

HELENE MADISON

Automobile or Swimming Tank, She Likes to go Places in a Hurry.

(Note—This is another of the Associated Press series of personality sketches of outstanding young American athletes in the new year's spotlight.)

By Frank Gurrle (Associated Press Sports Writer) SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 13 (AP)—When motorcycle cops in Seattle aren't leading a procession in honor of Helene Madison, they are chasing her with official tags.

A brilliant roadster came into her life recently and since then there has been no depression in the traffic division of the local police department. She goes everywhere with the top and the accelerator down.

But speeding slips mean nothing to this 17-year-old girl who ranks as one of the greatest swimmers of all times. Fifty miles an hour through traffic on the busiest street in town is just a breeze.

Fascinated by Speed Speed fascinates her. In the water she holds 13 world records and 53 of the 67 American marks in the free style division. Travel to her is synonymous with airplanes. She likes to play poker but she tosses the cards around so fast that there is nothing but misery in the game for others.

Right now she is beset with all the tremors and excitement of seventeen rowing up. Only in the past year has she learned to dance. She wants to be a movie actress. Clark Gable is "w-o-o-u-der-ful-u-u."

Clothes have suddenly become tremendously important. They used to be the least of her worries. The absolute height of fashion, topped by a Princess Eugenie bonnet, Pretty, Smart. And with a little white poodle that looks like the business end of a new mop to add the final touch of tone.

Of course there's a boy. And a diamond. "Happy love," says her coach, Ray Daughters. "She'll get over it."

But she turned down an amateur tour of Europe last summer because of this and that.

Hard to Handle Daughters says she is the hardest girl to handle he ever met. She has so much pep and energy she exhausts everyone around her on a trip. But one week away and she's homesick.

Helene has two superstitions about her swimming and she is very serious indeed about them.

One is an old gray bathrobe that always accompanies her to the side of the pool. The other is a black silk bathing suit, the one she broke her first record in.

The suit is worn out now and wouldn't pass the censors but it must last until her record breaking career is over. Her compromise with the legal requirements is another suit worn over the old black one.

Olympics Frighten Her The coming Olympics in Los Angeles, with the responsibility of carrying America's burden in the women's races, frighten her. Particularly is she apprehensive of Magda Lowey, of Budapest, who is reported to have swum 100 meters in 1:50.4. Helene's record is 1:58.8.

There is no off season in swimming for her, even when she is busy selling insurance. She competes for eleven months in the year and trains hard the other 30 days.

William Hawkins Threatens Action

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 13 (AP)—Declaring that he was unable to obtain an apology from officials of the University of Southern California, William Hawkins, substitute center of the Trojan football squad, has quit the university with the announcement he plans to carry his demand for vindication to the courts.

Richard H. Cantillon, an attorney, said he would file a suit against the university charging either "false imprisonment, or slander." The smallest possible damages will be sought, vindication alone being the purpose of the suit, Cantillon said.

Hawkins submitted to confinement in a mountain cabin for three days prior to the U. S. C. Notre Dame game, guarded by detectives, when it was believed by coaches of the football team he might be giving Trojan plays to the Notre Dame team.

