

Lung Cancer Takes Life of Bill Corum

By TIM MORIARTY
New York — (UPI) — Death caught up with Bill Corum, one of the nation's most popular sports writers, before he could finish his autobiography.

The 63-year-old New York Journal-American columnist, who also served as president of the Churchill Downs race track and impresario of the Kentucky Derby, died Tues-

day night of lung cancer at St. Luke's Hospital.

"Try to keep me going so I can finish my book," Corum told his physician and long-time friend, Dr. John S. Davis Jr., only Tuesday morning. "We tried awfully hard and so did Bill, but it was too late," Dr. Davis said. "I asked him, 'How do you feel, Bill,' when I visited him early last night. He blinked his eyes a couple of times but didn't reply. Then he died."

Contracts Pneumonia

Corum had been in and out of the hospital since he contracted pneumonia during the World Series in October. He resumed writing his column about a month ago but felt so weak he returned to St. Luke's last week.

The round faced, jolly "amateur horse player" never saw another typewriter. Corum was still a student in college when he took time out to serve as an Army private in the expeditionary force that fought against Pancho Villa in Mexico in 1916. He quit school again when World War I broke out and later became the youngest major in the AEF at the age of 23.

While serving with the famed 26th Yankee Division in France Corum received his degree from the university before going to work for the New York Times in 1920.

Becomes Star Columnist
In 1925, Corum "jumped" to the Journal-American to the best of the late Arthur Brisbane. He was a baseball writer during his early years with the Journal-American, then became the paper's star columnist in 1927.

When Matt Winn, the "father" of the Kentucky Derby, died in 1949, Corum was named to succeed him as president of Churchill Downs.

He would take a leave of absence from the Journal-American each spring to help direct plans for the Derby.

Corum also became well known as a radio sports commentator. He served for many years as a "color" announcer at the World Series and at championship fights.

Among Corum's survivors are his mother, a brother, Clayton, and a son, Robert. Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

New Coach Red Hickey Philosopher

By HAL WOOD
San Francisco — (UPI) — Just like the original Arkansas Traveler of the stage, Bob Burns, the new coach of the San Francisco Forty Niners is loaded with homespun philosophy.

Red Hickey, the 40-year-old Irishman who succeeded Frankie Albert at the Forty Niner helm Tuesday, has a lot of new ideas for the club, but many of them can be traced back to the hills of Arkansas. And most of the philosophy is many years older than pro football.

An interview with Red goes like this:
Q-Will your wife have any trouble shouldering the complaints of fans when your ball club loses.

A-We'll have no trouble that way. I don't ask her to become involved in the game and she doesn't ask me to cook.

Q-Will you alternate Y. A. Tittle and John Brodie at quarterback.

A-I'm not much of a platoon man. I believe a man is either a bait cutter or a fisherman. One or the other has to be the best.

Q-What do you think of the present club personnel.

A-I'm a positive thinker. We'll start from scratch with every man having a chance to make the grade. I believe in building confidence in our players. If they have talent to go with the confidence, they'll get along okay.

Q-What is the most important thing in football?

A-Desire. Without that you get no place no matter how big or how small you are.

Q-Can you win with this ball club.

A-We have the nucleus of a good club. I'll say that good players make a coach. The best players make the best coach.

SUFFERS FRACTURE
Pittsburgh — (UPI) — The Pittsburgh Steelers said Tuesday that defensive halfback Jack Butler is suffering from a hairline fracture of the right leg. The club said it was questionable whether Butler will start in the National Football league's pro-bowl game at Los Angeles, Jan. 1.

Manila, the capital of the Philippines, was founded by the Spaniards in 1571.



WINNING NATIONWIDE POLL, Emily's Pride, trotting filly, is voted "Harnessed Horse of Year" by U. S. Trotting Association. She is with Flick Nipe, who piloted her to victories in Hambletonian, Kentucky Futurity, other 1958 races, while exercising at Columbus, O.

SPORTS

Iowa Team Comes By Plane To Coast

Cedar Rapids, Iowa — (UPI) — Iowa's Big Ten football champions, Rose Bowl choices for the second time in three years, left today for the West coast and their New Year's day date with California.

Two chartered airliners carried the 44-man squad and other members of the official party on the seven-hour flight to Burbank, Calif.

