

Grid Leaguers Decide to Wait Federal Action

By Walter Byers (United Press Staff Correspondent) Chicago, Jan. 11 (AP)—The National football league marked time along with other professional sports today to wait until the government definitely decides the future of wartime professional athletics.

Despite the vigorous protests of owner George P. Marshall of the Washington Redskins, the rest of the league's 10 clubs and officials voted yesterday to sit tight and not discuss 1945 plans until the White House or congress clarifies its wishes regarding the continuance of sports.

In taking its position in sportsdom's "watch and wait" line, the N. F. L. joined baseball, pro basketball and intercollegiate athletic conferences—sporting groups which have told the government they are awaiting orders.

Meeting Adjourned The pro football leaders abruptly adjourned their annual meeting yesterday after less than three hours, the owners explaining "there is little sense in laying plans for a football season nine months away when we don't even know what will happen from day to day."

Action on the player draft, 1945 schedule, franchise applications, rule suggestions and other business was deferred until April, when the league owners will gather in New York.

However, there was a strong undercurrent of optimism, indicating most owners expect to operate next fall due to the belief that servicemen want sports. Coach Curly Lambeau of the world's champion Green Bay Packers revealed the trend of thought when he told of tentative training plans in connection with the all-star game, annual August grid classic involving the pro league titlist.

One voice wailed against the league's delaying action. It belonged to Marshall, the always active and verbose leader of the Redskins' football antics, who claimed the adjournment "is in violation of the league's constitution and bylaws."

When he learned his fellow owners were going to vote adjournment, Marshall stormed out of the closed session.

"It takes a unanimous vote to call off a meeting once it is scheduled and I was not there," he said afterwards.

The league had scheduled the meeting with the intent to draft 330 college grid stars and discuss admittance of a 12th team for next fall and Marshall wanted something done.

Commissioner Elmer Layden refused to comment on the league's move, although he revealed that the action had been recommended by the league's executive committee Tuesday night and endorsed by the owners and officials.

EARLY WAR PAINT South Dartmouth, Mass. (AP)—Beside the well-preserved, 500-year-old skeleton of an Indian found under a dwelling here was perhaps America's earliest make-up kit—a clam shell containing a small mass of war paint that regained distinct red, yellow, green and blue hues on exposure to air.

Out Our Way



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Coasting Along in the Sport World

By Hal Wood (United Press Staff Correspondent) San Francisco, Jan. 11 (AP)—We hate to say this again, but it fits here as in no place else: It's an ill wind that blows nobody good. We're talking this time about the 4-F draft request and its possible effect on the world of baseball.

There is talk that if the non-essential 4-Fers get "meetings" from the president, or if there is a strict "work or fight" order from Jimmy Byrnes, that professional baseball, as an organization will fold its tent for the duration.

However, looking at it from the worst possible angle—that the majors and the other leagues close down—it might be a break for the fans of the Pacific coast in that they would get to see the finest brand of baseball in the history of the game.

This would come about by organization of four-team regional leagues, wherein there would be no travel, the players holding down regular defense jobs, etc. Such a program easily could be worked out in the metropolitan areas of Los Angeles, Seattle, San Francisco bay region and possibly Portland and San Diego.

Using the bay region as an example, how would the fans go for a four-team league with names like these in the lineup: Tiny Bonham, N. Y. Yanks; Emmett O'Neill, Boston Red Sox; Eddie Lake, Red Sox; Eddie Joost, Boston Braves; Joe Oringo, Chicago White Sox; Augie Galan, Brooklyn, Gus Suhr, San Francisco Seals; Tom Seals, Brooklyn; Ray Harrell, N. Y. Giants; Del Young, Seals; Manny Salvo, Phillies; Dolph Camilli, Bill Raimondi, Oakland; Jim Tobin, Boston Braves; Arky Vaughn, Brooklyn; Hugh

Snead Is Seeking New Golf Honors

Phoenix, Ariz., Jan. 11 (AP)—Slammin' Sammy Snead set his sights today on an honor he never has been able to attain—victory in the \$7,500 Phoenix open, which starts tomorrow.

The White Sulphur Springs, Va., professional finished in the money on previous occasions here, but was never quite able to cop the crown. In practice rounds he showed signs of retaining the sharp edge that gave him top honors in last week end's Los Angeles open, finishing the warm-up in 66, two off the record on the 71-par course.

