

The Sports Wire

To Clown or Not to Clown, That Is the Question

From AP Reports

To clown or not to clown. That's the problem the Los Angeles Lakers face tonight as they meet the St. Louis Hawks in a National Basketball Association (NBA) game.

Harry Gallatin, coach of the Hawks, is very much perturbed by the antics that Laker back-court veteran Hot Rod Hundley employed Wednesday night as the Lakers humbled St. Louis, 135-106.

"It was a travesty on the game," said Gallatin. "The entertainment is the game itself, not some guy trying to rub salt into our wounds."

"Maybe they feel they have to go Hollywood out there but it was strictly bush and don't bet it won't backfire on them."

Hundley, who cut loose with some fancy ball handling, passing and shooting at the exhortation of the fans, seemed amused at Gallatin's remarks.

"The only clowns I saw on the floor were the Hawks," he said. "Maybe we should start the entertainment earlier tonight."

Gallatin, however, said there is danger that others in the NBA may try to emulate Hundley, former West Virginia star.

"Next thing you know, we're going to have Globetrotter basketball. Hundley used to be a good player, but I wonder how he feels, relegated to the role of a clown, tossed in at the end of a game to put on a show? He should be in the movies. There's no place for him in pro basketball."

Laker general manager Lou Mohs disagreed with Gallatin. "Hundley's not a clown. He's a fine player," said Mohs. "I think Harry's just unhappy over his team's play and is trying to fire them up for tonight's game. If the Hawks don't want Hundley to clown they should make the game close."

Baker May Be Traded

Heisman Trophy winner Terry Baker of Oregon State may be traded before he even signs a contract to play professional

football. That is, provided he decides on the American Football League (AFL).

It was reported Thursday by columnist Melvin Durslag of the Los Angeles Herald-Examiner that the San Diego Chargers of the AFL, who made Baker their 12th round draft choice, might not care to enter into a price war with the Los Angeles Rams of the National Football League (NFL).

Baker was the first round pick of the Rams, last place team in the NFL.

The Chargers, Durslag reported, might be interested in making a deal for the All-American quarterback with the Oakland Raiders. Oakland, last in the league standing as well as being the worst crowd-drawing team, could use a player of Baker's stature.

The Chargers, it was pointed out by Durslag, have an established quarterback in John Hadl and might be more interested in bidding against the Rams for another rookie, Ben Wilson, USC fullback.

One-Punch Knockout

Dynamite Murphy, 63, scored a smashing, one-punch TKO early Thursday.

The oldtime bantam and featherweight contender, now a bar owner, decked a would-be robber who grabbed him as he was walking to his apartment shortly after 2 a.m.

The assailant wobbled to his feet and fled in a waiting car. Dynamite Murphy's name outside the ring is Phonce Lazzari.

John McKay Nominated

John McKay, just three seasons ago an assistant coach at Oregon, is in line for the American Football Coaches Association's Coach-of-the-Year award.

McKay's Southern California Trojans breezed to an undefeated season in 1962 and are now practicing for their up-

coming Rose Bowl game against Big Ten Champion, Wisconsin. The Trojans led the final football polls released by both Associated Press and United Press International.

Seven other nominations for the honor were announced by the coaches association Thursday: Bob Blackman of Dartmouth, Rip Engle of Penn State, Bill Murray of Duke, Johnny Vaught of Mississippi, Milt Bruhn of Wisconsin, Bob Devaney of Nebraska and Darrell Royal of Texas.

The winner will be announced during the associations' convention in Los Angeles Jan. 6-9.

Shoots Small, Scores Big

Loyola's sizzling Ramblers, averaging almost 111 points in six successive basketball victories, are scoring big because they are shooting "small."

During six weeks of practice, coach George Ireland had his Loyola club firing at a 15-inch hoop. The standard circumference is 18 inches.

The Ramblers didn't pry the smaller rims from their regular baskets until three days before their first game, Dec. 1.

What followed were runaway victories over Christian Brothers, 114-59; North Dakota, 110-56; Wisconsin of Milwaukee, 107-47; South Dakota, 105-58, and Western Michigan, 123-102.

That gained Loyola No. 4 ranking in the Associated Press national poll, but Wednesday night the Ramblers erased away flash-in-the-pan suspicion by whipping the Big Ten's Indiana 106-94 on the Hoosier court.

Loyola has an even bigger obstacle to hurdle Saturday night in the Chicago Stadium against undefeated Seattle (5-0), ranked No. 10 in the AP poll.

For Seven Cents . . .

Sixteen Tiny Timms of British horse racing have gone on a Christmas strike over wages.

