

From the Bleachers

By Al Lightner

The "christening juice" should be dry now, (broke a bottle of fizz-water over the head of this "sports editor's delight" a while ago,) so—here we go.

More hash in hashing out the Beaver Bowl win, which has been hashed and rehashed all over the place now, but here's one faithful who really had the Staters picked all the way. He's Carl "Zeke" Curlee of the Albany chamber of commerce. (Found a couple of letters from Carl to "Maizie" Gemmill in a pile of you guess what's in, under and on Ron's old desk).

Not only does Zeke prove that he prognosticated perfectly with a copy of a letter to a West Virginia friend dated December 2, but encloses a sensible comment of his own on comments made after Bill Stern's broadcast on that memorable day.

"I disagree with you on the score that Bill Stern deliberately favored Duke during his broadcast of the game," says Zeke. "He did talk more about Lach, Davis and Company, but that can be discounted for the fact that Bud Forester, you, and other sports authorities in the Northwest fell down on your jobs. You failed to acquaint the writing and babbling gents of national hoop facilities with the Oregon State brand of football. Bill just knew more about Duke and their football players."

Proof of the perfect pick is borne out as follows—
"On the same field with Washington, Washington State, Stanford, California and Oregon, it is a good gamble that the Blue Devils wouldn't be quite so devilish. In a nine-game schedule the 'Bull Durhams' enjoyed at least seven of the softest kind of soft spots while there is no such things as a soft spot in this Coast conference. They are just tough and tougher, and they go hell-bent-for-the-pig's hide from September 'till Turkey Day."
"And don't think it was the rain that stopped Stanford. I

tell you these tree-toppers can stop anybody. They stopped the mysterious Frankie Albert so that his gains were minus and his passes were wild pitches. Then just last Saturday they put legions on two of the fanciest backs west of the Great Divide, Curt Meacham and Tommy Roblin."

"I am one who believes firmly and with reason that Mr. Lach and others of Mr. Wally Wade's Blue Devils will find New Year's night a very blue night. Runners like Lach are vermicelli for these kids. They just "lach" 'em, and they really do take 'em apart."

"Because this is a cow college with an unknown coach and an unpublishable football team; because it is deep in the big woods with wooden-shoed co-eds and hairy-chested boys who go bear hunting with their fists; and because they are referred to by other Coast conference schools as 'country cousins,' they are a cinch to go into the Rose Bowl on the short end. They'd be underdogs against the West Virginia Blind Institute."

"Who ever heard of Lon Stiner? Who ever saw Quentin Greenough's classic mug glorifying a 24-sheet cigarette ad? Who ever saw Don Durdan in the news reels? Who ever saw a Martini Chaves' name on a razor blade? Who ever saw a movie of "Dethman of Oregon State? Nobody!"

"Yet today Stiner, the youngest coach in the Coast conference, is head coach of the conference champion and 1942 Rose Bowl entry. Greenough is one of the best snapper-backs I have ever seen, and I've seen Vick at Michigan, Nemes at Ohio State, Lester at TCU and Buck Weaver at Centre college. And now I see Greenough, and he's tops. He is the defensive diagnostician, a murderous tackler, one of the fastest men on the squad and the brains of the line."

"Don Durdan, made out of barbwire and whalebone spiked with nitro-glycerin, is little Mr. Touchdown himself. There is no better back on this coast. Durdan is not flashy and doesn't appear extra fast, but he does everything well and is fast enough to get where he is going before the other fellow. His punts rarely ever appear extra long, yet somehow another they seem to come to rest inside the ten-yard line from almost anywhere on the field, and he never gets his pictures in the papers. But you'll see 'em plenty after 1-1-42."

"Durdan's punning mate is Dethman, and Dethman is a carbon copy. The only difference is that Don is a southpaw while Bob does his chores from the right side."

"If there is a better guard on the coast than Chaves, a lot of people out here would like to see what he looks like. Chaves is fast and rough and tough, as fast as a half-back, and as smart as a tree full of owls. Blue devils, red devils, or yellow devils, they all look alike to him. And you can bet your winter underwear there will be some teeth-chattering in the Rose Bowl on New Year's day when Mr. Chaves starts to crack the Duke ball toters."

"Mr. Wally Wade, a wise old guy I know, coast critics regardless, better bring along a plug of that "Brown's Mule" from Louisville and teach his boys to use it. Because once this year, the battling Beavers were penalized 15 yards for squirting tobacco juice in the eye of an opposing end."

"This is in reply to your letter seeking information of my impression of a big, bare-legged, bare-chested, he-man and she-woman school and their football team. Don't say I didn't tell you."
Signed: "ZEKE."

