

'Our Senators' Make Debut; Founder's Passing Saddens

Bombed Waters Park Fences



Wild William Harris, cherubic first baseman-outfielder, who was the home run king of the Salem Senators in their first year of play in the Western International league.



Bud "Cocky" Brewer, who pitched 20 league victories and two out-of-the-league wins, including one victory over the Portland Beavers, for Salem's first professional baseball club.



Anthony Jo Fraiola, 170-pound Willamette guard, who was named on virtually every all-opponent team, who was accorded a unanimous vote for a position on the Northwest conference team and who was given honorable mention on the Little All-America for 1940. Tony was a freshman, playing his first year for the 'Cats.



Bob Boardman, husky pitcher, who captained Coach Harold Hawk's 1940 Salem high football team which won six, tied two and lost one.

Curiously, or not so curiously, the position "Our Senators" held in the Western International league chase last year varied almost exactly with the hitting of one Wild William Harris, outfielder and first baseman.

On April 24, start of the season, the Solons were on top.

On May 24, with Harris hitting .356, they were in fourth place—four games back of pace-setting Yakima.

On June 24, with Harris hammering at a .339 rate, they were still but four games off the pace.

On July 25, with Harris dropping to .355, they were in third place but were six games off Spokane's pace.

On August 24, with Harris sinking to .325, they dropped to fourth place, 14 games back of loop leading Spokane.

On September 9, close of the season, they were in fifth place, 16½ games back of the champs, and Harris was hitting .351.

Decline of the Senators in their first professional venture actually came, however, when Second Baseman Bobby Baer and Outfielder Moose Glabauha drew their releases, followed by Skipper Bunny Griffiths' injury-enforced absence from the lineup the final six weeks of the season. Baer and Glabauha were sent packing in the last week of June, at a time when the Solons were only four games off the pace.

As a financial venture—which, in the eyes of the late George E. Waters, owner, it wasn't—the Senator baseball club was no money maker. Neither was it a loser, and had a single player been in demand the cash accrued from his sale would have been profit.

The Solons played to a few over 50,000 in their first year—considered good but not excellent. Death of Owner Waters in mid-October cast a shadow over the future of the Senator club, but Mrs. Waters took over the ownership and announced she would maintain it throughout the 1941 season.

Maple Succeeds Bishop
Biddy Bishop, general manager of the Solons last year, was abruptly discharged by Mrs. Waters, and two months later she named Howard Maple, Willamette coach, as his successor. Previously, she announced the re-signing of Bunny Griffiths as player-manager.

Brightest star in the 1940 Senator lineup was Bud "Cocky" Brewer, side-arm pitcher, who hurled 20 wins for the club. He was one of the 20-game winners in the circuit—the other being George "The Duke" Windsor of Spokane, ex-Willamette Bearcat.

Bearcat Quintet Wins 14, Loses 12

Close Second, Conference;
Eberly Steady Player
Skopil Takes Honors

Willamette U's 1940 basketball band faltered long enough to lose sight of the Northwest conference crown in 1940, but it won 14 games to 12 losses for the season and in conference competition put away five victories to three losses for a second place finish.

Although three of the four members of the 1939 team who were accorded all-conference positions were on deck for the '40 season, they never could get their defensive formations to function as they had in the championship 1939 season. Obviously, the team missed Wild Bill Anton, giant Greek center, who was its defensive bulwark in 1939.

Steadfast performer for the year was undoubtedly Howard Eberly, lanky forward, while Bob White was probably the hardest driving, most aggressive courtman on the squad.

Conference victories included two over Linfield and one each from Pacific, Whitman and College of Idaho, who in turn dropped the 'Cats once each. Total conference record was 327 points scored to 315 scored against, while total season record included 1114 points scored to 1109 scored against.

Otto Skopil was named to the all-conference team for the second straight year.

Rose Bowl Ticket Market in Slump Ducats go at Par

PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 31.—(AP)—The bottom dropped out of the Rose Bowl ticket market today, just as it does every year. Scalpers, it was reliably reported, were trying to unload themselves of tickets, and were asking the purchase price of \$4.40 each.

It was probable that unsuccessful applicants might be able to purchase tickets at the gates outside the bowl tomorrow. Usually, this is the case.

Willamette Track Team Ends Fourth

The dual meet victories and a fourth place in the Northwest conference meet was the best the 1940 Willamette U track team could do. It lost a dual meet to Pacific and was third in a three-way meet with Pacific and College of Puget Sound.

