

Fielding Gems Established By 2 Players

Robinson, Marshall Enter Record Books

NEW YORK, Dec. 20—(P)—Jackie Robinson of Brooklyn and Willard Marshall of Boston fielded their way into the record books with brilliant 1951 performances at second base and in the outfield, according to official figures released today.

Robinson shattered a National league fielding mark for second basemen when he posted a spectacular .992 percentage while playing 150 games. The 32-year-old defensive flash committed a record low of only seven errors while accepting 832 chances. The old standard of .987 was set by Al (Red) Schoendienst of St. Louis. Oddly enough, the Cardinal second baseman last season also bettered that figure with a .990 mark.

Marshall had a perfect season in right field, accepting 231 chances without an error. This tied the major league record held by Danny Litwhiler of the 1942 Phillies who went 151 games without an error. Marshall played 136 games last season.

Robinson and First Baseman Gil Hodges of the Dodgers also broke their own league double play records. Robby took part in 137 twin killings, besting his own mark by four. Hodges participated in 171 double plays, a dozen more than he took part in 1950.

Hodges yielded first base fielding honors, however, to Cincinnati's Ted Kluszewski, who posted a .997 mark for 154 games. Billy Johnson of the Cards topped the third basemen with .976 and Redleg Virgil Stallcup won shortstop honors with .969.

Wes Westrum, for the second straight year, led the catchers with .987 and his New York Giants battery mate, Sal Maglie, handled the most chances by a pitcher without an error, 76.

Hodges, by playing in 158 games (including three playoff tilts) equalled a record held by three other first basemen.

Richie Ashburn, fleet-footed flycatcher of the Phillies, was the busiest outfielder in the league. He accepted 560 chances, including 538 putouts, 15 assists and seven errors. The record of 566 chances is held by Taylor Douthett, the old Cardinals centerfielder. Douthett made a major league record number of 547 putouts, had 10 assists and nine errors in 1928.

The best arm in the league last season belonged to Brooklyn's Carl Furillo, who threw out 24 ambitious base-runners.

Hoss Wagering Shows Upswing

NEW YORK, Dec. 20—(P)—Horse racing fans showed \$1,629,239,777 through the pari-mutuel windows last season, and reports from Florida and Louisiana indicate the nation's tracks can look for another big year in 1952.

In some states racing officials indicated the government drive against bookmakers had resulted in more customers visiting the tracks. Figures compiled by the Associated Press showed wagering jumped 17.01 per cent during 1951 as compared with the previous year.

The 24 states where pari-mutuel betting on the horses is legal profited to the tune of \$99,927,423—a revenue record. This was 17.63 per cent above the 1950 revenue total of \$84,909,382.

Wagering increased in every one of the 24 states last season and the nationwide attendance jumped 6.01 per cent over 1950.

Topped by New York's attendance of 4,386,315, the nation's tracks had 24,302,000 customers during the season compared with 22,924,517 in 1950. In 1950, the wagering total was \$1,392,032,740.

Table of Coastal Tides

Tides for Taft, Oregon, December, 1951 (compiled by U. Coast and Geodetic Survey, Portland, Ore.)

Pacific Standard Time			
HIGH WATERS		LOW WATERS	
Dec.	Time	Ht.	Time
21	6:17 a.m.	6.1	12:48 p.m.
	6:34 p.m.	4.6	11:34 p.m.
22	6:54 a.m.	6.5	1:54 p.m.
	7:23 p.m.	4.3	12:44 a.m.
23	7:31 a.m.	6.8	2:32 p.m.
	8:30 p.m.	4.3	3:28 a.m.
24	8:15 a.m.	7.2	3:54 p.m.
	10:08 p.m.	4.5	3:44 p.m.
25	8:56 a.m.	7.8	2:38 a.m.
	11:32 p.m.	4.3	3:28 a.m.
26	9:47 a.m.	7.9	3:26 a.m.
	12:06 a.m.	5.9	5:20 p.m.
27	10:35 a.m.	8.2	6:07 p.m.
	12:36 a.m.	5.3	8:17 a.m.
28	11:21 a.m.	8.4	6:54 p.m.
	1:43 a.m.	5.5	6:13 a.m.
29	12:15 p.m.	8.3	7:41 p.m.