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Viks Vanquished By Astorians

Frank Brazill Beaver Manager

Former Beaver Third Sacker Takes Reins

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 31-(AP)—Frank Leo Brazill, veteran of 21 years in minor league baseball, will manage the Portland Beavers in 1942, President E. J. Scheffer announced Saturday.

Brazill, Beaver third baseman from 1922 to 1925, was named manager after (Freck) Owen, the club's present third-sacker, declined to take the pilot's post.

Selection of Brazill, rated as one of the top left-handed hitters during his long career in the minors, came as a surprise here. Recently released as a New York Giant scout, he had not been mentioned for the Portland job. Brazill's most recent managerial experience was with Memphis of the Southern association in 1939. Before that he had managed Nashville of the Southern association and Greenwood and Greenville, both of the Cotton States circuit.

No Frosh on Varsity for Wallace Wade

By FRANK B. GILBRETH
DURHAM, N.C., Jan. 31-(AP)—Wallace Wade, who has never absorbed a bad licking in a quarter century of coaching, would rather turn out a weak football team at Duke next fall than one composed partly of freshmen.

That doesn't mean, necessarily, that Duke wouldn't go along with other colleges if the majority favored changing the eligibility rules so that freshmen could fill the gaps in war-depleted squads.

But Wade personally thinks it would be a mistake. "It's true there's going to be a dearth of football material because of the war," said Rose Bowl Wallace. "But there are more important things than winning football games."

Here are Wade's reasons for not liking the freshman idea:
1. The kids need a year of conditioning before they're ready for the varsity squad. Otherwise, they're more likely to get hurt.

2. Freshmen have a hard enough job simply becoming acclimated to college life. Enough of them flunk out as it is.

3. Because of the war, most colleges are trying to graduate students in a hurry. This means freshmen will take additional studies, and football would cramp their school work.

Duke probably will lose a good portion of its Rose Bowl squad to the armed forces, but the biggest loss may be Wade himself.

The 49-year-old coach was a captain in the last war, and his friends say he's itching to get back into service. Wade won't comment on this angle.

Tourney Tees Off Today

Play in the 72-hole handicap tournament at the Salem Golf club will open today. Contestants, limited to those members who have established handicaps, may schedule their three 18-hole rounds at any time they choose after registering. Three prizes are to be awarded.

Temple of Basketball

This is the architect's conception of the Naismith Memorial Museum and Basketball Hall of Fame which will be erected at Springfield, Mass., the site of the first game. In honor of Dr. James Naismith, who invented the game when he was a young instructor at Springfield College in 1891. In its archives will be preserved in perpetuity the names, records, and accomplishments of all the great players of teams of past, present, and future generations. The Naismith Memorial will be open to the public at all times. It will serve to give the greatest pastime of basketball substance and permanence. It will do honor to a man who has brought pleasure to millions all over the world. It will also be the finest edifice ever erected in honor of a sportsman.

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'Lippy' Leo Signs For One Semester; 'Cookie' Joins Naval Air Force

NEW YORK, Jan. 31-(AP)—Leo Durocher, who piloted the Brooklyn Dodgers to the National League pennant last year in his third season as manager, signed a new one-year contract today and learned at about the same time that his regular third baseman has enlisted in the naval air corps.

President L. S. MacPhail coupled his announcement of Durocher's signing as a player-manager with the disclosure that Harry "Cookie" Lavagetto had joined the navy as a pilot at Alameda, Calif.

Lavagetto, who played five seasons with Brooklyn and for the last four years was named to the National league all-star team, took flying lessons last summer along with his fellow Californian and teammate, Dolf Camilli. Both earned amateur pilot licenses.

The third baseman informed the club that his draft board had not advised him of any contemplated change in his 3-A classification, but that a brother he had been supporting now had a job and that he felt it was his duty to enlist.

MacPhail said he and his manager had agreed to terms about as quick as a snap of the fingers. Although the terms were not disclosed, best estimates seemed to be that Durocher would receive about \$22,500 for this year.

Bruins Take National Hockey Loop Lead

TORONTO, Ont., Jan. 31-(AP)—The Boston Bruins gained undisputed leadership of the National Hockey league Saturday night, beating the third place Toronto Maple Leafs 3-2 in overtime. The victory gave the Bruins a two-point margin over the New York Rangers.

The victory proved costly to the Bruins as Dit Clapper, their newly-appointed assistant manager, suffered a cut tendon of his left leg when he collided with Bingo Kampman, Toronto defenseman, in the third period. It was feared Clapper may be lost to the world champions for the balance of the season.

