

# HIGH CLIMBER

Irony may not be the best description of Hec Edmundson's plight, but it serves the purpose. The Washington basketball mentor's desire to establish a record that never could be broken—winning 16 straight games in the northern division—was so intent that the Husky civilians ended the season with a better record than the "unbeatable" trainees, thanks to Uncle Hec's strategy of importing a couple of trainees for the final three Inland Empire games, and Idaho's 55-53 upset victory.

After winning the first game from Idaho, Don McMillan, who scored 34 points, and Al Akins, an ex-WSC star, joined the Huskies in Pullman and saw action in the remaining three games. The action cheated Oregon out of a possible "civillian" championship (had Washington lost two of the four games with an all-civillian team Oregon would have topped 'em with a percentage of .786 to .750), but there must have been no end of satisfaction for Hobby Hobson of the Webfoots to know that the trainees lost one of 11 games played and the civilians won all five starts. . . . Uncle Hec did manage to set a record of 15 victories in 16 games, which will be hard to beat, but still beatable.

Cambridge, Idaho, is pretty proud of the distinction of being the hometown of Martin Fry who received an award from the American Red Cross for 150 hours of knitting. He has knitted many sweaters for boys overseas. . . . But Cambridge and Fry have nothing on Eugene and Jim Walker.

Walker, one of the leading sportsmen in this area, is a knitter of no mean ability. The forest association warden, as rugged a fellow as you'd want to meet up with, recently knitted a fine sweater for a pal of his who is in the U. S. army air corps. Although beautifully done, the finished product proved too big and Jim is anxious to trade the finished product (which couldn't be duplicated for \$10 or \$12) for enough of the same yarn to knit a smaller one for his flyer friend. . . . The size of the sweater is about 44 and any fisherman, hunter or outdoors man with a barrel chest could make a good deal with Jim Walker of the Eastern Lane county fire patrol association.

Reflections from the 20th annual Lane county "B" high school tournament. . . . Do away with committees and charge one person with the responsibility of running the show. . . . Although out-run by Warner Empey's Coburg Broncos in the final game, the hardest-running quintet was Oakridge. . . . The three best-coached squads were Dick Wright's Mohawk Indians, Jack Walton's Oakridge Warriors and Vernon Cook's Siuslaw Vikings. . . . The best all-around ball-player in the tournament was unquestionably Pleasant Hill's Gale Kimball. The job done by Wright was particularly outstanding in view of his day-long work at the Booth-Kelly mill and volunteer coaching in the evenings. . . . Dick, a former Eugene high all-stater and member of the Rubenstein Oregonians when the local quintet won the state AAU title, modestly says he thinks he has learned more from his kids during the past season. . . . Walton has developed a team that may figure prominently in "B" basketball next season, but may lose his ace hoopster, Ty Loveless, six-footer center. . . . The family is expected to move to Eugene, providing a nice piece of maple court ivory for one of three coaches—Father Louis Sohler of St. Mary's, Harry Davis of University high, or Henry Kuchera of Eugene high. . . . Only one former B coach was in attendance at the tourney—Virg Kingsley who coached at Lowell and Oakridge before moving to Junction City. . . . The 1944 tournament did very well financially, the crowds topping the 1943 event all three nights. . . . The "take" was about \$1000 as compared to \$600 last year, according to Warner Empey, treasurer.

So we took the \$50,000 and built a swimming pool! When the frost goes off the pumpkin, the buds sprout on the trees and the days get longer and longer, thoughts always turn to our greatest civic need—a community swimming pool. Sure these are wartime, and a \$25,000 swimming pool is being planned along with other post-war projects. But right now money is plentiful, and we understand sufficient equipment can be secured to construct at least the first unit of such a pool—with pumps, filter system and all.

A group of local young men are willing to take on the project and see that we have a place for the kids to swim by mid-summer. One of 'em told us only last week that he could raise \$25,000 for the project, another said he could buy the equipment. . . . But these fellows have their own ideas regarding the tank. And some of the ideas do not conform with the plans of the "committee." In the first place the location of the pool would be in the Amazon tract along with Civic Stadium, the undeveloped recreation area, and near the site of the new high school—instead of in the fair-grounds area. . . . Another idea is that the pool be convertible, open in the summer and closed, heated and usable during the winter months. . . . Such a unit would no doubt cost twice the amount of

## City Hoop Teams Complete Year

CITY BASKETBALL	W	L	Pct.
Final Standings	14	0	1.000
Springfield CIO	14	0	.714
Oregonians	7	7	.500
Independents	7	7	.500
N. C. College	7	7	.500
Junior Chamber	8	8	.452
Stoke Jewelers	5	9	.357
Fenn's Tiremen	5	9	.357
Farmer's Creamery	1	15	.071

Eight City-league basketball teams closed 1944 court action at the men's gym Monday night with the Champion Springfield CIO aggregation, assured of the title two weeks ago, making the title-picture perfect by posting its 14th-straight league contest and without a miscue.

