

Michigan Expected to Lick Troy in Rose Classic Today



By JERRY STONE

The year comes to a close and the 12 months period has surely seen its share of additions and subtractions, sportspersonally speaking, so far as the home town is concerned. We had the demise of professional basketball after a brief and totally unappreciated career in which owner Dan Hay must certainly have found himself in the red. . . . The ring game has its floppers and its good nights, with the better evenings prevailing sufficiently to keep the fight fanatics still coming. But let the promoters and the sponsors beware for even the patience of the ring follower can be sorely tried. . . . One could not be wrong in saying that baseball had a good year. The Senators had a fighting ball club which made a spirited bid for the pennant under Skipper Jack Wilson, admittedly the top pilot in the W.L. And the Sox pulled in over a hundred thousand paying customers despite a spell of rainouts. . . . Two bright additions to the Salem scene were Johnny Lewis and Jerry Little who took over the main chores in the Willamette athletic department. And, of course, Mistuh Little made about as perfect a debut as can be made, guiding his Bearcat gridsters to the Northwest championship title. And it looks like Lewis may follow suit in hoop competition. . . . Out Salem Golf club was the big Elks tourney was the feature of the 12 months with Jack Russell notching accolades as the city's No. 1 linkster of the year. Popular addition to the ranks of the golf gang was Joe Steiger who took over the local job in place of Jim Russell who transferred to Coos Bay. . . . Harold Hawk mentored his Salem high basketballers to the Big Six crown — which meant beating some of the best schools in the state — and then grabbed fourth place in the State show at Eugene. . . . And, naturally, one of the year's biggest subtractions was the loss of the State hoop show to Eugene, that disaster occurring because town spokesmen whom weight might have retained the classic here, found themselves shockingly slow on the trigger. . . . Midget and stock car racing fans found satisfaction in their own back yard as Jimmy Ryan inaugurated the whizz sport at Myrtle Bowl. . . . A lot of Joes and Janes, as usual, found that betting on the fair horse races can be expensive. . . . The bowling sports (both big ball and duck-pin) had the biggest years yet, with a half-dozen teams from Capitol Alley getting at least a trip if no dough as they took in the ABC at Los Angeles. . . . Freestyle skiing was set in the junior high ranks with the Shilings had its Bill Bowes and Burg Rocque who are as sharp a pair of slaters to represent one nag as you'll find. . . . The softball program was so jammed with clubs that two leagues were formed. . . . Thousands of dollars worth of shells in the Oregon State shoot here in May (and will the scribes ever forget it) . . .

Breakfasters Begin Operations

Mention must be made of the Salem Breakfast club which blossomed into a live-wire and much-needed sports booster group with the aim of stimulating fan interest. And the Breakfasters have gone a long way toward doing just that under Prexy Harry Collins. . . . That's about it, though maybe we had better note that the utter peak in interest, sports or otherwise, didn't center locally at all but rather some 3,000 miles to the east on the mound at Ebbetts field where local guy Bill Bevens pitched his heart out one Autumn day. . . . Athlete of the year: Bevens takes the honor hands down before mention should also be made of Carlos (Cub) Bousch who was the offensive stalwart on the Salem high basketball team besides being one of the top hoop and horseshoe performers for the Vik preppers. . . .

Snapp, Volk In Middle Boxing Title Go Tonite

PORTLAND, Dec. 31—(Special)—Jack Ginger Snapp, the hard-punching pride of Klamath Falls, and Bobby Volk, sharp-hitting Portlander will meet here Tuesday night at the championship of the Northwest. A title belt, emblematic of the championship will be given the winner following the bout.

As both boys are hard-hitting fighters and have been looking impressive in respective gymnasium workouts, a knockout is likely for the big fight. Both have impressive kayo records.

