

Sport Graphs

Billy Hulen Says:

Hockey Circuit Will Start Here Middle of Month

Under the direction of Denny Edge, new manager of the Medford Ice Arena, ice hockey will shortly be focused on the local sports scene.

The former professional hockey star, who last year managed the Spokane Bombers to the Pacific Coast league hockey championship, plans to inaugurate play in a three-team amateur league about the middle of this month.

The local circuit originally was to include four clubs, but Edge wisely lopped off one team in order to give local fans a better brand of hockey.

"Ice hockey is entirely new in Medford," Denny explained, "and right now I don't believe we have enough good players to start with a four-team league. Operating with three outfits, though, the competition will be keener, as every team will be stronger."

Some three dozen local skaters have been working out for the past month and Edge says many of them show promise of developing into fine hockey players. Sponsors for the teams are being lined up.

It's Denny's plan to stage one game a week, with the team drawing a bye one week to see action the next against one of the other clubs.

Younger skaters who also would like to play hockey will get their chance. Starting next Saturday morning Edge will organize a junior hockey class, and all grade and junior high school skaters are invited to attend the 9 to 10 a. m. session.

Edge said the youngsters would have to provide only their own skates and sticks; that the arena would furnish the other equipment. Instruction will be free, as will the time on the ice.

Ice hockey, often called the world's fastest game, has in recent years progressed to the "blitz attack," much the same as basketball, Denny remarked.

"The art of clever stick handling and tight defensive play has gone out the window. Present day hockey demands speed, lightning offensive maneuvers and scoring. The fans want scores and more scores. When I played, seldom did the defensive men go down the ice to attack. Nowadays, only the goalie stays back, and sometimes even he is sent down the ice to aid the attacking team."

Edge revealed the interesting information that 80 per cent of the nation's artificial ice skating is done on the Pacific coast, and that California, which is usually associated with warm-weather sports, has more artificial ice than any other state.

Arriving here over the weekend was Danny Stewart of Portland, who will act as ice-maker and supervisor for the arena. Stewart has been associated with Edge for the past dozen years, and is called by Denny "the best ice maker on the Pacific coast."

SKI NOVICE

Portland, Ore., Jan. 5.—(AP)—Bill Woolly, Tacoma Ski club, raced down a Mount Hood course of nearly four miles in 8:32.2 minutes yesterday to win the junior novice title in the annual Portland day ski races. Portlanders won all other races.

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HALAS DROPS TWO GRAND IN CLASH FOR NAVY RELIEF

Slim Crowd Falls To Put Game In Black—Score Biggest In Tilt's History

By Sid Feder

New York, Jan. 5.—(AP)—In the name of sweet charity—and by way of proving that his Chicago Bears are just about the greatest gridiron collection ever turned loose to prowl—Jumping George Halas' bankroll showed a \$6,000 hole today for two all-star games.

George, mind you, had a lot of satisfaction from the way those apples of his eye knocked over the National Pro-Football league all-stars two years in a row, turning in a 35-24 decision yesterday in the Polo Grounds for the second one. But the red ink is getting to be quite an item.

A year ago, Halas took his big Bears out to sunny California and blew \$3,600 of his own while turning in a 28-14 win over the All-Stars. Yesterday George brought the thundering herd into the local National league ballyard because of the war, and in the process of becoming a set of mud-covered snowmen the pro league champs rolled up the biggest score ever marked up in this four-year series.

17,725 Attend

The choice of freezing a few toes apiece or staying home by the fireside resulted in a cozy gathering of only 17,725 fans. This produced a net gate of \$51,059.67, of which the navy fund got \$25,529.84.

Out of the balance came some \$3,800 rental for the park and \$3,200 for the 28—all stars—each of whom collected \$150 and expenses. What was left, after George paid his men and a few incidentals represented an estimated loss of a couple of thousand iron men. So, George won the ball game and proved his point about his Goliaths, but he paid for it.

For that matter, so did the All Stars. Don Hutson, Green Bay's pass-catching end, wound up with a broken rib; Frank Filchock, Washington ball-carrier, had two of the same; and Slingin' Sammy Baugh had to have four stitches taken in his jaw.

This, of course, was after Sammy had spear-headed the All-Star attack, pitching for all three of the All-Star touchdowns.

RUTH THROWS OFF NERVOUS AILMENT

New York, Jan. 5.—(AP)—Babe Ruth, who batted his way to a salary greater than that paid the president of the United States, was resting comfortably today and recovering rapidly from the extreme nervousness that necessitated his removal to a hospital early Saturday.

