

SPORTS

BELCASTRO GETS ARMY SUMMONS; JOHNSON SIGNED

Wally Moss Signed to Referee; Davidson, Ross Go Looms as Ring Natural.

Pete Belcastro, who was to have met the Gray Mask in a finish fight at Medford Army tonight, has been notified by his draft board to report at 8:30 a. m. Friday at Sacramento and will be unable to go through with his match tonight.

Promoter Mack Lillard has secured the services of Gust Johnson, coast junior heavyweight champion, who has a score to settle with the hooded mystery man. Johnson met the

Mask once before in the Medford ring and went down to defeat after a hectic fight. When informed that the match had been arranged for no time limit, straight time instead of rounds with two out of three falls deciding the winner, Johnson was immediately agreeable to the terms, claiming he can whip the hated ruffian on such terms.

Wally Moss, former light heavyweight boxing champion of the navy and an outstanding referee in the west, has been secured as referee for the contest. The Mask refused to wrestle with Earl Yoakley in the ring, claiming he cannot get a square deal from him.

A "natural" has been signed for the middle match, which will see Harold (Blood and Guts) Davidson clash with Terrible Tony Ross in a bout that threatens to steal the limelight from the top go when it comes to dirty work.

Georges Dusette, strong-armed full nelson expert from Canada, will clash with Silent Rattan, popular deaf mute, in the curtain raiser beginning at 8:30. They are down for three rounds.

BOWLING

In City league last night Union Oil won two out of three games from Office Boys (Klatt 220-Weisenburger 542). State Police took three straight from P. M. T. (Porter 213-551) and Firestone won two out of three from Henry's Drive-In (Holman 219-528).

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Sport Chips

By Harry Chipman

As the first suggestion from this department, we would like to recommend that high basketball authorities start a campaign to standardize the size of basketball courts throughout the land.

National basketball committee, in its 1944-45 rule book, recommends a court 42 by 74 feet for junior high school age and 50 by 94 feet for the college age group. This is only a suggestion as far as

the rules committee goes, there being no standard size demanded for a basketball floor.

Medford high schools' floor measures 90 by 48 feet which is slightly under the recommended size for college. The floor at Grants Pass, usually referred to as a "cracker box," is considerably smaller which proves a definite handicap to teams which are used to playing on a larger court. The pavilion at Astoria measures 107 feet in length, which is almost long enough to need "bus service to get from one end to the other."

In its suggestions to architects, the rules committee recommends that a court not be smaller than 42 by 74 feet with the maximum dimensions 94 by 50 feet. This allows schools a wide leeway in construction and gives a distinct advantage to home teams who have the smaller courts, as well as working in favor of home teams with the larger courts.

The floor at the Southern Oregon College of Education is larger than any in the Southern Oregon conference which will handicap all four teams when they meet there in the district tournament Feb. 23 and 24. Grants Pass will be particularly handicapped since they are used to their small court, which fails to measure up in size to the rest of the courts in the conference.

Post-war reconstruction of all basketball courts which do not measure up to a standard size set by the rules committee would provide considerable employment throughout the nation and, in the opinion of this department, do a lot to even up the brand of basketball played, particularly in high schools where "off-size" floors are more frequently found.

Army Boosts Claim To National Title

West Point, N. Y., Feb. 15—(U.P.)—Army's claims to a national championship basketball team as well as football team grew by leaps and bounds today as the Cadets' 27th consecutive cage triumph went down in the books.

Meeting what was supposed to be its toughest test in the three years it has been establishing the winning skein, Army yesterday turned back St. John's of Brooklyn, 56 to 39—the 11th win of this season for the future generals.

BASKETBALL

By United Press
Notre Dame 51, Iowa Pre-Flight 38.

North Carolina 50, Duke 38.
Pittsburgh 75, Westminster 56.
Denison 39, Ohio University 36.

Long Island University 61, Canisius 58 (overtime).

Michigan State 53, Detroit 29.
Akron 69, Baldwin-Wallace 55.

Penn State 65, Temple 63 (overtime).