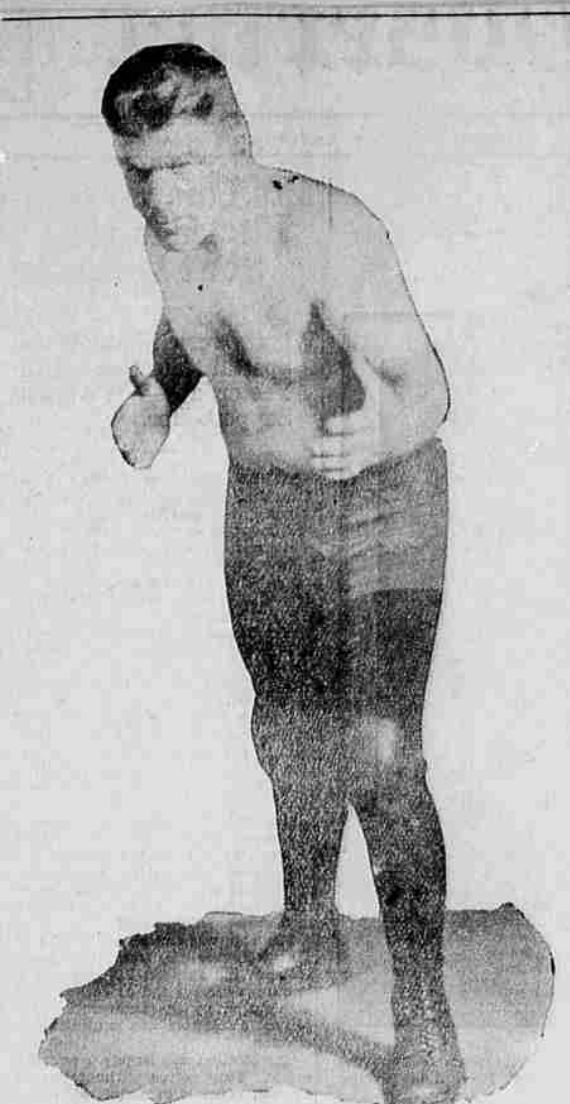
Harrington Will Referee Battle

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 13 (AP)—In spite of Abe Kaplan's vigorous objections, Vern Harrington, wrestling referee, will be the third man in the ring again tonight when Kaplan gets another chance at Ed Strangler Lewis. Harrington went down and out from a hard blow from Kaplan in the wild ending of last week's fall while Harrington was recovering from a thrust through the ropes from Kaplan's legs while Lewis had him in an airplane spin. When Harrington regained his equilibrium and returned to the mat, the tables were turned and Lewis was on top, Harrington awarding him the fall and decision.

Sharkey Offers To Fight Schmeling

BOSTON, Jan. 13 (AP)—Jack Sharkey, heavyweight boxing title claimant, Tuesday in the headquarters of the American Legion at the state capital, offered to fight Max Schmeling, the champion, next summer under the auspices of the legion for the benefit of unemployed veterans. Stephen C. Garrity, state commander of the legion, immediately accepted Sharkey's offer.

Japan's rubber footwear industry, though mainly a post-war development, has risen fast enough to make the empire one of the world's leading producers.



Ray McCrroll, La Grande heavyweight wrestler and sports promoter, will wrestle Count Ernak Harkovsky, of Russia, in the final event of a double headline card here Friday night. Sailor Jack Woods, of Denver, and Minnie the Turk will meet in the first of the main events.

Player-Magnate Wrangle About Salaries Wages

By Herbert W. Barker (Associated Press Sports Writer) NEW YORK, Jan. 13 (AP)—The player-magnate wrangle over major league salary reductions already is coming to a boil and indications are that not one of the sixteen clubs will escape unscathed.

With only a few returns in, four clubs, the New York Giants, New York Yankees, Brooklyn Dodgers and Cincinnati Reds already have become embroiled, or expect to, in salary disputes with star performers.

The Giants have been hardest hit. Already Bill Terry and Mel Ott have returned contracts unsigned. The Yankees expect trouble from Babe Ruth who sees no reason for accepting less than \$90,000 a year. As for the Dodgers, the irrefragable Floyd (Babe) Herman already has come to the front with a statement that may or may not be construed

as an announcement of holdout intentions. The Reds are locked in an argument with Charles (Red) Lucas, ace of the pitching staff.

On the other side of the picture, Arthur (The Great) Shires announced at Dallas he had signed a contract as \$11,000 with the Boston Braves.

Terry flatly has refused to accept a 40-per cent reduction in salary and announces he will not take a cut at all unless a general reduction is made all over the National league.

Ott, at his home in New Orleans, said yesterday he had returned a contract calling for a stiff slash in salary. The bean-bun hitting outfielder said the cut was not 40 per cent but "much bigger than I expected." He hopes for adjustment.

