarded as one of the greatest all-round leather-tossers that ever lived, said he regretted soulfully that he wasn't "a young punk" now who could hammer his way up through the great boxing days ahead. He regretted it because he loved to fight and because he could foresee the rich rewards that would be claimed by successful mitt-slingers of the near future.

"The smell of leather was sweet to his nostrils as we rode back from the very successful war-bond show at Brooklyn's Broadway arena, where 67-year-old Jack Johnson, former heavyweight champion, had given an exhibition of three one-minute rounds against John Bollard of the maritime service—one of Benny's boys. More than \$3,000,000 worth of bonds had been sold at the show.

The show was dated to mark the anniversary of Leonard's lightweight title triumph over the clever Englishman, Freddie Welsh, whom Benny knocked out in the ninth round on May 28, 1917, at the old Manhattan casino—opposite the polo grounds.

"I had to knock him out to win the title," Benny explained, "for those were no-decision days and, regardless of newspaper opinion, title did not change hands without a kayo. Welsh was fast, clever and tricky, although only a fair puncher. I had met him twice before in non-title bouts, winning the newspaper decision in the first and losing it in the second, when I had trained too fine. For eight rounds of our title bout, I couldn't hit him solidly—he was such a master of defense. Then Welsh decided to carry the fight to me—to give me a thorough lacing. Early in the ninth round, as he opened up, he left an opening big enough for me to smash him on the left temple. I hit him hard and hurt him. Then I was on him. I belted him groggy into the ropes. He clung to the top strand. I hit him again, referee Kie McPartland took Freddie's arm off the ropes and he slid to the canvas on his face, where he was counted out. I was champion."

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Big Ten to Bar Player Sign Up

By WALTER BYERS

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

Chicago, May 31 (AP)—The Big Ten conference, in taking an iron stand against recruiting and subsidizing of athletes by its member schools, is putting itself on trial before the nation's sports fans in one of the most interesting tests in intercollegiate athletic history.

The Big Ten's governing body clarified the conference's stand on amateurism recently by adopting a new code which puts sharp teeth in its former "purity policy." The heart of the Big Ten's new rules says, in effect:

Code Is Outlined

"A student shall not be paid, directly or indirectly, for participation in intercollegiate athletics nor shall any member school—either through its own representatives or alumni—take the initiative in making contacts with any prospective athletes with the purpose of persuading them to attend a university for the primary purpose of athletic participation."

Thus, the Big Ten has bulwarked the fight to maintain amateurism on the collegiate playing field and at the same time has taken the lead in deciding one of sports' most debated questions.

How They Ran

New York, May 31 (AP)—Here's how Kentucky Derby candidates ran yesterday.

Jeep—Won first section of mile and sixteenth \$25,555 added Wood Memorial at Jamaica in 1:45-4/5.

Hoop Jr.—Won second section of Wood Memorial in 1:45 flat.

Dockstader—Third to Jeep.

War Jeep, Flood Town, Jacobe, King Dorsett, Greek Warrior, Toy Bomb—Also ran in first section of Wood.

Alexis—Second to Hoop Jr.

Adonis, Ox Blood, Red Pixie, Hitem, Polynesian—Also ran in second section of Wood.

Alghad, First Stage—Also ran in six furlong race at Jamaica.

Icangetti—Won six furlong race at Hawthorne park in 1:12-4/5.

Vinita Major—Also ran in Ican-Misweet—Won mile and sixteenth race at Churchill Downs in 1:49.

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

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Riders Plan Show At Nearby Ranch

A parade, starting at 1 p.m. through downtown Bend, and a competitive demonstration at 2 p.m. at the Hollinshead ranch east of the city will be features of the horse show planned by the Rim Rock Riders for Sunday, June 3. Lorraine Bowns, publicity chairman, announced today.

Classes which will be judged will include three-gaited and five-gaited exhibitions, jumping, ladies' western riding and men's western riding. There will also be games and specialties, including stake races, a potato race, an egg and spoon race and "musical chair."