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



Webfoots Face Wyoming; 'B' Teams in 4th Round

Series Slated On Duck Floor

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Dec. 20—(Special)—The tall, rugged and nationally rated University of Wyoming Cowboys invade McArthur court Friday and Saturday nights for a basketball series with the University of Oregon Webfoots. The games are to start at eight o'clock each night, following preliminary games featuring the Oregon Jayvees.

Coach Everett Shelton's Cowboys are a two-platoon outfit, one using the fast-break style of play and the other the slow, ball-control style.

Height is sufficient on either unit, what with such giants as 6-8½ Joe Orschanski, 6-8 Bob Clements, 6-7 John Hughes, 6-7 Ron Rivers, 6-5 Dan Ebeling, 6-4 Dick Haag and 6-3 Nick Silopolous to choose from. Morris Samuelson at 6-2 and Moe Radovich at 6-0 are other Cowboy sharpshooters.

Wyoming is pegged to cop the Skyline conference title with ease this season.

Probable starters for Coach Bill Borchers' Webfoots in the opening game Friday will be Chet Noe at center, Bob Peterson and either Keith Farnam or Mel Streeter at forwards and Ken Hunt and Ron Bottler at guards.

Series to Yield League Favorite

DENVER, Dec. 20—(P)—The first straw in the wind that may reveal the relative merits of Utah and Wyoming, the preseason favorites in the Skyline conference, will blow out of Oregon this week-end.

Wyoming's Cowboys, beaten only by Indiana, 55-57, play tomorrow and Saturday nights against the University of Oregon at Eugene. Utah's Redskins nipped Oregon 63-58 and 64-62 in a twin bill at Eugene two weeks ago.

Wonder if the Duck

WAS Inside th' Fish? CALDWELL, Idaho, Dec. 20—(P)—Gene Odle says this happened the last day of duck hunting season.

Odle shot a teal duck while hunting along the Boise river near here. He sent his dog, a spaniel, into the water to retrieve the duck. Back came the animal in record time.

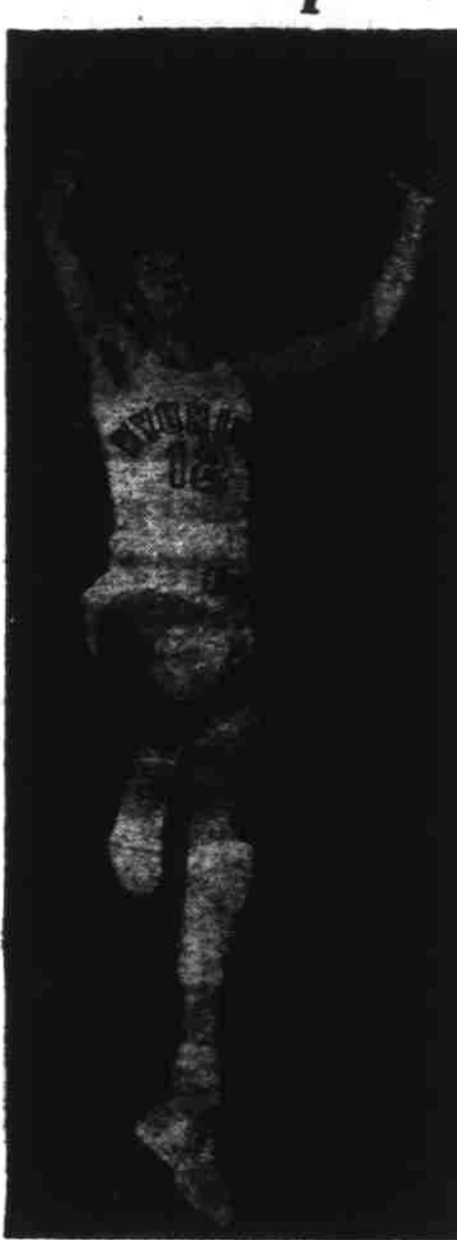
But at Odle's feet the dog laid, not a duck, but a flopping 27-inch long fish.

