

U.S. Officials Dismissed In Latest Olympic Rhubarb

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Squaw Valley, Calif. — (UPI) — The 1960 Winter Olympic Games, which thus far have produced nothing but discord instead of the international goodwill and harmony they are supposed to promote, opened today.

Here in a scenic little valley of the Sierra Nevada, Vice President Richard Nixon was to declare the games officially open in a pageantry of pomp and ceremony equalled only in this quadrennial world athletic competition.

Some 800 athletes from the 30 nations competing were to march in their brilliant uniforms with their national flags held proudly aloft in what might be a snowstorm.

More Snow Predicted
Six inches of snow was forecast for this 20-million dollar resort built especially for these games. While that wouldn't hurt the ski runs it could hold down the crowd to less than the 25,000 expected.

It was hoped that when Nixon said "I now declare the VIII Olympiad officially open" that all the strife which has marked the preliminary preparations will subside.

But it didn't appear like it would work out that way. For on the eve of the opening, one of the biggest rhubarbs of them all broke out — and there have been a lot of big ones.

Five U.S. officials selected to serve as judges, referees and in other key capacities in the speed skating competition were dismissed by Sven Lafman of Sweden, vice president of the International Skating Union (ISU).

Another Black Mark
"We had to do it to bring order out of the mess here," Lafman told United Press International.

"The American officials have been doing their best, but they are inexperienced to handle a big meet like this," he explained. "Most of them have had no experience whatsoever in speed skating. To make the Olympic speed skating contests a success, it will be necessary to bring in men who know what it is all about and that will be done now."

He revealed that the U.S. officials were being replaced by one each from Norway, Sweden, Russia, France and Japan.

Lafman decided to take the drastic action — which was another black mark on the way these games are being conducted — after two days of final warmup tryouts in men's

speed events. The competition was poorly organized, about one third of the times of the competing skaters were corrected after being announced as official, and nothing seemed to go right.

Blames The "Machines"
Lafman declared, too, that the U.S. officials involved also depended "too much on machines."

So the U.S. officials were sacked. It looked like there would be recriminations. Some of the top officials of the U.S.

Olympic committee told UPI they were not surprised. But they have been taking such a beating that they were expected to start defending themselves. Just what grounds they could defend themselves on were not known.

The only thing known was that today at 1:30 p.m. (p.s.t.) the games were to be opened and on Friday actual competition starts. Maybe the 2,000 doves of peace which will be freed during the ceremony will mark an end to the bickering. But no one was betting on it.

MEDFORD TRIBUNE SPORTS



PRACTICE WITH TORCH — Andrea Mead Lawrence, right, one-time U.S. Olympic champion, hand Olympic torch for Ken Henry, Chicago, one-time skating titlist, in practice for today's opening of the Winter Games at Squaw Valley, Mrs. Lawrence was to speed down Papoose peak with the torch. She was to hand it to Henry. He was to circle the ice area then light the sacred torch that will burn for the duration of the games. (UPI Telephoto)

Crater High Slates Ashland, GP Frays

Central Point — It's two basketball games on the road this week for the Crater high Comets who are intent on improving their status in the Southern Oregon conference. The Comets go to Ashland on Friday and to Grants Pass on Saturday.

Crater is still in the race for a District 6 A-1 state tournament spot. The chance appears a very slim one but the Central Pointers still desire a respectable record for the year. Friday contention will have the Comets in a favored role

Steelhead Spread in Rogue River

Portland — (UPI) — The weekly report on fishing conditions prepared by the state game commission: Southwest: North Umpqua and main upper Umpqua fair to good; South Umpqua poor to fair; if weather clears angling on Coos and Coquille systems should be good. Winter run of steelhead in the Rogue and Illinois is spread throughout; water conditions have been ideal; a few fish being taken on the Applegate; south coast streams dropping.

Webfoots, Beavers Eye Week End Hoop Scuffles

United Press International
Oregon and Oregon State basketball teams, both hopeful of an at-large NCAA tournament berth tapered off drills today for upcoming week end battles with Washington and Southern California of the Big 5.

