

San Francisco Dons Defeat Hawkeyes 83-71 For 2nd Straight NCAA Crown

Bill Russell Praised for Great Roll

By ED SAINSBURY
Evanston, Ill. — (U.P.) — San Francisco's unbeaten Dons held the NCAA basketball title for the second straight year today, but it's a mistake to declare that the team won it.

Instead give credit to six-foot-10-inch Bill Russell, a defensive genius who can also score the points when his team needs an edge.

That was the tab hung on the Dons' senior center, an All-American for the past two years, by both his own coach, Phil Woolpert, and Iowa's Bucky O'Connor.

Russell and the Dons extended their winning streak to 55 games (29 this season) in clipping the valiant Hawkeyes for the title, 83-71.

Brown a Key
Woolpert declared that Gene Brown, a sophomore replacement for star guard K. C. Jones, who was ineligible for the tourney because he had played in three previous seasons, also was a key man in the win.

But none of the Iowa players, nor his San Francisco mates, could dim the luster of Russell. He scored 26 points, knocked away at least six sure Iowa baskets, and grabbed 27 of San Francisco's 60 rebounds.

Iowa, shooting 325 for the night, grabbed an 11 point lead in the first half at 15 to 4, but the Dons peaked away for a 38-33 margin at the half. Then in one scoring burst early in the second half, the Dons looped in 10 points for a 13 point margin.

Iowa never thereafter came closer than nine points.

Russell Shared Honors
Russell, though the standout of the title game, had to share honors for the night and the tourney with Temple's flashy guard, Hal Lear, who set three tourney scoring records to spark the Owls to a 90-81 win over Southern Methodist for third place in the meet.

Lear looped 48 points to set a single game scoring mark eclipsing the mark of 45 set by Washington's Bob Houbregs in 1945. His total field goals for the tourney, 63, was another new record, compared to Houbregs' 57, and he tallied 160 points in five games for another mark.

The old record for five games was 118 by Russell last year, while the mark for four games was 141 by Clyde Lovellette of Kansas in 1952.

Puscas, Christean Win Golden Gloves Bouts; Lewis "Robbed"

Portland — (U.P.) — The first annual Oregon Journal Northwest Golden Gloves boxing tournament produced some spirited action last night both among the contestants and the spectators.

In one of the liveliest scraps, Lloyd Louie of Burns decided Larry Lewis of Medford in the 112-pound class. The verdict so incensed one fan that he jumped into the ring and threatened the referee before he was escorted to the sidelines by two policemen.

Another standout in a night of top-notch bouts was the third-round technical knockout Floyd Milsten of Kent, Wash., handed Max Brugh of Portland in the 125-pound division.

Jackie Licked Sams
The tournament ended yesterday with more first-round matches and second round eliminations in the afternoon and the finals at night.

In the 132-pound class last night, Jackie Puscas, national amateur champion from Medford, won a decision over Cliff Sam of Burns.

Loren Christean, Medford, decided Mose Martinez, Chilquin, in the 178-pound group.

A report reaching Medford yesterday said that the storm of protest when the Lewis-Louie decision was announced was near riot proportions and that Referee Mike Smith, contrary to the vote of the judges, 38-33 margin at the half. Then in one scoring burst early in the second half, the Dons looped in 10 points for a 13 point margin.

The verdict was one of a number of raw decisions which have gone against the Oregon AAU flyweight titlist this season.

Puscas was to fight Johnny White, Tacoma Golden Gloves champion, last night. The national champ "rocked" Sam several times but even his effectiveness was upset by the bum call in the Lewis' bout.

Christean, February knockout victim of Martinez, dropped the Chilquin lad for a nine-count in getting his verdict.

Results Included:
112-pounds—Don Wiser, Empire, dec. Gary Previtt, Spokane.
119-pounds—Louis Johnson, Portland, dec. Tom LeFebvre, Longview, Wash.; Noel Morfin, Caldwell, Ida.
126-pounds—Wilbur Taylor, Portland, 3rd round.
135-pounds—Gil Durey, Eugene, dec. Wayne Sandvol, Spokane.
139-pounds—Dale Nicely, Portland, dec. Albert Knowles, Kent, Wash.
147-pounds—Arland Putnam, Spokane, dec. Eldon Cress, Klamath Falls; Tommy Thomas, Portland, TKO'd Johnny Cole, Klamath Falls, 2nd round.

SPORTS

Cards Hoping For Better Success in 1956 Season

This is the fifth in a series of the 1956 prospects of the major league clubs.

