

City Leaguers Clash Monday

Maple-Frosh 7 p.m. Tilt Looms Feature

Round two of the YMCA-sponsored City Basketball league is billed for the Willamette university boards Monday night, and then the double-round robin circuit rests over the holidays. The opening 7 p.m. battle Monday, Maple's Sporting Goods against the title-favored Willamette Frosh, looms as a feature of the round with Maple's 11-man all-veteran gang to challenge with Tony Fralato's youthful navy V-12 stocked swiftness. Both clubs are unbeaten.

The eight o'clock game pits Talbot's Midget opposite Chemawa's All-Stars, both quints losers in last week's league debut. At nine the loop lead sharing Funland five clashes with General Finance. Most of the circuit members are said to be filling in weak spots for one of the tightest derbies in City history in recent years.



STEVE VAN BUREN, Philadelphia Eagles back and last year's national leading ground gainer (847 yards) and second best scorer in intercollegiate ranks while playing for Louisiana State, is being boomed as the "Professional Rookie of the Year." A 201-pounder who made the All-Pro team, Van Buren has averaged over 5-yards per carry this season.

Duration Hoop Jamboree Set

Six Quints Ramble At Mt. Angel Friday

WOODBURN—With most teams already into respective seasons the past week, members of the Duration basketball league will hold their annual "kickoff" jamboree Friday night, December 22, in the Mt. Angel College gym. Defending League Champion Woodburn, Mt. Angel, Molalla, Canby, Silverton and Chemawa will take part, announces League President A. Beck, Canby principal, and Secretary Gerald Burnett of Woodburn.

Teams will draw for pairings and will then play two-minute quarters in each "game." A trophy will be awarded to the highest scoring team. Also, special cheering sections will be assigned each school represented. A 50-piece band from Molalla high will furnish the music. Team coaches are: Burnett, Woodburn; Roy Boe, Silverton; "Chief" Thompson, Chemawa; Paul Reiling, Mt. Angel; Ellis Paulette, Molalla, and Don Deming, Canby.

Tuesday 'Doubleheader' Mat Bee Waits Bell

Signed, sealed and set for delivery, the Tuesday Lighthouse rambler card for the Ferry Street garden now awaits only the bell, announces Matchmaker Ellen Owen. The double-header card gets under way at 8:30 p.m. when Gust Johnson, the Coast's Junior heavyweight champ, tangles with "Football" Olson, wroth but clever gamster who has up to now had the misfortune to be matched with the meanies. Unrelated to the radio-movies team of the same name, the two Swedes will grapple 30-minutes or less. Olson actually asked for the match with his heavier but clean opponent so as "to show the Salem fans I can really wrestle against a clean wrestler."

The first half of the double main event brings together Villager Tony Ross, the North Capitol Street crumcher who isn't too far away from such as the Coast Lighthouse belt possessed by Jack Kiser, and Ernie Piluso, the Fortlander popular who has been noticeably absent from the local bleep bin many weeks. This is a two-of-three falls, one-hour brawl as is the second half of the mainer.

This second half might easily develop into a rip-snorter since it brings back Gorgeous George Wagner, the muscular whose winter debut last week was a flopper here, and Bowlegged Buck Davidson, the burly basher. They waged a hammer-and-tongue tangle here last Tuesday both inside and outside the ring. Davidson finally copping the duble when Wagner was felled out. Both asked for the rematch, and Davidson's additional request that the referee work outside the ring Tuesday will probably be granted. He fully intends taking care of the work on the inside against the bathrobe beauty.

Ramblers Nab 13-6 Win Over 'Bombers'

2nd Airmen Near Upset in Title Game in 'Treasury' Bowl Battle

NEW YORK, Dec. 16—(AP)—The Randolph Field Ramblers, playing their football in installments and flitting with trouble too often for their own good, squeezed through with a 13-6 victory over the Second Air Force Superbombers in a "Treasury Bond Bowl" game at the Polo Grounds today to end their season undefeated and untied.

A sparse crowd of 8,356 saw the two air force rivals in a bitter battle on a slick field, with the first half of the game being played under a saltling of snowflakes. Despite the disappointing attendance, however, the game realized approximately \$79,000,000 in war bonds, due to the sale of blocks of bonds to large investors.

