

# Sport Sparks

By RON GEMMELL

K. Kringle, of Kringle, Kringle and Kringle—an old, old north pole firm which does a landoffice business around December 25 each year but which never yet has shown a profit—dropped in to pay his annual respects to the sports sparker yesterday.

The jolly gent left a few letters he said the sparker might like to pass along to his readers if any. So here are some photostatic (well, static at least) copies:

Dear Santa: Please leave me one man-in-motion, one tackle, one end and one formula for balancing a football budget. If you are flush this year, you might also leave a turfed field, a new lighting system, new stands and a method of inducing people to come out for Northwest conference football games.

PS—Yes, I have been a good boy. I have proselytized hard, instructed diligently and paced the sidelines thoroughly.

Respectfully,  
S. KEENE  
Willamette U.

Mr. S. Claus: I would be a very happy boy if you would leave me one solution, together with an after-dinner mint and a good five-cent cigar, of the S-formation.

Sincerely,  
MAJOR RIFF JONES  
Nebraska U.

Santa, Sir: Show me the way to go home.

R. MUSSOLINI  
Austria.

Dear Santa: In my stocking please place one (1) sprinter, one (1) pole vaulter, one (1) middle distance runner, one (1) broad jumper, one (1) high jumper, one (1) distance runner, one (1) weight man and one (1) ace in the hole. I assure you my stocking is large enough.

Dutifully yours,  
V. GILMORE  
Salem High.

Dear Kris: If you can't help me, for heaven's sake don't help those Huskers!

Anxiously,  
C. SHAUGHNESSY  
Stanford.

Mr. Claus: If you have no idea how many linemen I need, please see my basketball championship would fit into my scheme very nicely. Even if it didn't fit, I could probably find a place for it.

PS—Don't happen to have a referee who has read the hold-ball rule, do you?

Sincerely,  
HAUK  
Salem High.

Dear Santa: Beware of the dog.

Commandingly,  
E. HITTLE  
Stanford.

Dear Santa Claus: I have enough hats, thank you, but it is possible for you to bring me a bonafide method of making the Salem Senators show a profit this year?

PS—Drop in this summer, and bring a friend, or two, or three or four hundred. We can seat them all, at 50 cents each.

Urgently,  
E. MAPLE  
Eaton.

Dear Saint Nick: Could you see your way clear, through the huns, to drop one heavyweight with a real, honest to goodness chance of whipping Joe Louis?

Frantically,  
BOXING FANS  
USA.

Mr. Nicholas: Please, sir, could we have a 20-year age limit and a ban on spring football games? Also, it might not be such a bad idea if you'd save us a little representation on the Oregon State High School Activities association.

Respectfully,  
PETER COACHES  
Oregon.

Dear Santa: I've been a good stooge. When do I get a promotion?

Yours,  
Minkie  
The Statesman.

## Pythian Sisters Elect at Dallas

DALLAS—At a recent meeting of Dalora temple, Pythian Sisters, new officers were elected as follows: Mrs. A. S. Brown, most excellent chief; Mrs. C. W. Smith, most excellent senior; Mrs. Harvey Carpenter, most excellent junior; Mrs. Robert Dunn, manager; Helen Butler, M. of E. and C.; Mrs. Florence Hunter, M. of F.; Mrs. Joe Dodge, proctor; Mrs. Lorea Wilson, guard; Mrs. Mary Starr, press correspondent; Mrs. L. H. Rowell and Mrs. T. B. Hooker, trustees.

A joint installation of Dallas and Independence officers will be held January 16. Mrs. Del Plaster will act as installing officer.

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## 1940 PARADE

**JOE LOUIS KNOCKED OUT JOHNNY JENKINS IN THE SECOND ROUND** MAR. 29

**SEABURY WON THE SANTA ANITA HANDICAP BOOSTING HIS WINNINGS TO \$437,790, SUPPLANTING SAM BEAN AS THE GREATEST MONEY-WINNER OF ALL TIME** MAR. 2

**HOGAN WON THE ANNUAL NORTH AND SOUTH OPEN WITH 217** MAR. 31

**MAR. 1 - HENRY ARMSBY WON A FOUR-HOUR TITLE, FOUGHT A 10-ROUND DRAW WITH CEFERINO GARCIA, MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPION, AT LOS ANGELES**

