

Virgil Jones Wins Scratch Bowling Title

Virgil Jones, recognized in most local kegling circles as Eugene's No. 1 bowler, retained his scratch singles championship Sunday night at the U-Bowl alleys where he topped a field of 12 pin-smashers with a 12-game aggregate score of 2268, an average of 189 and 84 pins better than the second-place total of 2184 posted by Bob Wiltshire.

Other scores were: Al Larson, Glenn Dotson and Chet Goodman, each with 2175; Eld Stillwell, 2123; Norm Newman, 2121; Lee Bonney, 2092; Charley Harvey, 2088; Ralph Bricker, 2069; Ossie McPherson, 2038, and F. Murphy, 1945.

Jones clinched the victory on the 11th game after he had flubbed the 10th with a 127 score that gave him a six-pin lead over Larson. He rattled the maples for 257 in the 11th and then coasted in with a 202 final.

Harvey had the best three-game block, a 608 score in his second series.

Jones won the title last year, a 16-game event divided into two week-end matches, with an average of slightly more than 190. He received a substantial cash award plus the Roy Northman permanent trophy for his 1943 victory.

Strikes

By Paul Deutschmann

A mark that is not likely to be bettered in the 1943-44 league season is the high team total of 1113 set by the Pennywise keggers of the Eugene Recreation Wednesday evening.

The total is the first of the season to break into the 1100s. The Pennywise record included a creditable 1035 scratch with 78 handicaps added for the high mark.

Members of the team and their individual scores in the game are: Chris Jensen 198; Roy Rasmussen 220; Dick Bennett 170; Frank Loomis 213; Merton Ferebee 236.

The total might have been about 20 points lower if Frank Loomis had not picked up a 4-10 split about midway in his 213 game.

A chance to get into the Eugene bowling "hall of fame," the 275 Friday night when he ended up a hot game with 274, just one less than the required total. The score was good enough, however, to give him high of the week at the U-Bowl.

In case you want to know how to make those 7-10 splits, here's how John Pashkowsky, Detroit, recently did it. His ball hit the 7-pin on the right, causing the pin to knock against the kickback, hit the ball in the pit, and ricochet up on the alley bed to make the 10-pin.

Here's one from Cleveland, Eddie Taffs recently rolled his ball between the 3 and 10 pins without touching either one.

U-BOWL: Hoosier Hot Shots moved into undisputed possession of the Social League first place with 22 won, 11 lost last week. Pin Twisters came up to the Slips and Slides for second, each with 19-14; Ritz Rollers have 15-18; Midgels 14-10; Spares 11-22.

The league has five more nights to go.

With only three more series to be played Jones Service has a 3-game lead on the Super league with 21-12; Johnson and Junior chamber are tied for second 18-15.

Pennywise has 17-16; Oregon State Guard 16-17; Dolson, Richfield and SP each 14-19.

Pennywise have a two-game lead in the Moose circuit to last for three nights of league. They have won 23, lost 10. Wintergarden next, 21-12; Health Spot 20-13; U-Bowl 20-13; Bristol 15-18; Poles 13-20; Clingman 13-20; White Fuel 7-26.

The Farmers are in the EFGA first place with 14 and 7. Lucky Strikes have 13-8; Pin Busters 12-6; Warehouse and Red Building 10-11; Lone Wolves 4-17.

RECREATION: With three weeks of bowling to go in all Recreation leagues, at least three teams are more or less "clinched" for the top spots. Consolidated Freight is the leader of the Willamette circuit, having won 22 and lost only 11 for a five-game margin above the field. An outside chance remains for General Petroleum with 17-16; but Medoland with 14-19 and Texaco with 13-20 are out of it.

An even larger lead is held by the Eugene Plywoods of the West Coast league with 26 won, 7 lost and a lead of seven games. Booth-Kelly has 19-14; Springfield Plywood 18-15; Veatch 3-20.

The Goodyears lead the Major circuit, but by only three games. The tire boys have won 21, lost 12, while Charamontes and Southern Pacific each have 18-15.

