

SPORTS LIGHTNER

by Al Lightner

This, that, etc.

Another footballing lad with the "local" touch headed for the Shrine benefit game at Portland next August is Dwayne Fournier, who'll be remembered best around here for his outstanding basketball play for the Valseltz High teams in recent seasons. Fournier transferred to McMinnville High last term and was selected for the Shrine team from that school. Incidentally, he played three years of six-man football at Valseltz and becomes the first prep to be picked for the Shrine game with only one season of 11-man touch-downing behind him.

Front-page story in the Spokane Chronicle of last Saturday told of the death from heart attack of Guy L. Rathbun, agent for the Spokane Men's Employment Bureau. Also mentioned that Rathbun had been a former athletic coach prior to moving to Spokane some 20 years ago. Oldtimers around here will remember that Rathbun spent three years at Willamette University coaching football in 1923-24-25, just before the Spec Keene era began. Rathbun's teams weren't of championship caliber, having won only five while losing 17 and tying two during his three seasons. In fact, Rathbun's 1925 team went down to the worst defeat in WU history, a 108 to 0 lacing by the U of Washington Huskies. In later years he was the Northwest best booking agent for the Harlem Globetrotters basketball and baseball visits to this area. Our apology to the students and faculty of Gates High School, who seem to be disturbed over the frequent miscasting of their basketball team's nickname. Members of the staff have been calling the Gates kids everything from Cougars to Loggers when actually they are the Pirates. Only excuse we can offer is that what with no less than 48 high schools phoning in basketball results to us on a twice-a-week basis, we sometimes make frightful blunders in our haste to get 'em all in before the deadline axe falls.

KEITH FARNAM
Now Webfoot scout.

Farnam Now Scouting for Oregon Quint

New job for Keith Farnam, the former Salem High and U of Oregon touch-downer, who's marking time until he goes into the Army in June. Keith is now the Webfoot's No. 1 scout, a la Paul Valenti at Oregon State and Bill Morris at Washington, and was in attendance with notebook both nights of the OSC-Idaho series at Moscow.

Slate Gill's completely revamped offense of Saturday night had even Farnam baffled, however, and the "triple post" maneuver was a rather startling thing to behold. He had Halbrook, Whitener and Dean all tightly packed along the free-throw lanes under the basket, with guards Fundingsland and Jarboe, relieved by Toole, doing the outside ball-handling. It was as wacky as anything we've seen in the way of an offense this season. But it worked. Coupled with the zone defense set up to stop the off-spectacular Idaho offensive thrusts, the change turned what had been a comparatively easy Vandal win of Friday night to an equally easy Beaver victory Saturday.

Whether Gill will use the same tactics against Oregon in their biggies this week no one can say. The OSC boss in the last few years has been baffling everyone with his various concoctions, and we don't believe he's started the same five lads in any two consecutive games more than once or twice in the last half-dozen seasons.

While physically and mentally as tight as new shoes in Friday night's game, Oregon State Saturday was completely the opposite. And perhaps it could be blamed on the lollapalooza of a snow-ball fight the OSC'ers had with a group of some 30 or 40 youth center lads and lasses along the block on front of the Moscow Hotel.

Basketball Wasn't the Only Battle for OSC

After the Friday night game the States were a glum lot as they stood around in front of the hotel, watching the heavy snowfall. The playful teen-agers across the street figured the big Beavers would make dandy targets, and opened up with a barrage of snowballs. The O-Staters accepted the challenge almost to a man, and for the next 40 minutes there was the dandiest snowball fight you could imagine. It was going hot and heavy until a couple of neon signs were knocked out and the city xendarnes arrived.

Hard to say who actually won the battle, but everyone in it was pelted hard and often with the icy missiles, including huge Halbrook, who was naturally the favorite target for the kids. Even Scout Farnam and a few passing motorists joined the outmanned Beavers.

In observing the gleeful clash (out of range, of course, for fear someone would fire a rock instead of a snowball our way), we noted that the best throwing arm on the whole OSC squad belongs to Ted Romanoff, with Halbrook a close second. Romanoff can throw a snowball, with amazing accuracy, a good half-block. Halbrook has plenty on his fast one too.