Preliminaries for the card are as follows: Chuck Brown, Portland vs. Hal Roberts, Vancouver, B. C., lightweights, four rounds; Joey Ortega, Vanport vs. Paulie Cook, Tacoma, feather weights, six rounds; Buford Ransome, Seattle vs. Ed Sampson, Klamath Falls, welterweights, six rounds; Davey Arndt, Portland vs. Dick Abney, Salem, middleweights, four rounds.

Oklahoma Nabs Hoop Honors

OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 31—(AP)—A desperation shot with two seconds to go by Bob Harris gave the Oklahoma Aggies a 32-31 victory over Texas in the final game of the all-college basketball tournament crown here tonight before 5,000 screaming fans. . . . Darkhorse Baylor university captured third place by defeating the University of Alabama 25-24. . . . The University of Wyoming Cowboys won the consolation bracket championship by rolling past the Rice Owls, 56-43.

Table of Coastal Tides

Tides for Taft, Ore., compiled by U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, Portland, Ore.			
Jan.	Time	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER
1	4:27 a.m.	6.2	10.1 a.m.
2	5:28 p.m.	6.1	10.1 a.m.
3	6:24 a.m.	6.2	11:18 a.m.
4	7:24 p.m.	6.1	11:18 a.m.
5	8:11 a.m.	6.0	12:28 p.m.
6	9:03 p.m.	5.9	12:28 p.m.
7	9:58 a.m.	5.9	1:38 p.m.
8	10:50 p.m.	5.8	1:38 p.m.
9	11:38 a.m.	5.7	2:48 p.m.
10	12:30 p.m.	5.7	2:48 p.m.
11	1:20 p.m.	5.6	3:58 p.m.
12	2:12 a.m.	5.5	3:58 p.m.
13	3:03 a.m.	5.4	5:08 p.m.
14	3:55 a.m.	5.3	5:08 p.m.
15	4:47 a.m.	5.2	6:18 p.m.
16	5:38 a.m.	5.1	6:18 p.m.
17	6:29 a.m.	5.0	7:28 p.m.
18	7:20 a.m.	4.9	7:28 p.m.
19	8:11 a.m.	4.8	8:38 p.m.
20	9:03 a.m.	4.7	8:38 p.m.
21	9:54 a.m.	4.6	9:48 p.m.
22	10:45 a.m.	4.5	9:48 p.m.
23	11:36 a.m.	4.4	10:58 p.m.
24	12:27 a.m.	4.3	10:58 p.m.
25	1:18 a.m.	4.2	12:08 p.m.
26	2:09 a.m.	4.1	12:08 p.m.
27	3:00 a.m.	4.0	1:18 p.m.
28	3:51 a.m.	3.9	1:18 p.m.
29	4:42 a.m.	3.8	2:28 p.m.
30	5:33 a.m.	3.7	2:28 p.m.

INDIAN SIGN LEMON CLEVELAND, Dec. 31—(AP)—The Cleveland Indians announced today that Pitcher Bob Lemon had signed his 1948 contract at 100 per cent increase in salary. A former infielder, Lemon had a record of 11 victories and five defeats last season.

Eyes Title



Jack Snapp (above), the Klamath Falls middleweight boxer tonight battles Bobby Volk in Portland for the northwest 160-pound boxing championship. Snapp is the underdog.

LOUISIANA STATE WINS FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 31—(AP)—Louisiana State university won the consolation championship of the Fort Worth college basketball tournament here tonight by overtaking TCU 52-46.

Rowing King Gets Sullivan Cup

NEW YORK, Dec. 31—(AP)—John E. Kelly, Jr., of Philadelphia, the world's No. 1 coxswain and chief U. S. hope in the rowing at the coming Olympic games, was named winner of the James E. Sullivan memorial trophy for 1947 today by the amateur athletic union of the United States. . . . The Sullivan award is presented annually by the AAU to the "amateur athlete who, by performance, example and good character, did most to advance the cause of good sportsmanship during the year." . . . In a nationwide poll of sports leaders, Kelly received 663 points to edge out Harrison Dillard, the record-smashing hurdler from

Teams to Get Good Weather

Bob Chappuis Ready; 93,000 to See Tilt

PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 31—(AP)—Undeclared Michigan, striving to make it two straight victories for the Western conference over the Pacific Coast loop, was poised—as a 15-point favorite—for its Rose Bowl battle with Southern California's once-beaten, once-tied Trojans tomorrow.

