

Oregon Basketball Team Invades California Courts On Barnstorming Tour

TEAM TANGLES WITH SAN JOSE STATE TONIGHT

University of Oregon barnstorming Webfoot basketballers swing into action tonight in California, where they tangle with the San Jose State Spartans at San Jose. It will be the Webfooters' second game on their annual Christmas vacation tour, for Saturday night they eked out a narrow 28-21 victory from Southern Oregon Normal school at Ashland.

The game with the SONS was a wild affair, with Oregon trailing 18-11 at the halfway mark. Seven times during the contest the score was tied up, but it was not until ten minutes had elapsed in the second half that the Ducks managed to forge ahead. Dave Silver's long basket gave them a 26-26 margin at that point. From then on it was neck-and-neck, with the hard-driving Webfoot finally pulling the game from the fire. Silver scored 17 points to lead the parade of sharpshooters.

Tough Game Expected
The game with San Jose is expected to be one of the hardest on the Oregon team's slate this week. The Spartans boast a strong squad composed of big fast players. Tuesday night the Webfooters move over to Berkeley where they tangle with the University of California Bears, one of the strongest teams in the southern division of the Pacific coast conference. It will be the Oregon team's first meeting with the Bears in several years and the Ducks are anxious to see whether they can make it two straight victories over southern division teams. They defeated U.C.L.A. ten days ago in Eugene.

Wednesday night the Webfooters meet Chico State at Chico, following which they head back to Eugene, arriving here some time Thursday afternoon. A rest over Christmas day will be followed by two games in Portland, one Saturday night against the strong Multnomah club team, and the second Monday against the Union Oil quint. The two games will be the only ones Oregon will play in the Rose City this year.

PRO GRIDDERS IN GREAT COMEBACK

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—(AP)—The barnstorming Brooklyn Dodgers staged a late fourth period rally and came from behind to tie the Los Angeles Bulldogs, 13-13, in a professional football game here yesterday.

Trailing 7 to 0 going into the final period, the Dodgers saw the Bulldogs chase another score across to make it 13 to 0. Then the Easterners suddenly came to life, completed nine straight passes, and knotted the count just before the final gun.

Basketball Finals

- By The Associated Press College
- University of Oregon 38, Southern Oregon Normal 31.
- Willamette 32, Portland Packards 31.
- Cheney Normal 27, University of Idaho 24.
- High School
- Astoria 27, Benson (Portland) 32.
- Milwaukie 20, St. Helens 35.
- Jewell 18, Westport 21.
- Bellfountain 37, St. Mary's (Eugene) 17.
- Philomath 16, Springfield 22.
- Monroe 19, University High (Eugene) 31.
- Butte Falls 14, Jacksonville 27.
- Kent 12, Maupin 15.

LUCKS DOWN SEATTLE
PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 21.—(AP)—The Portland Buckaroos won their second consecutive game of the current series with the Seattle Seahawks last night by a 4-2 score. The Buckaroos came from behind Seattle's two-point lead in the final minutes of play to win on Sutherland's and Olette's goals.

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Billy Herman, Gabby Hartnett Walk Off with National League Fielding Championships for 1936

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—(AP)—It's going to take a lot more than the National league offered this season to move second baseman Billy Herman and catcher Gabby Hartnett of the Chicago Cubs out of the fielding championships for their respective positions.

Not only did the two Cubs retain their league fielding titles—Hartnett for the third straight year—but official averages released today showed they turned in two of the half-dozen record-equalling or shattering performances of the season.

All-League Team
The all-league fielding team for the season, including those who saw action in 100 or more games, lined up this way:
First base—Gus Suhr, Pittsburgh Pirates, .9734. Second base—Herman, .9753. Shortstop—Lippy Leo Durocher, St. Louis Cardinals, .971. Third base—Joe Stripp, Brooklyn Dodgers, .9683. Outfield—John Cooney, Dodgers, .964; Augie Galan, Cubs, .957; Mell Ott, New York Giants, .954. Catcher—Hartnett, .961. Pitcher—Bob Reis, Boston Bees, 1.000 (57 chances, 35 games); Tex Carleton, Cubs, 1.000 (57 chances, 35 games).

Perhaps the standout among the new records posted was that by Al Lopez, the Boston Bees' catcher, with but one passed ball in all 127 games he caught, eclipsing the mark of two held by five other receivers.

More Marks Cracked
Cooney's .964 average tied the league outfield fielding mark; Stu Martin, the Cards' rookie infielder, tied a league record with 11 assists by a second-baseman in one game; Tony Cuccinello of the Bees, performing in 128 double plays at second base, equaled his own league record set while he was a member of the Cincinnati Reds' cast in 1931.


