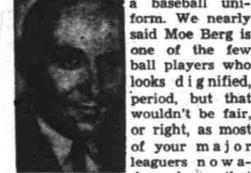


# FDR Says 'Play Ball' In Letter To Landis; Major Clubs Rejoicing

## Sports Trail

By Whitney Martin

NEW YORK, Jan. 16—(Wide World)—Moe Berg is one of the few ball players we know who looks dignified in a baseball uniform. We nearly said Moe Berg is one of the few ball players who looks dignified, period, but that wouldn't be fair, or right, as most of your major leaguers nowadays have that Rotary club appearance when they are off duty.



But there is something about Moe Berg that commands respect, even if you didn't know he should be incorporated, as he is too smart for any one man. This trait makes him an ideal choice for his new job as good will ambassador to Central and South America.

He is a queer duck in a lot of ways, and even Al Schacht, his clowning pal, can't quite figure him out.

"The most mysterious guy in the world," says Schacht earnestly. "You never know what he's thinking, or what he's going to do, or anything about him."

"He's the greatest guy to read newspapers I ever saw. Every evening he'd stop at a newsstand and buy every paper in sight."

"Then he'd load up with candy and go to his room. You can't step into the room without falling over a pile of them."

Berg is a tall, well-set-up, handsome citizen, very conservative in dress. In fact, he always looks the same, which is explained by the fact all his clothes are cut to the same pattern, and of the same material. It is said that when he went to Florida for training he methodically changed from black shoes to white before leaving the train, which was his only concession to the Florida climate.

He speaks very softly out of the corner of his mouth, barely moving his lips, and gives the impression that everything he says is very, very confidential. He stands very straight and moves his head very little, substituting oblique glances with his eyes.

Although never a star, he has managed to stay in the majors in one capacity or another since 1926. He came up originally as a shortstop, and our colleague, Hugh Fullerton, Jr., who was at Princeton when Moe was there, recalls him as the champion over-thrower of first base.

He never could hit a lick, but is rated a smart catcher, and in 1932-33 and '34, set a league record of 117 errorless games.

He loves baseball, but never did believe in overwork and was inclined to become downright exasperated when he believed he was being forced into unnecessary labor.

Al Schacht, in his book, tells the story of the steaming day in Washington when it was necessary for Moe to catch both ends of a double-header. Midway in the second game Moe could hardly drag around.

Earl Whitehill was pitching, and he and a batter decided to start a goal-getting contest. When the batter was set, Whitehill kept him waiting, and when Whitehill was ready, the batter retaliated by stepping from the box.

Moe stood as much as he could, and finally he removed his mask, protector and shinguards, piled them neatly on the plate, and announced:

"When you two blankety-blank get through playing, let me know. I'm going to take a shower." He strode majestically to the dugout.

Schacht always has a stopper when Moe starts parading his book learning.

"Look at him," he scoffs. "Degrees from three universities, and never wrote a book. I went to the sixth grade, and I wrote one."

## Jefferson Loses 30-19

JEFFERSON—Mill City invaded Jefferson Tuesday night to take a double basketball win from Coach Pat Beal's boys. The Jefferson 'A' team went down 30 to 19 while the Bee boys closed the gap to 29-21.

Jefferson A  
Barna 5  
Bruce 6  
Harris 3  
Weddle 3  
Gilmour 3

Mill City A  
Harris 10  
Lalor 7  
Taylor 10  
White 5  
Koenig 5

Jefferson B  
Harris 10  
Lalor 7  
Taylor 10  
White 5  
Koenig 5

Mill City B  
Harris 10  
Lalor 7  
Taylor 10  
White 5  
Koenig 5

'Kittens Play Mill City  
The Willamette Bearkittens travel to Mill City for a hoop engagement Saturday night. Inasmuch as the Mill City quint leads the Marion county B league, and have won seven out of their first eight starts this season, the 'Kittens are slight favorites in the contest.

