

SPORTS

JOHNNY REVOLTA TOP CONTENDER IN TUCSON OPEN

Tucson, Ariz., Jan. 19.—(U.P.)—Fresh from a five-under-par 65 in the tuncup, Johnny Revolta, former PGA champion, became one of the leading contenders today as 75 professional and amateur golfers teed off in the opening round of the first annual \$5,000 Tucson open golf tournament.

But the Evanston, Ill., pro was up against the best of the game with Byron Nelson, holder of the course record of 63, his "gold dust" twin, Harold (Jug) McSpaden, and Slammin' Sammy Sneed of White Sulphur Springs, Va., vying for top spots.

Denny Shute, Akron, O., was also considered a hard man to beat in this tournament. Shute closed with 31 for a 66 in yesterday's tuncup, tying with Sammy Byrd, Detroit, and Claude Harmon, Grosse Pointe, Mich., for runner-up medalist honors.

Shute was headed for the week's best round of play until he double-bogied the par-three eighth hole, the same one which gave Revolta trouble. Although he failed to crack Nelson's course record, Revolta took best-ball honors with Detroit amateur Les Coleman, for 61.

Chick Rutan of Birmingham, Ala., who grabbed a surprising 66 in Wednesday's play, added a 67 yesterday. In the same spot were Sneed and Gene Kunes, Hollywood, Fla. Nelson skipped from 67 Wednesday to 69 yesterday while McSpaden went up from 66 to a wild 72.

DICK FAWCETT IS HIGH SCORER FOR MEDFORD QUINTET

Dick Fawcett, first string guard for Al Simpson's Medford high school Black Tornado, is the team's leading scorer to date with a total of 99 points for an average of 9.9 points per game in the ten games already played this season. He has potted 43 field goals and 13 free throws while committing 17 personal fouls.

Darrell Riggs, center, is high in the personal fouls committed bracket, having been called for 29 infractions of the rules.

Eleven Medford players, together with their coach, left this noon for Klamath Falls where they will meet the Pelicans tonight and tomorrow night in a conference series.

Following is a list of Medford players who have scored 20 or more points this season, listing the number of field goals, free throws and personal fouls of each:

	fg	ft	pf
Dick Fawcett	43	13	17
Jerry Ross	33	10	14
Bob Watson	22	17	20
Darrell Riggs	23	6	29
Larry Hayes	19	5	14
Glenn Bostwick	10	4	7

Glenn Davis Gets Maswell Trophy

Philadelphia, Jan. 19.—(U.P.)—Glenn Davis, three sport star at the army military academy, was the recipient today of the annual Maswell club trophy presented to "the outstanding football player of the year."

Davis, who was the nation's top scorer among college players, received the award at the club's annual dinner last night. He made 20 touchdowns, gaining 1,355 yards by rushing and passing.

DETROIT BEATS RANGERS TO NARROW LEAGUE GAP

By United Press
The Detroit Red Wings closed in on the league leading Montreal Canadiens today by defeating the New York Rangers, 7 to 3.

One of the three Ranger goals was on a major penalty shot by Fred Thurier, the first national league hockey competition in two years, after he was tripped by Hal Jackson on a clean breakaway for the nets.

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UCLA FOOTBALL COACH PROBLEM NEARING CLIMAX

By Robert Weide
(UP Staff Correspondent)
Los Angeles, Jan. 19.—(U.P.)—The University of California at Los Angeles football coach handicap neared a climax today with just about every eligible grid mentor in the land either having thrown his hat into the jockey's circle or having it thrown in by some enthusiastic admirer.

But this time Bruin Graduate Manager William C. (Bill) Ackerman, at the prodding of insistent alumni, is proceeding cautiously. They don't want a repeat of what's happened at Bruinville for the last five years. And many an unhappy alumnus insists UCLA's blackout the past few seasons resulted from too hasty hiring of an untried hand.

Duration Coach Wanted
On the other hand, another, but less noisy, faction wants a "duration coach," preferably a UCLA graduate, who'll step in in this era of sudden transfers, limited manpower, etc., until a big-time mentor can be obtained at the war's end.

If this latter group wins out, it's practically a cinch that Bert La Brucherie, the fabulously successful Los Angeles high school headman, will get the job.

But if the first school of thought prevails, Buck Shaw, who turned out mechanically perfect clubs at Santa Clara until the sport was abandoned for the duration, is pretty heavily favored.

Also mentioned prominently and Orin E. (Babe) Hollingsbery, the colorful mentor of the Washington State Cougars, and Jimmy Phegan, veteran Washington and St. Mary's pilot.

FOE SOUGHT FOR WORLD CHAMPION

Los Angeles, Jan. 19.—(U.P.)—Boxing Promoter Joe Lynch said today he was working on an outdoor title match for N.B.A. Lightweight Champion Juan Burita whose scheduled 15-round title match with John Thomas February 27 blew up when the Los Angeles negro was inducted into the army.

Lynch, who claims exclusive call on Zurita's services in any title matches here, said he would contact Zurita's manager, George Parnassus, to arrange a bout with Ike Williams or Willie Joyce as possible opponents.

The Mexican champion must defend his title by February 27 under a ruling laid down by N.B.A. President Abe Greene.

