

# Louis Denies Title Yearning

**Bomber Says He Was Misquoted on Plans**

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 7 (AP)—Joe Louis, retired heavyweight boxing king, emphasized tonight that for now, anyway, he has no yearning for a crack at Ezzard Charles' title.

A minor rhuarh blossomed in the Louis camp today when Press Agent Fred Sommers quoted the Bomber as saying he might consider boxing Charles for the title next summer.

Louis is scheduled for an exhibition swing through South America between now and then. Sommers is helping book some of Louis' current exhibitions.

And, incidentally, Sommers also handles publicity for Charles.

"Fred had no reason to say I'm going to make a comeback," Louis declared tonight. "I'm not even considering a bout with Charles." Sommers was listening in when he said it.

Earlier today, Louis was quoted as saying, "I don't have any plans beyond this tour."

# 'Pens' Get 7th Win in 9 Games

PORTLAND, Jan. 7 (AP)—The Portland Penguins defeated Victoria, 4 to 1, tonight for a seventh victory in the last nine games of the Pacific Coast ice hockey league play. The Portlanders are still in the league cellar, however.

Hal Hopper scored at 19:05 of the first period to get tonight's goals underway. Then early in the second period Joe Ciunan added another Portland goal before Victoria's Larry Thibault sank the puck for the lone Canadian counter.

Ten major leaguers have struck out five times during a game.

# Bearcats Again Topple Linfield, Take Series

**Loder Leader In 55-40 Win**

NORTHWEST CONFERENCE STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
Willamette	2	0	1.000	113	30
Pacific	2	0	1.000	112	32
Idaho	1	1	.500	101	98
Lewis & Clark	1	1	.500	101	98
Linfield	0	2	.000	99	113
Whitman	0	2	.000	92	102

Saturday results: At Willamette 55, Linfield 40; at Pacific 53, Whitman 40; at Lewis & Clark 54, College of Idaho 45.

By Al Lightner  
Statesman Sports Editor

Willamette's Bearcats uncocked a scoring punch in the second half that was sadly absent in the first last night in their Northwest conference basketball series finale with Linfield, and were on to roll up a 55 to 40 victory in the WU gym. The Wildcats helmed matters along considerably by cooling in a third period in the bottom half after trading Coach Johnny Lewis' troupe basket for basket in the first, and leading 24-22 at the rest stop. Linfield had lost 58-50 to the Cou in the first game Friday night at McMinnville. So for their first venture into loon play the Methodists have done a bit of alright.

Last night's mix was by no means an artistic sem or thriller-diller in any way. Both outfits appeared tired and only in short spasms did either one seem able to hit a torrid stride. One of the WU surges came immediately after the start of the second half, when Dick Brouwer and Hugh Bellinger hit for seven points to send the Bearcats on their way. From then on it was Willamette hands down as Linfield chilled to a woeiful low and managed only five field goals and six free tosses for the 20-minute period. The first Wildcat two-pointer came on a follow-up shot by Gene Anderson after 9:32 had elapsed in the period. By then Coach Johnny Lewis' gang was in front by nine points.

Linfield got off to an early lead when Husky Harold Lapp hit a pair of field goals in the first. Willamette soon caught up and for the first half the score was tied six times. WU had the lead three times and Linfield seven. Gene Anderson's basket put the Paul Durham-Roy Helser coached visitors ahead at the half by two points.