The lads, all attached to Fred Armstrong's stable, claim

Armstrong has fined them by amounts ranging from a shilling (14 cents) to 2 shillings (28 cents) for reporting late for work. The boys, training to become jockeys, exercise the horses in training.

One apprentice said his most recent pay check came to only sixpence (seven cents) after the fines.

"This is going to be a pretty miserable Christmas," he said. "The boys—small and light of weight—are paid 8 shillings (\$1.12) a week at the age of 15 and climb to \$6.30 at 20."

Their dream is to become a top-class jockey riding Derby winners. Failure means a job as a stable boy for about \$28 a week.

Phils Pitcher Injured

A Philadelphia Phillies pitcher who pitched only eight innings for the Phils last season because of a sore arm has more problems now.

Ed Keegan, 23, was seriously injured Wednesday night when his car went out of control near Clayton, N.J., ran 140 feet along a grass bank, then smashed into a power pole.

Keegan suffered injuries to his head, face and legs, and was taken to the Elmer Community Hospital.

Tosses Hat . . . Cap in Ring

Chicago Cubs infielder Ernie Banks, the National League's Most Valuable Player in 1958 and 1959, is tossing his hat—no, his cap—into politics, he said Thursday as he listed several objectives he has for 1963.

One would be to win the post of alderman in his home eighth ward in Chicago's South Side.

"I'd like to then help at least one boy to something better, maybe get to college," Banks said. "And I'd like to play in the World Series."

Banks says the campaigning will not interfere with his baseball career. This will be his first venture into politics. "I've never run for anything—except first base or against the Dodgers," the 31-year-old Banks observed.

Training Site Protested

The Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) asked the Baltimore Colts Thursday not to return to Westminster, Md., for pre-season training next year because of the town's segregated facilities.

CORE told Don Kelleff, executive vice president of the National Football League (NFL) club, that Negro players on the team recent being confined to the training camp because of segregation policies in places of public accommodation.

The Colts have trained at the Western Maryland College campus since the NFL franchise returned to Baltimore in 1953. CORE and other integrationist groups have conducted sit-in demonstrations in recent months in protest of segregated eating places.

Kelleff said a copy of the letter has been sent to Carroll Rosenbloom, owner of the Colts, and that they would sit down and discuss the problem.

Don Meyers Sets Indoor Pole Vault Record

CHICAGO (AP)—Don Meyers, a shy young man who aspired merely to become a better known athlete, hit a jackpot far beyond his wildest dreams Thursday night by soaring 16 feet, 1 1/4 inch to a world's indoor pole vault record.

The 22-year-old Meyers, a post graduate student in physical education at the University of Colorado, made a 1,000-mile overnight train trip sitting up in a coach to compete in the University of Chicago Track Club's 10th Holiday meet.

"I wanted to make a good mark this year in a meet like this so I could get invited to

other meets," he said.

The Chicago meet had added luster this year because it was the first test of President Kennedy's call for a truce in the 2 1/2-year feud between the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) and the National Collegiate Athletic Ass'n. (NCAA)-backed U.S. Track Federation.

The meet was the first jointly sanctioned by both groups.

Meyers, a fair, slim, 6-footer weighing 165 pounds, hit 13-foot-8 on his first try, using a fiber glass pole he brought along with him.

On his second vault, he cleared 14-6, and on his third,

15-5. The cross bar at the University of Chicago Fieldhouse then was raised to 16-1 1/4, one half inch above the world indoor record.

Meyers cleared the cross bar without brushing it amid an excited roar from the spectators. The approved record is 16-3 1/4 set by John Uelses of the Marines in Boston last Feb. 3.

Meyers' best showing in competition had been 15-3. He achieved this height last year in trying for the national collegiate title at Eugene, Ore.

Meyers, after his record vault, hurried to a telephone at the field house and called his 22-

year-old wife in Colorado Springs, to tell her the good news.

"She thinks I'm kidding," he said to a meet official. "Tell her it's the truth."

The happy official complied. Meyers' top performance in practice was 15-8 and he is virtually unknown in top competition.

Meyers, who has one daughter, said he wants to go to the Pan-American games in Brazil in April and hopes to compete in many other events.

The world outdoor mark is 16-2 1/4 by Finland's Pentti Nikula at Kauhava, Finland, last

June 22. The top American outdoor vault is 16-2 by Dave Tork of the Marines at Walnut, Calif. last April 28. Each used the controversial fiber glass pole.

The meet went off without a hitch. Ted Hayden, Maroon track coach and meet director, said the competition could prove an excellent test of good will between the erstwhile warring NCAA and AAU and could signal the start of a satisfactory compromise.

President Kennedy told a news conference last week he was alarmed that the feud might kill U.S. chances in the Pan-American games and the 1964 Olympics.

