



The best ten-pin topping crew in the Perfection Alleys Major league first half chase, the City Cleaners quint, is pictured above. They've on 11 of their last 12 games and last week won three of 'em to take the first half pennant. Left to right they are Clem Kerston, Clayton Foreman, Very Perry, Bud Trush and Walt Cline, Jr. Between the five they hold high team series, high team individual game, high individual series, high individual game and league's highest average. (Statesman sports photo)

From the BLEACHERS

Perfection's Major league bowling brethren are just about ready to concede (reluctantly, of course) the City Cleaners quint is simply too much gelling crew, and after looking over charts, records, etc., at the popular sideways you can easily see why: (1) The 3188 team series owned by the Cleaners is the highest ever made by any time locally. (2) The 1173 team individual game rates top spot at the alleys in that department. (3) The 684 series rolled by Clayton Foreman awhile back is high over all in that department. (4) The 256 single game wheeled by Clem Kerston tops all individual efforts. (5) The 186 average sported by Walt Cline, Jr. is the best in town. (6) And just to make more misery for the other trundling teams, Bud Trush up and rolls five consecutive "600" series when the chips were down in the first half stretch. Along the line Vern Perry got in his locks with a couple 600 series, too. Add to all this the fact that four of the five members boast averages in the league's top 10 bracket—Cline 186, Trush 181, Kerston 180 and Foreman 178 (Perry isn't far behind)—and you have quite a bowling bunch. . . . For a gent who once applied for an umpire's job in the Coast league and later for a spot with the Oakland club as coach, and was turned down in both instances, new PCL Proxy Clarence "Pants" Rowland hasn't done so badly. Ten years at \$12,500 per annum to a mere 125 grand for the decade, wolf-at-door poison in any case. Best part of it was that Rowland, hearing he was a possibility for the job thought he'd "scare" off the electing club moguls by telling 'em he'd take it only on two conditions—\$12,500 per annum and for 10 annuities. They gulped, to be sure, but then went to the polls and dumfounded "Pants" by unanimously electing him at his own terms!



JACK RICHARDS

Katonen Character Uses Pet 'Hold'
We, as one of many are glad Rowland was voted the job if only for the fact that he, as boss of the Los Angeles club, gave our Senators first walk at Lefty Jack Richards on option the 1942 season. One reason Rowland was voted the outstanding minor league executive in organized baseball for 1943 can be had by reviewing the Richards case. Although a Portlander, it wasn't the Portland club which came up with Jack after he finished his first basing at Willamette. Rowland saw to that (along with a little home town help), and Richards wound up on the Los Angeles payroll. He repayed Rowland's faith by winning the batting championship of the Western International league his first year out, and before military duty stepped in to delay him Richards was on his way to becoming quite a piece of baseball chattel.

First-hand information on new Coast match champion Paavo "King Kong" Katonen, who debuts here Tuesday night against Leo "Steenko" Karlinko, comes from Chief Duke Trotter, the Navy cat athlete boss Duke happened across the Finn while on his holiday leave in southern California.

"He's a character, all right," informs Trotter. "And what a 'hold' he uses to conk 'em with! Bends 'em over face downward. Then after laying over on 'em in that angle for a while he suddenly brings both knees up at once smacking 'em right flush on the face. Sure does straighten 'em up and lays 'em flat on their backs in a hurry."

Lutherans Win Casaba Tilt

American Lutheran trimmed Salvation Army 30-19, and Calvary Baptist trounced the Salt Creek Baptist five 37-8 in Senior church league, "A" division, hooping on the YMCA floor Saturday.

SALT CREEK (8) F (33) CALV. BAPT.
Wheeler (6) F (11) Dord
Bartell (9) C (9) Brought
Fast (6) C (6) Zahare
S. Buhler (6) G (4) Thomas
P. Buhler (3) G (6) Lovell
Subs: Calvary Baptist—Herman G. Bloom 3.
Officials: Barklow and Smith.

Willie Hoppe Adds to Lead

DETROIT, Jan. 22—(P)—Willie Hoppe of New York won the final two blocks here today from Walker Cochran of San Francisco, thus giving himself a 193-point margin to carry into New York next week for the final 300 points of their cross country three cushion billiards match.

Hoppe won tonight 50 to 48 in 44 innings after taking the afternoon block 56 to 28 in 37 innings.