Out at Glendale, Cal., Herman said he was not interested in salary cuts. The Dodger outfielder drew \$19,000 for hitting .313 last year and if the 1932 papers call for anything less he says he'll send them back.

Max Carey, new manager of the Dodgers, intimated at Tampa, Fla., that there would be a cut all along the line.

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The Reds have asked Lucas to take a cut of \$2,500 but he has refused so far on the grounds that such an offer is "unfair." He won 14 games and lost 13 for the last place Reds in 1931. He has been a star of the Reds' staff since 1926.

Hurling Team to Visit U. S. COIRK, Ireland (AP)—The Cork hurling team, which won the All-Ireland hurling contest, has accepted an invitation to visit America and play a series of games.

"Amperand" is the name of the character "A."

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Deadlocked For Cage Leadership

Table with 3 columns: Team, W, L, Pct. Rows include Oregon, Washington State, Oregon State, Idaho, and Washington.

Friday—Idaho vs. Oregon State at Corvallis; Washington vs. Washington State at Pullman. Saturday—Same as Friday schedule.

PULLMAN, Wash., Jan. 13 (AP)—With the coast evened 18-18 at the half, University of Oregon's quintet stepped out in the second half to defeat Washington State 42 to 29 here last night in the second game of the series, after bowing to the Cougars 33 to 21 in the initial contest.

Washington State showed only spurts of the flashy playing displayed in Monday night's game, while Oregon looked like a different team. With Jack (Spook) Robertson, sophomore forward leading the way, Oregon fired a barrage that shot it far into the lead. Robertson scored seven field goals and a free throw for 15 points, while his teammate, Calkins, also ran up 15. McLarney, Cougar guard, was high man for his team, with nine.

LOMSKI BEATS FRANK SAWYER IN TEN ROUNDS

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 13 (AP)—Leo Lomski, Portland heavyweight, took a decision over Frank Sawyer, Vancouver, B. C., after six slashing rounds here last night. It was a slugging bee from start to finish. For the first three rounds Lomski had his hands full. After almost flooring Sawyer with a left hook in the first round, Lomski sat down on the canvas from a right to the jaw, but was up before a count was started. Lomski's clever use of left hooks gained him the decision.

Neal Kilbane, Tacoma middleweight was awarded a close decision over Ray McQuillan, Portland, in another good bout.

Ernie Peters, the Cherokee Indian, and Al Mustafa, Clatskanie, bantamweights, went six rounds to a draw. Peters put Mustafa down for a nine-count in the fourth.

"Bearcat" Baker, Seattle negro heavyweight, made short work of Tom Moore, who went down four times and out in the first round.

Denny Lenhart, Portland light heavyweight, knocked out Art Mayer, Portland in the first round. A right uppercut toppled Mayer for the first of two knockdowns.

Young Corpus, Manila lightweight, knocked out George Hval, Portland in the first round.

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REDUCTION OF 20 PER CENT

SEATTLE, Jan. 13 (AP)—A 20 per cent reduction in the salary of Jimmy Phelan, football coach of the University of Washington, bringing it down to a basis of \$12,000 a year, today led a retrenchment move in the institution's athletic activities.

The acceptance of the 20 per cent cut, affecting all major coaches, their assistants and all other employees of the associated students of the university, was forthcoming after a four-hour session of the finance committee last night.

The reductions will be effective for the remainder of the fiscal year, which ends in August.

In addition, a recommendation was formulated calling for the immediate dismissal of Steve Anderson, assistant track coach and former world champion high hurdler. The elimination of his salary, together with the economies in equipment and definite cancellation of the Stanford-Washington track meet at Palo Alto, will save \$4000, it was estimated.

Canadian Cagers Win Easily, 35-21

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 13 (AP)—The University of British Columbia basketball team, Canadian champion basketball squad, toyed with the Portland Multnomah team and downed them 35-21 here last night. At half time the southern aggregation was trailing 20-1.

