

Trippi Signs 'Highest' Contract With Football Cardinals

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—(AP)—Charley Trippi slipped past the clutching arms of the over-confident football Yankees today, stiff-armed their baseball secondary and wound up with the Chicago Cardinals for what is known in the gridiron parlance as "pay dirt" — a great, big gobs of it.

The all-America halfback from Georgia university, the year's most sought-after athlete, was heading for Chicago when last seen, where he will sign a contract for just under \$100,000 to play with the Cardinals of the national professional league for the next four seasons.

He and Charley Bidwell, wealthy owner of the Cardinals, who saw everything the Yankees had to offer and then tossed a few more blue chips on the pile, were leaving on the Twentieth Century Limited early tonight for Chicago. Bidwell said the contract — highest ever offered in professional football — would be signed there either tomorrow or Saturday.

The document will leave Trippi free to deal for his baseball services, and Bidwell, who is very close to the dark, young man, said he would recommend

to Charley that he accept an offer to hook up with the Chicago Cubs organization, passing up other urgent and lucrative bids from the Boston Red Sox, Boston Braves, Atlanta and Birmingham of the southern association, and perhaps other clubs.

The Cubs, Bidwell disclosed, would give Trippi a \$10,000 bonus to play with their Los Angeles team of the Pacific Coast league next season, and then, if he proved himself a big leaguer and went up to the Cubs the following year, would dig down for another \$20,000. They thus would match the \$30,000 cash

bonus dangled before the Georgia flash by the Red Sox.

ORLANDO, Fla., Jan. 16.—(AP)—Clark Griffith, boss of the Washington Senators, set up shop today for the spring training of his American league team and his first order of public business was to say his outfit this year "will be pretty good if our young pitching staff comes through."

Next, he denied that he would swap Mickey Vernon, the league's 1946 batting champ, adding "I've swapped only one star in my life and that was Joe Cramin, my son-in-law. I traded him because he was in the family."

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HOST: Oregon and Oregon State get together for the second time this season at Eugene tonight and awaiting the Beaver visit is Bob Wren (above), veteran Webfoot forward. Although not a regular, Wren has seen action in all Oregon games to date. Oregon State won last week's opener at Corvallis in overtime, 73-69.

Toughest Foe to Date

Viks Face UO Frosh In Eugene Mix Today

Expecting their toughest tussle of the season to date, Salem high Vikings today tangle with the potent and undefeated University of Oregon Frosh in a 4 p.m. basketball at Eugene. The McArthur court, site of this year's

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Big Six Standings

W.L. Pct.	W.L. Pct.
Albany 2 1 667	Corvallis 2 1 667
Salem 2 1 667	Springfield 0 4 000

Hart, Belcastro Mainer Next

Their semiwrapup of this week having come close to coping the show, Frankie (Fireball) Hart and Pete (The Walloper) Belcastro will next Tuesday night tangle in Matchmaker Elton Owen's mat main event at the armory, he announced last night. Furthermore, if Owen can urge the baldish Belcastro into it, the mix will be for Pete's Coast junior heavy title belt. So far Belcastro is a reluctant fighter when it comes to blocking the treasured piece with the likes of aspiring Mr. Hart around.



These two tussled off a ding-dong brawl in this week's semi, Belcastro finally winning the third and deciding fall after a near-riotous go which both did considerable grappling outside the ring. Owen feels that rematching the pair in his next main event "is a three prelims, one featuring the sensational Tommy (Two-Ton) Nilon, will be set by Owen later in the week. Nilon and team pal Walt Achuta flattened Jack Lipscomb and Sammy Cohen in this week's main event week.

Other Friday games find Silverton at Dallas, Stayton at Canby and Sandy at Estacada. All three loom as close struggles. All Friday games will be preliminarily by Bee team titles.

Penn Staters Skedek

PULLMAN, Wash., Jan. 16.—(AP)—Washington State college announced today the Cougar football team would meet Pennsylvania State college at Hensley field, Pa., next September 20. A return game between the two schools will be played in the West in 1948.

Preps, Indians In WVL 'Top'

WOODBURN, Jan. 16.—(Special)—Mt. Angel and Molalla, struggling for the leadership of the Willamette Valley basketball league, will tangle at Mt. Angel Friday night in the loop's seventh round feature game. Molalla is currently on top with Mt. Angel tied for second with Sandy.

Northwest Conference Standings

W.L. Pct.	W.L. Pct.
UBC 6 0 1000	L-Clark 1 2 333
C-Idaho 4 0 1000	Whitman 1 2 333
Willamette 1 1 500	Pacific 1 2 333
Par Clatsop 2 4 333	Linfield 4 3 300

in an earlier game here, 64-41. Pacific toppled Linfield last Tuesday night, however, to indicate tonight's mix will be anything but a pushover for the locals.