A 2 p.m. (Pacific standard time) kickoff was scheduled for the oldest of the New Year's day Bowl battles, which originated in 1902 when Michigan's potent point-a-minute eleven walloped Stanford 49-0.

Both camps were in readiness and the weatherman promised near-perfect weather for the conflict.

Both teams were at full strength with an exception on each side of the fence. USC was without the services of Bob Hendren, 6 foot, 8 inch, 225 pound starting tackle, who suffered a broken jaw in the recent victory over U.C.L.A. And some small doubts remained regarding Michigan's Bob Chappuis, who injured a thigh muscle in Monday's practice. Latest reports from the Wolverine camp, however, were optimistic and the capacity crowd of 93,000 was expected to see the All-America pass perfectionist in the tailback spot from which he sparked his mates to a victorious sweep of the Wolverines' nine game 1947 slate.

Vikings Play 2 Cage Foes

The Oregon City Pioneers and Commercial Stevedores of Portland will provide Coach Harold Hawk's Salem high Vikings with their fifth and sixth basketball battles of the season here Friday and Saturday nights. The Pioneers, once a member of the No-Name league and coached by Don Jones, play the Salems Friday night. The Portlanders, expected to be a power in Rose City play this season, are due in Saturday. Both games will be preliminary at 6:30 o'clock with Bee team tussles. So far the Vikings have won one game, a 37-36 thriller over Washington, and lost three, to Jefferson of Portland and twice to Klamath Falls. Salem expects to be in better shape for the weekend, however, what with the return of regular Forward Waldo Unruh to action. He has not yet played this season because of a sprained ankle.

Schroeder Takes 2 Net Titles

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 31—(AP)—Diminutive Ted Schroeder, Davis cupper from Glendale, Calif., deftly stroked to a dual singles and doubles title in the 11th annual Sugar Bowl tennis tournament today, with a four-set win over Richard "Pancho" Gonzales and a doubles triumph paired with Gardner Mulloy of Miami, Fla. . . . In winning the dual over America's No. 2 amateur, duplicated Bobby Riggs' feat of 1937 and like Riggs, he became the second to win two Sugar Bowl singles championships. His first win in 1941. . . . Though he won decisively over Gonzales, 7-5, 6-2, 3-6, 6-2, Schroeder had to come from behind after Gonzales opened up a 4-1 first-set lead.

Charity Contest Nixed by NFL

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 31—(AP)—A suggestion that the champions of the National professional football league play the best in the All-America football conference here this winter for charity received a thumbs down today from the NFL. Bert Bell, commissioner of the NFL, wired that such a game would not be permitted under league rules. . . . Mitchell Wolfson, chairman of the Heart fund for crippled children, sent the idea to Bell.

Quick to Turn Pro

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 31—(AP)—Golfier Smiley Quick, national public links champion in 1946 and a member of the U. S. Walker cup team, announced tonight he is turning professional and will compete with the money boys in the Los Angeles open which starts Friday.

Rowing King Gets Sullivan Cup

Baldwin-Wallace college, who collected 693 points, Irving (Moon) Mondschein, New York university's three-time national decathlon champion, was third with 572 points. . . . Joe Vendeur, breast-stroke champion from Philadelphia, was fourth with 418 points; William Smith, Ohio State's free-style swimming champion, was fifth with 407 points; Zee Ann Olsen 16-year-old diving prodigy from Oakland, Calif., was sixth with 355 points; James McLean, multi-event champion, was seventh with 322 points and E. L. (Barney) McLean of Denver, an outstanding member of the Olympic skiing team, was eighth with 313 points.

