

Oklahoma Quint Beats De Paul; Star Is Ousted

By Jack Cuddy
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

New York, March 30 (UP)—Just as a cyclone is a cuspider! That's what they turned out to be today—those wild rumors that swept sports-suspicious New York last night after the Oakie-De Paul basketball upset.

The rumor-mongers certainly went to work after Oklahoma A. and M. registered its surprise 52-44 victory over De Paul, which had been a five-point favorite in the season's biggest betting game.

They found delicious fodder in the fact that tall George Mikan, star of the De Paul team and the nation's No. 1 offensive player, had "fouled out" of the classic in only 14 minutes of the first half. He left Madison Square Garden's court after referees Pat Kennedy and Hagan Andersen called five personal fouls against him.

Rumors Heard

And when Ray Meyer, De Paul coach, was closeted later in a room at the Paramount hotel with coach Harold G. Olsen of Ohio State, tournament manager of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, the gale of gossip reached its height. Principal rumors were:

(1)—That the De Paul coach had lodged a protest with Olsen against the officiating of Kennedy and Andersen; (2) that Olsen had called Kennedy and Andersen to the conference; (3) that a "big" midwestern gambler had called a New York "operator" yesterday afternoon and told him not to bet on De Paul because Mikan would be fouled out in a hurry; (4) that Olsen was ready to "blow the lid off"—demand a thorough investigation, and that an official announcement would be made "any minute."

Alert reporters kept the telephone hot.

Coaches Come Out

Finally, Olsen and Meyer emerged from their room. They were alone. No sign of the two referees. A reporter asked breathlessly, "Will there be an investigation, Mr. Olsen?"

"Investigation!" ejaculated Olsen. "What are you talking about?"

"Didn't coach Meyer register a protest against the officiating?"

Meyer personally caught this one off the back-board, and replied, "I made no protest against anybody or anything. You boys seem to have been misinformed. Mr. Olsen was merely consoling me for our defeat. Why should I protest? We were beaten—that's all. I still consider De Paul the better team; but that's a personal opinion. Our record for the season speaks for itself."

Called In Hurry

But weren't those five personal fouls called on Mikan in an awful hurry?—a reporter wanted to know.

"I'll say they were," Meyer admitted. "Mikan has been fouled out of other games, but never until late in the game—say in the last 10 minutes of play. The fouls called on Mikan this time were judgment fouls—actions that seemed to be fouls in the judgment of the referees—actions that seemed to be charging, hacking, and the like. I will say that they certainly threw the book at Mikan. And I'll admit I'm burned up because I had no voice in selecting the referees. And I don't think Kennedy had one of his better nights as a referee. But I've made no protest."

Coast Leaguers Ready for Play

San Francisco, March 30 (UP)—More than 35,000 fans are expected to go through the turnstiles tomorrow as the Pacific coast league opens its fourth war-time season.

Boasting more talent than at any time since the start of the war, with most clubs at least two-deep in all regular positions, club owners are looking forward to the greatest financial year in the history of the 43-year-old loop.

Seven men with previous experience as coast league managers, plus one freshman pilot, today named their opening day hurlers. And each and every field boss was optimistic in his opinion on chances to finish at least in the first division.

Big Crowd Expected

The Los Angeles Angels, favored to annex their third straight flag, will tee off against the San Francisco Seals before a predicted crowd of 12,000. Manager Bill Sweeney will call upon Don Osborn (15-13), to face Ken Bronzell, manager Lefty O'Doul's choice for the Seals. Bronzell, new to this league, won 13, lost 6 for Jersey City last year.

Oakland, a red-hot baseball city last year, expects to attract 10,000 for its opener with the tough Portland Beavers. Floyd Stromme (11-11), is manager Dolph Camill's hill choice. For Mary Owen's Beavers, the veteran Ad Liska (18-9) will toe the slab.

Fletcher Gets Call

Guy Fletcher (12-9), is manager Earl Shreeley's choice for mound duty for the Sacramento Solons against the Hollywood Stars. Pilot Buck Fausett, the managerial

Out Our Way



THE DOMESTIC MACHINIST

By J. R. Williams

Today's Sport Parade

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New York, March 29 (UP)—Fred Corcoran, tournament manager of the professional golfers' association, today branded as "base canards" the rumor that a relief expedition might be sent into Dixie to rescue those members of the touring golf caravan who reportedly are suffering from the Byron Nelson-Sam Snead "monopoly."

The relief rumors doubtless had their origin in the fact that Nelson and Snead have each won six tournaments on the so-called "golden trail." Together they have won 12 of the 16 tournaments staged since the tour opened Nov. 23 at Portland, Ore. Approximately 20 professionals have made the winter swing, with individual expenses running about \$150 a week. Hence the rumor that most of these linksmen were "starving."

We telephoned today to tournament manager Corcoran at Durham and asked him about the relief expedition. Corcoran's reaction was explosive. He snorted, "Nerts; those rumors are base canards. This tour is just about the same, from the financial angle, as any other. Some guys win the money, and some don't. Most of the players have at least broken even. And always remember this—no player makes the tour who can't afford it."

How can a player afford it, if he wins few prizes and his expenses keep running at \$150 a week?