Swigle Loses
EWING—The Swigle school boys' basketball team was defeated by West Salem here 42-10 last week. Swigle girls won 19-12.

Gibson Returns Friday Viks, Navycats Eye Busy Week

Two important games for Salem high's basketballers, one for Willamette's Navycats tabbed this week, the Viks going to Milwaukee Tuesday night for a counting No-Name league clash with the Maroons and returning to town Friday night to battle off part of the Salem-Eugene series. The 'Cats have only one game, next Saturday night at Seattle against Washington's "home" team, but same looms as a right busy evening for Coach Duke Trotter's "V-12"ers.

A win for Salem at Milwaukee nets the Viks undisputed leadership in the northern half of the league as they have already downed Oregon City. Salem will be favored to take the so-so re-arranged Maroons. The Friday Eugene-Salem session is expected to be one of the better basket binges of the season as Viking-Axemen get-togethers generally are. Salem dropped a 39-30 nod to Eugene Friday after outlasting the southerners most of the game.

The game comes on a red-letter day for the Viks, for Friday their ace guard, Doug Gibson, becomes eligible again. And what the SHS gang claims it will do with Gibson back in the lineup should make the balance of the state's prep teams shudder no little.

Major Clubs Choose Sites

NEW YORK, Jan. 22—(P)—Uncle Sam can be certain that one class of athletes—the major league baseball players—will have their income tax problems all settled by March 15, the day of payment and the almost-universal choice for opening day of spring training.

It will be the second cold-weather ordeal for the athletes a love the Eastman-Landis line, established a year ago as means of curtailing travel, and the 16 clubs have made only three changes from the sites picked a year ago.

The Philadelphia Phillies, owned this year by Robert M. Carpenter, will train this time in the young socialite's home town of Wilmington, Del. The Athletics will ship their belongings to Frederick, Md., and the New York Yankees have picked Atlantic City in preference to Asbury Park, N.J.

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NEW YORK, Jan. 22—(P)—William Malcolm Dickey, the gangling Arkansan who has been a fixture as the New York Yankee catcher for 15 years, today was selected as the player of the year by the New York chapter of the Baseball Writers' association.

He will receive the award at the annual dinner of the chapter in New York's Hotel Commodore on Sunday, February 6. Dickey, fourteenth recipient of the trophy which last year went to Ted Williams of the Boston Red Sox, is the first catcher to make the grade.

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Navycats Nip Airmen, Nipped by Armyducks; Huskies Win 56-47 to Sweep Webfoot Series

Final Period Rally Nets UW 4th Straight

1st Sweep Over Duck Quint Since 1936

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 22—(P)—Undeafed Washington made it four straight over Oregon tonight, 56 to 47, the first time since 1936 the Huskies have swept a northern division, Pacific Coast conference,

NORTHERN DIVISION STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Pct.	Pi	Pa
Washington	4	0	1.000	210	148
Idaho	3	2	.600	218	197
Oregon State	3	3	.500	196	214
Washington State	2	3	.400	224	228
Oregon	1	4	.200	200	253

Saturday's results:
Washington 56, Oregon 47.
Idaho 51, Washington State 45.

basketball series with the Webfoots.

But Oregon, trounced by Washington, 57-38, last night, threw a scare into Coach Hec Edmundson's traveling team of civilians. After the score was tied at 2 and the Webfoots took the lead, built it up to 17-11 after 10 minutes and stayed ahead until the last seconds of the first half.

Jim Mallory, lanky Washington forward, tossed one in from the keyhole spot to put his mates ahead, 23-21, at the half.

Washington came out for the second period with a rush and poured baskets through to increase their lead to 45-31 after 11 minutes.

Oregon rallied to whittle it to 51-47, only to see Al Mar, diminutive Chinese guard, score two baskets and one free throw in the final minute to sew up the contest for Washington.

WASHINGTON (56) G F P Pt

Mallory, f	2	8	0	4	18
O'Neill, f	1	2	0	0	4
Nichols, c	3	2	0	0	14
Mar, g	7	2	1	16	
Hodde, f	3	2	2	8	
Peterson, f	0	0	0	0	
Haug, f	0	0	0	0	
Totals	24	24	0	56	

OREGON (47) G F P Pt

Danner, f	2	0	0	4
Bray, f	0	1	3	1
Borrevik, c	7	3	2	17
Hamilton, f	7	3	2	17
Phillips, f	3	3	1	17
Caviness, f	2	3	0	8
Totals	20	7	9	47

Half time score: Washington 23, Oregon 12. Free throws missed: Washington—O'Neill, Nichols, Mar; Oregon—Bray, Phillips, Caviness. Officials: Emil Pihua and John Heinrich.

