Sports Trail

By Whitney Martin

NEW YORK, Jan. 13—(Wide World)—This is one of those ideas that makes you blurt when you hear it: "Why didn't I think of that?" The answer is that it is so absurdly obvious and logical, and timely.

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Most timely, as it is the suggestion that a plaque be placed in the baseball hall of fame at Cooperstown, NY, to honor the memory of Edward L. Grant, the only major league player to be killed in action in the first world war.

It's a hand-me-down suggestion, coming first from J. J. Mahoney, a St. Louis fan, and relayed in a piece by J. Roy Stockton, St. Louis scribe, but the idea is good enough to steal.

The only difficulty in its application right now is that many of the baseball writers whose ballots name the newcomers to the hall of fame already have sent in their choices for this year.

Grant, a quiet, well-educated man in whom patriotism burned as a hot coal, left the roster of the New York Giants after the 1915 season to attend the officers' training camp at Plattsburg, NY, where he was commissioned a captain.

He went to France with the first embarkation of American troops, and lost his life Oct. 4, 1918, in the Argonne forest when, as acting major attempting to lead a battalion to the rescue of the famed "lost battalion," he was struck by a shell.

On his baseball career alone Grant probably doesn't rate with the game's immortals. He was a good, journeyman ball player who never batted .300 in his major league career, and were it not for his patriotic fervor which resulted in a hero's death his would be just another name in the long list of athletes, long since forgotten.

But Eddie Grant's contribution to baseball goes deeper than mere natural ability. He typifies something which baseball as a whole would like to have you believe is a component part of the game: the spirit of patriotism and self-sacrifice.

Baseball is proud of Eddie Grant. The very fact that no comment on the game's contribution in the first World war is complete without mention of his name signifies the esteem in which his memory is held. And it would seem only right that anyone whose name means so much should have a place on the honor roll.

Were it not for Eddie Grant major league baseball might be embarrassed in trying to explain why, with its hundreds of young, healthy men, only one made the supreme sacrifice in action. There was only one other death of a major leaguer in active service. Marcus Milligan of the Pittsburgh club was killed in an airplane accident.

So, from a purely selfish standpoint, Eddie Grant is the talking point for baseball in time of national stress. "Look at Eddie Grant," baseball will say as its clincher to any argument, and when baseball uses Eddie Grant as the emblem of its patriotism is seems only fitting that he be placed high among those who made the greatest contribution to the game.

No, Eddie Grant, the ball player, doesn't belong in the hall of fame. But Eddie Grant, ball player and patriot, deserves a niche, if only as the game's contribution to a greater game.

Beavers Blast Cougars In Overtime, 52 to 47

Sub Leads OSC In Win Over Title Holders

CORVALLIS, Jan. 12—(AP)—Oregon State college's veteran quintet called on a fleet sophomore, Lew Beck, Monday night to defeat the defending coast conference champions, Washington State, in an overtime basketball game, 52 to 47.

Beck, slim Pendleton speedster, who broke into the starting lineup as a guard, slipped through the Washington State defense repeatedly for lay-in shots.

He scored the game-clinching basket on a solo dash, and was the contest's high scorer with 17 points.

The score was deadlocked 14 times, with Oregon State usually bouncing back into a narrow lead. The Beavers gained an early 15-9 advantage while the Cougars' second team was in the game momentarily.

The Cougar varsity narrowed the gap to 24-23 at halftime. Not more than two points separated the teams thereafter until the beavers took a 44-40 lead with five minutes to go.

Al Akins, Cougar forward, cut loose then with one-handers from the side that tied the count again, 44-44.

Sam DeMent tipped one in for Oregon State, but Owen Hunt countered with a basket for the Cougars to send the game into overtime.

Beck almost at once put the Beavers ahead with a field goal. He was fouled while shooting, and converted the free throw for a 49-46 lead for his team. Tim Zimmerman sank a gift shot for Washington State with two minutes remaining, but the Beavers began stalling then, and sowed up the contest when Beck saw an opening and dashed in for a basket.

