

Kuenn Voted 'Soph' Award

Shortstop Awarded Honor Over Gomez

By JOE REICHLER
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Harvey Kuenn, 1953 baseball rookie of the year, Monday gained the sophomore-of-the-year distinction for 1954 in a poll of sports writers and sports casters throughout the nation.

The spectacular 24-year-old shortstop of the Detroit Tigers won The Associated Press award by defeating the sophomore jinx with a .306 batting mark that included 201 hits. Only one other major leaguer, Nellie Fox of the Chicago White Sox, made as many hits.

Kuenn was in front all the way, attracting almost four times as many votes as runner-up Ruben Gomez, the New York Giants' youthful righthander. The former athlete received 205 votes to Gomez' 55. The Puerto Rican pitcher, therefore, must get the National League sophomore vote.

Seventeen second year men received recognition. Ray Jablonski, slugging third baseman recently traded by the St. Louis Cardinals to Cincinnati, was third with 30 votes. Strikeout star Turley, another transferred athlete—from Baltimore to the New York Yankees—was fourth with 28 and Jimmy Greengrass, Cincinnati outfielder, was fifth with 22.

Kuenn, one of the real natural hitters of the game, got off a slow start but batted around the .350 mark after the all-star game break to finish above .300 for the second straight year. He hit .308 in his rookie season.

The personable 6-2 athlete also has developed into a good fielder, thanks to the tutelage of the veteran Johnny Pesky, who unselfishly spent many hours with the youngster teaching him how to make the double play and many other tricks of the trade.

Trabert Said No. 1 Threat

SYDNEY (AP) — Harry Hopman tabbed Tony Trabert as the No. 1 threat to Australia's hold on the Davis Cup Monday after the challenge round rivals whipped through a brisk four-hour tennis workout at White City Stadium.

"While I stick by my prediction that Australia will beat America 4-1 in the cup matches, I cannot overlook the menace this boy poses," the slender, sandy-haired Australian captain said.

"I have to acknowledge he is a threat to win both his singles matches and to play a very vital role in the doubles. We consider Trabert will be much tougher to beat in the singles than Vic Seixas although Seixas is playing very well."

The Australian and American teams worked on adjoining courts separated by thick green canvas Monday while hammers in the background added finishing touches to the grotesque wood and steel structure which is being crowded for an all-time record tennis crowd of 25,000.

The matches are scheduled for Dec. 28-29.
While Trabert was accenting his return to form with an impressive 6-4, 6-4 practice victory over teammate Seixas, Hopman must have popped another frown in his already wrinkled brow as he studied come-back attempts of his own ace Lewis Hoad.

Hailed as back in top form in all the morning papers, young Hoad looked far from it as he absorbed a two-set lacing from second string team-mate George Worthington. Volleying poorly, Hoad was beaten, 6-2, 7-5.

BOWLING Scores

UNIVERSITY BOWL

Monday night results in the Classic League at the University Bowl: Hartman's Jewelers 3 (John Nuber 582), Salem Hardware 1 (Lee Morris 571), Cupboard Cafe 3 (Don Gersbach 602), Barbs Sporting Goods 1 (Ing Johnson 607), Brennan's Tree Service 4 (Dick Phillips 567), Riches Electric 0 (Art Upston 547), Frank's Produce 0 (Don Lebold 551), Smalley Oil Co. 4 (Cliff Maison 535).

Don Gersbach rolled a 213 game for high game and Ing Johnson rolled 607 for high series. Don Gersbach also had 602. Hartman's Jewelers rolled 1020 for high team game and 2096 for high team series.

Results of the Ladies Minor League went as follows: Team No. 3, 4 (Shirley Wilcox 401); Team No. 1, 0 (Millie Monner 416), Owl Drug 2 (Dawn Jones 471), Ladd & Bush Bank No. 1, 2 (Jane Hollington 382), Snider Electric 1 (Marge Kirkpatrick 383), Western Paper 3 (Ett a Fleck 480), Moore Bus. Forms 3 1/2 (Dottie Kandle 405), Team No. 11 1/2 (Iva Hernbeck 300), Orcutte Market 2 (Myrna Bare 379), Meadows Rest. 2 (Elsie Hersley 422), Team No. 12, 4 (Roberta Fox 417), Ladd & Bush Bank No. 2, 0 (Vergene Moore 334).