Beavers Await Husky Clashes

CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 22—(P)—The Oregon State Beavers must win two of three home games next week with Washington and Oregon to remain in the northern division, Coast conference, basketball race.

With three defeats and two victories on the road, the Beavers open their home schedule against Washington Monday and Tuesday nights. The Orangemen will play a return contest with Oregon here next Saturday.

Coach Slat Gill has drilled his men hard this week in the hopes of turning the tables on the Huskies. Washington eliminated his Beavers from the title scramble last year in the final series of the season at Seattle.

Smith Nears Paddle Mark

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Jan. 22—(P)—Billy Smith, Hawaiian free styler from Ohio State, came within a tenth of a second of his own world record for the 220 yard event tonight with a 2:07.8 clocking as the Great Lakes Bluejackets defeated Michigan's swimming team, 48 to 36.

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AMERICAN LEGION WRESTLING TUESDAY
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STATESMAN SPORTS

By Al Lightner, Sports Editor

Tiger Tsachass Added to Tuesday Mat Card

Topnotch Prelim to Katonen-Karlinko Main Event

Kar-runch: Introducing another newcomer in the north-west circuit's crunch clan, Bulgarian character to answer to unenvied handle "Tiger" Tsachass. And the "Tiger," said to be of 190 pounds



he f e t and WALT ACHU meaner than the striped jungle gent from which he gets his monicker, debuts locally Tuesday night on the semiwindup end of Matchmaker Don Owen's weekly card.

Asachass (pronounce it as you will) is another Owen acquisition from the middle west where he's been campaigning amongst both heavyweights and

lighthavies. Tabbed as a nasty heel in the rasslers' brochure, "Tiger" has been matched with Walter "Sneeze" Achu, the ju-jitsuing Chinaman who always manages to wow the customers when he gives off with his colorful stuff here. "Sneeze" will give away 10 pounds in the 30-minute two-of-three-falls brawl, but he'll no doubt attempt to offset same with his nerve-finding pet holds. If "Tiger" is ticklish he's in for a bad debut.

merely marking time against Hager. The Creswell flash has intentions of his own, however, so take your pick.

Both preliminaries of course leading to the expected knock-down drag-out main event featuring Coast Champion Paavo "King Kong" Katonen and Leo "Steenko" Karlinko. Tuesday marks Katonen's local debut, too, he being the Finnish muscle who flopped, Georgie Wagner for the title in California recently.

Stacking up as one of the better blocs bees of the season, Owen announces ducats may be purchased Monday afternoon and Tuesday at either Maple's sports store or at the Pioneer club.

Salem Golfers In Sweepstakes

Keeping the ball rolling in their plans for an ultra-lively program schedule at Salem Golf club, Tournament Committeeman Bill Goodwin, Bob Powell and Duke Campbell have announced a sweepstakes tourney will be held every weekend at the course until further notice.

The sweepstakes events will be medal-less-handicap affairs over either the first or second nine holes. Players may re-enter each meet upon payment of a second entry fee, all receipts to go into a fund for the purchase of prizes for the upcoming spring tournament.

The first of these sweepstakes meets ends today in conjunction with the seventh round of the Slicker tourney. A golf jacket goes to the winner of this weekend's opening session.

Hubbard Tops Academy Quint

Hubbard hooped out a 31-20 victory over Sacred Heart Academy cagers in a North Marion County B league basketball game on the St. Joseph's Hall floor Friday night. Hubbard pulled away in the second half, largely on Forward McKee's scoring, after the Academicians made it a nip-and-tuck tussle the opening two periods.

McKee led scoring with 14 points. Al Volk canned nine for Father McDonald's SHA team. Sacred Heart's Bee team grabbed a thrilling 20-18 win over Hubbard seconds in the preliminary, John Schwarz leading the way with 10 points.

HUBBARD (31) (20) SACRED HEART

Moore (7)	F	(5)	Free
McKee (14)	F	(8)	Volk
Ostrum (8)	C	(6)	Needham
Garen (1)	C	(3)	Sommers
Bronce (0)	G	(2)	Barie

Sacred Heart sub: Weiss 1.