Gorky, Parks In Mat Battle

Soldat (Big Russian) Gorky and Herb (Perpetual Motion) Parks are the next main eventers on the armory mat, Promoter Elton Owen announced Thursday. They'll make their first fight on the mat on Tuesday night, M. Owen's annual "Christmas Production" inasmuch as Tuesday falls on Christmas night.

Gorky came storming back into the Northwest this week after an

Tall Cowpoke



absence and spilled younger Bill Parks with his Siberian wolf here Tuesday night. Herbie immediately wanted a scuffle with the burley Soldat, and Owen wasted little time getting it signed.

"Should be a whale of a brawl if I know my wrestling," Owen admits.

The balance of the card is to be added later. Owen plans making it as solid as possible, coinciding with the Christmas theme.



MAKING PORT IN GOTHAM—Italian codets were from the rigging of their trading ship, the 10,000-mile cruise, as they arrive in New York on log of a 10,000-mile cruise.

Race Picking Up Momentum

Marion County B league basketball teams romp into fourth round action tonight with three games on the menu, Chemawa at Mill City, Gates at St. Paul and Jefferson at Detroit. The Gervais-Sublimity clash, a battle for undisputed first place in the standings, was to have been played last night at Gervais.

Tonight's fare, as the league derby picks up steam, finds the stronger quintets opposing the weaker entries. Mill City has two wins and one loss while the Chemawas have yet to win. Gates is even with the board in two games and is heavily favored over winless St. Paul. And although Jefferson has been able to win but once in three tries, the Lions rate as favorites over victory hungry Detroit in their clash. Detroit has lost three in a row.

The Oregon School for the Deaf quit draws the bye tonight.

Following tonight's round the league will go idle until January 4.

Inasmuch as there has been some unannounced changes in the playing schedule the past week, and some games were not reported, individual scoring and the standings will be held up until all returns are properly submitted.

Look and Learn

By A. C. Gordon

1. What is meant by "bibliomania"?
2. On what continent are found the largest tropical trees?
3. What economic law governs all buying and selling in business?
4. In Great Britain, what is the head official in charge of naval affairs called?
5. What is a synod?

ANSWERS

1. The act or art of foretelling the future by means of books, especially the Bible. It is usually done by opening the book and choosing a passage at random. The passage is regarded as an augury.
2. South America.
3. The law of supply and demand.
4. The First Lord of the Admiralty.
5. An ecclesiastical council.

State Highway Commission Has Greater Dollar-Volume Of Work Than Ever Before

The Oregon state highway commission's activities in 1951 will represent a greater dollar volume than any preceding year, the commission reported this week.

Income of the commission for the calendar year 1951 was approximately \$38 million; its disbursements, exclusive of bond fund income totalled \$40 million in round figures.

Gross revenues from road user-sources (gasoline taxes etc.) are expected to total \$44,200,000, or \$1,700,000 in excess of the year 1950. Of this sum \$8,500,000 will have been paid to counties for county roads; \$4,350,000 to cities for city streets; \$1,050,000 to the State Police department, thus leaving approximately \$30,300,000 to the Highway commission for its share. Added to this latter figure the Highway commission will receive during 1951 \$7 million from the Federal Government for use in highway construction work plus \$1,600,000 from other sources bringing the final total income approximately to \$38,900,000.

