

Indian Grappler Scalps Belcastro

DELICAN BILL

By Bill Cummings

BORN 30 DAYS TOO SOON

If Melvin Ramos, rated last year as best defensive player on the Pelican squad, had been born 30 days later—in September instead of August—Snowy Gustafson would be a happier football coach.

When next August rolls around Ramos will become 19 years old, just one year too old to play football under the revised rules for Oregon. But if his birthday were in September, after school opens, he would be eligible for the entire season. The rule doesn't affect those who reach the 19-year mark after the season gets underway.

Nevertheless Ramos, who plans to become a manager later in the year, will be allowed to play in at least three games next fall—against Chico, Eureka and Everett, Washington. School starts in August in California, rendering the Klamath half-back eligible for games with California schools, and in the state of Washington the age limit is 20.

STRONG AT ENDS

Among the standouts for next fall's Pelican eleven will be Harold Weber and Marion Reginato, at the end positions. Weber was rated all-conference last year and Reginato received all-conference honorable mention.

In the backfield Bob Anacker, fanciest ball carrier on last year's squad, will probably be replaced by Jack Shultz. Wildcat left half who is rated tops by Wildcat Coach Frank Nihil. Rollo Cheyne, however, will give him a close run for the left half post on the Pelican first eleven.

At the other half position Jack Mitchell and Don Schortgen are promising. Mitchell was Nihil's outstanding blocking back in 1939.

MR. X FROM OGDEN

Snowy may have a first string transfer in Al Skeen, 180-pounder from Central high at Ogden, Utah, who says he held down a tackle position on the undefeated Central high team last year. At that weight, he'll have to be tough.

Another transfer who may bear watching is Mauford Lovelett, 160-pounder from Milwaukee, who played guard on the Milwaukee team.

The transfer route, incidentally, claimed Hopkins, promising halfback, who will join the Black Tornado at Medford next year. Eugene Love, end, may move to Bend and the Lava Bear hangout before school starts next fall.

New York Refuses To Recognize Chi Boxer's Challenge

By JACK CUDDY

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NEW YORK, March 13 (UP)—The New York boxing commission formally refused today to recognize Davey Day of Chicago as the No. 1 lightweight challenger for Lou Ambers' crown.

This action, an indirect slap at the National Boxing association, left the door open for a title tilt between Ambers and Lew Jenkins of Texas on May 10.

The National association recognizes Day as No. 1 challenger and insists that Ambers sign before March 22 for a title defense against Day or vacate the throne.

BOXING

By The Associated Press
NEW YORK—Nathan Mann, 191, New Haven, Conn., outpointed Gunnar Barlund, 199½, Finland, (10).

LOS ANGELES—Bob Nestell, 191, Los Angeles, knocked out Blimp Williams, 319, Los Angeles, (6).

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GLADYS NOLAN TROUNCED BY CLARA; DUDE CHICK WINS

In the main event of a four match card at the Klamath armory last night Chief Little Wolf, amiable 228-pound Indian wrestler, polished off Pete Belcastro, the Klamath assassin, two out of three falls before a capacity crowd and demonstrated to the spectators why he is rated as one of the 10 best wrestlers in the country.

The long-haired redskin ace stood toe to toe with Belcastro and absorbed every unorthodox type of punishment Pete could think of and still came back with a whoop to make the Italian pay for his shady tactics. Even at that Belcastro refused to concede the match to the chief after the third and deciding fall, claiming that his shoulders were not pinned for the required three seconds.

Chief Little Wolf, a stocky man with mammoth shoulders and a powerful physique, caught the eye of the majority of the huge audience that packed the local sports arena to the rafters from the time he entered the ring. Meanwhile Belcastro sulked in his corner and wouldn't even acknowledge the challenges of Cowboy Dude Chick and King Kong Clayton when the latter two asked to meet the winner of last night's duel in a match next week.

Although outweighed more than 35 pounds by the Indian, Belcastro held his own with Little Wolf with plenty of hair-pulling and slugging. The chief took not a backward step and seemingly dared Pete to swing for all he was worth. Several times Belcastro attempted to throw the giant Indian to the canvas, but the much stronger Little Wolf stood stock still and couldn't be budged until his villainous opponent resorted to foul means.