Big Swede had to quit before the cops came, however. He was windin' up for a cast, and as he reached up to throw he conked his hand against the hotel entrance marquee, which was some nine feet above the sidewalk! The blow to his half-frozen fingers finished him.

Had one Slat Gill happened to walk outside during the battle he would have swooned to be sure. But he didn't, and the players had a wov of a time of it. Could be that the glee was just what the team needed to get loosened up for the Saturday night game.

More Mayhem . . .

Atlas, Tag Team Scrap Due at Armory Tonight

The appearance of "The Great Atlas" and an elimination tag team battle to see which of the tandems gets next week's match with the bearded Gorkys are highlights of Maestro Elton Owen's weekly grappling card at the Armory tonight.

The double main event will follow an 8:30 o'clock opener involving newcomer Pepper Gomez (The Muscle) Duquette and George (The Scientific) Gomez, a scientific, is a former junior college All-American griddler from Los Angeles. He's since become a topnotcher in the mat game.

Johnny (Frog Man) Henning has a new partner for the tag tussle against the Toi-Yamato-Kurt von Popenheim nasties. He's big Ivan Kamaroff, the burly and rough likeable who last week gained influence and friends here by bear-hugging Ivan Gorky into submission. He is expected to make for a capable pal for the dynamic Henning.

Winner of the promising tag scuffle faces the Gorkys next week.

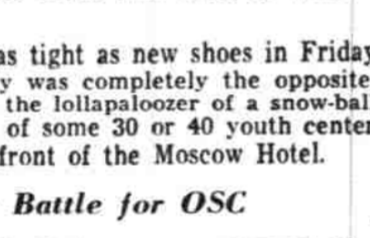
The arrogant and chesty Atlas, who will tell you quickly that he's the world's strongest man as well as best wrestler, hasn't been in Salem for a couple of years. He'll be recalled as the powerful and talkative gent who can rip up a thick telephone book with his bare hands, bend a steel bar, break an inch-thick rope and let anyone beat on an anvil with a sledge hammer while said anvil holds a plank full of spikes against his bare chest.

He's quite a guy, this Atlas, and he's a topnotch grappler. He will perform a strength feat or two before he goes against Dashing Danno McDonald in their portion of the dual main. Being a top boy himself, McDonald can be expected to push Atlas to his limit.

Since last appearing here, Atlas has been a big timer in Chicago, New York and other metropolitan cities, and has been a very popular TV attraction in the east.

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City Basketeers To Resume Play

City League basketball action resumes tonight at Leslie, with three games on the menu, first starting at seven o'clock. Wolgamott Servicemen play Salem Sops in the opener, and then Aumsville Firemen go against Marion Motors. The nightcap has Naval Reserve on night YMCA.

On Wednesday night Aumsville Firemen play St. Paul Mustangs, Wolgamotts tangle with Marion Motors and Salem Sops play Marine Reserve.

DUCK PINS

Ladies League at B and B Bowling Alley; Woodruff's (2), Randle Oil (2); Willamette Valley Bank (3), Master Bread (1). High individual game and series, Edith Richardson, 205 and 419; high team game and series, Willamette Valley Bank, 673 and 1670.

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Capital Lanes (Commercial No. 1) LANA AVENUE SERVICE (C-Y, Barber 446, K. Nelson 484, J. Coerler 584, R. Gunn 542, K. Hayes 517; Absent Team—ORVAL'S USED CARS 4—S. Kitchen 526, W. McClary 384, Blind 453, H. Wilkerson 548, W. Cline Jr. 530, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 9—L. Koutney 512, T. Biegler 448, W. Link 458, C. Prange 477, B. Biegler 516, WOODRUFF'S (2)—W. Woodruff 519, D. Perry 434, D. Woodry 561, C. Foreman 614, R. Adolph 512; WICKLIFF'S S P O R T I N G GOODS 1—D. Hendrie 386, L. Harra 413, B. Lawless 547, B. Hayne 480, Blind 530; NICKS INN 4—B. Wilberg 525, H. Hartman 484, L. Dierks 497, R. Shelton 511, W. Miller 523; RAWLINSON'S LAUNDRY (C-D, Ringland 531, W. Spriggs 501, W. English 421, H. Gustafson 495, R. Metters 463; STARR FOODS 4—H. Nichols 561, G. Lemgren 483, W. Walls 500, B. Duffus 528, J. Nuber 588; NICHOLSON'S INSURANCE (C-Y, Bolton 483, J. Ramsey 442, M. Cady 534, B. Eberle 504, D. Cushman 482; GOLFERS OF SILVERTON 3—G. Herold 533, F. Frank 517, C. C. Howell 494, J. Herr 482, G. Benton 468; JAYSON'S CLOTHING 2—B. Ryan 483, C. Boyce 581, T. Brennan 528; High individual game, Wait Cline Jr., Bill Hayne, Clay Foreman, 225; high individual series, Clay Foreman, 614 high team game, Woodry's with 1086; high team series, Starr Foods, 528.