A capacity crowd of 2500 saw the Cougars lose their second conference game in three starts.

OREGON STATE	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Mulder, f	0	0	0	0
Volenti, f	3	1	4	7
Mandic, c	2	3	3	7
Dement, g	2	2	2	6
[illegible], g	6	5	2	15
McNutt, f	6	3	2	15
Hall, g	0	0	1	0
Total	19	14	14	52
Washington State	**Fg**	**Ft**	**Pf**	**Tp**
Akins, f	6	0	4	12
Gilberg, f	1	2	2	4
Bishop, c	4	3	2	11
Hunt, g	2	2	3	6
Gilbert, g	3	0	1	6
Zimmerman, f	2	1	1	5
Hooper, f	0	0	2	0
Cain, f	0	0	1	0
Witt, g	0	1	0	1
O'Neil, g	1	0	2	2
Total	19	9	17	47

Halftime score: Oregon State 24, Washington State 23.
Free throws missed: Akins, Gilberg, Zimmerman, Bishop 3, Hunt, Gebert, Witt; McNutt 2, Mandic, Dement, Beck.
Referee: Piluso. Umpire: Lee.

Contests Close, 'B' Church Loop

Court Street Christian, Salt Creek and the Presbyterians took close decisions in "B" church league hoop play at Parrish Monday night.

On the Y basketball program for tonight is City minor league games at Leslie.

Court St. Christian 24	21 First Christian
Seipp 7	5 Sharpneck
Armstrong 6	2 Cooley
Massey 8	4 Wirt
Wegner 3	6 Lind
Smith	4 Humphrey
United Brethern 20	33 Presbyterian
G. Lowery 11	20 Tomb
J. Lowery 7	8 Patton
Smith 4	2 McDonald
Martin 6	2 Bates
Clark 2	1 Wilson
Salt Creek 14	13 Mennonites
Snyder 1	3 Benig
E. Villwock 2	3 Herr
Fast 5	Simmons
Buhler 4	2 B. Roth
V. Villwock	Gehrig

Substitutes for Salt Creek, May 2. Mennonites, Roth 5.
Referee, Bud Johns.

Twenty Share Pot of Gold

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 12—(AP) Ben Hogan and Jimmy Thomson will play for $1800 to break their deadlock in the Los Angeles open. The winner will get $3500, the runner-up $1700.

The remainder of the $10,000 pot of gold was divided tonight as follows:

Sam Snead, Chick Harbert, and Harry Cooper, $900 each; Willie Goggin, Byron Nelson and Chandler Harper, $350 each; Herman Barron, Paul Runyan and Horton Smith, $141.33 each; Tony Penna, $115; Mark Fry and Dick Metz, $90 each; Jimmy Demaret and Vic Ghezzi, $72.50 each; Chet Beer, Stan Leonard, Lawson Little, Denny Shute, Ran Hill and Johnny Revolta, $32.50 each.

'Mural League Cagers Begin Firing Today

First firing in City Intramural league circles begins today with Gurnee Flesher's Leslie favorites meeting the Reds, Frank Brown's Parrish Pioneers tackling the Greens and the Giants facing the Yankees.

Flesher's southend outfit, believed by their coach to be as good as any Leslie quint he has yet produced are but slightly favored over Brown's Pioneer quintet. Flesher's starting five will probably be either Bill McCauly or Bud Smith, and Deb McLoughlin, forwards; Jack Slater, center; Earl Clark and Eugene Lowe, guards.

Brown's probable lineup is Stanley Coons and Mickey Tamiyasu, forwards; Ed Brandle, center; Eldon Farlow and Bob Mentzer, guards.

Tunney Will Seek PE Men In Portland

Washington, Jan. 12—(AP)—Lieutenant Commander J. J. "Gene" Tunney, the navy's director of physical education, Monday began a nationwide tour in search of instructors to carry out the navy's physical education program.

His tour opened in New York today and will end in Raleigh, NC, February 28.

His itinerary will include Portland, Ore., (February 3-4).

Accepted applicants will be enlisted as chief specialists (athletic, acting appointment), naval reserve.

