Many Highlights, Lowlights Spotlight Salem and Surrounding Areas' Sports Scene During 1957

Statesman Sports Writer

SCENE: Darkened athletic eid in center of Salem. TIME: Just before midnight,

Dec. 31, 1957. CAST OF CHARACTERS: lid Man 1857; Young 1958. Play opens with the old man

spraking to the boy:
Well son! My time is about
at an end, but you'll hear no
regrets from this oldtimer. I've left a pretty good record for a young squirt like you to shoot at this coming year. Of course, a few of the regular residents of the valley are hit uphappy over the way I treated them the past 12 months, but then you can't please all of them. I'll be the first to admit

fell down in spots. But if I hadn't, you wouldn't have anylust for the record here are

s few of the highlishts that hannemed this year. We'll start

I had a little help from

off the bat. The Oregon State football team waltsed its way through the Pacific Coast Conlater. Right now let's move on to February: Early that month I brought

ference and was chosen to play in the Rose Bowl on the Early that month I brought in one of the all-time track stars to make a local appear-ance. That was Dr. Glenn Cun-ningham, who looked as though he was still able to romp through a mighty quick first day of my existence. Here's where I fell down, as I let the Big 10 team, lows, walk over our Beavers to the tune of 35-19. Right off the bat you'll get a chance to better my record, as I furnished an-other Oregon team, this time the University of Oregon, as bait for the Rose Bowl. They'll meet Ohio State in just a few

On Jan. 16 the Salem Sen-

guide the team through the

1957 serson. At the time every

hired Bill Brenner

Moyer, and myself, attempted to bring boxing back to Salem. What an opening card we lined up. Eddie Machen, who is just the top ranked heavyweight around, outside of the champ, hours, and I hope you're ready fought a four-round exhibition with Roger Rischer, Main event on the card was the 7-On January 5. I brought the Sate Bowling Tournament for Men to Salem and let them play in the Cherry City Bowl. foot giant from South Africa, Canadian slugger, Dave Roy, Didn't draw a bad crowd. The meet ran until February 24 and was termed a buge suc-

During the month, Surror Motors, our top AAU baskethall quintet, copped the City League hoop crown.

On the 16th we, Tommy

Young Jim Lebold, a local tenager, wor the B all-events title in the State Bowling bee.

The new Senator manager, Bill Brenner, made the first of a series of spirited talks. In this one he told of a plan to make money if the Solons drew about \$80,000 into the till Well son that's a long till. Well son, that's a long story that we'll come back to

We also, and I say we be-cause actually it was 1956 who was to blame for this, last \$4,500 when we fouled up on the contract of one Chuck Es-

togs.

Johnny Lewis was in his tenth year as Willamette's hoop menter and a big celebration was pitched in his honor. His boys even got into the swing of things and dumped the Pacific Badgers \$4.80 on the gala night.

On March 5, South Salem

Clark Only Buckeye Question Mark

track coach Lee Gustafson was interviewed and made the most assonishing statement of the year. Gus said he was going to have a good team and expected to win the district title, which he did.

The Salem Jaycees held a ski school up at Hoodoo Bowl, with local policeman Nap Roque Jr. as head instructor. Understand you have another school coming up right soon.

South Salem High was once

again host to the State A-2 hasketball tourney, which was taken by Scappoose when they tripped the favered Madras five 58-51.

Coach Ward Paldanius' North Salem Vikings traveled to Eugene for the A-1 meet and surprised everyone by nabbing a third place finish. They were dubbed the "Cinderella" team and were picked as the team to beat in 1958. Ward quickly denies this, but so far I've given them a pretty fair start. fair start.

fair start.

This was the month Statesman sports editor Al Lightner spent most of his time traveling around the country officiating at baskethall tournaments. He had a few words in Dallas, Tex. with Abe Lemons, coach of the Oklahoma City University team. One thing about that Lightner fellow, he makes his own news.

makes his own news.

The Four Corners rifle team waiked off with the Northwest Rifle League championships.