The underdog Superbomber practically stole the show and had the profitless satisfaction of winning the statistics by a wide margin and the solace that the clock at the end of the first half was all that stopped them from what seemed a certain score.

The publicized duel between the Ramblers' Bill Dudley and the second air force's Glenn Dobbs failed to materialize. Although both stars scintillated on occasion, the scoring marches were linked together with little help from these two men in a ball carrying and passing way. In fact, Dobbs was not in the game when the Superbombers drove 66 yards for their lone touchdown.

The early part of the first quarter was rugged but unpectacular and play was mostly in Randolph field territory, thanks to Dobbs' edge over Dudley in punting and an occasional short-lived offensive flurry. Late in the period, however, the Ramblers came to life to score with an ease and abruptness that was in sharp contrast to their offensive efforts up to that time. From his 9-yard line Pete Layden dropped back and floated a pass, far, far down the field. Harry Burrus, who had outtraced the secondary, turned, gathered in the ball and ambled the remaining 15 yards over the goal.

The Bombers came back in the (Continued on page 15)

Pells Nose Viks, 33-29; Astoria Gobs Bump 'Cats

Willamette '5' Falls, 59-45

ASTORIA, Dec. 15 (Special) Bucking against what they later termed "the best team we've faced all season," Willamette university's rapid-pedestaling Navy cats were outthumped here tonight, 59-45. (Continued on page 15)

Xmas Turkey Shoot For Trappers Today

The annual Christmas Turkey shoot for members of the Salem Trappers club will be held today on the club range, 25th and Turner road, starting at 12 noon. Secretary Clarence Townsend reminds aspirants to furnish their own shells.

SHS Displays Form of Year

By Winston McNaughton Showing marked improvement in all departments and flashing by far their best performance of the year, Salem Vikings pressed Klamath Falls all the way last night before dropping a narrow 33 to 29 decision—their second loss in as many nights to the barnstorming Pelicans.

Hawking the ball almost on a par with the floor-burning Pells, the Brownmen fought fiercely all the way, trailing only by two points at halftime. A determined effort to knot the score in the final moments fell short when lanky, bespectacled Jim Palmer, high point man for the fray with 16 points, lofted in a "clutch" shot from behind the key and a moment later tossed in a free throw for good measure. The Salemites trailed by just three points when Palmer gave off with his clutch performance.

Salem led three times during the first half, three long one-handers by Bunny Mason paced the Brownmen. Palmer matched Mason basket for basket, however, and Captain Bob Perkins, a demon on the floor, added another pair of goals by snatching Salem passes for easy lay-ins. A long looper by Perkins two seconds before the half-time gun gave the visitors a 21-19 margin at the intermission.

The Pells pulled away in the third period—the jinx came all season for the Red and Black—and held a 27-21 margin at the three-quarter mark. Buckets by Tom Boardman and Mason and free tosses by Boardman, Bob Howell, and Jack Fitzmaurice closed the margin twice to within three points in the final period, but Palmer came through for the Bills to nullify Salem's chances. (Continued on page 15)

Pro Grid Title Tussle Today

Giants, Packers Meet in New York

By Harold Classen NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP)—Green Bay's Packers, the National League football team that lived up to expectations, and the New York Giants, relegated to the cellar by September seers, play for the loop's title tomorrow in the Polo Grounds. The Packers captured the western division flag, dropping two of their 10 games. One of the setbacks was a 24 to 0 shelacking by the Giants, Cinderella winners of the eastern bunting, on the site of tomorrow's contest four Sundays ago.

It is the twenty-fourth meeting of the two clubs since they opened their series in 1928. Each has won 11 games and one resulted in a tie. They have tangled twice before in title playoffs, the Giants triumphing in 1938 by a 23 to 17 score and the Packers winning a year later, 27 to 0, in Milwaukee.

Dykes Spurs Arc Baseball

CHICAGO, Dec. 16—(AP)—Manager Jimmy Dykes of the Chicago White Sox has made it known that American league rivals will "have trouble making me agree to play too much night ball." Dykes, en route to California for a short stay before leading the pale hose to spring training at Terre Haute, Ind., declared: "We're only going to schedule 14 night games for Comiskey park, and sometimes I think that's too many."

