Most generally the stamp of a great basketball player is exhibited by his ability to pass, score, play defense and drive while looking as if he's hardly breaking a sweat. Some you've seen in this category

include Cliff Crandall, Sammy White, Ed Gayda, Whitey Skoog and Don Barksdale. Another you can add, with emphasis, is this John Azary of Gordon Ridings' Columbia U Lions. A husky 19-year-old junior at six feet three and 195 pounds. lor at six-feet-three and 195 pounds, Azary doesn't look like he's operating in other than a slow trot. But all the while he's right where he shouldn't be, in the eyes of his opponents, and wearing them out with monotonous consistency. In the Oregon series he was the backbone of Columbia team. And a pretty fair team it is, incidentally. Last year Azary averaged a shade under 15 points per game to take the individual scoring championship among the New York metropolitan colleges . . . The guy's first visit to McArthur court Monday night nearly brought him the pavilion's in-



dividual's scoring record. He meshed 28 points for that game, which was just four beneath the mark established by WSC's Gale Bishop in 1946 . . . Might add that Bishop's 32 point record doesn't include all games player in McArthur court. Lloyd Buettgenbach of Hood River high totaled 39 markers in a 1947 state prep tournament game. Bishop's mark stands among collegians only . . . Pardon the boot on our early-week printing of "Red" Ridings as the Columbia coach. Got him mixed up with the real "Red" Ridings of Oregon State fame in the mid-1920s. The Columbia Ridings is plain Gordon who hooped himself to glory at Oregon a few years after "Red" played at OSC. Understand they're cousins at that, and that "Red" is still doing farm work down around Molalla . . .

The back ailment that has kept Oregon's Paul Sowers sidelined has also been keeping him practically flat on his back, for it's one of those painful sacroiliac conditions. When first hit with it in mid-December, Sowers could hardly walk. It was only last Monday that the blond sharpshooter from Baker dared try a jump. A lot of the Oregon cage success of the immediate future depends upon that back, for Sowers is the type of player who can be the difference between a win and a loss in a close ball game . . .

#### Kirsch Comes Up With Potful of Eligibility Woe

Don Kirsch, the Webfoot Frosh coach has had more fortunate experiences than the one of a few days ago in which he lost six of his Sowers, up to then the team's top 15 cagers—three of 'em first stringers—because of scholastic de-ficiencies. One was Keith Farnam, the Viking whiz of last year who is now enrolled at Vanport to try and make up the bad grades. Being ed Cougars. Sowers has been side-a junior college in status, Vanport is a perfect spot in which athletes lined with a back ailment. Also, can make up their deficiencies. They can play there a season or two will Urban may be back after to a four-year college. In Farnam's case it should be noted that his absence due to a death in his faflunkitis wasn't entirely because of differences with the professors.

There has been illness in the Farnam family which has had Keith at home when his presence in classrooms would have been more invigorating to his grades . . .

Mother Goose and her young'uns has nothing at all on Roger (Hot Dog) Wiley, now in his first year as a coach at Bend high. You might expect the huge six foot, eight inch Rajah to be sur-rounded by young giants of the basketball pavilion at Bend. But not so, much to Wiley's regret. He towers over his troups rather figuratively, as the tallest player on the Lava Bear team has to take a big breath and stand on his tip-toes to reach the six-foot level. (How about installing stills, Rog?) . . .

#### Loss of McGuire to Be Keenly Felt

Although few folks around here knew Stan McGuire other than for his great ability to play end for Oregon State, the news of his accidental death is brought much nearer home because of the other Bea- day that he would ask Ezzard ver athletes involved in the tragic toboggan ride. Bud Coons, who es- | Charles to meet Joe Kahut in a caped the accident uninjured, was a three-year letterman football and heavyweight championship bout asketball player at Salem high before the war, and Bill Austin, also unhurt in the smashup, is the former Woodburn high great who now 

The loss of McGuire to the OSC team for 1950 is a great one indeed. The do-everything-well end proved the past season that he definitely had the makings of a real All-American. Many felt that he deserved such recognition on the basis of his 1949 play, during which he was voted the nationwide accolade of "Lineman of the Week" after the Michigan State game.