	W	L	T	Pts.
Yates-D. Peden	2460	9	1314	
A. Debacco-Bergna	2460	8	1288	
Trchy Peden-Yaccino	2460	8	777	
Letourner-Audy	2460	7	798	
Logan-Anerson	2460	6	460	
Kuehn-Eiler	2460	6	423	
Jacoby-Carfagnini	2460	5	514	
Pesk-Abt	2460	3	232	

West Salem Cradlers Top Chemawa Five
WEST SALEM—Grade school basketball squads of West Salem and Chemawa tangled in a cage clash Friday resulting in a 19 to 10 win for the host team.

Beaver Rally Not Enough to Stop Gilberg

PULLMAN, Jan. 31-(AP)—A Washington State college basketball team that had slumped badly after a fine pre-season start came to life with an explosion of points midway in the first half Saturday night and held on grimly to edge out Oregon State, 53 to 48, and move back into the Pacific coast conference northern division pennant picture.

Marv Gilberg, who is like the little girl with the curl in being very, very good when he's good, broke up a see-saw argument in the last 10 minutes of the opening half with a deluge of six baskets.

When Gilberg started the score was tied at 11-all after the lead had switched six times, and when the half ended WSC was in front, 25 to 12. His soaring, one-handed push shot made the basket look big as well as the gaping crowd, and the halftime lead looked substantial enough to last a week.

But not to Oregon State. The visiting Beavers merely fed more fuel to their methodical machine, boosting the pace slightly and driving Washington State's Cougars nearly frantic with their control of the backboards and the ball.

Sophomore Lew Beck paced the attack. Don Durdan and big John Mandie pointed the defense and Oregon State dumped in seven points before the Cougars could connect.

The Beavers kept hacking at the lead until a field toss by Durdan left them only two points in arrears at 45-43 and then Gilberg reentered the picture with two quick goals. Gail Bishop added another and WSC was beyond danger, with only two minutes left to play.

Gilberg's 17 points gave him scoring honors and Bishop followed with 15. Beck, who tallied 11 in the second half, led Oregon State with 14.

The Beavers, who move to Moscow Monday for a two-game date with Idaho, shifted from man-to-man to zone defense just before Gilberg went on his first half rampage. They changed back at the start of the second stanza and clung to the man-to-man for the rest of the route.

The victory put WSC above the .500 percentage mark again with five wins and four losses and left them into the challenge position behind pace-setting Washington, which beat Oregon Saturday night.

Oregon State	G	F	P	T
Beck, f	6	2	3	14
Durdan, f	2	1	2	5
Hall, f	0	0	0	0
Mandie, c	1	4	2	6
Warren, c	1	0	2	2
Dement, g	1	2	3	4
McNutt, g	4	2	4	10
Mulder, g	3	1	4	7
Jefferies, g	0	0	0	0
Totals	18	12	18	48

Wash. State	G	F	P	T
Akins, f	2	0	0	4
Gilberg, f	8	1	3	17
Hooper, f	0	0	2	0
Zimmerman, f	0	0	0	0
Bishop, c	7	1	3	15
Caib, c	0	0	0	0
Gebert, g	4	2	10	6
Hunt, g	1	2	6	4
Witt, g	0	1	0	1
O'Neill, g	0	0	0	0
Totals	22	9	12	53

Free throws missed: Simmons 2, McMorris 2, Cutler 2, Coons, g-c 10, 2 to 4, Gemmill, g 2, 10 to 0 0 0 Hardy, g 0 0 0 0 Totals 43 7 7 21

Personal fouls: Wirkkunen, Simmons 3, Love, Parker, Cutler 4, Hoff 2, Williamson 4, Coons 2, Gemmill, Seeborg. Free throws missed: Simmons 2, McMorris 2, Cutler 2, Coons, Wirkkunen 2, Love 4, Parker 2, C. Crandall 2.

Shooting percentages: Astoria, 28; Salem, 123. Officials: Bill Beard and Dick Weisgerber. Referee: Steve Belko, Idaho.

'Bird' Is Given Congress By Round Tablers

SPOKANE, Jan. 31-(AP)—Behind the slogan "Keep 'Em Laughing," the Spokane Athletic Round Table, nationally known sports promotion and fun organization, launched its "Bundles for Congress" campaign Friday night.

To start the drive, the round table mailed to every representative and senator in the congress a "bundle" containing one "Coochie" bird. Attached to the "Coochie" was a card which read in part:

"Here comes Coochie, senators and congressmen. "Never worry about the war and taxes. "Get that pension first. "We're giving you the bird right now."

The Coochie birds, made of stick legs, with pine cone bodies and huge curved bills are guaranteed by Athletic Round Table President Joe Albi to "prevent all worries about the future that our dear congressmen may have."

