

Bearcats Meeting Strong Independent Quint Monday

Stuhldreher Is Elected President of American Football Coaches



This Form Isn't Bad — Ralph Guldahl, national open champion, clicks one as he prepares for the winter tournaments.

Signal Squad, League Heads To Test 'Cats

Signal Oil, leaders of the American basketball league in Portland, will provide the stiffest sort of competition for Willamette cagers in their first start of the new year. The game is scheduled for 8 o'clock next Monday night on the Bearcat court. The others are coached by Ray Smith, an old hand at the business. They specialize in a fast break and possess a great amount of drive and depend upon the follow-in work of Chuck Patterson, negro cager who played for Southern Negro Normal and the University of Oregon.

Patterson, Don Stitt and Bua Rayley form the spearhead of the others' attack. Stitt is a former Eastern Oregon normal star who specializes in a change of pace dribble and a one handed shot. In Tom Cousens and Ray Haaga the others have a pair of high scoring guards.

Patterson is said to be in excellent condition, ready to go the full 20 minutes of hard driving basketball. In five league games he scored 77 points.

Willamette has won 5 of the 8 games played to date, but anticipate a repetition tonight in Eugene of the defeat administered early in the week by the University of Oregon Webfoos.

Coach Howard Mapie is building up a capable corps of reserves, something which is almost absolutely necessary in this day of hard maple board pounding. Against Good college Thursday night, the freshmen replacements did a good job of basket making during the second half and before the season is over, it is expected they will be virtually as strong as the veterans.

The entire squad of 12 or 13 men is expected to be given an opportunity to show their wares tonight at Eugene and Monday evening on the local court.

Helen Hicks to Join Simon Pures

By Gayle Talbot
New York, Jan. 1 (AP)—The country's women golfers can start looking around for a sand trap to hide in, for mighty Helen Hicks has decided to return to the amateur fold and go after all the titles in sight.

The Hewlett, L. I., star, who turned professional in the summer of 1934 after having won the national women's crown in 1931 and finished second in 1933, has notified President John G. Jackson of the U. S. G. A. that she will apply for reinstatement as an amateur before her period of grace expires.

"I can apply any time before June of 1939, which will be five years since I began playing for money," she explained to the Associated Press. "But I probably will do it before then. I want to get back in tournament competition."

The fact that she will have to remain on "parole" for three years between the time of her application and the restoration of her amateur status doesn't bother Helen a bit.

"After all, I'm only 26 now and I don't feel like I will reach the absolute top of my game for several more years. I want to win the championship at least once more and to play on a few Curtis cup teams against England. I'm going to play until I'm 60, anyhow," she laughed.

Degrees Conferred By Naomi Chapter

Dallas—At a regular meeting of Naomi chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, degrees were conferred upon Miss Mary Elizabeth Ward and Miss Helen Elliott. Mrs. W. L. Pemberton furnished music for the ceremony.

After the meeting refreshments were served in the reception room. Mrs. Jack Elliott and Mrs. A. J. Cleveland were hostesses.

when the team fails to click. This may be one of them. When the upward trend is reached the poor seasons will be quickly forgotten and everybody will be happy.

Reporis from Eugene are to the effect that Gene Shields has become an official candidate for the coaching job at Oregon. In the meantime Anne Cornell, with a couple of Rose Bowl tickets in his wallet, is bound for the south. Interviews with Jim Bradshaw at Fresno and with Tex Oliver of Arizona are included in his itinerary.



You Couldn't Say Dizzy Dean has much form as he and Lyn Lary (at the left) pair up in a comedy act in Florida. At that Dean probably tells the pros how to get into the dough.

Keene Coached Teams Win Two Flags, 1937

Should the new year shower down blessings upon Coach "Spec" Keene and his Willamette university athletics as freely as was the case during the 12 months' period which passed into history last night, there will be a little need for crying towels upon the campus.

The Bearcat mentor directed his football team to its fourth consecutive pennant, even though this year's squad was considered a bit weaker than the three preceding outfits. The record of not having been beaten by a conference rival since early in 1933 was kept intact—22 successive gridiron victories.

