

College Football not on Decline, Research Report Says

PRO GAME MAY GAIN CONVERTS

Grave Ills Cited; Lowered Attendance Held due to Depression Solely

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—(AP)—College football is not on the decline, merely because it is one of the victims of the business depression, the president's research committee on social trends believes, but it faces the possibility that "public interest may eventually shift from college to professional football because of the superior skill of the latter."

"If this should happen," writes Dr. J. F. Steiner, professor of sociology at the University of Washington, who contributed the chapter on sports and recreation to the national committee report, "college football may follow college baseball and decline as a public spectacle, becoming a game of no more than local interest."

"That grave ill has resulted from the stress and struggle to win football championships here can be no doubt," Dr. Steiner's report concludes. "A few of the leading colleges and universities already have attempted to reorganize their athletics more in accord with general student welfare and educational ideals."

The section on sports in the survey conducted by the president's committee, in its football features, follows somewhat the lines of the famous "bulletin 23" of the Carnegie foundation for the advancement of teaching, published in October, 1929. The new survey, so far as its statistics are concerned, covers only the period up to and including 1930.

It points out that college football, because of its tremendous investments in stadia, which must be paid for in future years, establishes the sport as something more than "passing whim." Moreover, "since neither the curve of attendance nor the curve of receipts showed any tendency to flatten out previous to 1930, there is reason to assume that hard times, rather than declining interest, is responsible for the decreased size of football crowds."

Dr. Steiner writes that 49 colleges and universities replying to a survey "reported that attendance more than doubled between 1921 and 1930, the increase being 119 per cent."

"Football receipts, as reported by 65 institutions, grew from \$2,696,345 to \$8,363,674, a gain of 210 per cent. Both attendance and receipts increased with considerable regularity during the first nine years of this period, with a sharp falling off in 1930, the decline over the preceding year amounting to 6 per cent in the case of admissions and 9 per cent in receipts."

Since then Associated Press surveys have indicated a decline for 1931-32 of approximately 25 per cent in college football attendance, with a greater percentage of decrease in gate receipts.

The report notes further: "The total attendance at all football games in 1930, estimated from reports received from 129 institutions, was approximately 10,300,000. The total receipts, computed in a similar way from data furnished by 129 institutions, could not have been less than \$21,600,000."

TURNER IS WINNER OVER SCIO QUINTET

TURNER, Jan. 4.—Turner defeated Scio 22 to 23 here tonight in a mid-Willamette Valley Basketball association game. McDonald of Scio topped the scoring with 15 points and Tong of Turner led the local team with 10.

Friday night there will be a triple-header on the local floor, the high school team playing Gates high, the high school girls meeting the alumni and the town team engaging the Jason Lee church quintet from Salem.

Wranglers Win Over Kay Mills

The Kay Woolen Mills basketball team met defeat at the hands of Cadwell's Wranglers early this week on the Y. M. C. A. floor, 27 to 12.

Percy Locey to Be West Coach

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Percy Locey, Denver university football coach, was named today by the San Francisco Shrine to the post of co-coach of the West in next year's East-West grid classic. At the same time Orin Holmgren of Washington State was reappointed as the other West coach.

Track Heroes of 1932

By BURNLEY

-JIM- BAUSCH
Olympic Decathlon King
LAST YEAR'S BEST ALL-AROUND ATHLETE!

EDDIE TOLAN
"WAS THE TRACK STAND-OUT OF THE OLYMPIC YEAR 1932."

BILL CARR
"LAST YEAR'S 400-METER SENSATION MAY COMPETE IN THE SPRINTS THIS SEASON!"

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THE Olympic Games were of course the feature of the 1932 track and field activities, and the big hero of the games was little Eddie Tolan, winner of both sprint events, who took the leading place beside those other Olympic double champions, Babe Didrikson and Helene Madison, the swimming stars, both of whom captured two titles.

