

From MIDFIELD

by Bob Leonard

THE DUCHY

Now, take this Duke outfit. You probably know nothing of the school outside of its football team. I didn't until reading Mr. A. A. Wilkinson's public outburst regarding the institution itself.

Duke, despite its hoary, 103-year-old age, "is in the full vigor of its youth," says Mr. Wilkinson. Actually Duke is only 17 years old. But its predecessor, tiny Trinity college, was 85 when James B. Duke laid \$40,000,000 on the line and told the Trinities to shoot the works.

Up to 1924, Trinity was a small, sound southern college drawing students from North Carolina and nearby states. Then James B. Duke and water-power magnate and native of Durham, came along with his dollars.

In practically no time at all, 15,000 carloads of stone were dug from nearby quarries and \$25,000,000 sunk into "a veritable city" of Gothic buildings. The city is dominated by a stately towered cathedral-chapel complete with a 50-bell carillon high in the tower.

Grays predominate in the veritable city, says Mr. Wilkinson, but "there are a half-dozen other soft tones in the stone."

Duke's home town manufactures 125 brands of cigarettes and about one-fourth of all the cigarettes made in this country.

Duke has 15,000 living alumni—counting the Trinities—many of them, it says, with distinguished names and among them some who have served in presidential cabinets and in the United States senate.

Educationally and culturally the home of the Devils boasts the discovery of a serum which prevents or cures sleeping sickness in horses. It brags of a library containing 600,000 books and 700,000 manuscripts, including some of the country's best collections on Latin American history.

Geographically, Duke is apparently a combination of Wyoming spaciousness and Manhattan architecture. Surrounding the main university unit are 600 acres of "beautifully landscaped grounds including a formal terraced garden. Adjoining the campus is the 5000-acre Duke forest and the outdoor laboratory of the Graduate school of forestry.

Duke has a 570-bed general hospital and 100 full-time scientific investigators in the school of medicine.

Duke employs 1900 persons and has an enrollment of 3716. It looks like "rags versus riches" in the "Tobacco Bowl."

BOXER DIES

PORTLAND, Dec. 18 (AP)—Jack Wagner, once prominent Northwest boxer, died yesterday after a year's illness.

He held both the lightweight and welterweight amateur titles for the northwest in 1912 and later was one of Portland's leading professional fighters.

Kid Mathews Scores TKO Over Reid

EVERETT, Dec. 18 (AP)—Harry (Kid) Mathews, Seattle and Everett fighter, last night put an end to Bob Reid's claims of never having been knocked off his feet in 43 professional fights, dropping the Aberdeen boy twice in the second round for a technical kayo victory.

The fight was called in two minutes, 50 seconds of the second round after a right to the stomach dropped Reid for a nine count and a similar blow knocked him down again. Mathews had easily carried the first round.

Mathews weighed in at 158, Reid at 162.

Earl "Swede" Bergstrom, Everett bantamweight, scored a fifth round technical kayo over Red Johnson of Kelso and Bud Smith, Bellingham welter, decision Al Redo of Everett in the other two fights of the "triple main event."

Idaho Quintet Downs Tigers, 40-28

MOSCOW, Idaho, Dec. 18 (UP)—Basketball team Wednesday night handed University of Missouri its first defeat of the Tigers' western tour, winning 40-28 with a strong last-half spurt.

Idaho's air-tight defense forced the Missourians to shoot hurriedly. The Vandals meantime sifted through their opponents' outer defense and connected often under the basket.

Roy Turner, Idaho center, led scorers with 13 points. Halftime score was knotted at 18-all, and the teams were tied three times previously during the first half.

West Grid Squad Heads for South

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18 (AP)—Members of the West football team are scheduled to enroute today for New Orleans where they will play in the Shriners' East-West benefit game, January 3.

Several of the West stars and West Co-coach Babe Hollingbery were to be honored today at a luncheon sponsored by the Shrine Luncheon club of San Francisco.

The party is scheduled to arrive at New Orleans Sunday where it will be met by West Co-coach Biff Jones.

Freshmen May Play On Coast Elevens

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18 (AP)—Prof. John Olmsted of UCLA, president of the Pacific Coast conference, predicts that freshmen will be playing on varsity squads in the far west beginning next fall.

He said the matter would be taken up at the June meeting of the conference. It was mentioned at the recent Palm Springs confab.

"During the first World war, freshmen were allowed to play on varsity teams," he recalled. "With many of the older college men being called into the service it looks as if the same procedure will be followed for 1942."

BOXING

By The Associated Press
BURLINGTON, Vt. — Frankie Conti, 153, Haverhill, Mass., outpointed Sid Lemco, 124, Broadly, (10).
EVERETT, Wash. — Harry (Kid) Mathews, 158, Emmet, Idaho, stopped Bob Reid, 162, Aberdeen, (2).