Drop-kicks Win First Fall
The Klamath assassin was taking a beating in a corner until a couple of drop kicks floored the redskin and Belcastro fell on his prostrate victim for the first fall after nine minutes and four seconds of the savage melee.

The famous Indian grappler became infuriated with Pete's style of action after Referee Earl Yoakley called the boys together to resume the battle and soon had the Klamath lad groggy. But it was only a ruse, for Belcastro unfolded a series of dropkicks that had the Indian a little wobbly. In the ensuing mixup, however, Little Wolf snapped on his most lethal weapon, the Indian death lock, and the Italian boy was through. The two wrestlers then stood all even with one fall apiece. Time of the fall was 17 minutes and 16 seconds.

Belcastro Throws Indian
Belcastro almost got his favorite hold, the surfbord, as the two rivals squared off for the final fall, but Little Wolf's superior strength enabled him to wiggle out of Pete's grasp. Once the Klamath assassin literally shoved his Indian opponent out of the ring onto the floor, but the sturdy chief climbed back at the count of fifteen.

Little Wolf must have decided that enough was enough because he let out a war whoop

Madigan Asserts 'Personal Feud' Caused Release

SAN FRANCISCO, March 13 (UP)—The St. Mary's board of athletic control said tonight it was forced to discharge Slip Madigan as head football coach because Madigan turned down suggestions a week ago that he resign voluntarily or take a leave of absence.

In a second announcement rebooking Madigan for his "attitude," the board denied Madigan's assertion he was discharged because of a "personal feud" with Andrew Burke, member of the board. The board last night decided not to renew Madigan's contract when it expires March 31, 1941.

"The board... had hoped it would not be necessary to discuss the reasons that prompted the decision not to renew Mr. Madigan's contract and to relieve him of future duties under it," said J. Philip Murphy, board chairman.

"But in view of the published statements of Mr. Madigan, the board, the board's decision to amplify its first statements... It is a matter of regret that Mr. Madigan's attitude has made necessary this added statement."

"The board's action is not the result of any feud between Madigan and any member of the board. The board's decision was made more than a week ago and Madigan was immediately informed of it."

It was then suggested to Madigan in a letter under date of March 6, 1940, signed by Brother Albert, president of the college and vice president of the board of trustees, that he ask for leave of absence or for a temporary cessation of duties, with the assurance of the chairman of the board and of the

and started out after his unlucky enemy. More than once the Chief would take that peculiar little run around the ring with his rival in a head lock, then jump high in the air and throw his victim over on his back. It wasn't very pleasant and Pete didn't relish a bit of the Indian's fun.

Belcastro did get in a couple of dropkicks but his last one backfired and Little Wolf won with a body press by smothering Pete with his massive shoulders. The Italian put up a vigorous protest to Referee Ypakley that he was not down, but the arbiter had ruled and the match was over.

Clara Challenged
Prior to the main event Chief Little Wolf announced to the audience that a woman wrestling protegee of his, Juanita Barnett of Oklahoma, better known as "Little Pocahontas", was issuing a challenge to Clara Mortenson, world's champion feminine grappler, for a shot at the crown or any other match. In one previous meeting Barnett defeated Champion Clara and since then Mortenson has refused to clash with the able Oklahoma gal.

In Tuesday night's special bout Gladys Nolan of Kansas City and Clara Mortenson put up a bearcat of a battle with the latter finally winning out to regain some of the prestige she lost two weeks ago when Nolan trounced her here at the Klamath armory. It was all over

in 24 minutes and 50 seconds of the 45-minute time limit tussle as Clara annexed the second and third falls after dropping the first to Gladys on a foul.

Pilusoo, Chick Draw
Ernie Pilusoo of Portland and Bobby Chick of Wyoming fought to a draw in Tuesday's opener. Chick gained the first advantage with a body press in 2:09 of the fourth round while the husky Portlander evened the count with a body press of his own midway in the sixth and final round. Pilusoo left the ring with a neck injury he suffered in clamping on the hold that gave him a draw.