High team game 553 and series 1543 went to Owl Drug. High individual game 186 was rolled by Dawn Jones of Owl Drug. High individual series 480 went to Etta Fleck of Western Paper.

Muscle Man



This is Luis Martinez, well muscled and highly popular Mexican grappler who teams with Dick Torio tonight in the "Operation Tin Can" wrestling card's main event at the Armory with Leo Wallick and Kurt von Poppenheim.

Kentucky First In Hoop Poll

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top and Missouri down one notch, although neither was beaten during the week. George Washington showed its way up from 11th place to 8th while Indiana and UCLA lost their places in the first ten.

Further down on the list, West Pennsylvania, San Francisco, Alabama and Kansas all impressed the voters enough to gain places among the first 20 and ties.

Kentucky's rebuilt team, minus most of the stars who compiled an undefeated season last year, played only one game last week, winning handily, from Temple, 79-61. This week the Wildcats go into their own invitational tournament against LaSalle, Utah and Southern California.

The top 20, with first place votes and season records (through Saturday's games) in parentheses (points on 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 basis):

1. Kentucky (3-0) (21) - 527
2. Utah (7-0) (15) - 427
3. Illinois (5-0) (7) - 419
4. La Salle (5-1) - 346
5. N. Carolina States (8-0) (11) - 333
6. Dayton (6-0) (5) - 298
7. Missouri (4-1) (1) - 193
8. George Washington (3-1) (1) - 141
9. Duquesne (4-1) (2) - 136
10. Niagara (6-1) (1) - 112
11. Ohio State (4-0) (1) - 111
12. West Virginia (4-1) (1) - 62
13. Southern California (5-1) - 51
- 14-15 (tie) Wichita (3-0) (2) - 47
16. Louisville (7-1) (1) - 47
17. Pennsylvania (6-0) - 40
- 18-19 (tie) San Francisco (4-1) - 40
20. (tie) Iowa (5-2) and Kansas (4-0) - 34

SPORTSLIGHTNER

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But in the second quarter the Big Ten has tallied 46 times, to 21 for the Coast. The same applies for the third period, with the Big Ten in front, 42-27. But the final quarter holds the real jolt, with 99 points for the Big Ten, to a mere 6 for the PCC...

The additional period of grace granted the defunct Western International League baseball clubs by Car George Trautman is a welcome one, for it will give the WIL'ers almost another month in which to sell off players who would have otherwise been free agents on December 15, when the league officially succumbed.

For example, Generalissimo Luby of the Senators believes he can sell Gene Tansell to the San Diego club. And there may be a chance to peddle both Connie Perez and Jimmy Deyo. Luby now has until January 10 to make any such moves, as after that all WIL chattels of last season are free agents.

As for Mel (Tarzan) Krause, who blossomed into quite a ballplayer in his first whirl at pro play last summer, Luby is in high hopes that Mel will again sign with the Senators even after he has been given his free agency in January. A coach in the Portland schools system who cannot go to spring training in April, Krause would still find the local setup much to his liking. He could play in local games right from the start, and still handle his Portland classroom assignments just as he did last season when he commuted between here and Eugene. Then when school recessed, the strong-armed outfielder could join the club on a regular basis.

Eugene May Be After Him Also

There may be an opposing offer on Krause from the Eugene Emeralds, since Mel is so well known and popular in the Eugene area. But he's sure to find that it would be much easier on him during April and May were he jumping back and forth to Salem rather than Eugene. We at least hope he feels that way about it when the time comes...

As feared when the news of it came out, Tacoma is not now interested in becoming the eighth member of the new Northwest League—all since the Seattle Rainier's Dewey Soriano proclaimed that all Seattle home games would be televised via a Tacoma TV outlet. Competing against the telecast of Coast League baseball right in their own city is deemed too much of a hurdle by those who were previously behind a Tacoma entry into the Northwest circuit.