The 1937 season got under way with an unusually large class of freshman candidates. The first game was lost to Fresno, 7 to 0, when a Bulldog intercepted a pass late in the contest and went over for a touchdown.

The following week the Bearcats cleaned up on Portland 20 to 0, only to absorb the worst beating of the year, 31 to 7, at the hands of the San Jose Spartans. Whittier college was beaten 13 to 6 while College of Puget Sound was turned back 7 to 0. Oregon State scored a 20 to 9 win over the Bearcats, although they were hard pressed all through the game. Playing in the mud, Willamette barely eked out a 6 to 0 win over Pacific, but outplayed Whitman the following week 20 to 6. The season closed in a blaze of glory when the Bearcats played brilliant ball to down Nevada 41 to 7.

Willamette's baseball team cleaned up everything on the west side in conference play, only to lose three in a row to Whitman when the title was at stake. The schedule included a win over Oregon after 19 innings of ball.

The basketball pennant was taken by the Bearcats when they won every one of their conference games. The climax of the season occurred when the Bearcats took two straight from Whitman, 32-26 and 38-34.

Calm Prevails Before Battle In Rose Bowl

Pasadena, Calif., Jan. 1 (AP)—Here are before-the-battle statements of Coaches Leonard (Stub) Allison of California and Frank Thomas of Alabama.

"My boys are ready to play the game of their lives," said Allison. "We are in good shape, mentally and otherwise, although our left end, Willard Dolman, has a bad ankle. I hope he can play the full game because we need him."

"We are ready, though, for anything Alabama has to offer."

"This may not be the strongest team Alabama has sent out here," said Thomas, "but it is the out-fightingest bunch I ever saw. We certainly don't want to be the first Alabama team to lose in the Rose Bowl, and the boys swear it won't be. Whatever happens, we will have no alibi."

Dartmouth Seeks Sweep in Tourney

Sun Valley, Idaho, Jan. 1 (AP)—Dartmouth college ski artists, who gave an impressive exhibition yesterday on how the sport is practiced in the east, sought today a clean sweep in their intercollegiate meet with the University of Washington.

Their chances, observers agreed, were exceedingly good with the expected return of Dick Durrance, their star, who nursed an injured ankle yesterday while his teammates raced away in cross-country and slalom events.

Durrance may lead his teammates in the final event of the two-day meet, the downhill races. Jumping events also will be held, but will not count in team scores.

Dartmouth was most impressive in the cross-country event. Howard Chivers, tall, rugged native of Hanover, N. H., led the eastern team home over the nine mile uphill and downgrade course in the fast time of 8 minutes, 22 seconds. The first Washington man to appear was Bob Higman, who finished sixth.

2000 Leagues in Semi-Pro Baseball

Winfield, Kas., Jan. 1 (AP)—Fred Clarke, former manager of the Pittsburgh Pirates and recently appointed director of the national association of semi-pro leagues, said today more than 2000 leagues would be represented in the organization, which is sanctioned by the national semi-pro baseball congress.

Clarke said the association is patterned after organized baseball, with every team and league protected when players are under contract. The congress, Clarke said, is establishing a national association of semi-pro umpires and is arranging a series of 847 district, state and regional tournaments to be climaxed by the national finals at Wichita in August.

He predicted 250,000 players would be certified under contracts by the national semi-pro congress in 1938.

Free Dance Offered

Dallas—A free dance was given by the I. E. U. local No. 35, composed of the employees of the Willamette Valley Lumber company, Wednesday night. Moen's orchestra provided music for the affair. The dance was well attended and enjoyed by everyone present.

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'Horseman' to Succeed Kipke As Head Man

New Orleans, Jan. 1 (AP)—Harry Stuhldreher, one of the famous "four horsemen" of Notre Dame, today headed the American football coaches association.

Stuhldreher, now head coach at the University of Wisconsin, was elected president to succeed Harry Kipke, former University of Michigan coach, as the association closed its 17th annual convention last night.

Elmer Layden, another of the "four horsemen," was elected a trustee of the association. Other officers were Lou Little, Columbia university, first vice-president; A. N. "Bo" McMillan, Indiana, second vice-president; H. O. "Fritz" Crisler, Princeton, third vice-president, and William H. Cowell, New Hampshire, secretary-treasurer.