## Despite Player Shortage, Tonic to 1942 Baseball Expected to Help Clubs

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16—(AP)—President Roosevelt cheered the leaders and fans of organized baseball Friday with a declaration that he thought the war should not be permitted to black out the national pastime.

## Huskies Swamp Oregon and Jinx, 60-34

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 16—(AP)—University of Washington's speedsters raced to a 60 to 34 northern division coast conference basketball victory tonight over University of Oregon.

The Huskies, undefeated this season and winners of two previous conference games, ran away from Oregon after the first five minutes, building up a 33-16 lead at halftime.

Doug Ford, Washington sophomore who handled most of the Huskies' backboard duties, was the game's high scorer, with 15 points, including six field goals.

Washington's speed confused the Webfoots even more in the second half than it had in the first, and, after five minutes, Coach Howard Hobson of Oregon ran in a lineup of inexperienced sophomores.

They showed more enthusiasm than finesse and though the score was never close, the game barely missed becoming a donnybrook. Thirty-eight fouls were called, the highest of the season in the northern division.

Bobby Lindh and Norm Dalthorp of Washington scored 10 points each. Oregon's chief point-guard was Paul Jackson, who scored 7.

## Leslie Smears Yanks 95-13

In one of the most one-sided games ever played in the Intramural loop, Coach Gurnee Flesher's Leslie high hoop squad availed itself of the Yanks by a 95 to 13 count in Friday's round of play. Every Leslie player saw action in the rout, and each accounted for a good share of the points. High point man was Smith, Leslie sub, with 21 markers. Half-time score was 44 to 3.

Parrish continued on in its winning way with a 39 to 13 triumph over the Giants. Led by Farlow, guard, who hit for 16, the Capitol street boys ran up a 27 to 7 half-time score and were never in danger.

Advised of Mr. Roosevelt's letter while vacationing in Florida, Commissioner Landis said: "I hope that our performance will be such as to justify the president's faith."

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## Bowling Scores

INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE			
Sears	50	50	100-177
Handicap	183	183	186-362
Larson	106	172	172-510
Hart	150	150	150-450
Bellinger	149	149	149-447
Kob	145	145	145-435
Putnam	144	144	144-432
Wich	143	143	143-429
Graham	142	142	142-426
Total	888	894	894-2656
Hoyt Bros.			
Handicap	45	45	45-135
Edwards	144	159	149-532
Besse	151	146	146-465
Thompson	200	180	180-560
Wich	149	149	149-447
Graham	148	148	148-444
Total	888	894	894-2656
Lloyds			
Handicap	53	53	53-159
Lloyd	151	151	151-453
Weisgerber	148	148	148-444
Davenport	142	142	142-426
Welch	140	140	140-420
Nuffer	138	138	138-414
Total	846	894	897-2721
Hoyt Bros.			
Handicap	78	78	78-234
Herr	150	150	150-450
Cooley	151	151	151-453
Randall	149	149	149-447
Lenaburg	174	169	169-508
Merfield	148	148	148-444
Carstensen	147	147	147-441
Total	901	979	929-2806
Ries			
Handicap	47	47	47-141
Kittling	138	138	138-414
McDowell	149	149	149-447
Rice	147	147	147-441
Wich	146	146	146-438
Dahlberg	178	165	165-495
Total	889	910	927-2806
Goldies			
Handicap	89	89	89-267
DeGure	163	163	163-489
Herr	150	150	150-450
Wanning	132	132	132-396
Tune	111	111	111-333
Shirley	103	103	103-309
Total	789	792	829-2410
Pink Elephant			
Handicap	106	106	106-318
Talbot	175	175	175-525
LeRoche	106	106	106-318
Taylor	120	120	120-360
White	111	111	111-333
Koenig	103	103	103-309
Total	808	808	808-2424
Standards			
Handicap	80	80	80-240
McAfee	120	120	120-360
Wanning	111	111	111-333
Gustafson	103	103	103-309
Loucks	123	123	123-369
Total	638	638	708-2167