Over Half Million Fans to Pour \$2,000,000 in Bowl Coffers

By John Chandler
NEW YORK, Dec. 31—(AP)—Thirty-two picked teams will welcome the new year tomorrow by ending their 1947 football seasons in 16 bowl games, comprising one of the finest assemblages of such post-season affairs since Michigan went west to the first Rose Bowl 45 years ago and showed Stanford a thing or two. . . . A half million fans are expected to chip in more than \$2,000,000 to witness an assortment of bowls, the names of which is combined in a salad would produce such ingredients as oranges, pineapples, sugar, raisins and tangerines. There also would be roses for the table, cigars for after dinner, and

cotton to ease the bumps and bruises. . . . In the Pasadena, Calif., Rose Bowl, Michigan, undefeated and untied in nine regular season games, is favored to stop the Southern California Trojans before some 93,000 persons. . . . Down in New Orleans a sweet Sugar Bowl battle looms between Alabama and Texas. Around 72,000 will jam into the stadium to witness an expected aerial duel between Bobby Layne of Texas and Alabama's Harry Gilmer. . . . Another of the day's top billings pits unbeaten-once-tied Southern Methodist—a 14-13 victory over Texas—against undefeated and untied Penn State in the Cotton Bowl at Dallas, Texas. . . . At Miami, Fla., Georgia Tech is rated an edge over Kansas in the Orange Bowl, which has been enlarged to seat 60,000. . . . Not strictly a bowl game but rated along with the rest in the Jan. 1 festivities is the annual East-West Shrine charity game at San Francisco where 62,000 will watch stars selected from eastern and western college teams perform. . . . Clyde (Smackover) Scott, former naval academy star, will lead his mates from Arkansas against William and Mary's Indians from Virginia in the Dixie Bowl at Birmingham, Ala. About 35,000 will sit in on what should be another close battle. . . . Passes also should fly in the Delta Bowl at Memphis, Tenn., where Mississippi and Charlie Conery oppose Texas Christian and Lindy Berry. . . . Maryland, featuring a wealth of hard-galloping backs headed by Lu Gambino, leading southern conference scorer, makes its first bowl appearance, tangling with Georgia in the 'Gator Bowl at Jacksonville, Fla. . . . Rounding out the bowl program: Texas Tech and Miami (Ohio) in the Sun Bowl at El Paso, Texas; North Texas State and Nevada, Salinas Bowl, Phoenix, Ariz.; College of Pacific and Wichita, Rainier Bowl, Fresno, Calif.; Catawba and Marshall (W. Va.), Tangerine Bowl, Orlando, Fla.; San Diego State and Hardin-Simmons, Harbor Bowl, San Diego, Calif.; Hawaii and Redlands, Pineapple Bowl, Honolulu; West Chester (Pa.) Teachers and Missouri Valley, Cigar Bowl, Tampa, Fla.; and Wilberforce and Grambling, Vulcan Bowl, Birmingham, Ala.



Sugar Clubs Fear Rain

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 31—(AP)—If the weather man knows his stuff, Alabama's Harry Gilmer and Texas' Bobby Layne won't be able to show much of their tomorrow in the 14th annual Sugar Bowl game. . . . The apprehension felt by rival coaches over the possibility of rain approached reality today when the forecaster predicted that showers, previously expected to end tomorrow morning, are now likely to last longer. . . . The offensive games of both participants are built around the throwing ability of Gilmer and Layne, two of the nation's most heralded aerialists. A slippery field and wet ball doubtlessly would result in fewer scores as has been the case three other times. . . . It was in those years that the classic's three "baseball" scores were produced. TCU beat LSU 2-2 in 1936, Santa Clara beat LSU 6-0 in 1938, and Fordham edged Missouri 2-0 in 1942. . . . Also a possibility is that less than a capacity crowd of 72,000 will be on hand due to last minute cancellation of some incoming air schedules because of fog.