Dempsey Tries Guards Now

ALBANY, NY, Jan. 12—(AP) Since the army won't take him, Jack Dempsey is going to be a New York state guardsman, if the guards will have him.

Unheralded, the former heavyweight champion called on Governor Herbert H. Lehman today to offer his services, as a private or in any other capacity designated, in the state organization. Lehman thanked him, told him to see Maj. Gen. William Ottman, of New York City, guard commander.

If he is accepted, Dempsey may find himself at right-dress with a private named Charles Poletti—the state's lieutenant-governor.

Thompson Tied With Hogan in LA Golf Play

By ROBERT MYERS

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 12—(AP) Drama and heartbreaks were written into the finish of the seventeenth annual $10,000 Los Angeles open golf tournament Monday as wee Benny Hogan and husky Jimmy Thomson wound up in a deadlock for the rich prize, and history repeated itself with a slap in the face for hard luck Sam Snead.

Hogan and Thomson, golf's mightiest men Monday, finished the four-day 72-hole battle over the green acres of Hillcrest Country club tied at 282 blows apiece. Thomson shot the finished round over the par 36-36—72 course in uneventful, consistent fashion, leaving Hogan to supply the gallery thrill, and Snead and pace setter Harry Cooper to furnish the disappointment.

Slamming Sam from Hot Springs, Va., blew himself out of the tournament on the eighteenth. He took eight blows to conquer the steep elevated par five hole, and ended with 285.

It was an eight on a par five hole at Philadelphia in 1939 that cost Snead the United States open.

Cooper, who started out on the final round with a two-stroke lead over Hogan ,and three strokes over Thomson and Snead, faded under the bristling pace of these two power sluggers, Hogan and Jimmy, and took a 75 for 285.

Thomson finished first with a brilliant 69, and Hogan, biggest money winner in the game Monday, came up to the 500-yard eighteenth needing a birdie four.

Sam Snead had reached the eighteenth but a short time before, but he was three blows under par. Then came Snead's explosion from the front ranks with a 72 for 285.

Hogan's drive travelled 325 yards and he reached the Green with an iron, going past the flag by 25 feet. He got down in two for his birdie, a score of 70 and a tie with Thomson.

The crowd loved it.

The two play the deadlock off tomorrow for the prize money—$3500 to the winner and $1700 to the runner-up.

Snead, Cooper and young Chick Harbert of Battle Creek, Mich., who had a 70, tied in the 285 bracket, while six strokes back of the twin leaders were ex-national champion Byron Nelson of Toledo and Willie Goggin of White Plains, NY.

Horton Smith, the first round leader in what was described as the most successful event in the tournament's history, took 75 blows to get around today and tied with Herman Barrow, White Plains, and Paul Runyan, Rumson, NJ.

Snead had a chance for a 69 and 282, which would have tied the ultimate winners. He might easily have had a 68 for 281 and the tournament. But he took three approach shots to the green; each failed to reach the top and all rolled back. He finally got on with his fourth try and got down in two.

Chandler Harper, Portsmouth, Va., slipped in late to tie Nelson and Goggin at 288 after shooting a 69. Jimmy Demaret, Detroit, a former Los Angeles winner, had 75 for 292 tying with PGA Champion Vic Ghezzi, Deal, NJ.

Ralph Guldahl, former open champion, was far back with a 77 for 303, and another ex-champion, Lawson Little, finished at 293.

Johnny Dawson of Hollywood, with a 72 for 293, captured amateur honors.

The playoff Tuesday is the first since Johnny Revolta, who had a 75 today for 293, and Ghezzi tied in 1935. Ghezzi won the playoff that year.

It was Thomson's second finish in the top spot. He won the 1938 tournament on the Griffith Park public course here with a score of 285.