Efforts failed to change the constitution of the conference regarding junior college graduates. It was decided to permit freshmen to take part in varsity baseball, track and tennis if they complete fall semester work satisfactorily.

Riggs Ready for Tough Competition

New Orleans, Jan. 1 (AP)—Bobby Riggs, young Los Angeles netman who rose last year to the No. 2 spot in the national rankings served notice today he was ready to give the toughest kind of competition in 1938.

The fleet-footed star closed out the 1937 campaign yesterday by outgunning and outplaying Joe Hunt of Los Angeles to capture the annual Sugar Bowl tournament here, 8-6, 6-1, 6-2.

After a brief rest Riggs teamed up with Wayne Sabin of Hollywood to capture the doubles title from Hunt and Don McNeill of Oklahoma City, 6-4, 1-6, 6-4.

Desert air is freer from micro-organisms than that of moist regions.

Rule Makers Expect Report Next Monday

New Orleans, Jan. 1 (AP)—Football's rule makers are expected to make few changes for 1938, it was indicated today as officials took a holiday to witness the annual Sugar Bowl classic between Santa Clara and Louisiana State.

After the game, which will attract most of the 1500 delegates to the National Collegiate Athletic association and the American Football Coaches association, the NCAA's football rules committee will go to Edgewater Park, Miss., to consider the playing code for next season.

Vikings Enjoy Prosperous '37

A claim on the state's interscholastic football championship and fifth place in the annual basketball tournament were Salem high's chief claim to athletic glory during 1937. The Vikings made every effort to clear up the somewhat cloudy pigskin championship by issuing a challenge to Oregon City which had beaten Bend, considered one of the strongest in the state. The Vikings, however, did "not choose to play" so Coach Hawk and his gang had to rest on their laurels. The season's performance was considered exceptional in view of the record established in 1936 when the losses were considerably more than the victories.

Given scarcely a chance to place in the basketball tournament, the Vikings gave a good account of themselves. They eliminated McMinnville in the first game only to lose to Franklin in the second round. However, they went on from there to win over Ashland and Eugene.

In track the Vikings won first place in the district and Willamette valley meets and placed third in the state. The wrestling squad went through a stiff tournament to win championship honors in that sport. Baseball was pretty much of a washout, the record being two wins in 12 starts.

Kantrowitz And Bender Net Favorites

New York, Jan. 1 (AP)—Marvin Kantrowitz, slightly-built southpaw from New York and the University of Texas, and Richard J. Bender, 15 year old stylist from Elizabeth, N. J., today had a good chance of scoring individual clean-ups in the final rounds of the combined national junior and boys' outdoor tennis championships.

Kantrowitz, runner-up in junior singles a year ago to Don McNeill, was a finalist again in singles, as well as in doubles with Robert A. Low, another New Yorker who is a freshman at Stanford. Bender, beaten finalist in the boys' outdoor tourney at Culver, Ind., last summer, was an odds-on favorite for the boys' singles, and in the doubles title round with Stanley F. Stater, Jr., of Scarborough school.

Kantrowitz had an opportunity for singles revenge on an old rival, Joseph Fishbach of St. John's college. Fishbach defeated him a week ago in the metropolitan final.

In doubles, Kantrowitz and Low faced Isadore Bellis of the University of Pennsylvania and David S. Johnson of Washington, D. C.

The boys' singles pitted Bender against Calvin Friedman of James Madison high in Brooklyn, and in doubles he and Stater met Miles Suchin of Irving prep and Grant D. Small, Jr., of Tarrytown, N. Y.

Medford Backing Warren for Coach

Medford, Jan. 1 (AP)—John Warren, freshman coach at the University of Oregon, was endorsed yesterday by a group of Medford and Rogue river valley sportsmen and University of Oregon alumni for the post left vacant by the resignation of Prink Callison, head football coach at the institution.

man who has not been named. Salem lightweight will include Dale Bernard, Tom Moyer and Jim Welch. Bob Duke, CYO, was beaten matched against Jack Bahlman in the 126 pound division.

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