Penny-Wise with 17-16 and Clingmans with 16-17 have mathematical chances, but not Coca Cola with 9-24.

Another virtual "clinched" is the Beeson-Hall team in the McKenzie league with 23 won, 10 lost for a 7-game lead with 9 to play. Pic 7 have 16-17; De Neffes 15-18; and Rubenstein 12-21.

Seattle Quintet Wins Fifth Northwest Title

SEATTLE, March 22.—(AP)—For the fifth straight year the Alpine Dairies team of Seattle holds the independent basketball championship of the northwest.

The veteran dairy squad claimed its fifth-in-a-row Saturday night by defeating the Fircrest Dairy of Bellingham, 29-25, in the final game of the northwest independent basketball tournament.

Washington to Play Longhorns

Oklahoma To Oppose Cowboy Hoopsters

By SAM SMITH
KANSAS CITY Mo., March 22.—(AP)—Four great western and southwestern basketball teams—winners of a total of 82 games against 20 losses during the regular season—tangle in a star-spangled western NCAA regional tournament in Kansas City Friday and Saturday nights.

Topping the entries is the Wyoming University quintet, which this last week battled into the

HUSKIES LOSE LEASE

SEATTLE, March 22.—(AP)—The hopes of the University of Washington to win the western intercollegiate basketball title in the Kansas City playoffs next week-end faded slightly today as they sped east without Capt. Wally Leask, long shot artist and ace guard.

With little prospect for success, university officials sought a five-day extension, in addition to a seven-day stay already granted, of army orders for Leask to report for duty with the air corps at Sheppard Field, Texas.

semi-finals in the National AAU tournament in Denver.

Right behind the Cowboys is the Pacific coast entry, the Washington quintet which lost only five of the 29 games on its schedule. From the plains of the southwest comes the Texas team, co-champion of the Southwest conference, and Oklahoma, second-place Big Six quintet.

Wyoming meets Oklahoma at 8 p. m. Friday to open the regional tournament. Washington and Texas tangle at 9:30 o'clock to determine the other finalist for the Saturday night regional title game.

While great teams fight it out for the chance at the national crown later on, there'll be enough stand-out stars on the card to give any basketball fan a chance to study hardwood astronomy.

Oklahoma boasts Gerald Tucker, who smashed four scoring records of the midlands conference, ending the year with a 17.5 point per game average.

Stars of the Wyoming Cowboys include giant Milo Komenich, with an average of 18.7 and Kenny Sailors, diminutive captain of the team but a sparkplug when he dons his cage clothes. Sailors had an average of 15.12.

Washington has an entire five-man team with better than 100 points to its members' credit in conference play.

The team thus became a record-holder in its conference. Bill Morris got 180 points, Chuck Gilmer 135; Boadie Gilbertson 125; Captain Wally Leask and Doug Ford, 110 each.

Morris scored 321 points during the entire 29-game schedule and Gilmer got 217. The high-scoring Washington team totaled 807 points to their opponents' 621 in the 16-game conference schedule.

Texas, where the boys grow tall and fast on their feet, has a smaller squad than usual this year but employed a fast-breaking, long-passing offense and a man-to-man defense to tie Rice for the conference title. John Hargis was high-point man for the team with 189. Buck Overall was another top scorer with 149.

The four regional tournament teams play a fire-department brand of ball, relying on fast breaks and snappy passing.

Generally speaking, all four teams rely largely on man-to-man defense.

Cougar Mittmen Leave

PULLMAN, March 22.—(AP)—Two Washington State college boxers—Mike Nelson, 155, and David Knight, 135, are en route to Madison, Wis., to take part in the National collegiate boxing championships. The two, who are the first W.S.C. entries in the national tournament in two years, left here Saturday.

George Wagner Upsets Jack Lipscomb in Grudge Bout

By DUKE YOUNG

The fans got their money's worth at the Pearl Street wrestling arena Saturday night, even though Bulldog Jackson failed to show up for his "go" with Jack Lipscomb.

