

SPORTS

Detroit Selected Outstanding Team of Year

Deals Show Past Power of A's

Mack's Three-time Winners Bring Highest Prices in Baseball.

Baseball's latest big deal again stresses the strength of the Philadelphia Athletics who dominated the American League in 1929, '30, and '31, and swept to world championships the first two Octobers.

The old A's probably will go down in history with the Baltimore Orioles of the '30's and the other two or three greatest clubs of all time. The fame of the Orioles survived because so many of them remained in the thick of things so long—John McGraw, Hugh Jennings, Wilbert Robinson, Kid Gleason, Ned Hanlon, and Jack Doyle.

Two old A's quickly jumped to renown as managers—Mickey Cochrane in Detroit and Jimmy Dykes with the Chicago White Sox.

Frank G. Navin borrowed \$100,000 with which to purchase Cochrane, who took the Tigers to two consecutive flags and their first world championship in modern baseball and made his owner rich again.

In his first full season as leader of the White Sox, Dykes revived American League interest and dividends in Chicago.

Young Tom Yawkey, owner of the Boston Red Sox, didn't fare so well with his initial large investments in old A's which brought Robert Moses, Grover, Rube Walberg, Max Bishop, and Dix Williams, but scarcely made a mistake in giving \$100,000 and a couple of nobodies for the illustrious Jimmy Fox and Pitcher Johnny Marcum.

Yawkey also has made a smart buy it, as reported, he has paid Connie Mack an additional \$150,000 for outfielder Roger Cramer and shortstop Eric McNair. Yawkey, who has struck more than \$3,500,000 into the business, deserves a break.

It is the consensus that the Tigers sharpened their teeth when they acquired Aloysius H. Simmons, an old A who never could hit in Chicago, for \$75,000.

Simmons, whose batting average dropped to .269 in 1935, his first poor season in an even dozen, is expected to be his old self under Cochrane's skillful guidance and the happier surroundings of Navin Field. It will be recalled that Goose Goslin came back like an election repeater under Cochrane when Clark Griffith considered him rather washed up.

With Simmons performing between Goslin and Pete Fox, the Detroit outfield no longer will be called the joke of the American League. Even in his most protracted slump of last season, Simmons was the most accomplished defensive outfielder in the game.

Fox, who will threaten Babe Ruth's home run record of 60 with the advantage of the short left field wall at Fenway Park, is the last of the old A regulars to leave Philadelphia, unless Pop-Eye Mahaffey, the pitcher, is considered as such. Cramer and McNair were second-string men during Mack's last pennant winning campaigns in Quaker Town.

The representatives of the New York Yankees quit the meetings at Chicago with their club in danger of finishing worse than second in 1936.

While the Red Sox were being built into the foremost challengers of Detroit and the Yankees were strengthened, the Yankees agents evidently were content to rest with Joe Di Maggio, husky Italian lad of San Francisco, as their only notable replacement.

Chicago, which should be bolstered, let Simmons go with nothing in the way of a regular participant in return. Cleveland failed to come up with the catcher it so sorely needs.

It looks like a two-club race

GOPHER GRID TEAM SECOND

World Baseball Champions Popular With Sports Experts.

(NOTE: This is one of a series detailing results of the annual Associated Press sports poll.)

By ALAN GOULD
Associated Press Sports Writer
NEW YORK, Dec. 18. (AP)—The No. 1 team achievement of the year in any sport was turned in by the Detroit Tigers, world champions of baseball, in the estimation of the country's sports experts.

Against competition in the voting offered principally by three unbeaten college football teams, the Tigers registered as decisive a triumph in the fifth annual Associated Press sports poll as they did in capturing the American pennant for the second time and then turning back the Chicago Cubs in the world series.

Minnesota Rates Second
The Tigers topped the team poll with 269 points. Minnesota's unbeaten football team, runner-up in the poll for the second straight year, enjoyed the distinction of posting a clear margin over rivals for national gridiron honors.

Minnesota's point total was 162. Southern Methodist, the "Eastern" Rose Bowl choice, finished with 64. Princeton, football leader in the east, was next with 41.

Points were tabulated on a 2-1 basis, as more than 100 sports editors and writers listed three teams each in the order of preference.

Irish Receive Praise
The popularity of the Tigers marked the fourth straight year in which the world baseball champions have been voted the top team of the year. Southern California's 1931 football team won recognition in the first Associated Press roundup. Since then the New York Yankees, New York Giants, St. Louis Cardinals and Tigers have landed first honors.

Minnesota's footballers were closer to the top last year than this. The Gophers trailed the Cardinals in the 1934 poll by only 26 points. This year the margin separating them from the Tigers was 47 points. In first place votes, the Tigers led 46 to 29.

