

# STOVER TOPS KLAMATH HOOP LEAGUE SCORERS

## Sport Briefs

By EDDIE BRIETZ

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 — Here you are, folks—the uncrowned champs of 1940. . . They were authored by Robert Slegler, a young comer on the Detroit News sports staff. . . So while we step out to do a bit of ear bending on those bowl games, Mr. Slegler steps in with his honor roll. . . Come on in, Bob. O. K., Butch. . . Right off we have the Detroit pro who fired an ace while trying to show a student how to do same. . . The Stockton, Calif., promoter who called off an indoor fight because of rain. . . Two more golfers who ended an 18-hole match all even and had to play 58 extra holes to decide the issue. . . Two cage teams which had to cancel an important battle because each went to the other's gym on the night of the game.

### T-HEE FORMATION

The Hanover college quarterback, who took the ball and handed it to a Centre college tackle who, surprised as he was, dashed 24 yards to score. . . (Seems the tackle had crashed the line and was standing where the Hanover fullback should have been).

There was the cager with the shaven head who had to quit the game because both teams continually mistook his dome for the ball. . . And the Ohio lady who wrote the state conservation department protesting the wholesale shooting of skeet. . . The Texas boxing commiss who ruled wrestlers could grapple with bears but that it couldn't be called a championship match. . . The ice skater, Art Brown, who couldn't defend his title because he froze his toes in a previous match. . . And what about the entire town of Oakville, Wash., (468 inhabitants) going to Seattle to see their team play in the state cage tournament?

### OMIGOSH

Then there were the two Harvard crew coaches who didn't get any Xmas cards because the postoffice returned them stamped, "Unknown at Harvard university."

You remember the spectator who tried to tackle Tom Harmon in the California game and missed, just like a lot of other guys. . . And Truck Hanna, 53-year-old Memphis manager, who stepped in and caught a doubleheader. . . The Hamilton, Ont., cagers who played a league game in their undies, their uniforms being taken away by an ex-sponsor. . . The Mullenberg band which stopped the tearing down of goal posts by playing "The Star Spangled Banner." . . Two Western State Teachers pitchers who each hurled 1-0 no-hit wins in a doubleheader. . . The Louisiana Tech grider who stopped to pick up a piece of change on the field while the other team's ball carrier skipped blithely past for a touchdown.

### WOMAN'S PAGE

The three women golfers who shot a hole in the combined score of four when the first two made aces and the third's tee shot stopped four inches from the cup for an easy duce. . . And the Edmonton Grads, girl cage champs, who had to disband because they were too good.

Another Detroit golfer who was so incensed at missing a shot that he picked up his caddy, bag and all, tossed them into a lake, then jumped in himself. . . The Anniston, Ala., high player, who broke a teammate's leg during practice, was criticized by the coach who said, "Now practice on me," then proceeded to tackle and break the coach's leg. . . The Flint (Mich.) catcher who caught fire when a fan tossed a lighted cigarette on the field and it wedged between the catcher's shirt and chest protector. . . Golfer Evan L. Hughes, who scored an ace on the 13th hole, on his 13th round of the year, on the 13th day of the month and finished 13 over par.

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## Squads Set To Resume Loop Play

Patzke Holds Second in Tally-Makers; High Men in Each League Posted

"Smoky" Stover, First National Bank forward who has netted 35 points in four games, took over first place in individual scoring among players of the Klamath Falls Basketball conference as the circuit Wednesday was preparing to reopen its 1940-1941 schedule, slated for Thursday night at the armory, after a shutdown over the Christmas holidays.

Second high in the Commercial league goes to Bud Patzke, Bly guard who together with Stover are perennially among the leaders in the point-gathering department. Patzke has garnered 31 counters in four contests.

Frank Michaelson, blond Baptist hoopster, was the best scorer in the Church league as he dumped in 28 tallies in three games played by his team during the first two weeks of action.

However, "Swan" Swanson, lanky center for the Lutherans, in second place among Church league players with 23 points, rates the honor of having the best average. He has little better than a 12-point average since his points have been gathered in but two games. Moore, Latter Day Saint guard who has 24 points to his credit in two games, is close behind Swanson for the highest game average.

