

DOES MEDFORD NEED A MODERN NEW AIR PORT?

It is highly important to the future development of every community that at least one centrally located airport be available for general use, and this can best be accomplished by testing its ownership in the municipality, according to William B. MacCracken, Jr., Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Aeronautics.

Speaking before the American Society of Civil Engineers at its fall meeting in San Diego, Calif., Mr. MacCracken carefully weighed the advantages of municipal ownership of a public airport in each community as against dependence upon private controlled air terminals.

Due to the fact that aviation has been largely dependent from the beginning on publicly owned airports for terminals, there has developed a strong sentiment in favor of such a policy, the Assistant Secretary stated.

"If any community is to get the best transportation service, it must be in a position to assure equal opportunity for terminal facilities to the various operators. But frequently there is only one site available for an airport that will adequately serve the business district of a large community."

"In addition, the city has a definite obligation to its citizens and the traveling public to provide an adequate landing field for aircraft. There are intangible returns from the construction of an airport which cannot be expressed in terms of profit. Vast sums are spent annually in parks, water and sewerage systems, and in movement against which no direct return can be figured. Suitable municipal airport facilities may be the means of attracting new enterprises, the payrolls of which add to the general prosperity of the city."

"It is not my purpose in this paper to discuss the question of airport management. But certain it is that it is the duty of every municipality to own an airport, just as much as it is its duty to own and maintain the streets, parks, and harbor facilities within its limits."

Secretary MacCracken, when he visited Medford in August last year, was pleased with the proposition of the new airport here and promised to cooperate in every way possible should the new port be built.

A municipal airport, in order to serve its purpose well and be a credit to the community, should be landscaped and made otherwise attractive, sanitary, and serviceable to a high degree.

The real needs of the public in the proper use of the field must be provided and protected, and the service to the people properly arranged for and controlled. This is provided for in the proposition to be submitted to Medford people April 2nd.

The initial expense of providing a field and putting it into serviceable condition must naturally be incurred by the city, but in time the revenues derived from the use of the field should be sufficient to defray the cost of operation and maintenance.

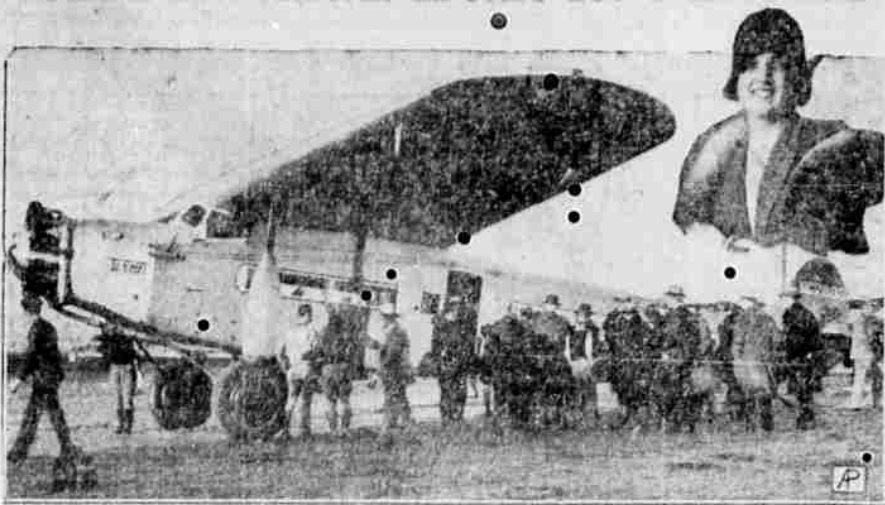
LA BARBA VICTOR IN AUSTRALIAN FIGHT

SYDNEY, Australia, Feb. 8.—(AP)—Fidel La Barba, former world flyweight champion, defeated Willie Smith, South African featherweight on points in a 15-round bout here tonight.

BERLIN.—(AP)—A jazz band was heard for the first time in a Prussian jail when the inmates of Platzensee were given a special holiday treat. Each number was received with thunderous applause.

KOVNO.—(AP)—Lithuania is having a difficult time getting men for the army because everybody wants to be in the cavalry. Lithuanian farmer boys know up in the saddle and when called to the army take their horses with them.

PLANE INAUGURATES EL PASO LOS-ANGELES LINE



A Fokker cabin plane, "The Texan" was the first to fly on the first air-rail route to California from Texas. The plane connects with Texas and Pacific trains for St. Louis at El Paso, cutting the time 18 hours. Inset: Mrs. J. M. Hickson, Jr., first woman passenger of the service.