Cherry City League  
Reinhold & Lewis  
Reinhold 43 43 43-129  
Lewis 159 178 120-457  
Rifford 126 165 165-442  
Hendrick 109 131 111-342  
Wagner 196 187 132-523  
Natal 729 796 697-2325  
Paulus  
Thompson 141 117 171-429  
Hendrick 126 165 165-442  
Farnum 188 179 141-506  
Hilmer 156 156 156-468  
Harmon 138 166 172-476  
Total 777 787 780-2344

Boiler  
Handicap 46 46 46-138  
Menzler 149 146 126-421  
Rifford 126 165 165-442  
Matheny 126 140 126-404  
Walton 180 148 144-472  
Kelly 116 129 87-322  
Total 735 774 672-2202

Statesman  
H. White 178 190 172-508  
Compton 156 136 127-419  
Beigler 171 122 141-434  
Hendrick 126 165 165-442  
Lange 147 130 170-447  
Total 812 763 777-2292

Salsmen  
Handicap 4 4 4-12  
Thompson 118 140 176-468  
John Farrar 180 140 132-452  
Dee Farrar 133 140 134-497  
Storvick 157 116 116-448  
Total 693 545 631-1771

Outdoor  
M. Poulton 140 171 161-472  
Simons 128 122 128-404  
Mills 147 162 170-479  
Total 618 623 608-1850

Gervais Takes Two  
GERVAIS—Scotts Mills high school A and B basketball teams come to town Tuesday night to take a beating from the Gervais quint, the scores being 34 to 20 for the varsity and 18 to 10 for the Bees.

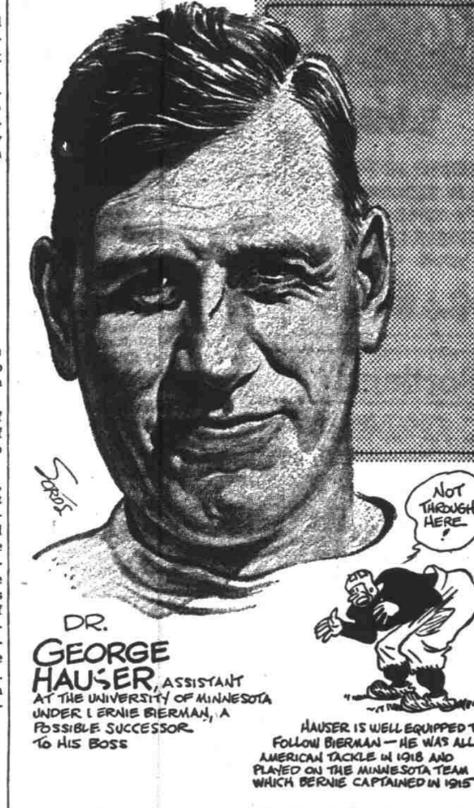
Gervais A (24)  
Cuthbert 10  
Storvick 11  
Senter 4  
McCull 4  
McCall 4  
Sub: Koenig 2

# Sports

BY AL LIGHTNER  
Statesman Sports Editor

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## Bernie's Successor? By Jack Sords



DR. GEORGE HAUSER, ASSISTANT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA UNDER LERNE BIERMAN, A POSSIBLE SUCCESSOR TO HIS BOSS

HAUSER IS WELL EQUIPPED TO FOLLOW BIERMAN—HE WAS ALL-AMERICAN TACKLE IN 1918 AND PLAYED ON THE MINNESOTA TEAM WHICH BIERMAN CAPTAINED IN 1915