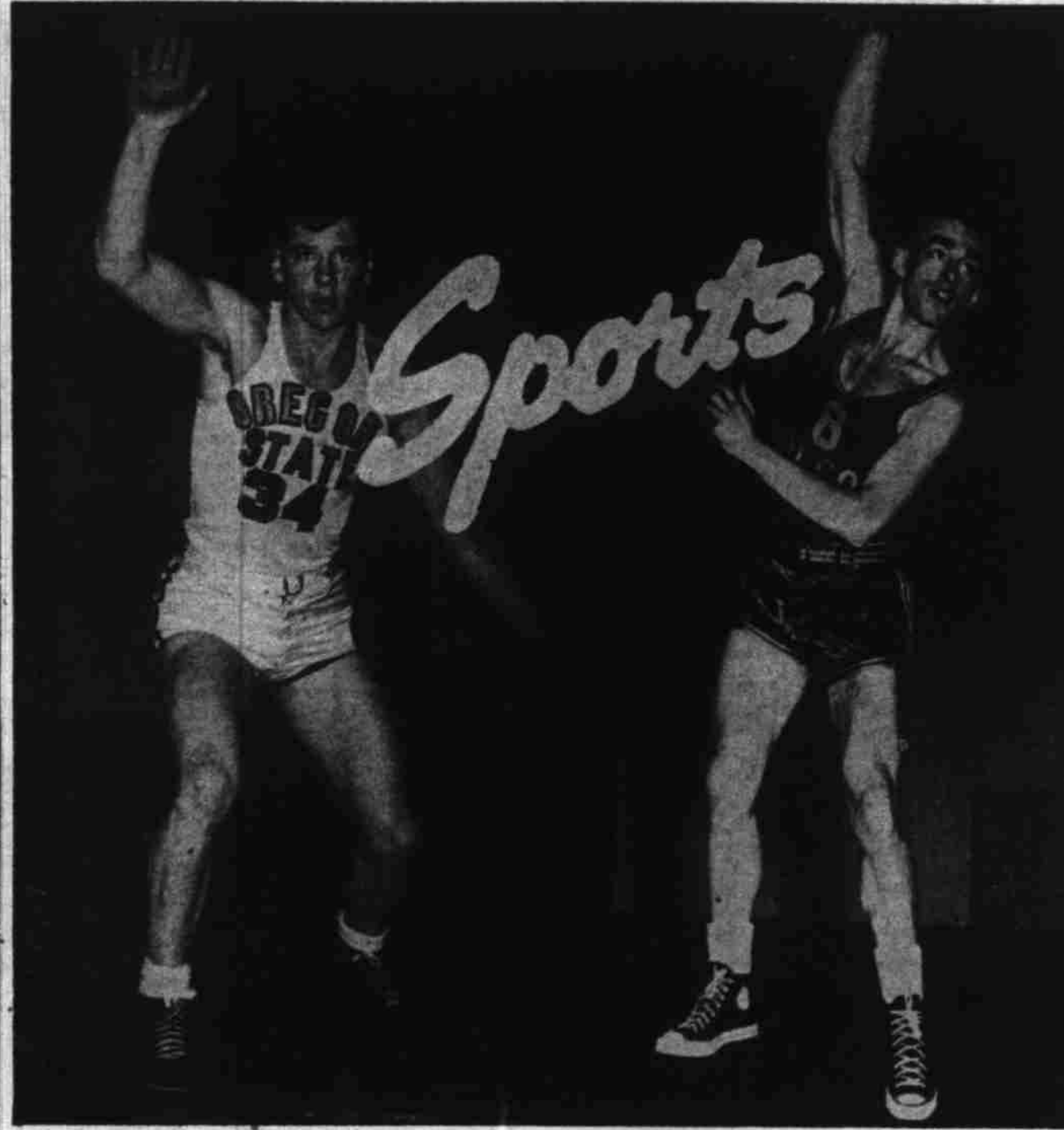
Shooting was very sour by both sides all during the opening half. It got progressively worse for Linfield in the second chapter but Willamette, largely on the strength of some eagle-eyed work by Ted Loder and Lou Scrivens, got much better.

Loder and Scrivens, the former from in close and the latter from out beyond the Linfield defense, began peppering the Wildcat basket with regularity early in the second half. When they were finished Loder had 20 points to go with his 22 of Friday night, and Scrivens had 11 to go with the dozen he pocketed at Linfield. Between the two they provided all the margin necessary for the win. Linfield managed to stay comparatively close until 7:15 remained in the game. Then the locals, personified mostly by Loder, pulled away fast. Both teams took 65 field tries at the baskets. Williams' etic coming out with 21 hits for a .323 mark and Linfield 18 for a poor 246.

It was a bad night for the free tossers also. The Bearcats blew no less than 18 of 'em and Linfield wasn't much better with 13 missed. Big Loder had the worst time of all, missing nine.

In the prelin featuring the freshman teams the Bearcats got even for their loss of Friday night

# Next Battle the 'Big One' for Them



The first of the annual four Oregon-Oregon State basketball battles is next for this pair of stalwarts. The game is booked for the new Gill Coliseum next Friday night. Len (Rhino) Rincerson (left, senior from Oregon City) is the regular Beaver center. Jack Keller, right, is one of John Warren's driving guards. He's a junior from Washington high of Portland.

# WIL Meeting Set Tuesday

The January meeting of the Western International League directors and President Robert Abel starts Tuesday afternoon at Richland, Wash. which along with Pasco and Kennewick form the new "Tri-Cities" franchise in the circuit. All league cities will be represented at the important session, during which election of 1950 officers is to be made along with a discussion on the playing schedule for the coming season.

