

Platoon Cage Work Puts Holy Cross Atop Poll

By JOE FALLS
New York, Jan. 31 (AP)—“Sure, we think we’re the best in the nation... and we’ll keep on thinking it until somebody beats us.”

The speaker? Lester Sheary, coach of unbeaten Holy Cross which today was voted the nation’s top basketball team for the third straight week in the Associated Press poll.

“Team play has done it, too,” Sheary said. “We use a three-platoon system, employing 15 players. After all, common sense says 15 men can outrun eight or nine.”

The “triple-teaming” has added up to 14 straight victories for the class New Englanders, who received almost 60 per cent of the first place votes.

Although idle last week, the Crusaders were tabbed No. 1 on 92 of the 157 ballots cast by sportswriters and broadcasters throughout the country.

All told, Holy Cross totaled 1,446 points, Duquesne (14-0), Price of Pittsburgh, placed second with 1,040 and 10 first place votes. The two leaders are the only major unbeaten teams in the country.

However, the top two face a busy week. Holy Cross tangles with mild Springfield tonight and Chicago Loyola on Saturday. Duquesne has two tough customers in Cincinnati and Louisville.

Bradley (17-3) registered impressive triumphs over Tulsa and St. Louis to advance from sixth to third place. Close behind came Long Island university (14-2) in fourth.

St. John’s of Brooklyn (16-2), which led the roost for several weeks, held its No. 5 spot, followed, in order, by Kentucky (14-4), Ohio State (12-3), La Salle (12-2), North Carolina State (15-3) and CCNY (10-2).

Kentucky, rebounding from a Notre Dame setback, conquered Xavier (0) and Georgia, but fell from fourth to sixth. Ohio State, Big 10 kingpin, made the big leap from the 13th slot to seventh with an important win over Minnesota.

Eighth-ranked La Salle of Philadelphia dropped a peg, despite a resounding victory over Temple. North Carolina State, moved up a notch to ninth place by whizzing past Louisville and Virginia Tech.

City College of New York, the only club in the first ten without a first place ballot, slipped from eighth to tenth.

UCLA moved into 13th place with four first place votes. Washington, 16th last week, but loser in two weekend games with Oregon, fell off the list completely.

Houtteman the Most Courageous Athlete of '49

Philadelphia, Feb. 1 (AP)—Fireball pitcher Art Houtteman, who made a miraculous comeback with the Detroit Tigers after he was badly injured in an auto accident, was acclaimed by the Philadelphia Sports Writers association as the most courageous athlete of 1949 at a dinner last night.

Houtteman’s baseball career was believed ended after his skull was fractured in the crash March 10. But although his life hung in the balance for a time, the 22-year-old Detroit native played again just two months later and went on to win 15 games for Detroit.

Monmouth Trims Stayton, 40-32

Monmouth — The Stayton Eagles were beaten, 40-32 in a Marion-Polk county league tilt Tuesday night, by the Monmouth Wolverines. The Stayton Bees salvaged the preliminary, 52-24.

Monmouth (10)..... Stayton (10).....
Lettie 6..... F..... 4 Norton
Bus 8..... F..... 4 Maroon
Rosenstock 7..... C..... 8 Titus
Locke 11..... G..... 7 Haines
Thompson 2..... G..... 7 Samples
Subs: Monmouth, Johnson 6, Stayton, Penoles 2.