Bud Patzke has the most personal fouls chalked against him, 10, and takes the dubious honor of leadership in that department, at least temporarily. Chuck Slaymaker, Tik Tok forward, has nine violations followed by Phil Blohm, rugged DeMolay center who has been whistled down seven times by the officials.

A total of 110 players have entered the scoring columns during the current season. Forty-eight of those have hit the hoop for 10 points or more.

Players with 15 points or more in the Commercial league follow:

	G	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Stover, FNB	4	14	7	4	35
B. Patzke, Bly	4	13	5	10	31
Ferguson, Wyrhar	3	13	1	2	27
E. Bishop, FNB	4	12	3	3	27
Kidd, Bly	4	9	5	2	27
Miller, FNB	4	11	3	7	25
House, Tik Tok	3	11	2	2	24
Lower, Bly	3	11	2	2	24
Strotheide, KC	3	9	2	5	20
Bocchi, Tik Tok	3	9	1	0	19
Slaymaker, Tik Tok	3	8	2	8	19
F. Hall, Gienger's	3	9	0	1	18
Sanders, KC	3	7	3	4	17
L. Aiello, Rickys	2	6	4	1	16
Haskins, Merrill	3	8	0	5	16
Scroggin, FNB	4	6	4	6	16
Cody, Lost River	2	7	1	0	15
Matis, Lost River	3	7	1	8	15
H. Crapo, KC	3	6	3	1	15
Crane, Bly	4	7	1	4	15

Church league players with 10 points or better follow:

	G	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
F. Michaelson, Bap.	3	14	0	3	28
Swanson, Luth.	2	12	1	5	25
Moore, LDS	2	11	2	2	24
Vowell, Baptists	3	8	5	4	21
Blohm, DeMolays	3	6	4	7	18
V. Michaelson, Bap.	2	6	3	5	15
Jex, LDS	2	7	0	1	14
Johnson, Jr. Pel.	2	5	2	1	12
Schroeder, Luth.	2	5	1	2	11
Johnson, Luth.	2	4	2	1	10
Subject, Luth.	2	5	0	2	10
Laird, Jr. Pel.	2	5	0	4	10
Jones, DeMolays	3	4	2	1	10

## FIREMEN QUENCH LAST 1940 BLAZE LATE TUESDAY

Klamath Falls' last call of 1940 was answered by the city fire department when they drove over slippery, frosty streets to 927 Jefferson street at 11:50 p. m., New Year's eve.

A small house in the rear of property owned by George Grizzle, was burning. Damage to furniture and the interior of the house was reported.

### HISTORY REPEATS

MOUNDSVILLE, W. Va., (AP) Sheriff Frank H. Patton retired at midnight last night after a four-year term in office — and history repeated.

To the day and the hour, 100 years ago, his grandfather, William Patton, retired as sheriff of Monroe county, Ohio, after four years in office.

There the parallel stops, Patton said, for his grandfather married four times, had 15 children, and outlived all of his wives.

We can argue as Americans with divergent views, offered with mutual respect. The important thing is that we unite on the destiny of America; on the necessity of building strength at home and keeping out of war abroad.—Charles A. Lindbergh.

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## College Dean Serves NCAA Kick in Teeth

By GALE TALBOT

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 (AP)—If nothing else of importance happened in the course of all the athletic conventions held here the last several days, the brass hats of the amateur athletic industry received an unexpected kick in the teeth from Dean Christian Gauss of Princeton university.

The dean, a mild-looking pedagogue with a sore throat, told the officials of the National Collegiate Athletic association a thing or two at yesterday's luncheon. He didn't give them an advance copy of his remarks, for reasons that became obvious almost as soon as he reared up at the speaker's table and began punctuating his words by pounding his fork on the linen.

He began by startling them out of their noon time reverie with the suggestion that separate athletic associations be abolished in all schools, nudged them into acute attentiveness when he said, in effect, that every football team in the country was employing outright professionals, and before he got through he had a room full of men looking very uncomfortable.