KOSTONAROS PUTS RUSSIAN LION OUT BY FINAL EFFORT

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 9.—(AP)—George Kostonaros of Hollywood took two falls out of three from Al Karasick in their light-heavyweight match here last night. Kostonaros' advantage of 13 pounds told in the long run. Karasick started out like a winner and appeared in the best of form. The largest crowd of the season witnessed the contest, which was free from the usual excessive roughness characterizing recent matches. Karasick outlasted the Russian for the first fall, taking it in 17 minutes and 25 seconds after a series of reverse headlocks, followed by a flying reverse headlock. Kostonaros came back to take the second fall with a flying head grip that dazed the Russian, in 22 minutes, 42 seconds. With Karasick seemingly having an advantage toward the final fall, Kostonaros suddenly grabbed one of Karasick's legs and threw him back with such force as to put the Russian completely out. Kostonaros himself was exhausted and fell to the floor. The fall was over in about five minutes.

Jim Healin, Australian light-heavyweight, making his first appearance in America, took two straight falls from Jim Thor in the preliminary.

It was announced Ted Thye would wrestle Kostonaros here next Wednesday night provided the latter makes 135 pounds.

VITAPHONE ACT HAS ARTISTS KNOWN HERE

Local friends of Jesse Stafford and other members of the late Herb Wiedoff's dance band which played here several times in past years have been much interested in the Vitaphone act now on at the Craterian theatre. The act features Jesse Stafford's dance orchestra, formerly Herb Wiedoff's, and many familiar faces are to be found in the personnel. Among them are two of the Wiedoff brothers, Rod Abbott and others as well as the leader, Jesse Stafford who took over the orchestra after Wiedoff's death in southern Oregon last year. The orchestra is very much the same as when conducted by Wiedoff and puts over some excellent musical numbers and clever comedy stunts.

MERIDA, Yucatan.—(AP)—Three Mexican youths, Manuel Lara Truaba, Victor Sosa and Vincente Rosada, are preparing for a hike to Buenos Aires. They estimate it will take a year and a half.

TOKYO.—(AP)—Japan has been slow to inaugurate a government air mail service. The department of communications now promises that mail planes will be put in operation next April between Tokyo and Kyoto.

LOW BLOW CLOUDS FLYING TACKLE IS GRANTED OFFICIAL LITTLE RING MEN OKED IN ILLINOIS

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—(AP)—An unintentional foul blow, struck by the blonde puncher from Terre Haute, Ind. Taylor, has contrived to throw the current featherweight elimination tournament into a muddle.

The foul, coming in the midst of a rally, ended Taylor's 16-round battle with young Al Singer of New York's east side, in the fourth round at Madison square Garden last night. The blow dropped Singer to the canvas in agony and Referee Patory Haley could do nothing but stop the fight and award the decision to Singer.

In view of the unsatisfactory ending of a promising slugfest match, there is a possibility that the bout will be re-matched. The bout had been planned as a means of developing an opponent for Tony Cannoneri with the ultimate surprise of getting a "hot" at the 120-pound crown worn by Andre Route of France.

The fight was all even when Taylor's left hook, his best weapon, dropped into foul territory. Singer, a fast and clever boxer, had held his own with the slugger Taylor in the first three rounds.

Singer's defense failed in the face of Taylor's panther-like rushes in the third round, and the middle-wester took the session by a shade. The fourth round was 52 seconds old when the bout was stopped.

Singer, scaling 127 1/2, had a pound and a half advantage in the weights.

A capacity crowd of close to 20,000 saw the battle.

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CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Gus Sonnenberg's "flying tackle" grip is legal in Illinois.

The new heavyweight wrestling champion demonstrated the hold before the Illinois State Athletic commission during an exhibition match with Jack Forbes of Rochester, N. Y., last night and the commission sanctioned it. Sonnenberg pinned Forbes to the mat in eight minutes and 15 seconds.

Chicago, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Mike Romano, New York, heavyweight wrestler, today was advised by Chairman Paul Frenn of the Illinois Boxing commission, that he would be suspended for 30 days because of "foul tactics" used in a match against Karl Pofello of Lithuania last night. Pofello won the match.

Chicago, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Captain Ralph Lupton of Northwestern University's wrestling team has set to meet his equal in collegiate grappling at 125 pounds.

Lupton, national intercollegiate champion for 1928, won his 29th straight match last night by throwing the Hall of Wisconsin in six minutes and five seconds. The teams tied at 16-all in the dual meet.

Screen Life in Hollywood

By WADE WERNER HOLLYWOOD, Cal.—The youngest leading woman in pictures just now seems to be Anita Louise. At the age of 19, Anita is playing the feminine lead in "Smugglers' Paradise," a picture being shown in current picture theatres as the first juvenile picture.