**MAR. 14 - JOHN WOODRUFF RAN THE HALF MILE IN 1:47.7, THE FASTEST IN HISTORY, HANOVER, N.H.**

## By Jack Sords

# Zivic, Jenkins Fight to a Rough-and-Ready Draw

## Welter Champ Is Behind Western Team Until Last Four Heats

By SID FEDER

NEW YORK, Dec. 20—(AP)—In one of those "anything goes" bouts that saw both belters calling names, gouging eyes and indulging in other such playful stunts, Fritz Zivic and Lew Jenkins fought to a draw tonight in a 10-round "battle of champions" in Madison Square Garden.

Welterweight Champion Zivic, a 5 to 2 favorite going in the tussle, had to rally like a man coming out of a coma to pull up even, as the lightweight king, from Sweetwater, Texas, surprised everyone in the biggest fight crowd in the garden this year by taking a tremendous early lead, largely through body punching.

A total of 16,949 fans contributed to a gross gate of \$51,019 to see the first draw in a windup bout in the garden since September, 1937.

Thumbs in Eyes Zivic used every trick known to ring veterans and some unfamiliar even to the oldest inhabitants, in the early going. As much to protect himself as for any other reason, Lew pulled a few tricks of his own. The most notable was in the third round, when they leaned against the ropes and playfully poked thumbs in each other's eyes until Referee George Walsh parted them.

At the finish, no one "was hurt" as the boys say around and about. Referee George Walsh granted for Jenkins, Judge Charles Grayson gave each five rounds, but balloted for Zivic. Judge Steve Hamas, the old heavyweight, thought it was a draw. The Associated Press score card gave each five rounds, with Zivic taking the last four.

At 152 1/2 pounds, Zivic had a 7 1/2 pound weight pull on the skinny 135 1/2 pound ex-army horsehooper. But the Sweetwater swatter took four of the first five rounds and was pitching punches at the finish in the most impressive performance of his short local career.

Backfield mates for the two ball throwers will be picked from Dean MacAdams of Washington and Jack Banta, Southern California, wingbacks; Andy Marentos, St. Mary's, and Elmer Lee Gentry, Tulsa, blocking backs; and Jim Kisselburgh, Oregon State, and Bob Peoples, Southern California, fullbacks.

The 23-man eastern squad, headed by Coaches Andy Kerr of Colgate and Bernie Bierman of Minnesota, is due to arrive here tomorrow morning and will hold practice in the afternoon at Kezar stadium. The group includes Tommy Harmon of Michigan, all-America halfback, and Francis Reagan of the University of Philadelphia, one of the east's finest ball packers.

Harmon, interviewed when the train reached Ogden today, said he had been "flooded with offers" in the radio and motion picture field but added he "had not made any definite plans."

By the Associated Press

Weekend forecast—Unsettled throughout far western states, temperatures slightly above normal. Further snow in mountain areas; resort areas mainly above 5000 feet, snow wet and heavy.

Timberline lodge—Chains advisable; light east wind, cloudy, total snow depth 32 inches, 4 inches powdery snow over unbreakable icy crust; skiing low lift operating.

Anthony lakes—Chains mandatory; light southwesterly wind, clear; total snow 21 inches, 1 inch powdery over unbreakable common crust; skiing; tow lift operating.

Tollgate—Chains unnecessary; light southwest wind, clear; 15 inches snow, 1 inch over unbreakable common crust; skiing and ice skating; lift not operating.

Santiam pass—Medium west wind, snowing, 5 inches snow, 1 inch wet and unbreakable crust; skiing; ground low lift operating.

Hand lake—Medium southwest wind, snowing, 4 inches wet snow over 6 inches old snow in patches.

Crater lake—Chains required; snowing hard; 5 1/2 inches snow at ski bowl, 4 1/2 at headquarters with 23 medium dry over 24-inch icy pack.

Spirit lake, Wash.—Light southeast wind, cloudy; 2 inches wet snow; skiing poor.

Big Nine—Light west wind, snowing; light southwest wind, cloudy; total snow 34 inches, 5 inches heavy snow over unbreakable crust; skiing fair.