Justin Weakley, who performed in the low hurdles, javelin and broad jump, was the most consistent point getter for the Bearcats.

The dual was included a 74½ to 66½ victory over Linfield—the first scored in 12 years.

Sports in 1940

Salem High's 1940 State Hoop Champions



The squad that captured the second successive state basketball title for Salem high in 1940. Front row, left to right—Scottie Sebern, Bud Coona, Don Barnick, Coach Harold Hawk, Red Kernen, Jim Henry, Eddie Salstrom. Back row—Ray Farmer, Dave Traglie, Don Harman, Russell Satter, Bob McKee, Deryl Mason.

Vikings Earn 4 Crowns

State Honors In Basketball

Co-championship Taken on
Gridiron; Star on Mat,
Baseball Diamond

Beginning with the second successive state basketball championship last March, picking up the state wrestling title and No Name league baseball championship after that, and then closing with a co-championship of the No Name league in football, 1940 was, all-in-all, quite a sports year out at the Vik.

Coach Harold Hawk whipped together a basketball club that included just one member left over from his 1939 state titular outfit, and it outplayed North Bend, Baker, Monroe and Pendleton to plop the second straight hoop championship into the Salem high trophy chest.

Satter All-State Center
In bagging the big batch of hardware, Center Russ Satter was accorded the all-state pivot position, while Guard Don Barnick and Forward Scottie Sebern made the number two quint.

Four Vik grapplers—95-pound Ray Wilson, 105-pound Bob Allen, 155-pound Claude Swingle and Heavyweight Bill Butte—bagged sixth mat titles under the tutelage of Coach Vera Gilmore. They were more than enough to put away the team title.

Hawk's diamond outfit, with Ben Gifford and Clay Patterson carrying the pitching load, won 10 and lost six for the season.

The Viking track team, guided by Vera Gilmore, put away the metropolitan division of the Hill relays, took second in the Hayward relays, broke three records in annexing the district seven meet, took the No Name session in easy fashion, finished fifth in the state meet and won every dual, two-way and three-way meet it entered.

Bend Tied, 7-7
Although starting with six boys who had seen service on the 1939 team, Coach Harold Hawk fielded a football team which lost but one game during the season and which tied the state championship Bend outfit, 7-7 in a part of the state playoffs.

The grid team won six, lost one and tied two. It scored 191 points to 41 scored against it and its lone defeat was to Astoria by a 14-12 margin. Named on many an all-star and all-opponent team were Center Bob Boardman, Ends Les Pearmine and Rollie Haag, Tackles Bill Thompson and Norm Sholeath and Halfback Dutch Simmons.

White Stars for WU, Joins Browns

Bob White, who later joined the St. Louis Browns' chain, single-handedly pitched the Willamette Bearcats to the Northwest conference baseball championship last year.

The big righthander turned in 10 wins for the season, including two pennant clinching victories against College of Idaho at Caldwell in the conference playoff.

White's support came from Jimmy Robertson, who turned in a bang-up season as the fireballer's only receiver; Johnny Kolb, hot corner protector; Lee Shinn, second baseman who subsequently joined the Salem Senators; Freshman Ollie Williams, first baseman; Al Walden, shortstop; and Durb Southard, Dwight Catherswood and Horsey Longman, outfielders.

Numbered among White's victories were a 10-0 decision over Oregon State, a 4-3 win from Oregon and a 10-inning, 1-0 verdict over Pacific's Dierrex. He was undefeated in college competition for the season.

NW Singles Title Taken by Gilmore

Add to the list of Willamette U sports achievements for 1940 the Northwest conference singles championship in tennis, which lanky Bud Gilmore, junior from Grants Pass, put away for his third successive year.

Gilmore, rated as one of the best netmen over to enroll at the Methodist school, is on deck for his fourth consecutive year of collegiate competition.

Girls' Softball Championship Is Won Third Year

Salem's Pade-Barrick softball girls put away their third consecutive state softball title in 1940, and then, announced the team would break up.

The P-Bs defeated Lind-Pomero of Portland 16 to 1 in the finals of the meet, held at Albany, with "Rifleball" Rae Yocom pitching two-hit ball. Rae Yocom and Outfielder Patty Carson were elevated to the all-state team for the fourth straight year, while Infielder Ruth Yocom made the selection for the second successive year.

Manager Bob Kouscher's three-year campaign with the P-Bs was productive of 115 wins to 23 losses for an .833 average. The 1940 record was 32 victories to 13 losses.

Pat Carson topped the P-B batters with a .403 batting average.

