

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

SPORTS

American Olympic Squad Seeks To Overcome Lead Rolled Up by Russians

Helsinki (U.P.)—The United States scored a 1-2-3 sweep in the Olympic 200-meter dash Wednesday, a 1-2 victory in the javelin throw and also won a rowing championship as six Olympic and two world records tumbled.

Andy Stanfield tied the Olympic 200-meter record of 20.7 seconds, making the second Olympic record equalled today.

Helsinki (U.P.)—Walt Ashbaugh, East Liverpool, Ohio, and Jim Gerhardt, San Antonio, Tex., qualified easily Wednesday for the hop, step and jump competition in the Olympic games. Franklin (Bud) Held, Lakeside, Calif., qualified in javelin throw.

Gearhardt reached 49 feet, 1.8 inches and Ashbaugh did 47 feet, 10.44 inches, each on his first try, as the fifth day's Olympic competition got underway under cloudy skies that carried a threat of rain. The qualifying distance for the hop, step and jump event was 14.55 meters—47 feet, 8.88 inches. Finals in the event were scheduled for Wednesday afternoon.

Leading U.S. Hopes

Sprint star Andy Stanfield and Navy's unbeaten eight-oared crew carried the United States' chief hopes Wednesday for gold medal victories that would cut down or wipe out Russia's team leadership in the Olympic games.

The Soviets, who scored the bulk of their points in gymnastics two days ago, carried a 21½ point lead in the competition with 136½ points to 115 for the U. S.

In the javelin throw, Held tossed the spear 225 feet, 1.68 inches on his second try and advanced to the afternoon finals. A distance of 64 meters, 209 feet, 11.76 inches, was required to qualify.

Three Americans were entered in each event.

American Wrestler Loses

The first American casualty of the day was heavyweight wrestler Bill Kerlslake of Cleveland, who lost a decision to Bertil Antonsson of Sweden, two points to one, and was eliminated.

Cy Young, Modesto, Calif., and Bill Miller, Phoenix, Ariz., also qualified in the javelin, putting all three Americans in the final.

Toivo Hyytiäinen of Finland, the favorite in the javelin, led all qualifiers with a toss of 233 feet, 7.68 inches.

Russia went into Tuesday's competition with a whopping 56-point lead in the team competition—128 to 72 for the U. S.—the result of having reaped a harvest of points in gymnastics.

U. S. Winners Cut Lead

However, the U. S. sliced that down as Bob Richards, Laverne, Calif., and Don Laz of Illinois finished one-two in the pole vault; Mal Whitfield won the 800-meter run, and Sam Iness, Tulare, Calif., Jim Dillon, Auburn, N. Y., and Fortune Gordien, San Francisco, finished one-three-four in the discus throw. Richards and Iness set new records for their events, while Whitfield equalled the record he set in 1948.

Retriever Club Slates Workouts At Lake Sunday

The Rogue Valley Retriever club will conduct a workout for Medford dogs Sunday, July 27, at 4 p.m. at Hoover lake, members of the organization announced today. Persons interested in entering their dogs in the event are invited to attend.

The Rogue Valley club has scheduled a joint trial with the Shasta Cascade Retriever club of Klamath Falls here Sunday, August 17. The joint meet is an annual event between the two clubs for rotating trophies. The trials are conducted under American Kennel club regulations.

The Klamath Falls club is expected to have a large entry in the joint trials. Members of the local club are now working will be dependent upon water and weather conditions and will be announced at a later date, club members said.

Yesterday's Scores

AMERICAN LEAGUE
New York 7-8, Cleveland 3-1
Boston 4, Chicago 2 (13 innings)
Detroit 1, Washington 0
Philadelphia 3, St. Louis 2

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Philadelphia 14-8, Pittsburgh 4-1
New York 3, St. Louis 2
Brooklyn 7, Cincinnati 6 (10 innings)
Boston 6, Chicago 4

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE
Portland 18, San Diego 3
Hollywood 11, Sacramento 4
Oakland 3-8, San Francisco 1-5
Los Angeles-Seattle, postponed, rain

WESTERN INTERNATIONAL
Salem 8, Yakima 6
Wenatchee 3, Tri-City 1
Spokane at Vancouver and Lewiston at Victoria, postponed, rain.

Coquille Has New Manager For Week-End Series Here

The Coquille Loggers, who will be here Saturday and Sunday for a two game Southwest Oregon league baseball series with the Medford Cheney Studs, will be sporting a new manager and new two players.

For the first time in many years, the Coquille nine will not be under the direction of Bill Fortier, who resigned last week and turned the helm over to Dave Douglas, fancy fielding first baseman.

Since its last league appearance, the Logger club has been strengthened by the addition of two players from the fast Canadian league. They are Don Hinchberger, outfielder, and John Bilbrey, pitcher.

Douglas will draw his starting pitchers for the two-game set from a list which includes Aldon

Wilkie, one-time Pittsburgh Pirate and Pacific Coast league hurler; Dick Gilson, Doug Weeks, Bob Allard, Skeeter Ellis and Bilbrey.

In his last league start, Wilkie set the Roseburg nine down with one run and five hits. He needed only 80 pitches to rack up the victory.

Rounding out the probable starting lineup are Roy Harrington, catcher; Douglas, first base; Lee Wert, second base; Ament, shortstop; Taylor, third base, and Joe Marchand, Hinchberger and Humble in the outfield.

Douglas, Wert and Humble are the team's leading hitters. Douglas is currently leading the league's first basemen in fielding with a flossy .996 average, compiled on 254 putouts and 12 assists and only one error.