Second bout of the evening lasted exactly one minute and forty seconds. Cowboy Dude Chick of Wyoming and Bob Montgomery of Georgia, the contestants, were at it before the opening gong when the latter decided he was wasting time and attacked the Dude from the rear as he was limbering up in his corner. Three times Montgomery evicted Chick from the ring with dropkicks and slugging.

When the Cowboy did get back within the roped arena he promptly smothered the Southerner by lifting him to his shoulders and clinched the match with his famous airplane spin. Montgomery was unable to answer the bell for the second fall and Chick was awarded the match without further ado.

During the first 11 months of 1939, domestic airlines of the United States carried 1,556,280 revenue passengers.

KUHS Gridders Turn Out

SQUAD OF 51 GIVEN SUITS FOR OPENING SPRING DRILL

Promising weather brought droves of prospective Pelican football players onto Modoc field Wednesday afternoon for the first day of spring practice under Head Coach Snowy Gustafson.

Minus the help of 24 members of last year's squad, lost through graduation, transfer or age ineligibility, Gustafson had only eight returning lettermen on hand, but his squad was bolstered by men from last year's successful Wildcat aggregation. Suits were checked out to 51 for the opening day and a half dozen more were expected to enlist before the end of the week.

Some of the candidates will probably be weeded out before many days, reducing the squad to about 45 men to carry through the spring practice period. Two inter-squad games, open to the public, are scheduled before suits are shelved again until next fall.

Greatest loss to the squad will be a quartet of ball-packers who saw regular action through most of last season. They are Rush and Ramos, fullbacks; Anacker, half; and Salsbery, quarterback.

Melvin Ramos, rated the outstanding defensive player last year, will be ineligible for games against other Oregon high schools because of the 19-year age limit, but can play in out-of-state games.

Those lost through graduation, age, or transfer are: centers—Coffman, Crawford, Currier; guards—Slaymaker, Crane, Wilson; tackles—Mayfield, Heitman, Samson, Barnett, Biwer; ends—Huff, Brubaker, Selby, Bocchi; quarterbacks—Salsbery, Fuller; halfbacks—Anacker, Lowe, Hopkins; fullbacks—Rush, Ramos, Haron, Jarrett.

Last year's returning lettermen expected to form the nucleus of the squad, are: Harold Weber, end; Don Rose, guard; Bill Edmunston, tackle; Bob Miller, quarterback; Don Schortgen, half; Bill Christianson, half; Eugene Love, end; Marion Reginato, end.

Drawn from last year's Wildcat squad are the following: Charles McCandless, half; Bob Snyder, full; Jack Schultz, half; Joe Schmoll, center; Bill Kling, tackle; Phil Anderson, tackle; Mayfield, end; Jack Becher, center; Roy Bergloff, tackle; Ray Shulmire, guard; Rollo Cheyne, half; Sam Redkey, quarter; Roy Benedict, tackle; Jack Mitchell, half; Jack Rich, guard; Bert Dennis, end; Vernon Tutor, guard; David Gifford, end; Louie Dalla Costa, guard; Anthony Crapo, half; Bill Conrady, tackle; Harvey McInng, half; Duane Baker, half; Johnny Sweek, half; Eugene Perkins, half; Bill Sweet, center; Jack Myers, end; Glenn Kennedy, half; Alvin Anderson, half; Bob Erlandson, end.

Freshmen joining the lineup are: Jim Snyder, tackle; Bud Armstrong, tackle; Don Phelps,

Klamath Well Liked By Tourney Gallery

SALEM, March 13 (AP)—Salem and Klamath Falls were gallery favorites as the 21st annual Oregon high school basketball tournament opened today at Willamette university but the place was full of dark horses.

Helix and Monroe, two B teams, dribbled into action at 1 p. m., starting championship play. They were followed by Butte Falls and Westport.

Other afternoon games were Klamath Falls vs. Baker, North Bend vs. Salem, Pendleton vs. Tillamook.

The program tonight pits Ashland against Chemawa Indians, Lebanon against Eugene's University High, and Oregon City against Astoria.

