

Relays Won By Medford

Pelicans Second At Eugene

EUGENE, April 17 (AP)—Medford wore its automatic title today—the Maynard relays crown.

The Peapickers won it for the seventh time in the 11 years of the event as they captured three first places and tied one record yesterday. Medford scored 64 points, trailed by Klamath Falls with 34; Corvallis, 28; Benson (Portland), 23; and Franklin (Portland), 22. Twenty-one schools competed in the class A field.

The relays ended today with 18 class B and 14 class C schools competing for titles in their respective divisions.

Three new records were established yesterday.

Benson of Portland clocked 15.9 seconds off the two-mile relay mark. The quartet of Chuck Bell, Bob Clement, Jim Newcomb and Loyd Jepson went the route in 8:18.9 minutes. The old mark of 8:34.8 was set by Jefferson of Portland last year.

The Corvallis broad-jump trio of Jerry McCafferty, Ralph Paul and Sam Baker set a new mark of 61 feet 1 inch, better than the 1946 record of 67 feet 7 1/2 inches made by Klamath Falls.

Grant of Portland bettered its own year-old shot-put relay mark. The new one is 135 feet 4 1/2 inches, the old, 131 feet 10 inches. Pat and Dale Duff and Jerry Shaw did the Grant tossing.

Medford's shuttle relay team of Jack Morris, Jerry Lausman and Bob Pitta tied the record of 38.8 seconds set by Jefferson of Portland in 1945 and Hillsboro in 1946.

Medford's team placed first in the 880-yard relay, shuttle relay and mile relay; tied for second in the 440-yard relay with Corvallis, placed second in the discus, two-mile relay and shot put relay, third in the javelin and fifth in the broad jump.

Rains Throw Coast Slate Into Muddle

By The Associated Press

Comedians could make a routine today out of the business of who's on top in the Pacific Coast league.

The San Francisco Seals are sitting there on the basis of four percentage points. But the Los Angeles Angels, behind in points, are technically a half game ahead because they've won three more games than San Francisco. The Angels have also lost two more than the Seals.

Thus the rest of the league must figure games behind from the Los Angeles level, although the percentages really tell the story.

If that isn't confusing enough, there's San Diego perched only a half game behind the Angels, but really no games behind San Francisco.

Oakland's percentage also is over that of the Seals, although the Oaks have won one more game than San Francisco.

BLAMED ON RAIN

The whole muddle can be blamed on rain, the moisture having knocked out a flock of San Francisco games, including one with San Diego last night. They had to give up in the last of the first inning. Rain also cancelled out a Hollywood at Portland doubleheader.

In the only action last night Oakland beat Seattle twice, 6-0 and 3-2, and Los Angeles trounced Sacramento for the fourth straight time, 6-5.

Oakland's lefthander, Earl Jones, pitched four-hit ball in the first game to shut out the Rainiers. Lloyd Christopher's bases-loaded homer in the fourth inning topped the Oaks' 11-hit attack.

SHOOK LINEUP CAPS

Oakland won the seven-inning second game when Will Hefey pinch singled in the last inning after Eddie Fernandez doubled and Vic Buccola, running for him, had moved up on an infield out. Manager Jo Jo White unsuccessfully shook up the Rainier lineup in the nightcap.

Angels relief pitcher Lee Anthony struck out five Solons in the last three innings to win the ball game. Ed Sauer's double scoring Dom Dallessandro having produced the winning run in the seventh inning. Joe Marty drove in all the Sacramento runs with two homers and a single.

Gems Face Two Practice Tilts Over Week-End

LODI, Calif., April 17—Two more exhibition games are on the agenda of the Klamath Gems this week-end against Reno at Woodland tonight and against the Stockton Ports at Lodi Sunday afternoon. The Ports, captained by Vince DiMaggio, are the champs of the class B California State league.

Joe Gantenbein, manager of the Gems, said that his squad now consists of 30 boys, but the lineup which will open the Far West league season April 28 may not be settled yet. The Gems are still in the market for a couple of pitchers, for an infielder and an outfielder.

Two Klamath Falls boys, Gordy LoSealzo and Hubert Vanderhoff, and five other players have been released from the squad.

In games so far the Gems have been long on hitting, featuring a couple of home run pounders in Dick Small, first baseman, and John Mankey, catcher, but the pitching has been something else again. John Lopeman, right hander, has shown the most effect so far.

Gantenbein said that there was a possibility that the Gems might get a player from Stockton and that Don McShane, Phillies scout, had some connections he might work for a couple more. Another week of shakedown and the Gems will be ready to open the league season.

The manager said the boys were looking pretty sharp and have not missed a day of training although the weather has been rainy.

COACH FOR PENDLETON QUILTS JOB

PENDLETON, Ore., April 17 (AP)—Resignation of Walter Buettgenbach as Pendleton high school football and basketball coach was announced Friday by Capt. Lewis Armstrong.

