

SPORTS

BASEBALL CZARS AGREE ON USE OF UNIFORM PELLET

Night Games Also in Order Coming Season — Few Trades Noted in Midwinter Session of Magnates

By Gayle Talbot NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—(AP)—Having adopted a uniform ball, finally admitted the inevitability of night baseball and accomplished some scattered trades, the big league magnates wind up their midwinter gabfest today in a joint appearance before Commissioner Kenevas Mountain Landis.

Assuming that deals were the design of most of the attendants at this week's confab, the American league saved itself from a virtual shutout last night in a midnight maneuver which sent Ben Chapman, Boston's hard-hitting outfielder, to Cleveland for Pitcher Dennis Galeshouse and Rookie Infielder Tommy Irwin.

No cash was involved. Chapman hit .340 last season, sufficient to rank him among the leaders even in the hard-hitting American league. But he will be 30 years old come Christmas day and has spent nine years in the big show.

Galeshouse came up to Cleveland five years ago as a promising right-hander. He is still promising. Last year he won 7 and lost 8 in 35 starts which leaves him safe for the Red Sox if he sees a payoff in his system.

Beyond this transaction, the owners can't show Landis, the old dictator of the dugouts, much they have done toward shoving the embarrassing superiority of the New York Yankees. Although not admitting as much, this must have been an aim of the other owners.

Yet at this semi-final accounting, about all they have done is compromise on a uniform ball. This will be viewed as an effort to stem the Yankees' power, because the raised seams were found last season to give the National league pitchers better control and to lend wider sweep to their curves. However, demonstrations have proved the ball travels just as far as the old lively ball when hit solidly.

Owner Clara Griffith of Washington apparently has shopped through an amendment to the ruler that will help some of the pitchers. It provides that the hurler need have only one foot on the rubber at the start of his wind-up. The other foot (the left one in the case of a right-hand hurler) may be well back. This gives the pitcher a longer sweep with his leg as he starts, an old pitcher himself, demonstrated.

Night baseball broke down the final barrier when the American league granted Cleveland and Philadelphia permission to play seven nocturnal games each season. The National league accepted the lights two years ago, and it had to come to the American.

The basketball circus is coming to town! Minus the steam calliope, elephants and the man on the flying trapeze, but with the crashest bunch of clowns that ever stepped out before the public, the "circus" is coming here in the shape of the famous Broadway Clowns basketball team from New York City's Harlem. Claimants of the world's negro championship, the Clowns will team up with the Owl club team of Medford on Saturday evening. A preliminary game will get under way at 7:30.

Although recognized by basketball critics as the greatest gang of mad comedians in the realm of madcap comedy, it is not their only forte, as fans who have seen them play in Medford before are well aware. They have a fine basketball team, a team of four giants and one midsize, Little Al (Runt) Pullins weighs only 125 pounds, but he is a package of dynamite. Clowns of the team are Dawson Collins, six feet five inches tall; Hilary Brown, six feet three; Po'kehops Brime, six feet one; and Buzz Mathews, six feet one. Brown is a newcomer to the team, and is called the "greatest negro court performer in the world today."

Facing that sparkling array of basketball talent will be an Owl club team, rated one of the strongest in southern Oregon, composed of:

BOWLING

Commercial leaguers bowled at the Medford alleys last night, with Ward's Riverdale taking three out of four points from Piche Sports. Bauer Lumber company beating Montgomery Ward, 3 to 1; and CCO headquarters measuring Lewis Super Service by the same count. In a City league game, Zoric beat the Mail Tribune, 4 to 0. Scores follow:

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FRED GANNETTE 'FIND' OF YEAR FOR TIGER TEAM

Although he is untested, as yet, in the actual fires of competition, a loose, lanky six-foot-one-inch sophomore named Fred Gannette has all the earmarks of being Medford high school's basketball "find" of the year.

Tiger Coach Russ Johnson is finding it hard to keep his enthusiasm for the youngster within normal bounds. "He looks like a natural, alright," the mentor said yesterday afternoon after the locals finished a practice game with Hiney Cook's Phoenix high quintet. "And, the funny part of it is, he hasn't played any basketball for three years ago, and until he came back to Medford this fall he hardly had a basketball in his hands. Nevertheless, he looks right now like an experienced high school player."

Gannette, with Eugene Miller, Ray Crosby, Walt Krese, Don Monteth, Bob Newland, Bill Caples, Verne Johnston, Harry Thurman, Dale Howard, Bill Fische, Mische saw action in the practice scrimmage with Phoenix yesterday. No official score was recorded, but the Tigers won by a substantial margin. Phoenix being somewhat bewildered by the size of the Medford playing court.

The Tigers displayed some sweet ball-handling and floor work, although their ability to drop in baskets from scoring position was far from perfect. Miller, elongated junior, looks like he has improved 80 per cent over last season, and Newland and Crosby, other members of last year's "flaming sophomores," are cutting fancier capers than ever.

Arba Ager, Sam Van Dyke, Wayne Harris, Louis Campbell, Hoke Curtis, Stan Kunzmann, Tommy White, Herb Henderson and Gus Johnson.

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SECONDARY QUINTS RESUME ACTIVITY TOMORROW NIGHT

Games Friday Night Division 1 Jacksonville at Butte Falls. Eagle Point at Talent. Prospect at St. Mary's. Division 2 Gold Hill at Kerby. Central Point at Rogue River.