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Betty Newell Named Gal Athlete in 1941

AP Survey Picks Golf Champion; Mrs. Elwood Cooke Second Choice

By HAROLD CLAASSEN

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP)—Betty Hicks Newell, the 103-pound housewife from Long Beach, Calif., who came east to win the national golf title in her first trial, is the woman athlete of the year.

The 20-year-old shotmaker, who already has turned pro and given up all chance of retaining the crown, was placed first by 24 of the 66 sports editors who competed in the Associated Press' annual poll.



BETTY HICKS NEWELL

Her 101 points, compiled by giving her three for each first-place ballot, two for second and one for third, shot her far ahead of another bride, Mrs. Elwood Cooke, whose tennis campaigning brought her 69 points.

The former Sarah Palfrey Fabyan was ranked the United States No. 1 woman racquet wielder earlier in the week.

Mrs. Newell replaces Alice Marble, professional tennis queen, at the head of the list. Miss Marble, leader in both 1939 and 1940, was inactive much of the time since early spring and she slumped to fifth place with 38 points, in contrast to the 216 of a year ago.

Third and fourth places went to a pair of young, beautiful swimmers, Nancy Merkt nosing out Gloria Callen, 46 to 43.

Others in the top nine were Patty Berg, golfing professional; Helen Crienkovich, swimming, and Mrs. Babe Didrikson-Zaharias and Betty Jameson, golf.

For the first time in recent years Sonja Henie Topping, darling of the figure skaters and movies, failed to draw a response from any of the sports critics.

LIST SUSPENDED

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP)—For the first time the New York chapter of the Baseball Writers association will suspend its invitation list for its 19th annual dinner and show next Feb. 1, and will turn over the net proceeds to the Red Cross. The dinner normally attracts about 1000 persons. The chapter also authorized its treasurer to purchase defense bonds.

What Yankee Ingenuity Can Make Out of Scraps May Be Answer to Short Toy Fund

By ELEANOR RAGSDALE
WASHINGTON, D. C.—Here are some hints for those anxious dads and moms who want to make that tree around the Christmas tree bigger and brighter and jollier for their round-eyed youngsters—but just don't have Santa's magic wallet to dig into.

Take your hammer and saw and plenty of little cans of bright, fast-drying enamel and head for the basement with a supply of as many old crates, barrels, spools and tin cans as you can muster. But above all don't forget a generous supply of ancient inner tubes.

Who guarantees results from this strange concoction? That versatile department of agriculture again. It has put out an economy Christmas toy booklet for guidance of its home management supervisors.

Let's explain the inner tubes first. Ever thought of making Junior a drum out of them—one with a nice low, thumping boom? Take a large coffee can, smoothly opened at both ends. Cut two circles of inner tubing large enough to fit over the ends with an inch to spare. Then lace the two circles together zig-zag, back and forth with heavy cord or shoelaces and pull as taut as you dare. Braid a length of cord to let the drum hang around the drummer-boy's neck—and finish off with drumsticks. You make a drumstick by wadding cotton around the end of a stick and fastening some cloth over it very securely.

To further the band idea—how about sewing two paper plates together, face-to-face, and adding five or six little silver bells around the edge for a merry tambourine?

TOY RATTLE
Baby sister can join in the din with a snappy rattle if daddy will swipe two mason-jar tops from the kitchen drawer and nail them face down on either side of a thin three-inch board with a whittled handle. Only daddy mustn't forget to put a few pebbles under each cap before he nails it on.

To get away from noise makers, let's consider what can be done with spools. Just paint them and string them on cords for the smaller tots. But for the older ones, take your assorted sizes and figure out how to combine them into people or giraffes,

or sausage-hounds. You'll need elastic cord to hold the spools together, and pieces of leather or inner tube for making ears or tails.

You can whittle big spools to a point, too, and glue a pointed stick inside them to make a spinning top.

Both mother and dad would be saving themselves a lot of trouble if they sanded and painted some substantial crates, and nailed them together to make storage shelves for each child's toys.

Little girls always want something for their dolls, new or long-beloved. How about making a cradle? It could be small—made out of two grape baskets, one horizontal for the bed, and the other fitted on the end upright for the head, with wooden clothes-hangers nailed on the base for rockers. Gay gingham can be gathered around this for extra fancy effect. A larger bed for the big dolls is easily made by cutting out part of a barrel and nailing together a stand for it.

AVOID SPLINTERS
The only parting word to carpentering parents is to make toys strong and substantial—and to use plenty of sandpaper. The sauciest hobby horse, or the brightest boat, or block-train

OSC So-So In Outside Grid Tiffs

Beavers Win 10, Lose 8, Tie One in Past Inter-sectional Games

By FRED HAMPSON

CORVALLIS, Ore., Dec. 18 (AP)—Oregon State, which entrains tomorrow for North Carolina to play Duke on New Year's day in the transplanted Rose bowl game, has behind it a tradition for being only so-so in inter-sectional football.