Closing time for Classified Ads 12:30 p. m. — Too Late to Classify 12:30

REFeree ACCUSED OF 'ROBBERY' IN ARMSTRONG FIGHT

By Hal Wood
United Press Staff Correspondent

Oakland, Cal., Feb. 15—(U.P.)—Referee Billy Burke today was charged with a "deliberate steal" in awarding a decision to Chester Slider, 147-pound Fresno, Cal., Negro, in his fight last night with Henry Armstrong, 141, the former triple champion.

The accusation was hurled by George Moore, Armstrong's manager, who asserted he would take the case to the California boxing commission. If he fails to get action there, Moore said, he will go direct to Gov. Earl Warren.

"I claim Burke made a deliberate steal of that fight," Moore told reporters. "I'll admit that Armstrong got the benefit of the doubt in a previous fight with Slider, which was called a draw. But two wrongs don't make a right and we'll take this to the highest authorities for investigation."

"I demand that Burke be relieved of his referee's license immediately."

Moore's major protest was that Burke came out of the ring to tell state inspectors that his score card had either been "lost or stolen." He told officials that his card showed Slider won by five points, but he couldn't recall the rounds and became confused under questioning by the state inspectors.

SUGAR ROBINSON STOPS COSTNER IN ONE ROUND

Chicago, Feb. 15—(U.P.)—Ray (Sugar) Robinson, New York's spindly-legged Harlem hurricane, emphasized his bid for a championship match against welterweight king Freddie (Red) Cochrane today with his stunning one-round knockout over promising George (Sugar) Costner.

JIMMIE BOLTON TOP MARKSMAN AT SHOOT

Jimmie Bolton was high in the regular rifle shoot Wednesday night, followed closely by tight scores of improved shooters. The five high were Jimmie Bolton 374, Octavia Waddell 368, Clyde Richmond 366, Max Terzenbach 358 and Charles Bottjer 351.

THE GRANGE

Lake Creek Grange met Feb 9 with Worthy Master Loyd George presiding, and 21 members present.

Bessie Beene, Lyle Beene and Deloras Beene were given first and second degree obligation by Tom Stanley.

Dorothy George was balloted upon to become a member. Dorothy will be a big help to Grange, as she can assist in playing the piano during sessions.

Tom Stanley, of the agricultural committee, planned to attend the meeting at Mr. Fowler's office.

A letter was sent to Rep. O. H. Bengtson at Salem, telling him that Lake Creek Grangers oppose house bill No. 234, the pasteurization of milk by the individual dairyman. It is impractical at this time, because of the shortage of proper machinery.

Mary Moore, one of our members, living at Central Point, sent \$5 to our grange to help defray cost of a service flag. Our many thanks to our dear sister for her kindness.

Grange now has a janitor to do the sweeping, Perry Farlow of Lake Creek.

The following committees were appointed by the master: Ways and means — Merton Bradshaw, Gordon Stanley, Leland Meyer.

Agriculture — Tom Stanley, Leonard Bradshaw.

H. E.—Mabel Stanley.

Special building — Ira Woolfolk, Tom Stanley, Chan Stokes

Legislative — Claus Charley.

Fire insurance agent — George Brown.

Publicity — Elynn Charley. The Eagle Point drill team will attend our next meeting March 9 to give third and fourth degree obligation to our many new members. All recent members are asked to attend the March meeting and see this excellent drill team.

There will be a dance at the Grange hall on March 17. Everyone is cordially invited.

All Grangers are invited to next meeting March 9 at 8:30 p. m.

Closing time for Sunday Too Late to Classify 5:30 Saturday afternoon—Please remember.

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letes now in the naval service will not be able to return to their teams until Japan is beaten.

NAVY JOINS BAN ON DISCHARGES OF ATHLETIC STARS

Washington, Feb. 15—(U.P.)—Professional sports, which has been losing more and more of its manpower during the past few months, suffered another jolt today with the disclosure that the navy had joined the army in cracking down on the discharges of "apparently able-bodied" athletes.

Under an order issued by Navy Secretary James V. Forrestal on January 25, to all ships and stations, the United Press learned that henceforth such athletes may not be discharged from the navy, marine corps or coast guard unless their cases are reviewed by superior officers in Washington.