# Montana Bests Bearcats

## Salem Hoopers Miss 46 Shots

## Meet Idaho at Pocatello Tonight; Play Bevos at Baker Monday

MISSOULA, Mont., Dec. 20—(AP)—Montana university's Grizzlies defeated Willamette university's basketballers 57 to 34 tonight, accomplishing the victory so easily that the first stringers were used only for the first of each half.

Montana was ahead 24 to 15 at halftime.

Eberly, center, and Robertson, hustling guard, shone for Willamette in the opening period and Gallagher in the closing half. But the team from Oregon could score on only 12 of 58 shots.

The Bearcats move to Pocatello, Idaho, tonight, where they meet Idaho Southern Branch, and Monday night are scheduled to meet the Oregon State Beavers in Baker before returning to Salem.

On their current trip the 'Cats were beaten by Washington State 45-33, defeated Eastern Oregon College of Education 53-49, lost to College of Idaho 34-30, defeated Montana Normal 44-40 and lost to Montana 57-34.

## Pro Gridders Drill in Rain for Sunday Clash

PORTLAND, Dec. 20—(Special)—Twenty six football players, members of the Columbus Bullies, champion of the American Pro league, are working out here daily in preparation for their two games this coming week—at Portland Sunday afternoon and at Seattle Christmas day. They will meet the Pacific Coast college all-stars, and if the Oregon rain is bothering them, the players showed little ill effects.

Jack La Bay, quarterback, who hails from West Virginia Wesleyan, kicked 50-yard field goals, while "Jumping" Joe Williams, the Ohio State flash, and Ray Johnson, ex-Denver university star, threw the piston 50 yards into the waiting arms of teammates.

Krueger is Signed Johnson, Williams and Russ Buckley of Gustavus Adolphus, proved to the fans who have been flocking to the stadium to see the Bullies work out, that it is no difficult feat to kick the ball 50 yards, if you know how. The Bullies are not only big, but fast, and have a tricky, deceptive attack, that features lateral passes.

Coach Ab Young of the all-stars, wired Bobby Rowe, promoter of the game, that his team has signed Al Krueger, Southern California's all-American end.

There are many notables in the collegian lineup, including Leonard Isberg, Oregon's great halfback and star punter; Kenny Dow, plunging Oregon State fullback; Joe Murray, Portland unit; Tom Huber, Washington State tackle; Bill Marx, Washington end; Ed Dempsey, 1940 captain and star center of USC; Bill Overlin, UCLA's plunging fullback, and a host of others.

## Lefty Gomez Gets Christmas Gift; Yankees Keep Him

NEW YORK, Dec. 20—(AP)—Verne "Lefty" Gomez got a Christmas present from the New York Yankees today in the form of a promise that they would take him off the market and give him a chance to stick with the club through 1941.

The Yanks already had obtained waivers on their eccentric southpaw and were preparing to sell him to a National league club, probably the Brooklyn Dodgers.

But Gomez came to town from a hunting trip today and held a long huddle with President Ed Barrow, during which, in the words of Barrow, "Gomez sold me on Gomez."

"I decided to take him south with us," said Barrow, "and give him a chance to show what he could do. He weighed 180 pounds and looked fine. He said he had a hard time getting on the backaches and thought he could do us some good."

## Phelan Is Renamed Washington Coach

SEATTLE, Dec. 20—(AP)—Coach James M. Phelan was reappointed football mentor at the University of Washington today. Athletic Director Ray Eckmann announced tonight.

Phelan's appointment begins Jan. 1, 1941, and ends March 31, 1942, the end of the university's fiscal year. Phelan has been coach at Washington since 1930. The entire coaching staff likewise was reappointed. No contract was signed with Phelan, Eckmann said.

## Basketball Scores

College	Score
Montana 57, Willamette 34.	
Rutgers 43, Princeton 33.	
Colorado State 53, New Mexico university 39.	
Pittsburg 43, Illinois 41 (overtime).	
Long Island 75, Hudson college 63.	
Worcester Tech 53, Northeastern 41.	
Wyoming Poly 38, Kings college 31.	
Clemson 40, George Washington 64.	
DePaul 48, Catholic University 33.	
Chicago Teachers 33, Wayne (Neb) Teachers 31.	
University of Chicago 45, North Central college 36.	
TCU 43, East Texas State 36.	
Fordham 45, St. Lawrence 21.	
Rice 53, Louisiana State university 33.	
Texas A & M 34, St. Mary's of Texas 32.	
Florida 52, Mississippi State 30.	
Emory & Henry 27, Tennessee 51.	
Denver university 45, Marshall college 40.	
Phillip Ollers 34, Southern California 25.	
University of Utah 36, University of Idaho 28.	
DePaul 37, Purdue 33.	
Washington State college 42, Gonzaga 39.	