Quarterly Budget System Is Thrifty

Adoption of a quarterly budget system, put into operation early in Governor Charles A. Sprague's administration, has saved the state approximately \$700,000 during the current biennium.

This saving represents balances in appropriations for state departments and institutions authorized at the 1939 legislature for the current two-year period. Most of the balances will divert to the general fund of the state.

The quarterly budget plan is administered by State Budget Director David Eccles.

Hoop Jinx at Leslie Ended

Parriah Defeated on Maple
Court but Continues
Leader on Grid

While Tommy Drynan's Parriah gridders continued to dominate junior high school football for 1940, and while his track team continued to break records in easy victories, Leslie for the first time in history walked away with the basketball championship.

Coach Gurnee Fleisher's youngsters lost but two tiffs in the 15-game schedule and hung up 458 points to 308 scored against it. Wayne Straw, husky forward, topped league scorers with 160 points, while both Straw and Wally Gemmell were accorded places on the all-star selection which also included Jimmy Williams of the second place Giants, and Rex Hardy and Gale Lowery of the third place Greens.

Drynan's fine football aggregation was unbeaten in intramural league play, scoring 116 points to 26 for six opponents. Stars of the championship eleven were End Jim Wenger, Fullback Owen Garland and Halfback Bob Warren, all of whom made the official all-star eleven.

The Parriah track team set eight of nine new records in the annual relays and put nine of 14 new meet marks in the books. Stars of the city meet were Bob Warren, who set new marks in the 100 and 50-yard dashes and in the shotput, and Owen Garland, top seventh grade point getter.

All-Stater of Vik Champions



Russ Satter, who gained all-state honors in Salem high's drive for a second successive Oregon state high school basketball championship last March. Satter is now looking for the Willamette Bearcats.

'Cats Pull 'Man in Motion' out of Bag

Was All-Stater



Bernie Gentikow, Square Deal third baseman, who was voted the all-state third base position in the Oregon state softball tournament of 1940. It was the second straight year for Bernie of Beulah.

Man-in-motion football came to Willamette university last year, and it paid dividends in the way of a Northwest conference championship and renewed spectator interest.

While Coach Spec Keene's 15th consecutive Bearcat grid machine didn't knock over any out-of-the-conference rivals, it did hold the upper class Gonzaga and San Diego Marine elevens to one-point victory margins. In each instance the score was 7-6, and in each instance it constituted somewhat of a moral victory for Keene's freshman-studded lineup.

Keene's Score 129 Points
The team that Keene built, with the assistance of Hal Pangle, Howard Maple and Johnny Oravec, rolled to 129 points in knocking over all four of its conference opponents. Meantime, it held those same teams to one lone touchdown—scored by Pacific as the result of a kickoff runback by Len Gilman.

Pangle brought the man-in-motion to Willamette, and from the reception given the wider open game, it's there to stay for awhile. The ex-Oregon State star picked up the formation from his professional career with the Los Angeles Bulldogs, who were mentored at that time by Gus Henderson.

Walden Sets Pace

The 'Cats of '40 were paced in the backfield by steamy Al Walden, 170-pound sophomore fullback, who reeled off an average of seven yards per carry in getting a total of 538 yards. But the griddier who started the man-in-motion stuff clicking was Bombs-Buddy Reynolds, junior from La Grande, whose pass pitching netted 28 completions for 593 yards.

In the line, Anthony Jo Fraiola, a 165-pound freshman guard, was a standout. The little Italian was a submarine on defense and a destroyer on offense. Two other rookies stood out in the frontal wall, including End Bill Rider and Center Pat White.

Veterans who turned in top performances for the season included Johnny Kolb, Joe Holland, Gordon Moore, Floyd Cline, George Constable and Martin Baxton. In the line, and Gene Stewart and Larry Drury in the backfield. Teddy Ogdaahl, the teams' high scorer, was yet another freshman to prove his worth.

1941 Outlook Good

If all the eligibles return, Coach Keene will have the largest array of lettermen Willamette U has ever seen when the first call is answered next fall.

Total season's record for the Bearcats was four won and five lost, with 155 total points to 76 scored against.

Molalla Defeated By Forest Grove

Local Boy Brings Team to
Beat His Alma Mater;
Freezers Win Two

MOLALLA — Molalla high quintet met the Forest Grove high team here Friday evening in a non-league game. The visitors won 16 to 12. At half time the score was tied 9 to 9. Ross Syster, formerly of Molalla, is the basketball coach for Forest Grove. Another brother, Howard Syster of Molalla, was referee of the game.