## Basketball Scores

HIGH SCHOOL		COLLEGE	
Klamath Falls 54, Bend 11	Ashland 28, Medford 20	Brigham Young University 53, Wyoming 49	Montana State college 46, Greeley State 38
Dallas 34, Independence 16	Scappoose 35, Rainier 24	Colorado Mines 40, Regis 28	College of Idaho 43, Whitman college 30
Grant 40, Benson 21 (both Portland)	Lincoln 50, Commerce 32 (both Portland)	Highlands university 52, Eastern New Mex. college 34	Colorado college 50, Western State 33
Washington 33, Sabin 21 (both Portland)	Roosevelt 39, Jefferson 25 (both Portland)	Montana 73, Gonzaga 50	Southern California 58, California 46
Parkrose 48, Estacada 18	Pacific University Frosh 37, Seaside 34	Stanford 37, Santa Clara 27	Michigan State 51, Marquette 40
Willamette University Frosh 24, Woodburn 22	Gresham 43, Sandy 17	Findlay 42, Marietta 41	Maryland 28, Washington college 25
Eugene 36, Albany 27	Cottage Grove 18, Springfield 25	Baylor 48, Texas A and M 46	VMI 57, Richmond 36
Hood River 28, The Dalles 25	Milton-Freewater 46, Pendleton 18	North Carolina 54, Clemson 34	Alabama 33, Georgia 29
Roseburg 24, Grants Pass 20	Astoria 43, Columbia Prep 24	Baldwin-Wallace 45, Ashland 40	Mount Union 57, John Carroll 39
Oregon State college Rooks 40, Silverton 8	Tillamook 37, McMinnville 32	Texas Tech 48, New Mexico Aggies 32	Texas 32, Southern Methodist 31
Corvallis 36, Milwaukie 20		Rice 51, Arkansas 38	Concord 72, Virginia Tech 45
		Wabash 38, DePauw 32	Colorado 48, Utah State 31
		Pacific Lutheran 30, Western Washington 29 (Overtime)	Washington 60, Oregon 34

## Bearcat Athlete Leaves for Army

Morris Kreutz, Willamette University senior, and coach of last year's highly successful freshman hoops squad left Salem Friday for service in the army.

A physical education major and former Bearcat football and basketball player, Kreutz led the 1941 Bearkitten team to 22 victories in 28 games, making up the best record ever made by a Willamette freshman team.

## 'Having Good Time' Writes Andy Rogers

"Having a wonderful time, wish you were here, etc.; they don't give us much chance to win the game Saturday, but we will see. Really been a fine trip—I'll be seeing you."

Such is the text of a picture post-card postmarked December 4, Honolulu, received by Hani Clark, Statesman circulation manager, from Bearcat guard Andy Rogers in Friday's mail.

Historical December 7—"Remember Pearl Harbor"—came three days later; and Andy has been back in school for three weeks.

## Anglers Take Note

PORTLAND, Jan. 16—(AP)—Angling in coastal streams should be fair this weekend, the state game commission's weekly fishing bulletin said today. Striped bass fishing in Coos bay remains fair.

## USC Beats California

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Jan. 16—(AP)—The University of Southern California defeated the University of California, 58 to 46, in the first of a two-game basketball series here tonight.

# Vikings Pressed, But Nose Oregon City By Close 32 to 30 Margin

## Robinson Wins By 'TKO' in Tenth Round

NEW YORK, Jan. 16—(AP)—Ray Robinson, Harlem's skinny negro slugger with less than two years of professional experience, stopped the Veteran Fritz Zivic in ten rounds in Madison Square Garden Friday night and with it won a shot at the welterweight championship. Robinson weighed 141½, Zivic 148.

After dropping the experienced ex-champion with a long overhand right hand smash late in the ninth session, Ray came back to floor the Pittsburgher with a two-fisted explosion early in the tenth.

Zivic was trying to get to his feet as the count reached six, but for some reason Referee Arthur Donovan decided to call a halt to the proceedings at this point and award the Harlem Hammer a technical knockout triumph at 31 seconds of the tenth. The bout was scheduled to go 12 rounds.

A round of boos from a good-sized collection of customers greeted this abrupt finish to what had been a sizzling, slug-fest brawl up to that point. The Associated Press score card gave Robinson five of the nine completed rounds, while Zivic took three and one was even.

To this ringsider Fritz didn't appear to be badly hurt when the bout was over. He walked back to his corner without help and, once there, was near tears over what was only the second time he had been stopped in a career of more than ten years of bashing.

"When I was giving Henry Armstrong a lot worse licking a year ago," he shouted, "Donovan didn't stop the fight so quickly. Why do it now?"

