

Sports Trail

By Whitney Martin

NEW YORK, Dec. 29—(AP)—It's the little things that come to your mind in thinking back over the sports year, such as:

Kirby Higbe, Brooklyn Dodger pitcher, bending to pick up the ball in the final game at Philadelphia, and freezing in that position as he glanced at the scoreboard and saw that the Cardinals had just scored enough runs at Chicago to ruin any Dodger hopes of tying for the National league pennant.

Joe Louis and Billy Conn, booked to slug it out against each other in a title fight which subsequently was stopped before it started, chummy pairing off and chatting away like long-parted bosom friends when here as exhibitors "A" and "B" in the completion of plans for the bout.

The way his teammates swarmed over Johnny Beazley after the final out in the final game of the world series. He took a worse beating from them than the Yankees ever were able to hand him.

The look of downright amazement and incredulity on the faces of football writers in the Yankee stadium press box as the first return of the Boston college-Holy Cross game was received, and the "there ain't no such animal, but there it is" attitude when the final score was verified.

Joe Gordon lying prone and inert for a few seconds after Walker Cooper's throw had nipped him off second to ruin the Yankees' victory hopes in the final world series game, the picture accompanied by the idea that the names he was calling himself wouldn't look good in a family newspaper.

The obvious sincerity of rugged Hans Lobert as he remarked at the start of the season that the goal he had set for his Phils was to win half their games, and the impression that he wasn't setting a goal; he was fishing for a miracle.

Jack Dempsey trudging down a company street at the Manhattan Beach coastguard station, lushing a bicycle through the rain and mud and dusk toward his office of athletic director, and the idea that no man could put more spirit into his job.

The amazement when a hulking giant-like Lou Nova went down and stayed down when hit by the apparently routine punches of Tami Marcellino, and the first impression that he was taking the easy way out. (He had a busted rib and miscellaneous other injuries.)

The picture of the Navy line not only stopping the Penn backs on the one-foot line, but making them rear upward like an automobile climbing a telephone pole. Leaving the impression that if Army hoped to beat the Middles it had better plot to do it by air.

Marveling that Abe Simon could talk intelligently in his dressing room after taking a cruel beating from Joe Louis, but detecting one sign of befuddlement. He insisted the bout should have been allowed to continue.

Cougar Quint Meets NYU 5

NEW YORK, Dec. 29—(AP)—Two more home town winning streaks will be at stake Wednesday night as New York university and St. Francis of Brooklyn tangle with intercollegiate foes in the third college basketball doubleheader in five days at Madison Square Garden. Each team has won six straight.

St. Francis' Terriers, winner of 17 out of 19 games last season, are coupled with the University of Wyoming's veterans in the opener and NYU goes against the fast-breaking Washington State five in the nightcap.

Monday night Long Island and Fordham had their winning streaks snapped by Southern California and Kansas, respectively.

Rangers Beat Bruins
BOSTON, Dec. 29—(AP)—The rehabilitated New York Rangers, thanks to the superb goal-tending of their Jim Franks, drubbed the Boston Bruins, 5 to 3 Tuesday night for their first home setback in 11 starts during the current National Hockey league campaign.

The Rangers, who had outplayed and outscored such strong rivals as Toronto and Detroit in their two previous starts, piled up a 4-0 lead during the first two periods, despite the heavy barrage that the Bruins directed against the cool-headed Franks.

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Vikings Rally In Closing Minutes, Nip Chemawa, 36-34

Buckets by Farlow, Svarverud Save Win Skein for Brownmen

Salem high's basketball Viks had to call on two long field tries—one tremendous cast by Guard Eldon Farlow and another difficult one-hander from a side by Forward Martin Svarverud—in the dying minutes of a hot-paced hoop clash Tuesday night to eke out a 36-34 win over a sharpshooting Chemawa Indian quint, visiting the Vik Villa from the neighboring Duration league.

Sporting News Names Barrett No. 1 Minor

SEATTLE, Dec. 29—(AP)—When Dick Barrett was named by Sporting News Tuesday as the outstanding minor league baseball player of the year, it was a case of the roly-poly pitcher winning a national No. 1 rating after being ranked only No. 2 in his own league.

Sports writers voted him runner-up man in the Pacific coast league in the closest balloting the circuit ever saw. He was named out by a single point—64 points was the highest possible vote—by Ray Mueller, star catcher of the championship Sacramento nine.