Columbia Defeats Pacific 38 to 25

PORTLAND, Jan. 13 (AP)—Columbia university defeated Pacific 38 to 25 here last night. Willamette will meet the Irish team here tonight in Harmon hall.

Sport Slants

By Alan J. Gould (Associated Press Sports Editor) At a recent press conference with the great man, Babe Ruth was asked whether he had any idea of going in for golf in a serious way, either as a sideline or as an aftermath to his baseball career.

"Well, I'll tell you, I'm nutty about this game," the Babe responded, "but I don't know that I want to get up there and make a fool out of myself."

"My game is baseball and always has been and I've never kidded myself about anything else, no matter how good I thought I might be."

It was suggested Ruth might pick up considerable money giving golf exhibitions about the country. Folks would like to see him give the little white pellet a long, long ride.

Can't Play Both

Ruth is a golf addict all winter long, whether he is north or south. It's the one season when he can concentrate on this sport without being bothered by other responsibilities.

During the baseball season it is seldom that Ruth even has an opportunity to play. It would be fatal for him to attempt to play golf in the morning and baseball in the afternoon, especially during the hot weather.

Rain or shine, snow or wind, however, this winter has found him trudging over various portions of the metropolitan landscape, whacking the balloon ball with prodigious swipes. Early in the winter he shot a 73 at St. Albans, Long Island, but he has not been under 80 since.

The best Ruth has ever done is a 71 at the Jungle club course, St. Petersburg, Fla. That's where he makes his headquarters annually before and during the training campaign of the Yankees.

ELGIN PERSONALS

By Mrs. Lynn E. Hill (Observer Correspondent) ELGIN (Special)—Word was received here within the last few days of the death of James Clifford at Fresno, Cal. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford were residents of Elgin until about 1921. He was employed as a lumber grader by Adams Brothers at their planer here. They went to Wallawa where Mr. Clifford was employed as superintendent of the Bowman-Hicks mill. Later, they moved to Baker and from there to Fresno. At the time of his death, he was general manager of the Sugar Pine Lumber Co. Mr. Clifford was about 35

years of age. He had a very pleasing personality and had many friends wherever he lived. His unusual ability to fill positions of trust resulted in his rapid advancement. "Jimmy" Clifford leaves his wife and four small children besides a remarkably wide circle of friends.

Mrs. Quintilla Morris, of Imbler, and her sister, Mrs. Mary Abbott, spent Tuesday with Mrs. Theodosia Welms and her father, Joseph Scott. Mr. Scott's condition does not show any improvement.

Miss Luella Witty is still unable to be out of bed following a severe illness of the last two weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Sam E. Combes, of

Medford, were visiting relatives at Elgin last Sunday. The Combes family were residents of this community for a number of years, but lived away from here for a period of years. They were guests this Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. William Ezell and were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chandler, of La Grande. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Chandler also visited relatives during the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. William Trunkay are the proud parents of a nine and a half pound son, born on Dec. 31. Mrs. Trunkay and son are at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Masten. Her mother, Mrs. Crader, is assisting in her care.

The Loyal Women of the Christian church met on Thursday with Mrs. Bessie Egan.

Mrs. E. E. Harmon spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in La Grande. On Sunday, Mr. Harmon, with Albert and Wilma, drove up and they all returned home together.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Darr, of Catalo Valley, spent the holiday season with relatives here. A greater part of the time was spent with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Darr, of Elgin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Cope returned last Monday from a six weeks stay in California. They visited a number of cities through the state and renewed acquaintances with friends in Los Angeles, their former home.

Carl Barlow is spending a few weeks visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Barlow, his brothers Ralph and Leonard, and his sister, Mrs. Arleigh Thompson, of Cricket Flat.

Charlie Giltner, who was in Bend during the holidays, returned to Elgin this week and is making his home with his brother, Frank Giltner.