So the NW loop now finds itself with an unbalanced seven members and reason to believe the Soriano hasn't done right by the area which was instrumental in providing him with a push toward the general management he now has with Seattle.
Mebbe we'll wind up with Edmonton or Missoula, Mont., in the new league after all...

'Operation Tin Can' . . . Martinez-Torio Combo Faces Wallick, Poppy

Luis Martinez and Dick Torio, the powerful and popular youngsters who have given one fine performance after another during their mat sorties at the Ferry Street Garden in the recent past, go against Leo Wallick and Kurt von Poppenheim tonight in Matchmaker Elton Owen's "Operation Tin Can" card at the Armory.

Shriners Find Reason for Tilt

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Ralph Guglielmi cried real tears Monday. And he wasn't ashamed about it.

The Notre Dame All-America quarterback asks no quarter and gives none while he is matching muscle and courage with the best of them out on the gridiron.

But Monday he went with 47 other gridiron greats to the Shriners' Hospital For Crippled Children to see the kids for whose benefit the East-West football classic is played annually.

Guglielmi, who will quarterback the East in the next Jan. 1 game, walked past beds, stopped to autograph toy footballs. Then he spotted little 3-year-old Eve.

He picked her up, kissed her and gave her a hug.

With concern he consulted a doctor. What's her future?

"She'll be better," the doctor said, "but she'll never walk again."

And that's when Ralph Guglielmi unashamedly let the tears trickle down his cheeks.

The scene was repeated many times.

UCLA's great lineman Sam Boghosian told a boy with his left leg in a cast.

"When I was a little boy I was all tied up with polio. But I got well and I know you will."

Notre Dame back Joe Heap went into conference with a 10-year-old girl after which both were asked what they talked about.

"I've been telling her about Notre Dame," he said.

"And," said the little girl, "I've been telling him how handsome he is."

Yes, Guglielmi had plenty of company when it came to crying. While he took tearful leave of little Eve, Rice's Dick Moegle was standing nearby. On hearing what the doctor said, Moegle turned and walked out of the room, unable to speak.

Saxon Matmen Lose Match

South Salem High's wrestling team was defeated Monday night at the Saxon gym, 28-19, by the Oregon City mat team.

The results:
97 — Dave Robinson (S) won on forfeit; 105 — Dean Vanek (S) pinned Jack Toll (OC); 114 — Mitty Tamura (OC) dec. Dave Vanek (S); 122 — Gib Carlson (OC) dec. Leroy Williams (S); 129 — Keith Whitlock (OC) dec. Marvin Bressler (S); 135 — Curtis Gage (OC) dec. Richard Davis (S); 140 — John Cummings (S) dec. Jack Johnson (OC); 147 — Harry Juul (S) dec. Dave Amoth (OC); 156 — Ken Kirchoff (OC) dec. Bill McDonald (S); 166 — Carl May (OC) pinned Layne Caswell (SS); 177 — Don Kindig (OC) dec. Bob Shimmim (S); 190 — Herb Juran (S) dec. Don Phillis (OC); heavyweight—Allen Wright (OC) pinned Larry Newsome (S).



Larson, Shaw to Play Together in Backfield

By HAROLD V. STREETER
SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Paul Larson of California and George Shaw of Oregon—the nation's No. 1 and 2 passers—may play together instead of in different backfields for the West in the Jan. 1 football classic against the East.

The East is in better shape than last year, in fact so much so that workouts, starting Tuesday, may be eased off sharply after the first three days.

The West, on the other hand, is going at it hard and heavy, two workouts a day until Christmas, one on Christmas, one on Sunday and then back to two-a-day.

All these plans and possibilities were brought up by coaches of both sides at a "kickoff" luncheon Monday with the Northern California Football Writers Assn. after the players made the annual pilgrimage to the Shriners' Hospital.

There the boys learned why the East-West game is played. Tuesday they'll get together at their training camps—the West squad at Stanford, the East squad at nearby University of Santa Clara—and learn how.

