

SPORTS

STEEL MAGNATES FAVOR BASEBALL TO HELP MORALE

Spurs War Workers, Ryones Told — Majors Plan Season.

Chicago, Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — Thirty of the nation's leading steel executives, whose companies employ more than 250,000 war workers, proposed to War Mobilization Director James F. Ryones today that "major sporting events, such as baseball, football and boxing, should be allowed to continue not only as an aid but as a great stimulus to war production."

A special 10-man committee, representing the 30 major steel and fabricating industries, met today and sent a letter to Ryones asking for an appointment with him to plead their cause and the cause of wartime sports — all for the benefits of increased output of vital war commodities.

They believe that if major sports were banned, or sharply curtailed, war workers would seek less desirable recreation, thereby causing a hike in absenteeism and a drop in production.

New York, Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — The Major Leagues decided today to operate in 1945, named their presidents to represent baseball in Washington, and adopted a new agreement curbing the powers of any successor to the late Kenesaw Mountain Landis as commissioner of baseball.

No action was taken toward selecting a new commissioner, but the National and American leagues agreed to call a special meeting for that purpose before the season opens in April.

Rifle Club Holds Pistol Competition

Rapid fire gave trouble to most shooters and ruined some potentially good scores at the first full course pistol shoot of the Medford Rifle club Friday night.

The race was neck and neck most of the way. High scores for the evening:

Gene Thomas 239, Jimmie Bolton 233, H. H. Pringle 225, Charles W. Lemery 225 and Roy Hewitt 224.

San Francisco, Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — Del Young, 33, veteran second-sacker of the San Francisco Seals, yesterday signed his contract for the 1945 season.

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BY NELSON LEADS CORPUS CHRISTI OPEN GOLF MEET

Corpus Christi, Tex., Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — Byron Nelson fired a sensational seven-under-par 63 today to take a three-stroke lead at the halfway mark in the \$8,675 Corpus Christi Open golf tournament.

Nelson's par-busting performance over the Country Club layout gave him a 36-hole total of 129.

The Toledo, O., pro had eight birdies and missed tying the competitive record for the course when his putt rimmed the cup on the 18th hole. Craig Wood, Mamaroneck, N. Y., the first round leader with a 64, slumped to a 68 and dropped into second place with a 132 total.

An amateur, Fred Haas, Jr., of New Orleans, occupied the third spot in the field at 133. He put a 68 with his first round 65 for a gross of 133.

Deadlocked at 134 were Harold (Jug) McSpaden of Sanford, Me., and Johnny Revolta of Evanston, Ill. Ky Lafont of Chicago had 135 strokes and Sam Byrd of Detroit and Sam Schneider of Corpus Christi were right behind him with 136 each.

IOWA, MINNESOTA BIG TEN WINNERS

Iowa City, Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — The University of Iowa kept its lead in the Big Ten basketball race by handing Michigan a 50-to-37 defeat tonight.

Iowa took a big lead at the start, piling up a 11-4 advantage at the end of five minutes of play and Michigan never came close after that. Iowa led at the half by 26 to 15.

Bloomington, Ind., Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — Minnesota's Golden Gophers, fighting to get out of the Big Ten cellar, won their second conference basketball game of the season here tonight, defeating Indiana, 56-48.

SWEDISH RACERS FACE NEW DELAY

London, Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — A further delay faced Gundar Hagg and Haakon Lidman, Swedish track stars, tonight in their journey to the United States for an indoor tour.

The athletes, scheduled to arrive here tonight, may be delayed in London indefinitely, depending upon trans-Atlantic transportation to avoid a ten-day delay for inoculations required by the American export lines for air passage. If surface transportation is available, Hagg and Lidman probably will leave in a day or two.

ST. MARY'S TRIMS KLAMATH QUINTET

In a game played in Klamath Falls last Friday night the St. Mary's Wildcats defeated the Trojans from Sacred Heart high of Klamath Falls 25 to 19. The game was slow, with the Wildcats never behind. The halftime score was 14 to 12, for St. Mary's. Best quarter for the St. Mary's squad was the third, when they held the larger Klamath team to only one point, while gathering seven themselves. Joe Gardner, Klamath center, hit the hoop for 10 points to get high point honors.