It is possible that the potential sale of the Salem-Senators to Howard Maple and a group of local businessmen will be discussed at length during the now-vow also. Both Bill Mulholland and George Emigh of the Senators will attend the meeting. Emigh is vice president of the loop.

# American Legion Show at Armory

Amateur Ring Tilts Due on Wednesday

Capital Post No. 9's amateur fistic party, hatched after the punch-packed program produced here by Paeky McFarland a few weeks ago, and possibly a dozen three-round scraps in all weight divisions, first one starting at 8:30 o'clock.

Lined up for the ring action are willing gladiators from Woodburn Boys school, PAL club of Portland, Silverton Boxing club, Salem Boxing club and Portland American Legion Post No. 1. Many of the swingers appeared here on McFarland's fine show, and on the sizzler held recently at the Boys school in Woodburn.

The advance sale of tickets, at reduced prices has been good. Ducats are available from any member of the Capital Post Legion and at the Legion club. They will be on sale at the armory Wednesday night also. There will be no reserved seats as the show is on a first-come-first-served basis.

# Badgers Lick Whitman Again

FOREST GROVE, Ore., Jan. 7 (AP)—A late rally by Pacific university basketball Badgers defeated Whitman, 85 to 48, tonight for a clean sweep of their two game Northwest conference series. The teams were deadlocked at 43-all with five minutes remaining in the game and then Pacific's Ed Rooney dropped in a foul line shot to break it. Dick Morgan and Walt Stankiewicz led the scoring drive that won Pacific was in front 24-21 at the halftime.

Rooney led the Pacific scoring with 13 points. Whitman's top man and game leader was Bud Wall with 14.

Whitman (48) (55) Pacific Anderson (13) (5) Morgan Green (4) (7) Staniszewski Mitchell (7) (1) Rooney Wall (14) (6) Morgan Iglehart (8) (0) McDonald Subs: Whitman—Smith 2, Pacific (1) Slicker 12, Young 21, Pacific 24.

# Huskies Edge Vandals 44-40

SEATTLE, Jan. 7 (AP)—A University of Idaho rally barely missed knotting the count in the late going tonight and the University of Washington's Huskies racked up their second straight Northwest Division Pacific Coast conference victory, 44-40.

The visiting Vandals failed at halftime, 23-21, and took the lead briefly at 25-23 in the second half. After that, they dumped into a field goal drought that lasted eight minutes and Washington rolled to a 10-point advantage at 37-27.

But Idaho, with Skinny Bob Wheeler and Husky Bob Pritchett showing the way, shaved the margin to two points just before the teams entered the final two minutes. With the count at 42-40, Washington went into a stall and converted two more points on Idaho fouls.

Idaho (40) (44) Washington Pritchett 14 (15) Hanson 12 (14) Reed 10 (8) Ward 3 (3) Gehlert 2 (3) Eschschke 1 (4) Jenkins 1 (0) Guiness 3 (4) Theiler 4 (1) Parthum 0 (0) Dolinger 1 (0) Stewart 2 (0) White 1 (0) Jefferson 3 (0) Roy 0 (0) Reed 0 (0) Millard 0 (0) Irons 0 (0)

Totals 16 13 25 40 Totals 16 13 20 44 Halftime score: Washington 23, Idaho 24.

Shots attempted: Washington 56, Idaho 62.

Free throws missed—Reed, Wheeler 2, Pritchett 2, Gesler, Ward 3, Hanson, Enoch 4, Stewart, Guiness 3, Soriano, Jefferson.

Johnny Lujack of the Chicago Bears threw 312 passes in 1949, more than any other player in the organization.

# Raiders Defeat Frisco Staters

ASHLAND, Ore., Jan. 7 (AP)—Southern Oregon College of Education made it two in a row over San Francisco State, winning 67 to 46 tonight as the teams wound up their first two-game Far Western basketball conference series. The Oregonians led all the way and were comfortably in front 35 to 22 at the halftime with Keith Wade setting a scoring pace that gave him 21 points for the second night of individual honors.

# Cougars Top Ducks 54-46

# Rebel Stars Decision Yanks, 22-13

# Tidwell Tilt's Biggest Star

**Auburn Ace Outshines Touted Doak, Justice**

By F. T. MacFady  
JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Jan. 7 (AP)—Travis Tidwell spun a football web of passes that carried his Rebel all-stars to a 23-13 victory over the Yankees in the Senior bowl game today.