Eddie's victory over Ralph Metcalfe in the 100 meters was widely questioned, most of the spectators being of the opinion that Metcalfe was the winner. The moving pictures of the finish failed to settle the dispute, but Tolan was officially called the winner and you can't take his laurels away from him. The chunky Midnight Express ran away from Metcalfe in the 200 meters to win this event decisively, and there can be no doubt that Eddie is a worthy champion.

The Olympic track and field events produced many heroes, but space permits the mention of only a few. The greatest all-around athlete of 1932 was Jim Bausch, the big boy who copped the gruelling Olympic Decathlon events. Not content with athletic versatility, Big Jim at last reports was nursing ambitions to become a radio crooner, and probably will challenge Rudy Vallee and Bing Crosby to a crooning decathlon before long.

CURT COMMENTS

Tuesday night there were three leading sport attractions in as many different auditoriums in Salem; basketball in the high school and Willamette gymnasiums and wrestling at the armory. Now we don't like that because we didn't get to see all of those attractions. But seriously, there are only about so many sport fans in Salem, and dividing up the crowd in that manner doesn't help the finances of any of the institutions involved.

SWAT KING

Tuesday is a favorite night for basketball teams because it allows one practice after the week-end layoff and before the game, and



Dale Alexander, of the Boston Red Sox, who finished first in the race for the 1932 batting honors in the American League. Alexander won first place with an average of .367, nosing out Jimmy Fox, of the Philadelphia Athletics, by a slim margin. Fox' average was .364. Len Gehrig, of the New York Yankees, was third with .348.

GRANGERS DEFEAT BAPTIST QUINTET

LIBERTY, Jan. 4.—The Liberty Grangers won here 42 to 25 from the Salem Baptist church Monday night. The lineups:

Liberty: S. Vlasick 25, F. Tucker 18, J. Judd 2, C. Seggar, D. Guvrich, Hrubetz 2, Sweet 8.

SKATE KING

Watch out for that Corvallis outfit when tournament time rolls around—that is of course if there isn't some dark horse in the Benton-Polk-Lincoln district able to shove "Mush" Torson's crew out of the race. Those boys from the college town exhibited phenomenal ability to think on a basketball floor; and "Mush" has them firing the ball across the court, in close to the basket, in a manner that is disconcerting to say the least.

Independence Meets Monroe There Friday

INDEPENDENCE, Jan. 4.—In their first basketball game after a two weeks' vacation, the Independence team will meet Monroe team at Monroe, Friday. The locals were beaten quite badly by Monroe on the home floor, but feel that they are much stronger at the present time.

OLD RIVALS MEET FRIDAY ON COURT

WOODBURN, Jan. 4.—Conceded little chance of winning, Woodburn high school's basketball team will meet Silvertown's traditional rivals, Friday night on the local high school floor. Silvertown is considered the best team in the Willamette Interscholastic conference this year, having rolled up a score of over 60 points recently in the game with West Linn. Scott, Pettyjohn, Kohn and several other Silvertowners are veteran players and performers above average.

GRAND RONDE AND BETHEL WILL PLAY

BETHEL, Jan. 4.—The Bethel high school basketball team will go into action Friday night against Grand Ronde on the home floor in the third league game of the season.

Grand Ronde boasts an exceptionally strong team this year and has already broken even in a pair of games with the Willamette quint, last year's Yamhill county champions and district runner-ups.

Bethel tops the county league at present with two wins and no defeats. Perrydale is second with a win and a loss. Falls City and Rickreath have played only one game each, and lost. Airlie and Grand Ronde, the other contestants, have not played league games.

Friday night the local team beat Dayton here 47 to 13, and the local town team won 60-32 from Dayton town team.

FRESHMEN WIN OVER HUBBARD

Willamette First Year men Overtop Visitors, Take 27 to 15 Victory

Willamette university's freshman basketball team proved entirely too much for the smaller Hubbard high quintet and won 37 to 15 on the Willamette floor Wednesday night. It was the first game of the season for Coach Howard Maple's first year men, who did a lot of efficient ball hawking but were rather ragged on offense.