During 1951 highway maintenance has cost approximately \$11,100,000, due in large part to the great increase in heavier and faster commercial hauling. Highway construction, exclusive of rights of way costs, has cost \$19,900,000. Rights of way purchases have taken \$3,400,000; capital outlays \$1,900,000 and 1951 will finance (including park operation, travel information, debt service and bridge and ferry operation) \$4 million; grand total \$40 million.

Approximately 70 per cent of the construction program for the year was federally aided, which means 60 per cent of the cost exclusive of rights of way is furnished by the federal bureau of roads and 40 per cent by the highway commission. This federal aid amounted to \$7,450,000. Both federal and state funds will finance an annual construction program of approximately \$12,900,000. The record shows that 96 per cent of the 1950-51 program (\$18,900,000) and 47 per cent of the 1952-53 program (\$25,800,000) either is completed or under contract as of December 31, 1951 with Oregon standing in first place among all the states in the Union in percentage of available federal aid completed or under contract.

Bridge Major Project In supplement of current highway revenues, acting under the bonding act of 1951 legislature, the commission has awarded construction contracts totalling \$11,600,000 of which \$1,200,000 presently has been expended for work done; this out of the initial annual bond allotment of \$15,000,000.

To relieve the congestion at the Willamette river crossing at Salem, the Highway commission has undertaken the construction of a bridge on Marion street to serve westbound traffic. On completion of this bridge, the existing bridge on Center street, one block to the south, will be reconstructed to eliminate an existing railway grade crossing and will then be used to serve the eastbound traffic. Work on the Marion street bridge was commenced in June, 1950. Construction of concrete piers for the main spans is completed. A contract for the steel spans was awarded during September, 1950, but because of the shortage of structural steel, construction has not yet commenced. The third contract to be let on this project was the concrete approaches which is now well underway but cannot be completed until structural steel is obtained and the main river span completed. The completed structure will have a length of 2,580 feet and its cost will total approximately \$1,500,000. It is expected that steel deliveries will permit completion of the project by the fall of 1952.

Sanliam Has Big Job Other projects involving costs in excess of \$200,000 completed or constructed in major part during 1951, included Stout Creek-Mill city, grade, North Santiam highway in Marion county, \$331,000.

Other projects involving expenditures in excess of \$200,000, partially constructed in 1951 and scheduled for completion in 1952, include Little North Santiam River bridge, North Santiam highway in Marion county, \$217,000.

Forest Highway projects involving costs in excess of \$200,000, completed or constructed in major part in 1951, under the supervision of the Bureau of Public Roads, include Breitenbush river-Dry creek clearing, grade and surface, North Santiam highway in Marion county, \$338,000.

KISS PENALTY

MANILA, P. I. — (INS)—A stolen kiss cost a 30-year-old man 10 days in jail recently. And because he resisted arrest after an angry woman reported the act to a policeman, the court also slapped him with a 30-day prison term.



DIAMOND-DECKED — Pat Burrage wears a king's ransom in diamonds at the opening of the Jewelers' Show in New York City. Gems total up to \$17 carats and \$2,225,000.

Loan Company Reports 49% Savings Gain

Total savings at First Federal Savings and Loan association gained 49 per cent in the past year, it was reported Thursday in figures prepared for the local financial institution's annual statement.

Fred B. Keeler, secretary and vice president of the association, said savings now stand at \$3,085,956, compared with \$2,059,630 a year ago. The figure is an all-time high for the association, as is the figure for total assets, \$3,385,412.

The statement also showed a net gain in home loans of more than \$900,000.

In reviewing the year's activities, Keeler pointed out that increased personal savings are one of the principal ways to fight inflation, and that the net gain of over a million dollars last year in savings invested in the association represented that sum withdrawn from immediate spending, thus helping in the fight against inflation.

Cooperation of the association with the voluntary credit restraint program of the federal reserve system was cited in the institution's report as was the care which the association exercises with regard to down payments. "Real estate prices and building costs are at dollars-and-cents levels which have not been seen before in our memory," he said. "Sound real estate lending in such an era depends on good personal risks for borrowers as well as on the property."