Not only did the ace pitcher get the go-by from his own league, he got it from his home town. The Seattle eight-point vote went to Mueller, the home town sports writers disclosed after the winner was announced, by a hair-line margin. The Seattle vote was enough to decide the contest.

They explained there were several contributing reasons to passing by the home town favorite of eight seasons—the same Ewopie Dick who was named Seattle's No. 1 man in sports a year ago.

The deciding factor was that Mueller was the sparkplug of the team that won the title. Also, except for his spectacular earned run average of 1.72 per game, Barrett had a challenge from Hal Turpin for the No. 1 honors on Seattle's outstanding "two-man pitching staff."

Orange Rivals Taper Down

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 29—(AP) After winding up their final scrimmages Tuesday for the New Year's Sugar Bowl game, Tulsa and Tennessee football teams will walk through light plays and concentrate on brainwork in the remaining two days of training.

Coach Henry Frnka at the Tulsa camp in Bay St. Louis, Miss., expressed apprehension over the bruising ground attack of the heavier Tennessee team, while Coach John Barnhill at the Edgewater park camp of Tennessee was uneasy over the passes of Tulsa's great tailback, Glenn Dobbs.

"Tennessee has been pretty lucky with pass defense this year but we've never met any passers like Dobbs," Barnhill said. The stout Vols however were able to stop the two best passers they met this year, Alvin Dark of Louisiana State and Steve Filipowicz of Fordham.

Segura Wins Sugar Bowl Tennis Title

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 29—(AP) Francisco Segura of Ecuador, No. 3 ranking player, Tuesday won the annual Sugar Bowl singles tennis championship by defeating Earl Bartlett of Tulane, South-eastern conference champion, 3-6, 6-2, 6-1, 6-4.

Segura was a finalist last year with Ted Schroeder of Stanford, Sugar Bowl champion who was unable to defend his title.

Coach "Lefty" Wilder's Redskins gave out with a sizzling rally themselves at the outset of the third quarter, which started with Salem leading 21-16. George Walters commenced things with a stupendous thrust from deep in a corner and then center Harvey Whitford, held to four points in the first half, put on a one-man show with his left-handed howitzers and brought the Indians up to a 24-23 deficit. Bob Edden tied it and then Whitford sent Chemawa ahead with another of his pivot-push specialties.

The only points Salem could garner the whole period were made on a two-pointer by Farlow, a gift toss by Bill Ransom and two of the same by Travis Cross near the end of the period which brought Salem to a 28-31 count behind the visitors.

Svarverud took over the scoring limelight in the last period, and with two goals from the field and a free toss brought the Viks to within two points of the Indians with five minutes left.

The tempo of the thrill-filled game hit a high pitch at this juncture, and after exchanging races up and down the floor Farlow canned his long one to shove the Viks in front, 34-33. Gordy McMorris had made good a free toss to make it 33-32 moments before.

The Indians were giving the Viks such a good go of it that the latter took their sixth time out and were penalized with a technical foul. Don Williams made it good and it was knotted again. But not for long. Svarverud intercepted a Chemawa pass, dribbled off to one side and canned his 10th and 11th points—the ones which gave the Viks victory.

Whitford was high man with his 12 markers, followed by Svarverud's 11 and McMorris' 10. Williams was also undoubtedly the outstanding player on the floor and lived up to his reputation as a super ball-handler. His accurate passes really set up most of the Redskin points and he hooped eight himself. On two or three occasions, he rifled passes to mates who were all alone in the "hole" but fumbles by the latter nullified would-be clinch points.

Coach Frank Brown's Red and Blacks again displayed much speed and drive most of the game, but the third quarter lapse came as a result of slackened pace by the Viks. Superior Salem backboard play was also apparent and was largely responsible for a large share of the Brownmen's first-half points. Both quints had almost equal success with shooting percentages—Salem's was 34.6, Chemawa's 24.0.

In the preliminary a much too big and rangy Viking Jayvee team took a 28-8 win from a pint-sized Indian squad.

Next game for Salem comes January 5 against Corvallis. Jayvees (28) (8) Papposes Jua (6) F..... (0) Lodge Zeller (6) F..... (0) Murphy Langan (2) C..... (1) E. Hoffer Lowe (11) G..... (3) Hoenna Mentzer (0) G..... (1) Dave Slater (2) S..... (3) J. Hoffer Boardman (1) S.....

Salem (36) 5 Fg Ft Tp Ransom, f 4 0 1 1 Svarverud, f 13 5 1 11

Shooting percentages: Salem—24.6, Chemawa 24.0. Officials: Drynan and Lightner.