For Robinson, it was the 27th straight triumph, the 21st via the KO route, in a professional career that began a year ago last fall after he had taken the amateur ranks apart for a couple of seasons.

Promoter Mike Jacobs had promised Friday night's winner a shot at Freddy (The Red) Cochrane's welterweight championship Feb. 20 for the benefit of the fight infirmity paralysis fund. However, Freddy's manager, Willie Gilsenberg, received a letter from the navy Friday stating that it would be difficult to get the titleholder a requested five-week furlough just now to train for the fight.

For two rounds, Robinson, opening like a brown bullet coming out of a gun, simply blinded Fritzie with his speed. But it was obvious right from the word go that he couldn't carry that pace for 12 rounds.

As a result, in the third round he slowed down. He suffered a cut over his right eye from a long hook in the second and took several clouts in the third, although he came back in the last 45 seconds of that heat to give Zivic a good going over.

In the fourth, Ray was in low gear and no damage was done anywhere inside the ring.

Ray took the sixth with sharp lefts, particularly in close as Fritzie had trouble tying up Robinson's portside fist, but in the seventh, the youngest of Pittsburgh's five flying Zivics had a field day. Three hooks dug into Robinson's tummy were particularly what Ray didn't like.

Everything was going along smoothly in the ninth when Robinson reached over that right hand and dropped Fritzie right in his own corner. Fritzie landed head down in the resin and when he came up, his face looked like a baker's after a dip in the flour barrel.

Ray came out swinging in the tenth and connected with just about everything he fired to drop Zivic.

## Cal Leads Ski Meet At Sun Valley

SUN VALLEY, Idaho, Jan. 16—(AP)—California's skiers took long strides today toward winning their second straight Jeffers cup, compiling a lead of nearly nine points in first day's competition in the annual Western Interstate ski meet.

California's men's team posted a score of 272.2 in the downhill race although first place among individual contestants went to Barney McLean of Colorado.

Kathleen Starratt of California won the women's downhill event and her team was 'out in front with 278.2.

Competition will continue tomorrow with slalom races and the meet will conclude Sunday with jumping events.

Utah was in second place in men's team standings with 263.3 points. Colorado was third, 254.9; Idaho, 246.2; Oregon, 231.2; Washington, 245.7; Nevada, 210.3; and Montana, 204.6.

## Blind School Loses To WSB in Mat Scrap

The WSB Beavers gnawed their way to a 18-8 victory over the OSB Grizzlies Friday night in Grizzly Hall. This long awaited mat scrap is the first this season between the Vancouver and Salem rivals.

Results:  
104 lbs., Todd, OSB won a fall over Wilburn, WSB.  
121 lbs., Ferec, WSB won a decision over Duff, OSB.  
122 lbs., Peters, WSB won a fall over Alby, OSB.  
136 lbs., Zurfluh, OSB won a fall over Martin, WSB.  
141 lbs., Perdue, OSB won a decision over Harmon, WSB.  
156 lbs., McConley, WSB won a fall over Ross, OSB.

A return match on the Beavers' mat is scheduled for February 7.

## Mill City Leads Loop

MILL CITY—The Timberwolves of Mill City high have won all their league games to date, edging Stayton a week ago and downing Jefferson Tuesday night by a score of 30 to 19. The Bee squad has also been victorious on both dates.

## 'Chug' Hears Bugle

SPOKANE, Jan. 16—(AP)—Ed (Chug) Justice, former Gonzaga athlete who now plays professional football with the Washington Redskins, said today his draft board at Lewiston had advised him he would be inducted next month.

## Simmons, Coons Are Too Much For Hot Pioneers

OREGON CITY, Jan. 16—Salem high's Vikings sneaked from behind in the closing minute of play to edge the surprisingly keyed up Oregon City Pioneers in a No-Name league basketball game here Friday night. The contest was a close one all the way, although the Pioneers held a 20 to 14 lead at half time. Salem closed the gap 23 to 22 three minutes into the second half.