Buettgenbach, who came here this year from Hood River, gave no reason for his resignation. He said his plans for the future were indefinite.

Armstrong said a successor to Buettgenbach had not been found. Buettgenbach's football team this year won the Blue mountain conference title but lost to The Dalles, which went on to win the state championship. His basketball team won both the sub-district and district titles.

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Western Mail Bag

Aiken's Rose Bowl Chatter May Not Be Idle

By MATT KRAMER

EUGENE, Ore., April 17 (AP)—In a way Jim Aiken brought it on himself. Oregon's football coach began talking Rose Bowl to get team spirit high for the spring training season—his second here.

With delight his fellow coaches in the coast conference have seized upon this.

Didn't Oregon, after a slow start last year, get hot and win its last six games? And isn't the Oregon line back virtually intact? And haven't you heard of the new backs that suddenly have appeared at Oregon?

"Jim's right," several have in effect admitted. "Why, we shouldn't be on the same field with him next fall. Look for Oregon in the Rose Bowl."

Anguish was immediate in Aiken. The rest of the state was enchanted. The Oregon team has not been to the Rose Bowl in more than two decades, but these words revived the faithful. Maybe at last this would be the year. Why, certainly this would be the year. Even the other schools admit it.

To Aiken's dismay, he can't get off the spot. He protests his Rose Bowl talk was only to impress the players with the fact that any Coast conference school can get there. The fans smile. He adds that there are six other schools at least as strong as Oregon. They wink knowingly at this sly fellow.

And how is Aiken fixed for this dilemma?

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Dusette Clips Title Off Frankie Stojack

Georges Dusette, the French Canadian Hercules, muscled his way to the possession of the Pacific coast junior heavyweight grappling belt last night at the armory, besting Frankie Stojack two out of three falls in a full six-round main event.

Dusette took the final two falls, both on a full-nelson. He got the first one in the fifth round, and when Stojack got somewhat rough coming out in the sixth, he rabbit-punched him to the canvas and all but shook the Tacoma lad's teeth loose with the nelson.

Stojack got off to a real flying start—jumping at the opening bell out of his corner and jolting the Canadian with a drop kick and hoisting him for his famous airplane spin—but Dusette cannily threw in the towel before Stojack could begin a whirling spree.

The card's opener saw Buck Weaver and Paavo Katonen battle to a draw, with one fall apiece.

Hagen, Sarazen Feud Just As In Old Days

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va., April 17 (AP)—Walter Hagen and Gene Sarazen were feudin' on the golf links again today.

These two greats resumed their battles of years gone by as non-playing captains of five-man "sides" which squared off in an 18-hole two-ball match.

Today, they rode in jeeps. Each guided five of the nation's top-drawer professional aces around the par 69, Cavalier Country club layout in the feature of the \$10,000 Cavalier Specialists' tournament.

The team members, each regarded as one of the game's best in the only type of shot he will have to make today, were divided this way:

Hagen's team: Jimmy Thomson, driver; Johnny Palmer, long iron; Jimmy Demaret, short iron; Lew Worsham, trouble shooter; Jim Ferrier, putter; Lawson Little and Herman Keiser, utility players.

Sarazen's team: Chick Harbert, driver; Byron Nelson, long iron; Ed Fuzrol, short iron; Dick Metz, trouble shooter; Bobby Locke, putter; Chandler Harper and Bob Hamilton, utility.


While the 55-year-old "Hate" bragged yesterday about "what we'll do to that Sarazen team," Gene was busy on the rain-soaked Cavalier course—without his jeep.

The 46-year-old Sarazen played what he termed "the best round of golf in my life." He carded a six-under-par 63 in the tournament's first 18 holes of 54-hole medal play competition. Sarazen's 63 tied the competitive course record set by Harper, of Portsmouth, Va., in 1946.

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Joe Louis Sorely In Need Of Guidance By Firm Hands

NEW YORK (NEA)—It was just as well that Joe Louis got out of those London and Paris night clubs when he did.

Starting right now, the Old Brown Bomber scarcely has sufficient time to get ready for his rematch with Jersey Joe Walcott at Yankee Stadium, June 23.

Strange as it may seem for one who has been so proud in the past, Louis, 34 come May 13, acts for all the world like a champion who doesn't care too much one way or the other.

Strictly on his own since the death of Jack Blackburn in 1941, Louis is badly in need of a firm hand.

John Roxborough and Marshall Miles, his supposed managers, are nothing more than business agents now, and Manny Seamon only a rubber.

Louis trained himself for the first meeting with Walcott last December 5, with what would have been disaster results had it not been for a pair of indignant judges, who must have seen a fight other than the one that took place at Madison Square Garden.

