

# From Midfield

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Klamath Union high school's basketball destinies pass into new hands this year. Dutch French, for 17 years the Pelican casaba mentor, is giving up coaching to meet the press of other duties at the school, and Wayne Scott, last year's Wildcat tutor, has taken over.

Both are Oregon men, graduating from the Eugene institution about 14 years apart. KUHS seems to have gone pretty consistently to Corvallis for its football coaches, but Eugene supplies the hoop mentors.

Scott learned his college basketball under the skillful Howard Hobson, now Oregon coach, whose teams have won national fame. He played first under Hobson at Southern Oregon Normal, being a member of the team that went to the national AAU tourney at Denver.

When Hobson went up to Eugene to take over the hoop coaching, Player Scott and several other southern Oregonians went with him. Scott was a member of the Oregon varsity squad in 1936 and 1937. Last year Scott coached Wildcat basketball and football, and this year he coached Wildcat football.

Dutch French thinks Wayne has a swell bunch of boys this year and is hoping as hard as ever that Klamath will be at the top of the basketball ladder when the season is over.

Dutch is a fixture at KUHS. He came here when the basketball team had no place to play.

His first year, they moved the basketball into the Legion hall back of the courthouse, which had just been completed. That was used until the present high school plant was built. It was called "Klamath county high school" when Dutch came down here from Eugene to coach not only basketball but all other sports. He coached football until Al Sinclair came along from Eugene.

Eleven of French's basketball teams went to the state tournament at Salem as champs of district No. 2.

One team got into the finals. Twice, French-coached Klamath got into second place.

French believes the best basketball team he coached in the 17 years was the squad of 1940-41. Members of that team were Bob Erlanson, Marion Regimato, Eugene Love, Pat Moses, Jim Boehl, the regulars, and Ingvar Swanson, Ralph Foster and Pat Patterson, reserves.

This team ran into hard luck at the state tournament. Erlanson, as clean a player as you could find, mysteriously was fouled out of the crucial games, and that hurt. But Dutch remembers this as his best squad.

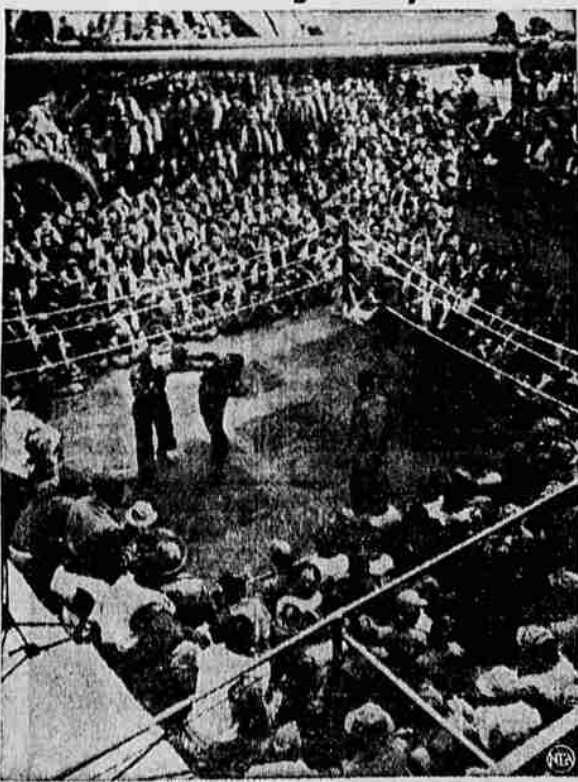
In the last war, French was in the marines. He played on the Mare Island marine team under none other than Hugo Besdek, the former Oregon football coach.

At Oregon, French played varsity basketball in his junior year under Billy Reinhart, Hobson's predecessor who went to Rice institute. Dutch busted a knee and couldn't play in his senior year. Then he began coaching and has kept at it steadily for 17 years.

He's a swell guy, and here's our small word of appreciation for his long and loyal service to the local prep school.

**FIGHTS**  
PORTLAND, Ore.—Henry Armstrong, 144, Los Angeles, knocked out Lew Jenkins, Sweetwater, Tex., 145½, (3).  
HOLLYWOOD—Johnny Garrison, 146½, Los Angeles, outpointed Roman Alvarez, 146, Denver, (10).

## The Ring Today



There is an occasional boxing show outside the services these days, but main events are being staged by the boys themselves—in camps and at bases, behind the lines, or, as here depicted, aboard ship. These two doughboys are entertaining American troops aboard a transport bound for North Africa. Note that all the "fans" wear life jackets.