### **Naval Reserves Widen National Circuit Lead**

The Naval Reserves slammed more padding on their lead in the City Hoop league's National division last night at Leelie as they handed the Burrough's Inn crew its initial defeat, 39-32. The win was the fourth in a row for the Navy's.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 4-(P)-Ben

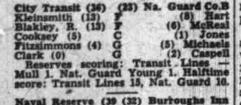
here.
Eddie LeBaron, College of the Pacific T-quarterback magician who will play with Bo McMillan's Yankee eleven, gave the hundreds of gaping onlookers something to talk about as he went through his slight-of-hand routine play after

The loss put the Innmen in a second place tie with the National Guards who lost a chance to hold the spot alone as they bowed to City Transit Lines, 36-23. Capitol Business College climbed into the win circle for the first time by downing Post Office, 20-16.

Spunky Hogan

Cards Hot 67

Fischer sparked the Navy triumph with 12 points. The tilt was close in the early part with the Burrough's sharing a 14-14 knot at halftime. Kleinsmith and Blakely each hit 13 to pace the Transit line gang. Brunell potted eight tournament.





#### **Basketball Scores**

HIGH SCHOOL Eugene 35, Springfield 25 COLLEGE OLLEGE
Oregon State 54, Washington St
Holy Cross 162, Marvard 71
Yale 63, Springfield 35
Louisiana State 62, Loyola
ricans) 56

FOOTBALL MAY BE JUNKED

Auburn 70, Birmingham-Southern 48
Brooklyn College 71, Adelphia 59
Washington & Jefferson 63, Arizona
State of Tempe 45
Notre Dame 54, Butler 33
Bwarthmore 77, Johns Hopkins 53
St. Joseph's (Philadelphia) 64, Rutgers (Newark Division) 54
Brigham Young 54, Loyola of Chicago 45
Southern Methodist 53, Texas A & M. OKLAHOMA CITY, Jan. 4-(P)-Dr. C. Q. Smith, president of Okla-homa City university, said today he has recommended that football be discontinued at Oklahoma City university but said no official ac-tion has been taken by school of-COLMAN WON'T RETIRE

SEATTLE, Jan. 4 -(R)- Frank
Colman, who topped the Seattle
Rainiers in hitting the past season
with a 320 average, notified the
local Pacific Coast leaguers today
he sn't going to retire after all.
General Mgr. Earl Sheely said Colman has accepted terms for 1950.

ce 86, Texas Christian 61 rkansas 66, Texas 51 entucky 87, Mississippi State 85 Louis 36, Detroit 41 eston College 61, Tufts 56 sigers 78, Fordham 74 epaul 41, Oklahoma A & M 40 exas Western 40, Hardin-Simmon

# Beavers Edge Out Cougar Club 54-53

### Stan'll Still Lead '50 Club

CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 4
(P)-Oregon State College Foot-ball Coach Kip Taylor said to-day that no player would be named to replace star lineman Stan McGuire as captain of the school's 1950 team.

Coach Taylor said "Stan was elected by the boys and we'll not have another leader. We'll select someone to call the toss and make field decisions, but Stan will still be our captain." McGuire, 22, died early today of skull injuries received when a toboggan he was riding with three other college athwith three other college ath-letes swerved in front of an

### Webfoots Wait Cougar Series

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Jan. 4 - (Special) - The University of Oregon Webfoots open their northern division basketball season here Friday and Saturday nights in McArthur court with the Washington State Cougars. Both games start at eight o'clock, and 6:30 o'clock prelims find the Frosh playing Astoria Friday and Cottage Grove Saturday.

The Webfoots may be at full

strength for the series, something they haven't been able to say since Stanford played here. Paul leading scorer, may be ready for Will Urban may be back after

If the blond bomber is able to play he'll team up with possibly Urban at forward, with Mel Streeter or Bob Amacher at center and with Mal Krause and Ken Hunt at guards.

### Kahut-Charles Scrap Sought

here next summer.

Salkeld said he planned to of-

Jake Mintz, one of Charles' managers, said in Pittsburgh that he is "interested," but refused to say more until he receives the offer.

Kahut spoke jubilantly at even the possibility of such a match. "That's something every fighter dreams of," he said.

#### Louis to Seattle

SEATTLE, Jan. 4 -(P)- Match-maker Jimmy Fitten announced tonight that ex-heavyweight box-ing champion Joe Louis would be Minnville and the Saturday fin-SEATTLE, Jan. 4 -(AP)- Matching champion Joe Louis would box a six-round exhibition here next tuesday night against heavyweight

Minnville and the data and the data als in the WU gym. Both games start at eight o'clock.