Charlie Justice of North Carolina and Doak Walker of Southern Methodist lived up to their press notices, but Tidwell was even better.

The little Auburn quarterback who was named most valuable in the Southeastern conference got the same honor in this class field of all-America and all-conference players from every section of the nation.

Tidwell tossed 19 times to connect on 13 for an amazing gain of 248 yards. End Art Weiner of North Carolina teamed with Tidwell to make a great combination. He fielded eight of those throws for 139 yards.

The losing Yankees also had a great passing team in Paul Campbell, Texas quarterback, and Jim Owens, Oklahoma end. Campbell threw 27 times hit on 18 for 147 yards.

Only 20,000 fans turned out to see the all-stars star. But they got a real show out of the 50 players. Besides the aerial fireworks was a demonstration of tough defensive line play by both walls.

Tackle Wade Walker of Oklahoma and Center Clayton Tommemaker of Minnesota, both all-America, led a Yankee line that held the Rebels to 46 yards by rushing. The Yanks could run for only 63 against a Rebel line that was tough from end to end.

The pass defense looked mighty weak in comparison. But it wasn't that nearly so much as the accuracy with which Tidwell, Campbell and Eddie LeBaron of College of the Pacific could drop that ball in the right spot.

Key kick returns by Justice and Doak Walker added to the thrills. Walker started the Yanks off to their first score with a runback for 57 yards.

Justice opened the way to two Rebel touchdowns. He went 26 to begin the first drive and 29 to start the last.

Tidwell threw to Herb Rich, Vanderbilt back, for a 55-yard play that scored the first Rebel six pointer. On fourth down he set out in the arms of John O'Quinn, Wake Forest end, for 13 yards and the second. Another Tidwell to Rich took covered most of 33 yards in the final touchdown march. Eddie Fine, Tulane fullback, scored it with a one foot smacker.

Before the Rebels got started, the Yankees had their scoring fling. Taking it from Walker's 57-yard runback, they moved 32 yards in hurry. Lynn Chandinos, Michigan State, ranned over from the four. Darrell Royal of Oklahoma started the Yankees off to a 76-yard scoring march with a pass interception. LeBaron threw to Owens on a 46-yard scoring pass.

# Pioneers Even Coyote Series

PORTLAND, Jan. 7 (AP)—Lewis and Clark college evened their Northwest conference basketball series with the College of Idaho Coyotes tonight by winning 54 to 45. The Pioneers led almost all the way in reversing last night's results.

Big Bob Pollard, Rod Downey and Chuck Giegler paced the Pioneers to the win. Pollard had 13 points to lead his team, but it wasn't near enough to rival the 19 points College of Idaho's Lloyd Neville had in winning individual honors.

ADD Pioneers Even—24 Lewis-Clark Keyes (4) (5) Paul Adamson (1) (2) Lee (1) (1) (1) Pollard Larsen (3) (3) (3) Wagner Neville (19) (8) (9) Downey Subs: C. of I. Lomenagan 3, Baker 2, Kennedy 4, Hawks 4, Beven 2, Smith 2, Lewis-Clark—Mills 1, Reid 2, Milese 2, Henry 4, Paulson 3, Lewis-Clark 25, College of Idaho 18.

# Mt. Hood Slat Tournay Opens

GOVERNMENT CAMP, Ore., Jan. 7 (AP)—Dave Haynes of the University of Portland captured Class C men's honors today in the opening of the annual Portland Day trial ski races. Haynes covered the three mile course in 6:49.7 minutes despite stormy weather on the mountain that all but obliterated the markings and forced a three hour postponement of the run.

Donna Gaylord of Lewis and Clark college, Portland, won the women's Class C honors with a time of 8:31.1 minutes. The junior women's run was led by Maryellen Loveland, 15-year-old, who has lived on the Mount Hood slopes. Her time was 9:04.1.

The Class A and B events will be held tomorrow.

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# WSC's Gain Series Split

**Second-Half Spurt Helps Pullman Club**

NORTHERN DIVISION STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
Washington	2	0	1.000	111	83
Oregon	1	1	.500	97	82
Oregon State	1	1	.500	107	109
Idaho	0	2	.000	83	111

Saturday results: At Oregon 54, Washington 54; at Washington 44, Idaho 40.

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 7 (AP)—The Washington State Cougars staged a late game rally to defeat the University of Oregon, 54 to 46, here tonight and split their Pacific Coast conference two-game series.