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Marion B League Quints Start Second Round Action

Now resting at exactly the half way point in their pennant race, Marion County B League basketball teams will start their second round action tonight.

MARION B LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct.
Mill City	9	1	.900
Gervais	7	3	.700
Scio	7	3	.700
St. Paul	6	4	.600
Gates	5	5	.500

W. L. Pct.

Jefferson	5	4	.556
Sublimity	3	3	.500
Chemawa	2	7	.222
Detroit	1	11	.091
O.S.D.	0	9	.000

Tuesday games: Deaf School at Detroit, Mill City at Gates, Jefferson at Sublimity, Gervais at St. Paul, Chemawa at Scio.

ball teams tonight start the final half of the 18-game round with five more games.

Vikings Book Albany High

League Clash In SHS Arena

Bulldogs Seek Win For 1st Place Tie

Salem High's basketballers, their chances for another Big Six League championship almost shot after losses to Corvallis and Eugene, take on the strong Albany Bulldogs tonight at the Vik Villa at 8 o'clock. And not unlike both Corvallis and Eugene, Coach Lee Cardon's Albany quint is a strong one with plenty of size.

In fact, Albany can go into a first place tie with Corvallis tonight if the Bulldogs can spill the

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Team	W	L	Pct.
Corvallis	5	1	.833
Albany	4	1	.800
Eugene	2	1	.667

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resident Viks. Albany now has four wins, one loss. Corvallis leads the circuit with a 5-1 record. Salem has 3-2.

Lack of adequate size has handicapped the Salems in their important games this season, and tonight they'll run into the tallest individual foe yet. He's six-foot, eight-inch Dave Shelby, Bulldogs' center.

Don Stamps at 6-3, Pete Wilfert at 6-2, Ron Young at 6-3, Jerry Hazelwood at 6-3, Terry Emmons at 6-4, Jim Haaland at 6-3 and George Rhoadback at 6-3 provide more size for the visitors.

The balance of the Albany roster is made up of 5-11 Dean Sorenson, 6-0 Ted Ahernson, 5-10 Ray Derrah, 5-9 Frank Burford, 6-0 Dick Moore and 5-10 Bruce Ridinger.

Coach Harold Hauk of the Salems will choose his starting unit from Phil Burkland, Don Crothers, Wayne Erickson, Tom Pickens and Larry Springer, forwards, Bob Wulf, center, and Gordy Domingalla, Jim Knapp and Herb Triplett, guards.

Coach Lee Gustafson's Vik Jayvees, their victory skin clipped by Eugene last weekend, try to start another in tonight's prelude with the Albany seconds.

Jackson Stops Layne Effort

BROOKLYN (AP)—Tommy Jackson, a 22-year-old perpetual motion machine fighting his first main event, ended the comeback hope of ponderous Rex Layne Monday night by stopping the Lewiston, Utah, veteran, on a technical knockout in 1:44 of the sixth round.

Jackson weighed 194½, Layne 202.

The kid from New York dropped Layne twice in the sixth round before Referee Mark Conn called a halt to the scheduled 10-rounder.

Layne, dazed and well beaten, sunk to his knees completely exhausted from Jackson's persistent attack.

Jackson battered Layne as he pinned him against the ropes at the close of the fourth and fifth rounds. At the end of the fifth Dr. Samuel Swetnick examined Layne in his corner.

Jackson pranced out in the sixth round, to land a flurry of punches climaxed by a right to the head and Layne sagged against the ropes, dropping to his knees. He barely beat the referee's count of nine. Showing no mercy, Jackson continued to pour it on until Layne dropped again.