Leading scorers:

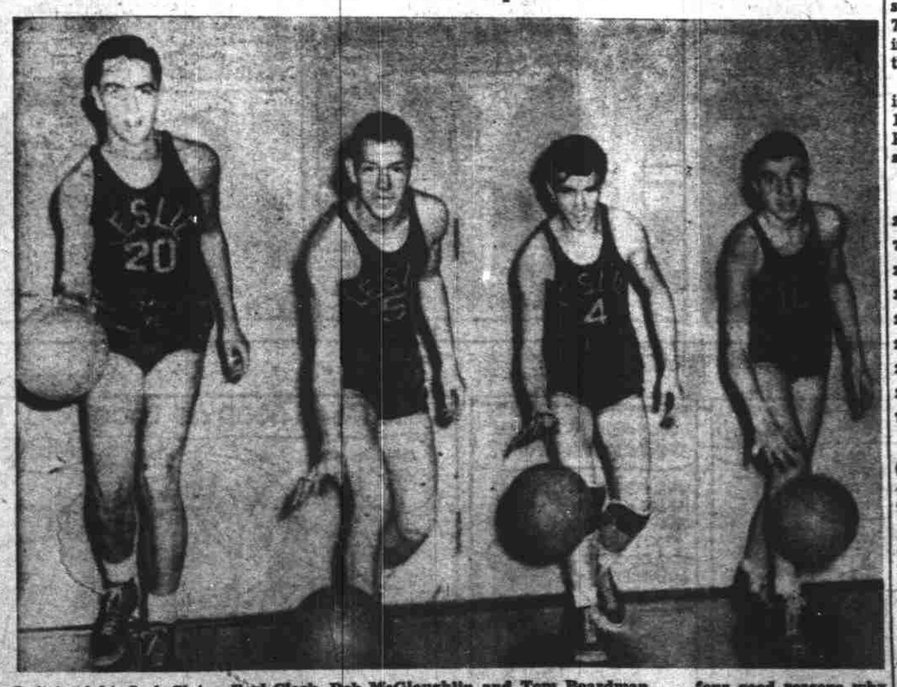
Ben Hogan, Hershey, Pa., 212-70—282.
Jimmy Thomson, Del Monte, Calif., 213-69—282.
Sam Snead, Hot Springs, Va., 213-72—285.
Chick Harbert, Battle Creek, Mich., 215-70—285.
Harry Cooper, Minneapolis, 210-75—285.
Willie Goggin, White Plains, NY., 215-73—288.
Byron Nelson, Toledo, Ohio, 216-72—288.
Chandler Harper, Portsmouth, Va., 219-69—288.
Herman Barron, White Plains, NY. 218-71—289.
Horton Smith, Pinehurst, NC, 214-75—289.

Gonzagans Measure Missionaries 56-46

WALLA WALLA, Jan. 12—(AP)—Gonzaga piled up a 17-point lead in the first half and then staved off a Whitman rally to defeat the Missionaries 56-46 in a free scoring basketball game tonight.