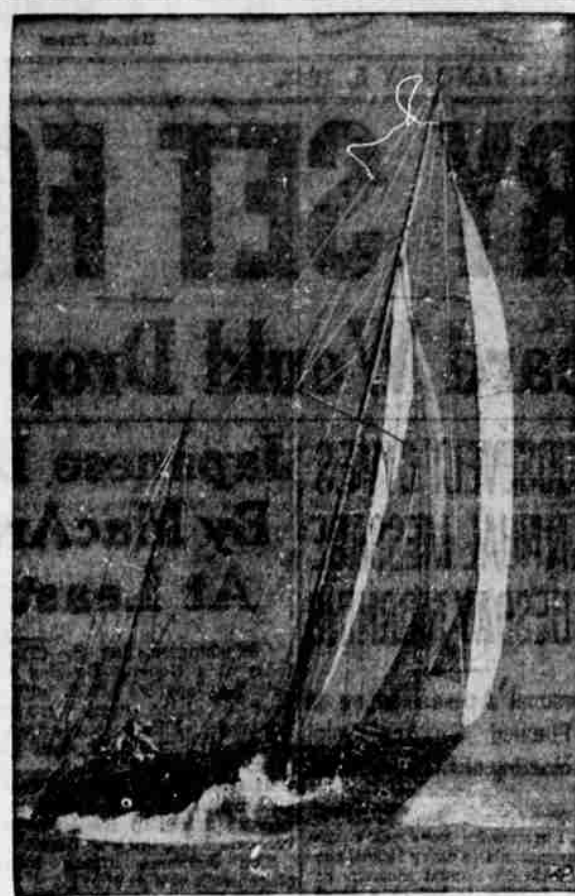
Mrs. Ruth, wife of the man who once was paid \$80,000 a year for playing baseball, said "he was getting along fine" and that she expected him to be released late this week.

A narrow escape in a car accident during the holidays, when his car was wrecked, and a heavy dieting program during which he lost 37 pounds in a few weeks brought about the nervousness, a physician said. Ruth also is suffering from a heavy cold.

325 GAMES BOWLED IN 56 HOURS, MAN CLAIMS

Los Angeles, Jan. 5.—(AP)—A new world non-stop bowling mark of 56 hours is claimed by Frank Stiller.

He completed a 325-game marathon yesterday, with an average score of 132. Stiller said that once previously he had bowled continuously for 83 hours, 29 minutes.



CALL FOR YAWLS—With the 13th annual sailing race from St. Petersburg, Fla., to Havana, Cuba, set for March 7, the yawl "Yaukeva," an entry from Harkness Edwards of Lexington, Ky., takes a practice run off the St. Petersburg coast.

Navy Relief To Be Winner In Louis-Buddy Baer Fight

By Austin Bealmeier

New York, Jan. 5.—(AP)—Joe Louis, who wound up with a knot on his head, an argument on his hands and \$40,000 in his pocket the last time he tied into Buddy Baer, risks his heavy-weight title against the Californian again Friday night with nothing but thanks as his reward.

The champion expects to earn twice as much as he did before, in about half the time, but he's giving it all away. Win, lose or draw, Louis will donate his end of the purse to the navy relief society, which takes care of the families of navy men killed in action.

If the gate reaches \$225,000, the goal set by Promoter Jacobs, the Bomber's share will be around \$80,000. And all that he'll take, under an agreement reached long before Pearl Harbor was attacked, will be his training expenses.

Baer is turning part of his purse back to the naval fund and Jacobs is working for nothing. It took Louis six rounds to finish the job in Washington, D. C., last May, after Baer had bounced the champion on his head in the opening frame. Baer was disqualified by Referee Arthur Donovan when Buddy's manager, Anell Hoffman, remained in the ring to claim a foul after the seventh round was scheduled to start.

Although Louis had flogged Baer twice in the sixth, Hoffman protested that his man had been hit after the bell. The argument that followed lasted for days, but capital boxing officials sided with Donovan.

This time, Louis says, there'll be no room for argument. He has been powdering his sparring mates with terrific blows at his Greenwood Lake training camp, and his handlers say he will be the Louis of old when he crawls through the ropes at Madison Square Garden for the 25-round tussle at 7 p. m. PST.