Eckman, center, poked in field goals with great rapidity, mostly "cripples" gained by hard fighting under the basket, to amass 12 points. Hendry with five led Coach Eugene Silke's Hubbard quintet.

The freshmen will play the school for the deaf Friday night at 6:15 in a preliminary to the Willamette varsity's game with the Gladstone Black Hawks.

Say Pop Was Stand-offish With Scrubs

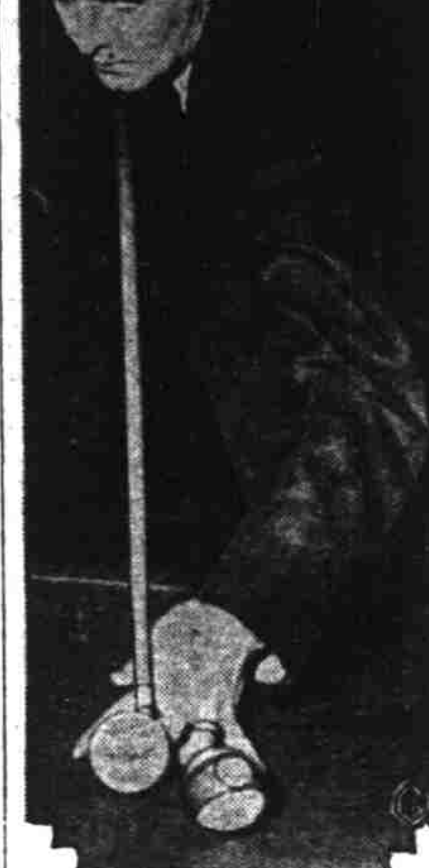
STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Palo Alto, Cal., Jan. 4.—(AP)—Glenn S. "Pop" Warner, veteran Stanford football coach, who recently resigned to go to Temple university in Pennsylvania, was accused of "laxity" in making the acquaintance of members of his freshman and reserve football squads by Frank Guereña, alumni member and chairman of the staff committee of Stanford's board of athletic control.

Guereña's statement came at a meeting of the committee tonight, when the subject of a successor to Warner came up for discussion.

"Mr. Warner," Guereña said, "was lax at Stanford in making the acquaintance of players on the freshman and reserve squads. He never went to a freshman game and the only time he saw the reserves was when they scrimmaged the varsity."

No definite recommendation was made tonight for a successor to Warner. Tomorrow night the board of athletic control will meet as a whole for the announced purpose of selecting a head coach. Candidates under consideration are C. E. "Tiny" Thornhill, former assistant coach under Warner, and Clipper Smith, coach of Santa Clara university. Thornhill is believed to have the stronger backing among alumni and others bearing influence in the selection.

CUE CHAMP



Ralph Greenleaf, of Bozeman, Md., who, for the 12th time won the billiard championship of the world at New York recently. Besides retaining a diamond medal, emblematic of the championship, Greenleaf won a cash prize of \$5,000 and a 15 per cent share of the tournament gate receipts.

MULTNOMAH CLUB HOOPERS TO COME

Multnomah Athletic club of Portland will send its basketball team to Salem Saturday night to meet the Willamette Bears, it was announced Wednesday.

This is the team which handed the Southern Oregon Normal quintet, twice conqueror of University of Oregon, its first defeat. Previously the Winged M squad had lost to Oregon State, in 1925 when McCarthy took over the management. Burke's place was taken on the roster by Paul Krichell, listed also as a Yankee scout.

THE THREE FISTIC STAND-OUTS OF 1932--WHAT DOES THE NEW YEAR HOLD IN STORE FOR THEM--



MAX SCHMELING--"HIS KAYO OF WALKER AND THE CONTROVERSY OVER THE SHARKEY DECISION MADE SCHMELING A POPULAR HERO--WILL HE REGAIN HIS TITLE IN 1933?"