Coach Otto Skopli's junior varsity team, winner over Pacific's seconds in their first game, is booked for action tonight also in the preliminary.

Another Northwest conference mix tonight pits the Whitman Missionaries against the Linfield Wildcats at Linfield. A second game will be played Saturday night and then on Monday and Tuesday nights the Whitmans play Willamette here.

Al McRae, Duane Ragsdale, Wes Saxon or Marshall Barbour, Scott Sebern, Frankie Page or Ron Runyan will open for the Cats tonight.

Parrish Cards, Reds Winners

JR. HIGH STANDINGS

W.L. Pct.	W.L. Pct.
Les Goids 2 0 1000	Les Whites 1 1 500
Par Cards 2 1 667	Par Grays 1 2 333
Par Blues 1 1 500	Les Blacks 0 2 000

Parrish quintets clashed in the first "Civil war" engagements of the junior high intramural season yesterday at the Parrish floor with the Cards' trouncing the Grays, 54-30 and the Reds stopping the Greens, 24-19. With the triumph triumph fives jumped into a tie for second in the loop standings.

Frederickson, Card guard, hit the scoring stratosphere with a 27-point afternoon to pace his mates. Weaver lead the Reds with seven.

Cards (34) (30) Grays
Coats (18) F (6) Meany
Blair (6) C (1) Olson
Ullman (6) C (1) Olson
Meyer (5) G (16) Baumgart
Frederickson (27) G (12) Girard
Subs: Card (2), Gray (2), Gird (2), McCoulin (1).

Reds (24) (18) Greens
Covatt (6) F (2) Reppond
Soderman (2) C (1) Mueggen
Weaver (7) G (10) Bacon
Layton (2) G (2) Edison
Subs: Greens—Mootry (1), Linton (1), Cross and Geddes.

Duck Pins

Salem teams made a clean sweep of a two-game match against Independence squads at B & B Bowling court last night. Salem No. 1 took its go, 4202-3770, while the local No. 2s dropped the visitors, 3954-3362. Emil Scholz boasted high series with 907. Tonight two other Salem outfits travel to Independence to resume the rivalry.

Local Links Play

Snow on the greens again yesterday prevented any links activity at the Salem Golf Club. The weekly Men's club session last night was confined to the clubhouse with those present giving lots of discussion to the slicker journey which will swing into high gear once the weather brightens up. A partnership sweepstakes go will be a feature of the weekend play.

SHA-Bulldogs Clash Tonight

The Sacred Heart academy quintet meets the Woodburn high school Bulldogs on the St. Joseph's floor tonight. Proceedings will start at 7 p.m. with a preliminary between the "B" squads of the two schools.

COTTON GETS POST

LONDON, Jan. 16.—(AP)—London newspapers reported today that Henry Cotton, peer of British golfers, has been appointed captain of the Ryder Cup team scheduled to play the United States next fall.

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Schaake Resigns Too

The veil of secrecy cloaking Assistant Football and Head Basketball Coach Elmer Schaake's status at Willamette university was lifted yesterday officially when another message from WU President Dr. G. Herbert Smith, now in Boston, revealed the former Kansas man had tendered his written resignation on January 6. The resignation of Head Coach and Director of Athletics Walt Erickson was made known officially Wednesday.

In a statement released by Robert W. Phenix, business manager at the university, and after Phenix had talked with Dr. Smith in Boston, Schaake's resignation was made known as follows: "President Smith has authorized me to state that he received a letter of resignation from Elmer Schaake on January 6, the morning Dr. Smith left for Boston. The letter asked that the resignation become effective July 1, 1947. President Smith did not have time to discuss the letter with Schaake or any member of the board of trustees before he left for the east."

Schaake's resignation, along with that of Erickson's, must be approved by the faculty committee and the board of trustees' athletic committee. It had been reported earlier this week in The Statesman that both Erickson and Schaake had resigned.

Whip Whitman Banquet Held

The slightly-delayed but annual "Whip Whitman" football banquet merged with basketball in lieu of next week's cage series with the Whites, was sung, dined and yelled off last night by approximately 300 Willamette university students, coaches, teachers and officers in the Salem senior high cafeteria. The song-filled and rah-rah punctuated spree was steeped with warty cracks by embodied fraternities and sororities and was culminated by the presentation of a miniature Willamette-Whitman axe to a sorority.

Speakers were Spec Keene, for 17 years head man of Bearcat athletic teams before retiring; Head Football Coach Walt Erickson, Basketball Boss Elmer Schaake and Football Captains Pat White and Ken Jacobson. Master of ceremonies was Clarence Wicks. Bill Hanauka produced the annual party. Members of both the grid and hoop teams were introduced.

Metz-Corcoran Feuding Quiets

RICHMOND, Calif., Jan. 16.—(AP)—Fred Corcoran, the professional golf executive who was punched in the fact last week by Player Dick Metz, decided today to "forget and forget" the whole business.

