Group To Probe Cause Of Gridiron Deaths

Sport World Active in 1931

From January to December Athletes and Athletic Events Put on Spectacular Shows. More Congratulations Over Owen's Appointment

By JOE PIGNEY

The sporting world was an active world in 1931, and there can be nothing more pleasant for the sportsman and the athlete than a December fireside reminisce over dead spectacles. It is sentiment, to be sure, but in a spot like Klamath Falls, it is necessary to view the sensational athletic achievements of the twelvemonth in a rather vicarious fashion.

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All January Firsts are alike in the sport world in one respect—there is a football game. Alabama, representing a South never defeated at the Rose bowl in Pasadena, scuttled the Pacific coast champions, Washington State, in a stunning passing game, 24 to 0. It was a "goodbye" to a long season of football, and a weary west coast—the Cougars had toppled Southern California, 7 to 6—turned to its basketball game.

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Late in February Northwestern, mighty now in all its sports, tossed in an abundance of high-powered court shots to win the Big Ten hoop title, and a few days later Washington, representing a northern section of the Pacific coast unable to win a championship in years, smothered the California representative for the basketball title in this region.

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There was any amount of sporting activity up into April, but nothing assumed the proportions of Jack Thompson's winning the world welterweight belt from Tommy Freeman of Cleveland. That was on April 14, and 10 days later Tony Canzoneri retained his lightweight crown over Kid Berg.

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Horses galloped through May, and the classic of kings was never at greater glory. On May 9, Mate won the Preakness, and on May 16, Twenty Grand beat the field at the Kentucky derby.

On May 23, track and field, the dying sport of Greece, had a momentary revival as Wisconsin speeded to a Big Ten championship.

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Come the blue skies of June and the horses felt the thrill of the track. Camaronian, British favorite, won the English derby. Mate, one of America's finest blue-bloods of 1931, won the American derby at Chicago, and then a month later took the Arlington classic.

June was a sunny month in sports. University of Southern California, the most consistently great track institution in the country, raced off with the national collegiate meet.

Navy rowed down the historic Hudson at Poughkeepsie in front of the finest college crews in the nation. The midshipmen were captained by Paul Schoeni, Portland.

June 27 golfers regained the Ryder cup from the British. Tommy Armour completed the British downfall when he won the British open.

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July was the month Max Schmeling of Germany earned a fortune and the heavyweight boxing title of the world by defeating Willie Stribling at Cleveland.

In July Billy Burke, Syracuse, finished three days of play-off golf against George Von Elm for the national open.

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July was a tennis month as well as golf and the British Davis cup team defeated America for the challenge round to play the French champions.

July 18, Don Moe won the western amateur at Portland, and four days later the world turned again to boxing to watch Mickey Walker take on big Jack Sharkey and earn a draw.

In August Helen Wills Moody returned to tennis activity and easily won the American singles.

In September Ellsworth Vines smashed and drove his way to the men's singles title.

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September and early October were baseball days, and the coming football season didn't have a show. St. Louis and Philadelphia won the titles in the National and American league, respectively, and then the Cards eased out the Athletics in the seventh game of the world series.

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Football came along, but the fire of reminiscence has burned low, and the whirl of the gridiron still is too fresh in the mind to make necessary a summary.

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Herb Owen, new Klamath Falls matchmaker, is a popular man. Here is another telegram congratulating the city on his appointment:

Joe Pigney,
Herald and News,
Klamath Falls, Oregon.

"Just learned that Herb Owen of Eugene has accepted position as matchmaker with Klamath Falls boxing commission. Wish to tender congratulations on securing Owen for this work. Consider him one of the best men in the northwest. He is honest, reliable, capable and efficient. You are starting the New Year out right."

FRANK J. LONERGAN,
Portland Municipal Boxing Commission.

INVESTIGATION TO BE HEADED BY YALE COACH

By HERBERT W. BARKER
(Associated Press Sports Writer)

NEW YORK, Dec. 30, (AP)—A committee of the American football coaches' association will investigate the causes for the nearly 50 lives the game cost in 1931.

Dr. Marvin A. Stevens of Yale will head the committee, created at the coaches' annual session here yesterday. Stevens, as newly elected president of the association, will appoint the other members.

Burt Ingwersen, former coach at the University of Iowa, reporting on possible rules changes said discussions with 50 coaches had indicated they were "well satisfied with the rules as they are."

He made no specific recommendations for changes, evidently believing the rules committee would adequately deal with the situation when it meets in February.

But no sooner had Ingwersen finished than his brother coaches fired one suggestion after another for rules changes designed to make the game safer.

John Heisman would abolish all massed interference, eliminating the use of linemen to head interference on end sweeps.

Glenn S. (Pop) Warner of Stanford, in a letter read at the meeting, would prohibit the use of hands by a defensive lineman on the head and neck of an opponent. He insisted also that hard helmets and hard leather pads were more of the threat than a defense.

Sessions today and tomorrow of the National collegiate athletic association will close the meetings.

Students Favor Grid Subsidies

TOLEDO, Ohio, Dec. 30, (UP)—The current movement to expel commercialism from college sports received a serious setback today when the athletic committee of the National Students' federation upheld the subsidizing of athletes.