Outside of the individual records, there was one by the Pirates, with only four passed balls for the season, equalling a loop mark, and another by the entire league, with only 65 passed balls, shattering the previous low of the 69.

The Cubs topped the club outfielding standings, with an average of .976, two points better than the second-place Cardinals.

McLemore's Sport Parade

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—(AP)—The business of putting a ski on your right foot and another ski on your left foot (ski being long pieces of board curved up at the end with points on 'em) and sliding down a hill, or mountain, has become a tremendous industry in the past two years.

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BOSTON RED SOX, JOE LOUIS YEAR'S 'DISAPPOINTMENTS'

By ALAN GOULD
NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Boston's "Gold Sox," who ran sixth in the American league pennant derby after being picked to finish 3-2, carry off the booby prize for 1936, so far as the sports experts are concerned.

Thirty-one out of 83 writers in the Associated Press annual poll rated the Boston ball club as the year's No. 1 disappointment, taking into consideration all sports as well as individual and team competition.

On points, the Red Sox led their only serious challenger, Joe Louis, 93 to 41, in the contest for the poll's most dubious distinction. Eleven experts put the Brown Bomber at the top, because of his knockout by Max Schmeling, an event already rated as the year's biggest combined come-back and upset.

Disappointments or "flops" marked every branch of sporting activity, judging by the nation-wide returns. Next to the Red Sox in baseball, the Chicago Cubs were rated the biggest disappointment to their followers. The Detroit Tigers, picked by most critics to repeat in the American league, and the St. Louis Cardinals' pitching staff also were cited.

Colleg football's disappointments depended largely upon the sectional point of view. Ohio State's Buckeyes, for failing to be national title contenders, got the most mention, but the Iowa, Kentucky, Georgia Tech, St. Mary's and Fordham gridiron aggregations also were considered "built up for a letdown."

Failure of the American Olympic committee to reinstate the backstroke swimming queen, Eleanor Holm Jarrett, was voted the main disappointment in connection with the big games in Germany. Unmentioned was the No. 1 tragedy of the Olympics which occurred when the German girls' sprint relay team, while seemingly certain of victory, dropped the baton and did not even finish.

Lawson Little's failure to qualify for the United States Open after forsaking amateur ranks was rated golf's main "flop." Brevity's decline after a sensational winter start as a three-year-old was voted the turf's biggest disappointment. The elimination of the American Davis Cuppers on home grounds, by Australia, was the saddest blow to tennis followers.

Broncos Resume Grid Work For L. S. U. Tilt
SANTA CLARA, Calif., Dec. 21.—(AP)—Santa Clara University's football squad resumed heavy workouts today after a Sunday touch-tackle game which developed into a passing bee.

During the game the third stringers used Louisiana State plays against the first and second teams, in preparation for the New Year's day Sugar Bowl game with L. S. U. at New Orleans. Yesterday's workout was the easiest ordered by Coach Lawrence "Buck" Shaw in five days.

BEAVERS PLAY IN PORTLAND
CORVALLIS, Ore., Dec. 21.—(AP)—Oregon State's basketball team will risk their prestige against two strong independent quintets in Portland this week. The Beavers will play Union Oil tomorrow night and the Multnomah Club Wednesday.

Bear Grid Team Pedal to Georgia

BERKELEY, Calif., Dec. 21.—(AP)—The University of California football team will literally row and pedal part of the way to Atlanta, Ga., where it plays Georgia Tech in a Dec. 26 game.

Coach Leonard Allison ordered a stationary bicycle and rowing machine installed in the baggage car before the 33-man squad left yesterday. He said each player would be required to exercise 15 minutes daily on the machines to keep loosened up.

Vic Bottari, sparkplug halfback who was injured in a Friday scrimmage, will probably play against the Georgians, said Allison, but he is still doubtful about halfback George Cornell and fullback Ken Cotton. The squad will return home by way of Mexico City.

1,100 PONIES ON WAY TO S. ANITA

SAN MATEO, Calif., Dec. 21.—(AP)—Exodus of 1,100 racing horses stabled here, mostly to Santa Anita, was under way today as the Bay Meadows track completed the most successful meeting in its history.

The track managed by William P. Kyne, broke northern California records when \$4,330,890 was handled by the pari-mutuel machines during the 25-day period. Profit was estimated at \$200,000.

Basil James, Sunnyside, Wash. jockey, booted home 24 winners to win the \$500 prize offered by Bing Crosby. James, leading American jockey, outdid Allan Gray, Cleveland, Idaho, rider, who rode 20 winners.

The longest price of the meeting was paid on the victory of Fanion—\$143.20 to every dollar bet. Seven dead heats were recorded. Twelve track records were smashed.