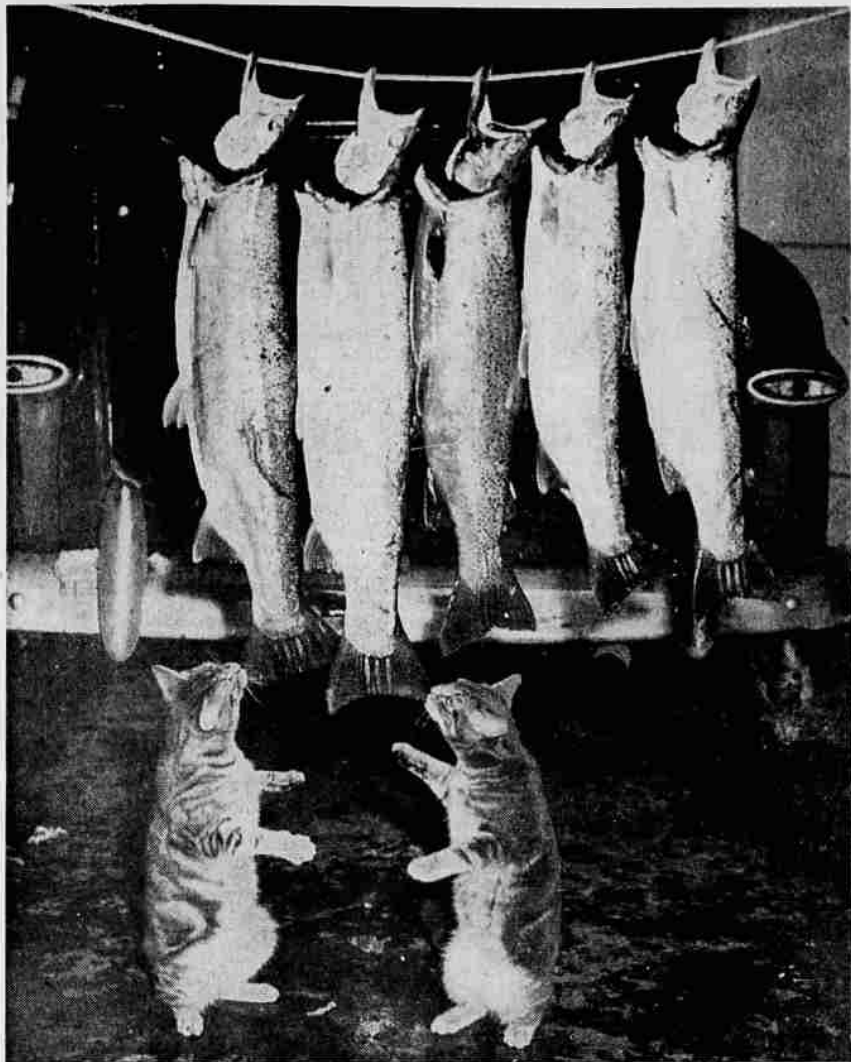
Sports Calendar

FEBRUARY 1
Basketball
City League: Marine Reserve vs. Pool Office, 7 p.m.; Capital Business College vs. Naval Reserve, 8 p.m.; Burroughs Inn vs. City Transit Lines, 9 p.m.; Leslie gym.

FEBRUARY 2
Basketball
Church League: 1st Methodist vs. 1st Presbyterian, Calvary Baptist vs. Jason Lee, St. Mark vs. Deaf School at Girls gym; Leslie Methodist vs. Calvary Baptist, First Baptist vs. Liberty Church of Christ, First Christian vs. St. Mark Lutheran, boys’ gym.

FEBRUARY 3
Basketball
Salem at Astoria.
Washington at O.S.C.
Oregon at Idaho.
Marion County B league: Chemawa at Jefferson, Deaf School at St. Paul, Salem Sophs at Gervais.
Marion-Polk league: Independence at Monmouth, Sacred Heart at Salem Academy.
Willamette Valley league: Sandy at Woodburn, Estacada at Metalla, Silverton at Canby, Mt. Angel at Dallas.

FEBRUARY 4
Basketball
Willamette at Pacific.
Washington at O.S.C.



Steelhead from Nestucca

It was a fine catch of steelhead for Nels Tanning and his nephew, Ove Tanning, who went fishing over the weekend on the Big Nestucca. The two men and their guide caught five of the fish ranging in weight from nine pounds for the smallest to 14 pounds each for the two larger ones. This picture was taken when the two Tanning kittens, Bubbles and Bud, decided to size up the situation just after the three fishermen came home and lined up their catch for a “shot.” For Ove Tanning the trip was a big thrill. He came to the United States from Norway just before Christmas and is very enthusiastic about Oregon fishing. (Jesten-Miller picture)

Weather Plagued Ski Championship Due for Opening

Lake Placid, N. Y., Feb. 1 (AP)—The weather-plagued world ski championships were due to open in comparative privacy today with the Nordic combined jump.

