

SPORTS

Missouri Backs Lead Blue to 14-7 Victory

Montgomery, Ala. — (U.P.) — A pair of Missouri quarterbacks pierced a tough Rebel defense with show-down passes Saturday to lead the North to its first victory over the South in the Blue-Gray series since 1948, 14-7.

Tony Scardino and Victor Eaton, two split-T masters playing for their college coach, Don Faurio, led the Yankees on two long scoring drives that decided the game.

Eaton passed three yards for one Blue score and Scardino connected on a 37-yard shot to set up the other North touchdown. Superior Pass Defense

Eleven Prep Hoop Games This Week

High school basketball, which witnessed a pre-Christmas slack-off last week, picks up tempo again this week with six of the preps within the county confining in 11 games.

Highlighting the week will be the Tuesday and Wednesday night skirmishing matching Portland's reputed powerhouse, Cleveland, and the Medford Black Tornado. The whole state will have eyes on the series. All the scraps are strictly pre-conference non-counting affairs.

Two of the smaller Class A schools of the county will take to the road on Wednesday and Thursday. Phoenix will be at Arcata, Calif., both nights. Eagle Point has an engagement at Prineville the first night and at Redmond the next. Ashland will be host to its alumni on Wednesday and to Crescent City, Calif., on Thursday.

Crater high, which dropped a 49 to 48 nod to Grants Pass last week, gets another crack at the Cavemen on Thursday at Central Point.

Talent high, apparent class of the B schools in this area, and unbeaten in eight games, including some with A schools, runs into a real Class B tough this week. The Bulldogs oppose the Powers Crusaders on Thursday and Friday at Talent.

Tom Brown Seeded for Bowl Tennis Tourney

New Orleans — (U.P.) — Defending Champion Tom Brown Jr., of San Francisco was top seeded today in the Sugar Bowl Tennis Tournament which opens Tuesday at New Orleans Country Club.

Brown won the championship from Fred Kovaleski of Washington, D.C., last year. Kovaleski did not enter this year.

Seeded No. 2 is Eddie Moylan of Trenton, N.J., who won the title from Jack Tuero of Tulane in 1946 and from Gardner Mulloy in 1951.

Bernard Tut Bartz of San Angelo, Tex., was seeded third. And Mexico Singles Champion Mario Llamas fourth.

Brown will meet Don Platt of Canada in the first round Tuesday; Moylan will meet Jacques Grigory of Los Angeles; Bartsen plays David Brown of New Orleans; and Llamas plays Vincent diStefano of New Orleans.

Quarterback Al Doggett of Louisiana State passed the Rebels to a score in the fourth period, and he had the South-erners threatening again as the game ended. However, a superior North pass defense seemed to be the difference.

The crowd of 17,000 that turned out for the 17th playing of this annual intersectional all-star game saw the North score early in the second period on its first penetration into Rebel territory.

It was the North's first victory in five years in the intersectional clash and ran the series to 11 wins for the Gray and five for the Blue.

Guard Dale Meinert of Oklahoma A. and M., who was a workhorse in the North line, was voted the outstanding lineman of the game, and halfback Corky Tharp of Alabama, who accounted for most of the South's rushing yardage, was selected as the top back.

Missouri Picked to Win Tourney

Kansas City, Mo. — (U.P.) — Defending champion Kansas is the only unbeaten team in the annual Big Seven conference holiday basketball tournament opening Monday night, but Missouri, despite two losses in six starts, was favored last night.

The meet will start at 6 p.m. (PST) with Colorado (3-3) engaging Oklahoma (0-4). Then Nebraska (2-3) will oppose Missouri. The first round will be completed Tuesday night when Kansas meets Iowa State (4-1) and Kansas State entertains guest team California (5-1).

Kansas, bracketed with powerful California which twice has beaten Colorado, will present four rookies in its starting lineup to go with guard Dallas Dobbs, only holdover starter from last year's champs.

Coach Phog Allen has considerable bench strength in 10 other yearlings. The Jayhawks have won four in a row at Lawrence to run their home court winning string to 33. Victims have been Rice (twice), LSU and Tulsa.

Missouri Strong But Missouri, with an all-veteran crew featuring Bob Reiter, Norm Stewart, Medford Park and Redford Reichert, has engaged formidable opposition in early season games and holds major upset wins over Indiana and Iowa of the Big Ten.

Missouri's losses were to Illinois and Houston, the latter a double-overtime affair.

California promised to be one of the best guest teams in years. The Bears' only loss was to college of Pacific in two overtime periods.

Colorado, rated with Missouri as co-favorites in the Big Seven title chase, won three in a row and then visited the West Coast where the Buffs dropped three games.

Semi-finals were scheduled Wednesday night, with the winners clashing for the championship at 7:45 p.m. PST Thursday.

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Lions Ruled 2½ Points Over Browns

By DICK FALES

Cleveland — (U.P.) — The Detroit Lions ruled two and a half point favorites Saturday to beat the Cleveland Browns for the National Football League championship and demonstrate once and for all their superiority over Coach Paul Brown's glamorous automatons.