The Durham duel with Duke will be the 20th inter-sectional engagement since OSC went in for football. Of the previous 19—none has been in the Rose bowl—the Beavers won 10, lost eight and tied one.

Two victories were against opponents hardly of major football status, the Hawaiian All-Stars and the University of Hawaii, beaten during an island voyage in 1939.

The Beaver record would be a lot better if Coach Lon Stiner had side-stepped a trio of games with the University of Nebraska, his alma mater, in 1933-35-36. The Huskies whipped OSC 22-0, 26-20 and 32-14. Long before Stiner ever thought of coaching at Oregon State, Nebraska took a couple of falls out of the Beavers, 17-7 in 1917 and 14-0 in 1924.

Disregarding Nebraska, the western Rose bowlers look pretty good inter-sectionally. Certainly the school has a record for upsetting eastern favorites, OSC skyrocketed Pacific coast grid stock in 1933 by winning a stunning decision, 8-6, over a powerful Fordham team that was being nominated for national honors.

That game came after OSC had held the long-unbeaten Southern California Trojans to a scoreless tie using only 11 men. The team was hailed as the giant-killer of the year but a week after the Fordham game it stopped off at Lincoln to play Nebraska. That ended the glory.

Unbeaten Duke's January 1 rival began playing inter-sectionally in 1915. The Oregon Aggies (the name was changed to Oregon State in the late 1920s) of that vintage knocked over the Michigan Aggies 20-0 at Lansing. Later in the same year Syracuse came to Portland and won 28-0.

Among Oregon States' best inter-sectional showings: 20-0 victory over Marquette in 1928, 25-13 win over New York U in 1928 and a 14-7 win over Detroit U in 1929.

DURHAM, N. C., Dec. 18 (UP)—Amid the hullabaloo of preparations to welcome west coast visitors to the Rose bowl game here with ultra-southern hospitality, the Duke football team will slip quietly away for Christmas at home after practice Saturday.

Coach Wallace Wade announced Wednesday the squad would be dismissed after a short practice session Saturday. The players will not come back until the day after Christmas for five more days' workouts to get ready for the Oregon State Beavers. Coach Lon Stiner's team was expected to arrive here Dec. 24.

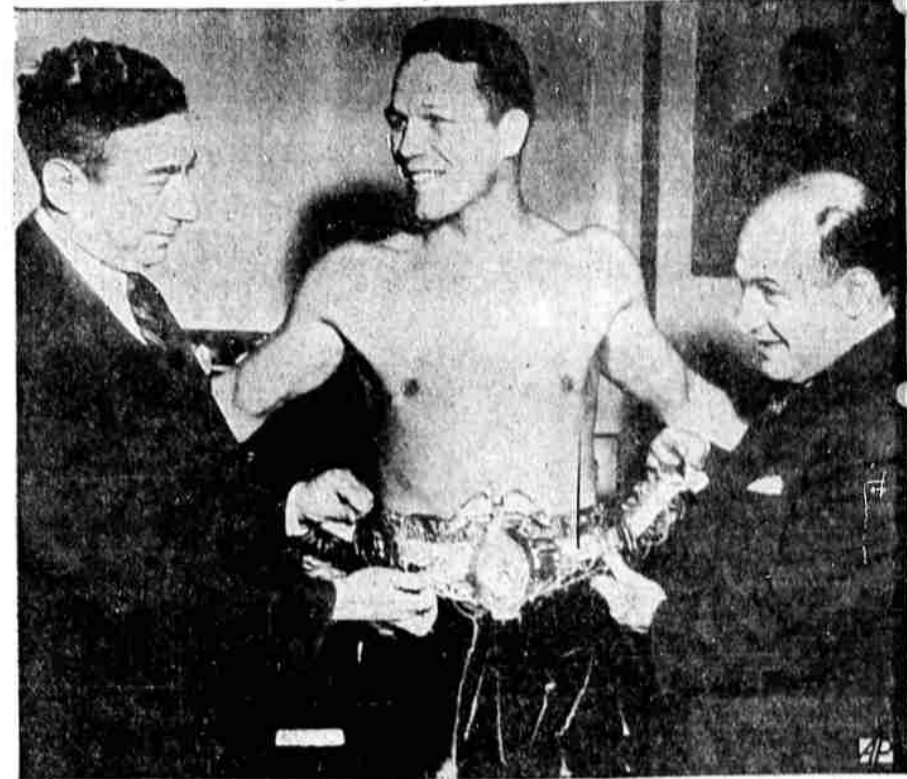
Husky Coach Choice In Faculty Hands

SEATTLE, Dec. 18 (AP)—Selection of a coach to succeed James M. Phelan, ousted Saturday as head football mentor at the University of Washington, rests in the hands of the faculty athletic committee, it was revealed yesterday.

