

# Five-Way Track Meet Saturday at High School

## SHOT-PUT OPENS FIELD PROGRAM AT 2 P. M. SHARP

### Grants Pass, Kerby, Phoenix, Central Point Squads Will Compete With Medford Hosts; G. P. Favored

Weather permitting, Medford high school's variety track and field team will open its 1937 season here tomorrow in a five-way meet with squads from Grants Pass, Kerby, Phoenix and Central Point. Action will get under way at the high school field at 2:30 with the staging of the shotput. Running events will start at 2 sharp.

Pre-meet dope places Grants Pass in the favored position, with Medford given a fighting chance at the laurels. Winners of second place in the district meet last year while competing against 15 other schools, the Cavemen are figured to be too powerful in the weights, which they expect to sweep, for Medford to match their score. The Tigers finished sixth in the district affair.

Approximately 70 athletes from the five schools are expected to compete in the first meet held in Medford in several years. Coach Bill Bowerman's Tigers and the Cavemen will both enter about two dozen performers. Central Point is expected to send around 12 men. Kerby will probably enter eight or 10 athletes, and Phoenix about half that many.

Although Medford and Grants Pass are figured to cop most of the first and second positions, there is a possibility that one or more of the B class high schools will surprise with winners. Grimes, Central Point's flashy dash man, appears a possible winner in either the 100 or 220, and Bob Olsen, former Medford high football star and a present student at Phoenix is reputed to be a classy performer in the javelin and in the high jump.

Regarding his team's chances against the powerful Climate City squad, Coach Bowerman remarked, "The meet depends upon the second and third places. We will win the broad jump and pole vault, and have a good chance in the high jump. The mile is a tossup. We should win the 100, the 440, and both the high and low hurdles. Grants Pass will take all the weight events."

To Speed Events

With a small army of starters, judges and officials thoroughly organized and trained in their respective duties, the meet will be staged in not over one hour and 30 minutes. Coach Bowerman stated the track, constructed last year and considered one of the finest in the state, is in good condition despite the rainy weather the past week.

On parade tomorrow for the first time in Medford will be all of the six members of last year's Tigers team that placed second in the annual northwest junior meet held in Portland for athletes 16 years or under. Russ Werner, who set a state mark last season in the 880-yard run with 2:20 1/2 in Portland, will compete in that event tomorrow. Chris Barker, winner of the mile in the Portland meet, will do his stuff over that distance. Other members of the team who will compete tomorrow are Jack Bowman, Eldon Grow, Don Horner, and Ray Crosby.

Hornor Hops High

Time trials the past week in the running events and jumps determined Medford's entrants in the meet tomorrow. Outstanding in the trials were Jack Hill's time of 23.1 in the 180-yard low hurdles and Don Horner's leap of 8 feet 9 inches in the high jump. Horner's feat was especially remarkable because his jump was over six inches higher than he stands.

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## MEDFORD'S NINE PLAYS SOLDIERS TUESDAY AT 3:30

Medford's Southern Oregon league ball team will play its first battle next Tuesday afternoon at the county fairgrounds against the 30th Infantry, United States army team from the Pacific. The game will be called at 3:30 sharp and will be free to the public.

The game will be an exhibition affair, with the locals probably using most of their entire squad. The encounter was scheduled as part of the welcome to be extended the huge convoy of fighting men who will stop here Tuesday night on their way to Fort Lewis for maneuvers of the third division.

With Mike Bakovick, assistant football coach at Willamette university, expected in Medford Sunday to take over the management of the team and coaching of the summer baseball school sponsored by the Medford Athletic association, the locals will go through a stiff workout Sunday morning at 10 o'clock at the high school field. On the basis of that practice will probably be chosen the starting lineup Tuesday, according to Austin Frazier, association secretary.

## BOWLING

Employees of the Walls Walls, W. telephone company, bowling on the Elite alleys in the Washington city, defeated the Medford Phoners by 38 pins in the first of a three-game series Wednesday night. The locals bowled on the Smokehouse alleys, with the scores being exchanged following each frame. The next match will be staged next week.

In city league matches last night, the Headquarters detachment trundlers took three of the four points from the Medford Concrete Construction company, and the Phoners shut out Piche's pin-upsetters, 4-0.

Scores follow:

Phoners Medford			
Crawford	117	149	129
Wilson	134	179	138
Begg	117	126	102
Leavitt	166	170	157
House	154	143	131
Totals	688	769	677
Phoners Walls Walls			
H. Schmidt	113	116	156
Gallagher	117	117	130
C. Schmidt	132	189	172
Smith	114	169	172
Crego	184	145	146
Totals	660	736	776
Al Piche Howe Co.			
A. Piche	123	166	151
Newland	163	131	134
B. Piche	154	147	115
Powell	134	144	152
White	150	150	150
Totals	724	738	702
Phoners			
Crawford	123	125	110
Wilson	116	105	160
Begg	135	146	130
Leavitt	137	130	155
House	131	143	136
Handicap	73	73	73
Totals	735	821	764
Headquarters			
Driscoll	187	142	144
Key	152	140	121
Jerrabeck	95	118	79
Meiring	137	145	132
Hemstreet	143	153	176
Handicap	38	38	38
Totals	723	736	800
Medford Con. Cons.			
Clark, L.	135	138	112
Clark, D.	132	174	101
Semon	125	164	136
Thornton	162	152	197
Adair	163	152	169
Totals	718	780	625

## FARR VICTORY OVER BAER EXCITES BRITISH FANDOM

LONDON, April 16.—(AP)—The British Isles were pretty excited today about Tommy Farr, the 23-year-old Welsh wallpiper who knocked all thoughts of a comeback out of Max Baer's head.