Reports that Owner Clark Griffith of Washington plans to play under the arcs every night except Saturday and Sunday drew an emphatic "not with me he won't" from Dykes. Last season, the White Sox won only 14 of 39 night games.

Sophs Beaten In Loop Debut

ST. PAUL (Special)—Diminutive Lou Phillips got "redhot" in the second half here tonight, tossed in seven goals from the field in 10 tries, most of them from well out on the court, and his spree was too much for the Salem high Sophomores, the Saints winning 32 to 22. The contest was the opener in the Marion county "B" league for both outfits. The winners led 9 to 8 at half time. In the preliminary the St. Paul Bees edged the Salem reserves 23 to 22. Scores:

Salem Sophs (22)	(32) St. Paul Bees
Hill (4) F	(20) Phillips
Halseh (5) F	(20) Coleman
Province (6) C	(4) J. Kirk
Hendrie (7) G	(2) R. Kirk
Dasch (7) G	(4) Smith
Sub for Sophs: S. Bacon 4	Sub for Bees: (2) St. Paul Bees
Phillips (9) F	(3) J. Kirk
Goffrier (6) F	(3) Byers
Carson (5) F	(5) Merion
Graham (3) G	(6) Spahr
W. Bacon (3) G	(5) Bernard
Subs for Bees: Robinson 4	Brown 2, Bartlett 4, for St. Paul
Tate 1	

Hoffman Leading Links Tournament

Dr. George Hoffman, who has been winning his share of the many Men's club mashie mixes at Salem golf course lately, today holds the lead at the halfway mark in the weekend's 18-hole Match vs. Par outing. Hoffman shot a 38-41-79 in the handicapped event yesterday to finish 2-up on par. Bill Goodwin and Glen Lengren are tied for second at 1-up, Goodwin having shot a 36-38-74 and Lengren a 35-37-72, even par for the course.

STATESMAN SPORTS

By Al Lightner, Sports Editor

Up'n At 'Em



RAY WERTIS of St. John's (dark jersey) and Murray Satterfield of Utah go up for the ball at Madison Square Garden as the two top quints battled last week. George Kell (27) of Utah looks on. St. John's won the game.

'East' Eleven Embarks Today

EVANSTON, Ill., Dec. 16—(AP)—Coaches Andy Kerr of Colgate and George Hauser and Bernie Bierman of Minnesota tomorrow will greet their 24-member East squad which meets the West all-stars in the 20th annual Shrine benefit football game at San Francisco Jan. 1.

The squad will receive equipment and probably stage a light workout at Northwestern's Dyche stadium, although it is scheduled to entrain for the west coast tomorrow night, arriving in San Francisco in Dec. 20. The easterners will establish their training camp at Santa Clara university. The contingent includes 19 midwestern stars, among them Ohio State's two All-Americans, half-back Les Horvath and guard Bill Hackett.

Huskies Edge Bishop & Co.

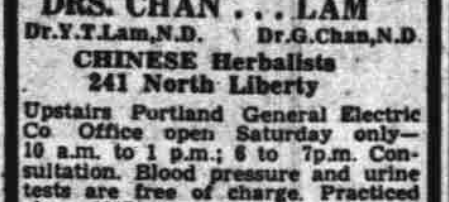
SEATTLE, Dec. 16—(AP)—The University of Washington basketball team defeated the Fort Lewis Warriors 59-54 here tonight despite a 29-point scoring spree by the Warriors' Gail Bishop. Coach Hec Edmundson's Huskies turned in their best performance of the season, matching the brilliance of Bishop with a well balanced attack.

Cougars Dunk Whitman 54-35

WALLA WALLA, Dec. 16—(AP)—Washington State earned an even break in their two game basketball series here and made it three out of four over Whitman for the season by plastering a 54-35 defeat on the Missionaries tonight.

Seahawks Drop Sooners

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 16—(AP)—A tall and rugged Iowa Seahawk quintet rolled smoothly over Oklahoma university, 52-40, in a basketball doubleheader which saw the national A.A.U. champion Phillips 66, Bartlesville, Okla., swamp Dayton, Ohio, army air Tech 74-35 in the second game.



DRS. CHAN . . . LAM D.R.Y.T. Lam, N.D., Dr. Chan, N.D. CHINESE Herbalists 241 North Liberty

AMERICAN LEGION WRESTLING

TUESDAY SALEM ARMY

December 19 8:30 P. M.