Oregon meets Washington at McArthur Court Friday night and plays host to Southern California Saturday night. Oregon State meets the Trojans at Corvallis Friday and Washington Saturday.

Oregon is leading the Northwest independents with a 14-7 record while Oregon State is 13-7. Unbeatable at Home
Oregon so far this year has been unbeatable on its home court winning nine straight. Oregon hasn't played USC but lost a 63-37 decision to Washington earlier in the season

but the game is rated a toss up at Grants Pass. Crater holds two wins this year over the Ashlanders. The Comets have won over GP twice at Central Point. They lost to the Cavemen at Grants Pass.

With Crater's best record since A-1 entry already established, the Comets are now looking toward next season. Coach Lloyd Hoffine is doing quite a bit of work with the sophomores and juniors on the squad. This could mean quite a bit more duty, to gain game experience, for Jim Allen, a junior, and Jeff Anhorn, a sophomore. Juniors Tom White, Dennis Edwards and Loyal Higginbotham have been seeing quite a lot of service.

Hoffine said that Allen and Anhorn likely won't be starters but he wants to work them into games as often as possible.

Grange News

Butte Falls Grange
An old-fashioned box social sponsored by Butte Falls Grange will be held at the Bill Thomas Community hall at Butte Falls Saturday, Feb. 20, at 8:30 p.m. Free entertainment is planned.

West Virginia was a part of Virginia until the beginning of the secession movement in 1861.

FIGHTS

WEDNESDAY BOUTS
By United Press International
Louisville, Ky. — Rudell Stith, 147½, Louisville, stopped Charlie (Tomstone) Smith, 146, Los Angeles (4).

Chicago — Henry Hank 162½, Detroit, stopped Sixto Rodriguez, 163½, San Anselmo, Calif. (6).

Buenos Aires, Argentina — Alex Mitter, 205½, Argentina, knocked out Jose Georgetti, 216½, Argentina (2).

College, Prep Mat Clubs Mix At Grants Pass

Grants Pass — A two-ply wrestling card is scheduled this evening at Memorial gym at Grants Pass.

University of Oregon will oppose Cal Poly in the main affair at 8 p.m. Medford and Grants Pass high teams will collide in matches beginning at 7 p.m.

So far as is known the college match is the first one to be held in southern Oregon involving schools of such size.

There will be a charge for admission since the guarantee to the college is substantial.

Crusaders, Cougars In B Court Finale

St. Mary's high of Medford and Prospect were first round winners last night in the Jackson County B school basketball playoff on the Eagle Point basketball court. Prospect edged Butte Falls 38 to 26 and the Crusaders rolled over Talent 55 to 38.

St. Mary's and Prospect vie in the title round around 8:30 o'clock tonight again at Eagle Point after a 7 o'clock preliminary fracas between Butte Falls and Talent. Purpose of the tourney is to determine who will play the Klamath-Lake county champ for the

District 5B crown.

If Prospect should win tonight, it must play St. Mary's again on Saturday. St. Mary's, as Jackson B league regular season winner, has this opportunity of "second chance."

Cougar Lee Williams tallied four points in the last two minutes of play to give Prospect the win. Quarter scores were 10 to 6 and 18 to 15 for the BF loggers and 28 to 24 for the Cougars.

LaVern Baker of Butte Falls led the scoring with 24 and Bob Fitch picked up 13 for the winners.

In the first period Baker tallied eight of the Loggers 10 points. Floyd Scaife put in three for the Cougars.

In second frame action Baker again led the scoring with six points, while Bob Fitch scored four for the Cougars.

Third stanza action saw Baker pick up four points for the Butte Falls team and Fitch tallied four more for Prospect.

Final chukker action saw Ray Abbott and Baker each get four for the Loggers and Williams sank four for the Cougars.

