



Sports Briefs

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NEW YORK, Dec. 30 (AP)—A new administrative setup for the Navy's Pre-Flight schools goes into effect January 1, but nearly as much can be made out of it won't mean any less sports activity. . . . Instead of each school coming under their respective naval districts, they'll all be under the jurisdiction of the air primary training command. . . . Similarly, the more advanced schools will come under the air operational training command. . . . The big change, which was scheduled anyway, will be that the teams will have to do most of their playing close to home instead of making those long trips, whose main purpose was to stimulate recruiting.

GUY WITH AN IDEA

Writing to Bob Dunbar of the Boston Herald, G. D. Bourcy of Arlington, Mass., suggests that baseball should adopt football's "free substitution" rule if it has to rely upon old-timers and teenage kids to keep the game going. . . . Thus a manager could use a vet when he was needed and let him rest for an inning or two when his legs begin to weaken.

ONE-MINUTE SPORTS PAGE

Sgt. Joe Louis, in town on a furlough from Fort Riley, Kas., didn't know until he called on Mike Jacobs that Mike is in Miami. . . . Asked whether he preferred to be called "Champ" or "Sarge," Louis replied: "Just call me Joe." . . . Coach Frank Keane, whose Rhode Island State basketball team run up those huge scores, says: "I've been called 105 names so far—the nicest was 'Unsound.'" . . . Jimmy Johnston, who has seen 'em all, is preparing a discussion of the heavyweight champs from Sullivan to Louis to be recorded and sent to the soldiers and sailors overseas.

TODAY'S GUEST STAR

Ed Danforth, Atlanta Journal: "The gasoline ban was relieved just in time to allow Tropical park, miles from Miami, to reopen and thousands of visitors to spend a dismal Christmas morning over their losses."

SERVICE DEPT.

Pvt. Ruby Goldstein, the former lightweight fighter, has blossomed out as sports columnist for the Fort Hamilton, N. Y. "Post." . . . His first effort played up the outfit's basketball team and Pvt. George Kraucum, the noted footballer. . . . Pvt. Leo Mallory, ex-golf pro at Noroton, Conn., has been graduated as a radio operator-mechanic at the Sioux Falls, S. D., army air force technical school. . . . Ted Williams and Johnny Pesky are expected at the North Carolina Navy Pre-Flight school in February. . . . Buddy Hassett and

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East Team Stops Work; Ready for Shrine Tilt

Eastern All-Stars Still Favored to Drop West in New Year's Day Battle

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30 (AP)—Moulded into two distinct units during 10 days of intensive preparation, the east's all-star football squad knocked off practice at its Santa Clara university training grounds today still a general favorite to defeat the west's all-stars in Friday's charity game.

The 12 midwesterners and 10 easterners coached by Andy Kerr of Colgate and George Hauser of Minnesota devoted themselves to dummy scrimmage yesterday and planned only one more light workout before the New Year's day set-to at Kezar stadium here.

Boston Lad First Frosh In Bowl Tilt

John Furey First Freshman To Start Orange Bowl Tilt If Plans Are Not Changed

By BERT COLLIER

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 30 (AP)—The lanky lad who Friday will become the first freshman ever to start an Orange Bowl football game—unless the Boston coach changes his mind—isn't awed by the big Alabama line-men he'll be bucking, but he is curious.

He is John Furey, of Medford, Mass., named by Coach Denny Myers as right tackle in the probable opening lineup.

A year ago Furey was just a high school kid beginning to think about college. He seemed a little ill-at-ease today to be singled out for an interview, but he showed no lack of confidence.

To a reporter who asked how it felt to start the big game, Furey countered with a barrage of questions about the red elephant line of Alabama.

"It will be a hard game," was his modest comment, "but naturally we expect to win."

Dependability is the tag which Myers hung on the youngster. Steadiness won him a place in every game on the schedule this year.

Furey is not the only Boston college freshman who will see lots of action in the Orange Bowl. Another is John Kissell of Nashua, N. H., also a tackle, and Furey's roommate.

Pete Appleton are among the athletes permanently stationed at Chapel Hill.



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Freshman 'Holovak' Makes Bowl Trip



Hoses Rodgers, only freshman player to make a bowl trip with an Alabama football team, was brought to the Orange bowl at Miami, Fla., because he ran like Boston's all-America fullback Mike Holovak and was useful in playing Holovak's position in defensive scrimmage.

Stanford Makes Year's Top Coach, Most Valuable Man

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30 (AP)—Stanford produced the "coach of the year" as well as the most valuable player of the 1942 football season, according to voting preferences of members of the Northern California Football Writers' association.

Nominations were confined to representatives of colleges in this area and saw Coach Marchie Schwartz selected by an overwhelming majority and Chuck Taylor, Stanford's all-America guard, named in a close contest.

Taylor received 19 points, one more than Santa Clara's stars, Halfback Jesse Freitas and End Alvin Beals who tied for second at 18 points. Ray Hannett, Snachez, University of San Francisco tackle, tied at 11 points.