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PARRISH LOSES MILL CITY TILT

Speedy Visitors Prevail by 30-21 Score in Spite of Second Half Rally

Parrish junior high school's basketball team lost its first home game of the season to a smooth-working Mill City high school quintet Wednesday night, 30 to 21.

The visitors had a considerable edge on size, except at center, and excelled in accuracy of passing and shooting. Parrish was not at its best due to ravages of the "flu," but made a spirited comeback in the second half, outscoring Mill City by one point. Mill City led at half time 20 to 10, and held a wider margin than that early in the third period.

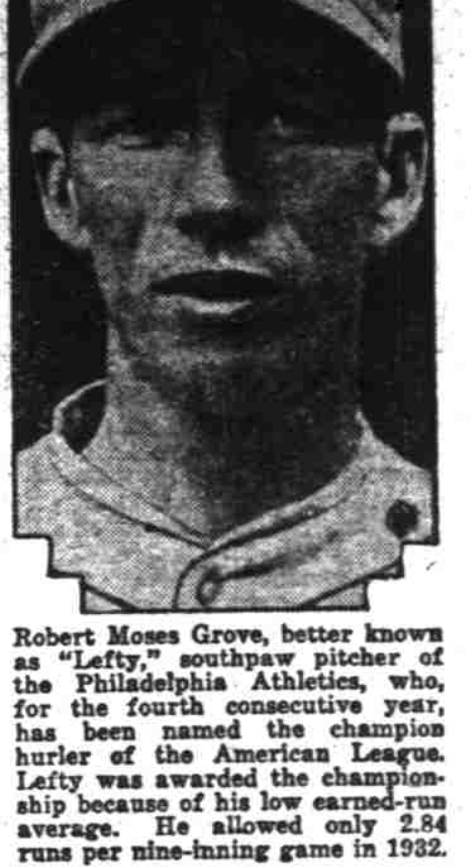
Phil Salstrom led the home squad in scoring with 12 points but was topped by Moravec, Mill City center, who scored 14. Ruda, small but fast, also did some excellent work for the visitors, especially on follow-up shots.

Coach Burke Released by Yankee Club

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—(AP)—The New York Yankees announced today the unconditional release of Coach Jimmy "Sunset" Burke and a roster of 33 players who will make a trek to the world champions' spring training camp at St. Petersburg, Fla., in two detachments March 1 and 8.

The release of Burke, long a lieutenant of Manager Joe McCarthy, came as a surprise. He joined the Chicago Cubs as coach in 1925 when McCarthy took over the management. Burke's place was taken on the roster by Paul Krichell, listed also as a Yankee scout.

BEST HURLER



Robert Moses Grove, better known as "Lefty," southpaw pitcher of the Philadelphia Athletics, who, for the fourth consecutive year, has been named the champion hurler of the American League. Lefty was awarded the championship because of his low earned-run average. He allowed only 2.84 runs per nine-inning game in 1932.

HOOP SCORES

Colgate 35, Cornell 35. Princeton 42, Rutgers 26. Detroit university 31, Toledo St. Johns 23. Marietta 19, Ohio university 41. Stanford 24, Wyoming 41.

Last Year's Ring Stars

By BURNLEY



MAX BAER--WHO HOPES TO BOX SHARKEY OR SCHMELING THIS YEAR.

TONY CANZONERI--OUTSTANDING FISTIC CHAMPION OF 1932--HE SHOULD RETAIN HIS TITLE THIS YEAR.

OF THE thousands of ring warriors who traded leather inside of the hemp strands last year, only three really ranked high in the estimation of the fight public because of their performances in 1932. Lightweight champion Tony Canzoneri and the two Maxes, Schmeling and Baer, were about the only stand-outs of one of the duller years the fight game has ever known.

Incidentally, Baer seems to be dodging a meeting with the giant Primo Carnera, who is very anxious to get a shot at the California clouter. Mark my words, the boys are going to have a very tough time getting rid of the enormous Primo, who keeps right on winning and really can fight a bit, in spite of all the adverse criticism that has been leveled at him.