All horses entered will be those owned by club members, it was said, including several show horses which will be exhibited.

The public is invited to the show, and there will be no admission charge, it was stressed. The Butler market road will be posted with signs directing the way to the Hollinshead ranch, which is on the main road and easily located, it was said.

Immediately following the parade, the contestants will ride to the ranch and open the show.

Portland Beavers Split 2 Contests

(By United Press)

The San Francisco Seals, who looked like a cinch second division standby only a few weeks ago, were riding in the Pacific Coast league's fourth spot today, only a game behind the third-place Oakland Aorns.

The Seals, piloted by colorful Francis (Lefty) O'Doul, came from behind in the late innings twice yesterday to annex a doubleheader from the Oaks in their first "grudge" series of the season. The Seals took the opener, 6-5, and the nightcap, 5-4, to the delight of more than 11,000 fans.

All the other Memorial day twin bills were split. Hollywood whipped Los Angeles, 9-0, and then received for a 4-0 defeat; Seattle nosed out Portland, 3-2, but the Beavers won the second game, 4-2, to maintain their game and one-half leadership; San Diego stopped Sacramento, 5-2, and the Solons came back for a 4-1 triumph in the finale.

Climax Is Victor At Santa Anita

Aradia, Calif., May 31 (AP)—A record memorial day crowd of 76,649 yesterday saw Louis B. Mayer's six-year-old Thumbs Up climax his comeback campaign with a four length victory in the \$25,000 added San Pasqual handicap at Santa Anita.

The crowd, which track officials said set a new American record and broke the track record of more than 60,000 set in 1940 when Seabiscuit won the Santa Anita handicap, bet \$3,051,776 on the eight race card.

The favored Thumbs Up signalized his return to stakes by walking away from Circle V stable's pace setting Blzerte in a manner that makes him a formidable factor in the coming \$100,000 Santa Anita handicap.

RABBIT MEAT'S HIS ANSWER

Anna, Ill. (AP)—Rabbit meat is the solution to the acute shortage, according to William Robinson, Anna restaurant owner. Robinson, who raises rabbits, said that they not only produce more meat in a given period of time but also produce better meat. He said rabbit meat had become so popular at his restaurant that he was unable to supply the demand.

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Up State Team Beats All Stars

Portland, Ore., May 31 (AP)—Prep baseball players from Oregon's up-state schools returned home today with a 5 to 4 victory over the Portland All-Stars.

The up-staters collected eight hits while their three pitchers handcuffed Portland with only two hits. Even so, the game was close and gave 6500 Memorial day baseball fans an exciting afternoon.

The game was played as a Shrine hospital benefit under auspices of the Oregon Journal. The best all-around player of the two teams will play in New York City in August with the All-American boy's team.

The winning run came in the ninth inning by Leo Keppinger, third baseman from Portland's Central Catholic high, playing for the out-of-city team. He doubled to left center, went to third on a sacrifice by Woodburn's Harold McKee, and was singled home by Rodney Jamison of Milwaukie.

Ott Sets Record For Total Bases

Chicago, May 31 (AP)—Mel Ott, 36-year-old manager of the New York Giants, held another National league record today.

Ott broke Honus Wagner's mark for total bases when he hit a double and single in the first game of a doubleheader against the Cubs here yesterday. The two hits, good for three bases, boosted Ott's total base figure to 4,890, two more than the famous Pittsburgh Pirate shortstop collected during his 21-year career.

Sailors Winners Over Telegraphers

The Camp Abbot sailors defeated McCarthey's Telegraphers Tuesday evening 6 to 3, in a softball game played on O'Donnell field. Cardinotti pitched the entire game for the sailors and allowed only three hits. Wallen pitched for the Telegraphers, and was touched for only five hits, two of which were homers by Izzo and Senft.

Dawson caught for the sailors and Blucher for the Telegraphers.



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