

Tom Owens Wins Bout Against Japanese Foe; Visitors Gain 24-7 Victory in Team Match

Tom Owens chalked up the lone Black Tornado triumph here last night when the quick and skillful Japanese national champion wrestler defeated Medford high 24 to 7.

Owens, who wrestled in the 136-pound class drew a roof shaking thunder of cheers when he pinned Shigekatsu Harakawa in the second round.

Medford's other points were from a disputed draw in the match of Medford's Tom Metz, 168, with Shiguru Endo.

An estimated 1,100 fans, probably the largest crowd to witness an amateur wrestling match here, were on hand at Hedrick gym for the eight-hour program.

The touring 1962 Japanese champs were victors in four bouts by decisions and in two by pins. This match was the 17th they had won in Oregon.

Shoulders to Mat

Owens, one of a few in the state who have beaten a Japanese team member and of fewer still who have scored a pin, put Harakawa's shoulders to the mat with 38 seconds left in the second round. First round had gone scoreless.

Metz and Endo were tied 4 to 4 at the end of their three rounds. Endo had three points for takedowns and one for an escape. Metz, on the other hand, had three points for escapes and one on a hand grasping penalty against Endo. It was the penalty which was disputed.

At 123 pounds Saburo Sakai got his decision on three points for takedowns and one for escaping. Medford's Mike Horton got his two points for escaping. In the 179-pound class Mitsuo Nakai scored his fall with eight seconds left in the third round after amassing a 14 to 0 margin with takedown, predicament, near fall and reversal points.

In deciding Medford's George McNair, 141, Tatehiko Shino gained his 10 to 0 margin on takedowns, near fall and escape tallies. Led by 10-3.

Yoshiharu Tobita pinned Medford's Dan Walker, 148, with 17 seconds left in the match after piling up a 10 to 3 gap on takedown, escape, near fall and predicament counters. Walker drew points on escapes and a penalty. Against Medford's Ray Lauritzen, 157, Akihiro Sato, picked up the bulk of his eight points on takedowns while Lauritzen had two escapes.

Satoshi Mabuchi tallied three predicaments, a takedown and a reversal in defeating Terry Wintrout, 178, Medford, 10 to 2. Wintrout had a pair of escapes.

The match reported was the first in about seven in which the Japanese had lost an individual bout.

The Tornadoes did as well against the visitors as any high school team in the state. Said Medford Coach Ralph Monroe of his team, "They did pretty well, I thought. All in all, they did a pretty good job."

Marty Ramp, Hedrick ninth grade mat coach, was the referee.

The card opened with two preliminary bouts between Medford grapplers. Rod Smith, decided Jim Marrs and Mike Orr drew with Rusty Smith. Assistant Coach Paul Evensen explained the action as the bouts progressed.

The Japanese did about a 15-minute warmup on the mat prior to going into action. Intricate calisthenics indicated that they were in top physical condition.

At the ceremonial introductions and handshaking of rivals, the Medford wrestlers each presented chenille "M" letters to their opponents.

Both the Japanese national anthem and the "Star Spangled Banner" were played. A Japanese flag hung on the stage.

Evensen explained before the bouts that wrestling is the national sport in Japan.

MATCH RESULTS:
123—Saburo Sakai, J. dec. Mike Horton, M. 4-2.
136—Mitsuo Nakai, J. pinned Larry Shummons, M. 1:22, 2nd.
141—Tom Owens, M. pinned Shigekatsu Harakawa, J. 1:22, 2nd.
148—Tatehiko Shino, J. dec. George McNair, M. 10-0.
157—Yoshiharu Tobita, J. pinned Dan Walker, M. 1:42, 3rd.
178—Akihiro Sato, J. dec. Ray Lauritzen, M. 8-0.
179—Tom Metz, M. drew with Shiguru Endo, J. 4-4.
186—Satoshi Mabuchi, J. dec. Terry Wintrout, M. 10-2.