Black Tornadoes Will Meet Salem Tuesday Evening

Medford high school's Black Tornadoes will meet Salem high's hoopers in their third encounter of the season Tuesday night on the Medford floor. The Tigers stopped Salem without too much difficulty in their contests at Salem Dec. 29 and 30. Probable starting lineup for Medford is Larry Hayes and Jerry Ross, forwards; Darrell Riggs, center, and Bob Watson and Dick Fawcett, guards.

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BASKETBALL

By United Press
Dartmouth 59, Holly Cross 46.
Great Lakes Naval 53, De Pauw 37.
Harvard "B" team 37, Boston Univ. 35.
St. Johns 52, St. Joseph's 36.
Columbia Midshipmen 62, Brooklyn College 50.
High Point, N. C., College 53, Elon 34.
Virginia 57, Maryland 26.
Minnesota 56, Indiana 48.
Navy 51, Columbia 44.
Georgia 59, Alabama Poly 43.
Muhlenberg 51, Bucknell 41.
Sacramento JC, 56; Univ. of Calif. Jr., Varsity, 45.
Oklahoma A & M, 39; Wyoming, 31.
Arkansas, 60; Texas Christian, 35.
Southern Methodist, 44; Texas 38.
Kansas State, 61; Washburn, 48.
Kansas State 61, Washburn 48.
Duke 75, Wake Forest 39.
Kentucky 51, Georgia Tech 32.
Ohio State 40, Wisconsin 36.
Case 57, Carnegie Tech 37.
Iowa 50, Michigan 37.
Arkansas 60, Texas Christian 35.
Marquette 73, Trux Field 55.
Furman 49, Wofford 31.
Missouri 47, Nebraska 41.
Ohio 60, Miami of Ohio 40.
Tennessee 44, Mississippi State 27.
Oklahoma A. & M. 39, Wyoming 31.

New York, Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — Brooklyn college, playing its first basketball game since involvement in the most sensational sports scandal in collegiate history, dropped a hard-fought battle to Columbia's Midshipmen, 62 to 50, tonight, with four freshmen who never had played a previous collegiate game doing most of the work.

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BEARS BEAT USC IN 50-43 UPSET

Berkeley, Cal., Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — The University of California Bears basketball team scored a 50 to 34 upset victory over U. S. C. tonight to give the Trojans their first defeat of the Pacific Coast conference southern division season.

The Trojans took a 12-7 lead in the first 10 minutes of play, but were outplayed by forwards Gus Mota and George Clyne, California rolled up 20 points before the second period ended for a 27-17 halftime advantage.

Mota scored 20 points in leading the Bears to the victory. Jack Morley, USC forward, hit the basket for eight points in the opening minutes of the second half but Clyne and Mota matched him basket for basket to kill the USC threat. The Trojans closed the Bear lead to 37-31 with five minutes to play but two quick scores by Mota put the Bears safely out in front.

RAFFERTY TAKES WANAMAKER MILE

New York, Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — Brown-haired little Jimmy Rafferty, national cross-country champion from the NYAC, walked off with the famed Wanamaker mile before 14,000 fans at Madison Square Garden tonight, capturing the Millrose A. A. feature in the slow time of 4:13.1. Taking the lead at the halfway mark over four opponents in the race which galloping Gil Dodds won last year in 4:08.4, Rafferty cantered home absolutely unoppressed through the smoke that filled the arena. He finished 20 yards ahead of Tom Quinn, A. teammate and former Central Collegiate King.

ARMY FIVE WINS 24 GAMES IN ROW

West Point, N. Y., Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — A field goal in the final 30 seconds today by Bobby Dobbs of army provided the Cadets with a 44 to 43 victory over Yale's Bulldogs, extending their three-year string of basketball victories to 24 games. It was Army's eighth victory of the season, and its most thorough test. The Cadets trailed almost all the way, lagging by 11 points at one occasion during the opening half. At the intermission, the Cadets were behind 27 to 21.

