



RETAINS DECATHLON TITLE — Bob Mathias of the United States is shown above taking a mighty leap in the broadjump event of the decathlon, which he won for the second time in a row Saturday by piling up a new record number of points. Mathias, the United States decathlon champ, also won the Olympic crown as a teenager in 1948.

California Town Goes Wild As Mathias Wins Decathlon

Tulare, Calif. — (U.P.) — Jubilant Tulare residents held their wildest celebration since 1948 Saturday after the number one citizen, Bob Mathias, set a new world decathlon record at the Olympics.

Bedlam broke loose as the news of Mathias' triumph rippled through the community of 12,000 persons. Excited citizens rushed into the downtown section and began parading. Sirens wailed, whistles screamed and a huge fog horn was turned on full-force to notify farmers and nearby cities that the 21-year-old Stanford athlete had won the grueling test for the second straight time.

Bob's mother, Mrs. Lillian Mathias, who had been waiting in the Elks clubroom in a downtown hotel immediately burst into tears when informed by the United Press that her son had won the event.

"It's just wonderful... I knew he would do it," she cried. I felt he would come through even if he had to do it with one leg."

Mrs. Mathias was so overcome with emotion that relatives had to take her to a deserted office in the hotel as the celebration swung into high gear.

"He certainly did a good day's work," declared Bob's father, Dr. Charles Mathias. "It was wonderful."

It was the second celebration for Tulare residents this week. The first started Tuesday morning when another home town boy and high school classmate

Portland Women Lose In Olympics Swimming

Helsinki — (U.P.) — Two Portland, Ore., swimmers failed to qualify Saturday in semi-finals of the 200-meter breaststroke as the swimming part of the 1952 Olympics got underway.

Judy Cornell of Portland finished fifth in her heat of the event while Mrs. Della Sehorn, also of Portland, was sixth in another.

Mathias Wins Olympic Decathlon Championship With New Point Record

Helsinki — (U.P.) — Bob Mathias of Tulare, Calif., won the Olympic decathlon championship for the second straight time Saturday.

His left thigh was swathed in bandages because of a pinched muscle, but he battled his way through the 10-event grind over the two day period just as he did in the 1948 games at London.

He had piled up 7,599 points after the ninth event and then won his title in the final event—the 1,500 meter run.

His victory smashed the record for the most gold medals the U. S. has ever won in an Olympiad. This was the 13th, and heretofore the most the Yanks had won was 12. Mathias scored a world record of 7,887 points to win.

Milton Campbell of Plainfield, N. J., ranked second and Floyd Simmons of Los Angeles third.

For 10 hours Friday he battled through five events—the 100-meter dash, the broad jump, the shot put, the high jump and the 400-meter run. Again Saturday he and the 28 other hopefuls were herded from jumping pit to running track and back in the high hurdles, the discus, the pole vault, the javelin and finally the 1,500.

He did the 110-meter hurdles

in 14.7 seconds Saturday, the discus with 153 feet 10.20 inches, the pole vault in 13 feet 1.68 inches, the javelin with 194 feet 3.60 inches and then the 1,500 in 4 minutes 50.8 seconds.

Friday he was 10.9 seconds in the 100, 22 feet 10.8 inches in the broad jump, 50 feet 2.28 inches in the shot, six feet 1.92 inches in the high jump and 50.2 seconds in the 400.

Tommy Kono of Sacramento, Calif., who said "I'd promised my girl I'd win," smashed Russian domination of weight-lifting today when he set a new world's record in winning the light-weight division championship.

Kono set a world record of 257.73 pounds for the snatch exercise and set an Olympic record of 797½ pounds for the overall competition.

Campbell got second in the decathlon with 6,975 points. Simmons was third with 6,788 and Vladimir Volkov of Russia fourth with 6,674.

The biggest surprise Saturday however, came when Bob McMillen of Los Angeles pulled up a surprising second to Victor Joseph Barthel of Luxembourg in the 1,500 meters—the metric mile. Both were clocked in the new Olympic record time of 3 minutes 45.2 seconds.



Jackson County Gridders Slate Practice for 'B' All-Star Game

Four Jackson county high school youths will participate in the first annual Oregon Shrine East-West Class B football game to be held at Pendleton on August 30.

They are Junior Taylor, Jacksonville; and Leo Schmelzer, Keith Bayne and Max Hite, Phoenix. Jack Woodward, Phoenix coach, who was slated to be an assistant on the Western coaching staff, will be unable to participate.

Ticket sales for the first football meet of the B schools were high last Friday, according to the Pendleton Chamber of Commerce, with nearly all of the

5,000 grandstand seats gone. Some 10,000 bleacher seats will be available at the game, however.