Hockey Feud Grows Hotter

NEW YORK, Dec. 31—(AP)—The controversy involving representation of the United States in ice hockey at the 1948 winter Olympic games became more involved than ever today following the declaration of Daniel J. Ferris, secretary-treasurer of the amateur athletic union that "if the uncertified amateur hockey association team competes in the Olympics, the death knell of amateur sports may be sounded." . . . Gustave Kirby, president emeritus of the U. S. Olympic committee, reiterated the American threat to withdraw all other teams from the winter Olympic games in St. Moritz, Switzerland, Jan. 30-Feb. 8, if the team sponsored by the Amateur Hockey association (AHA) competes. . . . The controversy grew out of recognition of the A. H. A. by the International Ice Hockey Federation of the American body governing amateur hockey. The Amateur Athletic union, ruler of U. S. amateur hockey since 1930, was expelled from the I. I. H. F. last year.

Bomber Wants Walcott Again

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 31—(AP)—Heavyweight Champion Joe Louis said today his fight next summer will be with Jersey Joe Walcott, the man who almost made off with his title, and not with Gus Lesnevich who had been mentioned as a possible opponent. . . . "It will be Walcott," Louis declared. "I wouldn't want to fight anybody else." . . . "And it will be my last—win, lose or draw," he said. . . . Louis said Los Angeles, Chicago and Philadelphia all want the Walcott fight.

Hood Slates Slat Tournery

GOVERNMENT CAMP, Ore., Dec. 31—(AP)—A field of 165 entries were posted today for the eighth annual Portland day trial race to be run Sunday over the four and a half mile course on the south slope of Mount Hood. . . . A wide open affair was promised for the men's class A event, in which defending champion Bill Bowers will be missing. Last year's class B, champ, Dick Lewis, and Alan Fischer, University of Portland, and Don and Boyd French Jr., brothers, are top contenders for the A division honors. . . . Salem radio station KSLM will today carry two broadcasts of "bowl" football games. At 11 a. m. the Cotton Bowl tilt between Southern Methodist and Penn State will be carried and at 1:45 o'clock the East-West Shrine game will be aired. . . . KSLM Schedules 'Casts Salem radio station KSLM will today carry two broadcasts of "bowl" football games. At 11 a. m. the Cotton Bowl tilt between Southern Methodist and Penn State will be carried and at 1:45 o'clock the East-West Shrine game will be aired.

Wings Top Hawks

DETROIT, Dec. 31—(AP)—Masterful net-minding by Goalie Harry Lumley in his second straight shutout victory enabled the Detroit Red Wings to extend their jinx string to seven straight wins over the Chicago Black Hawks here tonight, 4 to 0, in a National hockey league game witnessed by 10,844 fans.

Eastern Stars Picked To Take Shrine Battle

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31—(AP)—Cleared football heroes, as well as unsung stars, who roamed the nation's college gridirons this season, will band their talents here tomorrow in a game for which there is no greater cause — aid to crippled children. . . . The 23rd Shrine east-west classic between top players handpicked from many parts of the country, with the Mississippi river roughly cleaving the geographical aspects, will attract some 62,000 fans. . . . And so, all America John Lujack of Notre Dame will run for the east tomorrow, the quarterback and main cog in the T-formation attack built up by Coaches Bernie Bierman of Minnesota; Andy Kerr of Lebanon Valley and Howard Odell of Yale. . . . For the west, the big local attraction is Hawaiian Herman Wedemeyer, an all America at St. Mary's and like Lujack, keenly sought by the professional. Wedemeyer will play left half in the spread T-formation installed by Head Coach Don Faurot of Missouri and his assistants Lyn Waldorf of California and Marjorie Schwartz of Stanford. . . . Studied with names of players who made the national headlines, the east will line up as the favorite, by 7 1/2 points or 2 1/4 to 1 odds. The west will hold a big advantage in the line, averaging from ten to 15 pounds more. . . . The west already has won 12 games; the east 6 and four were tied in the big annual football battle.

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