Series Is Evened As Finns Find Hoop In Final Quarter

In a basketball game that had all the earmarks of a walk-athon for over three quarters, but finally opening up thriller-style in the last three minutes, Coach "Willy" Wally Palmberg's Fishermen took a 28 to 21 victory over the red and blacks of Salem high Saturday night to even the four-game series at one each.

Until half-way into the final quarter only five field shots had found the hoop while 55 had been turned loose in the general direction of the nets. Bud Coons looped a long one handed to start the field scoring when the game was two minutes old. Scoring famine took over at that point and the game became a sloppy exhibition of passing, dribbling and shooting on both sides.

The first quarter ended with the score tied at 3 to 3, four foul shots finding the netstrings along with Coons' two-pointer. Looping long shots that missed were taken by both teams most of the second quarter until Seeborg, with ten seconds left in the half, turned loose a left-handed do or die cast to put the Finns on the long end of a 7 to 6, SEVEN to SIX half time count.

Exactly two field goals were made in the first half. Two minutes into the third quarter Love broke through to a corner to cast the Finns' first and nine points. Then Gordy McMorris, who played a bang-up defensive game all evening, broke up a passing party the faltering Fishermen were having, followed it with a floor length dribble and Salem's eighth point, as the clock said two to play in the third heat. Parker pitched two free throws on infractions by Don Cutler to send the Astoria lead soaring to 11 to 8 as the third period ended.

The lid on the scoring box blew open in the fourth quarter after Cutler closed the count to 10-11 on Parker's foul. Coons heaped a howitzer to give the Haukmen a short-lived lead with six minutes to play. Parker intercepted a bad Salem pass and laid in number 13 for the Finns. Love followed with a side shot and Crandall sneaked in for another lay in to run the score to 17 to 12. After Parker tanked another from the side the Viks suddenly came to life.

Cutler batted in a free ball followed by a gift to Simmons. Dutch finally squeezed through a hole in the wall of guards on him all night to sink a typical Simmons' style one hander from the side. But the Finns found themselves as Hoff hit for six tallies in succession, his total for the game, and led the contest despite the last minute desperation shots by the Viks.

Astoria (28) S Fg Ft Pp
Wirkkunen, f 4 0 0 0
Love, f 7 2 3 7
Parker, c 7 3 3 9
Hoff, c 4 3 0 6
C. Crandall, g 7 1 0 2
Williamson, g 3 0 2 2
Seeborg, g 3 1 0 2
Dement, g 1 2 3 4
Salem (21) S Fg Ft Pp
Simmons, f 9 2 5 9
McMorris, f 8 1 0 2
Johnson, f 5 0 0 0
Cutler, c 5 2 2 6
Coons, g-c 10 2 0 4
Gemmill, g 2 10 0 0
Hardy, g 0 0 0 0
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Taylor, f	4	2	4	10	
Wren, f	0	0	1	0	
Marshik, c	2	0	3	4	
Andrews, g	3	3	3	9	
P. Jackson, g	4	2	2	10	
Newland, f	0	0	0	0	
Fuhrman, f	2	1	0	5	
L. Jackson, c	0	1	1	1	
Kirsch, g	1	1	4	3	
Maynard, g	0	0	0	0	
Totals	16	10	18	42	

Washington	G	F	P	T
Gilbertson, f	4	0	1	8
Ford, f-c	6	2	2	14
Gilmer, c	1	2	3	4
Lindh, g-f	0	2	3	2
Morris, g	4	0	1	8
Fliffet, f	0	1	1	1
Cummins, c	0	0	1	0
Leask, g	3	0	1	6
Dalthorp, g-f	2	3	1	7
Nelson, g	0	0	1	0
Bird, g	1	0	0	2
Gissberg, g	0	1	1	1
Totals	21	11	16	53

Half-time score—Washington 32, Oregon 25. Shots attempted—Oregon 62, Washington 66. Free throws missed—Taylor, 2; Wren, Newland, Andrews, 4; Gilbertson, Ford, Gilmer, 2; Cummins, Lindh, 2; Dalthorp 2; Morris, 2. Officials, Harry Mitchell, Huntley McPhee.

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Troch Top Trapper In 1941 Shoots

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 31-(AP)—Veteran Frank Troch topped Oregon trapshooters in 1941 competition, Pacific International Trapshooting association figures disclosed Saturday.

Troch, in his 31st year of trapshooting, broke 1485 of 1500 targets in northwest registered shoots for an average of .972. Following him were W. E. Fisher, Pacific City, with an average of .967; Paul Hinton, Klamath Falls, .966; and Ray Glass, Eugene, .965.

Besides the "bundles" to congress, the ART in paid advertisements, urged the people of Spokane to "join in aid for congress." Postcards mailed to members all over the United States, showed "Esmeralda," the round table's

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