The committee issued the following statement after a meeting on the campus yesterday afternoon: "Selection of a new football coach has been centralized in the hands of the faculty athletic committee by the university administration."

Isn't much fun if it's always falling apart or jabbing splinters into little fingers. Use your rainbow colors freely. Add all the trimmings you can muster. But first be sure there's a smooth well-nailed foundation to start with.

'Belting Tony' Gets the Belt



For his services in clearing up the tangled middleweight situation by beating Georgia Abrams, recognized New York champion, Tony Zale of Gary, Ind., don'ts the world's championship middleweight belt for the first time at Chicago as undisputed champion. Satisfied gentlemen with him are his co-managers, Sam Plan (left), and Art Winch (right).

DeMolay, Junior Pelicans, And Lutherans Win Tilts

Six teams of the Church league flew into action at the Fairview gym Wednesday night closing the second night of play for the hoop artists.

The Lutheran five slapped down the Presbyterians by the score of 31 to 15.

Klamath high's Junior Pelicans won over Algoma by the lopsided count of 45 to 25.

The DeMolay quintet took the other win of the evening by downing the Baptists, 32 to 25.

Three Lutherans shared the honors on their team for high men. They are Johnson, Swanson, and Hart. For their opponents, the Presbyterians, Foster held high points with nine to his credit.

Rush and Laird of the high school Juniors tossed 11 points apiece for their team. Gillette of Algoma accounted for seven tallies.

Blohm and Kennedy hooped seven points apiece for the DeMolays and Redmond of the Baptists took high honors for that team with seven counters.

DeMolay (32)	Pos.	(25) Baptist
Blohm, 7	F	5, Kowell
Kennedy, 7	F	4, Redmond
King, 6	C	4, Johnson
Robins, 5	G	2, Prager
Neal, 4	G	1, Olson
Stevens, 3	S	2, Redmond
Proctor, 2	S	

Jr. Pelicans (45)	Pos.	(25) Algoma
Siva, 1	F	2, Henry
Cald, 4	F	2, Beck
Laird, 11	C	2, Gillette
Rush, 11	G	4, Alden
Demstrakos, 8	G	1, Burgess
Vallanour, 6	S	0, Swanson
Swanson, 4	S	0, Masters
Hunsaker, 2	S	
Stable, 2	S	
Reby, 2	S	

Lutheran (31)	Pos.	(15) Presby'n
Johnson, 6	F	1, Shiggins
Swanson, 4	F	1, King
Swanson, 4	F	0, Brown
subject, 4	G	2, Foster
Hart, 4	G	7, Caron
Mayhew, 3	S	1, Jacobson

'Little Madison Square' Hoop Show Set for Seattle

SEATTLE, Dec. 18 (AP)—Two basketball squads were due to arrive in town today to take limbering up workouts in preparation for the Pacific Northwest's "little Madison Square garden" hoop show.

Washington State and Kansas State quintets will take tuning up drills on the University of Washington floor tonight. Those two teams, plus Missouri and Washington, will compete in two successive nightly doubleheaders, Friday and Saturday. It will be the most ambitious collegiate basketball carnival ever staged here.

Washington State will meet Missouri in the opener, with Washington and Kansas State tangling. For Saturday night's

games Washington and Washington State will trade opponents. Missouri met defeat at the hands of the University of Idaho last night at Moscow, 40 to 28.

Utah Plasters Touring 'Cats

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 18 (AP)—Displaying a smooth, fast attack, a University of Utah basketball team last night defeated Willamette university, 41-23.

The Utes took an early lead and led 18-11 at halftime, a lead never threatened by the Oregon team.

Smith, of Utah, led scoring with 9 points, followed by his teammate, Sheffield and Willamette's Carson with 8 each.

Ducks Tounce Xavier Quint In East, 38-25

CINCINNATI, Dec. 18 (AP)—Xavier university was no match for the University of Oregon basketball team here last night and the Webfoots won 38 to 25.

At the opening tip-off, Xavier counted a field goal, and then was held scoreless, except for free throws, for 28 minutes.

Oregon held a 21-7 advantage at the half, the Ducks' fast-breaking offense and general floor play baffling the Xavier squad. Scoring honors at nine points each were shared by Paul Jackson and George Andrews of Oregon and Bert Robbins of Xavier.

KOVACS DEBUTS

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP)—Frank Kovacs, who recently "resigned" from the amateur ranks, will arrive here Saturday for his pro tennis debut at Madison Square garden Dec. 26, and he wants to stay while here—no you guessed it—Brooklyn.

"They're screwballs over there, aren't they?" asked Frankie, who has been reading of the goings-on of Dodger fans. "And if that's the case I guess I belong there. At least, that's where the USLTA would put me."

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