Dawson Wins Southern California Golf Meet

Los Angeles, Jan. 5.—(AP)—For the first time since 1935 when Pat Abbott captured the southern California open golf title an amateur has defeated the professionals in an open tournament.

Johnny Dawson shot a 72 hole total of 279 to beat Willie Hunter, sharpest shooter among the pros, by eight strokes in the Woodland Hills open. Dawson finished yesterday with a par 70 for a 65-70-74-70—279.

Porterfield Captures Singles Bowling Toga

Dick Porterfield yesterday captured the first Lamport's open singles bowling championship by defeating Bill Hagen in a five game match, 1,012 to 992. He gained possession of the handsome trophy for one year. It must be won twice for permanent possession.

Porterfield's game scores were 224, 220, 223, 175 and 170. Hagen's scores were 184, 188, 191, 188 and 211.

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MEDFORD SPLITS EVEN IN 2-GAME COOS BAY JAUNT

Tigers Fall To North Bend After Win Over Marshfield—Salem Coming.

Home from a two-game barnstorming trip to Coos bay on which they broke even in tilts with Marshfield and North Bend, the Medford high basketball Tigers will buckle down to intensive drills today in preparation for the invasion of the Salem high Vikings next Friday and Saturday nights.

After whipping Marshfield by a 48 to 26 score Friday night, the Bengals stumbled Saturday evening and dropped a 34 to 20 decision to North Bend.

The locals got off to a bad start against North Bend, and at halftime trailed by an 18 to 4 score. Bad passes and missed "cripple" shots combined to hamper the Tigers, and although they outscored their opponents by two points in the last two periods the North Bend lead was too great to overcome.

17 Personal

The Tigers committed 17 personal fouls to five for North Bend, the latter quintet scoring 10 points via the free throw line. The officiating was said to have been rather eccentric.

Defensive drills will be stressed in practice sessions this week along with shooting and passing. Coach Russ Acheson said.

Lineups of North Bend game: Medford (20) North Bend (34) Monteith 2.....Fox 3 Herman 6.....Snidow 10 Wall 3.....Wigart 9 Fawcett 5.....Ruppe 5 Webber 6.....Murdoch 7 Subs: Medford: Kresse 2, Neidermeyer 2, Reynolds, Adams.

CURRENT CAGERS MUST BE SPEEDY OR TALL TO STAR

By Harold Classen

New York, Jan. 5.—(AP)—After Dr. James Naismith tacked up those peach baskets at Springfield, Mass., and invented basketball a half century ago rivals immediately classified it as a game for misfits.

But today a coach labels his players as misfits only when they can march through an average-sized door without ducking or are so slow that a rumor can beat them down the floor.

Right now two teams in opposite corners of the nation—the University of Washington and Rhode Island State—apparently have a corner on the speed while mezzanine-peeping for forwards and centers are common in all parts.

It is in the middle west and the southwest where the giants are plentiful. Charles Halpert, the six-foot-10-inch center, helped the West Texas mates to the Oklahoma City tournament championship and now the enormous Buffaloes are en route to Illinois where equally potent Bradley Tech will be encountered Tuesday.

Stanford on the west coast is attracting attention with a line-up that averages six feet four inches; Minnesota is dribbling along undefeated in the Big Ten; Iowa State relies on six-foot-seven-inch Carol Schneider; Long Island has big Hank Beenders, and George Washington offers equally big Matt Zunic.

HEROIC BEAVERS RETURN THURSDAY

Corvallis, Jan. 5.—(AP)—The returning Oregon State Rose Bowl football team will be greeted by a large crowd at the Albany railroad depot Thursday at 5:15 a. m.

Players will be guests at a breakfast staged by the Albany Chamber of Commerce and Breakfast club, then will be taken by automobile to Corvallis for a parade through decorated streets.

Students will greet the team in an assembly at 11 a. m. and a rally dance will be held in the afternoon.

Players and coaches will be presented plaques at a 6:30 p. m. banquet to which Pacific cities have been invited.

SKATING SESSIONS ON NEW SCHEDULE

Denny Edge, manager of the Medford Ice Arena, today announced a slight change in time for skating sessions at the South Gate street winter sports center.

Morning sessions have been eliminated except on Saturdays from 10 to 12, at which time kiddies and their parents will have the ice to themselves, he said.

Afternoon sessions will be held from 2 to 5 instead of 2 to 3:30, and night sessions from 8 to 10:30 instead of 7:45 to 10:30, he stated.