The federation, meeting at Toledo university in its seventh annual convention, listened with amazement as the committee by a vote of 25 to 12 reported in favor of the continuance of issuing scholarships carrying financial aid to students likely to bring glory to their school by athletic achievement. A vote on the committee report is expected tomorrow.

Staters Defeat Olympic Quint

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30, (AP)—Oregon State College's basketball quintet defeated the Olympic Club 28 to 26 in a fast game here last night. The game was won in the last two minutes of play when Lewis, lanky Beaver center, put his team ahead with two long shots. The club led 15 to 11 at the half.

City Hoop League Will Meet Tonight

Officers of the city basketball league and representatives of teams seeking positions in the conference will meet at the Klamath Athletic club Wednesday night at 8 o'clock to complete their organization. A constitution will be adopted and a schedule drawn. The officers will also select a hall where two doubleheaders, Tuesdays and Thursdays, will be played each week.

Tennis Tournament In Final Quarter

CHESTNUT HILL, Mass., Dec. 29, (UP)—Without loss of a set the four seeded entrants in the national junior girls' indoor tennis championship reached the quarter final round on Longwood covered courts Tuesday.

Katharine Winthrop, Boston, defending champion, defeated Barbara Eaton, Chestnut Hill, 6-1, 6-1; Virginia Arnold, Brighton, defeated Phillipa Kelly, Winchester, 6-0, 6-0; Helen Jones, Swampscott, defeated Ruth Adelson, Dorchester, 6-0, 6-3, and Joanna Palfrey, Brookline, defeated Mary Lippitt, Providence, R. I., 6-1, 6-2.

All-American Back Is Shot in Hand

EVANSTON, Ill., Dec. 30, (U.P.)—Ernest (Pug) Rentner, Northwestern university football star, who was practically a unanimous choice all over the country for mythical all-American honors, was shot in the hand tonight.

Rentner was taken to Evanston hospital suffering from a bullet wound in one finger. How the wound was received was not stated, but it was said to have been received in an accident on the university campus.

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"Annie's Aveigh" will mean more next fall to James R. Reedy, above, for upon him has fallen the honor of captaining the 1932 Navy football team. Reedy is a junior, from Cleveland. He played guard on the 1931 team. Reedy is 21 years old, weighs 198 pounds and is five feet 10 inches tall. Pretty chunky, eh?

KLAMATH CUBS WIN BASKETBALL GAME

The Klamath Cubs won 34 to 20 from the Swan service station team in a basketball game played at the Klamath Athletic gym Tuesday night. The Swan's lead at the end of the half was 12 to 9, but the Cubs piled score on score in the last half. At the end of the game the Cubs refused their opponents a return game.

The Swans will play the Athletic club team at 7 o'clock Thursday night.

Uclans Defeat Utah Hoop Team

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 30, (AP)—Staging a complete reversal of form, University of California at Los Angeles last night defeated Utah Aggies, 36 to 21, in a fast basketball game.

The Bruins guarded the Aggies so closely in the first half that the visitors scored only one field goal, and the score was 23 to 5 at half time. Utah rallied in the second half, but not enough to overcome the big lead. U. C. L. A. never was headed.

Pitt's Hoopers Trounce Cards

PALO ALTO, Calif., Dec. 30, (U.P.)—The University of Pittsburgh basketball team, playing its first game in California, easily defeated Stanford University here last night, 32 to 11. It was a slow, uninteresting game, although Pittsburgh's lead was not more than five or six points until the last few minutes. The invaders were deliberate, while Stanford players had trouble finding the basket.

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TULANE RECORD ON DEFENSIVE SHOWS STRONG

By PAUL ZIMMERMAN
(Associated Press Sports Writer)

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 30 (AP)—Both Southern California and Tulane may be forced to haul out a lot of new offensive tricks when the two football teams run afoul in the seventeenth annual rose tournament game New Year's day if defensive data of the contending elevens does not speak falsely.

The invading Greenies from New Orleans, bent on preserving the south's unbeaten record in Rose Bowl play, boast the more impressive record in this department, but whether the green wave can stave off Troy's vaunted power remains to be seen.

Tulane held its eleven opponents this season to 55 first downs, an average of five a game, whereas Southern California allowed 64 in 10 games for a 6.4 average.

Five touchdowns were chalked up against the Greenies and six against the Trojans. Each allowed three on passes. The rest came from running plays.

St. Mary's completed only two passes over the walls of Troy in Southern California's lone defeat, yet both were good for touchdowns. The other aerial score came in the fading minutes of the 44 to 7 victory over Washington, when Coach Howard Jones had his third and fourth string players on the field.

Washington State scored on a reverse play, similar to one which netted the Cougars a touchdown over the Greenies a few weeks later. The other two crossings of the Southern California goal were engineered by Notre Dame, on a plunge through the line on a lateral.

Mississippi A. and M., Louisiana State and Georgia Tech each scored a touchdown apiece on passes while Washington State capitalized on two Tulane fumbles with deceptive running plays to account for the other two marks against the green wave.