Notre Dame's gridiron outfit, several experts suggested, turned in the greatest single team performance for one afternoon when it came from behind in the last period to beat Ohio State.

The tabulation of the poll on outstanding teams of 1935, follows:

Team	Sport
1. Detroit Tigers	Baseball
2. Minnesota	College football
3. S. Methodist	College football
4. Princeton	College football
5. Chicago Cubs	Baseball
6. British Davis Cup	Tennis
7. Notre Dame	College football
8. S. California	Track and field
9. Detroit Lions	Prof. football
10. Univ. of Calif.	Rowing
11. U. S. Ryder Cup	Prof. golf

between Detroit and Boston. Washington is no better off than it was in 1935. The same old picture is presented in St. Louis, and Philadelphia is ready to fall out of the loop as Mack attempts another fresh start at 73.

Not since American League owners forced Byron Bancroft Johnson out of the game has the circuit been so badly in need of his type of leadership. Johnson wouldn't have sat idly by and watched a two-time flag winner strengthened while obvious second division outfits sat still.

The Boston National League situation is worse than ever. While the Red Sox get Fox and Marcum, who won 17 games for the plait place A's, and are reported to have closed for Cramer and McNair, all the Braves wind up with is honest old Bob Quinn.

During the first six months of 1935, Baltimore, Md., was second only to New York city in American shipping.

STRIKES TO SPARE

Following are results of bowling in Merchants' league Tuesday night on the Bowlers' Garden alleys.

England's Market			
Martin, C.	157	147	178
England	135	129	109
Harkley	147	145	167
Sawell	159	169	136
Martin, B.	191	192	190
Handicap	120	120	360

Safeway			
Milne	174	154	176
Backes	190	123	146
Strong, B.	154	147	301
Smith	145	179	182
Lowman	172	162	149
Lowman	175	—	175
Handicap	52	72	196

Underwood Drug			
Driscoll	209	165	183
Green	158	144	166
Olson	131	148	179
Vandoren	173	177	163
Orrell	164	162	108
Handicap	100	100	300

Bohemian Cafe			
Fosket	188	119	146
James	157	147	159
Hamil	133	144	198
Lowman	153	168	130
Geiger	173	214	210
Handicap	46	46	128

SCORING ACES SHARPEN EYES

Fast City League Contests Scheduled for Tonight.

Scoring aces of the City Basketball league were ready this afternoon to begin the week's play in the heated drive for a championship.

Doubleheaders will be played tonight and again Thursday night. Opening contests begin at 7:30 o'clock.

Bonanza Tree Troopers and Sons of Italy, two teams tied for third and fourth positions, clash in the feature contest tonight on the armory court. A victory will give the winner an undisputed hold on third place and by Thursday night it will have gained a tie for second following the meeting of the two undefeated leaders.

Balsiger, trying desperately to break into the win column, will play the Macabees in the second game tonight. Macabees have won and lost two while Balsiger has dropped three in a row.

The "big game" of the week will come Thursday night between Old Port and the Knights of Columbus, both unbeaten. Waldorf and Lost River play the other Thursday night contest.

WRESTLING

By The Associated Press
Albany, N. Y.—Ray Steele, 215, Glendale Calif., defeated Leo Numa, 216, Seattle, Wash., two falls out of three.

New Haven, Conn.—Jack Donovan, 220, Boston, defeated George Lenihan, 205, Boston, straight falls.

Biddeford, Me.—Jean Baptiste La Roche, 175, Montreal, defeated Dynamite Dunn, 175, Newfoundland, two falls out of three.

Indianapolis—Ed (Strangler) Lewis, 235, Los Angeles, defeated Karl (Big Boy) Davis, 229, Columbus, O., two out of three falls.

San Diego, Calif.—Chief Little Wolf, 215, Arizona, beat Joe Savoldi, 202, Three Oaks, Mich., two out of three falls.

San Francisco—Vicente Lopez, 211, Tampico, Mex., beat Gino Garibaldi, 213, Milan, Italy, 45-00.

PECK BEATEN BY JAPANESE

Hollis Wins Rough Bout From Rex Mobley; Wolfe Winner.

A main event more appropriate for a back alley than an arena, an excellent exhibition in the art of jiu jitsu and a well-wrestled curtain-raiser brought the 1935 grappling season to a close at the Klamath armory Tuesday night.

Outstanding on the final program of the year was Shinuchi Shikuma's victory over Frankie Peck of San Francisco. Losing the two jiu jitsu falls to the Japanese heavyweight, Peck, in defeat, displayed a well-founded knowledge of the oriental sport.