Edge also announced that beginners' nights would be held every Monday and Wednesday, starting Wednesday, at which time those learning to skate will be given free instruction by members of the three local amateur hockey teams.

COAST HOOP LOOP OPENS THIS WEEK

By the Associated Press

The basketball chips go down this week in the northern division of the Pacific Coast conference; and at least two teams appear to be holding pat hands.

The two are Washington State, defending division conference-western champion, and the University of Washington, unbeaten in eight straight pre-season encounters. Both teams get action on the opening night of the conference season Friday. Washington meets Idaho in the first of a two-game series at Seattle; and Washington State takes on Oregon in a similar series at Eugene.

POSTMASTER

Washington, Jan. 5.—(AP)—The senate has confirmed Odden L. Dickens as postmaster at John Day.

CRASH KILLS TWO

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 5.—(CP)—FO. R. E. McLeod of Niagara Falls, Ont., and Sgt. Eric Cormier of Vancouver, B. C., were killed yesterday when a Royal Canadian air force plane crashed about 20 miles north of Prince Rupert, B. C., western air command announced today.

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BACK FOR MORE—Buddy Baer, who managed to knock Louis out of the ring in the first round of the May, 1941, match won by Louis with a technical KAYO in the seventh, assumes a fighting stance. They meet again Jan. 9 in Madison Square Garden.

College Football to Provide Healthy Men For Army, Is Pledge

By Robert Myers

Phoenix, Ariz., Jan. 5.—(AP)—College football will be ready to fill any order by Uncle Sam in 1942.

If Uncle Sam wants fine, well conditioned athletes, he'll get them. If he wants football to develop more athletes, he'll get that, too.

The occasion is the annual meeting of the national collegiate football rules committee, composed of the men who lay down the laws for your football heroes to follow.

"Sure, we'll have football next fall, and good football," said Matt Bell, the one time praisin' colonel from Centre college, now coach of Southern Methodist university at Dallas. "But," he added, seriously, "you can bet that the boys that go into service will go gladly and they will be mentally and physically fit just as they were in the last war."

News Behind The News

By Paul Mallon

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keep the German people from suspecting a major retreat.

Thus warned, the Reds started pinching the bases of salients he had projected, to hamper the withdrawal, and they met with encouraging success. Their hopes were raised so high Stalin called a meeting of his generals in Moscow to decide whether the forces he had been preparing for spring should be thrown in now. Their decision to gamble became obvious immediately. Certainly a substantial portion of men and material they had been preparing for use in the spring were set upon the heels of the Germans, and these exploited the initial successes (after Hitler

thought heavy fighting was all over for winter.)

You can tell how orderly the German retreat will continue to be by watching the number of prisoners claimed by the Russians. To this writing no substantial prisoner claims had been made by Moscow.

At two points, at least, the Germans did not intend to withdraw. They lost their hold on Moscow-Leningrad communications involuntarily. The Reds skillfully drove to cut them off in the Crimea.

The Crimea has been held largely by Rumanians and Italians, who have little heart for Nazi business. Only a few Nazis were left there by Hitler to keep the axis greasers in line. After the initial red success at Kerch, Stalin did not drive for Sevastopol, as expected, but hit straight northwest for Jankoi to cut off the Rumanians and Italians from the small remaining neck through which they might escape. The operation had a good chance of becoming a tremendous success.

NEW TRAFFIC LAWS

Tallahassee, Fla.—(UP)—Thousands of winter tourists to Florida will find pleasanter driving conditions because of legislation altering the state's traffic laws to conform with those of most other states. The new law standardized road regulations and set top speed for daylight travel at 60 miles per hour and 50 for night driving.

Closing time for Classified Ads 9 a. m.—Too Late to Classify 12:30 p. m.

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Oregon Organizes to Oppose Removal of War Industry Plants

Portland, Ore., Jan. 5.—(AP)—Oregon organized opposition yesterday to a war department plan to keep future war industries at least 400 miles inland from the west coast.

Gov. Charles A. Sprague said that the fate of a \$20,000,000 aluminum rolling plant projected for Fairview, Ore., 12 miles east of Portland, would be decided in Washington, D. C., this week.

He said he had discussed the situation by telephone with Robert P. Patterson, assistant secretary of war, and Jesse Jones, RFC head. Both promised to consider Oregon's objections, Sprague said.

Time purchases of automobiles by consumers call for use constantly of one and a half billion dollars of credit, says the census bureau. Average loans on new cars are \$723 and on used cars, \$446.

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