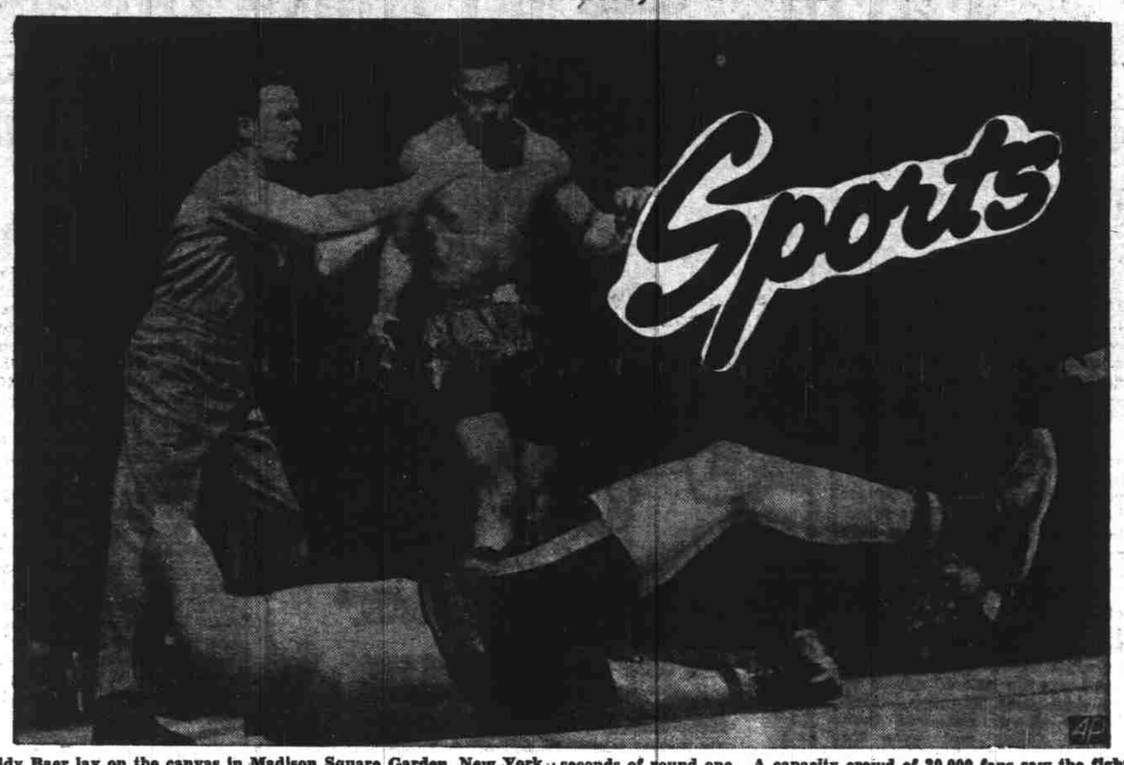
With Ed Sepick potting 17 points to take scoring honors, Gonzaga took a 3-16 lead at the half, only to have Whitman stage a brilliant comeback which fell short after the losers had cut the margin to six points at 50-44.

'Mural Title Aspirants



Left to right, Jack Slater, Earl Clark, Deb McGloughlin and Tom Boardman . . . four good reasons why Leslie hopes to restore the city intramural league title, won last year by the sophomore Giants, to the southend school. The Leslie team will meet the sophomore Reds in one of four games slated for the belated 'mural league opening today. Friday's scheduled opening was cancelled because of the closure of Salem's public schools.

It's All Over in 2 Minutes, 56 Seconds



Buddy Baer lay on the canvas in Madison Square Garden, New York, as Referee Frank Fullam lead Champion Joe Louis away after Joe had floored the challenger to score the 20th successful defense of his heavyweight title. The knockout came in 2 minutes and 56 seconds of round one. A capacity crowd of 20,000 fans saw the fight. Louis turned over his share of the gate to the navy relief fund. Louis weighed 206¾ and Baer 250 pounds.

Joe Ends One Scrap, Embarks on Another

By SID FEDER

NEW YORK, Jan. 12—(AP)—Uncle Sam's army told Joe Louis today that he doesn't have flat feet and that he's husky enough to put on a soldier suit Wednesday.

The heavyweight champion of the world took a five-minute ferry ride across New York harbor, became draft registrant No. 374 at the first army headquarters at Fort Jay on Governor's island, and, after an hour and a half session with a set of doctors, was given his final physical "okay" for the army.

Then, munching a handful of peanuts, he took the ferry back to Manhattan for his last 48 hours as Joe Louis, the champ who gets $100,000 or so for a few brief minutes' work. Wednesday at his induction at Camp Upton, Long Island, he becomes Private J. Louis Barrow at $21 per month.

Afterward, the army will shift him to its morale division, and in late March he'll probably have a furlough to fight for the army fund. Last Friday he trotted out his guns for the Navy Relief society and knocked out Buddy Baer in 2 minutes and 56 seconds, a benefit for which the navy fund received a check of $89,092.01 Monday.

The army took over Joe Louis—but in the process Joe just about took over the army. He created more furore at first army headquarters than a full dress inspection for the chief of staff. Some 400 other selectees, on hand for their own physical tests, flocked around him on the ferry and in the long chute-like examination rooms of Fort Jay's medical building and paid little, if any, attention to the sergeants and the "MP's" trying to keep them lined up. Majors and colonels and captains at the post came over to shake his hand and be photographed with him. And even Jim Braddock, the gallant old warrior from whom Joe won the heavyweight title back in 1937, took the ferry ride to give him a "good luck, pardner."