Forrestal, proclaiming sports "unessential to the national health, safety and interest," said final judgment in the discharge cases will be passed on by Vice Admiral Harold R. Jacobs, chief of navy personnel; Lt. Gen. A. A. Vandergrift, marine corps commandant, or Vice Admiral R. R. Waesche, coast guard commandant.

The order was interpreted to mean that unless otherwise decreed, scores of prominent ath-

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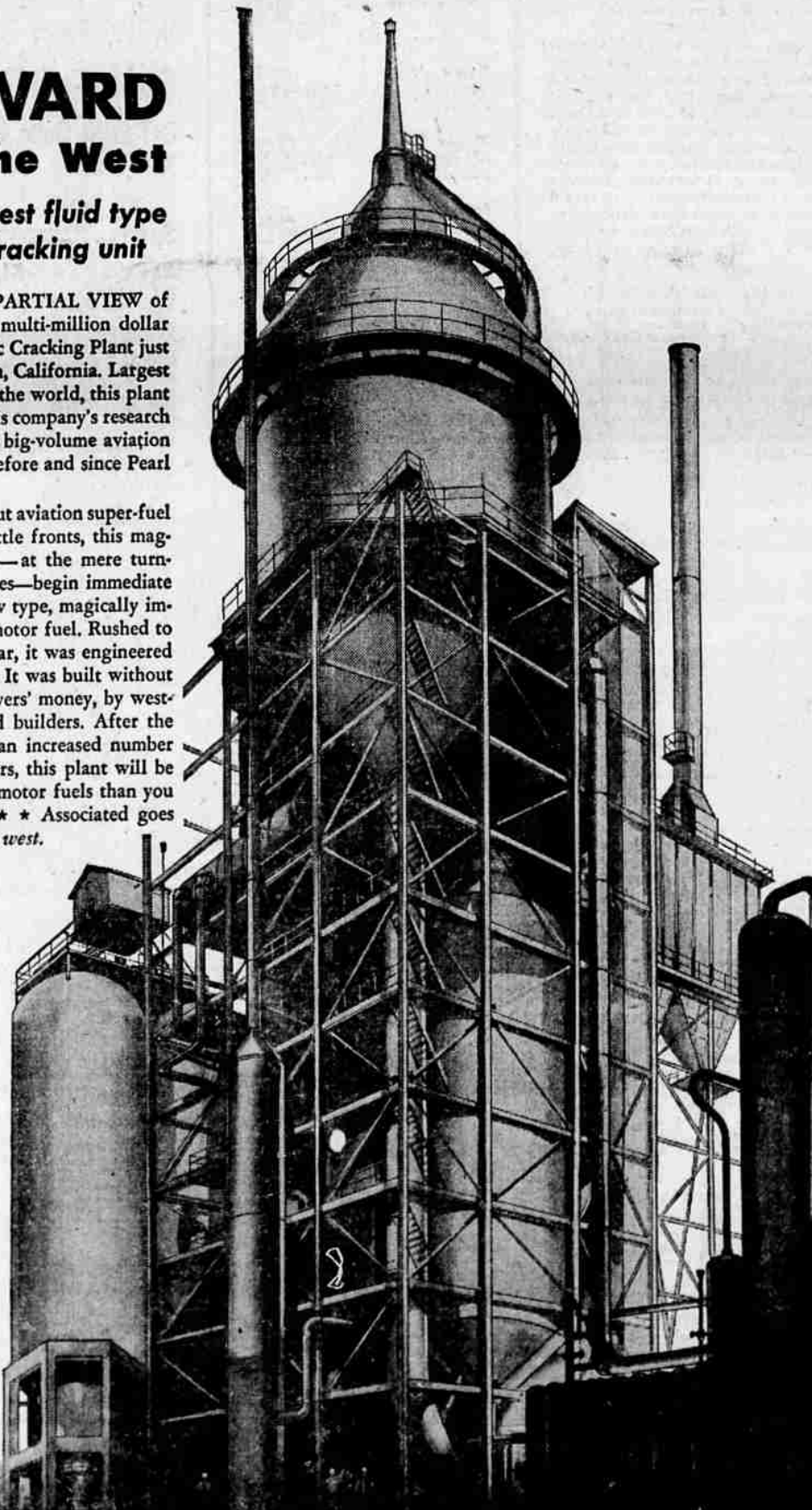
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