Jacksonville's class B high school basketball conference teams resume activity tomorrow evening, with three division 1 tilts scheduled and a pair of division 2 encounters slated. Phoenix and Sama Valley, division 2 quintets, played this week's game Tuesday evening, so will remain idle Friday. All games tomorrow night begin following 7:30 preliminaries.

With completion of play this week all teams in both divisions will take a vacation from conference activity until January 6, although several of the quintets will engage in exhibition skirmishes during the Christmas holidays. Phoenix plays at Jacksonville next Tuesday evening in an inter-division exhibition battle.

Highlighting tomorrow night's division 1 program is the Prospect-St. Mary's game at St. Mary's gym here. Both teams won opening conference victories last Friday night, so the winner of their clash will at least have a share of the division leadership. Jacksonville, other undefeated division 1 quintet, moves to Butte Falls, while Eagle Point and Talent, both beaten once, collide at Talent.

In division 2, the high-powered Central Point Pointers and the fine Rogue River team clash at Rogue River. Neither team has been beaten in conference play. Gold Hill, submerged by Central Point last week, travels to Kerby, which club is tied with the Pointers and Rogue River for the leadership.

J'VILLE GRADERS TROUNCE POINTERS Jacksonville's grade school basketball quintet, coached by Arba Ager, continued its amazing scoring and defensive performance yesterday afternoon at Central Point by defeating the grade school team of that town, 50 to 4. Hardy, forward, tallied 21 points, and Wendt, guard, scored 14.

In four games this season, the Jacksonvilleites have piled up 146 points to their opponents 24, an average per game of 36.5 to 6 for the opposition. Jacksonville has beaten Medford junior high seventh graders, 44 to 14; Talent graders, 27 to 2, and Gold Hill graders, 25 to 4.

Coach Ager is an ex-Portland high school and Southern Oregon Normal school star athlete.

SONS LOSE SECOND IN ROW TO HUMBOLDT FIVE EUREKA, Calif., Dec. 15.—(AP)—Humboldt State College dribblers made it two in a row over Southern Oregon Normal at Arcata last night, winning the second game from the Oregonians in two nights, 40-19.

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Sport Graphs

Billy Hulen says: Letters Mailed To Santa Reveal Unique Requests

Thanks to the cooperation of Postmaster Frank DeSouza and the perfect performance of a little gadget we invented and named the letteroscope, which enables you to look right thru an envelope and digest the contents of the misadventures contained therein, we are able to present today several letters to Santa Claus as scribbled by citizens of the sports world. Because some of these citizens probably wouldn't want their innermost hopes and wishes to become public property, we suggest that these following letters be destroyed immediately after reading, and not be discussed when company calls.

Dear Santa Claus: I understand that big-shots in the American league have done home runs, and I'm a big shot myself. Now, Santa Claus, I have been a good boy all year and have not been as mean to pitchers as I could have been. For that reason, I would appreciate it if you could see your way clear to deposit a bomb in the stockings of the guys who voted the "National league's" "dead" ball into our circuit. If that is impossible, please bring me a handful of short left field fences, which I can install in the American league circuits.

A good little first baseman. HANK GREENBERG, Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a blocking quarterback to take the place of Bill Caples, and a running left halfback to make me forget Jack Bowman. Also, if you are long on guards, I could use a 180-pounder who can block. It would not hurt my feelings any, Santa Claus, if you could scrape up a couple of ends to replace Monst and Verbiok. I have been a good boy this year; in fact, too good to Hood River and Eureka. I promise to be a model child next year if you answer this letter.

Sincerely, WILLIE BOWERMAN, Coach, Medford, Oregon.

Dear Santa Claus: Most of all, Santa Claus, I would like some fellows to fight. I seem to have run clear out of opponents, and unless something is done at once I might have to lay away my gloves for good. That would be awful, if you haven't any good welterweights or lightweights you can spare, you could bring me about 50 pounds of flesh. If I weighed 50 more pounds I could fight the heavyweights, and knock them kicking. In fact, I could probably knock most of them kicking right now. That gives me an idea. Please bring me a fight with Max Baer.

A little pickaninny, HENRY ARMSTRONG, Los Angeles.

Dear Santa Claus: Please be kind enough to leave in my stockings this Christmas a dozen wreathers who aren't afraid to tear each other limb from limb, a boxing commission that will turn its back on the rough stuff, and two thousand fans who will fight to get in the armory every Monday night. I really have been a good boy, Santa Claus, and trust that will show your appreciation by granting my modest requests.

Very truly yours, MACK LILLARD, Medford, Oregon.

Dear Santa Claus: All I ask this year, Dear Kris Kringle, are two small gifts. And they don't have to be delivered until January 2, anytime before 2 p. m. The two tiny presents I would sincerely appreciate are touchdowns, for use in the Rose Bowl when my team plays Duke. I wouldn't ask you for these, Santa, unless I really believed they were necessary. However, from what I hear, this Duke team has a pretty fair defense, and just to be on the safe side I would greatly appreciate those two touchdowns. Of course, I may not need them, but the more I think about it the more convinced I become that I will need them plenty. Don't repeat this, but as a matter of fact, unless you bring me those two touchdowns, I don't know how my team is going to get any points.

Hopetully yours, HOWARD JONES, coach U.S.C., Los Angeles.

GENE O'GRADY DATED FOR TACOMA BATTLE TACOMA, Dec. 15.—(AP)—Ernie Collins, of Reno, Nev., and Jack McOmber, of Tacoma, light-heavyweights

meet in the 10-round main event of a boxing card here tonight. Gene O'Grady, of Klamath Falls, Negro heavyweight, are paired in Ore., and Paul Williams, Chicago the six-round semi-final.

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