In fact, Joe was about the calmest citizen in sight during the proceedings. He got up at 6 a. m., and was still sleepy-eyed when he turned up at the ferry house with Julian Black, one of his managers; Promoter Mike Jacobs, Col. H. Clay Supplee, second corps morale officer, and Major Neal O'Brien.

Like an automobile on the assembly line, Joe passed from one doctor to the other as they examined his chest, eyes, ears, nose, throat, and heart, took his blood pressure and his pulse beat, measured him and weighed him, and, finally, fingerprinted him.

"Hope everything's all right," he told his sports-writing friends as he went down the line. "Only thing, I dunno if I got flat feet. D'you think I stand kinda flat? Maybe they won't examine me lower than the knees.

"This is a lot tougher examination," he added, "than I get from Doc Walker, isn't it?" (Dr. William Walker, state athletic commission physician, has examined Joe before each of his fights in New York for the last seven years.)

A whistle went up as Joe stepped on the scales and Sergeant William Chrastins called out "220."

Later, Joe revealed, that in transferring his induction from Chicago to New York, and waiving all notices and delays, he had done it so suddenly he had not even advised his wife, Marva. As a result she was coming in today from Chicago.

"Guess she'll have somethin' to say," Joe reckoned. "But I'm Uncle Sam's boy now, as long as the war's on."

Billy Conn in Comeback-Win

TOLEDO, O., Jan. 12—(AP)—Dapper Billy Conn, little the worse for wear despite an eight-month layoff, took the first step toward another shot at Joe Louis' heavyweight crown tonight by stabbing out a 12-round decision over Henry Cooper, Brooklyn heavyweight.

Conn won every round but could not once drop the stubborn Cooper who was in there to "go the distance" and gave Billy little to shoot at except a batch of elbows.

Conn, who weighed the heaviest of his career at 182 pounds, warmed up after six rounds but the 192 pound Cooper held on grimly to the limit.

Date Shifted for Winter Sports Mix

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 12—(Special)—In response to many urgent requests put by Oregon business men, and in cooperation with national defense plans, the Oregon Winter Sports association has decided to postpone its 1942 winter carnival, first scheduled January 25th to February 1st inclusive, to February 15th to February 22nd inclusive.

By doing this, the association will be able to combine the two big ski events, the All-Oregon Class A and B four-way, and the Pacific Northwest Ski association's classic combined program. This will help in conserving tires and automobile wear, as requested in national defense, by enabling the spectators to witness the two events with one trip to Timberline instead of two.

Blind School Matmen Scalp Chemawa 16-14

A 16 to 14 decision was brought in hot off the mat by the OSB Grizzlies after scalping the Chemawa Redskins Monday night in a pow wow at the Grizzly camp.

Results:
103 lbs., Todd, OSB, won a fall over Langley, Chemawa.
112 lbs., Duff, OSB, won a fall over Honena, Chemawa.
120 lbs., O'Field, Chemawa, won a fall over Alby, OSB.
120 lbs., Jackson, Chemawa, won a decision over Lang, OSB.
130 lbs., Johnson, OSB, won a decision over Shampine, Chemawa.
142 lbs., Dunbar, Chemawa, won a decisio nover Martin, OSB.
145 lbs., Perdue, OSB, won a decision over Bennett, Chemawa.
150 lbs., Beaudry, Chemawa, won a decision over Ross, OSB.

The next match lined up for the Grizzlies will take place on the home mat Friday when the team will meet WSB, their Washington rivals.

Basketball Scores

Eastern Wash. 50, St. Martins 29.
Michigan 34, Northwestern 32.
Notre Dame 52, Syracuse 35.
Temple 40, Georgetown 42.
Mississippi State 28, Tulane 25.
Indiana 40, Purdue 39.