OSU Meets West Virginia In Tourney

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP)—George King, basketball coach of West Virginia's nationally seventh-ranked Mountaineers, thinks it would take a miracle for his team to win this year's University of Kentucky Invitational Tournament.

The tournament, the nation's richest holiday classic, gets underway tonight with West Virginia meeting Oregon State in the opening contest and ninth-ranked Kentucky playing Iowa in the second game. The winners play for the championship Saturday night.

"I would like nothing better than to win the championship," King said, "but I don't know whether our team can stay up mentally two nights in a row. And we'll really have to be up for Oregon State tonight."

"I haven't slept for a week just worrying about how to stop Mel Counts," King said. "I guess we'll just have to let him go and try to make up for it elsewhere."

Counts, the Beavers' seven-foot star, is averaging 29.7 points in four games.

King's team has lost only to third-ranked Ohio State 62-54, but he said, "The three teams we have beaten were something else less than national powers. This tournament will be a good yardstick to what we'll be able to do this season."

Rod Thorn, West Virginia's All-America candidate, will be back in the starting lineup. He missed the Richmond game Dec. 11 with an ankle injury.

Slats Gill, veteran Oregon State coach, said present plans call for him to start Heisman Trophy winner Terry Baker.

Baker, who quarterbacked the Oregon State football team to a 6-0 Liberty Bowl victory over Villanova last Saturday, joined the team for practice this week.

"He's coming along just fine," Gill said, "and I certainly plan to start him. He's a real inspiration."

Iowa Coach Sharm Scheuerman said his team came to Lexington expecting to give Kentucky the fight of its life "and things haven't changed since we arrived."

"Our team wants to be in that second game tomorrow night," Scheuerman said.

Oregon State brings a 2-2 record into tournament play, Iowa is 2-2 and Kentucky 3-2.

In Slowed-Down Game

Bid by Dayton Fails: Cincy Wins, 44-37

By Associated Press

Henry Fonda, playing the classic role of the fastest gun in the West, once delivered a movie line which would seem to fit Cincinnati very well.

Advised by an apprehensive and shaken citizen that, eventually, he must be gunned down, Fonda agreed, then asked with a slow sad smile:

"But who's to do it?"

"Most everyone agrees that Cincinnati's basketball winning string now at 25 games, eventually must end. But the question remains:

Who's to do it?"

Dayton made a valiant effort Thursday night, playing a slow, deliberate game in an effort to control the Bearcat scoring punch. But when it was over, the Flyers had been shot down 44-37.

It was the seventh notch of the season for Coach Ed Jucker's team, ranked first in the nation and shooting for a third straight NCAA title. Their scoring output, however, was the lowest for the Bearcats since a 57-40 loss to St. Louis two seasons ago.

Thursday's Results

Prep Basketball

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Sherwood 56, Banks 44
Dayton 54, Gervais 37
Milwaukee 54, North Salem 45
Douglas 54, Ft. Vancouver 38
Clackamas 60, South Salem 57 (ot)
Lowell 56, Creswell 38
Alumni 54, Westfir 28
Yoncalla 48, Canas Valley 39
Elkton 55, Crow 54 (12 ot)
Hiddle 42, Sutherlin 34
Myrtle Creek 37, Glide 36

College Basketball

Kyazoo 60, Rochester 56
Alabama 72, Richmond 58
Cincinnati 44, Dayton 37
St. Mary's Cal. 94, Creighton 71
UCLA 79, Northwestern 63
Bradley 76, South Carolina 63
Detroit 82, San Jose 76 (ot)
Missouri 54, Tennessee 57
Ohio U. 72, Muskingum 57
SMU 100, Minnesota 89
New Mexico 56, Colo. St. U. 46
Idaho 54, Wash. State 37
Washington 39, Montana 35
Utah State 87, Iowa State 52
Pacific 70, Martin's 63
Washington 79, Portland St. 38
N. Montana 61, Whitman 37
North Dakota 77, Alaska 57
McAlester 63, Whitworth 35

Western Hockey

Los Angeles 3, Seattle 1
Only game scheduled

National Hockey

Montreal 4, Toronto 4
Boston 3, Detroit 3

Pro Basketball

San Antonio 99, Philadelphia 88
Oakland 96, Chicago 92

Rematch Slated By Relay Teams

AUCKLAND, New Zealand (AP)—The world record holding Oregon University four-mile relay team will meet the New Zealand team again.

The program for January has been altered to enable the relay to be run. No definite date has been set. The first clash in Auckland Dec. 19 was spoiled when Vic Reeve, Oregon's lead-off runner, fell on the slushy track.