The jump was cancelled Monday as a separate event, then reinstated yesterday after some four inches of snow fell to make the famed Lake Placid slide usable once again. But only a sparse gathering of officials and spectators was expected.

Because of a week of a snow drought — and of schedule changes which the International Ski Federation machine-gunned at the befuddled public — the cross-country racers have gone to Rumford, Me., for the 18-kilometer race Friday and the casual spectators have just plain gone home.

Falls City Tops Valsetz, 53-34

Falls City—Falls City and Valsetz hooked up in a non-league hoop game Tuesday night with Falls City taking the decision, 53 to 34. Falls City outscored Valsetz in the preliminary, 37-21.

SCORES in the ALLEYS

(Complete Results)

University Alleys

LADIES' CLASSIC LEAGUE
United Wheel Allment (2)—Rowland 377, Kanaki 401, Van Dehoof 439, Schmidt 484, Robertson 453, Gerd Housekeeper (1)—Clark 488, Jones 507, Olney 432, Garbarino 454.
Planck's Constitution (3)—Sieber 397, Plank 375, Boyce 503, Luis Florist (3)—Lindsay 423, Upston 456, Lutz 393, Albrich 398, Adolph 409.
Kingland's Kennels (3)—Black 383, Hall 489, Hinhard 459, Pease 384, La Tour-neux 384, Handall's Fine Meats (1)—Stone 358, Lowry 344, Scheiman 372, Whitmore 349, Swanson 402.
Anita Shoes (1)—McDaniels 410, Lemon 452, Causey 416, Thompson 405, Davey 431, Alexander's Jewelry (1)—Merrell 450, Mock 377, Mohlman 390, Tanner 449, Johnson 384.
High individual game, Jean Boyce 192.
High individual series, Mavis Jones 507.
High team series, United Wheel Allment 2309.
University Bowl sale that made a showing at state tournament were: Jan Bennett and June Lemon, winners of class B doubles; Alberta Thompson, class B all-events and singles winner; Luis Florist team, fourth place B class; Owen Upston and Ben Daver, fifth place B class; doubles; Alice Locken, fourth place C class singles.

MERCANTILE LEAGUE NO. 2

Peacock Cleaners (3) — Balstrom 555, Bonney 427, Alexander 480, Sawyer 445, Volk 445, Mack & Lind 411—Lind 472, Folk 436, Wilson 408, Gray 349, Mortino 502.
Standard Stations (2)—Kopachke 429, Redding 402, Specht 393, Knuth 465, Purdy 382, Terminal Ice (2)—McDonald 398, Gilmore 352, Thirshers 436, Weston 425, Souza 478.
Malm's Chevron Station (1)—Malm 410, Wenger 423, Karyl 402, Koppinger 428, Causey 481, Salem Heating & Sheet Metal (3)—Mortman 371, Lewis 439, Gladow 433, Tilling 469, Evans 461.
Burklands Lumber (4)—H. Webb 505, B. Burkland 470, Hankin 485, F. Webb 422, D. Burkland 481, Remington Band (6)—Colburn 555, Kimmell 398, Johnston 388, Mansfield 401, Crawell 496.
High individual game, Balstrom 321.
High individual series, Balstrom and Colburn 555. High team series, Peacock Cleaners 2952.

Capitol Alleys

INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE NO. 1
Kno Boys (1)—Hassenton 524, R. Aleahire 510, H. Kerr 413, Schuster 532, D. Aleahire — Barb's Sporting Goods (6)—Inila 495, Bracht 446, J. Olney 495, Ross 549, Greaser 369.
Beck & Wadsworth (1) — Wadsworth 522, Anderson 447, O'Neil 236, Sberman 448, Whitaker 483, Remington Band (6)—Eriksaard 452, McKinley 494, Brown 586, Bieker 588.
Curtis (2)—Wright 526, Polk 476, Volk 377, M. Miller 471, J. Miller 585, Stubblefield (1)—Meyers 486, Polk 436, Werner 383, Walker 349, Evans 461.
Cal Pac (1)—Werbouki 414, Sloan 486, Heinke 468, Scheidegger 548, Valley Motor (2)—Parker 485, Baker 502, Myers 496, Colwell 496, Doerfler 536.
Blue Lake (1)—Ayres 293, Eckley 445, Volk 427, Van Ouden 424, Richardson 431, Hollywood Finance (2) — Geddis 441, Kirchner 519, Pekar 455, Jones 482, O'Neil 584.
Keith Brown (6)—Guerin 527, Crockett 365, Jernisan 484, Brown 537, Souza 343, Salem Palace (3)—Priest 435, Hauser 477, Malbers 506, Selop 434, Main 455.
High individual game, R. Aleahire 234.
High individual series, J. Hassenton 524.
High team game, Sno Boys 552.
High team series, Sno Boys 2151.

INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE NO. 2

McKay's (2)—Gibb 495, Thompson 423, Mittendorf 484, Shurleiff 358, Anderson 448, Whitaker 483, Remington Band 423, Elwood 443, Whitaker 413, Willard 408, Ross 511.
Chris's Market (1)—Cruzen 437, Evans 356, Wiltzer 438, Phelps 509, Crascroft 409, Salem Auto (1)—Weyer 515, Doucervy 393, Dunstan 446, Welle 303, Randall 563.
Hammond Body (1)—Brown 513, Larson 478, Gordon 526, McGuire 372, Hammond 348, Valley Farm Store (2)—Schmidt 435, Gray 468, Kechler 489, Morris 513, Sullivan 477.
Leder Bros. (3)—Downey 390, Chakarun 422, Burratt 488, Sack 444, Busch 595, Mohlbi (4) — Norman 392, Pruitt 424, Jaskowski 395, Buckley 373, W. Pruitt 470.
High individual game, Gardner 236.
High individual series, Hammond 542.
High team game, Hammond Body 840.
High team series, McKay 2503.

Duck Pin

MIXED DOUBLES LEAGUE
Marion Motors (6)—Gladys Wood 430, Bert Ehlman 497, Louis Tribbia 274, Bud Trinkle 390, General Finance (1)—Glen Blanton 502, Alma Penny 498, Alma Penny 498, Emil Scholz 459, Bye 394.
Orest's Used Cars (3)—Bill Lapachies 439, Almadran Lapachies 358, Charles

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Army's Need for Coaches Fails to Explain Quitting

By Hugh Fullerton, Jr.
New York, Feb. 1 (AP)—The army is looking for football, basketball and baseball coaches for overseas duty at \$4,600 to \$5,750 per year—but that doesn't explain why top-flight college football tutors are quitting jobs because of "unsatisfactory" contracts... coaching probably is the most uncertain profession you can imagine, and these guys seem to be going out of their way to make it more uncertain—for themselves and for their assistants...

Sports Before Your Eyes
Travis Tidwell, the Auburn star, likely will play pro football for the Giants if he can also make a New York connection as a radio sports announcer... Hal Paddock, the popular Cleveland, is one of the few amateur golfers honored with an invitation to the masters tournament this year. He was a surprise quarter finalist in the national amateur... Chuck Davey, who won four national collegiate boxing titles at Michigan State, has signed up with Tom King, Jr., Chicago publicist, to continue his pro career. Tom was an assistant coach at Michigan State before entering the drum-beating trade... A boss that has been making history at Hialeah by running last in every race he has started bears the appropriate name of Sloe Moe.

Trippi (Cardinals), Johnny Rauch (Bulldogs) and Joe Geri (Steelers)... degrees are what Wally's temperature rises a few of when he thinks how he'd like to have them back on his squad.

Vik Matmen to Host Albany

Salem high's mat crew tangles with the Albany Bulldog wrestling squad Wednesday at 8:15 p. m. in the Vik Villa. A preliminary featuring exhibition matches will precede the varsity meet. In a previous encounter between Albany and Salem the latter's team came out with the heavy end of a 27-17 verdict. Coach Hank Juran's boys have thus far won two games in as many starts. One encounter was a league and the other a non-league affair.

ICEMEN MOVE AROUND

New York (AP)—There are 32 players currently in the National Hockey league who have played for two or more NHL clubs. One iceman, Bud Poile, has performed for five teams. Pat Egan is with his fourth club. And Joe Carveth of Detroit has played for three teams and is back with the club he started with.

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