Snead, who has won three of five tournaments in which he has participated since his discharge after a two-year hitch in the navy, is out to increase his string. He already has pocketed the top purses in the Portland, Ore., Richmond, Calif., and Los Angeles opens.

Revenge Sought But he is not up against Duffers, Harold (Jug) McSpaden, of Sanford, Me., and Byron Nelson, Toledo, O., goldfingers "gold dust twins," are out to avenge the one-stroke margin by which Snead beat them at Los Angeles. Nelson also is anxious to hang onto the Phoenix crown, which he won last year in a playoff with McSpaden.

Most of the other top contenders in the winter tournament circuit have turned out to see that the money doesn't go by default.

Among the top hands are Craig Wood, duration national open champ; Bob Hamilton, PGA champion of Evansville, Ind., Sam Byrd, Detroit, major league ball player turned pro golfer; Jimmy Gault, Ardmore, Okla.; Herman Barron, White Plains, N. Y., winner of the 1942 Phoenix open; Leonard Ott, Denver; Tony Penna, Dayton, O., and Willie Goggin, White Plains, N. Y.

An 18-hole pro-amateur round, a preliminary to the main event, is scheduled today.

Panthers, Bears Get Extra Games For 1945 Season A Bend high school basketball schedule change that should prove of more than usual interest to local fans particularly holders of season tickets, was announced

Basketball Hood River High School vs. Bend High School Fri. and Sat., Jan. 12 and 13 8:00 P. M.

Preliminaries both rights at 7:00 P. M. Adm. Inc. Tax 70c Service men 30c A few reserved seats will be available at the door.

Combine Quintet Is Again Victor In League Game

The Combine quintet continued to dominate Church league play with a 50 to 10 victory over the Baptist boys in this week's play. Results of the five games, played on two courts Tuesday night, follow:

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct. Combine 4 0 1.000, Nazarene 3 1 .750, Episcopal 3 1 .750, Baptists 2 2 .500, Methodists 2 2 .500, Christian 2 2 .500, Catholics 2 2 .500, First Presbyte'an 1 3 .250, West. Presby. 0 4 .000

Ray Robinson Beats Furrone

Washington, Jan. 11 (AP)—Ray (Sugar) Robinson of New York, the uncrowned king of the welterweights, put his 46th victory in 47 starts into the books today, with Billy Furrone of Philadelphia his latest victim in two rounds of their scheduled 10-round bout here last night.

Robinson, a 5 to 1 favorite, connected with the knockout punch after two minutes and 28 seconds of the second round.

BASKETBALL RESULTS (By United Press) Navy 70, Maryland 33. Army 70, Swarthmore 36. Penn State 50, University of Mexico 29.

Temple 58, Muhlenberg 47. Pittsburgh 59, Carnegie Tech 45. Yale 53, Trinity 41. Notre Dame 49, Iowa Pre-Flight 44.

Harvard 48, Boston Univ. 43. Southern California 75, Los Alamitos Naval Air Station 49.

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Results of games rolled last night in Women's Bowling league play at the Bend Recreation alleys follow:

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Dragons Arrive For 1945 Series

Bud Gibbs and Co., otherwise known as the Hood River basketball team, will roll into Bend this afternoon on their first invasion of Central Oregon this year. This evening the Blue Dragons will sharpen their claws on the Prineville Cowboys at the Crook county seat, as a warm-up for their all important series with the local Bend Lava Bears on Friday and Saturday nights.

Led by Gibbs, high scoring pivot man, the boys from the apple country will attempt to regain the basketball advantage they held over the Central Oregon teams during the season last year when they won games from Bend, Redmond and Prineville, only to lose out in the final test in the district tourney to a fighting Bend team.

Everett Gettman's Cubs will play prelims both evenings, the first night against Gilchrist in a non-league encounter and the second against the Cloverdale Independents.

ADD WOES OF MAILMEN Boston (AP)—Boston letter carriers have their troubles—and then some—these days. Already overworked because of lack of manpower, the carriers have to struggle with letters addressed to Cow Pasture, the old name for Uphams Corner, Cork City (Newington Center) and Washington Village (South Boston).

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