It was one of the most successful fully-operated leagues in Eugene independent history.

The great CIO team, led as usual by Howard Fox and Casey Jones with 28 and 22 points respectively, had no trouble in dumping the Stoke Jewelers, 68 to 27. Jack Stevens scored seven for the losers, but the team could score only five points in the first-half, and could not begin to cope with the champions superior height or playing ability.

### Oregonians Win

Joe Gordon's Oregonians, last year's city hoop champs, had to be contented with second-spot in league standings this year. The Oregonians won their tenth game of the season, dumping the Fenn's Tiremen, 43 to 27. Gordon sparked the attack by scoring 10 points, though high-point honors went to Pete Price of the Tiremen with 12. Halftime favored the winners, 21 to 10.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Eugene Farmer's Creamery staged a wild-and-woolly-scoring-bee in this final contest. The Junior Chamber, tied with Stoke for fifth-place, dumped the tail-end Creamery workers, 63 to 42.

Wayne Crooch scored 10 field goals to take high-point honors for the winners with 20. Bob Wetzel, John Nikkel, and Murph Christensen scored 14, 13 and 12 respectively to aid the cause.

The Independents edged out the Northwest Christian College quintet, 32 to 30 to tie the collegians for third place with seven wins and an equal number of setbacks.

Al Wolf, former all-star player at Eugene high, led the winners with 13 points.

Summaries:  
NCC (40) vs (22) Independents: Warner, 4; Jones, 2; Smith, 3; Haskell, 4; Foster, 4; Owens, 4; Fishback, 8; Kleinfeldt, 2. Independents—Harber 1.

JCC (43) vs (42) RFC: Crooch, 10; Jones, 10; Wetzel, 14; Powell, 4; Christensen, 13. RFC—Daurmeyer, 10; Wolf, 8; Bishop, 6; Heltman, 3; Hoff, 1. Official: Marv Reynolds.

EOG (45) vs (31) Fenn's: Shaler, 8; Jones, 5; Danner, 10; Brandt, 10; Dunn, 4; Stewart, 4; Bullitt, 10; King, 2; Stump, 2; Fenn—Dalton, 2. Official: Merv Dalton.

## \$60,000 Gate Visioned For Angott Mitt Bout

HOLLYWOOD, March 7.—(UP)—With the weatherman predicting clear skies for the next two days, Promoter Joe Lynch today visioned a \$60,000 gate Wednesday night for his lightweight championship bout between Sammy Angott and Juan Zurita. Zurita wound up his sparring routine by flooring two working partners. After today's training, George Parnassus, manager of the Mexican challenger, said he was convinced now that Zurita was ready to go 15 rounds for the first time.

## Eugene Recreation

Monroe Lumber company took three straight games from the Royal Crown keglers in Women's league play at the Eugene Recreation Monday night. Weber of the Monroe team totaled a 156 singles and 437 series for high honors.

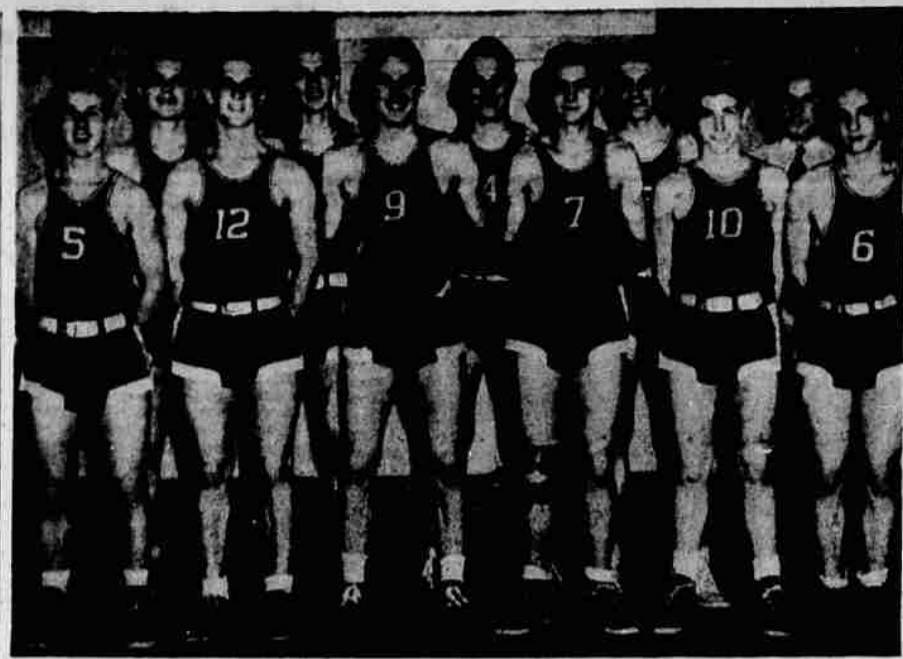
H. Gordon took two-out-of-three from Goodyear with Shull of the Tiremen rolling a 196 lone game and a 307 series.

