



Pelican City Basketeers in Shape for Hard Competition

With the enthusiasm and willingness to work which has characterized the participation in all athletics, the Pelican City basketball team is swinging into its stride and gives promise of making it tough going for all independent hoop teams in southern Oregon.

Last October six teams were formed. They composed the Nat League and were formed of the Hooligans, Melly Hoggans, Hase Yampers, Dodsons, Linterisks, and the Tee Dues. The Hase Yampers won the honors. By the middle of December, a representative company team had been formed and intensive practice was under way. Four games were played before the holidays against Medoc Point, Reservation Tomahawks, Henley and Merrill High school. All were won by top-sided scores. Pelican making a total of 214 points against 59 for opponents.

Practice was suspended during the holidays from December 21st to January 9th, the hall being

He Couldn't Outwit Manager McGraw

By Henry L. Farrell
(NEA Sports Writer)

No baseball deal completed in years has attracted the interest and comment that the transfer of Rogers Hornsby from the New York Giants to the Boston Braves for Frank Horan and Jimmy Welch has developed.

For Hornsby, rated as a \$200,000 player by New York a few years ago, one of the greatest right-hand hitters of all times, the best second baseman in the league and third ranking player in the valuable player award, the Giants got a promising young catcher and a fair outfielder.

Officials of the Giants insist there was no cash involved and that the deal was arranged to avoid any future conflict in the management of the club.

In spite of the insistence of the Giants officials that the deal was made only for the best interests of the club, the public seems to be of the opinion that there was something much bigger behind it, and because of a recent gambling suit in which Hornsby was involved there are certain suspicions being spread about.

However, from the best sources, it is known that the Giants owners really traded Hornsby to restore some sort of morale on the Giant club and to prevent an open rebellion next year.

Hornsby's troubles with the Giants, it is known from several of the New York players, arose from the attitude Hornsby assumed when John McGraw became ill last season and was unable to accompany the club on a western trip. Hornsby, who previously had been nominated by McGraw in a public statement as the next manager of the club, was put in charge of the team.

Hornsby then, according to those players, tried to "out-McGraw McGraw" in his stern methods of management and the players didn't take to it kindly.

They stood for rough riding from McGraw because he was regarded as the "old man," and they had to take when he wanted to give or leave the club, and the New York club is considered a very good spot by the ball players.

The players refused to take it from Hornsby. They didn't like the way he bossed them even when McGraw appointed him captain, and they resented the manner in which he corrected their method of playing. And they rebelled against his autocratic attitude when he became assistant manager.

The feeling reached such a high point that there were four big fights in the club house in which Hornsby was one of

SLEEP PUNCHES LIVEN UP CARD AT LA GRANDE

LA GRANDE, Ore., Jan. 23. (AP)—Spark Plug Boyd of Seattle, won a close decision from Joe Blackwell of Innaba and Ray Hoffman of Seattle, knocked out Johnny Hayden of Pontello, in the fifth round in a double main event boxing card here Saturday night. Slim Harrington of Seattle, knocked out Brownie Huskirk of Pendleton, in the second round of the semi-final.

CATCH YOUTHS ON RUM PARTY

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 22. (A. P.)—Twelve boys and four girls, ranging in age from 17 to 20 years, were taken into custody recently when police raided an abandoned school in the downtown district here and found the 16 in the midst of what authorities termed a booze orgy. A gallon of wine was seized in the raid, and it was necessary to remove one of the girls to a hospital unconscious from liquor. The rest were released to their parents after questioning.

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JACK SHARKEY JACK DELANEY QUIBBLING ON WANTS TUNNEY J. RISKY BOUT AFTER HEENEY

Boston Sailor Inclined to Think He's Qualified for Gene Tunney

NEW YORK, Jan. 23. (AP)—Quibbling in the heavyweight ranks has broken out again with Jack Sharkey balking at an elimination struggle against Johnnie Risko.

According to matchmaker Jess McMahon, one of the Madison Square Garden heavies, Sharkey feels he is sufficiently qualified to box Gene Tunney in a championship bout without the necessity of further tests.

However, McMahon said Sharkey's showing in his recent draw battle with Tom Heenev was not impressive. McMahon plans to confer with Sharkey in Boston tonight with the intention of changing the Boston sailor man to the Risko bout now tentatively set for March 12.

The principals in the other half of the heavyweight elimination bracket have also tangled in a dispute. Jack Delaney's activities calling for a fight here a week have drawn protests from Heenev's handlers who intend to challenge the New York state athletic commission tomorrow to prevent the Bridgeporter from participating in any more bouts until after his match with Heenev.

K. C. H. S. WILL MEET QUINTET OF BEND HIGH

Announcement was made Sunday of a scheduled game Saturday, January 28, between Bend high school and Klamath county high school. The strong DeShutes county quintet will journey to Klamath for the clash.

Undismayed by their defeat Friday night at the hands of the Ashland high school, the "Red and White" team of Klamath Falls is bending forth every effort to round out their form in order to "get over the hump" in their next clash with their Rogue River rivals.

In France the other day the cycling champion was voted the most popular man in sport. Boxers are more popular in this country—but some of them are always on their bicycles, too.