It was the 14th victory in 16 pro starts for Jackson, an 8-5 favorite.

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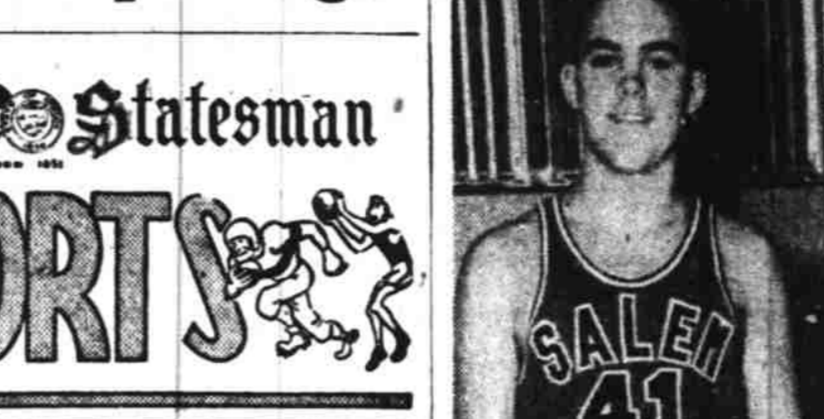
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perhaps the best of the round. Ordie Hoys' Cougars have a 7-2 mark, and Buck Weatherill's Buckaroos have 6-3 despite a slow start this season. Some fancy individual point battling could go on in the Gervais-St. Paul game also, for the Cougars have two sharpies in Gib Thompson and Don Reiling, while the St. Pauls boast the Smith brothers, Sam and George. All four are well over the 100 level in the point-making department.

All games tonight will be preliminary at 6:45 o'clock by Bee team clashes.

Pivoteer



Six-foot, four-inch Bob Wulf, above, tallest of the Salem Viking regulars will be at the pivot position tonight at the Vik Villa when the locals play Albany in a Big Six League game. Wulf will have his hands full, for Albany has a number of players taller than he.

U. S. Bobsled Team Quits World Meeting

CORTINA D'AMPEZZO, Italy (AP)—A pair of veteran American bobsled racers, Stan Benham of Lake Placid, N.Y., and James Bickford of Saranac Lake, N.Y., walked out on the world championships Monday after finishing third in the two-man event.

Benham and Bickford departed after trailing a pair of daring Italian teams in the two-man race down the icy Cortina course. Guglielmo Scheibmeier, a hotel owner, won Italy's first world championship and Italo Petrelli, a jet pilot who drove in spite of a doctor's warning to stay in bed, finished second in the eight-nation field.

Scheibmeier, setting a new record of one minute, 25.17 seconds on his third heat, won with a total elapsed time of five minutes, 47.08 seconds for four runs down the 1,700 meter course.

Petrelli, who suffered a slight concussion in a recent spill, had a time of 5:49.04. He appeared dazed as he finished his final run and was half-carried to an automobile.

Benham, with Bickford as the brakeman, was third in 5:49.21. The other American entry, Arthur Tyler and Edgar Seymour of Rochester, N.Y., finished sixth in 5:56.22.

Right after finishing the two-man competition, Benham and Bickford packed up and left by train for Munich, where they will board a plane for America. They had been selected to drive and brake the U.S. No. 2 sled in the four-man competition next weekend.

Donna Fox, manager of the American team, protested that the sudden departure was "an outrage" and said he believed they had no intention of competing in the four-man event. They didn't even bring a sled, he added.

(At Lake Placid Elwood S. Kerr, chairman of the National AAU Bobsled Committee, said Benham did not take his own four-man sled to Cortina because "it was impossible to raise the money." It would have cost \$750 to ship the sled.)

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Big-Three Quints Keep Poll Leads

Wildcats, Dukes, Hoosiers Head Pack

By SHELDON SAKOWITZ

NEW YORK (AP)—Kentucky, Duquesne and Indiana continued to rank one-two-three Tuesday in the weekly Associated Press basketball poll.

The remainder of the top ten is the same as last week, but several of the teams have changed positions with 93 sports writers and sportscasters casting their ballots.