The Railbirds liked Klamath Falls because the Pelicans have seven holdovers from the 1939 tournament team supplemented by the giant Virgil Jarrett, scoring virtuoso of southern Oregon. The southern Oregon team has the best won-and-lost record for the year. They leaned also toward Salem because the Vikings are traditionally a good tournament outfit and because they got better steadily this season and were very good in the closing weeks.

Transfers are: Mauford Lovelett, Milwaukee, guard, and Al Skeen, Central high, Ogden, Utah, tackle. Lou Mueller, a manager last year, turned out this year.

Although the squad compares in weight and experience favorably with spring turnouts in past years, Coach Gustafson had no comment to make on the prospects. He deferred any statement until after a few weeks' drill.

But there were vociferous partisans galore for Astoria, a team that looked like a cinch 30 days ago but has stumbled badly since, Pendleton and Baker, one-two in the Blue Mountain league, Ashland, a tough company from the south with a reputation for winning important games, Tillamook, the no-name league champion that beat both Salem and Astoria.

The tournament will last until Saturday night. Salem is the defending champion.

Idaho, Montana May Be Restored To Coast Loop

PULLMAN, Wash., March 13 (UP)—Earl Foster, graduate manager of Washington State college, said today the Universities of Idaho and Montana will be restored as members of the Pacific Coast football conference in 1942, if tentative schedules drawn by the conference committee are adopted.

Foster said plans under consideration would allow both Idaho and Montana a minimum of six conference games each year.

The final decision will be reached at a meeting at Sun Valley, Idaho in June. Foster said.

Skier Averages 51 m.p.h. Speed

TIMBERLINE LODGE, Ore., March 13 (UP)—The first gold ski for the championship of the Magic Mile ski course on Mount Hood today was awarded to Wolfe Tone of the Timberline Ski club. Jim Nutter, test chairman, said Tone made the run in one minute, 9.6 seconds—an average speed of 51.8 miles an hour.

ENGEN BACKED TO WIN FOUR WAY SKI MEET

SEATTLE, March 12 (UP)—Ski-ace Alf Engen of Sun Valley tonight moved into the favorite spot of the national four-way championships opening at Mount Baker tomorrow.

Currently national jumping champion and a former cross-country titlist, Engen was conceded two legs on the title with withdrawal of Dick Durrance, also of Sun Valley, who had been given the edge.

Durrance pulled out today because of motion picture commitments. He held first place in the draw. The former Dartmouth star would have carried the banner in the downhill and slalom events, and was a tough obstacle in the cross country.

Twenty-seven entries were in, with the downhill the first event on the four-day card, beginning on Baker. The Slalom was to follow the downhill, then switching to Snoqualmie pass for the cross-country, a grueling 12 mile, up-and-down hill marathon, and then to the Olympic Ski bowl at Snoqualmie for the climaxing jumps.

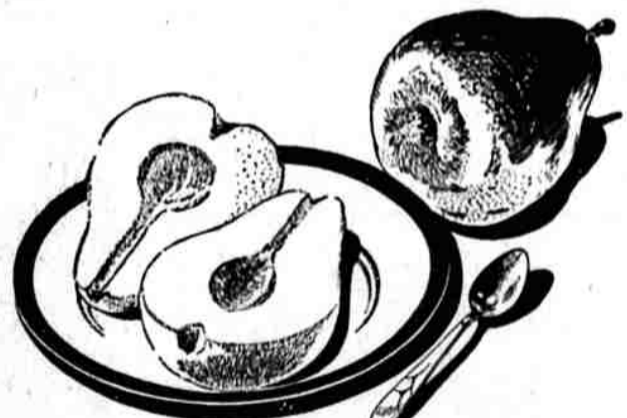
A new world's record for competitive jumping in prospect, with the North American continent's top jumpers entered, and the huge new hill reported in excellent condition.

The hill, designed especially for big jumps, was built to produce leaps of 270 feet, compared to the American competitive record of 237 feet, set by Bob Roeker of Nevada.

WRESTLING

By The Associated Press
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