Additional fundamentals, snap-Flood, also a Negro, has won his maneuvers have been occupying the Cats mostly during the drills this week. Linfield is a fast and

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Jan. 4-(P)

-The Southeastern conference will keep the "two-minute rule" in basketball for the present, SEC Commissioner Bernie Moore said today.

mostly during the drills this week. Linfield is a fast and rapid - firing outfit, which will demand the utmost of Coach Johnny Lewis' young troupe if the week end is to be successful. Lewis will depend mostly upon forwards Ted Loder. District the present of the week and is to be successful.

#### Bowling

ly each hit 13 to pace the Transit
Line gang. Brunell potted eight
points to lead the Business College
club to victory.

The Hershey, Pa., golfer, three
times winner of the tournament,
scored a 69 last Friday but had
not been below the Riviera course
par 72 since then until today.

He told reporters he is putting
accurately and hit the ball very
fitzimmons (4) G (5) Michaels
Clark (0) G (2) Caspell
Reserves scoring: Transit Lines —
Mull J. Nat. Guard Young I. Halftime
score: Transit Lines 15, Nat. Guard 16.

Naval Reserve (39 (32) Burroughs fan
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(6) Roberts

tice for the 24th Los Angeles open
tournament.

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not been below the Riviera course
par 72 since then until today.

He told reporters he is putting
accurately and hit the ball very
well up to the green. Asked if he
felt he was any less tired after the
felt he was any less tired after the
found, he said he felt fine. He is
scheduled to tee off at noon Friday.

(University Bowl)
(University Bowl)
CIVIC LEAGUE
Salem Lions No. 3 (1) Sholseth 435,
Smith 423, Todd 408, Halvorson 485,
Smith 423, Todd 408, Halvorson 485,
Smith 423, Todd 408, Halvorson 485,
Moose Lodge No. 2 (1) Smith 386,
Schubel 411, Hedine 342, Coorter 323,
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WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 -(P)-Essard Charles, the world's heavyweight boxing champion as recognized by the National Box-ing association, finds himself in the position so long held by Joe Louis—no logical contender for

The N.B.A. issued its quarter-ly ratings today without naming a single fighter it deems worthy

That's the way Louis was for years, a champion with no more real fighters left to conquer. But this is the first time Charles has

The NBA's president, Fred J. Saddy of Milwaukee, explained that Lee Savoid and Bruce Woodcock, who formerly were rated logical contenders, had been too inactive to deserve the

to challenge Charles.

# **WU** Guard

Al Lightner, Editor

nior high school. Registration

The district tournament is op-

en to all teams in Marion coun-

ty. Following the tourney for

district title the champion will

advance to the state tourney

which is to be held in McMinn-

ville this year starting February

25. Gilmore warns that no regis-

trations will be accepted after

fees will be paid to him also.

CORVALLIS, Jan. 4 - Gene Conley, Washington State's giant six

foot, eight inch center levels at the Oregon State basket in the

crucial northern division series in Gill Coliseum as he towers over

both teammates and opponents alike. WSC players shown are Ted Tappe (4), Bob Gambeld (10) and Leon Mangis (19), Beavers

Statesman

10—The Statesman, Salem, Oregon, Thursday, January 5, 1950

Gilmore Sets AAU Cage Date

Marion County AAU Basket-

ball Commissioner Vern Gilmore Wednesday issued vital informa-

tion for all teams interested in competing for the district title

and the state meet date that will

go to its winner. Gilmore will

construct a district tourney of

some nature just as soon as all

teams have registered. Deadline

for registration is January 15,

With another strenuous prac-tice session absorbed Wednesday, the Willamette Bearcat cagers

are looking forward to their

Northwest conference openers with the Linfield Wildcats Friday

pier ball handling and defensive

er and Chuck Robinson, Center Doug Logue and Guards Lou Scrivens, Hugh Bellinger, Jack Evans, Claude Nordhill, Pete Bry-ant, George Matile, Dan Montag

and Ray Osuna for the greater part of the two - night action. Friday night starters likely will

be Loder, Brouwer, Logue, Scrivens and Bellinger. A final tune-

Duck Pins

game and Bill Campbell of Dodge had a 182 and 78 for best individ-

Babe Ruth hit 40 or more home

Two boxers were singled out for special praise.
"One of the year's outstanding boxers," said Saddy, "is Ray

Famecheon, French feather-weight, who has forged to the top among featherweight contenders. He warrants a rating along with Sandy Saddler, New York's challenger for Willie Pep's

up is booked for today.

ual showing.

and Lee Oma.