## Every Grid Surprise Has Its Failure

24 Teams Make 'Improved' Record While 21 List As 'Disappointing' in Poll

**NEW YORK, Dec. 5 (AP)**—For nearly every football team which provided a pleasant surprise for its followers this fall there was one which was a disappointment, it was indicated in results of an Associated Press poll.

No less than 24 teams were listed in the "most improved" class, the improvement being based either on their performance in comparison with their expected showings or their steady improvement during the season. Twenty-one elevens were on the "most disappointing" list.

Various reasons were assigned for the disappointments, the most common causes being the loss of players to the armed services, changes in coaches, and injuries. Improvement was based largely on the spectacular play of one or more individuals, or the steady development of a team through added experience.

Among widely-known teams in the most improved class were Wisconsin, Illinois, Georgia Tech, UCLA, Washington State, Tennessee, Baylor, Tulsa, Navy, William and Mary, Auburn, Iowa and Boston college.

Teams which, according to the voters, could be termed disappointments for one reason or another were Northwestern, Vanderbilt, Nebraska, Pitt, California, Oregon State, Penn, Princeton and Duke.

A few, such as Minnesota, Cornell, Texas and Missouri, disappointed some of their fans but it was pointed out that they did as well as might be expected under their circumstances.

Oregon State's collapse was listed as general and inexplicable.

Coaches were not overlooked in noting a team's improvement. This was particularly true in the cases of Illinois and Wisconsin, where Ray Elliot and Harry Stuhldreher received ample credit.

In the case of Georgia Tech it was pointed out that Coach Bill Alexander had a "sleeper," in addition to a sensational freshman named Clint Castleberry.

The squad has elected the best defensive player, the best offensive player, the player who showed the most improvement in the year, the underclass man the seniors expect the most from next year, the most valuable player and the honorary captain. These players will be honored at the banquet, not with gifts, but as the team's selections.

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## Hoop Coach



Wayne Scott, former BONS and Oregon basketball player under Howard Hobson, enters his first year as coach of the Pelican basketball squad. He replaces Dwight (Dutch) French who quit basketball coaching this season after 17 years at the helm of the Klamath hoopers.

## Pelicans Select Players Honored At Grid Banquet

The state champion Pelicans have elected from their teammates the players to be honored at the annual Lions club football banquet held at the Willard hotel tonight at 7:30 p. m.

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## HIGH SCORING CENTER

**MOSCOW, Ida., Dec. 5 (AP)**—The University of Idaho may have come up with another high scoring center to succeed last year's Ray Turner. John Quinn tossed in 16 points, 14 in the first 18 minutes of play, as the Vandals trounced Whitman 44 to 31.



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## Pelican Coach Picks All-Opponent Squad

First Team	Position	Second Team
Lathrop, Grants Pass	End	Danner, Eugene
Flock, Vancouver	End	Edwards, G. Pass
Mekulich, Grant	Tackle	Neely, Vancouver
Gillis, Bend	Tackle	Elverud, Redding
Blevins, Grants Pass	Guard	Anderson, Medford
Gomulke, Van.	Guard	Chamberlain, Eugene
Ripley, Vancouver	Center	Casebeer, Medford
Deeks, Grant	Back	Jacobsen, Vancouver
Massaro, Eureka	Back	Winthers, Grant
Economu, Redding	Back	Grant, Vancouver
Allinger, Vancouver	Back	Cramer, Eugene

**By FRANK RAMSEY**  
KUHS Football Coach

"This team has weight, experience, speed, power, and a group of football players that really like to play.

"In the line, at ends you would have two outstanding pass receivers and a particularly fine defensive end in Flock. At tackles you have two fellows who weigh over 200 pounds and are terrific on defense. The guards are not particularly big, but they have what it takes. At center, Ripley, an ideal football player, cocky, rough, and accurate passer and a great defensive player.

"The backfield has the first requisite of any good backfield, speed. Every man there is exceptionally fast.

"On top of the speed, we have lots of power and weight. In the four players we have three good passers, including two right-handers and one left hander. They are all good kickers. All are good blockers, and each of them was the outstanding back on his own team.

"Then, of course, in Allinger, all you have to do is to give him the ball and get out of the way. He'll run his own interference. I nominate him for captain.

"Of the men on the club I have named, I would say that at least nine would be outstanding football players."

Editor's Note: Frank Ramsey, Pelican coach named the above players as his selections for first and second teams in an all-opponent squad. He also wrote the following story qualifying each man for the position named. Bert Allinger, Vancouver's nemesis to the Pelicans, was named as captain.

