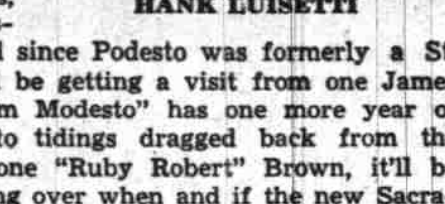


From the BLEACHERS

By AL LIGHTNER

Although almost 10 years have passed since a guy named Angelo "Hank" Luisetti, as a Stanford freshman, started California sports scribes digging into their thesaurus, the decade hasn't harmed his basketballing ability a bit.



HANK LUISETTI

charged from the marines. And since Podesto was formerly a St. Mary's footballer, no doubt he'll be getting a visit from one James Phelan but soon.

State Title Grid Game Brings Surprises

The official Oregon High Schools Activities Association February bulletin at hand, and tells that the Marion, Senator and Argo hotels in our village have "promised to take care of the tournament teams" next months, that SHS Principal Fred Wolf will be in charge of housing the quints and that March 11 is the absolute deadline for districts to complete their tournaments or eliminations.

Few surprises found in checking over final figures on the Klamath Falls-Grant state football championship game, also listed in the bulletin. For instance: A total of 10,991 tickets were sold for the game which netted \$8704.50.

Any way, what was left of the ultimate \$5542.00 melon was divided up like this: OHSAA \$2771.00, Grant high \$1385.50 and K-Falls \$1385.50.

Famous last words dep't: "How'd you like the way I let my team stall away the championship of our league last Friday night?" pens Pat Beal, Jefferson coach.

Frank Brown and Jigs Burnett to name a company. Think nothing of it, Mr. Beal. You have lots of company this season—

BOWLING SCORES

League-leading Nicholson Insurance won all three games from Hammes, Senator Barbers managed the same over Hartman Bros. Woodburn nabbed all three from Paulus Bros. and Goldie's captured two of three from Halvorson Construction Co. in Commercial league kneeling at Perfection Monday night.

NICHOLSON'S INSURANCE (3), HARTMAN BROS. (3), SENATOR'S BARBERS (3), HALVORSON CONSTRUCTION (1), PAULUS BROS. (3), WOODBURN (3), GOLDIE'S (3), NICHOLSON'S INSURANCE (2), HARTMAN BROS. (2), SENATOR'S BARBERS (2), HALVORSON CONSTRUCTION (1), PAULUS BROS. (2), WOODBURN (2), GOLDIE'S (2), NICHOLSON'S INSURANCE (1), HARTMAN BROS. (1), SENATOR'S BARBERS (1), HALVORSON CONSTRUCTION (1), PAULUS BROS. (1), WOODBURN (1), GOLDIE'S (1).

Ernie Piluso, a popular cuss with customers and crunch crooks alike, outlasted five other matiners in last night's corking battle royal at the armory and emerged \$200 (in war bonds) weather by virtue of his victory. And corking was the entire show despite the fact that Billy McEuin and Bulldog Jackson, strictly a pair of ring heels, subbed for Buck Davidson and Toughie Porter.

Oregon Drops Even 'Local' Spring Sports

What to Do With Coaches Is Problem

EUGENE, Feb. 29.—(AP)—University of Oregon dropped spring sports today to solve one wartime problem and was confronted immediately with another—what to do with Athletic Manager Anse Cornell and the coaching staff? The university athletic board suspended baseball and track even for local collegiate competition after the Pacific coast conference's northern division agreed to abandon its regular schedule of spring sports because of travel conditions.

The athletic board said it would consider what to do about Coaches Howard Hobson, baseball and basketball; Bill Hayward, track; John Warren, football, and Athletic Manager Anse Cornell.

Portland Race Ends in Tie

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 29.—(AP)—The Portland interscholastic basketball league ended tonight in a three-way tie between Washington, Grant and Franklin.

Washington trimmed Sabin, 45-41, while Grant was defeating Commerce, 37-28, and school officials announced there will be no league playoff.

District no. 6 playoff officials meanwhile announced that the three Portland high school quints and Columbia Prep, winner over Central Catholic, 29-25, in an overtime contest tonight for the Catholic school city championship, will open a tournament Friday to determine the district entry in the state tournament at Salem.

Solons Seek Club Officials

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 29.—(AP)—Appointment of a coach and election of a vice president and treasurer highlighted the local baseball scene today as officials of the new home-owned Sacramento club completed payment of \$40,000 to the St. Louis Cardinals for the franchise and players.

Manager Earl Sheely said that he would retain Herman Pilette, veteran pitcher, as coach following a conference between the two friends of long standing, at Pilette's home.

Mt. Hood Ski Tournery Set

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 29.—(AP)—The largest ski meet of the winter was predicted by Portland skiers today for the downhill and slalom tournament scheduled next Sunday on Mt. Hood.

Yankees Sign Sixteen Year Old John Kimock

ALLENTOWN, Pa., Feb. 29.—(AP)—Johnny Kimock, 16-year-old Pennsylvania high school baseball player, was signed by the New York Yankees today and will report after graduation in June.

Henry Kayoes Byrd in Fourth

DES MOINES, Feb. 29.—(AP)—Hammerin' Henry Armstrong knocked out Jackie Byrd, Snytheville, Ark., welterweight, tonight in 1 minute, 18 seconds of the fourth round. Armstrong weighed in at 143, Byrd at 144.