Glenn Cushman, who has something or other to do with

the Capital Journal newspaper, won the sunmal American Legion Shortstop Galf tourney out at the Golf Club. Best young Bob Prall in the finals.

A couple of nautical hoosters, Rich Chambers and Sam Haley, decided to float to Portland on the Willamette River. Got as far'as Tigard, which was 60 of the 73 water miles. Maybe I should say knots, but havent get time to figure it.

On March 27 we sold, I mean gave, Mel Krause to the Eugene baseball club. Sure did miss that fellow.

On the last day of March, the

On the last day of March, the annual Willamette Relays was run off, About 1,700 athletes competed. Bill Dellinger once

again won the featured States man Mile and was presented a placque by Charles A. Sprague, publisher of the Statesman. Fortune Gorien, holder of the world discus record, also appeared and gave quite an ex-hibition.

start as a grappling pro on one of Elton Owen's fine cards and took a win over the

Webfoots Hold Final Heavy

Workout Before Rose Bowl

the doubleheader to capture third

In an afternoon consolation dou-

bleheader. Connecticut defeated

Pittsburgh 68-60 for fifth place and

Rodgers, a magician with a

basketball, who has been liken-ed to the Boston Celtics' Bob

Cousy as a ball handler, con-

founded the Golden Bears with

his feinting, scoring, behind-the-back-dribbling and signal-calling

as the Owls built up a 43-23 half-

straight triumph in the tourney.

spectacular feeds to teammates.

scored 12 points. Bill Kennedy,

California's top scorer was

Buch, who netted 14 points, Earl

Robinson, looking better than at

any time in the tournament

scored 11 points and Don McIn-

Temple was simply too fast and too good for the Golden Bears, who

rallied gamely in the second half

after falling behind by 20 points during intermission. Paced by

Buch and Robinson, the Pacific

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SEATTLE, Dec. 30 09-The up-

start young Huskies of Washington

stopped the all-winning surge of

Michigan State, 71-69, tonight as

hookshot artist Doug Smart poured

in 28 points in an intersectional

A team that had won only two

Washington took charge in the last

This was Michigan State's first

ington it was only the third victory

in a long preseason schedule mar-

John Green, Michigan State's

jumping jack center, gathered 21

Michigan State (69) (71) Was

MSU, 71-69

sky scored 10.

tosh had 10.

Charles Breuckman, Pittsburgh;
Bob Stransky, Colorado; Jim Nipowski and Don Curris Mishigan

time lead en route to their third

University 106-81 for seventh

8-Statesman, Salem, Ore., Tuesday, December 31, '57

Seattle U. Upset by Dayton, 81-75

On April 18 the Lobbyista and Legislators had what was supposed to be a baseball game at Waters Fields. The big box-

er. Potgieter, was a surprise pinch hitter. On April 20 Andy Hansen,

89 years young, was picked as Salem's Mr. Baseball. west League play with a 6-6 win over the Yakima Bears on April 25. What a start for the year, beating tobacco chawing Hub Kittle's crew.

Now for April:
Silverton High won the Capital Conference relays to start off a pretty fair month.
Sonny (Rockabye) He t t made his local fistic debut by soundly threshing one Chester Sheppard. This fight drew a total of 46 or 56 fans. Bexing was once again dead in Salem. was unce again dead in Salem. The gain started on the first

of two City Bowling meets. Big John Witte, the All-Am-

LOS SMOGORINO, Cal., Dec. 30 (Special)-You've read and heard of what the "experts" think of Wednesday's grid spectacle at Pasadena. But how about the common man on

the street in this vast land of arrogance and subter-

Since arrival, we've made it a point to talk Poce Rowl and Coast Conference with almost any pat've who would listen. and limited our interv'ews with the male side of the populace. We promised wifey we wouldn't even talk to a female during our trip . . . And since the names of those with whom we have chatted likely never will adorn anything more prominent than a gravestone, we'll omit identi-

The first gentleman admitted to a keen interest in TYPICAL LOS SMOGORINO the Rose Bowl and told that he hadn't missed a game since

the days of the masseres performed by the late Howard Jones' Trojan Thundering Herds. "And I've got my ticket for this one too," he added as he proudly displayed a reservation for one of the high, distant end-zone pews. "I wouldn't miss one no matter how one-sided things look. he continued, "as I realize how many million people would like to be as lucky as I am in having a seat in the stadium."

