

AAU Rejects Ex-Pro Stars

Proposal to Reinstate Retired Pros Decried

By JACK HEWINS
SPOKANE, Wash. (U)—The Amateur Athletic Union hauled off and slapped down Sunday by a thumping 248 to 94 1-3 vote, a proposal that faded old pros be welcomed back in the amateur sunlight.

Winding up its 64th annual convention, the AAU also re-elected Douglas F. Roby of Detroit as president.

Hottest issue to hit the convention floor, the professional measure, was labeled by some speakers as "a threat to the cornerstone of our organization" and several said the AAU "might as well fold up" if the gates were thrown open to reinstatement of former professionals.

Proposed by two associations, the plan as it finally reached the floor stated that professional athletes should be permitted to apply for reinstatement three years after their retirement from the play-for-pay ranks.

It stipulated that a reinstated pro should never be eligible for Olympic or international competition and that he or she could not take part as an amateur in the sport in which money had been received.

Five speakers were allowed each side in the floor fight. Those in favor charged the AAU was stagnating, that many industrial athletic programs were outside the AAU pale because of the ruling and that the proponents wished only to "reclaim men for the athletic community" and not to crush the ideals of the AAU.

Avery Brundage, former president of the union and current chief of the International Olympic Committee, was not present but left a message for the convention on the issue.

If the measure was passed, he warned, "all the good we have gained over many years will be lost." He said that once the AAU relaxed its rules it would open the way for a great flood of policy-weakening measures in the future.

Daniel J. Ferris, who has been with the AAU more than 40 years, was re-elected secretary-treasurer for a four-year term.

Lions Use Air For Victory

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The Lions also took to the air for their triumph over the Bears. End Cloyce Box caught two over-the-shoulder passes from Bobby Layne within a 96-second span early in the first period and the Lions never were headed.

Veteran Bob Waterfield, who says he is playing his last season, was the key man in the Rams' rout of the Packers before 49,822 fans. His 19-yard run sent the league champions into a lead they never relinquished.

He pitched 56 yards to Elroy Hirsch and 25 to Paul Barry for another six pointer, kicked a 42-yard field goal and added six extra points.

The first Ram tally of the day came on the heels of a 65 yard march engineered by Norman van Brocklin. Towler's 9 yard run over right end brought the tally.

The Steelers, who rolled up a 56-7 score on New York last week, kept right on going against the Bears. Jim Finks' passing set up the first and third touchdowns, the last of which the Pittsburgh quarterback scored himself.

Look and Learn

By A. C. Gordon

1. What percentage of the world's population can neither read nor write?
2. Are signatures in lead pencil on legal documents valid?
3. What, next to oxygen, is the lightest known gas?
4. Who was the only U. S. President who "came back" and served another term after being out of office?
5. What animal's fur is considered the most difficult to imitate?

ANSWERS

1. Fifty per cent.
2. Yes.
3. Helium.
4. Grover Cleveland (1845-1908, in 1895).
5. Silver fox.

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



Jefferson High Gym... Bearcats Open Cage Run With Wolves Tuesday

The Willamette University Bearcats, champions of co-champs of the Northwest Conference the last four seasons but practically a brand new team this time, open their 1952-53 basketball campaign Tuesday night with the OCE Wolves of Monmouth in the new Jefferson High School Gym.

The Willamette-OCE clash will be the second half of a basketball double bill that night, for the resident Jeffersoh Lions are to play a Marion County B League clash with the Chemawa Braves, starting at seven o'clock. The WU-OCE mix will get under way at approximately 8:30.

While Dr. Bob Livingston's Wolfpack will have had three games beneath their belts by Tuesday game time, it will be the first sailing for Johnny Lewis' rebuilt Bearcats.

Most of the stars of last season's WU championship team have departed via graduation, which has forced Lewis to rebuild. Daryl Girod and Dick Mase, who played much of the time a season ago, are back again. But while Girod might see much action Tuesday, it is possible that Mase will miss the entire clash. He is recovering from a badly sprained ankle.

Lettermen Dick Hoy, Bob Shepard, Bob Smith and Ted Johnson are on hand for the Bearcats also, and all likely will get into the action Tuesday.