By LEO H. PETERSEN
United Press Sports Editor
St. Petersburg, Fla. — (U.P.) — With energetic Frank Lane in the new general manager and combative Freddie Hutchinson as field manager, the St. Louis Cardinals are hoping for better things this season.

The Cards finished seventh in 1955 when their pitching went sour but they hope for marked improvement in that department this year with the return from service of Wilmer (Vinegar Bend) Mizell. Mizell won 13 games for the Redbirds in 1953 before going into service and generally was rated as one of the coming stars of the game.

Also, Lane has been sounding out all other major league clubs on deals to gain pitching strength and while he hasn't come through with a grade as yet, the chances are good he will.

The Cardinals also are counting on a comeback by Frank Smith, the ex-Cincinnati relief ace who was of little value to the club last season because of a sore arm.

Blessed With Southpaws
Three left-handers will be in Hutchinson's starting rotation—Harvey Haddix and Luis Arroyo, an 11-game winner in his rookie season last year, in addition to Mizell. For right-handed starters, Hutch is banking on Tom Poholsky, Larry Jackson and Willard Schmidt.

Other possibilities include Bob Mabe, up from Houston where he was a 16-game winner; Gordon Jones, a bust last season after a fine rookie year in 1954; and Ben Flowers, who had a 12-9 record at Buffalo.

Ellis Kinder, the 41-year-old former Red Sox relief ace; Paul LaPalme, Jackie Collum and Stu

round.
156-pounds—Wilbur Young, Seattle, dec. Harvey Burke, Portland.
178-pounds—Harold Whitely, Aumsville, dec. Larry Mathews, Aumsville; Jim Robertson, Seattle, dec. Don Hawley, Burns.

Miller are candidates for bullpen jobs along with Smith.
Both Lane and Hutchinson feel the Cards have two of the best looking rookies in outfielder-infielder Jackie Brandt and second baseman Don Blasingame.

Moons Shifted to First
Blasingame, who hit .302 at Omaha, is battling the veteran Red Schoendienst for the second base spot while Alex Grammas and Dick Schofield are shortstop candidates along with Brandt.

Wally Moon, who was converted from an outfielder late last season, definitely will start the season at first, according to Hutchinson. If he does not improve in his defensive work, however, Joe Cunningham and Tom Alston, both of whom have failed in previous trials, are available. Ken Boyer, one of the league's best rookies in 1955, will be at third with Solly Hemis behind him.

Stan Musial, Bill Virdon and Rip Repulski will be the outfield starters, Joe Frazier and either Archie Wilson or Pete Whisenand will be the outfield reserves.

Behind the plate it will be Bill Sarni, the veteran Walker Cooper, and rookie Hal Smith, another Houston graduate who hit .299 last year.

"Everything depends on our pitching," Hutchinson said. "If we get it we should climb two or three notches, maybe even more."

Braves' Conley Reinjures Arm

By JOE SARGIS
United Press Sports Writer
Only a week ago the Milwaukee Braves discounted reports that Gene Conley was all done as a pitcher, but Saturday they sadly announced that the six-foot-eight right-hander has re-injured his throwing arm.

Conley, the mainstay of the Milwaukee staff and the guy who could beat the Brooklyn Dodgers, reported stiffness in his right shoulder and it was later diagnosed as an injury to the ligaments that hold together the bones of the shoulder.

Examination Monday
The injury is the same as the one that befell the 25-year-old hurler in mid-August of last season. General Manager John Quinn announced Conley will have a thorough examination on Monday by Dr. Michael Di Cisola at Sarasota.

The likeable 25-year-old pitcher, who resides in Richland, Wash., during the off-season, compiled a 5-2 record against the Dodgers in 1954, his rookie season, but slipped to an overall record of 6-6 last season.

Bill Harmon President Of Saturday Pin Loop

Bill Harmon is president of the Saturday Seniors League which is now rolling at Medford Bowling lanes under instruction of Mrs. Ann Wilson.

Other officers are Karl McQuigg, vice president; Dale Casey, secretary-treasurer; Sue Harmon, sergeant-at-arms; and Linda Eccleston, publicity chairman. There are about 24 members in the league from Medford, Jacksonville and Shady Cove areas. Team captains are Beverlee Clark, Nancy Clark, Casey and Miss Eccleston.

The morning league is sanctioned by the American Junior Bowling congress.