A Bar and TV for This Particular Gent

The next gent wasn't so impressed by Jan. 1 festivities at Pasadena. He assured that he loved sports of all kinds, but couldn't see bouncing \$5.50 for "a ticket to get yourself mashed up in a traffic jam when all I have to do is find a nice, comfortable bar and see everything free."

Native No. 3 must have been closely related to one of these sportswriting charcaters here. He vowed he'd never go to another Rose Bowl game "until they get a decent Coast team in it." He followed up by getting us a little angry with. "Those teams from up north are a bunch of bums and shouldn't even be in the league with the California schools. They're old-fashioned and unpopular down here, and the best thing that ever happened was the league blow-up. Let them play themselves up north. Who cares about them

This same fella furthered that he had lost much interest

DALLAS, Dec. 30 4-The Rice

football team arrived today to fill

its Cotton Bowl date with Navy

and Coach Jess Neely predicted

that "the ball will fly all over the

field" when the two schools clash

Wednesday."
"I feel they'll throw on us and

ing a wide open, probable high

But Neely said he thought Navy

still should be accorded the edge

though it lost its great blocking

guard, Tony Stremic, through

intury vesterday, "We lost a

guard, too." Neely, reminded

newsmen. He was speaking of

an accident injury that robbed

Rice of second string guard

Charley Knight only a few days

us and did a good job," Neely

Navy some," Neely admitted.

'You can't lose a good man like

this middle guard without it hurt-

"Knight played 140 minutes for

"The loss of Stremic will hurt

scoring game.

we're sure going to try to throw,

one was hanpy with the choice, but this didn't last long. We'll

21-Point Odds

By BOB MYERS

PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 30 (Pare just about ready to add another chapter to the history of the Rose Bowl, a record studded with brilliance, excitement and sur-

And if nothing else, this 44th edition coming up New Year's Day offers a shining opportunity for what would be an astonishing upset, should the Webfoots o

The smart boys have figured the touchdown favorites ever since the been no relaxation of this favor-

Clearly, of course, the psycho logical advantage belongs to Coach pretty little college town of Eu-

Ohio State's Pilot, Woody Haves, is well aware of this. His aim is to see that the Buckeyes ignore the odds, forget that Oregon is smaller and lost three games in the regular season.

Actually, there is a parallel with in the Rose Bowl when the season got under way.

less than championship caliber when the Bucks bowed to Texas Christian in the opening game

ment, game by game, and here they are, ready for the big kickoff, with Ohio State winner of its last eight straight in the

on Ohio State? "Gosh," said Casanova, "I hope Oklahoma Quarterback o one is 21 points better than we

Wide Open Play Seen player has developed beyond ex-pectations, topped by the come-through performance of his In Cotton Bowl Clash sophomore fullback, Bob White.

> Michigan.
>
> Probably the biggest upset in lose Bowl annals that stands out the minds of the older.
>
> (Continuous of the older older) in the Purdue game, with two blue games to go against lowa and Michigan.

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Boardman In The Rice coach said he figured it would be "a very interesting **KO Victory** game" and when asked if he hought it would be high scoring,

replied: "Well, we sure hope we NEW YORK, Dec. 30 (# Larry Boardman, once a high-ranked lightweight from Marlborough, Conn., got off the floor tonight to knock out Peter Schmidt of New York in 1:30 of QUEEN CITY INVITATIONAL the sixth round at St. Nicholas Arena. Boardman weighed 141%, Schmidt 142% pounds.