Renewal Due On Boat Fees

The 1963 boat license for pleasure or commercial craft may be obtained now from the Oregon State Marine Board at Salem, according to Director Bob Rittenhouse.

He also reminded boat owners this week that certificates of number issued in 1960 will expire during the coming year. Owners will receive a notice from the marine board approximately three weeks before the number expires.

Rittenhouse also noted that simplification of registration requirements will be sought during the next session of the state legislature. The marine board will ask for revision of state law so that the number certificate, which is issued on a three-year basis, and the annual boat license could be combined.

This would cut administrative cost and eliminate some of the confusion about the two requirements, the director said. There would be no increase in registration fees.

Ski Reports

BATCHKLOP BUTTE — Report as of 9 a.m. Friday: Temperature, 28 degrees. Clear, calm, over three feet of snow with packed base and granular surface. Roads in good condition with a few patches of snow and ice the last five miles. All facilities—poma lift, T-bar, chair and rope tows—operating over the holidays. Area will be open seven days a week until April 14.

HODGSON—Only beginner's tows will operate this weekend because of the lack of snow. The lodge, coffee shop and ski shop will be open, however.

WILLAMETTE—Will not be open this weekend because there still isn't enough snow.

TIMBERLINE LODGE — Roads clear but icy in spots. Carry chains. Total snow 27 inches, none new, hard packed. Temperature 34 at 8 a.m. winds west and 3-10 miles an hour. Lower double chairlift and Betsy rope tow operating.

Georgia Tech vs. Missouri

Defensive Tilt Seen In Bluebonnet Bowl

By Associated Press

Missouri Friday had a decision over Georgia Tech, its Bluebonnet Bowl opponent, by the narrow margin that is expected to separate the two defensive-minded teams after their football game Saturday at Rice Stadium in Houston.

The Tigers of the Big Eight Conference beat the Rambling Wrecks of the Southeastern Conference to Houston by 20 minutes Thursday as their chartered planes converged on the game site.

They aren't expected to be that far apart Saturday. Missouri, with a 7-1-2 season, gave up an average of only 5.2 points per game. Tech (7-2-1) was almost as stingy.

The Bluebonnet is the first of the big-crowd games on the post-season slate. Two other Bowl games are on the Saturday card, the Tangerine Bowl (Miami of Ohio vs. Houston) at Jacksonville, Fla., and the North-South game at Miami.

Some 60,000 are expected at Houston, 50,000 at Miami and 15,000 at Jacksonville. The Bluebonnet will be televised by CBS starting at noon PST, and the North-South at 12:30 p.m. by ABC.

The odds-makers say the Houston Oilers are a touchdown favorite for Sunday's American Football League championship game at Houston but statistics on the two regular season games with the Dallas Texans indicate the game should be a toss-up.

The weekend is a warmup for the packed weekend schedule ahead that includes:

Dec. 29: Gator Bowl (Penn State vs. Florida) at Jacksonville, Fla.; East-West Shrine Game at San Francisco; Blue-Gray at Montgomery, Ala.; All-American Bowl (Major college stars vs. Small college stars) at Tucson, Ariz.

Dec. 30: National Football League championship game between Green Bay Packers and New York Giants at New York.



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Dec. 31: Sun Bowl (West Texas State vs. Ohio U.) at El Paso, Tex.

Jan. 1: Rose Bowl (Southern California vs. Wisconsin) at Pasadena; Sugar Bowl (Arkansas vs. Mississippi) at New Orleans; Cotton Bowl (Texas vs. Louisiana State) at Dallas, and Orange Bowl (Oklahoma vs. Alabama) at Miami.

National television will carry the Gator Bowl, East-West, Blue-Gray, NFL playoff and the four big New Year's Day games.

Bowling

TIMBER BOWL
MORNING STAR—Norma Hinshaw 156, Goldie True 303

FASHION-ETTE—Nancy Telsy 182-436

750—Opal Blackman 224, 624

2100—Don Hicks 223, Ted Harper 606

SUNSET—Webb Riddle 219-820

9607—Bob Jenkins 224, Ken Kinports 624

EUGENE RECREATION
MOOSE—Al Wilson 242, Bob Watson 586

ROLLING PIN—Marguerite Burdick 194-538

LADIES OF ELKS—Mona Alford 206-537

EMERALD LANES
TEA MENS—Ken Paulson 231, Wayne Smith 601

NEW U-BOWL
LADIES MAJOR—Blanche Brown 193, Wanda Proevic

HOLIDAY BOWL
COFFEE—Lorry Brewer 222-525

WESTGATE LANES
TWILIGHTERS—Ray Emerson 253-633

EMPIRE BOWL
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