## WSC Gets Four Men on Spartan Opponent Squad

**EAST LANSING, Mich., Dec. 5 (AP)**—Washington State, which defeated Michigan State, 25-13, placed four players on the Spartans' all-opponent football team.

Marquette university, a 28-7 winner over State, landed three players and Michigan, which blanked the Spartans, 20-0, placed two.

The team: Ends—Susoeff (Washington State) and Harrington (Marquette); tackles—Kulakowski (West Virginia) and Klug (Marquette); guards—Franks (Michigan) and Ward (Washington State); center—Remington (Washington State); quarterback—Celtham (Michigan); halfbacks—Strzykalski (Marquette) and Smith (Great Lakes); fullback—Kennedy (Washington State).

## WSC DROPS GONZAGA

**SPOKANE, Dec. 4 (AP)**—The Washington State college basketball team took the Gonzaga university Bulldogs into camp last night 48 to 34, but the WSC Cougars had to depend almost entirely on their starting lineup to do it. Substitutes connected for only three points.

## Minors Polish Off Work To Close Baseball Party

**By DAVE HOFF**  
**CHICAGO, Dec. 5 (AP)**—The minor leagues' quick job of polishing off their business in one sitting brought the major-league baseball party to a quick close yesterday and permitted virtually all of the various league officials and managers to be on their way home today.

The minors almost accomplished more in their own mission—and raised more fuss—than the majors had managed to do in the preceding three days, but the boys from the big show threw in one parting salvo before they beat a hasty retreat.

Warren Giles, general manager of the Cincinnati Reds, telephoned a railroad station in time to catch President Robert Quinn of the Boston Braves. By telephone they agreed that Quinn should give up Eddie Miller, the most prized shortstop in the National league for the last few seasons, in return for Eddie Joost, Nate Andrews

## Captain



Bert Allinger, Vancouver back, was named by Frank Ramsey as captain of the all-opponent team.

## Revolta in Golf Tourney Final Rounds

**MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 5 (AP)**—Jugawed Johnny Revolva of Evanston, Ill., one of golf's best front-runners, headed into the final two rounds of the \$5000 Miami open tournament today with a two-stroke lead and no worries about the field breathing on his neck.

"Somebody is going to win, so it doesn't make any difference to me whether I'm behind or ahead," he declared after wrestling the top spot from Ben Lovings of Springfield, Mass., with a five-under-par 65 in the second round.

"But I've set my heart on winning this one," he added. "I've wanted to win it more than any tournament I know about."

Revolta, who has picked up about \$17,000 in Florida tournaments since he first gained recognition by winning the Miami open in 1933, moved into the lead yesterday by sinking 40-foot approach shot on the 18th for the 65 which gave him a 36-hole score of 135.

Revolta pointed out that he was four strokes ahead at this stage when he won the open in 1933.

In second place was Harold McSpaden of Philadelphia, who had to work hard for the par 70 which gave him a half-way 137.

## STARTS HOOP SEASON

**FOREST GROVE, Dec. 5 (AP)**—Pacific university will open its basketball schedule tonight against the Fort Lewis Bombers, a collection of former college players.

Against them, Pacific will have only two sophomores and a number of freshmen.

**MINNEAPOLIS**—Dick Wildung played either right or left tackle for Minnesota. He was the only man in the Big Ten for whom no reserve was listed.

## Giants Play Phone Booth Grid Tussle

New York Giants, Brooklyn Dodgers Tilt Interesting As Farewell of Mel Hein

**By SID FEDER**

**NEW YORK, Dec. 5 (AP)**—As a football game, with a bearing on the National league championship, tomorrow's tussle between the New York Giants and Brooklyn Dodgers might very well be put on in a phone booth in Grand Central Station, for all its importance in the picture.

However, as matters stand, it ranks as the most interesting of the loop's three-game final card, because it marks the hall-and-farewell of the greatest center of his generation—if not of all time—Mel Hein of the Giants.

Mel—six foot-three and 230 pounds of offensive power and defensive skill, has been giving the rest of the league headaches for 12 years, ever since he last played as a student at Washington State college.

But it's definite. Mel, the nice guy and the great center, named as the pivot-man on the all-league team for eight straight seasons from 1933 through '40 and most valuable man in the loop in 1938, hangs up his gridiron working clothes with this last game of the campaign. From here, he moves to up-state New York to become athletic director at little Union college—through with the playing end of the game for keeps.