St. Mary's, in the second game of the night was headed only 11 to 10 at the end of the first quarter but had 33 to 20 and 41 to 27 gaps at the other intermissions.

Roger Hout scored the first basket of the game and the Crusaders led all the way. Don Bradford with four points topped the Bulldogs as they started the game right on the Crusaders' heels. But, the smooth working fast break put the Crusaders safely into the lead.

Bradford paced the Bulldogs in first half action with six points. Dick Evans and Al Yates spurred the Crusaders with eight points each.

Bob Jacobs led the Bulldogs in second half point making with five tallies, while Hout had eight for SM.

Yates picked up a 16 total and Hout 13 in leading the Crusaders to the win. Bradford dropped in nine for the losers.

LINEUPS

Prospect Butte Falls 36
F 6 C Gardner Ellis 2
F 6 C Chapman Baker 24
C 12 Williams Abbott 6
G 9 Scaife Remson 2
G 13 Fitch Elletson 3
Substitutions: For Prospect, T. Gardner 4; for Butte Falls, N. Ellis.

St. Mary's Talent 38
F 10 D Evans B. Jacobs 6
F 16 Yates Dickenson 9
C 12 Hout Bradford 6
C 8 B Evans M. Jacobs 7
G 7 Daley Seaver 6
Substitutions: For St. Mary's, Shasky 2, Knutson, Mete, Austin 3, Calhoun; for Talent, Gilme, Fisher, Seymour, Davis 6.

West Virginia, which led 48-44 at halftime, came closest in the late stages when the Mountaineers trailed 92-91, but time ran out. Jerry West scored 40 points for the Mountaineers, but his efforts fell short in the face of one 11-point second-half outburst by the Colonials.

Alaskan Movie Set For Central Point
Central Point — Eldon and Lela Hutchins will present their Alaskan travel and wildlife film, "The Land of the Midnight Sun," at the Crater high cafeteria here at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 24.

Central Point Sportsmen's club is sponsor. The program is 1 1/2 hours long. Covered by the film are the Alcan highway from Dawson Creek, B. C., to Fairbanks, Alaska, plus the old Klondike gold fields, the ghost town of Dawson City, some of the world's top trout fishing, Kenai peninsula, Portage glacier and McKinley park.

Klamath Saturday Black Tornado Foe

Games involving Medford high, Klamath Falls and Grants Pass will be the center of interest this week end in the Southern Oregon conference basketball campaign.

Klamath vies at Grants Pass on Friday evening and Medford travels to Klamath Falls on Saturday.

Medford, already certain of a trip to the Oregon Class A-1 prep tournament, aims to set off the conference banner.

Klamath Union, still in the league title running, seeks to clinch a tourney berth. Grants Pass, out of the titular chase, tries to keep its slim tournament hopes alive.

The Black Tornado of Medford needs only to beat the Pelicans of KF to take the Southern Oregon and District 6 flag. Klamath can cinch no less than a tie for a tourney place by trimming the Grants Pass Cavemen and would earn the berth by whipping both Grants Pass and Medford. A loss to KF on Friday would all but eliminate the Cavemen who have a fracas with Crater at GP on Saturday.

Just One Game
Medford has only the one game this week end. This fact enabled the Black Tornado to take the day off for rest.

Coach Frank Roelandt put his Tornadoes through light workout Tuesday and the squad had a fairly hard drill yesterday. Roelandt indicated that the Medford squad seems healthy and that Lowell Dean appears to have shaken off the flu which hampered him last week.

The Black Tornado goes against Klamath as the favorite after three victories over the Pelicans in other conference games this season. Two of the verdicts were by substantial margins but the last, on Medford's home floor, was a bit close for comfort.

This time the Pels will have the home advantage. Two KF regulars were out of action when the Pelicans last played here.

Retriever Club Picnic Trial Set for Sunday

The Rogue Valley Retriever club has set another picnic field trial for 8 a.m., Sunday, Feb. 21, at the Agate slough on this side of the Military bridge, a spokesman said.