In the third game of the evening, Woolworth also won two out of three games, with the KORE quintet on the other side. Swennes and McCarty of KORE tied for high singles at 178, with Swennes winning the series with an even 500.

One look at Jesse is enough to make this wholly credible. He weighs 175, only half a dozen pounds more than in his cinder pounding days at Ohio State University and his triple triumph in the 1936 Olympic games at Berlin.

### Sees New Records

"I guess that Olympic stadium must be a heap of rubble by now," he said solemnly. "And I hope it is. But my biggest track thrill was winning the 100 meters there. Eddie Tolan, who won the 100 at Los Angeles in 1932, says his Olympic victory also was his biggest thrill. He's working in De-golf and bowling."



EUGENE HIGH'S DISTRICT RUNNER-UP QUINTET—From left to right, front row: Clay Thomas, Darrell Robinson, Bob McKeivitt, Cecil Berg, Jerry Holland, Bill Hutchinson; back row, Dale Warberg, Warren Hunter, Bill Elder, Curt Sprecher and "Hank" Kuchera, coach.

## Eugene High Quints Advance in League

The third series of games in the Eugene high school post-season "lettermen" league found teams coached and captained by Curt Sprecher and Cece Berg tied for the National division lead with three victories without a defeat, and the Bill Hutchinson's quintet at the top of the American circuit with two triumphs.

At the conclusion of three more series, the winners in each division will meet in a playoff. The teams are composed of varsity players, plus recruits from the "B" and sophomore teams and a number of junior high players.

Results of games to date: Hutchinson 30, Fulps 28; Warberg 45, Hunter 34; Sprecher 22, Robinson 21; Thomason 33, McKeivitt 29 (overtime); Berg 30, Elder 22; Holland 36, Ruth 35; Berg 30, Thomason 24; Fulps 26, Warberg 23; Robinson 34, Elder 27; Sprecher 35; McKeivitt 25. Hutchinson 38, Holland 19. Ruth 40, Hunter 38. Berg 38, McKeivitt 24. Sprecher 32, Elder 28. Robinson 38, Warberg 35, and Darrell Robinson in the National circuit with 44. Behind Hunter are Dale Warberg with 28, Norm Collett 23, Ed White 21 and Jerry Holland 20, while Curt Sprecher with 43, Bob McKeivitt 39, Bill Elder 38 and Clay Thomason 35, follow Robinson in National scoring.

## Mauriello Awaits Fight, Trail, Bride

NEW YORK, March 7.—(UP)—Tami Mauriello, confined to a hospital with double pneumonia and pleurisy, said Tuesday he was convinced that his luck was ready to take a turn for the better and predicted he would be out and ready to fight again "in a few days" though his physician wasn't so optimistic.

Describing his condition as only "fair," the physician said he would be confined for several weeks.

Mauriello said he was banking heavily on being recovered by Easter Sunday, April 30, when he is to be married.

The fighter, who lost his last boxing assignment at Madison Square Garden to Joe Baksi, the Pennsylvania coal miner, in a charging grand jury action on a charge of alleged criminal assault on a 15-year-old girl.

## Sports Slate

THURSDAY: Interscholastic Basketball: District B-2, Junction City.

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SATURDAY: Interscholastic Basketball: District B-2, Junction City. Professional Wrestling: Pearl Street Arena.

## WINS REMATCH

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—(UP)—Eddie Booker, 165, San Francisco, won a rematch from Holman Williams, 162, Detroit, in a 10-round bout in the main event at the Civic Auditorium Monday night.

## CHICAGO, March 7.—(UP)—Don Hutson of the Green Bay Packers won the field goal kicking championship for 1943, official statistics from the National football league revealed Tuesday.