That's why this Dodger-Giant fuss, which doesn't mean much in itself, takes some of the spotlight away from the other two games on the season's last card. Oh, sure, the Chicago Bears, tangling with their neighborhood rivals, the Cardinals, will be showing their stuff for the last time before they take on the Washington Redskins for the league championship. But the Cardinals are bent over with injuries, and a collision with the big bad Bears at this moment is not regarded as healthy, even for a team sound of wind and limb. The other clash on the get-away-day card finds Milwaukee entertaining Pittsburgh's revived Steelers and the Green Bay Packers.

For Hein, the end of his playing career and the beginning of his coaching run leaves him in a spot where he doesn't know exactly whether to cheer or sob.

"I sure hate to go," he said today, "and I'll sure feel funny next year when I watch younger kids rolling around in mole-skins. But I'm not fooling myself—there isn't as much kick for me in playing now as there used to be; it's tougher to get in shape, and to stay in shape. I guess I've had enough."

## Outfielder Jo White Sold to Major League

**SEATTLE, Dec. 5 (AP)**—First it was Dick Barrett and now it's Jo White, colorful Seattle Rainiers' outfielder, who goes up to the majors next season.

The popular White has been sold to Connie Mack's Philadelphia Athletics for cash and Outfielder Wilson D. Miles, Manager Bill Skiff announced yesterday from Chicago. Miles was bought by the A's from Chattanooga for \$25,000 several years ago.

White came here from Detroit of the American league in 1939 as part payment for Freddie Hutchinson, the Coast league's pitcher of the year. White was a sparkling of the team which won three straight league pennants. With Detroit, he played in two world's series.

Pitcher Dick Barrett, another of the team's veterans, went up to the Chicago Cubs via the draft route last month.

## FRANK NAMED DIRECTOR

**CAMP WHITE, Ore., Dec. 5 (AP)**—Lieut. Leo J. Frank, former College of Puget Sound athletic director who was in the field artillery in the first World war, was appointed camp's athletic and recreation officer yesterday. He reported for duty as a reservist a month ago.

## BASKETBALL SCORES

University of Southern California 34, Whittier 25.  
University of California at Los Angeles 38, Loyola 17.  
Occidental 27, Pepperdine 19.  
Pomona 37, Laverne 36.  
Washington State college 43, Eastern Washington college 40.  
Idaho 44, Whitman 31.  
Gonzaga 42, Whitworth 25.  
Alpine Dairy (Seattle) 41, Western Washington college 30.

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## Boston Places Two Men on All-Eastern

Holy Cross, Boston's Lone Defeat, Also Gets Two Players on AP Team

**By HERB BARKER**

**NEW YORK, Dec. 5 (AP)**—Boston College's Eagles, the East's leading team on the basis of won and lost records, and the Crusaders of Holy Cross who dealt the Eagles their lone defeat, each place two men on the 1942 All-Eastern team, selected today by the Associated Press.

The seven remaining places on the team are spread among as many colleges.

Boston college's two represent-

atives are Mike Holovak, backfield ace, and Don Curriwan, crack end. Chosen from the Holy Cross array which smeared Boston college 55 to 12 last Saturday in the season's greatest upset, are Johnny Bezemes, talented back, and George Conner, freshman tackle. Conner's selection marks the first time a yearling ever has been chosen for the first team and, at 17, he is perhaps the youngest player who ever gained a berth.

## 1942 All-Eastern

Class	Age	Ht.	Wt.	
End—Don Curriwan, Boston College	SR	20	5-11	190
Tackle—George Conner, Holy Cross	FR	17	6-3	228
Guard—Ernest Alther, Syracuse	SR	21	6-1	190
Center—Spencer Moseley, Yale	SR	22	6-0	177
Guard—Bob Orlando, Colgate	JR	20	5-9	183
Tackle—Robin Olds, Army	SR	20	6-2	198
End—Bob Davis, Penn State	JR	20	5-10	170
Back—Paul Gutterall, Columbia	SR	21	5-11	186
Back—William Dutton, Pitt	SR	23	6-0	187
Back—John Bezemes, Holy Cross	SR	21	5-10	174
Back—Mike Holovak, Boston College	SR	21	6-1	208

## Armstrong Gains TKO Over Lew

Armstrong Drops Jenkins To Gain on Comeback Trail

**By FRED HAMPSON**

**PORTLAND, Dec. 5 (AP)**—Henry Armstrong, the tireless little colored boxer from Los Angeles who once held three titles and is now trying to win back one of them, knocked out Lightweight Champion Lew Jenkins out of his way last night and gained more yardage on the comeback trail.