The trial will consist of a puppy stake, derby stake, qualifying stake and open stake.

Judges for the event are: Jack N. Boettcher and Charles Stelle and Keith Francis, student, open stake; Harley Nelson, Everett McGraw and Betty Napolitano, student, qualifying stake; Frank Kuoni, Dr. Eugene Meyerding, and Bob Morris Jr., student, derby stake, and Earl Warren, Lola Nelson and Kay Nelson, student, puppy stake.

Trial chairmen are Dr. Lee Harlow and Walt Cavanaugh. An American Kennel club trial is tentatively scheduled in this area about the middle of March, a club spokesman said.

Andy's Downs Big Y Quintet

Andy's Jewelers pulled away for a 47-all tie last night to defeat Big Y Markets 60 to 52 in the final Southern Oregon Independent Basketball league game for each crew.

Big Y had a 28 to 22 half-time bulge and Don Reese put in 27 points for the Market quint.

For Andy's, Don Bowling and Dennis Conner scored 15 markers each and Fuzz McCay 14.

SENTENCE SUSPENDED

Los Angeles — (UPI) — Gene Big Daddy Lipscomb, Baltimore Colt all-pro football tackle, was given a suspended five-day jail sentence Wednesday after he promised to pay \$900 in back alimony to his former wife.

Tornadoes Head Poll

Medford High school took over first place this week in the Associated Press basketball rating poll.

The Black Tornado collected 172 points in the voting of sportswriters and sportscasters while Marshfield, nipped last week by Roseburg, picked up 166 for second spot. Marshfield has led every previous AP vote.

Klamath Falls rated third this week.

HEDRICK WINS
A combined Hedrick seventh and eighth grade basketball club defeated Ruch 33 to 22 yesterday. Hedrick headed 17 to 8 at the half. Jack Mullen had 12 points and Tim Watrud 11 for the Hornets and Don Woodrum seven for Ruch.

Prep Basketball WEDNESDAY GAMES

St. Mary's 55, Talent 38
Prospect 38, Butte Falls 36
Nestucca 72, Amity 39
Halfway 70, St. Francis 51
Richland 44, Huntington 41 (ot)
Hereford 31, Baker Frosh.
22 Adrian 59, Jordan Valley
41.

Southern Cal Denies Rumor

Los Angeles — (UPI) — University of Southern California officials Wednesday issued a formal statement of denial concerning a rumored replacement of head basketball coach Forrest Twogood. "No one officially connected with the administration of the university directly or indirectly has approached any man regarding any head coaching position at SC. No change in our coaching staff is contemplated."

West Islip, N.Y. — (UPI) — Howard A. Shiebler, 59, a public relations expert and former state and New York City school official, died Wednesday.

NO LIQUOR, NO TOBACCO
Wellman, Iowa — (UPI) — Edwin E. Neal, 103, Tuesday attributed his long life to no liquor and no tobacco. He said his main purpose now is to live another 100 years.

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Sanctioned Hound Trial On Sunday

Rogue Valley Field Trialers will sponsor their first trial of the season on Sunday, Feb. 21.

The sanctioned hound event on the Oregon Field Trial circuit will be held on the Old Stage rd. one mile north of Jacksonville. Heat races are set for 9 a.m. Semifinals will follow and finals are scheduled for afternoon.

From 100 to 150 entries are anticipated with hounds being brought also from other parts of the state. Owners will run their dogs seeking point toward state championship honors.

The trial is one of several planned for this area by the local club. Members said that the public is welcome to watch this trial and the others later. They stated that hound trials comprise the largest sport concerning dogs in the United States and are fast growing in popularity on the west coast.

Jacksonville American Legion post will operate the concession. The sponsors said neither they nor the landowners are responsible for loss at the trial site.

SALES MANAGER DIES

New York — (UPI) — Louis J. F. Moore, 75, retired vice president and sales manager of the Meeker Co., Inc., national radio and television advertising representatives, died Tuesday.

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