Mr. and Mrs. Amador Sherwood announce the birth of a six and a half pound daughter on Dec. 29. The little girl has been named Mildred Armina. Mrs. Sherwood, who was Miss Gladys Tracy, has been living for some time at Twisp, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Tameris, of Kamela, spent the weekend with the R. H. Olsson family on Cricket Flat. Mrs. Tameris has been teaching the Kamela school for the past several terms.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Richards have been in Elgin visiting during the past ten days. Mr. Richards has been doing some remodeling for Mr. and Mrs. Charles Paxton, at their home on Main street. Mrs. Richards spends only a part of the time here, as she also keeps house for her sons, who live in La Grande.

There are about 18 men employed on the highway east of Elgin at present.

Mrs. J. C. Rice has been staying with Mrs. A. R. McCall and little Mary Ella during Mr. McCall's prolonged absence at the Veterans hospital in Portland.

Miss Helen Reed has been suffering from a severe infection in her foot. Although she has attended to her school duties, she has been at a decided disadvantage in the matter of walking.

Fire in Portland Causes Big Loss

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 13 (AP)—Damage estimated by owners at about \$15,000 was caused here early today when fire swept through the Phoenix building in the business district.

Twenty pieces of fire fighting equipment fought several hours against the blaze which razed the third, fourth and fifth floors of the old structure.

The building houses several industrial companies.

Wright field at Dayton, Ohio, and Patterson field adjoining comprise the largest airfield in the world, covering more than 5,000 acres.

Color blindness is comparatively rare among women.

Advertisement for 'Tomorrow At 9:30 a.m. The Doors Will Open on the COURT RECEIVER'S SALE Of Entire Stock and Fixtures of Conner's, Inc. for the Benefit of Creditors Don't Miss It!'

Advance Guard Of Athletes For Winter Olympics Reach Lake Placid To Await Start Of 1932 Games



Above are picture flashes of preparations for the winter Olympic games, Feb. 4-13, at Lake Placid, N. Y. Ski-jumper in top picture is trying the take-off of the famous Intervales hill course, while below him is Jack Shea, American speed skater. In a pre-game stunt, workmen are shown (left) giving a coat of ice to the famous "S" curve of the bob-sled run, and below is a shot of Sven Utterstrom, of Sweden, international cross country ski champion, pausing during a workout. Picture upper right shows Miss Joan Dix, 15-year-old British girl, who hopes soon to be on the scene to represent her country in figure skating.

LAKE PLACID, N. Y. (AP)—The advance guard of the vast army of athletes that will assemble in the United States this year for the Olympic games is moving into this fashionable snow-time resort of the Adirondacks for the Olympic winter contests.

Not until Feb. 4 will the games open, but already these hardy skaters of many nations, the bob-sled competitors and the ski jumpers are arriving to test the hills and rinks on which they will contest for world honors.

Outstanding among the early arrivals are Emil St. Godard, Canadian expert at dog sled driving, and Leonard Seppala, winner of the Alaskan dog sled sweepstakes for the past two years. Seppala was a hero several years ago when he drove his huskies across Alaskan snow fields with anti-tentanus serum for a plague ridden community.

Among ski stars early on the scene were Caspar Omoen, of Carlson, S. D., United States ski jumping champion; Rolf Monsen, of the Lake Placid club, New York, who was a member of the 1928 American Olympic team; and Sven Utterstrom, of Sweden, international cross country ski champion.

About 275 contestants from the United States, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Germany, Great Britain, Canada, Japan, Poland, Italy, Austria, Switzerland, Czechoslovakia, Rumania, France, Belgium and Hungary will compete in the games that continue until Feb. 13.

The winter Olympics will be the third to be held since snow and the competition have been added to the famous world event. The others were held at Chamonix, France, in 1924, and at St. Moritz, Switzerland, in 1928.

Over a quarter of a century ago organized winter sports were started at the Lake Placid club. They were developed steadily until now all of the communities nestling among the picturesque Adirondack mountains on Lake Placid play host each winter to thousands of fashionable and more humble folk who like winter sports.