Prep Basketball
United Press International
TUESDAY GAMES
Tillamook 78, Forest Grove 47.
Parkrose 74, Silverton 31.
Sandy 34, Weast 42.
North Salem 36, Albany 49.
Corvallis 43, Sweet Home 41.
South Salem 61, Lebanon 32.
Battler 42, Clatskanie 28.
Warrenton 51, Star of the Sea 30.
Seaside 72, Scio 49.
Reedport 24, Mapleton 46.
Newport 30, Waldport 43.
Toleno 84, Tuff 38.
Joseph 50, Estacada 22.
Lewell 86, Westfir 34.

SPORTS

Mantle Gets 2 Awards From Philadelphia Scribes

Philadelphia—UPI—Sluggo Mickey Mantle of the New York Yankees Monday night became the first person in the history of the Philadelphia Sports Writers association to be honored as the nation's "Most Courageous Athlete" and "Outstanding Athlete."

Mantle, honored for his outstanding play despite a long and courageous fight against bone disease and a series of crippling injuries and infections, told 1,000 cheering fans "I'm lucky to have played as many games as I have. I'm very fortunate."

He received the courageous athlete award from Ed Pollock of the Philadelphia Bulletin, who said Mantle conquered a "constant fear" of recurrent injuries which "could bench him, perhaps permanently" to "become one of baseball's all-time greats."

Also honored at the banquet were "Manager of the Year" Gene Mauch of the Philadelphia Phillies, Robin Roberts, named "Comeback Player of the Year" for the second time in his career for his pitching with the Baltimore Orioles, and Jack Sanford, a 24-7 winner for the San Francisco Giants, National league pennant winners.

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The \$75,000 would be placed in escrow to guarantee that Sonny would go through with his contracted return title bout with ex-champ Floyd Patterson at Miami Beach April 4.



CONTROLS BOARDS—Zelmo Beatty (14), St. Louis Hawk's center, controls the backboards as he and Syracuse's Dave Gamber (20) go up for a rebound in action during National Basketball association game at St. Louis, Mo. Hawk's Barney Cable (21) and Dolph Schayes (4) jockey for position in foreground.—UPI.

FANFARE

By DICK JEWETT
Mail Tribune Sports Editor

Eagle Point high, defending champion in Rogue league basketball, has golden opportunity this week when it goes over the mountain. The Eagles, now running second in the 1963 campaign are slated at Lakeview on Friday and at Henley on Saturday.

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Championship at Stake On Mat Card at Armory

The Pacific Coast junior heavyweight wrestling championship will be revived at the Medford armory Thursday night, Feb. 7, when Nick Kozak meets Wild Bill Savage in the main event.

The first match for the title was held at the old armory on Bartlett at several years ago when Pete Belcastro defeated Frankie Peck in the finals of a tournament for the then newly-created crown. It has been vacant for some time but approval to reinstate the division has been received from the National Wrestling Alliance.

Local wrestling fans have been clamoring for a Kozak-Savage match for some time and it was only after the championship was made available that Savage agreed to the bout. Each wrestler must weigh not more than 220 pounds by match time under terms of the contract.

Two other matches will complete the card, which will start at 8:15 p.m.

Brian London Awarded Bout

London—UPI—Referee Harry Gibbs was the toast of Britain's pubs today because of his durability.

He had weathered 10 rounds of a rule-stretching, roughhouse fight between temperamental heavyweights Brian London of England and Tom McNeely of Arlington, Mass., without throwing one or both out of the ring.

"Here's to Gibbs, his nibs, wot kin really tyke it," declared an admirer in a Fleet Street oasis who was well aware that the "disqualification" was almost as prevalent in British boxing as the upright stance.

At the end of the 10 rounds in London's Olympia, Gibbs unhesitatingly gave the decision to former British Empire champion London of Blackpool, Eng., because he had scored the lone knockdown in the fight and had given the wild-swinging American a boxing lesson.

In English rings there are no judges. The referee is the only scoring official.