A near capacity crowd of 8,000 turned out in hopes the Webfoots would be able to again upset the Northern Division favorites from Pullman, Wash. It looked for a while as if Oregon might turn the trick a second time, but after four minutes of play in the second half the Washington Staters nailed down the lead and steamed ahead.

The break came after goals by Oregon's Dale Warberg and Paul Sowers tied the count at 30-30 soon after the second half opened. This broke the Cougars' hold on the game at the halftime, 27-24, but it didn't last long.

WSC's Bob Gambold tossed in the goal that broke the tie. Then with Washington State's sophomore ace Gene Conley leading the way, the Cougars rolled to a 40-34 margin after 8 minutes. A free throw by Lloyd Schrick gave the Staters their longest lead of the game, 50-40.

From there in WSC played it safe and was holding a 53 - 45 scoring advantage when the two minutes to go rule went into effect.

Conley led the Cougar pace with six field goals and a total 17 points for game honors. Oregon's Paul Sowers scored 16 points and Dale Warberg had 13.

In the first half the teams were tied 16-all after ten minutes. After a foul line shot by Sowers, goals by Conley and Gambold put the Cougars in front 20-17.

The Staters stretched this to 26-22 and just before the halftime, Sowers sank a goal and Conley added a free throw counter for the 27-24 recess tally.

# Two-Ton Gets Another 'E' for Effort

Retard Tex Salkeld has perhaps been one of the most accused gents in town ever since he took up the difficult chore of matchmaker for the fisticuffs here. Whether guilty or not — and most of the time he's not — Tex has been blamed for every poor fight making its way into the armory. Thankfully there hasn't been many of such animals lately.

But no one can ever blame old 'Two-Ton' for not trying to install the very best possible shows every now and then in Portland. He's had some pretty big ones in the past and is shooting for even bigger ones in the near future. Dating Woodburn Joe Kahut with Pat Valeno for what will amount to the Coast heavyweight title is a snappy move by Salkeld, and if he can get the Kahut-Ez Charles 15-rounder signed up for next summer, which looks good right now, he'll have hit the jackpot. Obtaining a world heavyweight boxing match for Portland isn't small potatoes.

There have been those who have often chipped the likes of "What the fisticuffs needs in Salem is a new matchmaker—get rid of Salkeld." To which we disagree. Salkeld knows the game inside out, has control of most of those who manage the fighters in this area and has, for the past few years tried, often quite expensively, to install crowd-pleasing cards both in Salem and Portland. We feel that the local VFV chapter would be making a sad mistake if it didn't stick with Tex as its production manager.

# Promoter Pilcher Now Back in Action

Which brings us to Wednesday night's amateur card at the armory, being sponsored by Capital Post No. 9, American Legion. Big wheel in the promotional end of that show is none other than Ira Pilcher, the wartime wizard whose efforts helped make many a money-making venture a success and who for the past couple of years has been more or less dormant while riding herd on the Post's huge new home on So. Commercial street. Pilch always was one who aspired to be a matchmaker or promoter for fights and wrestling matches, and has for months been threatening to install some amateur cards at the armory. He wasted little time setting sail after sitting in on the last Simon Pure show here and the one later at Woodburn Boys' school, both of 'em great from the standpoint of pleasing the onlookers.

Pilcher has secured the services of enough of the talented amateurs to insure another smash-banger Wednesday, and has launched a ticket-selling campaign through his own post that should pack the joint. It's good to see the promotional fireball back in action again, and 'tis too bad the city hasn't another 30 or 40 with his ambitions—when he gets 'em oiled for action ...

# Spec Says He Can and Will Achieve 10,000

He hasn't had to prove it yet, and most folks who have been in his new palace will give odds that Spec Keene cannot seal over 10,000 for basketball in the Gill Coliseum. But the canny Spec rows his can, and some day will. Here's how: By merely squeezing all patrons in the bleacher seats (mostly students) into 16-inch spaces. Assistant Loris Baker and Spec, armed with a couple of math students, figured out the seating plan right down to the last pew. When all theater-type seats are filled and all others of bleacher type have an occupant for every 16 inches, the 10,000 will be achieved.

Of course Spec didn't say anything about how many of those customers with the well-known middle-age spread he could accommodate in 16-inch spaces. But it is apparent, after having a look at the bleachers best be wearing girdles if just about all those in the bleachers best be wearing girdles if they're to keep off each other's laps ...

# Alex Jones Says Boy Oh Boy Has Arrow Turned Artist

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