Anita Louise

The star is Junior Goghlan, and much of the action takes place in a military school, so Mason Hopper will have plenty of opportunity to demonstrate what a director can do with a collection of child voices. Incidentally, the cast of comedians includes Eric Van Stroheim, Jr., son of the director. Apparently young Eric will be the first Von Stroheim to be heard on the talking screen.

Still Acting The lure of the talkies, by the way, is bringing back to the screen many old timers who for one reason or another dropped out of the silent drama. Among them is Landers Stevens, who quit the screen in 1929 to sell southern California real estate. When an acquaintance, seeing him at work on a street, called on the doctor in "The Trial of Mary Dugan," remarked, "So you're acting again?" Stevens objected, "Selling real estate," he said, "is essentially an actor's work. I've never stopped acting."

He might have added that some of his new subdivisions opened as dramatic as the doctor in "The Trial" he put on the market did \$2,000,000 worth of business in 90 days. So his screen acting is just a rich man's hobby.

Unmuzzled One of the first things everyone noticed when talking picture production began here was that the director, whose habit of talking or shouting at the actors in the midst of a scene had come to be regarded as inseparable from the creative act of making movies, was now compelled to seal his lips and remain utterly hushed while the players spoke their lines for the microphone.

Naturally that couldn't last. It was too good to be true. Technicians at First National have devised a sort of super-microphone that fits over the director's face like a gas mask and permits him to talk as much as he likes to the sound-recording crew in the control room—by telephone.

MANY HILLS CROWD STAYS (Continued from Page One.) while under the influence of liquor. The same committee also sponsored a bill to require druggists to keep a record of sales of all medicines containing alcohol in quantities greater than allowed in beverages allowed under the prohibition laws.

In the World of Sports

JAPANESE NEAR END OF BATTLE FOR CUE CROWN

Hagenlacher Nosed Out Last Night By Nipponese Wizard—Cochran and Young Jake Last Hurdles in Pathway to Title.

By Herbert W. Barker Associated Press Sports Writer

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Two more hurdles to be vaulted and Kinsey Matsuyama, courageous little Japanese, will be the 15th headline billiards champion of the world.

He came from behind to nose out Eric Hagenlacher, the unemotional German, 400 to 255 last night and keep his record in the round-robin tournament unmarred by defeat.

Matsuyama holds a commanding position at the top of the standing with three straight victories and two more matches to play. These last two engagements may well be his undoing, for he must pit his skill against the two American contenders, Walker Cochran and Young Jake Schaefer.

Matsuyama seemed doomed to quick and decisive defeat in the opening innings of his match with Hagenlacher.

The German, in great form, tallied 119 caroms in his first inning and 115 in his second to lead 234 to 45. But after those long runs, Hagenlacher's game dropped off and the little Japanese four feet, 11 inches tall and weighing only 92 pounds, kept plugging away without much success. Thus matters continued to the tenth inning, when Matsuyama broke away on his longest run of the tournament, 110, and brought the score to 231 to 214 against him. Two more innings of careful billiards brought the score to 325-252.

Faced with almost certain defeat, the Japanese came to the table for the 13th inning gathered the balls together and skillfully nursed along his string until he reached 53 to the Hagenlacher's total and then went on to stretch his string to 68 and game. It was the finest exhibition of courage and skill under stress the tournament has seen.

Matsuyama's victory left Cochran and Edouard Horemans, the Belgian defending title-holder, tied for second place with two victories and one defeat each. Schaefer has won one and lost one. Back of him trails Hagenlacher with one victory in three starts and Felix Grange of France with four straight defeats.

Grange plays his final match this afternoon against Hagenlacher. Horemans meets Schaefer tonight.

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Webfoot Star



Scotty McDonald, star of the University of Oregon basketball team, Scotty is a star of there ever was one, and his play this season has been a feature. Although a guard, Scotty is one of the high scorers in the conference.

PADEFORD WILL MEET O'LEARY ON CARD HERE 13TH

News that a boxing program with top-notch bouts, will be given at the Armory Wednesday evening, February 13, under the auspices of the city boxing commission with Sailor Jack Wood as matchmaker, will be hailed with joy by the fight fans of Medford and other parts of the valley. The latter, who have been enjoying the wrestling programs for a long time past, are actually hungry to witness some good ones. Ladies will be admitted free.

The headline event of the coming program will be 10 rounds between those two sterling lightweights, Pat Padelford of Medford, whose worth the local fight fans well know, and Charles O'Leary of Seattle, well known lightweight of conspicuous merit, who fought a draw with Lex Johnson at Portland recently. Medford fans, who have seen Lex fight here in past years, know O'Leary must be good, to have gone to a draw with him. Padelford and O'Leary will weigh in at 125 pounds.