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## Jessie Owens Biggest Thrill Came In Berlin Olympics; Stadium Now Bomb Target

DETROIT, March 7.—(UP)—The place where he gained his greatest triumphs is being blasted off the map, but coffee-colored Jesse Owens at 30 still can run 100 yards under ten seconds.

"At least I think I can," grinned Jesse across a desk at the Ford Motor company where he is employed as a public relations man. "Last summer I ran in a war relief meet in Canada and they clocked me in :09.8. I think I could do that well right now."

Curiously, Owens works a few miles from the Michigan Stadium where on May 25, 1935, he soared into the spotlight by cracking three world records and equalling another in one day. He did it the hard way too. As he had the miseries in an injured back.

Oh, For A Son

While he's still wrapped up in the sport, Owens says his track days are definitely finished. He's settled down here with his wife and three daughters after several years of barnstorming in which his earnings were relatively small. For exercise he has taken up

## No Wonder They're Ahead

SAN ANGELO, Tex., March 7.—(AP)—Now that this basketball team of John Hobaugh, it's tremendous! Known as the Hippos, it averages 224 pounds, and the players considered it a concession when they allowed 184-pound Damon Phillips to join them.

This is what they weigh, individually: Hobaugh, 227; "Jumbo" Strom, 248; Diddle Youngs, 241; Cot Weatherford, 233; Wilks Weatherford, 255; Cecil Baker, 202. Elwood Morrow, 201.

But the team is leading the city league.

## Boston Braves Signs Two Indiana Players

BOSTON, March 7.—(UP)—Manager Bob Coleman of the Boston Braves got unexpected help for his manpower problem today when two young players, Chester Clemens and Mike Sandcock, both of Evansville, Ind., applied for reinstatement into organized baseball.

Neither player was in baseball last season. Coleman indicated they would get a chance with the Braves and that they would find places on the team's farm organization at any rate.

The Braves also received the signed contract of Armand Cardoni, right handed pitcher, who won 10 games and lost eight at Hartford, Conn., in the Eastern league last season.

## 21st Pirate Signs

PITTSBURGH, March 7.—(UP)—Frankie Gustine, 4-F second baseman for Pittsburgh became the 21st player and the seventh infielder today to sign his 1944 contract for the pirates. Gustine has been with the team since 1939 and batted .290 last year.

The Pirates also announced that outfielder Johnny Barrett had been classified in 4-F by his draft board and that he would be available for the 1944 season.

## Don Hutson Adds Field Goal Title to Others

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## U-Bowl Bowling

Kilbourn's, Pennywise, Dotson and the U-Bowl bowling teams won two-out-of-three games in regular social league bowling at the U-Bowl alleys Monday night.

Despite the fact that Kilbourn's took the odd-game, A. McPherson of Arrow Amusement had high single and series honors, 224 and 815. Pennywise found a similar situation, when Charlie Harvey posted a 222 single and a 549 series for the Hart Larson team.

Dotson's was led by H. Roberts in the singles, 223 and G. Dotson in the series, 555, as it won two-out-of-three from the Green and White team. U-Bowl, with Roy Northam posting a 215 and 629 singles and series, also won two games from C & S Electric.

## HOLDS 2 BLOCK ADVANTAGE

CHICAGO, March 7.—(UP)—The world's pocket billiard champion, Willie Mosconi of Toledo, who ascended the cushion throne by defeating defending champion Andrew Ponzil of Philadelphia, held a two block advantage Tuesday over his foe in a 1,500-point exhibition match.

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## Liska, Adams Beaver Holdouts

SAN JOSE, Cal., March 7.—(UP)—Manager Murv Owen gave his Portland Beaver baseball club of 25 members a two-hour workout on their sunny, first day of practice, and reported he was satisfied with the way the boys belted the ball.

Owen immediately stamped two northwest youngsters, Norm Johnson and Bob Heddington, infielders, as comers, and said Harry Amacher, rookie catcher from Oregon State, handled himself nicely behind the plate and looked to be one of the best of the newcomers.

Among veterans who showed up for the first day were Larry Barton, first baseman; Johnny O'Neil, shortstop; and Wayne Osborne, Frank Stone, Joe Sullivan and Jack Wilson, pitchers. Veteran backstopper Gilly Campbell of Los Angeles was expected in a few days.

Manager Bill Klepper said that Ad Liska, old-time submarine hurler, and Catcher Eddie Adams probably would be holdouts. They have refused to sign a contract to date.