Referee Owen with a leg split and stomp. Time, 12 minutes. Both boys bruised their knuckles trying for the third fall, but McEun came through again, taking this fall in nine minutes with a number of painful body-punches and a pressure-leg-lock, which was just a little too much pain for Lipscomb.

By this time the capacity crowd was in a frenzy of excitement, anticipating the blood-and-thunder match between Wagner and Lipscomb. This was a re-match, carried over from the week before, by order of the Eugene wrestling commission, and both "boys" promised not to be naughty and fight in the street, as was the case in their previous meeting. But, of course, that didn't stop them from fighting in the aisles, a common occurrence when mania-clashes with mania. Wagner failed to make an impression on the crowd during the first few minutes because he was trying to be clean in

ling in the final touch with a half-Boston-crab. Cleanie-Pippenheifer came back with murder-in-his-eyes and quickly took McEun's pride for a fall with a series of clips-to-the-button and then getting the pat-on-the-back from Referee Owen with a leg split and stomp. Time, 12 minutes. Both boys bruised their knuckles trying for the third fall, but McEun came through again, taking this fall in nine minutes with a number of painful body-punches and a pressure-leg-lock, which was just a little too much pain for Lipscomb.

After the rest period Wagner returned to the arena madder than "a wet hen" and told Referee Owen that type of wrestling is illegal, but Owen did not agree. Number two coming up and Wagner was out to get it, which he did with fists, shoulder-butts, knee-blows and so forth—finally getting the pat on the back with a Wagner special, which starts out like a spin and body-slam but ends up with both arms pinned behind Lipscomb's back. . . a throw to the floor and a shoulder press,

which Lipscomb didn't like a bit. Anything could have happened in the third fall. . . and everything did happen. Wagner proved his merit to the excited fans by flipping Lipscomb all over the place and into the aisles about seven times. More fistuffs were used in gaining this fall by both men and one could hardly call it wrestling. It was 95 per cent boxing. Finally, after what many fans called a low blow, Lipscomb's shoulders were pinned to the canvas with a body slam and press, thus giving Wagner the match.

The time for this last fall was five minutes and Lipscomb did not claim a low blow at the time but hardly had a chance because he was playing with the birdies in a punchy slumber. When he did come back to his senses, Referee Elton Owen had left the ring. Lipscomb tried to talk it over with the fans gathered around the ring but, of course, could get no satisfaction.

The matches start at 8:30 every Saturday night at the new wrestling arena, Broadway at Pearl, diagonally across from the Eugene hotel. Reserved seat tickets may be purchased at any time during the week at the Club Cigar store.



FORMER TRAINING CAMPS WERE NEVER LIKE THIS—It may look like the Sunday Afternoon Cycling club, out for an outing, but it's really just a group of the New York Giants en route from the hotel to the work-out park at Lakewood, N. J., in up-to-date 1943 style. Left to right: Babe Barna, Gus Mancuso, Dick Bartell, Carl Hubbell and Tom Sunkel.

American League Records Announced

NEW YORK, March 22.—(AP)—Diamond dust from the new American league "Red Book."

The St. Louis Browns, who ousted the St. Louis "Blues" by driving to third place last season, would be a major pennant favorite if they could play all their games at night. They won't have that opportunity.

Knuckler Johnny Niggeling led the Browns with a 6-0 mark.

Ted Williams of the Boston Sox could see 'em at night, too. He had 16 hits in 32 trips for a .500 average under the arcs—against a day mark of .349 for a league leading average of .356.

Blame it on the alleged dead ball, but there were only 10 grand slams—homers with the sacks busy—as against 25 in 1941. Yankee Charlie Keller and Joe Gordon and Brownie Chief Laabs led with two each.

Two clubs, Detroit and Philadelphia, failed to homer around the circuit. The Tigers failed to clear the Fenway Park fence while the Phils missed the barrier at Comiskey Park.