It will be the last time the teams will meet, as such, for both will be missing important personnel when they resume their rivalry in next year's regular season.

Otto Graham, perhaps the best long-range passer in pro history, will retire after nine years with the Browns after this game while Lester Binkman, one of the greatest middle guards of all time, is calling it a career after seven years with the Lions.

The Lions were favored because they never have lost a regular season or playoff game to the Browns and are fresh from last Sunday's 14-10 triumph over them. In that one, the Lions marched 76 yards over a snow covered field in the last two minutes to score the winning touchdown.

In a sense, therefore, coach Brown's reputation is at stake. The brilliant Little Martin ruled the debut All-America conference with an iron hand for four years.

It wasn't until coach Buddy Parker put together his current Lions' team that Brown encountered a team he could not defeat.

Weather predictions indicate the game will be played in 30 degree weather and there may even be snow flurries. A crowd of about 30,000 is expected in Cleveland stadium in addition to the nationally televised audience.

Seixas in 2nd Match

By ERIC RIEL

Sydney — (U.P.) — Billy Talbert, America's Davis Cup captain, got just what he wanted for Christmas when the draw for Monday's first challenge round matches against Australia pitted Tony Trabert against Lew Hoad in the first singles contest.

Vic Seixas, U. S. singles king who seldom has much luck when he plays the opening match, drew Ken Rosewall in the second contest. The Trabert-Hoad match will begin at 10 p.m. (EST) today.

The players switch opponents for Wednesday's final singles matches with Rosewall meeting Trabert and Seixas playing Hoad in the last contest of what may be one of the closest challenge rounds in history. It will be the richest because 25,578 tennis-happy Aussie fans will jam White City stadium each of the three days to contribute a gross of \$382,000.

Teams Not Named The teams for Tuesday's doubles match will not be announced until that day. Seixas and Trabert, barring accidents, are certain to represent the U. S. Hoad and Rosewall probably will be the Aussie team unless one or both play poorly Monday.

America is a slight favorite. A better can get even money on Australia but must lay 5 to 4 to get a bet on the Yanks.

The draw got full-dress treatment. Robert Menzies, Australia's prime minister, drew the names of Hoad and Rosewall from the huge, bowl-like Davis Cup as it rested on the center court's green turf under the bright sun. Amos Peaslee, the U. S. ambassador, drew the names of the American players from the envelope Talbert had placed in the cup. About 5000 fans watched the draw, an event that usually is held in a quiet clubroom.



UNUSUAL ACTION PHOTO CATCHES Boston's Paul Pender against ropes with feet half wrapped around Ted Olla in ninth round in Brooklyn. Pender took split decision. (International)

Sport Parade



By OSCAR FRALEY
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United Press

New York — (U.P.) — Old Kris has come and gone—but here are some of the things I hope he left under the tree:

For: Willie Mays: A mantlepiece for all his trophies.

The New York Yankees: All of mantle instead of just a piece.

Eddie Arcaro: Another bank to hold all his money.

The Cleveland Indians: Peace on earth, and surcease from those "foldup" insults.

Sam Snead: A sound back so he can take one last good whack at the U. S. Open.

Mayor Smith: Front office help to carry out a good tough

policy with those whiz-less Philie Whiz Kids.

Leo Durocher: A muffler with a few moth holes so he can make just a bit of his old noise.

Rocky Marciano: Recognition as a right fine heavyweight champ.

Ted Williams: The energy and desire to return to baseball action.

Maureen Connolly: That old tennis touch when she makes her comeback.

Ed Furgol: More fine victories U. S. speed skaters: The to inspire others with handicaps.

Money to get to Moscow for the world championships in February.

U. S. Olympic fathers: Enough pledges to assure the sending of a full team to Australia for the 1956 Olympics.

Ben Hogan: Recognition as the greatest golfer of them all.

Wes Santee: A chance to really go after that world mile record.

The Brooklyn Dodgers: A couple of Grade A pitchers.

Paul Richards: A break in some of the trades he's been making.

Eddie Stanky: A little pitching help to get right up there in the National League race.

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Holiday Casaba Tourneys Set

By FRED DOWN

United Press Sports Writer

It's traditionally a New Year's eve tune but it will be just as appropriate Monday afternoon and night if the strains of Auld Lang Syne echo throughout Madison Square Garden.

For it will be like old times when Ned Irish presents his holiday festival tournament. Most of the competing teams are national powers. There'll be all America candidates all over the court and the "old guard crowd" will be on hand to lend big time cosmopolitan atmosphere.

In short, as they say along Broadway, "The joint will be jumping," and some character in the balcony may even be heard to yell, "Come on, my team, lost by eight and a half!"

The pairings, scheduled for Monday afternoon and evening, find Niagara opposing UCLA, Syracuse meeting La Salle, Dayton taking on St. John's of New York and Duquesne playing Villanova. With La Salle ranked fourth, Dayton sixth, Niagara ninth and Duquesne 10th, the Garden lays a strong claim for being the capital of the basketball world for one of the few times during the regular season.