The 48 gridiron brilliants, who will clash Jan. 1 at Kezar Stadium in the Shriners' benefit classic, began reporting at hotel headquarters Sunday. First on the spot were Frank Bernardi, 185-pound halfback from the University of Colorado, and Tom Louderback, a guard from San Jose State.

Tuesday is photographer's day, in the morning for the East at Santa Clara, a university 45 miles south of San Francisco. Such gridiron greats as Notre Dame quarterback Ralph Guglielmi will cavort there for the cameras.

In the afternoon, Guglielmi's Western counterpart, Paul Larson will be among the West's brilliants performing for the photographers at Palo Alto, about 30 miles south of San Francisco.

After that the squads will swing into twice-a-day workouts under the eyes of their coaches—the East, Eddie Anderson of Holy Cross and Bennie Oosterbaan, Michigan; the West, Lynn (Pappy) Waldorf, California, assisted by Ed Price, Texas, and Len Casanova, Oregon.

VANDALS DEFEATED

MISSOULA, Mont. (AP) — Sophomores sparked Montana University to a 63-58 revenge victory here Monday night over Idaho for the Grizzlies' third win in six games this season.

SPORTSMAN'S DIGEST

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Oregon Bows To Louisville

Ducks Lose First Road Trip Contest

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Kepper got 16 and three other Cardinals were in the double numerals.

Jim Loscutt led Oregon with 19 points and Max Anderson added 16.

Oregon set the early pace but Louisville caught up with five minutes gone in the first half and pulled into the rest stop with a 42-34 edge.

Oregon will next play Dayton University at Dayton, O., Tuesday night.

Oregon (12)	(10) Louisville
G F P T	G F P T
Ross, f. 3 4 310	Gatveh, f. 6 0 112
Loscu, f. 2 3 319	Dargh, f. 8 2 0 6
Engelm, f. 3 2 1 8	Harrah, f. 6 0 3 12
Moore, f. 0 0 0	Yrka, c. 1 1 0 3
M.A.D., c. 3 10 4	16Pike, f. 0 0 2 0
Bell, c. 3 3 4	8Prdnc, c. 3 3 3 22
McMan, c. 2 0 3	4Tyr, c. 2 0 1 4
McHigh, c. 2 0 3	4Rollins, c. 3 4 0 14
Page, f. 1 0 2	2Keppr, f. 7 2 1 18
Sherrin, c. 2 0 3	4Morgan, c. 2 0 1 4
James, f. 0 0 2	0Shklid, g. 0 0 0 0
B.A.D., g. 0 0 0	0 0 0 0

Totals 26 22 27 72 Totals 42 17 18 101
Halftime score: Louisville 42, Oregon 34
Free throws missed: Oregon—M. Anderson 4, Ross 2, Bell 2, Loscutt, Sherman, Louisville—Gastveh 4, York, Prudhoe 4, Tyr 4, Rollins 2, Kepper 2, Morgan 3, Morgan 2.

Rocky to Defend Crown on Coast

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — Rocky Marciano will defend his heavyweight boxing title twice in 1955 and the first will be staged on the Pacific Coast, Manager Al Weill said Monday.

Weill said if the nose survives the February exhibitions, Marciano will stage the first defense of his title on the West Coast, probably in March.

THOMPSON DIES

ENGLEWOOD, N.J. (AP) — Alexis Thompson, 43-year-old steel fortune teller and ex-owner of the Philadelphia Eagles professional football team, was found dead Monday a few feet from the phone in his apartment.

Police said he apparently had suffered a heart attack and groped for the telephone to call for aid before dying.

Church League

Results of Salem Church League Monday night:
Senior League: Halbert Bethel Baptist 37, Free Methodist 26, First Christian 61, Knight Memorial 25, Nazarene 50, Englewood EUB 25, Intermediate A League: Calvary Baptist won by forfeit; First Baptist 59, First Congregational 27, Intermediate B League: Jason Lee 53, Liberty Church of Christ 12; Baptist-Presbyterian won by forfeit; Junior A League: Highland Ave. Friends 22, First Baptist 20; First Christian 34, Univale EUB 24, Junior B League: First Presbyterian 33, First Nazarene 10.

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