Keeler said that the families who want to build the more expensive houses may face some delay or even postponement of coming year, because of stringencies in critical materials, but that 1952 should see a substantial amount of modest home building all over the country.

Paulson to Edit Annual at OTI

KLAMATH FALLS, Dec. 20—(P)—William Paulson, Salem, has been named editor of the school annual at Oregon Technical Institute for the second half of this school year.

Lyle Read, Corvallis, was elected president; Robert Hewbill, Redmond, vice president; Opal Batty, Bly, secretary; Leroy Pettitt, Walnut, treasurer; and Patsy Ruth Miller, Klamath Falls, newspaper editor.

In the fall when green chlorophyll ceases to be dominant in trees, red, orange, and yellow pigments have their chance to show

Two Women Hurt In Auto Collision

Minor injuries were sustained by two people in an automobile accident at Portland road and Pine street Thursday morning. They were Mrs. Lyman A. Shepherd of Corvallis, and Mrs. Kate Ingie, both passengers in a car driven by Mrs. Shepherd's husband. There were two others in the car. Wallace H. Rahder, 1155 S. 14th st., driver of the second automobile was charged

by city police with following too close and causing an accident.

PRICES GOOD THROUGH SATURDAY

27.50 Remington "60" SHAVERS New Only \$19.88 TOILETRY	\$3.50 Value Imported Briar PIPES Many Styles To Choose From \$1.49 TOILETRY
1.00 Box Christmas Cards 29c	10c Lead Foil Icicles 3 for 25c
1.19 Christmas Tree Light Set 88c	59c Light Set Series 49c
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\$7.25 Ronson Standard LIGHTER Large Fuel Capacity \$5.33 TOILETRY	\$10.00 Ronson "Adonis" LIGHTER Very thin Style \$7.33 TOILETRY
17c Cigarettes Christmas White Ctn. 200 \$1.59	Phillie Cigars Box 25 \$2.25
Roitan Cigars Box 25 TOILETRY \$2.25	\$4.00 Value 5-Lb. Box CHOCOLATES All Fresh \$2.69 CANDY
42.00 Hamilton Beach Mixer With Juicer \$28.88	42.00 Dormeyer Mixer With Grinder \$34.88
34.50 Automatic Nesco Roaster \$25.95	19.50 Steam-O-Matic Iron \$14.95
22.95 Westinghouse Toaster \$17.88	12.95 General Electric Iron \$10.95
8.95 Sun Valley Heater \$6.88	LOWER LEVEL
Reg. \$46.50 SUNBEAM MIXMASTER With Juicer \$38.88 LOWER LEVEL	Reg. \$21.95 Betty Crocker TOASTER \$16.88 LOWER LEVEL
Table Tennis Set \$3.49	6.45 Turna Rocker Truck \$5.95
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Gain after 'em...

By Ray Stone

Until Don Harger is able to resume his regular weekly column (and we hope this will be very soon), we will attempt to keep sportsmen posted as to fishing and hunting conditions throughout the state.

Duck hunting in general throughout the valley in Polk, Benton and Marion counties has been good, according to information given by the state police. The sloughs and ponds along the Willamette river have produced well for those willing to brave the cold and wet.

Many geese have been seen on the hillsides and fields in the Perrydale and Rickreall areas, but the hunters report only fair shooting. Best reports have come from Benton county, south of the Corvallis airport, with many nice bags taken. If the weather forecast is for rain or cloudy conditions this weekend the hunting should remain good.

Steelhead fishing on the Coast is only fair at present. The rivers are murky and high but a few are being taken by "still fishing" in the quiet, sandy holes. There are a lot of fish in and it should be extremely good soon as the rivers clear. The steelhead fishing was reported very good during the clear weather recently, according to state police.