

The Sporting Page

HARTNETT SAYS CUBS GAINED STRENGTH BY TRADING WITH GIANTS

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Gabby Hartnett, filled with the benevolent holiday spirit, assured supporters of his Chicago Cubs today the team was stronger now than it was as a 1938 pennant winner.

The jovial club manager is back in town after doing a bit of trading at the major league meeting in New York and visiting relatives in New England.

Hartnett said he was still after players to strengthen the Cubs, but didn't name the men he wants.

Taking a long-range glance at the 1939 race, Gabby named the New York Giants, Pittsburgh Pirates and Cincinnati as "the teams to beat."

"The St. Louis Cardinals still have the best batting strength, and the most speed, so if they do something about defensive and pitching weaknesses, they can make trouble for anybody," he added. "I'd rate the Cards and the Reds as the danger spots in the league."

Gabby figures the Cubs were strengthened more than the Giants by the deal which sent Shortstop Bill Jurges, Catcher Ken O'Dea and Outfielder Frank Demaree to New York for Catcher Gus Mancuso, Shortstop Dick Bartell and Outfielder Hank Leiber.

Nova Pounds Tommy Farr



Tommy Farr, crouching, slings a left to Nova's chin in an early round of their 15-round battle in New York, which for a time looked like Farr's fight. Nova, however, came back later to pound Farr into helplessness and won acclaim as the next world's heavyweight fighting champion. Note the tenseness of the Californian's neck and shoulder muscles. (A. P. photo.)

TIGER VARSITY CAGERS TRIM PROSPECT, 48-19 IN PRACTICE CONTEST

Medford high's powerful varsity basketball squad, with every man seeing action, defeated the class B Prospect high quintet at Prospect last night, 48 to 19, in a practice encounter. The two teams clash again tomorrow afternoon in the local high school gym at 2:30. There will be no admission charge, and the public is invited.

Lanky Eugene Miller led the Tiger scoring with 12 points, while Webber scored 6 for Prospect. The Medfords led, 18 to 0, at the end of the first quarter and 26 to 8 at halftime. The Tigers converted 10 out of 12 free throws, while Prospect hit only 3 out of 21.

Lineups:

Medford (48)	Prospect (19)
Kresse 7	Carlton 5
Crosby 4	Tribbett 5
Miller 12	Vaughn 2
Newland 6	Webber 6
Monteth 6	Moore 1
Subs: Medford, Piche 2, Miksche 2, L. Thurman 3, Olford 4, Howard 2, Gannette.	

Sport Graphs

Billy Hulen says:

Sport Results of Next Season Prognosticated

Without the aid of I. Pickem (thank goodness, the guy has holed up until next football season), and strictly by a scientific computation of facts and figures and maybe a little guesswork thrown in, this department today pulls aside the veil of the future and gives both you readers a look at the sports parade of 1939, predicting its results and naming its champions.

Baseball—They can't stop them Yanks, who will blast their way to another American league pennant and whip the Cincinnati Reds, National league champs, in the world series. Nobody will bust Babe Ruth's homer record of 60, although Greenberg will belt about 55 and Jimmy Foxx around 50. Dizzy Dean won't be of much use to the Cubs, but Brother Paul will make a great comeback with the Cardinals. Lefty Grove's arm trouble will still trouble him, and he won't win over 10 games for the Red Sox. Carl Hubbell will have another good year with the "Jints." Cleveland will fold again in the stretch, and so will the Pirates. Cincy will nose out the Cubs and Giants for the hunting in the National, thanks to Vander Meer, who will pitch another no-hitter. Freddy Hutchinson will go great guns with the Detroit: so will Bob Feller with the Indians. Lou Gehrig will resume his fence-rocking and Joe DiMaggio and Joe Gordon will help him plenty.