AAU SQUAD TO AFRICA
New York — (U.P.) — An AAU track and field squad consisting of six men and two women, left by plane Saturday on a three-week good will tour of Africa. The group was headed by two world record holders, John Haines of Pennsylvania and Lou Jones, formerly of Manhattan college.

Auto Racing Club Preps For Season

Southern Oregon Race club is getting ready for its auto racing season and the throb of high compression engines and the roar of their exhausts soon will be heard again in the valley.

All racing this year will be at the Ashland speedway on Valley View rd., two miles north of Ashland. The race club is in the process of purchasing the speedway. Last year SORC's program was conducted at the posse grounds track here.

First run of the season is planned for the opening week end in May. This year stock cars as well as hardtop autos will compete.

The next few week ends will be spent in readying the track. Persons willing to help are asked to telephone Track Manager Cecil James (2-6881). Much work is being done on the oval. A new clay surface is being placed on it. Fences are being repaired.

Rules Available

Entries for the opening program are expected from Roseburg, Klamath Falls, Grants Pass and Yreka and Crescent City, Calif., as well as Medford and Ashland.

Entry of a large number of stock cars are anticipated during the season. Those interested may obtain complete sets of rules at Roy's Texaco service station, Riverside ave. and Jackson st. here. Stock cars are similar to highway vehicles with necessary safety features added. These include roll bars and safety belt. Elmer Sisemore is president of the SORC this season. Louis Kurz is vice-president, Roy Deutschman, secretary-treasurer, and Pat Pathman, sergeant-at-arms.

Tiger Jones Gets Upset Over Humez

New York — (U.P.) — Ralph (Tiger) Jones, who scored a close upset decision over European middleweight champion Charles Humez of France Friday night at Madison Square Garden, demanded a world title match with Ray Robinson today, while Humez demanded a rematch with Jones.

It was a bruising, exciting fight and Jones won the split decision by the margin of a single point of Judge Frank Forbes, who scored it 5-5 in rounds and 8-7 in points.

Judge Bert Grants scored it 5-4 for Humez and Referee Ruby Goldstein called it 5-4 for Jones.

Humez Cut
Humez suffered a severe cut over his left eye in the third round apparently when the two boxers bumped heads, and his cut proved to be more of a handicap to Jones than to Humez. Jones, who had been doing well with an aggressive two-fisted attack to body and head until the third round, went "right-hand crazy" for the rest of the fight, concentrating round house right hand swings at the wound in an effort to win on a TKO.

In the later rounds Humez scored well with sharp left jabs and left hooks, generally out-boxing the shorter and stockier Jones. Jones, 157½ pounds, is five-feet-seven; Humez, 159 pounds, stands five-feet-ten and enjoyed a corresponding advantage in reach.

However, at no time did Humez try any fancy boxing or the standard European "ear-lap" defense. Instead, he met Jones willingly in sharp, toe-to-toe

Sunday, March 25, 1956

MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—ELEVEN



MARQUES HAYNES
Magic Dribbler

Haynes Top Dribbler Vies For Magicians At Ashland

The kid who was once too small to play basketball with the "big boys" has grown into perhaps the world's best dribbler.

Marques Haynes, co-owner with Goose Tatum of the Harlem Magicians will be seen in action against the New York Olympians led by 7-foot, 1-inch Big Bill Spivey, the former All-American from Kentucky.

Games are scheduled for Tuesday night, March 27, in the Ashland High school gym and Wednesday at Grants Pass High.

Haynes started dribbling the ball during grade school days because the other boys wouldn't let him play in their games. Years of practice in ballhandling and practice shooting made him the greatest ball player in the history of his alma mater, Langston university.

Together with Tatum, self-styled "clown prince of basketball," Haynes served several years with the traveling Harlem Globetrotters. Last fall the two funnymen of the court formed their own team and are now in the midst of a 200-game international trek with the Olympians.

Pure Fantasy
To spectators accustomed to

ordinary court work, the dribbling exhibitions of Haynes are pure fantasy. He runs, crawls, even rolls along the floor, all the while controlling the ball and dribbling his way under and around an entire opposing team.

While his dribbling feats are his most publicized forte, "Marvelous" Marquee is a great set shot artist. He holds scoring records in many countries and was a member of the Langston team that once defeated the highly-touted Globetrotters.

He suffered a broken back in a 1948 game in Chicago. His love of the game helped him recover from the injury and he has "come back" to lay honest claim to the title of "the world's greatest dribbler."

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