GREEK LEFTISTS DOOMED TO DIE

Athens, Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — In the second day of a turbulent military trial of Greek Leftists charged with participating in a wave of terrorism, three more Elass members were sentenced today to death by a firing squad. hael Monedias, and Panayotios Monos were convicted of murder by the five-man military tribunal. When the sentences were announced spectators applauded noisily. Today's sentences brought to five the number who have received the death penalty.

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DENY RUMOR RACE FLOP WILL OPEN

Oakland, Cal., Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — Rumors that the Golden Gate Turf club, one of hacing's all-time most expensive flops, was preparing to reopen when—and if—the ban is lifted on racing, were put at rest today by Edward (Slip) Madigan, who held the post of general manager before the club went into bankruptcy.

Madigan, currently head football coach at University of Iowa and top man at St. Mary's college when that school was a national grid standout in prewar days, said that as far as he knew, "there was no such movement under way."

BELCASTRO WILL FACE GREY MASK

The Grey Mask and Pete Belcastro of Weed, will face each other in the main event of the wrestling card at the armory next Thursday night, Promoter Mack Lillard announces. The pair battled to a draw three weeks ago.

In the semi-final, Buck Davidson and Jack Kiser, coast champion will tangle. In the curtain raiser, Silent Rataan making his first appearance here in several weeks, will face Tony Ross.

Wichita, Kans., Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — The National Baseball Congress said today that a new commissioner for the sandlot game would be named next Wednesday, to serve a five-year term.

TORNADO SWAMPS BEND HIGH 57-20 FOR SECOND WIN

Medford high school's Black Tornado swept a two-game series with Bend high over the Desert squad 50 to 20 Friday night and swamping the visitors 57 to 7 last night.

In the first game, Friday night, Medford jumped right off to a running start and at the end of the first quarter had run up a 14-4 score. In the second period, Bend outscored the Tornadoes, tallying 12 points while holding Medford to nine, leaving the score 23 to 18 for Medford at the half.

But with that one spurt, Bend had shot its bolt and it was all Medford from then on. At the end of the third quarter the score stood 4-20 and Bend was unable to locate the hoop again in the last period.

High man for the game was Larry Hayes, forward, with 14 points. Moore, guard, paced the Bend squad with eight tallies. Both coaches substituted freely, and Medford's reserves played a good portion of the last half.

In the second game of the series, last night, Bend showed the effects of three week-ends on the road. Their play was slow and there was considerable fumbling.

Unable to penetrate the man-to-man defense of the Tornadoes, Bend scored only one free throw in the first quarters, while Medford was ramming home 14 counters.

It was equally bad in the second period which ended 30-3. At the end of the third stanza Medford led 45 to 5. Again the Tiger reserves saw considerable action, playing all of the fourth period and nearly all of the second.

In both contests Bend showed an inability to get their shifting zone defense set before the fast breaking Tigers were on top of them, and in the play off the backboard, the Tigers were in almost perpetual control of the ball.

Scoring honors were evenly divided among the Tigers in the second game, with Larry Hayes, Jerry Ross, Bob Watson and Earle Stelle each racking up 10 counters. Hayes was outstanding on free throws, making four out of five attempts in the evening.

Both teams, however, missed many opportunities to score on free throws as the Tigers had 12 free tries and Bend 16.

In the preliminary games, the Medford high juniors defeated Medford junior high 25 to 19 Friday night, and stopped Gold Hill 41 to 23 last night, leading all the way in both contests.