La Salle, probably will be favored to win the tournament if only because of New York's high regard for Tom Gola, and will be seething to prove its losses to Utah and Kentucky were mistakes. The Explorers don't have the most to gain in this tournament but they certainly have the most to lose for an early elimination might drop them out of the top 10.

Hope For Top Team If Irish could have his way, however, St. John's would cruise through its opponents in spectacular style. Irish has been hoping for a local team which could command national respect as a means of sparking the Garden gates and the Brooklyn Redmen could be just good enough.

They lost by one point in overtime to fifth-ranked North Carolina state in their last outing.

The holiday festival continues on Wednesday and Friday along with a raft of other tournaments which break out all over the country in the wake of the Christmas lull.

Among those beginning Monday, the Dixie classic at Raleigh, N. C. commands almost as much attention as the festival.

The opening card in the Dixie has North Carolina State vs. Cornell, North Carolina vs. Southern California, Wake Forest vs. Minnesota and Duke vs. West Virginia. North Carolina St. is expected to win.

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Other Tourneys

Pairings in other tournaments: Southwest Conference Tournament at Houston, Tex., Baylor vs. Alabama, Texas vs. Texas A.M., Rice vs. Arkansas and SMU vs. TCU.

Queen City Invitation Tournament at Buffalo, N. Y., Fordham vs. Georgetown, Columbia vs. St. Bonaventure and Canisius vs. Yale.

Big Seven Tournament at Kansas City, Colorado vs. Oklahoma and Nebraska vs. Missouri.

New England tournament at Storrs, Conn., Amherst vs. Middlebury, Dartmouth vs. Massachusetts, Brown vs. Colby and

Connecticut vs. Harvard. Motor City at Detroit, Wayne vs. Penn State and Detroit vs. Toledo.

Kentucky Invitational at Louisville, Ky., East Kentucky vs. West Kentucky and Louisville vs. Murray State.

Gator Bowl at Jacksonville, Florida vs. Florida State and Georgia vs. Spring Hill, Ala.

All American Tournament at Owensboro, Ky., Cincinnati vs. Mississippi and Evansville vs. Denver.

Hofstra Tournament at Hempstead, N.Y., Cortland State vs. Delaware and Hofstra vs. Lehigh.

Defense Stressed by Troy; Cassaday Suffers Rib Crack

Los Angeles — (U.P.) — The Southern California Trojans enjoyed their first break since returning to training Saturday and they won't have to work out again for their Rose Bowl meeting with Ohio State until Monday.

Coach Jess Hill, who dismissed the squad Friday after another lengthy drill on defense, said he still wasn't quite satisfied with the Trojans ability to stop Buckeye plays.

The varsity proved its ability in stopping the Buckeye optional pitchouts around the ends, as performed by the ineligible, but was not able to successfully defend against trap plays up the middle.

Tailback Jon Arnett suffered a slightly twisted knee but was able to continue after a rest, while Aramis Dondoy, halfback, worked only briefly to allow a cramped leg muscle to heal.

Pasadena, Calif. — (U.P.) — The Ohio State Buckeyes took the

day off to celebrate the holiday Saturday amidst an overflow of Christmas presents sent along by relatives and well-wishers from Ohio.

Following Friday's heavy workout, in which star back Howard Hopalong Cassidy suffered a minor fracture of the ninth rib, the players attended a party at their hotel where presents were distributed. Each player received more than 20 gifts, including a 21-jewel watch.

Cassidy was hit by tackle Bill Cummings, who weighs 245 pounds, when the latter threw a block at him during the scrimmage session. The injury was diagnosed as a hairline fracture of the ninth rib. Cassidy was taken to Huntington hospital for x-rays but a few hours later returned to the hotel heavily bandaged. Physicians said he would be able to resume practice Wednesday. The Buckeyes are scheduled to work out again on Monday.

Seattle U. Juggles Lineup for ASC

Seattle — (U.P.) Seattle University basketball coach Al Brightman Saturday announced a juggled lineup for Monday night's game here against Arizona State college.

Brightman said Bob Godes and Stan Glowaski would be paired at forwards. Dick Stricklin will start at center, and Cal Bauer and John Kelly will be starting guards.

The No. 1 fireman roles will go to Ken Fuhrer and Bobby Malone.

Seattle U. has a 3-3 won-lost record so far this season.

The world's northernmost coal mines burrow into the bleak mountains of Spitzbergen, Norway's arctic outpost only 800 miles from the North Pole.

Sports Bulletin

Miami — (U.P.) — The shattering plunges of Maryland fullback Dick Bielecki set up two night to carry the South to a final period touchdowns last 20-17 victory over the North in the seventh annual College All-Star charity game before 37,847 fans in the Orange Bowl.

Bielecki, a 206-pound mass of muscle, won the game's most valuable player award as he carried the ball 25 times for a net gain of 105 yards.

The Baltimore Ravens' efforts outshone even the great Alan Ameche, Wisconsin's All-Star fullback who rolled up 84 yards in 14 cracks at the tough south line.

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