## Root Grets 20 Men

ONTARIO, Cal., March 7.—(UP)—Twenty ball players greeted Manager Charlie Root yesterday as the Hollywood Stars began spring practice.

Only five athletes from last year's squad which finished in fifth place in PCL standings were on hand for the opening workout.

Veterans reporting for duty were Earl Escalante and Root, pitchers; Jim Hill, catcher; Roy Younkers, outfielder; and Babe Herman, infielder. Harry Clements, flashy fielding third baseman, and new acquisition Ernie Potocar, catcher, are expected to report today.

Pitcher Alex Weldon joined the Stars after a year of duty in the armed forces.

Hollywood's crosstown rivals, the Los Angeles Angels, will hold their first spring workout Saturday at Anaheim.

## O'Doul Watches Kids

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—(UP)—Manager Frank "Lefty" O'Doul of the San Francisco Seals reported today that he has some "boys to watch" among the 22 players trying out for contracts in the first spring training workouts.

Nineteen regulars were on hand for the initial session Monday, but O'Doul's attention was devoted chiefly to the possibilities among the new men.

## Sacs Sign Outfielder

SACRAMENTO, March 7.—(AP)—Edward Weigand, Fresno outfielder who played two seasons with Yakima in the Western International league, but who has been out of baseball since 1942, has been signed by the Sacramento Solons, Earl Sheely, club manager, said.

## Gettel & Co. Upsets Commercial Iron In State AAU, 36-34

PORTLAND, March 7.—(AP)—Ernie Gettel, the one-man gang from Pacific University, entered the Fee's Music Makers lineup last night and knocked the favored Commercial Iron basketball team from the State AAU tournament, 36-34.

Gettel scored 18 points against the Ironmen, who boasted such stars as Chuck Patterson, Wally Borrevik and Jay Hollingsworth.

## Former OSC Runner New Lou Nova Manager

PORTLAND, Ore., March 7.—(UP)—Heavyweight Lou Nova was awaited in Portland Tuesday to begin workouts for his 10-round bout Friday with Nash Garrison of San Jose. Garrison was expected to arrive Tuesday night.

Nova's new manager is Ray Dodge, the former Oregon State college and Olympic games 880 ace. Dodge ranked with the best runners in the nation, and scorched the track over the half-mile distance in the late 1920's.

## DePaul Mentor Chicago 'Coach of the Year' For 2nd Straight Time

CHICAGO, March 7.—(AP)—For the second consecutive year, Coach Ray Meyer of De Paul university has been voted "coach of the year" by members of the Chicago basketball writers' association.

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## Diamond Director Says Major Have Too Much Pride To Quit

NEW YORK, March 7.—(AP)—If you think baseball should fold up for the duration, or that the fans will not turn out to see the talent-depleted teams in action, you can get yourself a swell argument with John A. Heydler.

Come August, Mr. Heydler will be 75 years old, and he's spent a mite more than 50 of those years with the National league, 16 as its president before retiring in 1934 when he accepted a life-time job as chairman of the league's board.

The white-haired gentleman who has seen the national game weather many storms should know whereof he speaks here's what he has to say.

"Don't worry about giving up in wartime. Don't the huge investment and clubs and the leagues have and greater reasons for continuing?"

"For 44 years the National league has operated with the eight clubs. Counting the years those clubs were part of the league, they've together 52 years. Why, and Chicago haven't been in the league a minute since organized back in 1870. High School Boys Make A"

"There is a pride of emotion among the major league. The long association has halo around the team's game, and it will not be carded."

"Some fear the attendance fall far under the usual rate but I do not subscribe to that fear. I don't believe the established stars will be the gate to any great extent."

"I have seen, out on Longland, 3500 to 4000 fans at school game. Many of these from the high schools—member such stars as McPhil Rizzuto, Maris Russ, and others made the straight from high school majors or high minors. Play day boys can do it too."

Isaac Murphy and Earl Sande, famous jockey of the Golden 1920's so far are the only riders to three win the coveted Churchill Downs classic that started in 1875.

## Eddie May Ride 3rd Derby King

NEW YORK, March 7.—(AP)—Eddie Arcaro, the jockey of the hour, may become the third man in history to win the Kentucky derby three times.

Arcaro, who regained national prominence with his victories in the Flamingo and Widener Stakes at Hialeah Park, triumphed in the 1938 derby with Lawrin and repeated in 1941 with Whirlaway, famed all-time money winner.

So far the skilful little jockey hasn't received a mount for the May 6 classic at Louisville, but racing observers believe that is a formality that will be attended to long before post time.

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