

Upset-Minded Wildcats Host Willamette Friday

The Linfield Wildcats, while definitely out of the Northwest conference championship picture, will be gunning for Willamette's Bearcats at McMinnville Friday night.

Linfield's upset decision over Pacific last week, a circumstance that was of material assistance to Coach Johnny Lewis' quint, indicates the Wildcats are a force to be reckoned with and the fur is expected to fly in this, the third encounter of the season between the two quints.

The Bearcats beat the Wild-



Invitation University of California quarterback Bob Celeri (left) and Eddie LeBaron (center), College of Pacific grid star, present California's Governor Earl Warren in Sacramento with two tickets to the Celeri-LeBaron all-Star game in Lodi, Calif., Feb. 12. Proceeds of the game will be divided evenly among the players. Gov. Warren made no promise. (Acme Telephoto)

Small Schools Push Cage Under Football Pressure

By OOCAR FRALEY (United Press Sports Editor)

New York, Feb. 10 (AP)—Chain reaction resulting from athletic dishonesty today was forcing football into the background and booming basketball into intercollegiate prominence.

What it simmers down to is a matter of competitive costs.

In football a college must "buy" 50 players if it wants a good club. In basketball the cost is just one-fifth as steep because you only need 10 men to hit the big time.

So there is no question that the smaller colleges are

BASKETBALL

COLLEGE SCORES (By the Associated Press)

Everett 3, 61, Grays Harbor 3, C. 81, Eastern Oregon 74, Northern Idaho 45 (Overtime), Mountaineers 74, Eastern Montana 62, Boise 3, 72, Southern Idaho 63, West Virginia State 57, Sacramento State 36, St. Johns (N.M.) 62, Gonzales 50, Elmer Cross 74, Rhode Island State 69, Manhattan 80, NYU 55, Eastern Oregon 74, Northern Idaho 45 (Overtime), Wake Forest 74, Virginia Military 57, Auburn 67, Georgia 34, Western Kentucky 105, Bowling Green 87, Bradley 77, Hawaii 57, Arizona 57, New Mexico 53, Hardin Simmons 52, Arizona State 45, Temple 45.

City Loop Scores

CHURCH LEAGUE (8 Divisions)

Presbyterian (46) (42) Liberty 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

Cardinals Turned Back By Columbia Deep Freeze

The Sacred Heart Cardinals lost to Columbia Prep in Portland Thursday night, 44 to 31, and in so doing ran into an unusual situation.

Columbia Prep, after scoring a 22 to 17 lead in the first half, started a stalling game midway of the third period and during the fourth quarter took but two shots. At times they merely held the ball and made no effort to

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Lutheran Teams To Enter Meet In Vancouver

St. Mark Lutheran church will enter boys and girls teams in a basketball tournament to be held at the McLaughlin Heights junior high school and recreation center of Vancouver, Wash., Saturday. They will compete against teams from Portland, Camas, Longview, McLaughlin Heights, Kelso and Vancouver.

The St. Mark boys will engage Longview at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon and the local girls will play the winner of the Longview-Redeemer (Portland) game at 5.

Members of the boys' team, coached by Oscar Ludahl, are Jim Stewart, Vern Zeuss, Jerry Brown, Lee Genteman, Marvin Langeland, Merle Baumgart, Sonny Walker, Fred Cleveland, Paul Holmquist, John Rex and Carl Holmquist.

Mrs. Everett Stehjem coaches the girls' team: Marcia Seever, Eva Miller, Roberta Sjoding, Mary Holmquist, Lorraine Langeland, Ruth Holmquist, Lavonne Stehjem, Betty Thompson, Arlene Meyers and Maxine Miller.

Bill Beard Signs on as Catcher for Senator Nine

Bill Beard, last season's Salem Senator player manager, dropped in on George Enigh Thursday afternoon and signed his name to a 1950 contract. The contract calls for a catching assignment.

During the off-season Beard has been selling athletic equipment for a Portland concern throughout the state and southwestern Washington. He appears in excellent condition and his contract was one that Ad Liska, this year's player manager, wanted inked as soon as possible.

Beard expressed the belief while here Thursday that he could raise his batting average considerably after being relieved of his managerial chores.



BILL BEARD
Solen Receiver

Haas Takes Lead In Texas Tourney

San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 10 (AP)—Slim Freddie Haas, Jr., and chunky Johnny Palmer led a massive field of 313 golfers into the second round of the \$10,000 Texas open golf tournament today, protecting a one-stroke lead.

Haas, fifth-ranking money winner from New Orleans, and Palmer jumped in front yesterday scoring three-under-par 68s for the first 18 holes.