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SCORING FLASHES FEATURE WORK OF BASKETBALL TEAM

A good sized crowd saw Medford defeat the Salem high last night at the armory. While the score was 24 to 22, it was not all easy sailing for the home team in the strenuous game, marked by alternate layers of savage attacks and slumps.

At times Medford displayed flashes of remarkable team-work with consequent accurate shooting. Melvin was closely checked but with his quick, accurate passing to McDonald and Bowerman gave the fans plenty of thrills.

McDonald gave everybody, himself included, the greatest surprise of the evening when, in fighting to get the ball from under Salem's basket, he tipped it into their basket, scoring 2 for Salem.

Bowerman's shooting has steadily improved and he was the chief point marker for Medford. The defense with Morgan and Garnett was faultless except at times when they let Salem in for a set-up. Luckily Salem failed to ring.

Salem did not seem to be quite "on" last night. They missed many set-ups even when not rushed. McDonald to effect penetrates Medford's defense Salem resorted to long shots which mostly failed to register. Beechler, tall, heavy center, was high point man. If the visitors find the hoop so that they can convert their free throws and set-ups the game tonight may be a different tale.

McDonald opened the game by making a basket and was fouled in the act. He converted one of the two tries, scoring 3. Bowerman followed almost immediately converting two free throws and Garnett tipped one in. Salem took time out to stop the scoring. It didn't work though, for Medford caged two more while C. Kelly got one. Score at quarter, Medford 11, Salem 2. Salem seemed dazed at the speedy attack.

In the second period Salem found itself and came back with an offense which Medford failed to check. The crowd, which had considered the game a set-up, now got plenty of excitement and they were guessing when the score stood 14 to 13 for Medford at the half.

Evidently Callison spoke "sweetly" to his squad during the intermission for they came back with a fast, determined offense and a tighter defense. Salem opened by C. Kelly converting a free throw and making it a 16-14. Melvin got two pointers but slipped again then. Then Medford urged ahead when Melvin again started the scoring. At end of quarter it was Medford 25, Salem 17.

The last quarter Medford kept up the offense and ran the score steadily ahead. Morgan went out on four fouls and Anderson took his place. Score at end of game, Medford 34, Salem 22. Callison threw in his second string the last minute of play.

The line-up was:

Salem	Pt.	Ft.	Pt.	Ft.	Tl.
Sherman, f	0	1	2	5	0
C. Kelly, f	0	1	3	5	0
Beechler, c	0	2	4	9	0
Lecker, g	1	0	0	0	0
R. Kelly, g	2	0	1	2	0
Total	3	4	10	22	0

Medford, f 3 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 0 || Melvin, f | 0 | 3 | 5 | 13 | 0 |
McDonald, c	2	1	5	11	0
Morgan, g	0	0	0	0	0
Garnett, g	1	0	2	2	0
Anderson, c	0	0	0	0	0
Total	6	4	14	34	0

Mills was referee.

MASON CITY, Ia.—Bobby O'Dowd, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, outpointed Flash Hadden, Kansas City (10).

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WEISSMULLER TO FOREGO LAURELS AND EARN MONEY

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Johnny Weissmuller, the gangling "kid" who smashed a world's record in his first swimming race, has retired from amateur swimming ranks with the greatest bag of records ever shared by a mator.

While still in his teens Weissmuller began that meteoric rise to worldwide fame. His astonishingly fast crawl stroke won him a card

in the Illinois Athletic club before the club's athletic committee sanctioned it. William Bachrach, I. A. C. swimming coach, wrote Weissmuller's card immediately after his original private tryout in 1926.

Not once was the "human fish" defeated in eight years of amateur competition. Bachrach kept him under cover for a few months, then entered him in a 50-yard competition. Johnny cracked the world's record. Thereafter he bagged world's championship in every free style event from the 50-yard dash to the 300-yard event, both indoors and outdoors.

In two Olympics competitions Weissmuller was undefeated. He met and outswam the world's leading free style swimmers in the United States, in Europe and in the Orient.

Bachrach credits Weissmuller with perfecting the American crawl stroke. His style reduced water resistance to a minimum, facilitated breathing, and put the body in position to make unimpeded use of all its strength and leverage.

Weissmuller announced his retirement from amateur ranks to enter business. He is only 25 years old.

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Time to Shine 'em Up



Students at the University of Oregon are ready to shine campus shoes at a time yet, the money to be given to charity work in the City of Eugene. Gene Laird, chairman of the annual shine day, is here pictured practicing on the oxen of a cow, Bull Jegg.

Clean rags wanted at the Mail Tribune office.