In the Pacific Coast league, Portland will grab the championship because they will have some hitters, at last, and have released several clubhouse "lawyers." In the Southern Oregon league, Medford's Centers will repeat their flag-holding ceremonies if they can find at least one extra good pitcher. Grants Pass will furnish the most opposition, and Ashland might not be in the circuit. Same for Glendale. Crescent City won't have Koll, which is too bad. Boxing—Joe Louis will whip John Henry Lewis next month and retain his heavyweight title. Lou Nova will wallop Maxie Baer and Tony Galento, but won't fight Louis until 1940. Freddie Apostoli will finally become the middleweight champion in all states. Armstrong will lick Ambers again, decisively this time, and still

JAPAN RUSHES TROOPS TO CURB DISTURBANCE IN MANCHOUKUO AREA

SHANGHAI, Dec. 21.—(AP)—The Japanese were reported by foreign sources today to have rushed troops into Manchoukuo to put down disturbances caused by units of China's eighth route army which had crossed into the Japanese-dominated state.

Reports from Peiping said from 15 to 20 trainloads of Japanese had been crossing the border daily at Shanhatun for several days.

A Japanese army spokesman, however, denied any troops were being sent into Manchoukuo and said no trouble had been reported anywhere along the border.

The Chinese press reported trouble also was brewing in Formosa where Formosans and Chinese residents were opposing Japan's strict war measures.

Meanwhile, Chinese reported new victories on the central front and in north China where the Japanese were sending troop reinforcements to stamp out guerrilla activities.

Breaking the long deadlock on the Canton-Hankow railway, the Chinese said they had recaptured Matang station, nine miles south of Yochow, gateway to Hunan province, inflicting 300 casualties.

FRENCH NAVY TO TRAIN OFF COAST OF AFRICA

PARIS, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Orders for the French navy to hold extensive war games early in 1939 in the southern Atlantic ocean off Africa's west coast were disclosed tonight.

Fears Germany's ambitions might turn to French colonies and mandates on that coast as a stepping stone to the extension of Nazi influence to South America were recalled by further orders to some units to take advantage of the maneuvers to visit Latin American countries.

The war games will be concerned especially with the defense of Senegal, where the airport of Dakar is an essential link in air services between Europe and South America.

9 Years to Write

EDINBURGH, Scotland.—(AP)—A Scottish dictionary describing the rise and history of each Scottish dialect since 1700 is being prepared in 10 volumes. Volume three, which has been reached after nine years of work, will be published soon. The dictionary will provide a key to every word used by Burns, Scott, Stevenson and other great Scottish writers.

BEAVERS DEFEAT PORTLAND QUINT

CORVALLIS, Dec. 21.—(AP)—The Oregon State college Beavers gained their second basketball victory of the pre-conference season last night by trimming the Pacific Packards of Portland, 41 to 29.

The Beavers, playing with a well-balanced combination, led, 21 to 16 at half time, but pulled away rapidly at the end of the rest period.

Roy Plugrad led the Orange scorers with ten points. Other high scorers for the northern division member were Elmer Kolberg with nine and Mal Harris with eight.

WEBFOOTS TRIM MIAMI, 74 TO 38

CLEVELAND, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Big, efficient basketball giants from the University of Ohio virtually obliterated Miami (Ohio) University here last night, 74 to 38.

The touring Webfoots, who lost their opening game in New York Saturday, but won in Philadelphia Monday, suffered a serious casualty.

Ugel Wintermute, six-foot-seven plus center, turned his ankle and was taken to a hospital. Coach Howard Hobson's fears were eliminated, however, when X-rays revealed his star did not suffer a fracture.

The big fellow was released but he may be out of competition for several games.

Ted Sarpola, forward, captured scoring honors with 20 points, dropping in seven field goals and six free throws. His companion forward, Laddie Gale, one of the nation's highest scorers, played only briefly, but tallied 11 points.

Webfoots led, 28 to 17, at half time.

POINTERS TO PLAY CAVEMEN TONIGHT

Champions of the Jackson county class B conference for the past two years, Central Point high's strong basketball team will step out of its class tonight when it tangles with the Grants Pass Cavemen, class A district 9 team, at Central Point. A preliminary between starts at 7:30.

Both teams are undefeated to date, the Pointers leading the county division 2 race with two wins, and the Cavemen having beaten Kerby twice and St. Mary's once in practice encounters.