Bearcats, Vikings Begin Title Defense Tonight

Between the army and the local MDs Happy Howard Maple, mentor of Willamette's oft-crowned hoop champions will be fortunate to floor a team by the close of the current season if misfortune keeps knocking on the door up Bearcat way as consistently as it has the past two weeks.

First it was the case of big Bob Carson, high-scoring, high-tempered center who answered the call to the army air corps during Christmas vacation, then, on the eve of Willamette's initial 1942 debut in defense of their Northwest conference title word came from the Bearcat lair that Maple's two flossy forwards, Sumner Gallaher, and Glen Walden would not be in suit tonight when the Salem collegians cross the river to engage Linfield at McMinnville.

The latter has been ordered by his physician to abandon maple court activity for the duration of the season, while Gallaher may be laid up for several more days with a severe case of influenza.

The Bearcats, who have won more championships than the other five conference members combined—nine in all—will enter tomorrow night's game with Linfield in an underdog role for the first time in many years of hoop competition between the rival institutions.

Drastic changes in Willamette's starting lineup are expected as a result of the loss of Maple's two starting forwards, with Earl Toolson probably being moved up from the guard position to which he was switched at the start of the current season.

The Methodist men will move to Portland Wednesday night for a charity engagement with a prominent independent team in the Rose City.

San Diego State Upsets California 27 to 26

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Jan. 12—(AP) San Diego state college staved off a late University of California rally tonight to nose out the Bears, 27 to 26, in a rough basketball contest.

Twenty two fouls were called by the referee, 15 of them on the Bears. San Diego took an early lead and kept at least even with the Pacific Coast conference quintet throughout the game.

At the half the score was knotted at 17 points each.

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Harold Hauk's Salem high hoopers begin their No-Name league title defense tonight on the 14th and D street maple boards where they tangle with the Milwaukie Maroons.

A preliminary contest between the Milwaukie Bees and Frank Beer's Jayvees is slated for 6:45.

The scrappy Maroons who have already hung up two No-Name wins in downing Dwight Adams' Albany five, 34-33 and administering the 21-19 defeat they handed the Oregon City Pioneers.

Although he has not scrimmaged since the Grant tilt, Dunkin' Dutch Simmons, fleet forward, is expected to see service tonight. Rex Hardy, however, who sprained an ankle late last week, will remain out of suit for ten days.

Coach Hauk Monday indicated he would again start the quint which showed so well against Grant January 2. It includes Dutch Simmons and Martin Svarverud, up front; Don Cutler, center; Bud Coons and Don Chapman, guards.

Silverton Meets Woodburn Tonight

SILVERTON — Woodburn and Silverton basketball teams will meet on the Silverton floor Tuesday night at 7 o'clock for a double header. The game scheduled with Canby last Friday night was postponed and the time of its play will be announced sometime this week.

On Friday night Silverton plans to go to Corvallis for a game with the OSC rooks.

Simmons Voted Valuable Vik

Dutch Simmons who scored 35 points during the season was Monday elected the most valuable player to the team by members of the 1941 Salem high football squad, Coach Harold Hauk said today.

Simmons, a senior, has earned two letters in football, one in basketball and a pair in baseball. He is senior class president and head of the Salem chapter of the National Athletic Honor society.

UAL Issues Ski Brochure

Oregon's superb skiing is featured in a new advertising folder, "Snow Playgrounds of the West," which has just been published by United Air Lines for distribution to ski fans all over the nation.

The folder describes the ski trails and facilities of Timberline Lodge on Mt. Hood and points out that it may be reached by United's overnight service from the most distant cities in the United States. Other famous ski areas quickly reached by United's planes and connecting ground transportation include Mt. Rainier, Wash., Sun Valley, Ida., and Yosemite, Calif.

Oilers Defeat Rubes

PORTLAND, Jan. 12—(AP)—The Eugene Rubensteins were defeated 54 to 34 yesterday as signal oil of Portland chalked up its 18th straight win over independent basketball teams.

Merel Kruger of the Oilers and Earl Sandness of Rubensteins tied for top scoring with 13 points each.

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