BOB WATERFIELD
BOB's balance wheel
Waterfield is the balance wheel in the intricate machinery of Coach Babe Horrell's "QT," an adaptation of the "T" used so successfully by the Chicago Bears. Like Sinkwich, he is a "clutch" player, and without him the Bruins would be just another football team.

Sports

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REVIEW OF YEAR IN SPORTS

By JACK SORDS

NOV. 3—JOE GORDON, YANKEE SECOND BASEMAN, WAS NAMED THE AMERICAN LEAGUE'S MOST VALUABLE PLAYER.

NOV. 28—IN THE SEASON'S MOST STARTLING UPSET, HOLY CROSS DEFEATED PREVIOUSLY UNBEATEN BOSTON COLLEGE 55 TO 12.

NOV. 30—BILL TERREY, VETERAN OF 20 SEASONS IN THE NATIONAL LEAGUE, QUIT THE NEW YORK GIANTS.

NOV. 30—PAUL GENERALI, CALIFORNIA'S GREEN PASSES, WAS GIVEN THE MAXWELL AWARD AS THE COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR.

NOV. 28—STENE O'NEILL WAS NAMED AS MANAGER OF THE DETROIT TIGERS, SUCCEEDING DEL BAKER.

Baseball 'Bible' Chooses Williams Over Gordon

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 29—(AP)—Championship success of the St. Louis Cardinals was reflected Tuesday in the selection by the Sporting News of Branch Rickey as the No. 1 executive of the year and Billy Southworth as the outstanding manager in the major league baseball.

Lindsay on Deck For Title Clash

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 29—(AP) Kenny Lindsay, Canadian bantamweight champion, arrived Monday for a Friday bout against Manuel Ortiz, Los Angeles, for the NBA bantamweight crown.

Lindsay set up training quarters at a service men's center, punched bags for a while then worked out briefly with a sparring partner. Ortiz, who will be making his first defense of the NBA title, worked seven rounds with four sparring partners.

Williams led the American league in batting percentage, home runs, runs scored, runs batted in, total bases and bases on balls. His fielding percentage also topped all outfielders appearing in more than 150 games.

Jones, c	.....	12	2	0	4
Chapman, g	.....	5	0	0	0
McMorris, g	.....	13	4	2	10
Belling, c	.....	5	1	0	2
Cross, f	.....	2	0	2	2
Farlow, f	.....	6	3	0	6
Corbet, f	.....	1	0	0	0
Totals	.....	61	15	6	36

Chemawa (34)

Edden, f	.....	2	3	9
Walters, f	.....	5	2	1
Whitford, c	.....	27	5	12
Williams, g	.....	11	2	4
Stops, g	.....	3	0	0
Wilson, f	.....	2	0	0
Totals	.....	50	12	34

Personal fouls: Cross, Svarverud, Jones 3, Chapman, Farlow, McMorris 3, Walters, Edden 4, Whitford 3, Stops 2.

Free throws missed: Ransom 2, Svarverud 2, Belling, McMorris, Whitford 2, Stops.

Without denying Joe Gordon's claims to honors as the most valuable player in the American league, the baseball weekly passed over the New York Yankee second-baseman and named Ted Williams as the outstanding player of the 1942 season.

Anti-Tank Keg Quint Downed

Second Battalion headquarters (71st) defeated the Anti-Tank company (71st) in a hotly-contested three game bowling series Tuesday night at the Perfection bowling alleys.

The headquarters quint easily tucked away the initial game but the stubborn Anti-Tankmen narrowed the second game margin to 13 pins. The losers, however, scored a 757-718 victory in the final set of frames. Koch of the Headquarters team was highman with 530 pins followed by Sessenden of the Tankmen with 527.

Next week a similar series will be fought off.

Second Battalion	135	111	147
Berger	157	125	156
Egdahl	176	159	135
Pink	155	161	130
Ross	181	190	150
Koch	151	194	182
Totals	814	755	718

Anti-Tank

Sessenden	151	194	182
Murman	124	150	142
Lee Anderson	127	133	133
Lloyd Anderson	109	111	149
Johnson	161	159	151
Totals	732	742	757

Orange Cagers Snatch Sixth Straight, 33-29

Pasadena Bowl Fails to Awe Georgia Club

PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 29—(AP)—There's one thing that impresses you about this football team from Georgia. The boys aren't overawed.