Peck won the toss at the start of the match and elected to wrestle the first fall catch-as-catch-can. In six minutes and 12 seconds he downed his rival with a headlock.

The wrestlers put on their jiu jitsu jackets for the second fall. It went to Shikuma in one minute and 25 seconds. The hold was a Japanese variation of an arm stretch.

Wrestling carefully and applying many holds, Peck managed to stay a full seven minutes before being caught in a strangle hold in the deciding period. He was on the verge of unconsciousness when he surrendered.

Billed as a main event wrestling match, Ken Hollis of Arkansas and Rex Mobley of Alabama put on a rough and tumble back-street exhibition.

The match went to Hollis who captured the last two falls. Mobley gained the advantage in 13 minutes with an airplane scissors. A pile driver in seven minutes and a body slam in slightly more than five gave Hollis the match.

The Little Rock grappler relied upon his customary roughness. His two falls were preceded by wild skirmishes in which knees, fists and teeth were used to good advantage. Both wrestlers were frequently outside the ring.

Les Wolfe of Texas won the opening match from Bob Kennaston of Gold Hill. A figure four scissors in the first round and an "octopus" hold in the fourth decided the margin of victory. Kennaston took a fall in the second with a reverse headlock.

Spina Outpoints Filipino Boxer

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 18 (AP)—Al Spina of Portland proved his previous defeat of "Speedy" Dado was no fluke last night by again outpointing the Los Angeles Filipino in a rapid-fire 10-round bout. Spina weighed 122½ and Dado 117½.

The Portlander finished strong in contrast to last week's fight in which only an early lead gave him enough points to eke out a win over Dado's attack in the final frames.

Other results: Billy Lee, 135, Bend, won a decision over Buzz Brown, 126, Portland (6); "Midnight" Bell, 145, Dallas, outpointed "Battling" Gizzy, 145, Pittsburgh (6); Frank Galluci, 126, Portland, won the nod from Al Mustola, 124, Clatskanie (4), and Clem Lombright, 135, Portland, won a decision from Bob Sapp, 136, Albany (4).

PALM SPRINGS, Calif., Dec. 18 (AP)—Members of the national football rules committee will convene here late in February for their annual meeting. It was learned today. The exact date was not announced.

DUNSMUIR FIVE COMING FRIDAY

Mt. Shasta Travels Here Saturday Night to Meet Klamath.

Pitted against two invading teams from northern California, the Klamath Pelicans will open the home basketball season here Friday night.

On Friday the team will meet Dunsmuir. Saturday it will take the floor against Mt. Shasta. Both games will be played at the high school gymnasium with the preliminary contests starting at 7:30.

Particular interest centers around the visit of the Mt. Shasta team. In the opening game of the season, the Pelicans upset the Pelicans by a handful of points. The team is out for revenge.

Dunsmuir is listed as one of the strongest quintets in its district and may make things difficult Friday for the champions of this section of Oregon.

The Wildcats will play the Dunsmuir B team in the first game.

Dwight French, Pelican coach, is arranging for a preliminary to the Mt. Shasta contest. Mt. Shasta won the B championship of California last season.

Gael Gridders Unable to Play East-West Tilt

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18 (AP)—Two St. Mary's college football stars were lost to the west eleven for the Shrine charity game New Year's Day.

Center Warner Jorgensen and Fullback Malcolm Fiese will be unavailable because of injuries suffered in the U. C. L. A. and Washington State games.

Coach Percy Loecey and "Babe" Hollingbery said.

Jorgensen has a groin bruise and Fiese a bad knee. The former's absence leaves the west with only one center, Marcel Saunders, of Loyola. Because there are no other senior pivots in the west, Loecey said he would probably muster his own Denver snapper-back, Campbell, for the contest.

Drake Triumphs Over Bulldogs

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 18 (AP)—The Drake university basketball barnstormers defeated Gonzaga 44 to 35 here last night and moved on to Portland to meet the University of Portland hoopers tonight.

Thursday night the Drake five meets Willamette university at Salem.

ASHLAND, Ore., Dec. 18 (AP)—The Southern Oregon Normal team won its fourth basketball game in five starts last night by defeating Fresno State, 44 to 28, in a contest featured by 39 fouls.

The Sons also whipped the Californians Monday, 37 to 25. Schopf and Hardy of the Normal five were high scorers with 11 points each.

Fight Results

(By The Associated Press)
VINCENNES, Ind.—Winford (Moon) Mullins, 125½, Vincennes, and Paul Lee, 123½, Indianapolis, "no contest." (3).

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.—Frankie Hughes, 145, Clinton, Ind., stopped Todd Sessoms, 139, Charleston, S. C. (4).

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