Kentucky's Wildcats (12-0) received 30 first place votes and a leading point total of 764, figured on the usual basis of 10 for first place, nine for second etc.

Duquesne, undefeated in 15 games, is runnerup to Kentucky with 707 points, including 15 first place votes. The Iron Dukes, although idle last week, still managed to cut the Wildcats' margin. Last week Kentucky topped Duquesne by 111 votes with 127 ballots being cast.

Indiana (12-1) collected 13 first place votes and 640 points to remain third, but Western Kentucky, ranked fourth a week ago, slipped into a tie for fourth with Oklahoma A&M, which moved up from fifth. Each team has 541 points.

Western Kentucky received seven first place votes as the Hill-toppers increased their victory string to 18. The Aggies (16-1) were listed first on eight ballots.

Notre Dame, showing that its sudden rise last week was no fluke, maintained its sixth-place rating with 230 points. The Fighting Irish, boasting a 10-2 record, had two first place votes.

The seventh, eighth and ninth-ranking teams of last week switched positions, mainly because of Oklahoma City's 57-38 lacing at the hands of Wyoming Saturday. As a result, Oklahoma City (11-2) dropped from seven to ninth, while Holy Cross (13-1) and Minnesota (10-2) each jumped a notch to seventh and eighth, respectively.

Holy Cross polled 165 votes, Minnesota 163 and Oklahoma City 135, including four first place ballots.

George Washington (12-1) recorded 128 points to hold down its tenth-place ranking. The Colonials received five first votes.

Seattle and La Salle made the most progress of the second ten teams with Seattle moving from 16th to 11th and La Salle advancing from 19th to 12th.

Dayton and undefeated Connecticut bolted into the second ten displacing Niagara and Illinois.

The leading teams on a 10-9-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 point basis (first place votes and won-loss records through Sunday in parentheses):

Victors Over Disease Cited In Athletics

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—A pair of outstanding American athletes, one who licked polio and the other a victim over dreaded cancer, were honored Monday night as the most courageous athletes of the year by the Philadelphia Sports Writers Association.

Walter (Buddy) Davis, the world's record holder in the high jump and a 1952 Olympic champion, and Babe Didrikson Zaharias, the outstanding woman athlete and golfer of the half century, were named co-winners of the writers' annual award.

The head table of this golden jubilee dinner was graced by most of the greatest athletes of the 20th century. Attending were such legendary figures as Red Grange, the galloping football ghost of Illinois; Jesse Owens, one-time sprint ace; former heavyweight champion Joe Louis; baseball's Ty Cobb; John B. Kelly Sr., of Olympic rowing fame; Willie Hoppe, world's three cushion billiard champ; George Mikani of basketball, and that old perennial, Connie Mack.

Davis, currently playing basketball in the national Basketball Assn., overcame a case of polio in his youth to become the only man ever to high jump 6 feet, 11½ inches. He also won this event for Uncle Sam at Helsinki in the 1952 Olympic games.

Mrs. Zaharias was stricken last spring and it appeared she might be through as an athlete. Doctors weren't even sure, at first, if they could cure her. She was operated on for a malignant growth.

Pompey Mark Falls in Fight

NOTTINGHAM, England (AP)—Yolande Pompey, third ranked light heavyweight title challenger, was beaten Monday night for the first time in his sensational career by Bobby Dawson of New York and Paris who staggered up from two bloody knockdowns to win a decision in 10 rounds.

Dawson, a tall, lean Negro was down for a nine-count in the third but managed to scramble up to last out the round. He was down again when the bell ended the fourth.

After he got up the second time, Dawson found the range with a brilliant left to give his stronger, harder-hitting Trinidad opponent a thorough going over.

Dawson scored repeatedly with his short left hook. But by the time the fifth round rolled around, Pompey's left eye was puffed. In the sixth Dawson drew blood.

According to the Associated Press score card, Dawson won seven rounds and Pompey two with one round even, the sixth.

Pompey, who had been challenging ever leading light heavy and middle in the world, trained down to 162 pounds—probably six or seven pounds too light for him. Dawson, a natural middleweight, weighed 159.

A crowd of 7,000 turned out in Robin Hood's home town on a bitter, cold night to pack the arena.