(First Round) Kentucky Wesleyan 61, Southern Illinois 59 Ohio University 65, Washington & FORT BAYS INVITATIONAL

Memphis State 47, Maryland 46 (three overtimes—championship) Lovola of New Orleans 84, Vanderbilt 80 (third place)

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Favored

On Oregon Win

Under-dog Oregon and Ohio State

Oregon win.

champions from the Big Ten threematch was made and there has

both teams. Casanova didn't his Ducks would wind up And Ohio State was something

vidual players displayed develop-

murderous Big Ten Conference. "At first I thought my kids might not even win a game, but," said Casanova, "we've won some

are. No one has been yet." Hayes feels the same way, in effect, about his team. Each

It was White who assumed the full burden when injuries struck the other backs, notably Don Clark,

in the minds of the older histori-

Dropped for an automatic eight GATOR BOWL count in the first minute of the (First Round)
first round, Boardman came back
first round, Boardman came back to heal in the Cotton Bowl first round, Boardman came back to justify the 9 to 5 odds in his KALAMAZOO INVITATIONAL The Rice coach said his team's favor,

ing But Navy has an aggressive mental attitude was good. "Why The end came suddenly early team," with good pursuit, and it shouldn't it be?" he asked. "We in the sixth as both men threw

Southwestern Oklahoma 76, Southwestern (Kansas) 68 Eastern New Mexico U 71, Fort Hays State 67

Michigan 88, University of

Brate 12 North Texas State 36

Bob Lemon Inks Indian Contract; Has Salary Cut

Pitcher Bob Lemon returned his signed contract to the Cleveland

His salary was not announced, but the veteran righthander received a pay cut with the understanding that if he is able to regain his previous skill the salary will be adjusted to match that of 1957, when he was one of the highest paid players on the

The 37-year-old hurler, was a 20-game winner in seven of the last nine seasons prior to last year, but slumped to a 6-11 record in 1957.

Halfback Clendon Thomas, big St. Michael's Takes Own Invitational Meet

Tournament Championship tonight by defeating Adelphi College at up the tab for the 105 persons John Green, Mich Garden City, N. Y., 77-57.

State: and Don Stephenson, Georgia Tech. They all played in the (Continued page 9, col. 5) Duck Band

Bowl Bound

Hula Bowl

All-Stars

Set Drills

HONOLULU, Dec. 30 M-Coach

Buck Shaw greeted Heisman

trophy winner John Crow and

Texas A. & M. today and immedi-

ately set a practice session with

his College All-Stars for next Sun-

The Air Force Academy coach

has a squad studded with more

stars than any ever before as-

sembled for the Hawaiian post

season show, now in its twelfth

They will compete against the

Hawaii All-Stars, a combination

of 12 pros and 10 Hawaii-based

military service players. They in-

clude Detroit Lions quarterback

Tobin Rote, star of Sunday's

ionship slaughter of the Cleveland

Rote and Elroy (Crazy Legs)

Hirsch of the Los Angeles Rams

fly in today from Los Angeles

Hirsch will coach the Hawaii

Coach Shaw and nine college

players arrived yesterday. With

nim were Jim Gibbons, Iowa; Jim

Phillips, Auburn; Alex Karras

Iowa: Lou Michaels, Kentucky

Charles Breuckman, Pittsburgh;

nowski and Don Currie, Michigan

All-Stars.

world professional football champ

day's Hula Bowl football game.

PORTLAND, Dec. 30 th games thus far into the season University of Oregon band and its two drum majorettes left for Pasafour minutes and held off the desdena today for the Rose Bowl footperation rally by the Spartans.

The majorettes are Doreen Mor- defeat in eight starts. For Wash-

making the trip.

Vermont's balanced attack carried the Catamounts to an 84-74 time entertainment of the band will include a sequence on "enternational for third place honos, St. tainment of the past," including tainment of the past, "Including the sequence on "enternational for third place tainment of the band will include a sequence on "enternational for third place tainment of the band will include a sequence on "enternational for third place tainment of the band will include a sequence on "enternational for third place tainment of the band will include a sequence on "enternational for third place tainment of the band will include a sequence on "enternational for third place tainment of the band will include a sequence on "enternational for third place tainment of the band will include a sequence on "enternational for third place the past," including the past, "Including the past, "Including the past," including the past, "Including the past, "Inclu gon centennial celebration of 1959.

ofe Oregon Statesman Duck Squad Looks Sharp In Hard Drill

By AL LIGHTNER Statesman Sports Editor

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Dec. 30 (Special)-Their final, heavy pregame practices over, and if the ntents of this afternoon's oneand-a-half-hour drill on Boyard Temple Wins Holiday will be higher than a twin-tailed kite and will throw more passes than a champion crap shooter come Wednesday in Pasadena. Festival; Downs Cal

Coach Len Casanova and his staff, highly pleased with the zip and sharpness shown by their determined athletes today, plan no more than a 20-minute ning drill temorrow.

