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Sports

Oregon State Beavers To Meet City College In Madison Square Feature

New York, Dec. 24—(U.P.)—One of the season's best doubleheaders—St. John's vs. Kentucky and Long Island University vs. Bowling Green—features a slim holiday-week college basketball card in which most activity is slated for Madison Square Garden in New York.

Three twin bills in five days were on the Gardens schedule, beginning with Tennessee against LIU and Oregon State vs City College tomorrow night, continuing with New York University vs. North Carolina and Manhattan vs. Brigham Young on Thursday and concluding on Saturday night with the St. John's and LIU games.

Michigan plays Ohio State in a Big 10 game, and in top non-conference games Saturday DePaul plays Illinois and Great Lakes meets Purdue.

The list of unbeaten teams was shaved during last week-end's play, with Purdue and Michigan the chief victims. Purdue lost to Notre Dame, 49 to 47, and Indiana tripped Michigan, 67 to 58, in an overtime.

Top-ranking teams today were DePaul, probably rated as the number 1 quintet, Oklahoma A. & M., Iowa, Wyoming, Indiana, Notre Dame, New York University and St. John's.

Of this list, all but Oklahoma A. & M. and St. John's are undefeated. The Aggies were defeated by DePaul and St. John's was upset by Western Michigan.

EAST BEHIND IN GRID WORKOUTS; LEICHT SHINES

San Francisco, Dec. 24—(U.P.) Co-Coach Andy Kerr today gloomily pronounced his east squad "far behind schedule" in workouts for the East-West Shrine game New Year's Day.

San Francisco's rainy spell broke long enough yesterday to allow the Easterners their first outdoor workout in three days. They took full advantage of it.

With Merrill Frost, Dartmouth, Bob Evans, University of Pennsylvania, and Roger Robins, Syracuse, doing plenty of passing, the lads from the other side of the Rockies topped off a three and one-half hour workout with an hour of scrimmage.

East Line Coach Beattie Feathers put his All-star collection of linemen through stiff blocking and tackling drills.

The west camp concentrated on punting and signal drills, the latter from both the "T" and single-wing formations.

Bob Goode, Texas A. and M. freshman, and Jack Leicht, Oregon, impressed observers with their punting.

Hockey Results

By United Press

The Vaucouver Canucks gave the Seattle Ironmen their worst drubbing on home ice in two years, 9 to 5, last night and the Portland Eagles defeated New Westminster 11 to 5 in the Pacific coast hockey league.

The San Diego Skyhawks nosed out the tailend Hollywood Wolves, 3 to 2, in a close contest on the bordertown rink.

Montreal led the National hockey league race again today, thanks largely to a three-goal last-period rally by which Detroit tied Chicago, 4 to 4, while the Canadians defeated Boston, 4 to 1, in games last night.

Toronto shoved New York deeper into the league cellar by trimming the Rangers, 4 to 3, on a late goal by Babe Pratt.

26 FOOTBALLERS RECEIVE LETTERS AT HIGH SCHOOL

Twenty six members of the 1945 Medford high school football team, southern Oregon conference and district two champions, were awarded football letters at a general assembly held at the high school last week. The letters were presented by Bill Bowerman, athletic director, in the absence of Al Simpson, football coach who was ill.

The red block "M" was awarded to Bob Watson, Glenn Bostwick, Darrell Riggs, Jim Cave, Lynn Bessonette, Jerry Clark, Jerry Ross, Al Kircher, Don Waldron, Jerry Hunter, LeRoy House, Roger Hibbard, Dick Hake, Bud Nutting, Bill Rose and Russell Rose, all seniors; Glenn Tingley, Howard Whitlock, Nick Greene, Bill Singlar, Earl Stelle, Lloyd Carr, Doug Coghill and Herb Nill, juniors; and Tom Mottern and Joe Fliegel, sophomores. Letters were also presented to Vern Shange, Ward Bebb and Carl Reich, managers.

The team romped through a rugged nine-game schedule in which they scored almost at will only to outplay Grant of Portland but drop a bitter 7-6 decision in the semi-finals of the state championship playoff. Their scoring record gained recognition in several large newspapers in various sections of the nation and was carried as feature stories by several press services.

Sport Chips

BY

Harry Chipman
Mail Tribune Sports Editor

Dear Santa Claus:

All my little friends in the Medford sports circle have decided to combine our letters to you for we know you are a very busy man. Our orders are simple, Santa, so please do your best to fill them.

Please bring Al Simpson a state basketball championship. You won't have to deliver it before the middle of March for if you bring it too early he might let it get out of his hands. It can be left at Salem and Al can pick it up there.

If you find a spare one some place, will you please bring Paul Freer a baseball pitcher he can use next summer? He had an awful time last season, Santa, and even tried it himself a couple of times, so desperate was he for a hurler.

We hope you can bring Eddie Simmons a return to good health so that he may once again burn up the greens in the Southern Oregon amateur golf tournament. And Cliff Proctor wants a continuation of the Signal Oil bowling team's winning ways and a pop gun to use on any one who beats them.

Mack Lillard wishes you would bring him some more big crowds for his wrestling cards and please bring somebody who can lick the Gray Mask so those big crowds will be satisfied.

On your way through Portland we would like for you to stop off at the Oregonian and leave Billy Hulen a new crystal ball for him to use in picking football winners. His old one seems to be out of commission.

Won't you bring Medford high school a new and bigger grandstand so that football crowds can keep out of the wet and cold?

Al Piche could use a book on "Where to fish" and some lessons on how to catch the wily trout. And Flash Fidler wants a bale of hay for his "baby"—that palomino show horse he recently bought.

Please bring a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to the readers of this column and special greetings to Medford service clubs, lodges and business men who raised money to send Medford's football team to the New Year's East-West game at San Francisco.

GAELS TRAIN FOR SUGAR BOWL TILT

New Orleans, Dec. 24—(U.P.)—The St. Mary's and Oklahoma Aggie football teams set up training camps today — St. Mary's at Edgewater Park and the Aggies at Biloxi—for the final week of drill for their New Year's Day Sugar Bowl game.

Both arrived at New Orleans yesterday. Oklahoma A. & M., went directly to Biloxi.

St. Mary's devoted the day to sightseeing and in the evening attended a party at which the Alabama team, passing through New Orleans en route to the Rose Bowl, also was honored.

BAKSI TO FACE TOUGH FOE IN GARDEN RING

New York, Dec. 24—(U.P.)—Freddie Schott, Akron, O., heavyweight who has won 42 of his 43 professional fights and drew in the other, meets Joe Baksi, Kulpmont, Pa., in a 10-rounder at Madison Square Garden Friday night in the feature of the week's boxing card.

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