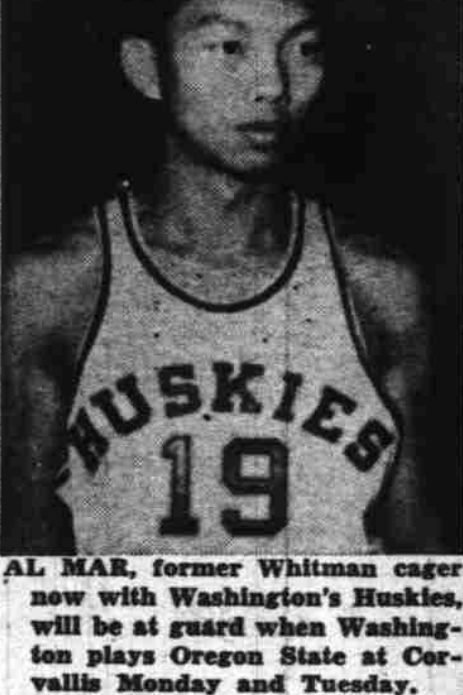
Husky-Beaver Clashes Broadcast by KWJJ

Both Washington at Oregon State basketball games Monday and Tuesday nights at Corvallis will be broadcast starting at 8 p.m. each night, announces sponsoring Tidewater Association, Portland Station KWJJ will present Hal Byers at the "mikie."



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AL MAR, former Whitman cager now with Washington's Huskies, will be at guard when Washington plays Oregon State at Corvallis Monday and Tuesday.

Vandals Whip Cougars Again

PULLMAN, Wash., Jan. 22—(AP)—The University of Idaho trampled Washington State college for the third time tonight 51 to 45 to become serious contender for the northern division Pacific Coast conference basketball title. Idaho already had a 29 to 20 lead at halftime.

Idaho jumped to an 8 to 0 lead at the outset and never lost it. The best threat the Cougars could muster came in the second half when they closed the gap to 44 to 42.

Len Pyne led Idaho scoring with 15 but as in the previous night's game, Idaho tallies were well distributed. Tom Collins counted 13 and Jay Gano 12.

Mort Joslin flipped in 15 for Washington State to share scoring honors with Pyne.

Gift losses decided the game since the losers claimed four more baskets than Idaho's 16. Idaho counted 19 points on free throws while missing only six, as Washington State hit for only 5 points and missed 11.

Pyne started the game's scoring with a free throw in the first two seconds and Tom Collins, Dale Ablin and Jay Gano followed. (Continued on page 13)

'Cats Divide Polio Benefit Court Clashes

Blimp Gobs Downed 37-32; GI's Win 44-39

Only a faithful few turned up for Willamette university's infantile paralysis benefit basketball marathon last night, thanks to too many other things brewing in the village and including the weather, but those who did show saw two corking games as the Navycats swept over Tillamook Naval Air Station's talkative gobs, 37-32, in the opener, then dropped a 44-39 nod to U of Oregon's Armyducks in the nightcap. To start things off Coach Lew Carroll's Frosh tipped Independence high's hoopsters 25-22 in the curtain raiser.

Although it can't possibly be much because of the scarcity of customers, net receipts will be turned into the fund first of the week.

Using practically his whole team the first game, 11 men to be exact, Coach Duke Trotter's speedsters had to come from behind to down the clever ball-handling Airmen. Tillamook led at halftime 23-19, but the 'Cats caught 'em at 24-24 with seven minutes elapsed in the second half. From there it was all Willamette with the Trotter "decker" system took the toll on the tiring and loquacious air gobs.

So spread was the Willamette scoring that Frank's six led the 'Cats. Walsh of the visitors canned 12 for high honors.

The second game started out at a terrific pace with both teams beating such a tempo at the buckets the clients were dumfounded. It was tied at 2, 6, 8, 10 and 14 before Bill Stroud hit one from the side and Moylan shoved true a gifter to make it 16-15 for Willamette with only 10 minutes played.

More see-sawing right up to the (Continued on page 13)

Capital Post Take Notice!

PORTLAND, Jan. 22—(P)—The American Legion hopes to increase junior baseball entries to 122 this season compared to 14 last year.

J. Earl Stanley, Portland police captain and new state commissioner of junior baseball, said he would launch a campaign to have all Legion posts sponsor a team this summer.

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