NBA view.

Savold, Woodcock Too Inactive, Says NBA

No Contenders for Ez's Crown

secured from Gilmore at the se- | January 15.



Pete Bryant (above), two-year letterman guard from Astoria, goes back into action with his Bearcat mates Friday and Saturday nights against Linfield in the season's Northwest conference openers.

### night at B and B Bowling courts: Lincoln-Mercury 3, Ford 1; Buick 3, Kaiser-Frazier 1; Valley Electric of Sheridan 3, Dodge 1. Valley Electric hit a 2050 for top team series, Cadillac's 728 was high team Buckeye, Gridmen Welcomed Home

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 4-(AP)-Columbus took Ohio State's Rose Bowl champions to its damp and chilly besom tonight.

chilly besom tenight.

It wasn't quite the celebration it might have been if the day-long drizzle had let up—or if the Buckeye's "All - America" marching band had been on hand. But hundreds of well-wishers of the football team which came from behind Monday to trip previously unbeaten California, 17-14, turned out to greet their heroes at Port Columbus.

CHARITY TILT SET

HONOLULU, Jan. 4 -(R)- Seven Rose Bowl game performers, four from California and three from Ohio State, arrived with seven other college football players today for a charity game Sunday. The college all-stars will meet a Hawaii professional football team which will be reinforced by Johnny Lujack. rating now.

They've been demoted to the heading "outstanding boxers," along with Jersey Joe Wolcott Only one other champion, Weiterweight Ray Robinson, finds himself without a logical contender for the title in the

### **Brilliant Grid Career Ends**

Cougar Giant Tees Off at Beaver Basket in Hot Series

### Stan McGuire Dies From Crash Injuries

CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 4 -(P)- Stan McGuire, captain of Oregon State college's 1950 football team, died in a hospital today, eight hours after a toboggan filled with college students swerved in front of a car. He was the second victim of the accident,

Final Gun

STAN McGUIRE

Sled Crash Fatal

Vandals Deny

In a statement in the quarterly "University of Idaho Reports,"

Buchanan criticized athletic re-cruiting in Idaho by out-of-state institutions. His statement was is-sued a day after the University of Idaho had cancelled a 1950 foot-

ball game with the University of

In 1949, for the sixth time in 13

There's 10

Free For

De-Emphasis

Bill Corvallis, 21, a pitcher for the Santa Barbara, Calif., farm club of the Brooklyn Dodgers last season, was killed outright when he was thrown from the toboggan under the car. He was a graduate of Grant high school, Portland.

McGuire, 22, also of Portland, was a standout Beaver end, an AP "lineman of the week" for his performance against Michigan State, and mentioned by numerous all-coast and all-American selectors. As a member of Portland's Roosevelt high school football team he earned "all city" nonors in 1944. He succun after an emergency operation.

Four students were aboard the toboggan, being towed behind an automobile driven by Bill Austin, 21, of Woodburn, Ore. The sled swerved into the path

of another automobile driven by Vernon Kechart, Corvallis busi-ness man, near the Oregon State campus. Both McGuire and Corvallis suffered fractured skulls. The others on the sled, Lloyd Anderson of Oakland, Ore., and Bud Coons, Salem, were not in-

jured. Police said the crash was unavoidable. McGuire and Corvallis were

studying business and technology. Both were juniors. The accident occurred about midnight. Austin driving the car towing the toboggan, had just traded places with Corvallis. The

tow rope broke and the toboggan slid headlong into the Kechart car. Both McGuire and Corvallis, riding in the middle of the sled. are believed to have struck their heads on the front bumper of the car. Corvallis died on the scene and McGuire was rushed to a hospital where he died at 7:11 a.m.

Standing vigil at the ace flank-man's bedside through the night were his coach, Kip Taylor, and Spec Keene, OSC Athletic direc-

McGuire had just returned by car Tuesday from the East-West Shrine game in San Francisco

Shrine game in San Francisco where he was a spectator.

Bud Coons, Salem, aboard the toboggan in the Corvallis tragedy, was an all-state eage performer for Salem high in 1941. He sustained a knee bruise in the crash.

MOSCOW, Idaho, Jan. 4 -(AP)The University of Idaho said today it is not de-emphasizing football. But President J. E. Buchanan added that the school was "rationalizing" its grid schedule to conform "with our present capabilities and with the factors of our situation."