Molalla (19) (10) Forest Grove
Lalmer 5 2 DeBont
Hilton 3 2 McRoberts
Schlewe 1 2 McIlvinn
Quist 4 2 Hermans
Kilburg 1 1 Lockett

Molalla Creme Freeze lost to Scherff & Sons the same night 40 to 35. The Creme Freeze in their lineup used rookie players from Oregon, Oregon State and Pacific. The visiting team was run-warp last year in the State tournament and a hard-fought game was played. At half time the score was 28 to 26 for Molalla.

Creme Freeze (35) (40) Scherff
Reed 4 4 T. Prentice
Helmo 5 12 Freeman
Scholar 12 11 Polgrind
Woods 10 5 N. Hakin
Robbins 2 8 S. Syster
Thronson 3

On Thursday night the Creme Freezers also played two games, defeating Western Electric Co. of Portland 59 to 25 and also winning the second game against the 29th Engineers of Portland, 35 to 22.

Road Is Repaired, Will Need More

Breakup of portions of the oiled airport road surfacing recently apparently was due to the combined causes of heavy traffic and freezing weather, Ralph Girard, county road oiling expert and county commissioner, was reported to the county court yesterday.

Girard opined that the road, cold-patched recently as a temporary measure, would have to be worked over in several places next summer.

Dr. Vinyard Named to Chiropodist Test Board

Governor Charles A. Sprague yesterday appointed Dr. V. Vinyard, Portland, and M. D. Vinyard, Salem, members of the Oregon chiropodist examining board. They will succeed Drs. William DeYeny and Thomas S. Chambers, both of Portland.

Whichee Injured

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Whichee, runner-up in the 1940 Santa Anita race, was injured in the second successive year, was slightly injured in an accident today, but was named with 16 others to go postward tomorrow in the feature race at Santa Anita park.

Softball in City Ruled by Dealers

Radio Team Makes It 2 in
Row in Salem, Loses
Out in State

While the Square Deal radio-sters for the second straight year dominated the Salem city softball league, capturing the title there on 10 wins and five losses, the state championship for the third straight year evaded them in the tournament finals.

Corvallis broke the long domination of state softball by Salem and Portland teams by trouncing the Dealers, 6-1, to take the 1940 championship.

Disappointment of the 1940 tournament was the Pendleton team, which, with Harvey Griffin pitching one no-hitter and one three-hitter, marched into the semifinals only to be easily trampled by Square Deal, Griffin, because of religious affiliation, did not pitch.

Bernie Gentikow, Square Deal third baseman, was elevated to the mythical all-state team for the second successive year, while Chuck DeAutremont, Dealer second baseman, was also named.

Kennedy's Also Play
Kennedy's surprising kids were Salem's number two entry in the tournament, but the luck of the draw sent that against Griffin's no-hit hurling in their first game and they bowed out promptly.

Softball played to considerably smaller crowds last season, leading to a declaration by city league officials to the effect that a reorganization of the setup would probably be made for the 1941 season.

Youths to Build Addition to Hall

Construction of an addition to the Salem Youth council meeting hall in Fridge park will be done with NFA labor and under NFA supervision, Chet Nelson, area director, announced yesterday.

Nelson said the building, sponsored by the Salem park board and the Salem Youth council, will be 12 by 24 feet in dimensions. Foundation are already started.

Carpentry work will be done by 24 youths who will be instructed in carpentry as part of the NFA educational program. Each will work approximately 56 hours a month. Nelson was construction superintendent.

Boys wishing to apply for work on the project may see Nelson at his headquarters in the old high school building.

Appreciation of Judge Expressed

Judge J. C. Siegmund, who retired this week as Marjory judge, yesterday drew an expression of appreciation from M. H. Holcomb, Marion county public welfare administrator. Holcomb wrote to the judge:

"I want to take this opportunity to express to you the warm appreciation that I have for you and for the work that you have done for the people of Marion county and for the county welfare department, as well as the assistance and sympathetic attention that you gave me during my tenure here," wrote the county welfare director. "I speak both as an official of the public welfare commission and as an individual in extending these remarks to you and I want you to know that I shall always remember you as the public official who had first and foremost, the interest of his constituents at heart, and the department will miss you; we hope that you will make your experience and wisdom available to us in the future as you have in the past."

State Offices to Close Here Today

All state offices here will be closed today, New Year's day. Both Governor Charles A. Sprague and Secretary of State Earl Saut will spend the holiday in Salem while State Treasurer Walter S. Peprage will join his family in Portland.