Players and coaches' wives, plus school and team officials, swelled the Iowa Rose Bowl party to 124 persons. Fourteen players' wives were making the trip.

Coach Forest Evashevski and 33 of the players were aboard the first plane, which carried a total of 61 persons. The second plane carried 63 persons.

The Hawks are to set up headquarters at the Huntington-Sheraton hotel in Pasadena-site of the annual Rose Bowl game. The squad will practice at East Los Angeles Junior college stadium—the same site the Iowa team used for its 1957 Rose Bowl appearance.

Jayhawks Favored
Iowa, with startling team speed and the passing arm of All-American quarterback Randy Duncan, rated as early favorites over California's Golden Bears.

Iowa set a new Big Ten record for team offense this season with better than 417 yards per game. The Hawks also led the nation in total offense, averaging 405.9 yards per game, and were second in passing and ninth in rushing.

California topped Iowa only in one major offensive department—rushing. The Golden Bears ranked seventh in rushing with 238 yards per game to Iowa's 235.9. However, California ranked 23rd in total offense with 314.9 yards per game compared with Iowa's top rating of 405.9.

In passing, Iowa ranked second in the nation with an

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Ray Renfro Air Target

Cleveland, Ohio — (UPI) — Ray Renfro, the flanking halfback whose rocket-like speed makes him a difficult man to defend, was expected to be a key target for passes when the Cleveland Browns meet New York in the Eastern division title play-off game Sunday.

Renfro, a seven-year veteran in the pro ranks, is a main cog in the Browns' offense because of his ability to get behind the defenders, take the pass and go in for the big score.

The speedster from North Texas State is the team's leading scorer this season via the airways. He has scored six aerial touchdowns and most of the catches were of the key variety.

Snares 24
Renfro has snared 24 aeri-als good for 569 yards this season, and his 51-yard catch of a Milt Plum heave Sunday almost spelled doom for the Giants. The snow-covered field, however, prevented Ray from opening up and going all

Pilots Trim SL Quintet

St. Louis — (UPI) — The University of Portland Pilots, displaying a well-balanced attack, broke loose in the second half with a fast break to defeat Washington University of St. Louis, 63-50, Tuesday night. Portland guests Iona in Madison Square Garden in New York Thursday night.

Sharp-shooter Dick Jolley paced the Pilots with 19 points to earn individual scoring honors.

Portland held a narrow 26-23 lead at halftime, but utilized its fast break and superior rebounding to widen the margin over the Bears.

Other Portland players hitting in double figures were Wally Panel with 18, Jim Armstrong with 15 and Charley Rogers with 11. Washington was paced by guard Harold Patton, who netted 14 points.

OSC Sophs May Start

Corvallis — (UPI) — Coach Slat Gill indicated today that two sophomores—forward Steve Flynn and Ernie Johnson—would be in Oregon State's starting lineup in the first game of a two-game series here Friday night against Indiana's defending Big 10 champs.

Both showed up well last week end as Oregon State defeated Hawaii and Wichita and Gill said he needed extra height against the Hoosiers. Flynn is 6-5 and Johnson 6-6.

Indiana has a tall team with sophomore center Walt Bellamy standing 6-1.

Different Dates For Cage Tiffs

Dates of two Grants Pass games in the Southern Oregon Independent Basketball league will be changed.

The tussle slated with Southern Oregon college junior varsity tonight has been postponed. This is exam week for SOC students.

A game with Hawkinson Tire Tread set for next Saturday must be switched since Roseburg and Grants Pass highs are to use the gym at GP that night. The game may be played Friday.

PILOT FROSH WIN

Centralia, Wash. — (UPI) — The University of Portland Frosh team topped Centralia Junior college, 56-52, in a basketball contest here Tuesday night.

Eddie Perkins Ring Favorite

Washington — (UPI) — Eddie Perkins, 21-year-old Chicago lightweight, pits his youth and close-quarter hitting against the speed and long-range trickery of Mexican Baby Vasquez, 27, tonight at the New Capitol arena.

Perkins is favored at 2-1 because of his aggressiveness, stamina and ruggedness.

SIGNS A CONTRACT
Kansas City, Mo. — (UPI) — Outfielder Bill Tuttle Tuesday became the first player to sign a 1959 Kansas City Athletics contract. Tuttle, obtained from Detroit in a trade for Billy Martin, batted .231 last season.

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