"We've looked much more like NEW YORK, Dec. 30 & - Temple's fast-breaking Owls, paced by we've wanted to look in our last all-America candidate Guy Rodgers, romped to an easy 69-59 victory two practices," Casanova concludover California tonight and walked off with the ECAC Holiday basketball festival A crowd of 11,851 saw Dayton upset favored Seattle in overtime 81-75, in the opener of been sharp and full of hustle."

Most of today's work was done behind locked gates, and consisted of passing, passing and more halfbacks alike taking turns at the throwing. The first and second units worked both on offense and defensive patterns as the third team tried Ohio State plays

Even though the "keep-out" sign was on the fence surrounding the enclosed portion of the field, well over 100 spectators watched proceedings after their identities were checked by Webfoot officials at the

One of the interested specia-During those 20 minutes, Rodtors was Mel Allen, the famous gers scored 16 of his 21 points, and sportscaster who will work the assisted in other scores with his game Wednesday. He was getting acquainted with Oregon per-Temple was in command all the sonnel and jersey numbers. Most way as all five starters scored in of the others allowed the prividouble figures. Jay Norman, who lege of watching the practice did a tremendous rebounding job, were well-wishing Webfoot alums and Oregon newspaper men. as did Tink Van Patton. Mel Brod-

As reported yesterday, Norm Chapman definitely won't Wednesday and end Pete Welch and guard Joe Schaffeld

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throws and runs well, and in the have been working for this since right hand punches to the chin. KENTUCKY ALL-AMERICAN overall it's a fine football team last spring. We have been thinking Boardman's got home first with Texas Longhorn Quarterback is Full Fledged Millionaire; Also Grid Star

Neely was asked which team

would be favored if it rains

Wednesday and he said he didn't

know but he was certain it would

be a handicap. However, weath-

er forecasts are that it will be

tion of rain although there may

be showers tomorrow. The

weather bureau added that it

Neely prenounced his team in

good condition, with even his

perpetually injured quarterback.

Frank Ryan, in better shape

than any other time during the

season stretch run. Ryan has a

bruised knee that has troubled

him all the campaign. But he

has had a better chance for it

might be quite cold.

can score a lot."

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 30 . - | buildings to various Texas col-Texas University has a full fledged leges millionaire as a quarterback for its football team. No other univer-

sity can make such a claim. But ceach Darrell Reyal of the Sugar Bowl bound Texas Longhorns and the other players on the squad will be the first to tell 24) earned his starting berth. And that his in: nense wealth

Fondren, a senior and an expectant father, is a grandson of his collegiate grid career. The family has donated numerous Lone Star state.

But come Wednesday afternoon, the family fortune will

count for little. It couldn't buy another ticket for the Sugar Bowl game because they all have been sold. And at the 11 a.m. (PST) kickeff, Fondren will be directing the Texans against Mississ'ppi because he hapnens to be the best quarterback on

Weinesday's game will closs out one of the founders of one of the years ago he was the most sought country's major oil companies after high school athlete in the tied one. Fondren gained special

His first two years as a Texas regular were denmed by injur-This year he had to make the change from halfback to the single wing formation to quar-terback in the Oklahoma-styled T attack installed by Royal.