The least number of homers, 24, came at Griffith Stadium, and the most were seen at Yankee Stadium, a total of 101. Of this number the slugger league champions contributed 82. The White Sox were the only club out-home-runners at its own park, making only six at Comiskey Park against 13 for the Browns.

For the second year, there were no no-hit games. Yankee Hank Borowy, Indian Al Smith and Buck Newsom, then a Senator, tossed one-hitters. . . Their "spoilers" respectively were Harland Clift, St. Louis, with a scratch hit; Joe DiMaggio, with a double, and Detroit's Roger Cramer with a triple.

Quiet Dom DiMaggio of the Sox was the only outfielder to make an unassisted double play. He went in fast to take Roger Cramer's line drive at Detroit and kept right on going to Nab Jim Bloodworth before the Tiger second-sacker could get back to first.

There were 39 unassisted twin killings among infielders. Detroit's Rudy Rudy, Cleveland's Les Fleming, Chicago's Don Kolloway and Washington's Mickey Vernon each turned in three to share top honors.

Only three men still are active who have passed the 2000-hit mark. They are Al Simmons, Joe Cronin and Roger Cramer.

Charley Gehring left for the navy with a 19-year total of 2839 safeties in 2323 games.

Williams, now a naval aviation cadet, took out membership in the "500 plus" runs batt in club. . . In four years the hard-hitting Boston outfielder drove a total of 515 runs across the plate.

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Young Rockets Face Top-Flight Quintets

By JACK CUDDY
NEW YORK, March 22.—(AP)—Coach Burl Friddle of the Toledo U. basketball team hopes that his all-freshman "Rockets" provide such a significant flare on the athletic horizon that the freshman rule will be abolished permanently from post-war varsity sports.

Friddle, whom some of the uncouth call "Bull Friddle," moved into New York with his frosh last week to take over Manhattan college, 54-47, and Manhattan Island with his personality and players.

First Time on Record

When Friddle and his Toledo Rockets took the floor at Madison Square Garden against the Jaspers last Thursday night in the opening session of the National invitation tournament, it unquestionably marked the first time that an all-freshman squad had competed nationally in any branch of sports in the modern history of college varsity athletics.

The 10-man squad that Friddle trotted onto the court against Manhattan that night would have remained, hog-tied by artificial restrictions, right on the Toledo campus were it not for the wartime abolition of the freshman rule in the Ohio conference—and most other conferences.

Friddle says, "I don't know how far this freshman outfit will go. We'll sit on the sidelines when the lower bracket teams of the tournament play—Rice vs. St. Johns, and Western Kentucky vs. Fordham. We'll have it out in the semi-finals of the tourney with Washington and Jefferson Saturday night. If we survive, we'll play the lower bracket winner in the final on March 29. Then, if we're still in the running, we'll meet the National Collegiate Athletic Association winner for the National championship on March 30."

Coach Confident of Youth
That's one helluva assignment for a bunch of freshmen, kids just out of high school—kids who in former years were not figured to have enough "stuff" to even practice with the Toledo varsity—or any other varsity.

Friddle turns to youth—to freshmen out of high school—because he knows what youth can do. This is his first year as a university coach. For the past 18 years he has been piloting high school teams at Washington, Ind., and the South Side high school of Ft. Wayne, Ind. Colleges in other states tried again and again to get him, but they couldn't compete with the salaries paid prominent high school coaches in Indiana, so-called hotbed of the hoop game.

Angott, Jack Squabble Over Gate Receipts

NEW YORK, March 22.—(AP)—Contender Bob Montgomery of Philadelphia plus a spirited argument over gate receipts combined today to stymie arrangements for a proposed title bout between Sammy Angott and Beau Jack to provide an undisputed lightweight titleholder.

If gate arrangements satisfying both can be made, Angott and Jack are willing to sign for the bout. Angott refused to accept the challenger's end of the purse and demanded an even split while Jack insisted on the champion's cut.

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