DOUBLE MAIN EVENT

Gorgeous George Wagner vs. Buck Davidson

(Rematch)

TONY ROSS vs. ERNIE PILUSO

8:30 P. M. Opener

GUST JOHNSON vs. MILT OLSON

Tickets Available at Maple's Sporting Goods Store
Reserved Seats \$1.25 - General Admission 50c - Children 45c

CLOTHING IS A MOST Appreciated Everybody Gift

Admires a Well Dressed Man

You Will Look Better Night-or-Day, in Quality Clothes From "J.J." Clothes Shop

National known union made, smartly styled of 100% wool fabrics from America's foremost woolen mills.

Suits and Topcoats

At Most Reasonable Prices

\$21.50 - \$24.50 - \$27.50 - \$31.50

\$34.50 - \$37.50 and \$41.50

Chelson Fur Felt Hats

Exclusively Hand Made

\$6.00 - \$7.50 - \$10.00

Top Quality

Sport Coats, Slacks and Pants

Large selection of patterns, weaves & fabrics, at prices that will suit your pocketbook.

Open Every Night Till 9 o'Clock Until Xmas

Better Known For Quality, Style & Greater Value

QUALITY . . . STYLE

CLOTHES SHOP

GREATER VALUE For Men and Young Men

387 State Street
Next Door to Hartman's Jewelry Store
2 Doors West of Liberty Street

From the BLEACHERS

By AL LIGHTNER

Shorty sorties: Quips Will Connolly in his San Francisco Chronicle: "Increase in All-America Teams calls for a ceiling imposed by the OPA." Citing that the increase ranges between 300 and 400 per cent since Pearl Harbor, Connolly lists no less than 12 selecting agencies which not produce THE All-America grid team—AP, UP, INS, Sporting News, Colliers, New York News, Bill Stern (Look mag), New York Sun, Football Writers' Association, Red Grange (NEA), Oscar Fraley and Sporting Green. And to show how expansive these picks can be, 61 players were elected by the 12 factions for posts on the 11-man team! Only two players, Les Horvath of Ohio State and Don Whitmore of Navy, were selected by all 12 . . . And speaking of star gridsters, Willamette's Navycats might like to know this: Jim McCurdy, Washington's All-Coast guard, was elected captain of this year's eleven and holder of the Flaffery inspirational medal by his teammates, the first time in 37 years that one man has been honored with both elections. . . . California scribes intimate that successor to the late Ed Atherton as Pacific Coast Conference commissioner will be Herb Dana, also Atherton's predecessor. . . . They're all civvies and there's not many of 'em, but did you notice the other night how Henry Lever's Linfielders still gallop throttle-way-back? Somewhat erratic in spots, but the Wildcats do their basketballing up and down the court, with not much time wasted in between. After polishing off Willamette's naval-stocked Frosh, the Linfielders will probably be challenging the arch-enemy WU varsity ere long. . . . Scanning the recently released official records reveals 37 ex-Western International leaguers drew pay in the AA circuit in 1944. Not a bad percentage, and 37 reasons why the PCL would probably like to see the WIL go back to producing habits next season.

Ex-WIL's Coast Loop Records Listed

As briefly as possible for those who still miss their WIL ball and have wondered from time to time just how "the boys" did last season in their new surroundings, here's the dope gleaned from the official record: Pitchers (won and lost records with earned-run averages in parentheses): Roy Helser (20-16-2.41); Rex Cecil (19-11-2.16); Damon Hayes (7-6-2.62); Don Osborn (15-13-3.25); Carl Dumler (3-6-3.28); Glenn Elliott (6-6-3.43); Chet Johnson (12-11-3.53); "Red" Adams (10-7-3.58); Ron Smith (16-12-3.63); Earl Porter (10-13-3.65); Steve LeGault (9-16-3.84); Alex Weldon (6-8-3.89); Al Libke (3-3-4.00); Clarence Federmyer (6-6-4.19).

