Kenesaw M. Landis Dies

Succumbs After Long Illness

Death of 78-Year-Old Czar In Chicago Hospital Ends Outstanding Sports Career

CHICAGO, Nov. 25 (A)—
Kenesaw Mountain Landis, 78, commissioner of organized baseball since 1921, died at St. Luke's hospital at 5:35 a. m. C.W.T. today.

Landis' death at St. Luke's hospital followed an illness of about seven weeks. He entered the hospital on October 2, suffering from a severe cold and went to the hospital for a rest and physical checkup.

Last night his physician reported his condition as "low" but there was no indication later during the night and early morning hours that death was imminent.

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The immediate cause of his death was coronary thrombosis, said Dr. Joseph Capps, attending physician.

The death of the white-haired, colorful baseball chief ended the career of one of the country's outstanding sports leaders.

His hospitalization prevented him for the first time in his almost 24 years as commissioner from attending a world series, his physician advising that he not go to St. Louis for the annual fall classic.

His death came just one week.

kenesaw Mountain Landis, commissioner of organized baseball committee had recommended that at the expiration of his current term on January 12, 1946, he be re-elected for a seven-year term. He observed his 78th birthday last Monday. Mrs. Landis, who also had been confined to the hospital, having recently suffered a fractured wrist, and Leslie M. O'Connor, his secretary, were at his bedside when the end came. O'Connor announced that in compliance with Landis' wishes, no funeral services will be held. During his tenure as commissioner of basepall, he ruled the national sport with an iron hand, calling into play his years of experience as a jurist, including a term that gained him national prominence on the federal court bench. Into his rulings went years of intimate relationships with baseball, as an ardent fan, as an intimate of players, managers and club owners, and in the spacious with the league for more than 35 years, when advised of Landis' deat



Battle Royal Pulls Record Crowd to Armory Friday

Before a record-breaking crowd at the armory last night the long-awaited battle royal or who's got the button was staged with great success.

Six of the most rugged torso-twisters on the northwest circuit went at it in no uncertain terms with Pete Beleastro, the Weed Assassin, and Rowdy O'Dowdy, the Oklahoma bad man, emerging victorious.

The victous "Grey Mask" and Earl Malone were the first two grapplers to be eliminated, followed by Bulldog Jackson and Pacific Coast Champ Jack Kiser.

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In the subsequent bouts between the cranium crunchers the hooded hoodlum disposed of Malone in short order in the opener by employing some sav-

Leatherneck Grid Squad **Ends Season With Banquet**

A football banquet was held for 46 members of the Leatherneck football squad at the Marine Barracks Friday night to officially close the marine grid season.

A football banquet was held formed. He further stated that members of the football squad had aided the entire personnel of the installation by their efforts.

grid season.

Major Clyde C. Roberts, marine grid mentor, conducted the ceremonies which included the presentation of three awards donated by Vance Vaupel of the marine company and the selection of an honorary captain. By mutual consent officers were not included in these selections.

K. A. Moore, new president K. A. Moore, new president of the local Quarterback club, next paid tribute to the gallant spirit of the Leatherneck team and Vance Vaupel, donfor of the awards, expressed his admiration of the progress of the boys from the barracks throughout the current season.

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PFC Robert Dravin, speedy end, received the most improved player award while Sgt. Harry Golden, center, was voted the best defensive gridder. PFC Vince LaPaglia, driving fullback, was given the award for the finest team spirit slong with willingness, cooperation and doing the most for the team. The honorary captain choice was Sgt. Charles Taylor, stellar tackle for the Leatherneck sleven.

Lt. Col. George O. Very description of the barracks throughout the current season.

Major Roberts wound up the session by saying that he had enjoyed coaching the boys and was proud of the fine way in which they responded after a slow start. Roberts finished by wishing the Leathernecks well next season and expressing high hopes for the year.

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Lt. Col. George O. Van Orden, commanding officer of the Barracks, was called upon by Major Roberts and stated hat he was proud of the marine am and the way it had per-

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UO Cagers Knock Over Marine Five

Hamilton Paces Webfoots To 51-36 Win Friday Night Summary: Accounting For 17 Markers Marines (36)

In a fast moving hoop battle Friday night on the Pelican court the Leatherneck cagers were nudged 31-36 by the speedy Oregon Webfoots. Coach Les Israel's boys displayed a very creditable game of basketbal, however, and were in there fighting all the way.

The Leathernecks jumped into an early lead with buckets by Mills and Burkland and held an 18-17 advantage at the end of the first half.

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In the final frame, Hamilton, star guard for the Webfoots and the outstanding player on the floor started hitting the basket consistently after having gone scoreless in the initial stanza, and rolled up 17 markers to clinch the bucket brigade for the Oregon quintet and grab high scoring honors for the evening.

Hamilton was deadly in the precision in which he tossed the onion and netted seven field goals and three charity tosses. Coach Israel substituted several times in an effort to stop the rampage of the Oregon dead-eye, but to no avail.

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Burkland and Cox also turned

marine hoopsters and tonight's fracas may well be a different story.

This will be the final tilt of the two game series and will be played at the barracks. Due to the lack of seating capacity in the post gymnasium only marines and their guests will be admitted. Increased seating facilities are being planned for the future, however, and an arrangement may be made whereby townspeople will be allowed to witness the games played at the barracks. racks

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