Fondren, and Texas, responded to the change by winning the first two games, going through a mid-

season sinking spell, then finishing up with a 9-7 verdict over as A. & M. to gain the Sugar Bowl Texas won six, lost three and

SUGAR BOWL TOURNEY,

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Temple 88, California 39 (championship) Dayton 81, Seattle 75 (overtime— third place)

Kansas 79, Kansas State 65 (championship) Iowa State 61, Nebraska 51 (third place) Oklahoma 80, Missouri 69 (fifth place) Colorado 80 Princeton 64 (seventh place)

Iowa 58, Syracuse 52

(championship) Cornell 64, Canisius 58 (consolation)

COLLEGES . Portland U 56, Portland State 29 Western Montana 74, Eastern Washington 36

Arriona 76
Bradley 75, Cincinnati 73
St. Martin's (Wash.) 61, Western
Wachington 37
Lincoln (Ma.) 85, Esu Claire 66
Stevens Point 72, Winona 83
Columbia 6, Velparaise 64
Alabama 77, Brigham Young 74
Central (Iowa) 61, Calvin
(Michitan) 36

Al Lightner, travelling via plane with the University of Oregon football party, will be right there in the press box when Oregon squares off with Ohio State in the Rose Bowl at Pasadena Jan. 1. His on-thesnot evewitness account of the game will be in your Statesman Thursday.

ASADENA, Calif., Dec. 30 (Special)—Ohio State's star halfback, Don Clark, is the only

question mark in the Buckeye camp. Clark is OSU's leading scorer and ground gainer

despite missing the last two games because of a groin injury. The Buckeye flash

Dodd, the No. 1 Sooner signal

caller, injured an ankle when he

stepped into a hole on the practice

"Dodd looks fine," coach Bud

Wilkinson reported after the

Sooner workeout today. "His

ankle is strong and he should be

ready to go full steam against

The report was not so glowing

"Thompson's ankle is not so

good," Wilkinson said, "but he'll

be able to play, although he'll

gun in the snappy split-T Sooner

an upset stomach which bothered

Oklahoma, a 10-point favorite

From the Duke Camp came word

that the Blue Devils are eager for

"I've never seen our spirit so high as it's been out here the

last few days," said halfback

John Lee, No. 2 man behind

Lee said the 14-14 tie with North

heart out of us and we never seem-

ed to recover" during the regular

Statesman at Bowl

to whip the Blue Devils, spent

most of its time on defense and

on another Oklahoma casualty,

tackle Jerry Thompson, who als

field during earlier drills.

carried the ball 118 times for a distance of 655 yards in seven games.

Bowl Wednesday.

has a tender ankle

be slowed up some."

general review work.

him yesterday.

George Dutrow.

Ready for Orange Mix

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 30 &-Oklahoma quarterback Carl Dodd tested

his injured ankle today and found it strong again-a cheering bit of

news for Sooner fans who want a victory over Duke in the Orange

Results

CLEVELAND, Dec. 30 (F)

tribe roster.

Lemon, who was out much of last season with an ailing arm, is recuperating from an operation on his right elbow.

BURLINGTON, VT., Dec. 30 P-St. Michael's, playing a deliberate ash, Camas, Wash, and Mary game, won its own Invitational Jane Wait, Salem.

and Bowdoin nlpped Williams 74-73 Shadow" and a salute to the Ore-Freeman Planning to Force Carolina State, after Duke had built up a 14-0 lead, "took the

get a chance at Karl von Himm- to the immediate future. ler's Northwest heavyweight the Bronx block-buster has plans. while passing through town yesterday, "then he's gotta give me a title match or face suspension

So Freeman will be out to clob-

Hefty, Herby Freeman , doesn't | Wednesday, leaving no doubt as Big Herbie, one of the most powchampionship in their Armory must brawl Wednesday night. But the Bronx block-buster has plans. that "if they get close enough to "If I clobber that big lug," told sun-tanned Herbie in a brief visit em with my full nelson." Freeme to jerk on it during my matchman's full nelson is a punisher. Wednesday's prelims, first of which starts at 8:30 o'clock, have Negro villain Don Kindred against

fault. This I'm told by ma'ch-Irish Danny O'Rourke, and young maker Owen." Eddie Sullivan opposite von Himmler's tag team partner, Juan Oinber the bearded and bald German ainda

von Himmler Into Title Go