Hitters and respective batting averages: Al Libke .307; Eddie Adams .297; Lou Lorenz .295; Joe Gonzales .294; Stan Gray .289; Lloyd Christopher .284; Walt Lowe .277; Charley Petersen .273; George Windsor .273; Vern Reynolds .267; Morrie Abbott .254; Chet Rosenlund .252; Jack Whipple .243; Roy Younker .237; Ed "Dutch" Weigandt .232; Hal Suse .226; Bill Lyman .224; Al Rajmoudi .194; Alf Caliteaux .176 (Tad Shelton please note); Jimmy Jewell .259 in eight games; Tony Firpo .206 in eight games; Ray Elliott .000 in five games and Mel Marlowe the same in five games.

A total of 141 wins for the pitchers against 133 losses and a combined batting average of .260 for the hitters who played more or less regularly. The boys could do none worse—much worse.

'Clown' Wesley J. Count Gets Right Mad

Speaking of ex-WIL ballgamers, seeing where former Seattle and Wenatchee catcher Ed Kearsse was wounded in action in France reminds of the only time we've ever seen or heard of one Wesley J. Schulmerich get fighting mad in a ball game. Wesley J., the former Oregon Stater, coast and major leaguer who can and does out-clown even Al Schacht with the baseball funny stuff, was a batsman one night in Wenatchee when Kearsse was catching. All was a laugh to Wesley J.—that is, everything but that particular time at bat for the guy who ranked along with Smead Jolley as the league's most feared swatsmith.

Kearsse was a big rawboned lad who reeked power in everything he did. A typical New York Yankee farmhand, and a fresh one with a razor-sharp tongue. He could toss the most insulting remarks at enemy batsmen we've heard. And all the while he'd flip handful of batters'-box dirt atop their shoes. Nastily uncomfortable.

The backdrop was in rare form that particular night and Wesley J. wasn't quite himself, comically. Kearsse dug deeply both with his tongue and hands as bowlegged Wes came up to hit.

Wesley J. glanced off the first attack. Kearsse kept it up—first with the "ya-ya-ya, this bowlegged old goat couldn't hit you if you ran across the plate, etc.," and then with the dirt flipping. Schulmerich finally had enough, raised one hand for time out and tossed his pet hickory weapon off to one side. He then lunged at Kearsse, nailing the big 200-pounder with both hands clutching chest-protector and shirt front. Up went Edward with nothing touching ground but tip-toes, and while gangling there totally flabbergasted heard solemn Schulmerich words: "Listen, punk—one more peep out of you the rest of the night and I'll beat you in two weeks!" And with the "see" Wesley J. came near shaking the spikes right off the wilyed catcher.

"Yes'r", bleated Kearsse. And there wasn't a sound directed from him at even the most timid rookie the rest of the week's series. Wesley J. later admitted he came near uncoupling Kearsse, he was that hot and bothered.

No doubt both Kearsse and Wesley J. remember it well.

Cadets Place 4 'Blockers'

CHATTANOOGA, Dec. 16—(AP) Army, the nation's top ranking team, placed three men on an all-America blocking team, chosen annually by Sports Editor Wirt Gammann of the Chattanooga Times and announced today. Felix Blanchard, Army's big all-around back, was named captain of the squad. The first team also included: Harold Fisher of Texas, Joe Ponsetto of Michigan and Duane Whitehead of Southern California, backs; Tex Warrington of Auburn, center; Joe Stanowicz of Army and Bill Hackett of Ohio State, guards; Al Nemett of Army and Don Whitmore of Navy, tackles, and Dave Harris of Wake Forest and Don Wells of Georgia, ends.

Hubbard Sinks Academy, 31-10

Opening their North Marion County B league basketball season Friday night at Hubbard, Coach Jerry Owen's up-country hoopsters romped to a 31-10 victory over Sacred Heart Academy. Forward Morgan paced the win with 15 points. Oscar Christianson earned 8 for SHA. The Academy Bees counted a 9-22 prelin win largely on the 20-point shooting by Tommy Johnson. Len Lutz canned 19 and Paul Mullen 10 for the winners.

AT FIRST SIGN OF A COLD USE 666

Cold Preparations as directed

Piles - Hemorrhoids

Fistula - Fissure

and other rectal and colon disorders are treated without loss of time

No Hospitalization No Confinement Quick Results Immediate Relief

Call for examining tool or write for FREE descriptive booklet

Dr. R. Reynolds Clinic

Naturopath Proctologist
Court & Liberty Sts., Phone 510.