Snow Again Stops

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5th, 6th Grade Basketball Schools to Start Saturday

Basketball schooling, to cater strictly to all boys in the fifth and sixth grades in Salem and stressing the fundamentals of the game, will start Saturday at Leslie and Parrish junior highs and at the senior high, City and Schools Playground and Recreation Director Vern Gilmore announced yesterday. Only boys in the fifth and sixth grades will be eligible. The schools are to be held every Saturday through March 8 on the following plan:

At Leslie, under direction of Bob Keuscher, McKinley school boys from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Bush school boys from 10:30 to noon. At Parrish, under direction of Bob Metzger and Leonard Warren, Grant school boys from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Highland schoolers from 10:30 to noon. At the senior high on the north end of the court, under direction of Elroy Jensen, Washington schoolers from 9 to 10:30 and Garfield boys from 10:30 to noon. On the south end of the floor, under direction of Hank Juran, Englewood boys from 9 to 10:30 and Richmond boys from 10:30 to noon.

Boys attending private schools in any of the above districts are also welcome to attend the clinics, "if they want to learn to play basketball," stressed Gilmore.

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Bevos, Ducks In 2nd Tussle

OSC's Seek Second Straight Win Over Arch Foe in Eugene Clash

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Jan. 16.—(Special)—Chapter two of the annual four-game Oregon-Oregon State basketball series will be battled off here Friday night in McArthur court starting at 8 o'clock. A capacity throng of nearly 7000 will be present to see the Corvallis quint attempt to make it two in a row over Howard Hobson's Ducks after last week's thrill-filled overtime victory, 73-69 for Oregon State.

Official Urged Aid to Players

Although neither Coach Hobson or State Bill of OSC has announced starting lineups, it is likely the following players will join in the opening faceoff: Oregon—Ken Hays and Ed Dick, forwards, Roger Wiley, center, and Stan Williams and Al Popick guards. Oregon State—Melvin Anderson and Cliff Cranfield, forwards, Red Swinch, center, and Morrie Silver and Lew Beck, guards.

Meanwhile, another northern division game is also set for Friday night when Washington's Huskies try Washington State's Cougars in the first of two games at Pullman.

Smith Asked NCAA Be Frank, Not 'Pure'

LARAMIE, Wyo., Jan. 16.—(AP)—One voice called for open, regulated aid to athletes at last week's convention of the National Collegiate Athletic association but the cry for frankness was lost in the surge for "purity." It was disclosed today.

Dr. Wilbur Smith, student health director of Wyoming university and 1946 president of the NCAA, challenged the collegiate body to approve a frankly regulated, official scholarship plan rather than tolerate growth of an alumni "hand-out" system. Instead, the convention went strongly for a code restricting sanctioned aid to athletes and providing a schedule boycotts against non-conforming schools.

Dr. Smith said that several collegiate athletic conferences "are now quite well organized in the matter of giving aid to athletes" and implied that they should be allowed to handle this and other problems themselves with the NCAA dropping its advisory role and becoming an amplifying group. He declined to amplify his written statement in an interview but did say that in his opinion the conferences which give the greatest amount of recognized and regulated aid to athletes are "the most honest."

He named specific conferences.

Mangrum Tops Richmond Play

RICHMOND, Calif., Jan. 16.—(AP)—U. S. Open Champion Lloyd Mangrum, the man with the "muscle" and stylish Redwich, racked up a course-record tying 64 today to move into the lead in the first round of the 72-hole, \$10,000 Richmond Open golf tournament. The slim ball better posted his 34-30 to tie the competitive mark set up here three years ago by Harold "Jug" McSpaden of Sanford, Maine.

Mangrum bagged eight birdies in his swell round, five on the back nine, by trimming down putts ranging from four to 18 feet. His only slip was on the sixth where he three-putted from the front of the green.

Mangrum, who also holds the Argentine Open title won last October, snatched first place away from Bill Fritz, Colma, California, assistant pro, by his spectacular round. Fritz previously had gone to the front with a 32-33-65.

Tinker Loses Reversed Limb

ORLANDO, Fla., Jan. 16.—(AP)—Joe Tinker today lost the left leg which helped make him one of baseball's greatest shortstops. The leg was removed just above the knee in a two-hour operation to stop a gangrenous condition which set in last October. His surgeon, Dr. Duane P. McEwan, said the former Chicago Cub player was doing "very nicely" tonight.

A tiny blister between his toes was the cause of the trouble and forced Tinker to leave St. Louis last fall where he had gone for the winter series. A month ago, one of the former Chicago Cubs shortstop's toes was amputated, but the infection continued.