Mentors of both teams contemplated rugged workouts today. The Trojans will drill secretly at Bovard Field, Los Angeles, and then come here to remain until time for the game. Tulane will take its final serious workout at Tournament Park. The two teams polish off tomorrow with signal drill on the Rose Bowl turf.

Three special trains brought over 500 rooters from New Orleans yesterday including Mayor T. Semmes Walmsley and three members of the city council, Fred A. Earhart, Joseph E. Skelly and A. Miles Pratt. The Greenie band, cheer leader, and the scrub team of 20 were also in the group.

ROBINS START IN FEB.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Dec. 30, (UP)—Brooklyn's baseball club will begin its spring training on February 21, when pitchers and catchers will report at the camp at Clearwater, Fla., it was announced today. Other players will report on February 28.

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Idaho Trounces Grizzly Hoopers

MISSOULA, Mont., Dec. 30, (AP)—Idaho staved off a closing Montana threat to take the first game of their two-game basketball series, 44 to 41, here last night. With the Vandals leading by six points at the opening of play, the Grizzlies made a shift in their lineup, which enabled them to fight on even terms the remainder of the first half. Idaho led 26 to 20 at the half.

SCOUTS ENJOYING OUTING IN HILLS

Eight Klamath Boy Scouts and fifteen Medford Scouts are enjoying a program of winter sports at the winter camp at Keno.

Harvey Brannan, Don Kenyon, Harvey Quistad, Stewart Groesbeck, James Slusser, Harold Kleiner, Leo Faus and Morris Slusser are local boys at the camp. They will return to Klamath December 31.

The recent snowfall made conditions for skiing and tobagganing excellent.

ALL-STAR BACK URGED FOR POST

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 30, (U.P.)—Irwin C. Uteritz, former all-America quarterback at Michigan and assistant football coach at Wisconsin for several years, was recommended to the board of regents by the university athletic council today for the new position of director of intercollegiate athletics in Wisconsin's athletic reorganization.

The board of regents usually follow the recommendations of the council, and it was considered almost certain that the board will sanction Uteritz's selection at its meeting next month.

Under this plan Uteritz virtually succeeds Glenn Thistlewaite, resigned head football coach, under whose tutelage he played football at Oak Park, Ill., high school.

BULGARIAN WINS

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30, (U.P.)—Nick Welcoff, 220, of Bulgaria, won two of three falls in his wrestling match with Guiseppe Vargas, 200, Italy, here last night. After winning the second fall, Vargas fell out of the ring and was unable to return in the required 10 seconds. Don Andreas Costanos, 220, won the semi-final when Harry Mamos, 185, was disqualified.

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ODDS MOUNT TO BOOST FAVORS OF EAST STARS

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30, (UP)—Coaches of the west team that meets eastern all-Americans in the annual charity game here Friday were gloomy tonight.

Odds favoring the easterners were mounting, and Coaches Dana X. Bible and Percy Locey of the west were uneasy.

Bible and Locey had three men on the hospital list, and they felt that only a few of the remaining 19 men on their squad had been performing at the peak of their ability in scrimmages.

Furthermore there was a possibility that a new storm will mean continued rain right up to the starting time for the game, and the eastern team averages 15 pounds to the man heavier than the westerners.

Despite all the apparent discouragement of Bible and Locey, Pacific coast fans still considered the prospects for a western victory as bright.

The westerners have won four of the six games played and they are likely to have a psychological advantage in this contest.

Vines Wins Net Event from Lott

CHICAGO, Dec. 30, (AP)—Ellsworth Vines, the Pasadena, Calif., youngster who holds the National singles tennis championship, is still making those rousing finishes for victory, and Chicago has given charity about $10,000 to see his latest one.

After losing the first set, 3-6, to George Lott of Philadelphia, at the Chicago stadium last night, Vines rallied just as he did to win the National title from Lott last September, and took the next two, 6-3, 10-8. The match was the feature of a charity tennis card that attracted about 7,000 spectators.

PELICANS WILL BATTLE ALUMNI

The Klamath high Pelicans will meet the alumni in a basketball test at the high school gymnasium Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock, it was announced Wednesday.

A number of graduates of the high school, who starred on the court in their school days, have been recruited for the alumni team, and they are expected to give the regulars a battle. Harold Olson, Richard Robustell and Glenn Palmer are among the old-timers who will be seen in action.

There will be a small admission charge for the game.

Sentence Given For Liquor Is Suspended

Everett Stearns was given a 30-day suspended sentence on a charge of possession of intoxicating liquor when arraigned before Police Judge Roy Fouch on Tuesday. Stearns was arrested in a local pool hall.

Tuesday night police arrested Benny Dyson, local pugilist, on an open charge and Chester Weltch for vagrancy.

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Trubake Crackers — Salted Wafers. — 2-lb Carton 25c
Del Monte Early Garden Peas — No. 2 size cans — 2 for 35c
Korona or Integrity Peaches — Heavy syrup. — 2 Cans 29c

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Navel Oranges — Medium size. — 3 doz. for 35c
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Brussell Sprouts — 2 lbs. for 29c
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Valencia Oranges — Sweet and Juicy. — 2 doz. for 69c

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