They weren't over-awed by anything they saw when they arrived. They weren't over-awed by the movie studios, or the attention they got anywhere else.

They weren't over-awed Tuesday, as they got their first glimpse of the Rose Bowl.

And it's a pretty safe bet they won't be over-awed Friday, when they do battle with UCLA's Bruins in that same Rose Bowl.

The pressure is almost certain to be on the Bruins. For one thing, the Georgians are veterans. They've played together for four years, most of them. Sophomore Charley Thippi is the only upstart, and it's still doubtful whether he'll be in the starting lineup.

The invaders are even Bowl veterans. They tore Texas Christian apart in the Orange Bowl last year.

On the other hand, this team of Bruins not only hasn't seen the Rose Bowl—except maybe in the audience—neither has any other UCLA team. And the Bruins are definitely fidgety.

It was light drill for both squads Tuesday, as the coaches tried to do no more than keep their charges in top condition. The Georgians cavorted around the big saucer in Arroyo Seco, while the Bruins remained at their home field in Westwood. Wednesday they too will move here, to get the feel of the turf.

West 11 Holds Heavy Scrum

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29—(AP)—Scrimmage of the rock 'em, sock 'em type enlivened the western team's practice Tuesday for the East-West charity football game here New Year's day.

While Co-coaches Don Faurot of Missouri and Orin Hollingbery of Washington State searched for weaknesses, the westerners divided into two squads and banged into each other at Stanford university.

Drilling on T-formation plays, installed Monday, continued at top speed to enable the West to alternate this type of attack with the single wing. The T-formation is a Faurot specialty. He worked with a first-string backfield composed of Tom Robin, Oregon, quarterback; Bob Kennedy, Washington State, left half; Bob Steuber, Missouri, right half, and Willie Zapala, Texas A&M, fullback.

The eastern workout at Santa Clara offered less than the West's in action. Instead of bumping into each other, the boys from the east engaged in dummy scrimmages.

Basketball Scores

Salem 36, Chemawa 34.
University of Arkansas 52, Texas Wesleyan 47.
East Central (Okla) State 61, Springfield (Mo) Teachers 39.
Oregon State 33, Michigan State 29.
Utah State 66, Idaho Southern Branch 41.
California 45, St. Mary's 42 (overtime).
Rochhurst 48, Washburn 34.
Olathe Naval Air Base 45, University of Missouri 35.

Enthusiasm, Tight Contests Feature Second 'Y' Playday

Though the elements outside cut down attendance for the second of the YMCA open house program Tuesday, it didn't dampen the enthusiasm of the many youngsters who did show up for the varied events offered. The swimming pool and the basketball league were the biggest drawing cards.

Winners of the seven hoop games were the Yanks, Jeeps, Butterballs, Knights, Zoots, Codgers, and Huskies. Both boys and girls had swimming periods in the pool and the lobby games ran steadily from early morning until late afternoon.

Big event Wednesday is the trip to the state penitentiary set for 12:30. Any boy who wishes to make the trip may go. Leaders of the group will be furnished by the Y. Basketball games set for Wednesday are: 10:30, Yanks vs. Jeeps; 11:15, Commandos vs. Blitz; 1:00, Skeeterbugs vs. Codgers; 1:40, Yohels vs. Knights; 2:20, Butterballs vs. Zoots; 3:00, Skeeterbugs vs. Knights; 3:40, Huskies vs. Panthers; 4:20, Wildents vs. Cougars.

Scores Tuesday: Yanks (16) Cummings 2, Harbaugh, Schaefer, Baker 7, Yocom, Girod 7; Commandos (25) Barton, Fredrickson, Paul 2, Longberg 5, Hullings 2. Jeeps (16) Ringland 2, Van de

Yank to Yank



CHARLIE RUFFING

Ruffing Now On New Club, Still Yanks

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 29—(AP) The Yankees of New York lost their star pitcher Tuesday to a bigger Yankee crew—the army.

Charles Herbert Ruffing, mound mainstay of the off-time champions was certified 1-B after a medical examination, and goes in for non-combatant duty.

A coal mine accident in Nokomis, Ill., when he was only 15 kept Ruffing, known to baseball fans as Rufus the Red, from a 1-A classification. He lost four toes in the mishap, but went on to become one of the game's great hurlers.

Last fall he completed 19 years in the major leagues, 13 of them with the Yanks. Red, his 6 feet, 2 inch frame and 234 pounds dominating the room, reported Tuesday for his selective service physical. There was no fanfare, and even some of his close friends didn't know that the 37-year-old finger had received his induction papers.