Probable starting lineups follow:

Central Point	Grants Pass
R. Pinkham	Sinebaugh
Williams	Gray
Meyers	Lanning
Beebe	Dully
Holland	Thomas

ANGELS SELL PAIR TO OAKLAND TEAM

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—(AP)—The Los Angeles baseball club announced today that Pitcher Jack Salveson and Mike Christoff, young outfielder, have been sold to the Oakland club of the Pacific Coast league for an unannounced cash amount.

Salveson, hampered last year by an arm injury, won 11 games and dropped 10.

Lead Killed By Car

WOODBURN, Dec. 21.—(AP)—An automobile driven by Max Fisher of Falls City struck and fatally injured Albert Hoffman, 8, near here last night. The boy, on his way home from school, was reported to have stepped directly in front of the Fisher machine.

BLUSH BRIDE 84

BLOOMINGTON, Ind.—(AP)—People apparently never get too old to fall in love. "We know from experience that love knows no age limits," said John R. Hacker, 83, at his and his blushing bride-elect, Ida May Stewart, 84, both of Bloomington, signed marriage license applications. The ceremony was performed shortly afterwards.

Dynamite On Wild Ride

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky.—(AP)—State highway patrolman Gray Salter saw an automobile weaving along a highway. He halted the driver, looked into the back seat of the car and shuddered. Fifteen sticks of dynamite had been jostling around. The driver was fined \$150 for drunken driving.

PHOENIX HIGH WINS 35-23 FROM J'VILLE

Phoenix high defeated Jacksonville high, 35 to 23, last night at Phoenix in a non-conference basketball game. Husk, Phoenix guard, tallied 14 points and White, Jacksonville substitute, garnered 7 for his team.

Lineups:

Phoenix (35)	Jacksonville (23)
Way 2	B. Metzger
Madden 5	McGinty 2
Vroman 11	C. Woods
Husk 14	G. Graham
Parker 3	P. Metzger 4

Subs: Phoenix, Unruh, Jacksonville, White 7, Johnson 4, Riens 6, Referee: I. Harrington.

Fights Last Night

(By the Associated Press.)

NEW HAVEN—Fred Apostoli, 161½, San Francisco, recognized by the New York boxing commission as middleweight champion, stopped Al Cozzano, 145, New York, (4).

NEW YORK—Eric Seelig, 150, New York, outpointed Ken Overlin, 150½, Decatur, Ill. (10).

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y.—Larry Kellum, 153½, Butte, Mont., outpointed Frank Castiglia, 160½, New York, (8).

LOS ANGELES—Bobby Pancho, 150½, Los Angeles, stopped Charley Baxter, 141½, Columbus, Ohio, (2).

DUKE PRACTICE SLATED AT STOP IN ARKANSAS

PINE BLUFF, Ark., Dec. 21.—(AP)—The mighty Blue Devils of Duke University, en route to Pasadena, Calif., to play in the Rose Bowl against Southern California January 2, selected Pine Bluff today for their first workout en route.

About 120 persons were on the Blue Devil special yesterday when it pulled out of Durham, N. C., amid a great ovation of college supporters and townspeople.

Louisiana farmers bought 20,000 bushels of corn for planting in 1939 compared with 8,000 bushels the year before.

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BASKETBALL

By the Associated Press

Oregon State, 41; Pacific Packards (Portland) 29.

Hermiston 22, Heppner 16, Roseburg 45, Springfield 28, Corvallis 33, McMinnville 28, Walla Walla 31, Milton-Freewater 29 (overtime), The Dalles 28, Oregon City 31.

Wrestling

(By the Associated Press.)

READING, Pa.—Joe Stuygal, 218, Three Oaks, Mich., pinned Sammy Cohen, 210, Chicago, (21:03).

INDIANAPOLIS—George Zaharias, 245, Pueblo, Colo., defeated John Granovich, 240, New York, two of three falls.

Coach Hurt in Crash

ST. MONTE, Calif., Dec. 21.—(AP)—Elmer C. Henderson, coach of the Los Angeles professional football team, and his wife suffered injuries early today when their automobile crashed with another machine.

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