"It's like this," Corcoran explained. "Practically every player who attempts a winter tour is a top-flight golfer. He is connected with a good club. His salary continues while he is touring. Any victories enhance his personal prestige and that of his club. Meanwhile the competition keeps his game sharp—keeps him valuable to the club. During the year, each player puts away a certain sum each month to be used as his tour fund. He figures he can afford to lose this sum, if he wins nothing on tour. Otherwise he doesn't start."

Thus far the winter tournaments have given \$150,000 in war bonds as prize money. Approximately \$45,000 of this has gone to Nelson, Snead, Jug McSpaden and Sammy Byrd. Byrd was the Texas' partner in winning the Miami four-ball tournament. In addition, Sgt. Jim Ferrier of San Francisco won the Oakland open; and Ray Mangrum of Los Angeles won the Tucson, Ariz., open.

newcomer, has nominated Ronnie Smith, (16-12), to toil for the Stars. A crowd of 8,000 is expected.

Pepper Martin returns to the league at the helm of the San Diego Padres and has chosen 42-year-old Jim Brillheart to oppose the slugging Seattle Rainiers in the curtain raiser. Manager Bill Skiff has countered with another 40-year-old star, Lefty Carl Fischer, who won 16, lost 13 last year.

Frank's Tavern

Sparkis	153	190	181	524
Corveny	148	219	176	541
Houck	177	197	169	543
Redifer	208	189	184	581

Frank's Service

Ball	153	149	172	474
Smith	156	161	187	504
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Superior Cafe

P. Loree	171	170	219	560
R. Nedrow	174	158	154	486
Absentee	153	158	158	474
F. Grindle	178	192	152	522
E. Brown	168	190	141	509
Total	850	868	824	2542

Pro Grid Teams Sure of Talent

Chicago, March 30 (UP)—The National football league will be in full-scale operation next fall with probably more than 90 per cent of its players working full-time war jobs while playing on the gridiron.

That was revealed today when the league office laid down a tentative plan for the coming season. It showed that professional grid teams will feel the manpower pinch only slightly and it also mapped how the N.F.L. is preparing to meet sports' voluntary 25 per cent reduction in travel.

The eleven N.F.L. teams have

lost 25 players to the service since last season, but the prospects of losing many more are slim since most of the players now hold war jobs. It is practically certain that 90 per cent or more will be working full-time war jobs come autumn.

Leaders Named

Leaders in the "war work campaign" are the Philadelphia Eagles, the Green Bay Packers and the Boston Yanks, who proved last fall that football players can work in war jobs during the week days, practice at night and still give worthy performances on the gridiron every Sunday.

Almost 100 per cent of the Chicago-Pittsburgh squad did war work during the 1944 season. Philadelphia had 24 players in war work, Green Bay had 18 and Boston had almost as many.



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5:15—Superman	10:45—Redmond Victory March
5:30—Tom Mix	11:35—Lady About Town
5:45—Night News Wine	11:40—News
6:00—Gabriel Heatter	11:45—Voice of the Army
6:15—Larry Clynton's Orchestra	12:00—Don Allen's Orchestra
6:30—Double or Nothing	12:10—Sport Yarns
7:00—Ray Herbeck's Orchestra	12:15—Four Polka Dots
7:15—Lowell Thomas	12:30—News
7:30—Lone Ranger	12:45—Farmer's Hour
8:00—Boxing Bouts	1:00—Memo for Tomorrow
9:00—Glenn Hardy News	1:15—Al Trace's Orchestra
9:15—Cecil Brown	1:30—Answer to De Mille
9:30—Freedom of Opportunity	1:45—Music for Half an Hour
10:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr.	2:00—Sports Parade
10:15—News	2:30—News
	2:45—Bernie Cummin's Orch.
	3:00—Halls of Montezuma
	3:30—Hawaii Calls
	4:00—American Eagle in Britain
	4:30—Teddy Powell's Orchestra
	4:55—Central Oregon News
	5:00—Word of Life
	5:30—Detroit Symphony Orch.
	6:30—News
	6:45—Mutual Musicale
	7:00—Russ Morgan's Orchestra
	7:30—Red Ryder
	8:00—Chicago Theatre of Air
	9:00—Glenn Hardy News
	9:15—Lew White at the Organ
	9:30—Henry King's Orchestra
	9:45—Don Reid's Orchestra
	9:55—News
	10:00—Ted Straeter's Orchestra

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7:00—News
7:15—Neil Bondshu's Orchestra
7:30—Homespun Trio
7:45—Morning Melodies
7:55—News
8:00—Ray Noble's Orchestra
8:15—News
8:30—Rainbow House
8:45—Today's Bulletin Board
8:50—Organ Treasures
8:55—Lanny and Ginger
9:00—Hello Mom
9:30—Rationing News
9:35—Old Family Almanac
10:00—Glenn Hardy News
10:15—Al Williams

Fight Results
(By United Press)

Worcester, Mass.—Johnny Cool, 132, Worcester, outpointed Rocky Prozano, 129, Stamford, Conn. (10).

Hollywood—Artie Dorrell, 145, Dallas, Tex., knocked out Rene DeLeon, 145, Tijuana, Mex. (6).

THREE CARS TAGGED

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ME NEITHER! FOR NO REASON AT ALL HE JUST HAULS OFF AN KICKS US!