Vik Swimmers Busy Tonight

Salem high school swimmers meet West Linn's tankmen to-night starting at 8 o'clock at the YMCA pool. A full slate of events is scheduled for the evening. Also participating will be the Viking girls' squad.

Events and Salem entries: 40 yard free style—Nelson, Pepper; 100 yard breaststroke—Nelson, Moorehead; 100 yard backstroke—Garrett, Fleming; Medley relay team—Logan, Garrett; 4-man freestyle relay team—Moorehead, Pepper, Allison, Barr and complete girls' team.

Church Results

"A" league results last night at Leslie included: Methodists 30, 1st Christian 25; 1st Presbyterian 57, United Brethren 25; Salvation Army 20, Salt Creek 19. In "B" loop play at the deaf school Salt Creek stopped the Nazarenes 24-19 and the deaf schools whipped 1st Baptist 63-32 with Delbert Kessler scoring 24 points. The only "C" circuit fry saw the deaf bump the Presbyterian 34-14. Sets tallying 17 counters for the winners.

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The "March of Dimes," or the nation's annual drive to wipe out infantile paralysis, is on again. And once again the world of sports has been asked to do its part. A year ago, thanks in great part to the many sports events staged over the country, a record of aid for polio victims was made. But another record was set also last summer — the worst infantile paralysis epidemic in 30 years.

Through Grantland Rice, dean of American sportswriters, we have been asked to once more assist in the annual drive to raise funds in Marion county through the media of athletic events. In the past we have asked all high schools, junior highs, colleges and independents who play basketball to set aside at least part of their receipts of one of their games for the Marion County Sports Polio fund. The local bowling alleys, wrestling and boxing promoters and golf course were called upon also. The response was grand, and the fund was richer by almost \$2000 through the efforts of these Marion county people after the last drive. That \$2000 went a long way toward making it possible that polio-stricken boys and girls would be able to walk and run again. Half of all funds donated in Marion county stay right in the county to battle its cases of the disease. The other half goes to the national foundation to combat epidemics and to aid in research and education which will one day wipe out the disease entirely.

No one will twist your arm if you overlook pitching in to help this year's drive. We know that you know the value of the dimes and dollars you might give and what they can do. So how about it, sportsmen of the county—how about staging that basketball game or silencing off a chunk of the gate receipts for your shows or simply ideas in a donation, and soon! Either mail your donations to the Marion county chapter of the Red Cross or to us here at The Statesman. Make checks payable to the "Infantile Paralysis Fund, Marion County," and, believe us, even thin dimes will be welcome and appreciated.

Busy Week for Football Arguments

So it never rains but what it pours? Take a look, and then duck: Oregon, Oregon State and Willamette U., the state's topmost colleges, battle football woes in rapid succession—the Ducks via a replacement for Tex Oliver, the Beavers with the Lacey-Stiner squabble and the Beavers with Walt Erickson's resignation. Oregonian Man Lair Gregory, who is fatalist enough to believe all athletic sadness comes in gobs of three should have some fun with that trio.

The Lacey-Stiner beef, if that's what it can be called, hasn't been settled yet. And with the way things have been going, about the only way the OSC institution can now convince the public that no ill-feeling exists between the two is to get them together, surround the background with cooling doves and olive branches, get Lacey to plant a big kiss on Stiner's unfurrowed brow and take a panoramic picture of the whole thing. Then release the pix for all the public to see. Otherwise, about the only relief the school will have is to accept a resignation from either Lacey or Stiner. Should the strained relation continue to be unremedied, it's our guess that Lacey will do the resigning, not Stiner. The bigger boys of OSC go for their Lonnie Stiner in a rather hefty way, it seems—too hefty to let him get by with leaving the place.

Departing Mr. Erickson Holds a Record

Rather than go to lengths, say a few thousand words, in yielding the reason for his resignation, Walt Erickson accomplished the task in one simple but straightforward sentence. "I discovered that coaching no longer held the same interest for me that it had previously." Thus the Bearcat boss, rather than worry himself bald-headed over it by fighting the situation, admitted after one year that he had lost touch with the art of coaching during his six years away from it and decided he would kindly live longer were he to give it up. Smart man.

It might also be mentioned that Erickson probably is the only college coach in captivity who had but one year of it, and in that year won himself a conference championship!

The "Pied Piper" we wrote of the other day has already gone to work it seems. Hearing that Dick Simrich, a hot pitching force to be at it to hurl for the town Senators come baseball season, was actually plucked off the Portland sandlots by Jack Wilson, new Solon skipper. There will be others, too—just wait and see. . . . And at long last the Beavers-Senators have finally begun signing ball players. We were beginning to think the tieup was sound asleep, figuring no help for either the Beavers or Senators was necessary for 1947. As far as the update end of the family is concerned, surely the Bevo high know that only about half of the 1946 attendance of 162,000 will be their reward if they don't produce another hot flag contender. . . .

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