Lineups: First Game				
	FG	FT	TP	
Medford (50)	7	0	14	
Hayes f	3	1	7	
Ross f	3	1	7	
Stelle f	3	1	7	
Fawcett g	3	0	6	
Watson g	4	3	11	
Reich s	0	0	0	
Stelle s	2	0	0	
Walick s	0	0	0	
House s	0	0	0	
Cave s	0	1	1	
Bend (20)	0	0	0	
Hayes f	0	0	0	
James f	0	0	0	
Higgins c	0	0	0	
Wirtz g	0	0	0	
Plath s	0	0	0	
Rammonson s	0	0	0	
Moore g	0	0	0	
Murphy s	0	0	0	
Plath s	0	0	0	
Fretwell s	0	0	0	
Brogan s	0	0	0	
Smith s	0	0	0	

Second Game				
	FG	FT	TP	
Medford (57)	7	0	14	
Hayes f	3	1	7	

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Stelle f	3	1	7	
Fawcett g	3	0	6	
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House s	0	0	0	
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Murphy s	0	0	0	
Plath s	0	0	0	
Fretwell s	0	0	0	
Brogan s	0	0	0	
Smith s	0	0	0	

A. F. OF L. BALKS AT WORLDWIDE TRADE UNION MOVEMENT

London, Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — The entire future development of the world-wide trade union movement, is expected to be influenced by what action is taken on a proposed dynamic international labor federation at the world conference of trade unions, which begins here Tuesday.

Two opposing factors among delegates of some 45 allied and neutral nations on the question of an International Federation are represented by a "conservative" group powered by American Federation of Labor leaders and an "international" body made up of Russian trade unionists and delegates from such organizations as the old International Federation of trade unions.

A strong delegation of 35 men and women from the Russian Trade Union Movement already has made it plain they have clear-cut ideas on how such an International Federation should be constituted.

The AFL delegation, which participated in the International Federation of Trade Unions Council, will be conspicuously absent from the conference Tuesday. The body has steadfastly refused to send representatives because 1) Soviet Russia is participating in the conference; 2) the Congress of Industrial Organizations, its arch rival, will be present; and 3) certain hostile Roman Catholic trade unions have been invited.

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STEP-UP ORDERED MUNITION BUYING

Washington, Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — Production Chief J. A. Krug, announcing a step-up in munitions buying, said tonight that he has instructed the army, navy and other procurement agencies to let out promptly all contracts covering anticipated 1945 war needs.

The new procurement policy in munitions, Krug indicated, will effect a change in which relatively cautious buying in the last few months is being abandoned.

The change of policy, he said, has become necessary due to increasing delays in delivery of component parts to plants and points where vital war goods are assembled, thus hampering manufacturing totals.

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OREGON DEFEATS HUSKIES 58 TO 48, WILKINS IS STAR

Seattle, Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — The University of Oregon tightened its grip on first place in the northern division of the Pacific Coast Conference tonight by coasting to an easy victory over the University of Washington, 58-48, before a near capacity crowd of 7,000 fans.

The defeat dampened the Huskies hopes for unscrambling the Conference standings, which were brightened after their victory over Oregon last night, 59-58.

The Webfoots stacked up an 11-0 lead in the opening minutes before the faltering Huskies could score. Oregon held a comfortable lead. Unmenaced except when Washington spurred to within six points of the winners late in the second half.

Dick Wilkins was Oregon's main threat, his score of 19 points topped only by Don McMillan of Washington with 20. The ragged, rough playing was climaxed when Bill Vandenberg of Washington and Ken Hayes of Oregon were benched in the last minute for fisticuffs.

IDAHO EKES OUT WIN OVER STATE

Moscow, Ida., Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — The University of Idaho Vandals eked out their first win in the Northern Division Conference hoop race tonight, downing a highly-favored Oregon State college five, 32-31.

The Vandals, who entered the contest with seven defeats on their ledger, held the lead all the way except in the final minutes when OSC edged over to a one-point lead. With one-and-a-half minutes to go, Bill Carbaugh sunk a free throw and the Vandals stalled until the final gun.

BIRTH RATE OF NATION DECLINES

Washington, Feb. 3 — (U.P.) — The Commerce Department reported tonight that the nation's birth rate, which rose 30 per cent above pre-war levels in the year after Pearl Harbor, now is declining and will stay that way.

until the end of hostilities precipitates another baby boom. John D. Durand of the Census Bureau said a post-war boom "will be an almost inevitable result of the reunion of families after the war and the marriage of those servicemen who have postponed their weddings for the duration." He said it would probably last four years.

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