

IN THE REALM OF SPORT

1930 PROMISES NEW RECORDS IN ATHLETICS

Younger Athletes Unable to Dislodge Seniors in Many Events, but Time Plays Important Part in Elimination and some of the leaders Will Find Themselves Displaced.

By ALAN GOULD

Associated Press Sports Editor

NEW YORK, Dec. 31 (AP)—The old year with all its thrills in sport fades today before the new, with the promise that 1930 will furnish greater international rivalry, keener competition for the ruling champions. Larger crowds. Bigger and better arguments.

Football Ends Today

At the outset. One of the main debates left over from 1929 for settlement is the East-West gridiron feud, the finishing thrusts of which will take place at San Francisco and Pasadena tomorrow. In these, the unbeaten University of Pittsburgh team and the eastern all-stars will seek to reverse the scales which already have been turned in the west's favor by Stanford's conquest of Army.

No Boxing Champion

Two other items of unfinished business, bequeathed by the old year to the new, are the case of Iowa, outcast of the western conference,

and the selection of a world's heavyweight boxing champion. The betting seems to be in favor of Iowa's ultimate reinstatement and the elevation of the Boston sailor, Jack Sharkey to the post vacated in the summer of 1928 by Gene Tunney and unoccupied since.

The first 1930 test for Sharkey is slated in Miami, February 24, with Tuffy Griffiths as a likely opponent. The final test, for the winner of this engagement, probably will be against Max Schmeling in June or September, but there is still some fear that the eliminations again may eliminate all the contenders.

Track Sports Rejuvenated
By far the most spectacular outlook for the new year centers about the revival of international classics in golf, polo, yacht racing and horse racing, in addition to each yearly annuals as the Davis Cup contest.

The picturesque touches, the challenge of the famous Irish sportsman, Sir Thomas Lipton, for the America's cup, tops the list. This million-dollar venture will find Lipton's Shamrock V seeking the classic for the first time in ten years in a series of races against the American defender to be sailed off Newport, starting September 12.

Jones to Invade England
In competitive interest, the invasion of Britain's links again by Bobby Jones will be one of the year's high spots. Besides leading the American Walker cup team, Jones will campaign all along the English golfing front, seeking to repeat his triumphs of 1926 and 1927 in the British open as well as to win the British Amateur for the first time. At home, the great Georgian will defend the national open and try to regain the amateur title, now held by Johnston. In one of the most strenuous seasons of the Jones era.

International Polo
America's youthful polo forces will be rallied under the leadership of Tommy Hitchcock to meet the challenge of great Britain after a three year lapse. In addition, Argentina is sending a team of riders who will start their invasion on the Pacific coast.

Horse racing has the prospect of a \$100,000 international spectacle at Arlington Park, Chicago.

Big Bill Out
The Davis Cup war, so far as the United States is concerned, will be fought without Big Bill Tilden for the first time in years. Tilden's retirement leaves to youth the battle against France's well-fortified tennis ramparts. The French won without Lacoste in 1929, and they figure to keep the historic trophy for at least another year.

As Helen Willis Moody, the American queen of the world's courts, is expected to continue her tournament career, and Tilden, even though out of team play, will be a factor once more in the men's championships of France, England and the United States.

Athletics Big Factor
Connie Mack's Athletics, having crashed through to the world's championship of baseball after a long wait, figures to stick around the top in 1930. The Mackmen have the talent and equipment for a prolonged term at the peak, but the dethroned New York Yankees will be primed for a come-back under their new manager, Bob Shawkey. In the National league, the Chicago Cubs face the formidable challenges for the pennant from Pittsburgh and New York. Altogether 1930 should be an interesting baseball year, following shakeups in the management of eight of the sixteen big league clubs.

The youthful talent was not

BRUSHING UP SPORTS - - - By Laufer



Football Rules Satisfactory To Most of Coaches

NEW YORK, Dec. 31, (AP)—The football rules will stand as they are if the National Football Coaches association has its way.

By an informal vote of about 4 to 1 the coaches, meeting here in annual session yesterday, rejected three changes in the code recommended by the association's rules committee, headed by Glenn Thistlethwaite, University of Wisconsin coach.

Extra Point Retained

The most drastic change would have abolished the point after touchdown, another suggested classifying penalties so that if two fouls were called on the same play, one major and the other minor, instead of the ball reverting to its original position the difference between the two penalties be assessed. The other proposed change would have given a team in possession of the ball within five yards of the side lines the option of putting it in play fifteen yards from the sidelines with the loss of a down.

All three suggestions died a rapid death when R. W. F. Brown of Brown, pointing out that reclassification of the rules now was practically complete, moved that no changes in the rules be made. The decision, by upraised hands, showed a large majority opposed to the changes.

Elect New Officers
Officers elected were: President, William A. Alexander, Georgia Tech; vice president, J. F. Meehan, New York university; second vice president, Clarence W. Spears, Minnesota; Secretary, W. H. Cowell, New Hampshire; Robert C. Zuppke, Illinois; Glenn S. Warner, Stanford; and J. R. Sutherland, Pittsburgh, were named to sit as an advisory committee with the football rules committee.