RICHTER RETIRES
Los Angeles—UPI—Les Richter, who was worth an entire team to the Los Angeles Rams, retired officially as a player Tuesday and also announced he would not return as a defensive coach.

Confirmation that his playing days had finished with the close of the 1962 season after nine years with the Rams was no surprise, but everyone, especially head coach Harland Svare, figured Richter would remain as an assistant coach. He doubled in that job the final six games of last season.

Stockholders Ask To See Records of Turf Association

Portland—UPI—Two stockholders in the Portl 4 Turf association Tuesday filed suit in circuit court in an attempt to force racing promoter David K. Funk to show them the association's financial records.

Funk is president and a director of the association. He also is the promoter of plans for a \$2 million dog racing track near Wilsonville in Clackamas county.

The suit was filed by William J. Wineburg and B. J. Gilbert. They charged Funk has prevented them from seeing the records of the corporation.

Wineburg is the operator of Portland Meadows racetrack.

SUGAR FIGHTS AGAIN
Miami Beach—UPI—Six-time world champion Sugar Ray Robinson takes to the comeback trail again tonight against New Orleans' Ralph Dupas—16 years his junior, Robinson, 42, who never lost an amateur bout in 125 battles, and has rolled up 142 victories in 166 pro fights, says that if he wins this time, only Willie Groves stands between him and middleweight champion Dick Tiger.

Of course, the one particular game is water under the bridge now. But, had Medford won, it seems Klamath Al Keek's protest should have no basis.

One wonders whether the Pelican mentor may have had a psychological motive in his mind when he made the protest.

Bennet's cast may have come off this afternoon.

Pro Basketball
United Press International
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
SOUTHERN DIVISION
W L T Pts. GF GA
Portland 29 15 1 177 172
San Francisco 25 14 1 152 152
Los Angeles 24 13 1 149 146
Spokane 20 21 1 41 136-143

Northern Division
W L T Pts. GF GA
Seattle 22 21 1 43 153 181
Vancouver 20 18 3 43 137 134
Edmonton 18 34 1 33 150 234
Calgary 13 32 1 27 138 166

Tuesday's Results
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San Francisco 7, Edmonton 1.

HOCKEY

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EXTENSION PROPOSED
Albany, N.Y.—UPI—Governor Rockefeller today proposed to increase state revenue from harness tracks by \$9 million by extending the racing season and increasing to 10 the number of nightly races. In his budget message to the legislature, Rockefeller said he planned to submit bills which will permit harness racing from March 1 to Dec. 7, an estimated 24 additional racing days than now is permitted.

South Salem Now Favorite
United Press International
Snow in Northwest Oregon forced postponement of many high school basketball games Tuesday night.

In the games that were played, South Salem stamped itself as the favorite in the Valley league with a 61-52 victory over Lebanon and Corvallis kept pace by beating Sweet Home 65-41.

Parkrose smashed Silverton 74-31 in a Wilco league contest and Tillamook stayed in the thick of the TYV league race by dumping Forest Grove 58-47.

Basketball
United Press International
TUESDAY COLLEGE RESULTS
LAST
Lafayette 79, Bucknell 67.
Holy Cross 87, Dartmouth 70.
Villanova 49, Duquesne 43.
Seton Hall 71, Long Island U. 61.
Connecticut 90, Boston U. 76.

SOUTH
Duke 99, South Carolina 70.
Va. Tech 79, Gen. Washington 73.
MICHIGAN
Brake 79, Bradley 72.
Iowa St. 78, Missouri 66.

SOUTHWEST
Houston 87, Tex. Christian 71.
Oklahoma St. 81, Kansas St. 73.

WEST
Pasadena 78, Los Angeles 74 (no).
Loyola 60, Portland 50.
Whitman 70, Eastern Oregon 65.
Portland Frosh 70, Portland Stat. JV 48.

POMONA TOURNAMENT
Cal Poly (Pomona) 85, San Fernando Valley 74.
Whittier 77, San Diego U. 65.

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