Dean Gauss broke in like a

thunder-clap. He said, listen fellows, we're not fooling anybody. We're still hiring half-backs who move their lips when they read words of more than two syllables. We won't be genuine amateurs until we quit doing this, and until we make our coaches members of the faculty.

The dean didn't use these words, because he is extremely well educated and because he could not be that crude, if he wished. But that was what he meant. He was the hit of the meeting.

The football coaches, who heard of the dean's remarks only secondhand and were vastly amused, closed their annual meeting by electing O. (Fritz) Crisler of Michigan their president. It is authoritatively reported that Fritz will not be coaching actively next year, but will be the Wolverine's new athletic director, succeeding the veteran Fielding H. Yost, who wishes to retire.

The NCAA, between being jolted by Dean Gauss' observations, resolved at its closing session to raise funds to find out what colleges are breaking the amateur rules, and to boot them out of the organization forthwith.

## OREGON SPORTS NOTES

By FRED HAMPSON

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Al Stump, who writes the "Inside Angle" for the Columbian at Vancouver, Wash., almost choked up with enthusiasm for the Oregon Webfoot basketballers after watching them bring down the Portland Pilots.

As soon as he got his vocabulary under control Stump wrote: "If you hold any Oregon Webfoot basketball stock, hang onto it, brother, like it was A.T.&T. on a rising market."

"We still stick to our original pick of Oregon State to pace the coming northern division mesh marathon, but we might be talked out of it after watching the Ducks slaughter Portland U.

"The poor Pilots were blasted, smeared, pulverized, over-come, trampled and whipped—not to mention outscored. And Ed Fitzpatrick's gang is no push-over.

"The trouble with watching Oregon is that you get cramps in your neck. Some kind of affliction a rube from Hay Center suffered when he . . . sees his first skyscraper.

"We talked to Hobby Hobson, sleek-haired Oregon coach, while his boys were warming up. He had Hank Anderson (who got 20 points on a freak wrist-snap shot that will be murder to stop) and Archie Marshik, Warren Taylor, Wally Borrevik and Vic Townsend out there stalking around like so many soft-shoed cranes.

"Some height," we said. "Those guys must average 6-6 anyway." "About that," shrugged Hobby. "But I like speed, too. Take these two boys here. Nice Laird, Jr. Pel., and Earl Martin, Inglewood, Calif.

Other notables making the grade included John Bulla, Chicago, Sam Byrd, St. Petersburg, Fla., Bill Jelliffe, Denver, Horace Lacey, Little Rock, Ark., John Geertsen, Salt Lake City, Chick Rutan, White Plains, N. Y., Al and Emery Zimmerman, Portland, Ore., Jim McHale, Philadelphia, Ky. Laffoon, Chicago, Dave Martin, Fresno, Calif., and Ellsworth Vines, the Pasadena tennis professional who is an amateur at golf.

Mail-Tribune sportsection summarized 1940 boxing highlights with: "Joe Louis fought some guys and so did Henry Armstrong and it was the same old story."

A couple of cage teams each admittedly after the state championship this year collided last weekend at Astoria. The Fishermen won the first preliminary of a feud which might reach the Salem tournament: Astoria 41, Baker 36.

## Dodson Paces Qualifiers for Golf Tourney

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 1 (AP)—Leonard Dodson, of Kansas City, with a 69-72-141, set the qualifying pace for the \$10,000 Los Angeles open yesterday as 220 golfers contested on two courses for 80 vacant places. Forty-four of the more prominent professional trouper were exempt.

Close behind Dodson, at 142, were Ed Oliver, Hornell, N. Y., Chick Herbert, Battle Creek, Mich., Charles Farlow, Burlington, N. C., and Earl Martin, Inglewood, Calif.

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## BASKETBALL

By The Associated Press  
Wisconsin 57, Princeton 46.  
Northwestern 46, Notre Dame 34.  
Illinois 40, Marquette 32.  
Iowa State 40, Drake 26.  
Georgia Tech 44, South Carolina 34.  
Michigan State 34, Creighton 28.  
Duquesne 42, Santa Clara 40.  
Western (Colo.) State 37, Denver 24.  
Montana Normal 46, Montana State 27.  
Brady Tech 34, University of California at Los Angeles 27.