OREGON, COUGAR HOOP SERIES SET

Eugene, Ore., Jan. 19.—(U.P.)—The University of Oregon basketball squad—which is liberally sprinkled with freshman players—will meet a veteran Washington State quintet in a two-game series beginning here tonight.

The Webfeet will be rested after their arduous pre-season tour of non-conference games and a four-game invasion of Idaho and Washington State on their home courts.

BANTAM CHAMP CLASSIFIED 1-A, FACES INDUCTION

Brawley, Calif., Jan. 19.—(U.P.)—Manuel Ortiz, N.B.A. bantamweight champion, said today he would be inducted Tuesday unless he can obtain a temporary deferment to permit him to dispose of his vegetable farm.

The hard fighting Mexican champion said he has been classified 1-A by his El Centro, Calif., draft board.

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BELCASTRO, MASK BATTLE TO DRAW ON ARMORY CARD

A capacity crowd of Medford Armory wrestling fans went away completely satisfied last night as Pete Belcastro and the Gray Mask battled to a draw in their main event clash. Almost from the opening bell the two gladiators biffed and banged each other all over the ring with Belcastro finding himself in a lot of trouble as a result of the Mask's head butts in the early rounds. But it was not until the third session that the Mask was able to subdue the Weed Assassin with four head butts and a half crab which forced Belcastro to give up.

Belcastro weathered a lot of trouble in the fourth but came back strong in the fifth and tossed the Mask all over the ring, and sometimes out of it. Pete then unleashed four violent uppercuts and won the fall with a body press.

When the final round ended the Mask was absorbing a thorough pounding from Belcastro and started arguing with Referee Earl Yoakley but he was soon quieted and escorted from the ring.

Jack Kiser and "Gloomy" Gust Johnson put on one of the finest exhibitions of clever wrestling seen hereabouts in a long while with Johnson winning the only fall in four rounds. The spill came in the last session when Kiser applied his Alligator clutch, always a fall-producer in the past, but Johnson flipped him over and pinned him for a body press.

Tony Ross used three rounds to gain a one-fall decision from Milt Olson in the opener.

Swedish Runner Is Impatient Waiting Voyage to States

Stockholm, Jan. 19.—(U.P.)—Swedish distance runner Gunder Hagg said today he was "getting good and tired of sitting around" and that he had about given up on plans to participate in the United States indoor track season because of transportation complications.

Hagg said that he still had received no definite word from Dan Ferris, secretary of the Amateur Athletic union in the United States, whether plane or boat transportation would be available in time for him to appear in the National Amateur Athletic union track meet at New York, February 24.

He set this week-end as an "absolute deadline for my departure."

Louis to Referee Service Matches

Winnipeg, Jan. 19.—(U.P.)—Sgt. Joe Louis of the U. S. army, the world heavyweight boxing champion, will be the referee in a boxing show featuring American and Canadian boxers here, January 26, officials of the Royal Canadian Air Force Training Command said today.

American boxers from the Alaskan wing of the army air forces will compete against the army, navy and air force sluggers from the Winnipeg commands.

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Texas Man Again Champion Cowboy

Salinas, Cal., Jan. 19.—(U.P.)—Louis Brooks of Sweetwater, Tex., is the world's champion cowboy for 1944, retaining the title he won in 1943, it was announced today at Rodeo Association of America headquarters here.

Brooks scored 11,144 points in winning the bronc and bareback riding events to top Gene Rambo, Shandon, Cal., who placed second with 10,423 points. Homer Pettigrew, Springer, N. M., 1941 champion, was third with 8,127.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

By United Press
Boston—Henry Jones, 208, Philadelphia, knocked out Johnny White, 209, Jersey City, N. J., (5).

Southbridge, Mass.—Maurice (Lefty) La Chance, 137, Lewiston, Me., decisioned Jackie Jordan, 132, Philadelphia, (8).

Fall River, Mass.—Charles Smith, 134, Newark, N. J., decisioned Vince Dell Orto, 135, Philadelphia, (10).

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DOOM OF FISHING IS SEEN UNLESS FUNDS PROVIDED

Salem, Ore., Jan. 19.—(U.P.)—The great fisheries of Oregon, one of the chief industrial developments in the state for 75 years, are "doomed to gradual extinction" unless immediate steps are taken on the part of the state government, the 1943 legislative interim committee reported to the 1945 legislature.

The Oregon Fish Commission has been forced to operate on a "starvation basis," the report stated, running as a self-sustaining unit of state government. Regulations curtailing the take of fish has cut drastically the funds available to the commission.

"The less fish, the less money," the report said. "Yet the need for hatcheries, research, experiment and remed-

J'VILLE, TALENT TO PLAY TONIGHT

Jacksonville and Talent high school basketball teams will meet at Talent tonight in a game which will decide leadership of the first half of the eastern division of the county "B" league. Neither team has been defeated in league play to date. Other teams making up the eastern division are St. Mary's of Medford, Phoenix and Butte Falls.

Jacksonville and Talent reserve teams will meet in a preliminary game with the main contest slated to begin at 7:30.

TRAIN MISHAP COSTLY

Paris, Jan. 19.—(U.P.)—The French Press Agency said today that 120 persons were killed and 200 injured at Rouen yesterday when a train crashed through a backboard at the St.

Valley En Caux station, plunged out into the street, piled up and overturned.

In 1943 there were 520,730 acres of vegetables and melons harvested for market and processing in California.

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