Bonus Clause Helps Minors

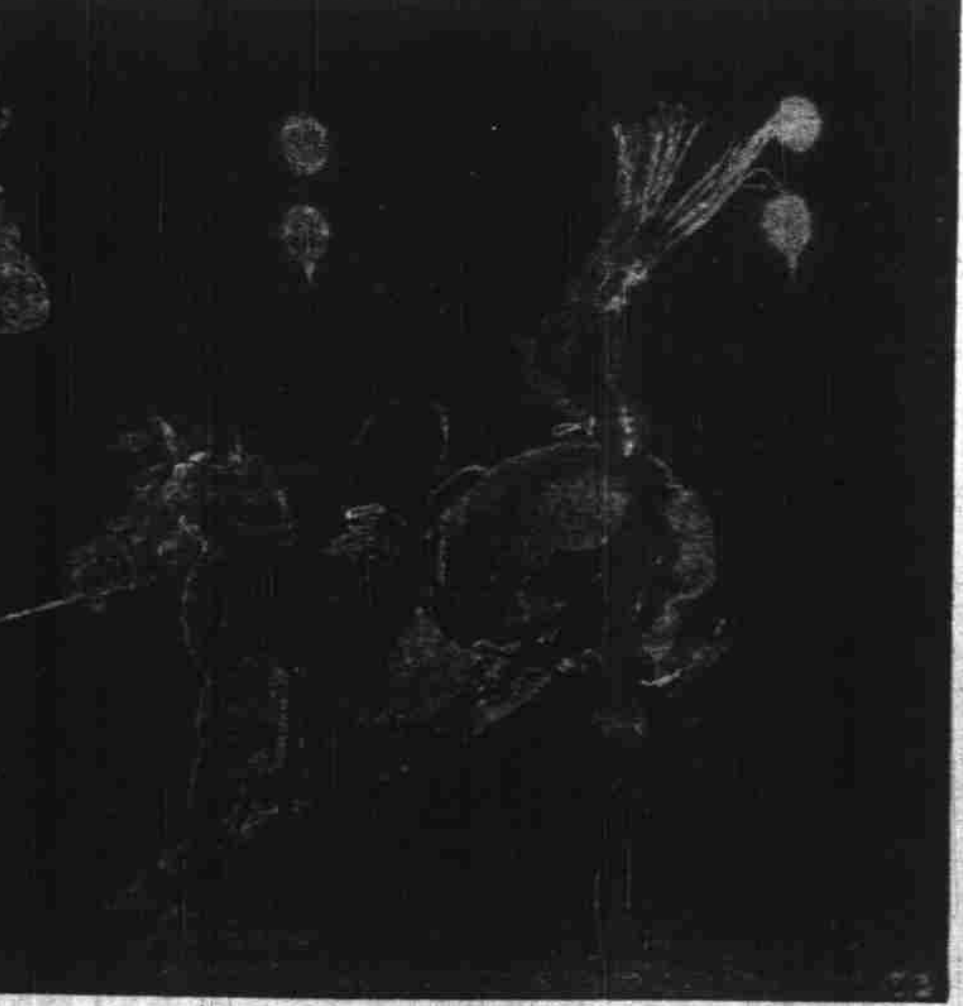
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Under the new bonus rule, effective immediately, any free agent signing his first pro contract who will receive more than \$4,000 in the majors and higher minors or \$3,000 in the lower minors becomes a "bonus player."

There is an exception to provide for the \$5,000 minimum salary effective in the majors. However, such a \$5,000 salaried man could not be sent down for two years because he would automatically become a "bonus player" down below.

A minor league "bonus player" can not be moved up or down until he has gone through an unrestricted draft period (one year). Both the American and National also backed up similar unanimous action by the minors in continuing the present high school rule by which scouts are allowed to talk to—but not sign—boys until their high school class graduates.

49ER END HURT
SAN FRANCISCO (U)—Gordon Soltan, star end for the San Francisco 49ers, suffered a fractured bone above the right ankle in the National Football League game here Sunday with the Pittsburgh Steelers.

With Greatest of Ease



AUCKLAND, N. Z.—An aspiring rider sails through the air after a short and stormy session with a bucking bronco during a rodeo held here recently. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

Oregon, SC PCC Hopefuls

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Coach Forrest Twogood at USC says, "We won't hurt anyone, at least early in the season. We lost all but two regulars and this is a building year."

The regulars are Capt. Ken Flower and Ed Simpson. Sophomore Hack Findley (6-4) has been a consistent scorer in practice at forward, and Roy Irving, one of several fine looking prospects from the junior college ranks, has shown well at center. Al Luedke (6-4) may nab a starting forward spot.

Stanford is thin on experience and short on reserves. Ron Tom-sic (5-10) and Oleg Suzdaleff (5-10) are the only regulars back. Dave Epperson (6-5), center, Fritz Fenster (6-0), and Don Carlson (6-4), probably will round out the first team. Carlson, a sophomore, is expected to be Coach Bob Burnett's chief threat. He was an all-round high school star in San Francisco.

Chuck Finley, starting his sixth year at Idaho, has 10 lettermen, including the team's four top scorers.

Hartley Kruger (6-7), Dwight Morrison (6-3), Bruce McIntosh (6-3), and Harland Melton (6-2), are the four. Kruger led with 377 points. Melton was fourth with 176. Two other lettermen who scored more than 100 points apiece, Tom Flynn and Bill Mather, also are back.

Oregon State has 10 lettermen, headed by hookshot expert Tony Vlastelica, who has starred at Aberdeen, Wash., high and later with a U.S. Marine team. Jim Sugrue, scholastically ineligible last year, is back with Danny and Johnny Johnston and Bill Toole.

Oregon lost four good players—Ron Bottler, who went into pro baseball; Bob Peterson, who neglected to take his final exams, and Mel Streeter and Ken Hunt, via graduation. Chet Noe and Kenny Wegner are on hand to form a nucleus with Keith Farnam, Wayne Johnson and Barney Holland. The latter two will report late because of football.

Coach Jack Friel, who is starting his 25th year at Washington State, isn't overly confident. He has only five lettermen.

They are Pete Mullins, who comes from faraway Sydney, Australia; Dave Roberts, Bob Swanson, Cliff Myron and Norm Ingram. The other positions are still open, with eight sophomores, six transfers and four holdovers striving for regular roles.

Big 10 Seeks Regional TV

CHICAGO (U)—The powerful Big Ten Saturday took its first stand on live television of football games by voting for regional control as opposed to the NCAA's controversial nationally restricted program.

The conference, however, made it clear that the regional plan merely was a preference and that it has no desire for an all-out fight with the National Collegiate Athletic Association over TV policy.

K. L. (Tug) Wilson, Big Ten commissioner, will introduce the regional plan to the NCAA TV committee which meets Jan. 5-6 in Washington, D. C., prior to the organization's national convention. There was little hope that regional television will supplant the national program.

"It's merely our preference," said Wilson, "and we will introduce it as such to the NCAA committee. The committee probably won't even take it to the convention."



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