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Georgia Has 3-1 Odds to Win Bowl Go

Babe Horrell Should Be Called 'Miracle Coach' If UCLA Wins, Say Experts

PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 30 (AP)—Expert opinion seems agreed there is really sound logic behind those 3-1 odds that Georgia beats UCLA in the Rose Bowl New Year's day.

There is no yardstick of comparison. The Bruins and Bulldogs met no common foes. Georgia, a team of veterans that won 20 of its last 22 games, established numerous yardage and scoring records in 1942. By many it is regarded as the greatest passing outfit in the history of southern football.

Jeff Cravath, University of Southern California coach, takes the floor for the instant. Jeff's team scored two touchdowns against Ohio State, one against UCLA, says Jeff:

"This game figures to be Georgia all the way. If Babe Horrell can come up with a winner he deserves to be called the miracle coach of the year. I am not trying to alibi for him. I know his material pretty well, but I also have seen Georgia work. There is no question but that Wally Butts has the better material and the records show he has made the most of it. Sure, I'd like to see UCLA win, but I pick Georgia, unhesitatingly."

Butts, confronted with this flattery, had this to say: "I wish I had Cravath's confidence. I only hope he is 100 per cent right."

Vols Might Shame Tulsa In Sugar Tilt

By ELLIOTT CHAZE

EDGEWATER PARK, Miss., Dec. 30 (AP)—Tennessee's Volunteers, a team that Coach John Barnhill seriously doubted in September, now appears in the right frame of mind to shame a 1941 club that sulked into the Sugar Bowl against Boston college.

"Not that any of us feel confident of beating Tulsa in the Sugar Bowl New Year's day," explains Barnhill. "But the players are big and ambitious and eager. They have a recklessness that hurts us sometimes, but that same quality has pulled Tennessee through some ugly pinches."

Barnhill believes the Tennessee team that two years ago lost at New Orleans to Boston college, was long on polish and short on enthusiasm. The Vols were reportedly glum over failure to receive an anticipated bid to Pasadena's tourney of roses.

Meantime at nearby Bay St. Louis, Tulsa romps through the final stages of practice. Despite the long training grind there, nicknames and laughs are a dime a dozen, but Coach Henry Frnka doesn't mind.

"Know what those laughs mean to me?" he says. "They mean Tulsa won't choke up. We may lose, but mark my word, the boys won't choke."

Pvt. Ruffing Figures His Ball Creed Good for Army

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 30 (AP)—Big Charley (Red) Ruffing figures the creed he followed in 19 years of big league baseball has served him pretty well, and he'll just take it along with him into the U. S. army.

"I don't know how good a soldier I'll make," the New York Yankees' star righthander said simply as he was inducted yesterday. "I'll just do the very best I can. I've always tried to do that."

Big Red, never a great one to talk, had little else to say as he left the induction center under orders to report to Fort MacArthur next Tuesday for processing.

Red, who will be 38 years old in May, stands six feet two inches and weighs 234 pounds.

Red spent 13 of his 19 major league years with the Yankees. In 1924 he broke in with the Boston Red Sox, failed to stick, but returned the next season to win nine games and lose 18. He remained with the Sox until May 6, 1930, when he was traded to the Yankees for Outfielder Cedric Durst.

It was with the Yankees that he developed into one of the

STARS DROP BOEING

BREMERTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—Trailing through three quarters of the contest, Bremerton's All-Stars nevertheless swept ahead with a fast running game in the final quarter to defeat Boeing, 54 to 47 last night in a Northwest league basketball game. The victory gave the All-Stars a half game lead in the league standings. The Boeing five used its height effectively during the first three periods.

BASKETBALL SCORES

EAST
Manhattan 46, Niagara 39.
Olathe Naval Air Base 45, Missouri 25.
Oregon State 32, Michigan State 25.
WEST
Utah State 66, Idaho Southern Branch 11.
University of Nevada 41, Mather Field 20.
California 43, St. Mary's 42 (overtime).
Piedmont Field 46, Lewiston Normal 44.
University of San Francisco 54, Santa Clara 29.
Whittier 44, UCLA 42.
OKLAHOMA CITY ALL-COLLEGE TOURNAMENT
Rice 48, Southwestern (Kas.) Teachers 27 (consolation).
Arkansas 56, Texas 44.
Texas Christian 40, Maryville (Mo.) Teachers 38.
East Central (Okla.) State 51, Springfield

game's finest righthanders. He pitched seven world series triumphs, and his major league record is 258 victories and 218 defeats. Three times—in 1937, 1938 and 1939 he was named to the all-star major league team by the baseball writers.

OSC Cagers Eke Victory At Michigan

Beavers Have Close Call Before Getting 33-20 Win Over Michigan State Team

EAST LANSING, Mich., Dec. 30 (AP)—Oregon State college, defending champion in the northern section of the Pacific Coast Basketball conference, was still undefeated today but the Beavers had a close call against Michigan State before winning 33-20 last night.