Farr struck a blow for British boxing before a swanky crowd of 14,000 at Herringway arena last night by trimming Playboy Maxie—who was perfectly fit, but as always, couldn't box a lick. The two handed thrashing he administered brought a thrill to the land of hope and glory that he hasn't experienced in many a day.

Late last night, as cabled orders from American promoters began arriving today, every Welshman with good lungs still was singing "Land of My Father," and Englishmen were scooting perfect strangers to ask if they had heard the news.

By stepping in and slapping Baer out of shape to win a top-sized 12-round decision, Young Farr climaxed a ring career that began when he gave up the idea of remaining a kitchen hand in his native Tonypandd, Wales. At the same time, if you take Baer's word for it, the curly haired Californian is convinced he's all washed up in the punching business. Never before had Farr been known as anything but a plodder. England's own experts called him a "good second rate" even after he won the British heavyweight title from South African Ben Poord a couple of months ago.

Before last night's battle, they predicted the ferocious Baer-man would knock his block off, and made Maxie a 3 to 1 shot.

They had much to answer for today. Not only was Farr able to stay out of the way of Maxie's murderous right—the same right that knocked off such high rats as Max Schmeling and Primo Carnera—but he proved at the same time that he's a pretty fair country boxer.

Within a few minutes after the victory, Farr had an offer from far-off Pittsburgh for \$10,000 for a fight there with John Henry Lewis, the world's light-heavyweight champion. He doesn't want that, however. He's after a fight here in England with Max Schmeling.

All Baer asked was to go back to his ranch in California.

## Tackles Villian Scores Yesterday

Rain and wet field has hampered daily workouts of the local club all week, with very little intensive practice being done since last Sunday. A record turnout is expected day after tomorrow to answer Manager Balkovick's opening practice call.

Although the Medford pitching staff is still in the formative stage, with Ray Erickson the lone hurler of any great experience turning out, it is expected that sufficient strength on the mound will be uncovered before the battle Tuesday. Whether Erickson, a sweet right-hander, can go the route so early in the season is problematical. Alvin Merritt, who saw action with the Medford American Legion team several years ago, will probably be ready to work a few frames. As will Ray Turgate, member of last year's club, but who hasn't turned out for practice yet.

All posts on the team are wide open, and it will be upon performance from now until the league opener on May 2 that will determine the regulars. Those looking exceptionally well, however, are Ray and Dick Lewis, Wally Riekerl, Donovan Dick, Sakraida and LARRY SCHADE. Frazier announced yesterday that Sammy Van Dyke, a first baseman of no mean ability, would report for practice Sunday.

## "Pop" Baer Hopes Max Will Return And Settle Down

SAN FRANCISCO, April 16.—(AP)—"Pop" (Jacob) Baer, father of Max Baer, former heavyweight champion who was defeated by Tommy Farr, English champion in London yesterday, said today that Max "should come home and settle down."

"Max should come home and forget the fight game," said the elder Baer. "He's either washed up and wholly lacking in 'pep' or his hands have gone back on him. We want him to settle down. Take up some other work. I hope he's through with fights as he says he is; that he'll start something else while he's mentally and physically fit."

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## COLORFUL PAIR TO TANGLE MONDAY IN TOP ARMORY BOUT

Two of the most colorful grapplers ever to appear in the Medford ring will meet in the main event of Promoter Mack Lillard's weekly card at the armory Monday night, when Toots Estes, the former heavyweight champion of the Hawaiian Islands, tangles with Danny Savich.

Returning last Monday for the first time in over two years, Estes proved that he has lost none of the skill and sensational ability that made him a local favorite in the past. His double-barreled dropkicks disposed of meenie Pete Baltzan with plenty of dispatch, and next week he will match those deadly devastators against the equally punishing sonenbergs of Savich.

Both are former football players and have brought to the mat some of the pigskin maneuvers that made them both experts of the gridiron game. At present, Savich is the king of southern Oregon's wrestling domain, but will undoubtedly have to be at his best against Estes to retain the crown.

In the middle event, Cowboy Billy McEwen, the flash from San Antonio, Tex., will meet Joe Smolinski, the Polish Palooka. McEwen is clean and Smolinski acts as if he doesn't know that word exists. The result should be one of those things that turn an ordinary sane and sensible citizen into a raving maniac. Smolinski spread the dirt like none other since Ted Christy, and if McEwen can handuff the brute he will be John Q. Fan's best friend.

Duke Pettigrove, long-lost relative of all the dirty grapplers in the world, returns to the local mat em-

## League Standings

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
San Diego	9	4	.692
Sacramento	9	4	.692
Sacramento	8	5	.615
San Francisco	7	5	.583
Los Angeles	6	7	.462
Portland	5	7	.417
Oakland	4	9	.308
Milsons	3	10	.231

## "ROSEBURG" PIRATES CHOICE FOR MONIKER

ROSEBURG, Ore., April 16.—(AP)—The Roseburg baseball team recently admitted into the Southern Oregon Baseball league, will be known as the Roseburg Pirates. The name was adopted at a meeting last night when George Barr was elected business manager; Claude Taylor, field manager, and Wallace Rapp, secretary-treasurer.

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