Two years after China invented bank notes, the currency of the country became so inflated that a \$100 note would not buy a pound of rice.

FIGHTS OF LAST NIGHT

(By Associated Press)

New York: Ben Juby of New York outpointed Joe Legrey of New York in six rounds; Steve Gotch of Brooklyn knocked out Freddy Kelly of Atlanta, Ga., in the fourth round.

St. Louis: Kid Socko of St. Louis stopped Dave Saura of Garry, Ind., in the sixth round. Oakland, Calif.: Max Baer of Livermore, Calif., knocked out Tony Fuentes in the first round; Wilson Yarbo of Chicago outpointed Jack Lee of Modesto in ten rounds.

San Francisco: Speedy Dado of Manila knocked out Bobby Garcia of Los Angeles in the third round.

East and West Teams Trained To Perfection

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31, (AP)—Trained to perfection and eager for the fray, two football teams, one representing the west and the other the east, today were watching the final hours of the old year slide by prepared to battle it out for supremacy in the New Year's day Shrine benefit spectacle at Kezar stadium here.

The annual classic, which long ago assumed a National aspect, will bring into play some of the mightiest football warriors in the United States.

In the classic tomorrow will be such famed ones as Slight, the all-American tackle from Purdue; Cannon, Notre Dame's all-American guard; Bronko Nagurski, Minnesota's dashing all-American all around lineman, and

Glasgow, the all-American half-back of Iowa. There will be

Hunting of Gonzaga whose punting brought fame to his team all season, and Peters, Illinois sensational drop-kicker, and of course many others.

Aside from starting teams, coaches of both squads apparently intend to use their men alternately in the field.

Little's Successor Rockne's Assistant

NEW YORK, Dec. 31, (AP)—Lu Little's successor as head coach of football at Georgetown university has been found in the person of Tommy Mills, an assistant to Knute Rockne at Notre Dame for the last four years.

Mills' selection was announced yesterday by the Rev. Joseph O'Brien, faculty director of athletics at Georgetown. Mills remarked that he would have nothing to say until he had had a chance to confer with officials of Notre Dame.

Hartnett Anxious For Season Opening

CHICAGO, Dec. 31, (AP)—A New Year's gift for William Wrigley, Jr., and the Chicago Cubs—the return to life of Leo "Gaby" Hartnett's \$18,000 throwing arm.

The arm that went dead during the 1929 training period and refused all season to show signs of life while the Cubs were battling their way to the National league championship, yesterday functioned as of old. The peppy catcher who was rated as the best receiver in the senior major league in 1928, hauled off and fired a baseball 300 times in a half hour to an imaginary second base. Gaby is eager for the 1930 season to arrive.

PASADENA NOW COLLEGE GRID IRON CAPITAL

Rose Bowl Center of Greatest Interest At Present.

By RUSSELL J. NEWLAND
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PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 31, (AP)—College football's capital, shifted to this far southwestern section of the country, hummed with activity today as the undefeated Pittsburgh Panthers and Southern California's Trojans romped through the final work-outs preliminary to the inter-sectional classic that will bring these powerful eastern and western rivals together New Year's day.

Bowl Sold Out
Not since 1924, when Stanford and Notre Dame shared the annual tournament of roses plum, has a forthcoming contest so caught the fancy of the football faithful. The Rose Bowl, seating around 70,000 persons, has been sold out for days. It is the first time in five years that tickets have been placed at the premium where scalpers have been able to mobilize their forces.

Thirty three strong, the Pittsburgh warriors reached the scene of combat yesterday and dug their cleats into the same turf where two years ago they lost to Stanford, 7-6. Lighter than the Trojans, the Pitt boys impressed onlookers with their gridiron thoroughness. Dash and pep is woven into every move of the invading touchdown-seekers.

Cool Weather Suits
Rather cool weather brought a smile from Coach Sutherland. It will suit Jack perfectly if the sun takes a vacation until after the first of the year. Sultry weather has proved an added handicap to many visiting teams in the past.

Each team planned brisk work-outs today, Southern California in the morning and Pittsburgh in the afternoon. The Trojans, in top form for the encounter in which they hope to wipe away the sting of their two mid-season defeats, showed enough "zip" yesterday to cause their usually uncommunicative coach, Howard Jones, to break out with an enthusiastic vocal bombardment.

Trojans Fit
"My boys are in the proper condition, both physically and mentally," Jones said, "and if they are defeated it will be because they met a better team."

STATERS DROP GAME
STOCKTON, Cal., Dec. 31, (AP)—College of the Pacific quintets nosed out Oregon State's basketball team here last night, 26 to 24. Led by the speedy sophomore "Breeze" O'Dale, center, Pacific came from behind in the second half to stave off a rally by the Staters and take the game.

Hits High Spots For a Basket



By AL DUMARKE
(Former Pitcher N. Y. Giants)
Basketball has its share of freak happenings the same as baseball, boxing, golf and other sports.

I remember one game I saw between two professional teams in Seattle, Washington. A water boy in going across the floor had spilled some water on the floor, making some spots less slippery than others. One of the forwards in dribbling down the floor toward his basket, hit one of these wet spots, fell flat on his face, the ball popping out

of his hands right through the hoop for a perfect field basket.

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