CLOSE FINISH—Lindy Remigino (981), third from right, of Hartford, Conn., wins the 100-meter dash in the Olympic Games at Helsinki. Following close on the winner's heels is Herb McKenley (295), second from right, of Jamaica, who finished second. Britain's McDonald Bailey, second from left, was third. The race was so close that all three men were clocked at 10.4. The winner was determined by photo of finish.

Sport Parade



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Helsinki (U.P.)—The Tulare, Calif., Chamber of Commerce had better get on the ball, because it has an unknown celebrity on its hands today—and a chance to become the largest city in the United States.

The magnificent nonentity is a courteous young giant named Sim Iness. All he did Tuesday as the shadows settled over Helsinki was to break the Olympic discus record with seven straight throws and boost the mark to 180 feet 6½ inches.

Everybody in sports knows that Bob Mathias, the Olympic decathlon champion, hails from Tulare, Sim, in case you haven't heard, and you probably haven't, also is from that village of vitamins.

Two Lovable Monsters

But of even more import to the average father in the United States are the vital statistics on these two lovable monsters. Mathias is a well publicized lad of six feet, three inches and some 220 pounds. But get a load of this Iness lad. He's six feet, six inches and scales 245 dressed for the discus market.

Any spot which produces prize packages of this calibre for doting fathers who dream of junior's future athletic exploits is a double-dyed cinch to be inundated by dreaming daddies with their entire families in tow.

And it's a cinch that Sim's daddy is just about delirious Wednesday. For the big guy was better than sensational tossing the steel-rimmed platter.

Shattered Record

All he had to beat was Adolfo Consolini, the overstuffed Italian who held the Olympic record, burly Fortune Gordien from the world record holder from the United States, and just about every other great discus jockey in captivity.

Consolini's Olympic record was 172 feet, 1¾ inches. So Iness stepped out there before 50,000 fans and broke that mark on each of his seven throws. The best was 180 feet, 6½ inches—eight feet 4¾ inches better than the old mark and four feet, 1½ inches better than the second place Consolini could do.

Talking later, the 22-year-old Sim became Tulare's best real estate salesman since the days when the Spanish land grants were voided. For he disclosed that at 13, when he entered high school he was six feet, two inches tall and weighed 210 pounds. At 18 when he graduated from high school, he was six feet, six inches and weighed 230 pounds.

Piano Toter

So I can tell you right now that I'm taking my little bruiser, all nine months old of him, and heading for Tulare. Sim has

promised to carry our piano and I'm dealing with Mathias to tote our four trunks and six suitcases.

There's just one question I want the Tulare Chamber of Commerce to answer:

How do the fathers go about the difficult business of reprimanding sons like those? That could be a real problem.

Southern Oregon Junior Baseball

The Ashland Pee Wee baseball team ran wild over the Medford Pee Wees here Monday to chalk up a 23 to 2 win. The Ashland nine outthrew Medford by only a 7 to 1 margin, but took advantage of 10 Medford errors and numerous passed balls to run up the score.

SHORT SCORE:

Ashland 23 7 2
Medford 2 7 10
M. Fitch and Watrus, Albert, Anderson and Barr.

The first dark horse presidential candidate to be nominated and elected—was James K. Polk in 1844.

First Inning Single Ruins No-Hit Effort

By UNITED PRESS

It took only one pitch, the first one he threw, to ruin his no-hitter, but Virgil Trucks, the fire-ball guy of the Detroit Tigers, was happy Wednesday to settle for a one-hit, 1 to 0 victory over the Senators that almost matched his no-hit effort against them last May 15.

There were no dreams of matching the record of Allie Reynolds of the Yankees, only pitcher in American league history to hurl two no-hitters in a single season. Because Eddie Yost spoiled that with a leadoff single on Trucks' first pitch.

Faced 29 Batters

Thereafter, though, the right hander was magnificent, walking only three batters and retiring two of them on double plays. Only 29 men came to bat.

What was especially remarkable about Trucks' performance was that he had been out of action since July 11 with a recurrence of his old shoulder injury.

It was only his fourth victory against 11 defeats, but it also was significant that in addition to his no-hitter and one-hitter against Washington, he turned in a two-hitter against Philadelphia. Big Walt Dropo, hitting safely in his 11th straight game, drove in the winning run with a first inning single and collected two of the four hits off of Walt Masterson.

Yanks Win Pair

Trucks' tremendous showing overshadowed the onward march of the Yankees, who topped the Indians twice, 7 to 3 and

8 to 1, to move five games ahead of the Red Sox, who defeated the White Sox 4 to 2 on rookie Dick Gernert's two-run, 13th inning homer, as Mickey McDermott won his sixth game in a relief role.

Bitsy Bobby Shantz of the

Athletics scored his 17th victory against just three defeats 3 to 2 over the Browns on Joe Astroth's two-run tying homer and Billy Hitchcock's single which drove in the winning run in the ninth.

William Howard Taft polled 3,484,956 popular votes in 1912 and got eight electoral votes. In 1936, Alf M. Landon polled 16,679,583 popular votes and also got eight electoral votes.



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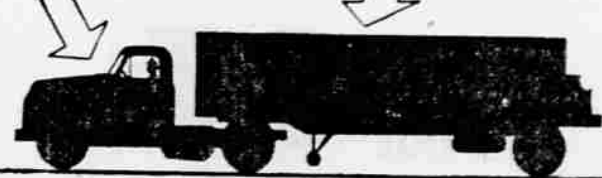
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