FOXY PHANN

The man with the trick cigar-lighter is much like an ambitious fighter—always looking for matches



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Light-Heavyweight Declines to Meet Winner of Risko-Sharkey Bout

NEW LONDON, Conn., Jan. 23. (AP)—Jack Delaney, retired light heavyweight champion, will accept only a match with Gene Tunney if he defeats Tom Heenev, of Australia, on March 1.

Any proposal by Tex Rickard to match Delaney with the winner of the Jack Sharkey-Johnnie Risko bout, will be rejected.

Delaney would have nothing to gain by defeating either Sharkey or Risko, Jacobs said. Heenev fought a draw with Sharkey and holds a decision over Risko.

Thomas E. Donohue, president of the national boxing association and athletic commissioner of Connecticut, says that the national boxing association will endorse Delaney as the logical contender for the heavyweight title if he defeats Heenev.

SKIING GROUP ENJOYS SPORT

Precipitate hills, short but snappy slides and miles of snow covered forest land provide the nucleus of ski parties at Ashland Creek south of Port Klamath Creek Sunday.

Although soft snow rendered skiing somewhat difficult, the "shoots" down the steeper pitches were a thrill and—usually—a fall and a bump.

DRUNKEN AUTO DRIVER JAILED

Driving while drunk is responsible for G. F. Little being lodged in the city jail today. He was unable to pay a fine of \$100. Unless he pays the fine he will be an inmate of the jail for the next 60 days. He was arrested by city officers Sunday night.

The NUT CRACKER

by Joe Williams

Probably the most popular figure in American sport is the one that ends in four or five ciphers, as seen on checks.

The younger O'Goody was telling his old man about his part in the shift play and the veteran ditch prober wanted to know if it was a day or night turn.

Rickard has signed up Tommy Loughran. That leaves Dr. Alekhine as the only guy who hasn't a contract with Tex.

Offers No. 4436 and 4437 for a fight this year have been received by Mr. Tunney. The only guy who hasn't offered Gene a million to battle is One-Eye Connolly.

IN REPLY WOULD STATE

The tired business man came home after a long day at the office. The family gathered for dinner. The tired business man bowed his head to ask the blessing and all was quiet.

Hooks and Slides

Master of Money

Before the baseball boys get going south there will be some space available in the public prints for a little official information about the heavyweight box fighting situation, if there is any.

Tex Rickard, in his well known way, will discover some sort of a situation and he will attend efficiently to the process in form for public consumption.

Outside of the Sharkey, Heenev, Delaney and what have you angles, there is a real situation facing Rickard on Feb. 1, when, by the terms of the contract that Gene Tunney declares has no equity, Rickard must lay \$100,000 on the line to assure the champion for the second time that he is not fooling. His first act to prove his sincerity cost him another \$100,000.

You would think that a contract which would bring in \$200,000 months and months before the date set for the fighter or even before the other fighter or the place had been named would have been highly pleasing to the young financier holding the title.

But Tunney complains that the contract has him tied up so that he can't refuse to play ball with Rickard while, on the other hand, if Rickard wants to crawl out the contract permits him to do so and Tunney will have to pay back the advance dough.

Tunney Really Sore
Perhaps that contract lacks the equity that civil courts have been known to demand when two parties enter into an agreement. If this is so, it may turn out to be too bad that Gene didn't know it or realize it when he signed the contract.

This contract and the arguments over it have caused some pictures to be painted of Tunney and the boss from the big house on Eighth avenue making faces at each other.

Some of the boys claim this picture to be a phoney drawn for the purpose of that very necessary old hallyhoo.

But we have the best of reason for saying that Tunney is very serious in his differences with Rickard and if he can get out of that contract he will do it. He doesn't come naturally into the hallyhoo stuff as Kearns and Dempsey did.

Rickard has made a date to play some golf with Tunney in Florida and it's a cinch that they won't spend their time on the course framing up a story to tell the newspaper boys. Rickard knows that Tunney is ready to talk turkey on Feb. 1 and he wants to have at least a preliminary conversation before they start firing.

Gene's Idea Rules
It is rather significant that Rickard had to alter plans he had made to provide space on the summer calendar for two big shots. He has insisted for years that one year was big enough for only one shot and no fighter ever forced him to change his plans before.

It would seem apparent then that Tunney can't be handled like the other fighters and that he has very set ways and his own ideas as to how his personal business is to be conducted.

When Tunney announced that he would have two fights this summer, even if it became necessary to hire out with another promoter, Rickard gave him the laugh and said he was just talking for the papers.

Tunney said he was talking for Tunney and that no heavyweight championship fight could be held without the champion. In some way Rickard learned that he was dealing with a serious young man who had been talking to some

high-priced and very competent lawyers and he at least had to get his plans ready to be changed.

Something will be announced soon from Florida and unless we miss our guess the announcement will indicate that Tunney has not backed down much.

TRIS SPEAKER MUST CUT DOWN OWN PAY CHECK

TAMPA, Fla., Jan. 23. (AP)—Clark Griffith, president of the Washington American League Club, said today that Tris Speaker must voluntarily reduce his own salary within the next week or give up his center field berth with the Senators.

At The Orpheus

The management of the Orpheus theatre announced today that it has been able to secure the first local presentation of "Oh, Baby!" heralded as one of the outstanding comedy achievements of the year. This Universal-Jewel production will have its premier at the Orpheus beginning Sunday. It will continue there as the feature attraction for three days.

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