Louis' exhibitions in London were ill-advised.

A fighter doesn't get in condition during exhibitions and seeing the sights, especially one of Smokey Joe's age who has had exactly one real match in seven years, or since Billy Conn so surprisingly stirred up no little trouble for him in June, 1941.

As bad as Louis was, being twice floored and outglanced by Walcott, he was worse in an exhibition with one Leo Matriciani, whoever he is, in Baltimore just before he sailed for England. Matriciani was so slow he could have been timed with a sun dial, but the much older champion was slower, stouter and sluggish.

Certainly, Louis isn't any better now starting to train for an encore figured to gross \$1,500,000.

His agents claim he weighs 220, but he appears to be closer to 240.

Out of respect for the production, Louis should have buckled down to the business now at hand a month ago, especially with the clientele paying from \$10 to \$50 a rattle.

The pre-war Louis would have been in camp, particularly with his pride ruffled after a dismal showing and a mighty close call.

Louis is finally going to get down to wood chopping and road work on Roane's farm, hard by Bloomingdale, Mich., 25 miles from Kalamazoo, and will spend the last five weeks boxing at Pompton Lakes, N. J.

This is not nearly enough for a 24-year-old warrior who could not untrack himself last December.

Louis' legs took him nowhere in a jiffy against Walcott.

He is at a stage of his career where weight isn't taken off easily, and must regain some measure of his speed.

Walcott is the same age, that's true, but he has had to keep active and hustle for a living all the way along the route.

Louis was leading a lush existence before he scaled the heights by knocking out James J. Braddock in June, 1937.

Walcott knows he beat Louis, seems confident that he can do it again.

A representative with Louis' best interests at heart to whom he listened would have had the erstwhile Dark Destroyer in the woods for some time now, roughing it, getting hard again, building a new foundation.

That is what Joe Louis will have to make if the amazing Joe Walcott makes any part of the fight he turned in last trip.

Five Derby Hopefuls In \$25,000 Run

HAYRE DE GRACE, Md., April 17 (AP)—Five Kentucky Derby nominees are scheduled to parade postward today in the \$25,000 Chesapeake stakes at Hayre de Grace race course, but most people contend only Citation and Saggy should answer the bugle.

Saggy, the \$4700 bargain colt owned by Mrs. Helen Sagner of Baltimore, gains a cleopse in this mile and one sixteenth picture because he scored a disputed decision over the Calumet farm derby favorite here Monday.

Otherwise Citation would have been the prohibitive choice to romp over the few three-year-olds willing to take him on in this major Maryland trial for the derby.

As it is Citation, with Eddie Araro in the saddle, ruled a 2 to 5 number in the morning line to wallop the field and gain revenge for Monday's stunning reversal in six furlongs.

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Burnett New Coach

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Pels Slate Pioneer Tilt

The first full-size baseball game of the season for Klamath Falls is scheduled for Sunday at Recreation field in an exhibition game matching the high school Pelicans and the Pioneers of the Northern California league.

The game will start at 12:30 and will be a practice affair for both sides. Tom Branigan, coach of the Pelicans, is also playing manager for the Pioneers.

Probable starters for the Pelicans include Wilber Elliott ss, Dick Petzoldt 3b, Dan Derrah cf, Dick Hobart lf, Ed Whitney 1b, George Jones 2b, Skip Johnson lf, Bob McPherson c, and Pat Williams p.

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Canucks Win Coast Ice Hockey Diadem

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 17 (AP)—The Pacific Coast Ice Hockey league championship for 1947-48 belonged to the Vancouver Canucks today.

The Canucks romped by the San Diego Skyhawks 7-3 last night to win four games in the best-of-seven title series. A win in the second game of the series saved San Diego from a whitewash.

The championship finals, ending the coast hockey season, provided an opportunity for the Canucks to indulge the hot streak they hit late in the regular season.

Neither the Skyhawks nor the Canucks could do better than third in the regular season in their respective southern and northern divisions, but the suddenly surging Canucks came within one point of tying Tacoma for second.

Vancouver bested Seattle and Tacoma in the division playoffs.

Last night Canucks Center Bernie Bathgate topped the scoring with two goals and one assist. Chuck Millman tallied twice. For the Skyhawks, Stan Wareck, Fred Gibbon and Bernie McCarthy scored one each.

The score was tied at 1-1 at the end of the first period. In the second Vancouver flashed three goals before Wareck managed one for the Skyhawks after 13 minutes, then dunked two more to make it 6-2.

Each team scored once in the third frame.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

ST. PAUL — Del Flanagan, 132½, St. Paul, stopped Del Cockayne, 134½, Des Moines, 6.

PHILADELPHIA — Joey Fagan, 138, Philadelphia, stopped Ray Klingmeyer, 139½, Baltimore, 6.

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