

SPORTS

Billikens Qualify
For 1952 NCAA
Hoop Tournament

NEW YORK Feb. 21 (AP)—The slick St. Louis University Billikens Thursday became the second team to qualify for the NCAA basketball tournament.

The Bills, currently ranked as the No. 8 team in the nation by the United Press board of coaches, gained the tournament berth when they clinched the Missouri Valley conference championship Wednesday night at St. Louis by defeating Houston, 63 to 55.

St. Louis's first round opponent in the western regionals of the NCAA tourney at Kansas City, March 21, will be the as-yet-undetermined champion of the Border conference.

Kentucky Also
Of the other 15 NCAA berths, the only one already clinched is that belonging to the Southeastern conference champion, which is Kentucky. The National Invitation tournament has filled three of its 12 berths with Duquesne, St. John's and St. Bonaventure.

Six-foot, five-inch Bob Koch led St. Louis to its clinching triumph as he sank 23 points, 15 of them in the second half.

Dayton U., ranked No. 14 nationally and a leading candidate for both NIT and NCAA bids, furthered its cause with a 65 to 56 victory over Miami of Ohio. It was the Flyers' 22nd victory against only two losses and their 13th straight since losing to St. John's.

However, Penn State had its tournament hopes jolted by a 54-52 upset by Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. Penn built up a 34-22 lead at halftime, but needed a late basket by Ernie Beck to win. The loss was the second in 19 games for Penn State, which has announced it was not interested in an NIT bid but would consider an NCAA bid as a member-at-large.

Approximately 95,000 persons in America lost their lives in accidents during 1951, about 5,000 more than in 1950.

Sports Parade

By Oscar Fraley
(United Press Sports Writer)

NEW YORK Feb. 21 (AP)—This is the baseball silly season, when every major league manager dreams pennant and every team has a crop of rookies which annually include "a new Walter Johnson," or, at the very least, a "new Dizzy Dean."

It matters not one whit, or even a half one, that year in and year out these spring flowers wilt into fielders a la Pepper Martin or pitchers with all the control of a loaded pin ball machine.

There are two basic values to this hope eternal, however. Without it, the mortality rate among managers would be fearful. And, in its absence, your frantic fan in many a way station would be tempted to shove real close, ending once and for all both five o'clock and ninth inning shadows.

The crop this year, though, looks to be a bit more able than usual of living up to advance notices. Not those of the "Walter Johnson" or "Dizzy Dean" tags, possibly, but serviceable. So let's take a quick look at the rookies who may possibly make the grade.

Giants Have Four
Conning the National League first, the Giants have four, if you want to include young Davey Williams, who may become headliner or, at least remain under the big top. Williams was up last year but now gets his chance to succeed the departed Eddie Stanky full time. The Giants also look to pitcher (Continued on page 13)

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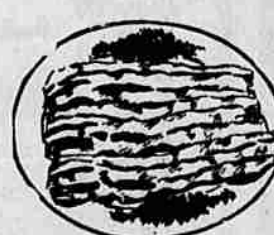
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