#### Vingo Slightly Better

NEW YORK, Jan. 4-(AP)-Carmine Vingo, injured Bronx heavyweight boxer, showed a "decided improvement" today but still was in "critical condition" at St. Clare's hospital.

California and another in 1951 Vingo was injured Friday night against the University of Southern when he was knocked out by California. Rocky Marciano of Brockton, Mass., in Madison Square Garden bout. years he has been a member of the Washington Redskins, Sammy Baugh won the National Football

HONOLULU, Jan. 4 -(P)- Seven league passing championship.

### OLDSMOBILE

Offers 1950 Models Now on Display "98" GLAMOR

"88" ACTION "76" VALUE

LODER BROS. - 465 CENTER

## Quintets Split **Opening Series**

Lead Changes Often; Conley Hits for 22

CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 4 -(AP) Oregon State college squeezed out a 54 to 53 Pacific Coast conference basketball victory out of the Washington State college Cougars tonight to split their two game

The defending Coast conference champions almost didn't make it. The Cougars rallied to tie and drive shead consistently with sophomore star Gene Conley fir-ing 22 points to spark the drives. His lone efforts weren't enough. Oregon State curbed Ed Gayda— who had but one field goal—and found the power to rally at critical points, Oregon State free throws also helped erase Washington State gains.

The finish was a rousing one.

Oregon State held a 54-50 margin at the two minutes to go mark, but the Beavers were barely able to make use of the new out-of-bounds rule.

With the count at that point, Gayda fouled out of the game just before Leon Mangis got a free throw and Conley sank a long shot to narrow the count to 54-53. Then with 13 seconds reshown closing in on Conley, but to no avail are Bob Payne (18), Bill Harper (17) and Ray Snyder (35). The Beavers won last night, 54-53, to split the opening series of the Northern Division campaign. WSC won Tuesday night, 42-38. maining, a jump ball was called for and in the excitement another jump was required. One WSC field goal would have tipped the victory. Although Man-gis snared the ball his shot was short and it bounced on the floor just at final gun.

In opening the game, the teams tied at 3-3 and 9-9 before the victory hungry Oregon Staters started scoring and moved into an 11-point lead at 29-18 and again at 30-19. Bill Harper, Dick Ballantyne and Bob Payne shared the honors in that drive before the honors in that drive before the Cougars started cutting away at the margin. Then four field goals and two from the foul line pulled the Cougars up to a 30-29 count before Jack Detour sank a goal and Ray Snyder a free throw for a 32-29 edge. Here Conley and Ted Tappe fired goals and Wash-ington State had a 33-32 edge. But Oregon State's Len Rinearson sank a long long shot for the 34-33 halftime.

Coming back for the recess, Conley tied it on a free throw and the lead switched on almost every shot until it was tied again

The Beavers got control of themselves and with Jim Padgett and Bill Harper scoring they went into a lead at 53-48 and hung on by their teeth until the finish

3 6 Harper,g 7 Balantyn,g 0 Starey,f 3 Snyder,f 2 Crandal,f 1 Detour,g Briswek, 1 1 0 3 Snyder, 1 2 2 5 6
Briswek, 1 1 0 3 Snyder, 1 2 2 5 6
Button, 1 0 5 2 Crandal, 6 2 1 2
Rosser, 0 1 2 1 Detour, 0 1 0 1
Schmick, 0 0 1 0
Totals 19 15 26 53 Totals 17 20 19 54
Halftime score: Washington State
33, Oregon State 34.
Missed free throws: Washington

Missed free throws: Washington State — Gambold, Conley, Howell Brunswick. Oregon State — Payne & Rinearson 4, Ballantyne 4, Detour.

### 'Free Fumble' Rule Adopted

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 4-(/P)-High school football teams throughout the nation will be able to run with a fumbled ball next season, an Oregon educational of-ficial said today. Tom Piggott, secretary-treasurer of the Oregon School Activities association, said the free fumble has been adopted by the National Federation of High School Athletic associations.

The federation, meeting in Los Angeles, changed prep football rules after hearing the results of Oregon's three - year experiment with the free fumble.

#### VALSETZ WINNER

The Valsetz high cagers Tues-day night spanked Shedd 37-30 in a game played at Shedd Center Head swished 16 points for the Valsetz team. Shedd won the Bee game, 28-16. (30) SREDD (2) Robb (12) C. Brown (9) Wren (2) McKinley