Buzzy Brown Trying Hard to Make Weight

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 21.—(AP)—"Buz" Brown, Portland claimant to the Northwest featherweight title, went through a "drying out" process to lose two more pounds today but insisted he would be in top form for his argument with Al Spina, also of Portland, tomorrow night. Both must make the 126-pound limit. Spina, well under the limit, tapered off hard workouts.

Brown won from Spina in a "title" bout several months ago. The supporting card lists heavier boys.

"Turkement" Big Hit at Golf Club

"TURKEYMENT"—5—SPTS.—Must. Question: What is a "turkement"? Answer: A "turkement" is a golf tournament with a turkey for a prize, and one was held Sunday at the Oakway golf club. "Snap" Ward was the winner of the main dish for his Christmas dinner—a beautiful turkey. A large entry participated in the tourney.

Another "turkement" will be held next Sunday, according to club officials.

HUSKIES, PITT ENCAMPED; HARD WORK UNDER WAY

SANTA BARBARA, Calif., Dec. 21.—(AP)—The University of Washington Huskies, Rose Bowl representatives of the west, arrived here today from Seattle to spend a week training for their New Year's day game with Pittsburgh.

Coach Jimmy Phelan, who chose a location away from Pasadena to condition his charges in order to have uninterrupted work, announced that the Huskies would begin hard practice probably tomorrow.

In Good Condition
The squad left Seattle in good condition, and barring injuries this week, should go into Pasadena's bowl in the same shape.

If Washington can win by one point Phelan will be "tickled to death," Phelan told newspapermen: "You guys in California who have been feeling sorry for Pittsburgh, breathe a few prayers for us, will you? Jock Sutherland's team is one of the great teams in America. If we can eke out a one-point victory, I'll be tickled to death."

SLATE HARD WORK SAN BERNARDINO, CALIF.

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., Dec. 21.—(AP)—The Panthers of University of Pittsburgh headed into a pair of stiff workouts today as Coach Jock Sutherland remodeled a first string backfield for the encounter with University of Washington in the Rose Bowl January 1.

Ball Stapulis, 175-pound senior, injured early last season, went back into the fullback berth, and his replacement, big Arnold Greene, moved into the second string backfield.

Stapulis, while not a great ground gainer, scored once against Notre Dame and had a 45-yard goal run called back. In addition, he is a good kicker and blocker.

Stapulis, Marshall Goldberg, John Chiecerne and Harold Stebbins made up the Pitt first string backfield today, although Bobby Larue, the right half, is slated to get back into harness tomorrow in place of Stebbins.

ALASKANS EVEN SCORE PORTLAND, DEC. 21

PORTLAND, Dec. 21.—(AP)—The Polar Bear ice hockey team of Alaska evened things with the Portland All-Stars, scoring a 4 to 3 victory. Portland won the opening game Wednesday. Vickers of Alaska shot the winning goal in the final minute of play.

American women spend 50 per cent more for footwear than do British women.

And They Call It An Indoor Sport!

PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 21.—(AP)—Mrs. Edna Mae Potter, Los Angeles housewife, added 10½ pounds to her weight at a single meal, but she won the county chicken eating championship by doing it.

Using a two-handed, harmonica-style technique, Mrs. Potter out-chewed four men contestants.

"Really, it was nothing," she declared as she laid down the last of 23 drumsticks from 10 three-pound roasters. Her husband, Claude A. Potter, is manager of the show which sponsored the contest.

VON ELM VICTOR IN GOLF TOURNEY

GLENDALE, Calif., Dec. 21.—(AP)—George Von Elm, once the master golfer of the country, came back into championship glory today with the resuscitation of the Southern California open cup.

Blond Von Elm, looking little older than the day 10 years ago when he beat the great Bobby Jones for the National Amateur crown, stroked his way through 72 holes of sub par golf for a total score of 69-68-70-72—279.

Par at the Oakmont Country club is 72—and 288 for 72 holes.

The Hollywood pro pocketed \$400 for the first prize. He won the Southern California open title as an amateur in 1925.

Harry Bassler, capable Long Beach, Calif., professional, came from behind and edged out Olin Dutra of Los Angeles for second place money of \$250, shooting a 68 on the final 18 holes yesterday for 282.

Willamette Cagers Beat Portland Team

PORTLAND, Dec. 21.—(AP)—The Willamette University Bearcats of Salem, strong bidder for the Northwest conference championship, defeated the Portland Packards, 32 to 31, in a pre-league game here. The Portlanders rallied in the second half but fell one point short in their drive to take the lead. Willamette had 20 to 9 advantage at halftime.

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