St. Mary's Officials Get Unique Bid for Coach Job

San Francisco, Feb. 10 (AP)—Officials of St. Mary's, looking for a new head football coach, had this wistful appeal to consider today:

"Dear Sirs:

"Since Joe Verducci has left as head coach of the football team, I would like to say that my father would be very happy to take the job.

"He has never been a coach before, but he knows enough football to fill a book. We listen to almost every football game and when one team is in a tough situation he tells me what they should do.

"I only laugh at him, but he turns out to be right.

"My father and Frankie Albert almost think alike. And I betcha you'd like Frankie Albert as a coach. My father knows plenty of trick plays—

and I mean good ones. I shall enclose one. His formation is that of the Notre Dame box, which you can switch into any formation such as the T, and a single and double formation, and short punt formations.

"If you hire him, you'll have a team like Notre Dame. Incidentally, my dad played guard and never weighed over 155. He went to Gonzaga university."

"Sincerely Your,

"Larry Husband, aged 13, 1733 MacAllister St., San Francisco.

"P. S.—Just give him a chance like any football player.—Larry."

Larry is a student at Sacred Heart school here. His father is a painter. Neither Mr. and Mrs. Husband knew their son was writing the letter.

New Commission To Decide on Boxer's Future

Philadelphia, Feb. 10 (AP)—The boxing future of Harold Johnson, 22-year-old Negro heavyweight, will be determined by the newly created athletic commission medical advisory board.

This was announced yesterday by Commissioner John da Grossa at a hearing following Johnson's collapse with a back injury during Wednesday night's fight with Jersey Joe Walcott.

Meanwhile, Da Grossa also announced an immediate ring reform as a result of Johnson's collapse. He said it will be mandatory for boxing promoters to have a stretcher and blankets ready at the ring for every show.

Johnson's departure from the ring was delayed until a stretcher was brought. Walcott placed his own robe over his rival, who was stretched out in pain on the floor of the ring.

Dempsey-Firpo Brawl Most Dramatic, Bevens Listed

By JACK HAND

New York, Feb. 10 (AP)—For throbbing sports drama, the primitive Dempsey-Firpo brawl of Sept. 14, 1923, ranked tops in the Associated Press' mid-century poll.

Almost 27 years later, the events of that savage first round still pack the raw drama of a life-or-death struggle between two jungle beasts.

When Luis Angel Firpo rose from his seventh knockdown to bull Dempsey across the ring and knocked the world heavyweight champ into the press section, he touched off an argument that may simmer for another 50 years.

Did Firpo, the huge "Wild Bull of the Pampas," actually win the title that wild night at the Polo grounds?

The record books say "no." Many ringsiders say "yes." They insist Dempsey never would have "climbed" back into the ring if friendly boxing writers hadn't helped.

Some claim Dempsey was not badly hurt when the hulking Firpo, swinging his iron fists like a club, sprawled the champ over a newsman's typewriter. They say a right hand punch to the shoulder caught Dempsey off balance — that he slipped under a loose upper rope and tumbled out.

Others insist a dazed Dempsey never would have beaten Referee Jack Gallagher's count if it hadn't been for the boost by ringside reporters — anxious to get rid of a 192½-pound burden.

Dempsey should be the best source. Here's what he said recently when interviewed after he was named the best fighter of the last 50 years:

"I didn't even know he had knocked me out of the ring until I came to on my stool between rounds," said Jack. "I thought I had been knocked out."

The brief second round, lasting only 57 seconds, was almost an anti-climax. Firpo missed his big chance in the first when he hesitated momentarily after Dempsey's return. A Dempsey right almost dropped him for an eighth time just before the bell.

Dempsey at his destructive best wasted no time in the second. Aroused by the threat of the 3 to 1 underdog he floored Firpo for a five-count and then stretched him out with a left to the head followed by a chilling right to the chin.

No other phase of the AP 50-year toll drew as many different answers as the question of "most dramatic."

Babe Ruth's fabulous feat of "calling his shot" on a Wrigley field home run in the 1932 World Series at Chicago was a close-up second.

The famous Dempsey-Tunney "long count" at Chicago in 1927 drew heavy support. So did Lou Gehrig's heart-tugging farewell appearance at the Yankee stadium in 1939.

The 374 sports writers and radio sportscasters recalled 56 events worthy of at least one vote as most dramatic in the 50-year span. Dempsey-Firpo chased the Ruth "called shot" home by a margin of 70 to 66. The "long count" fight attracted 43 votes and Gehrig's farewell 23.