Sale of new passenger cars in 1940 jumped far above 1939 and the people not in them are still jumping.

## DANCE

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## Husky Team Claims Sun Valley Title

Three Stars in Photo Finish for Individual Standout Honors in Meet

SUN VALLEY, Idaho, Jan. 1 (AP)—University of Washington was established today as team champion of the third annual Sun valley intercollegiate ski meet, but the question of the tournament's individual standout still remained sharply at issue.

It was a matter disputed most vigorously by Bill Redlin and Carl Neu, both of the Washington first string, and Bobby Blatt, Stanford university's sensational freshman skier.

Their argument will be settled today dark, for the meet ends before with ski jumping, one of the two of four events which does not figure in the team standings, and it looked as if a best showing in that line would clinch the Bradley plate for any one of the three.

As they came up to the jumps, Redlin headed the list with 290 points, Blatt following at 284.9 and Neu at 283.

How they got that way is told

by the results of the tournament's three opening numbers: Downhill—Redlin, first; Blatt, second; Neu, third.

Cross-country—Neu, first; Blatt, ninth; Redlin, tenth.

Slalom—Redlin, first; Blatt, second; Neu, third.

The joint Neu-Redlin performances in downhill and slalom, events counting toward the team championship, were almost enough in themselves to win Washington the inter-college title, but the two Seattleites had so much support from their schoolmates, both varsity and reserve, that Washington actually gathered in both first and second places in the meet.

Final team standings: Washington varsity 647.8, Washington seconds 565.7, Washington State college 557.5, Stanford 552.5 and University of Idaho 468.8.

SUN VALLEY, Idaho, Jan. 1 (UP)—Janet Quinney, University of Utah coed, won both runs of the women's slalom in the national inter-collegiate ski meet at Sun Valley Tuesday to become the second winner of the Mary Cornelia trophy, given annually to the country's foremost all-around coed skier.

Miss Quinney also captured first in the women's downhill race two days ago.

In the race for the Bradley plate, given to the best all-around man, Bill Redlin, Washington university, bounced back into the lead by nosing out

Bobby Blatt, Stanford, in the men's slalom event.

The victory gave Redlin his second win in three events and a commanding lead in the trophy race.

## Five Trapped Miners Rescued

INDIANA, Pa., Jan. 1 (UP) Five miners trapped for 18 hours four miles underground in the Kent No. 2 mine of the Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal company at McIntyre, 13 miles southwest of here, were brought out last night, uninjured.

During the final hours of digging through and around a 70-foot fall of slate and rock that trapped the men in a 20 by 60 foot "room" four feet high, the miners themselves aided with tools handed through the small shaft made by the rescuers.

### SURPRISE

IOLA, Kas., (AP)—An airplane was reported to have crashed.

An Iola Register reporter arrived first at the scene. Then came a lawyer, next an undertaker and finally two cars of policemen and state highway patrolmen.

They found the wreckage of a miniature airplane.

Santa Claus. What a man! For years I've been paying all the bills and he gets all the credit.—Justice Frederick L. Hackenburger, Queens Special Sessions judge.

## Dew Wins 1940 Jockey Title As Taylor Falls

ARCADIA, Calif., Jan. 1 (UP) — Earl Dew, Sac City, Iowa, youth, held the American jockey title of 1940 today after one of the closest battles in turf history, but he wished the competition could have ended in a tie with Walter Lee Taylor of Houston, Tex.

The two riders were tied with 286 winners each Tuesday with only one day of racing left in the year. Taylor fell from his horse in the fourth race at Tropical Park in Florida and was in such pain he was forced to cancel his mounts in the seventh and eighth races.

Dew brought home Subdeb in the first race at Santa Anita park here and raised his total of winners for the year to 287, one more than Taylor. Backed heavily by the race fans, Dew booted Subdeb, a two-year-old filly, to a head lead over Bukhara II at the wire.

"That's too darned bad it had to end that way," Dew commented when told of Taylor's accident in Florida. "I wanted him to ride all his horses today."

"As it is now, I'd jump as soon have had the championship end in a tie."

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