Henry punched the Sweetwater, Tex., boy to the canvas eight times before Referee Tom Louttit stopped the one-sided fray and awarded Armstrong a technical knockout.

The two former ring rulers drew the largest indoor gate in Portland ring history, \$18,892 gross. The 4750 crowd, however, was not quite a record. Tiger Flowers, the old middleweight, once drew more than 7000 here but the tickets retailed at a lower figure.

Armstrong, forcing the fight with mechanical persistence, blooded Jenkins' face with a succession of left hooks in the first four rounds, and knocked him down twice—once through the ropes—in the fifth.

The same snapping left was good for two more knockdowns in the sixth but the seventh was the spectacular round. Armstrong put Lew down for nine three times.

The third time it looked as though the Texan intended to stay down but changed his mind at the last moment, leaped up and into Henry with fury and energy.

He gave Armstrong a pretty good going over for the last 30 seconds but the negro came out in the eighth with the same old deadly attack and knocked Lew down for another toll of nine.

Lew got up but the referee led him to his corner.

Jenkins, severely cut about the face and bleeding profusely, was unable to cope with Armstrong's crowding style as in a previous battle with the negro, which Armstrong won by a knockout in six rounds.

Jenkins entered the ring at 148½ pounds, Armstrong at 144. Irving "Powder" Proctor won the semi-final bout from Lefty Abbott of Bellingham by technical knockout. Proctor, Portland negro, put Abbott down for a nine count in the fourth and Abbott was unable to answer the bell for the fifth. Abbott weighed 161 and Proctor 162.

Joe Keyes of Houston, Tex., 152, a sparring partner of Jenkins, stopped John Kobell, 161, Salem, in two rounds. Joe Kohut, 167, Woodburn, Ore. won from Dick Byrd, 162, Fort Canby, by technical knockout in the third.

Sgt. Leo McCormick, Portland, 147, and Pvt. Orville Teeter, 149, Portland, drew in the four-round opener.

## REDS GET MILLER

**CHICAGO, Dec. 4 (AP)**—The Cincinnati Reds obtained Shortstop Eddie Miller from the Boston Braves today for Shortstop Eddie Joost, Pitcher Nate Andrews and cash.

It was the first and perhaps the only major league trade of the baseball meetings which ended today.

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## Barbara Jane Good Luck to Bobby Galer

**SEATTLE, Dec. 5 (AP)**—Maybe some of Bobby Galer's friends know who or what the good luck name "Barbara Jane" means.

The former Washington basketball star, now Maj. Robert Galer of the U. S. marine corps, was back home today from Guadalcanal, visiting his mother and was to be the guest of honor at the big Queen Anne vs. Ballard City championship football game this afternoon. He was a Queen Anne boy.

Sports fans who remembered his setting a new northern division scoring record six years ago were proud of his new record.

Against the Japanese, as a marine corps flier, his score has been: Major Galer 13, Jap fliers 3. The 13 points stand for the number of Jap bombers and Zero fighters he has shot down. He has had three of his own planes wrecked or lost, two of them in forced landings in the water.

Each time he painted "Barbara Jane" on another ship and flew again.

"It was nothing that anybody couldn't do," the modest 29-year-old flier said. "I just had Barbara Jane, a St. Chris in my helmet and a little white man with the long beard on my shoulder."

## Washington State Edges 43-40 Win In Third Hoop Tilt

**CHENEY, Dec. 5 (AP)**—Traffing by seven points with seven minutes to go, the Washington State college five spurred to overtake Eastern Washington college last night and win its third basketball game of the season, 43 to 40. Forward Gail Bishop tallied 15 points for high point honors.

The Cougars got off to a 10-1 lead but Eastern Washington rallied to tie the count at 12-all. WSC led at the half 18-14. Wayne Olson scored 11 points to lead his team.

## WASHINGTON ALL-STAR

**SEATTLE, Dec. 5 (AP)**—Walt Harrison, mentioned prominently for the center berth on some of those "all" teams, rates as Washington's honorary captain for the 1942 season. His teammates named him and also another senior, Tackle Thron Riggs, as winner of the Flaherty Inspirational award yesterday.

**TROJAN BACK SWIFT**  
**LOS ANGELES**—Southern California backs are perhaps the swiftest in the land. Jack Trout and Howard Callanan have done the 100 in 9:8. Hubert Kerns is the NCAA 440 champion.

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