Floyd Bevens' "almost" no-hitter, ruined by Cookie Lavagetto's game-winning hit in the 1947 World Series between the Yanks and Brooklyn picked up 12 first place votes. That always will be tops to the 32,000 who saw it. Another dozen voters tabbed Joe Louis' savage first round knockout of Max Schmeling in 1938.

'Win for John' Inspires Ducks for Beaver Clash

(By the Associated Press)

Oregon had its inspiration today—now can they do it?

"It," of course, being to knock over the Oregon State Beavers when the two quints clash tonight at Eugene in one-half the Northern division basketball slate.

The other half of the evening's conference bill is being served up at Pullman where the fourth place Idaho Vandals seek to do a little king-pin knocking of their own against the division-leading Washington State Cougars.

Oregon's "inspiration" was delivered yesterday when Team Physician Dr. George Guidager ordered Coach John Warren to the hospital with virus pneumonia. Guidager said, however, that Warren's condition was not serious but that he would be bedded down until next week.

Warren's absence puts the coaching chores up to his assistant, Don Kirsch, for both tonight's clash with OSC and tomorrow's non-conference meeting with St. Mary's.

The Ducks had more than a "win for John" clamor to stir them to one of their "on" nights. A victory would lift them out of the division cellar. Barring an Idaho upset of WSC, and would even the current year's series with the Beavers who bludgeoned out a one-sided win in their first meeting.

While the two Northern divi-

Tri-Corner Cage Program Planned For South County

Aumville, Sublimity and Mill City will engage in a three-cornered hoop program looking to the championship of the southern division of the Marion County B league, according to an agreement arranged by interested parties Wednesday night.

A drawing placed Aumville against Sublimity on a neutral floor Friday night with the winner tangling with Mill City the following Wednesday night for the loop title.

Stayton Thumps Academy, 47-17

Stayton—The Stayton Eagles thumped Salem Academy 47-17 in a Marion-Polk league hoop contest Thursday night, piling up a 24-11 half-time margin.

The Stayton B squad won the preliminary, 30-13.

Stayton (47) (17) Salem Academy Samples 6 F 2 Zeller Norton 8 F 2 Delapp This 20 G 4 Flax Morgan 8 G 3 Reimer Haines 4 G 1 Prizant

FAN FARE



Injuries Cloud Preparations for Ski Week-end

Aspen, Colo., Feb. 10 (AP)—The casualty list is growing as youthful daredevils sail recklessly down Aspen's ice-coated courses in preparation for the world ski championships next week.

Silvia Muehleman, 20, one of Switzerland's top women entrants, fractured an ankle in a nasty spill on the women's downhill course yesterday.

Borghild Niskin, rated Norway's best woman skier, may have fractured a shoulder in another upset. Another Norwegian, Per Klippen, a University of Colorado student, sprained an ankle.

English, French and Canadian skiers have been injured in other accidents on the downhill and slalom courses.

Three-Way Junior High Lead to Be Cut Friday

The Salem junior high circuit's fifth round of play is on the spotlight Friday night when the present three-way tie in the league standings will be broken in games slated for 8 o'clock.

Playing-Manager Picked for Eugene

Eugene, Ore., Feb. 10 (AP)—Eugene baseball club President Art Hadler said Lou Vezilich had been picked as player-manager for the new Eugene entry in the Far West baseball league.

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

"Left-Handed Compliment"

See where a bank in Denver is putting in left-handed checkbooks. They figure their southpaw depositors deserve just as much consideration as the right handers.

Time was when it was believed that left-handed people had no right to exist at all. If a youngster showed signs of using his left hand, his parents were supposed to break him of the habit—to force him to use his right.

But today most doctors will tell you that changing a child's natural left-handed tendency usually causes more harm than good.

Stammering and other nervous disorders often get their start that way with children.

From where I sit, if a man wants to use his left hand—that's his business. It's not such a good idea to make anyone do things our way, just because we think it's right. Personally, I think a mellow glass of beer is the finest beverage on earth. If you happen to prefer a Coke—why, go to it! Only leave me the same freedom of choice, won't you?

Joe Marsh

Heads-Up Hoopster

Six feet two inches tall and a dead shot, Pfc. Eugene Beltrame gives his opponents on other Sixth Army teams plenty of trouble. Gene gets a lot of fun out of Army athletics and in addition, he's saving money that will help him through Muhlenberg college.

With his Army-learned skill of X-Ray technician, Gene could step into a well-paid civilian job, but he figures that college education will be worth more in the long run.

Gene says, "A young fellow who enjoys sports and also wants to learn a trade or continue his education gets his best chance in the Army." For full information on what the Army offers YOU, visit your local Recruiting Office. In Salem go to Room 211, Post Office Building.