## Ski Conditions Held Just Fair

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## Angel Quint Eyes Games With EOCE

MT. ANGEL—The Mt. Angel college basketball squad will open the newly-formed Oregon Intercollegiate conference here when they tangle with the Eastern Oregon College of Education quint in two games on January 17 and 18.

The Eastern Oregon team is a newcomer on the Angels' schedule. Mountaineer Coach Bob Quinn brings a cagey group of players sprinkled with veterans from last season's outfit.

"I decided to the conference rules, the title will be awarded the championship team only after every team in the conference plays each other twice. Before meeting the Angels the Mountaineers will meet their first conference opponent on January 15 and 16 at Mouthout when they face the Oregon College of Education quint.

## Chemawa Defeats Canby, 55 to 34

CHEMAWA—A fast breaking offensive, headed by Substitute Clarence LaRoque, who whipped in 22 points, enabled the Chemawa Chiefs to score a 55 to 34 victory over Canby here Friday night.

Chemawa's Paposes took the Bee teams' prelim. 36-27.

Chemawa (55) (84) Canby  
Brenchum 2 9 Colin  
Brendible 12 2 Widner  
Goodluck 6 12 Hoss  
Joseph 2 6 Fieschauer  
Teton 1 6 Shelton

Subs for Chemawa: LaRoque 23, Williams 8, Davis 2, For Canby: Johnson 3, Von 2. Referee: Vern Gilmore.

## Utah Whips Idaho Quint by 36 to 28

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 20—(AP)—University of Utah, tackling its first major basketball foe of the season, tonight pinned a 36-28 defeat on the University of Idaho, bringing a glum climax to the Vandals' cross-country tour.

In a rough and riotous game marked by 29 personal fouls—of which 20 were charged against the visitors—the Utes got off to a running start and were never headed, leading by 18-10 at the half.

## Action on Peterson-Kahut Bout Is Demanded by J. Friend in Circular

"War Is On" is the title of a circular demanding action on a Tony Kahut-Buddy Peterson state middleweight championship fight within 60 days that made its appearance in Salem yesterday.

The circular carries the printed name of John Friend, manager of Kahut, the Woodburn fighter.

"As manager of Tony Kahut, the logical contender for the state middleweight boxing championship, I demand that Peterson either fight Kahut within 60 days or forfeit the title he holds," is the lead paragraph on the action demanding bill.

The thing takes a pot shot or two at Tex Salkeld, Portland promoter who has for the past two years handled matchmaking for the Salem Veterans of Foreign Wars post, sponsors of professional boxing here. Among other items is the allegation that Salkeld is Peterson's manager.

"In the name of good, clean sports, will you help?" This is the parting shot of the circular, directed at the general public.

Close on the heels of the appearance of this circular, a spokesman for the Vets announced his organization planned to begin boxing operations here next month and intimated a Peterson-Kahut state titlar bout would suit the Vets for a starter.

# Some Matchmakers, These McCoys, Conns

By WHITNEY MARTIN

NEW YORK, Dec. 20—(AP)—If boxing had a Commissioner Landis he probably would be busy right now investigating the Conroy-McCoy mutual benefit society, where two members through a little cooperation arranged things so they both would get a crack at Joe Louis, or, on a second thought, Joe Louis would get a crack at both of them.

The picture is a little hazy, but quite in keeping with the cobwebby reasoning of the fight game. In a good light it looks something like this:

Billy Conn defeats Al McCoy, thereby promoting a Louis bout for McCoy.

McCoy then makes Louis look so bad that it is considered safe

to offer Conn a bout with the champion.

Following the natural sequence it might be expected that if Conn makes Louis look bad it would give McCoy another shot at Joe. Say, that might go on forever.