Foxx, Martin, Others Not Going Ahead—Game Merely Coming Back to Them

By WHITNEY MARTIN NEW YORK, Feb. 29.—(AP) Sgt. Joe Smith, Somewhere, US Army.

Dear Joe: I thought for a minute the other day that I saw your picture in the paper, but when I looked closer I saw it was a plane ready to take off.



Whitney Martin

on what's been happening in the sports world, and that shouldn't be hard. That is, there hasn't been too much happening that would interest you particularly.

Ordinarily I could give you a lot of baseball news, but unless you crave a list of new 4-F's or 1-A's or inductees there isn't so much to be said, I know you will be interested to know Pepper Martin and Jimmy Foxx are returning to the majors, as you always admired these two guys.

The game is just coming back to them. Branch Rickey hints that Leo Durocher must play some shortstop for the Dodgers this year, but Leo is sour on the idea and says if he does play he'll have to have a little whiffing done on his arm first.

They've had a couple of fights here lately. Last Friday a big sent from Pennsylvania named Joe Baker whaled the ear out of Tami Mauriello, who looked like a piece of blubber with a jelly foundation in there. I don't know whether Mauriello

was out of shape or not, but I'd like to have a living room set with that much padding.

Gil Dodds ran another fast mile at the Garden the other night. He finished in 4:08.3, but he gave everybody a thrill when he ran the first three quarters in 3:01. It seems that a guy has only so much energy and when you use it up early you haven't

got any later, and that's what happened to him.

How can they call Dem Bums Dem Bums when they're wearing satin pants?

STATESMAN SPORTS By Al Lightner, Sports Editor

Dragon foe on Villa Court Tomorrow Night



At. Angel's Preps, winners of two straight district 4 games come down from the hills tomorrow night to scrap it off with the Dallas Dragons on the Salem floor for the right to play Corvallis for the district's tournament berth.

Bivins Bashes Lee Q. Murray

CLEVELAND, Feb. 29.—(AP)—Jimmy Bivins made a savage defense of his rating as the number one active heavyweight by winning a unanimous decision over Lee Q. Murray in a return 10 rounder before a sellout crowd of 13,774 at the arena tonight.

The decision was Bivins' second straight over the big fellow from South Norwalk, Conn.

Mosconi Earns Billiard Win

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 29.—(AP)—Willie Mosconi of Toledo, O., defeated Champion Andrew Ponzzi 135 to 124 in 15 innings in the second block of their 1250-point challenge pocket billiard championship match tonight.

Seals' Initial Practice Moved

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 29.—(AP)—Wet grounds prevented the San Francisco Seals again today from engaging in their initial spring baseball practice but three new pitching prospects turned up ready to try out for the club.

Oaks Sign Caulfield

OAKLAND, Calif., Feb. 29.—(AP)—The Oakland baseball club announced today Jack Caulfield, shortstop, had signed his contract, the second of the regulars to come to terms for this season.

Basket Scores

COLLEGE: Washington 63, Idaho 48. Kansas State 40, Nebraska 37. Norfolk Navy 43, Norfolk Air Station 38. Great Lakes 52, St. Thomas 35. HIGH SCHOOL: Chemawa 38, Aumsville 18. St. Paul 36, Jefferson 22. Corvallis 35, Woodburn 30. Oregon City 38, West Linn 29. Columbia Prep 29, Central Catholic 25. Washington 45, Sabin 41 (both Portland). Benson 70, Lincoln 37 (both Portland). Grant 37, Commerce 28 (both Portland). Roosevelt 58, Jefferson 38 (both Portland).

Pepperdine To Playoffs

MOSCOW, Idaho, Feb. 29.—(AP)—George Pepperdine college of Los Angeles will represent the eighth district at the western collegiate basketball playoff March 23-24 in Kansas City.

The school's all-civilian team won 20 games and lost six this season, Edmundson said.

Pirates, Camp Seymour Slated for March 30

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 29.—(AP)—The Pittsburgh Pirates have added a game to their training schedule to give soldiers at Camp Seymour, Ind., an opportunity not only to see a major league team in action, but to compete against one, President William E. Benschwanger announced today.

Liberty Drains Swegle

SWIGLE.—Liberty school defeated Swegle 29-14 in a return basketball contest played here last week. Swegle's girl team trounced the Liberty lassies, 18-13 in the preliminary.

'Them Wuz th' Good Ol' Days'

Masters Tyrus Raymond Cobb, erstwhile "Georgia Peach" of baseball, as he relives the old days through his scrapbook at his home in Auburn, Calif., nearly 58, Cobb is helping baseball will continue despite war.

Chemawa Quint Tops Aumsville For Marion County 'B' Title

38-18 Victory Vaults Indians to District B-1 Quarterfinals; St. Paul Tops Jeffmen

Chemawa's off-again-on-again Indians were "on" last night at Leslie's hoop hall, romped to a 38-18 victory over the Aumsville Rangers to snatch the championship of Marion county and advanced one more step towards the state district B-1 basketball tourney berth.

Huskies Thump Vandals, 63-48

13th Straight Win For Washingtons

MOSCOW, Idaho, Feb. 29.—(AP)—The hard driving University of Washington Huskies, unbeaten this season in northern division, Pacific Coast conference play, kept their record clear tonight by squelching the cellarlite Idaho Vandals, 63 to 48.

The Washington gang was out in front at halftime, 32 to 21, and once in the opening half held a 20-point lead.

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Spartans Nip Woodburn Five

WOODBURN.—The Woodburn high Bulldogs last night dropped a 35-30 decision to Corvallis Spartans at Corvallis.

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