A pageant is planned both before and after the game with the newest program addition being the army drill team from the 89th Squadron at the Portland air base.

Practice for the coming contest is scheduled to begin about two weeks before the game with the eastern squad working out at La Grande and western squad on the Pendleton Round-Up field.

Sailors Union Dispute Negotiations Continue
San Francisco — (U.P.) — Representatives of the AFL Sailor's Union of the Pacific and the Pacific Maritime Assn., were continued joint negotiations Saturday in an effort to halt the 60-day old West Coast shipping strike.

At the conclusion of Friday afternoon's five-hour session Federal Conciliator Omar Hoskins reported "very slight progress." Hoskins said special attention had been given the "scope of work" issue.

Los Angeles Rams Lose Valuables to Thieves
Redlands, Calif. — (U.P.) — Players on the Los Angeles Rams professional football team were robbed of several thousand dollars in rings, watches and cash when a thief raided their lockers at the University of Redlands football field.

Tex Schramm, Rams official, said the theft occurred while the gridders were in a practice session.

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The Solons, anchored to the league's cellar, took their second win of the series to trim Hollywood's already precarious lead over second-place Oakland.

Sacramento opened the scoring in the third inning when Richie Myers singled to left and scored on Bob Dillinger's double to right field.

Gino Restelli blasted a four-staffer over the left field wall in the sixth for the Solons' second tally.

In the seventh, Eddie Bockman and Jim McKeegan reached base on singles, advanced on a sacrifice by Pitcher Glen Elliott, and Bockman scored on a wild throw to third by Hollywood hurler Larry Shepard. McKeegan brought in the fourth run on Bob Dillinger's fly to center.

Eddie Malone saved the Stars from a shutout in the final frame when he connected for a home run and Hollywood's only score.

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Eel's Fatal Itinerary Causes Snarl of Traffic

Newbury, Mass. (U.P.) — The fatal itinerary of an 18-inch eel caused a 20-minute traffic snarl on the Newburyport Turnpike.

An unidentified fisherman pulled the eel from the Parker river and the backswing of his rod sent the squirming fish into a passing automobile.

The motorist stopped and gave the angler a 20-minute piece of his mind. Traffic was halted during the "lecture" and required police direction to be restored to normal.

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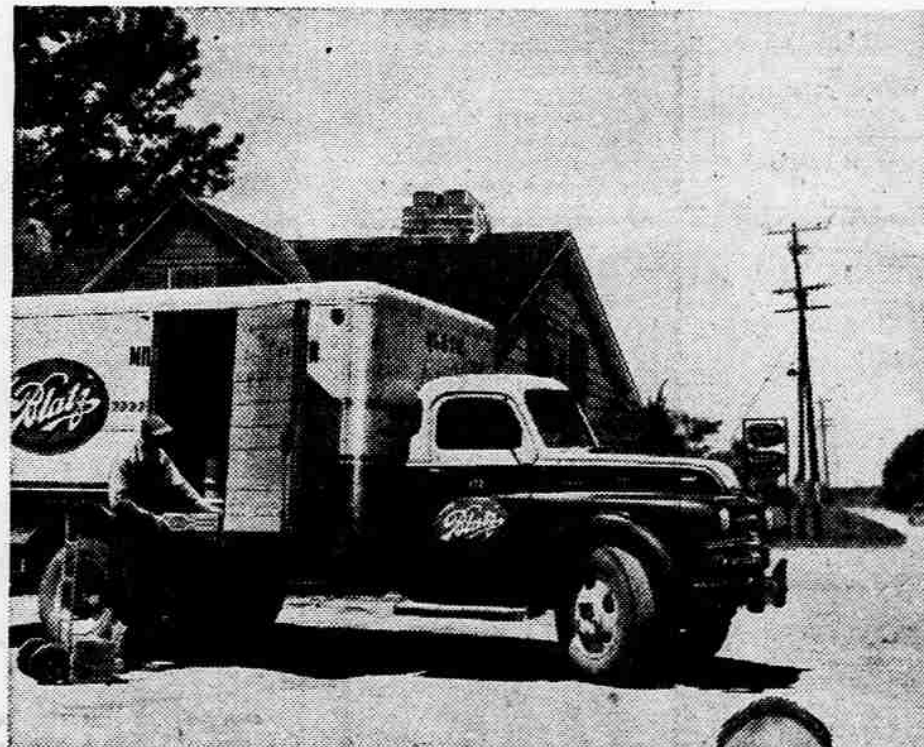
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