Anyway, it's just too bad about Joe Louis. The poor guy has slipped so far he must knock out his opponents now. He can't scare them to death any more.

They say he's slowing up so he looks like lazy molasses. They say his punch has faded so that when he knocks a man down the man gets up. Imagine a guy being so weak he can't knock a man out every time he hits him.

Sure, he was meeting a market-fattened lightweight in McCoy. Sure, it took him five rounds

to end it, and even then McCoy was in full possession of his faculties, although there might be some argument on that point as McCoy wanted to continue.

But these little guys, particularly if they adopt a submarine style, can be hard to tag, even if they're just second-string players.

Possibly, or maybe it should be probably, Louis has slipped, and his punch doesn't have the snap it had two or three years ago. Maybe he's ready to be taken by the first brave, stout fellow who can box a bit and punch a bit.

But who is this brave, stout fellow? Until he shows up and takes the title we'll have to con-

# Sports

Salem, Oregon, Saturday Morning, December 21, 1940

## Connie Mack Buys Financial Control of A's - 141 Shares

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 20—(AP)—Connie Mack bought his own birthday present today—three days ahead of time—by acquiring financial control of the Philadelphia Athletics.

Baseball's grand old man, who will observe his 78th birthday Monday, announced that stock purchased from Mrs. Ethel M. Shibe gives him a majority interest in the merican league club he has managed for 40 years. The price of the block of 141 shares was not disclosed, but the stock was valued at \$360 a share in 1938.

Mack said the purchase "doesn't mean that there will be any changes in policy or personnel," and added "although I'm possessed with the power, you can be assured I'll never use it."

The veteran manager previously owned a half interest in the club. The other half originally was owned by Benjamin Shibe, Mack's partner when the club was organized. Shibe died in 1922.

Mack, whose Athletics have enjoyed lean as well as championship years, told reporters he was "satisfied that I'd been looking for a new position very often if he hadn't been part owner of the club during his two score years as manager.

"I guess too much stress is put on the power," he continued, "but that's the game, I suppose. I know no manager likes to finish last and even at 78 I'm looking for the day when I can be hanging around the top again. It's much nicer up there."

## Bowling Scores

ELECTRIC LEAGUE	
Master Brood	Score
Handicap	86 36 86
Cross	129 118 157
Hottick	128 151 149
Carkins	183 152 140
Wilson	97 150 152
Mills	157 154 157
Schoonies	157 236 145
Totals	820 767 824

  

Melson Bros.	
Handicap	Score
Burley	113 210 145
Orr	128 158 158
Wilson	157 157 197
Newmyer	190 140 176
G. Anderson	9 11 154
Totals	681 781 635

  

Dr. Semler	
Handicap	Score
Lindley	78 78 78
Shott	170 158 134
Hansen	103 101 74
Dye	118 106 128
Smith	110 121 118
Burton	175 150 161
Totals	745 735 714

  

The Meadows	
Handicap	Score
B. Welty	159 107 125
Green	157 158 134
Hoar	140 91 112
Doerfler	132 132 152
Smith	172 168 167
Sundis	172 168 167
Totals	797 754 720

## Twins Get Names Via Touchdowns, Says BC Mentor

BAY ST. LOUIS, Miss., Dec. 20—(AP)—Boston college's husky gridiron star tipped through a break practice today with a new incentive to score on Tennessee in the Sugar Bowl game—a promise the first man scoring two touchdowns could name a pair of twins.

The New Englanders had just set down to a heaping breakfast of wheatcakes after arriving here to wind up training for the Volunteers when Backfield Coach Ed McKeever was handed a telegram announcing his wife had given birth to twin daughters in Boston.

The startled McKeever leaped to his feet and shouted to the cheering room of football players: "The first man making a touchdown against Tennessee can name one of the babies. The first man making two touchdowns can name both babies."

## Ward on Tourney Trail

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 20—(AP)—Marvin "Bud" Ward, admitting "a good deal of success is luck" but confident "it's going to be a different story this winter," left tonight for California and the winter golf tournament trail.

## Nemo Club Meet Held

CENTRAL HOWELL—The Nemo club met Wednesday night at the home of Mrs. Louis Wampler for its Christmas party. Due to prevalent illness there was a small attendance.

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