He has been working since shortly after the end of the baseball season at the Vultee Aircraft factory in nearby Downey. His home is in Long Beach.

Aside from his foot, said Lt. Hal C. Jenkins, chief medical examiner, Ruffing was physically "A-1 in every respect."

How did he like the prospect of going in?

"There's only one way to feel," he said. "We've got a difficult battle on our hands."

He added that he's "just about tired of baseball anyway."

Ruffing made his major league debut with the Boston Red Sox in 1924 and still was a good enough hurler to be manager Joe McCarthy's mound choice for the opening game of the 1942 world series.

He remained with Boston until May 6, 1930 when he was traded to the New York Yankees for outfielder Cedric Durst. It was while with the Yankees that he developed into one of the game's best right-handed pitchers, winning seven world series games and compiling a major league pitching record of 258 victories and 216 defeats.

Arkansas 66, Texas 44. University Nevada 51, Mather Field (Sacramento) 30.

University of San Francisco 54, Santa Clara 39.
Rice 43, Southwestern (Kas) 27.

Durdan Leads Victory Over Michigan St.

EAST LANSING, Mich., Dec. 29—(AP)—Oregon State's barnstorming cagers staved off a last half rally by Michigan State college to triumph 33-29 and take sixth straight victory before 2,300 fans at Jensen field house Tuesday night. The Beavers led 23-14 at the half.

It was the second defeat in as many starts for the Spartans, who made their bid when the second half was five minutes old. They sliced the Beavers' lead to 29 to 25 with 10 minutes left to go, but Don Durdan, sharp shooting guard, put out the fire with four quick Oregon State points.

Durdan, a southpaw with an unerring hook-shot, paced both teams with 14 points on six baskets and two free throws. Michigan State's points were more evenly distributed, and center Fred Stone's eight markers on three baskets and a pair of gift shots were high.

The Spartans held a brief lead in the opening minutes of play on a pair of free throws by forward Ollie White, but the rangy Beavers soon loosed a heavy barrage and held at least an eight point margin most of the first half. Durdan plunked in five field goals and his last basket of the period gave Oregon State a 23-13 lead.

The box score:

Oregon State	G	F	FF	TF
Warren, F	0	0	1	0
Harvey, F	0	0	0	0
Cecil, F	1	1	1	3
Howard, F	0	0	0	0
Anderson, C	4	0	4	8
Durdan, G	6	2	3	14
Beck, G	4	0	2	8
Beck, G	4	0	2	8
Totals	15	3	10	33

Michigan State

White, F	1	2	1	4
May, F	3	0	2	6
Petroski, F	0	1	0	1
Deihr, F	1	2	0	4
Peppler, F	0	0	0	0
Stone, C	3	2	1	8
Kowalk, G	0	0	0	0
Pjesky, G	0	0	1	0
Cawood, F	0	0	1	0
Totals	11	7	9	29

Score at the half: Oregon State 23; Mich State 14.

Free throws missed: Oregon State—Warren, Anderson 2, Durdan, Beck (5). Mich State—May, Peppler, Petroski, Kowalk (4).

Officials: J. Milton Beam (Western Michigan), referee; Jerry Boglarsky (Wayne), umpire.

Ortiz, Lindsay Overweight

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 29—(AP)—Champion Manuel Ortiz and Challenger Kenny Lindsay speeded up their training pace Tuesday to cut-down weight for the NBA bantamweight title fight here Friday night.

Both fighters were above the 118-pound limit. Tommy Farmer, manager of Ortiz, said the champion was only a couple of pounds overweight, however, and would easily be under the limit by weigh-in time Friday afternoon.

Lindsay's manager, Arnold Bertram, expressed concern over his fighter's weight, but did not disclose how many pounds the Canadian has yet to lose.

Bowler Blows One, But Only One

PORTLAND, Dec. 29—(AP) Louis Eby had to be content with a score at his first crack at the pins in a Portland league bowling match Monday night, but from then on he was red hot.

He rolled 290 for the local season's high score.

Ute Aggies Win

POCATELLO, Idaho, Dec. 29—(AP)—Steady and accurate shooting gave Utah State Agricultural College a 66 to 41 basketball victory over the University of Idaho Southern Branch Tuesday night.

Everding Buried Today

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 29—(AP) Funeral services will be held here Wednesday for Henry R. "Hy" Everding 69, widely known Portland sportsman, who died Monday.

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