Before 2300 fans at Jenison fieldhouse, Oregon State beat off a last half rally by the home team which saw the Beavers' halftime lead of 23-14 trimmed to four points.

It was the second defeat in a row for the Spartans.

Don Durdan, deadly-shooting Beaver guard, pulled the decision out of the fire for the visitors by scoring four quick points. These served to nip the Michigan rally and assure OSC of the victory.

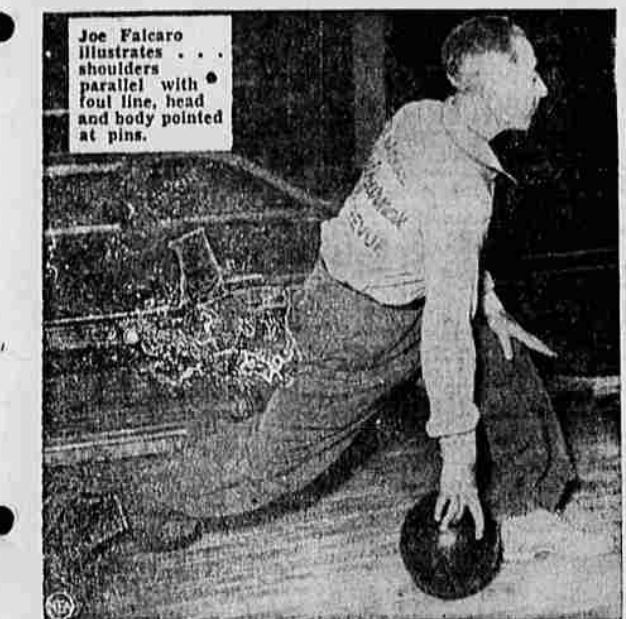
Durdan, with his unerring hook-shot, scored 14 points on six baskets and two free throws. Center Fred Stone led for Michigan State with eight on three baskets and a pair of gift shots.

Michigan State held a brief lead at the start of the game but the rangy Beavers soon opened up and ran up a margin which they never quite lost.

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STRIKES to SPARE

Bowler's Position at Foul Line Following Release of the Ball Is a Test of His Form



By FRED FITZSIMMONS
A Big League Bowler, Too. Become form conscious. The test of this is your position at the foul line after you have released the ball and followed through.

The outstanding characteristic of a bowler who shoots for perfection is his position at this point. His farthest foot is always the same distance from the line. He is not dancing on one foot to avoid a foul.

The arm should be brought down in a straight and natural motion. The ball itself, at the height of the swing, is two or three inches above the shoulder. Do not twist the arm. Keep it the same distance from the body to insure control. If the arm is brought straight down, without

any lateral motion, you will know where the ball is going.

At the line you should still be erect in respect to your torso, with the left leg bent at the knee and the right extending back and balanced in a semi-splitt.

The shoulders should be parallel with the foul line, the head and body pointed directly at the pins. The left, or free arm, may be extended either to the right or left for balance, or rested on the left knee.

The entire motion and finish should be smooth, without exertion.

This will come with the bowler's determination to achieve a form pattern which must be practiced until it is mechanical.

Chewlah Stands Alone Against Spokane Schools

SPOKANE, Dec. 30 (AP)—Chewlah today will stand alone in an effort to stop three Spokane city high schools in Gonzaga university's "physical fitness" basketball tournament.

The lone remaining team from outside the city yesterday defeated Gonzaga high school, 25 to 14, and today will meet John Rogers. Rogers moved up by defeating Colfax, 37 to 36 in one of the day's best games.

In the other half of the championship bracket, Lewis and Clark will meet North Central. Yesterday Lewis and Clark downed Central Valley, 48 to 35, and North Central defeated Spirit Lake, 48 to 35.

In afternoon consolation games, Albion overwhelmed West Valley, 27 to 6; Wallace took Cheney, 26 to 22, and Moscow defeated Kellogg, 36 to 23.

FIGHTS
By The Associated Press
COLUMBUS, O.—Harry Bobo, 307, Pittsburgh, outpointed Jack (Buddy) Walker, 191, Columbus (10).
NEW BEDFORD, Mass.—Tony Costa, 129, Woonsocket, R. I., outpointed Gus Cohen Levine, 124, New York (10).
PORTLAND, Me.—Andy Holland, 164, New York, outpointed Charley Babcock, 160 1/2, Bangor (6).
NEW YORK—Sonny Horne, 158, Niles, O., outpointed Tony Ferrara, 162 1/2, Mt. Vernon, N. Y. (8).
JERSEY CITY, N. J.—Vince Pimpinella, 170, Brooklyn, outpointed Bill Grant, 168, Orange (10).

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TOP MINOR LEAGUER

SEATTLE, Dec. 30 (AP)—Although judged only a runner-up in his own league, Dick Barrett today stands as the third Seattle man in five years to be named as the outstanding minor league baseball player by the Sporting News. In the Pacific Coast league "outstanding" race he was nosed out by a single point by Ray Mueller, Sacramento catcher, in closest balloting, by sports writers, the circuit ever has seen.

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