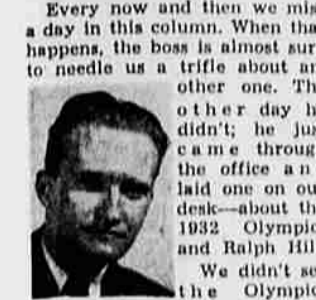


From MIDFIELD

By WES GUDERIAN



Every now and then we miss a day in this column. When that happens, the boss is almost sure to needle us a trifle about another one. The other day he didn't; he just came through the office and laid one on our desk—about the 1932 Olympics and Ralph Hill.

We didn't see the Olympics that year—it being just a trifle before our time, but we have met Ralph Hill—who operates a ranch between Klamath Falls and Merrill—and we have heard the story of how he was fouled out of the 5000-meter race by Lauri Lehtinen, a Finn.

Art Cohn, whose column the boss laid on our desk, is a much better writer than we so shall wake up sleeping dogs for your pleasure by quoting his story of the race and remarks thereof.

There is nothing that stimulates international peace and good will as much as stirring competition. Track, the backbone of the Olympics, has proved that. How well I recall the 1932 Olympic Games at Los Angeles.

Ralph Hill, a tall schoolmaster from Oregon, came blazing down the homestretch of the 5000-meter run—a certain winner. He had hung on the heels of Lauri Lehtinen, a Finn, all the way; now he was ready to pass him and win. But...

Three times Hill tried to move out and around Lehtinen. Three times the Finn deliberately crossed his path, refusing to let him pass. Poor Hill was blocked. He lost the race, his Olympic championship, by three inches—to Lehtinen.

More than 60,000 people, enraged by the flagrant foul, booed the Finn. They were Americans. And because they were Americans they were infuriated. Lehtinen had done more than foul Hill, he had insulted the American ideal of fair play. That is why they booed.

It was a breathless moment, international peace hung in the balance, then came the calm voice of Bill Henry, newspaperman and diplomat, over the loud speaker.

"Remember," said Bill, the only man in the Coliseum who had not lost his head. "Remember, these people are our guests."

That was all. That was enough. The boos immediately turned to a respectful hush, then changed to cheers—for all.

Hill went home without the gold medal he deserved. There was no aftermath, only a simple announcement by a spokesman for the US Olympic team:

"Although the race was unfairly run, there will be no protest by the US team or Mr. Hill."

There never is, that's why those lousy rats are always hitting Uncle Sam below the belt or stabbing him in the back.

Ralph Hill, who is a quiet person, leading a quiet life, just about put Klamath Falls on the map with that race. As late as 1938 and '39 people in distant places were recalling that incident in the Olympic Games. It probably made a greater impression than if the Finn had moved over and let Hill win.

Bankers, Future Craftsmen Win Victory Tilts

In Victory league hoop play at the high school Tuesday night, the Future Craftsmen dropped the Great Northern 23-17 and the First National Bank squad ran up an overwhelming victory over the Buzzards, 40-22.

Roy Taylor was high point man for the Future Craftsmen with 10 tallies, and Tiburcio Alvarez scored 12 for the Great Northern squad.

High point men for the First National Bank squad were Mayfield who scored 15 and Bishop with 12. Talbot Schorn made 11 points for the Buzzards.

Summaries:
Craftsmen (23) (17) GN
Dirschl 2 5, Case Shipman, 4 12, Alvarez Taylor, 10 Pickett Peterman, 4 Buckholz King, 3 Contreras First Natl. (40) (22) Buzzards
Hunter, 4 3, Craig Mast, 7 8, Hodge Mayfield, 15 11, Schorn Cline, 2 Short Bishop, 12 Christy

BATON ROUGE—Alvin Dark promises to become Louisiana State's first three-letter man since Buddy Blair.

Gil Dodds On All Star Track Team

Though Twice Defeated by MacMitchell, Boston Man Named AAU All American

NEW YORK, Jan. 20 (AP)—Leslie MacMitchell defeated Gil Dodds twice in their three meetings last winter and was clocked in the year's fastest mile at 4:07.8 but the Boston theologian was named to the all-America track team today by Dan Ferris of the AAU.

Although Dodds lost more often than he won from MacMitchell, then a New York University athlete but now an ensign, the Boston AA runner did triumph in the national AAU indoor mile and in the outdoor 1500 meter event.

It is Dodds' first appearance on the all-America team but the remainder of the list is spotted with veterans.

Lieut. Joe McCluskey of the navy and the New York AC, is assigned the 10,000 and 15,000 meter berths, his twelfth appearance on Ferris' annual selections.

Cornelius Warmerdam of San Francisco, the world's only 15-foot vaulter, and Ensign Fred Wolcott, hurdler, are back for their fifth appearances while Lou Gregory of the Millrose AA, is honored for the tenth time at 20 kilometers.

Greg Rice, distance ace, and the late John Borican of Asbury Park, N. J., appear for the fourth time. Borican, holder of a trio of world marks and given the 880 and 1000 yard berths on the present selections, died last month.

Ned Irish Named New Garden Prez

By HAROLD CLAUSEN
NEW YORK, Jan. 20 (AP)—Because his wife fainted as they tried to jam their way through a crowd blocking the doorway of a boxing gymnasium in 1934, Ned Irish today is the "duration" president of Madison Square garden.

"Why doesn't somebody take these games to the garden," demanded the perturbed young husband back there in the days of plentiful steaks and gasoline, "then everyone would have room."

When nobody took up the idea, Irish, then the basketball reporter for the New York World, followed his own suggestion.

From the very start his cage doubleheaders in the huge Eighth avenue arena proved successful and so there wasn't much question concerning who would succeed Brig. Gen. John Reed Kilpatrick when the five-man board of directors proved too cumbersome.

The board, of which Irish was a member, was set up when Kilpatrick was called to the colors early in 1942.

New Cal Man Has No Trubs With Allison

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 20 (AP)—Clinton W. Evans, newly appointed manager of the University of California Associated Students, said yesterday that he has "no serious differences" with Head Football Coach Leonard (Stub) Allison.

Evans made his statement at a meeting of the Northern California Football Writers' association in reply to rumors that Allison might be dismissed.

The new general manager, who is varsity baseball coach and has been freshman football coach since 1930, said he intended to carry on with his diamond coaching career for this season, at least.

Evans, a 1916 graduate of the University of California, coached at Twin Falls, Ida., high school early in his career.

Turkey Thompson Polishes Off Jack Marshall in First

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 20 (AP)—A minute and two seconds of the first round was all Turkey Thompson, Los Angeles negro heavyweight, needed to polish off Jack Marshall, San Francisco, last night.

Marshall, 205 pounds, had been floored for a short count in the first seconds of the scheduled 10-round bout, and Thompson, 193, then landed the haymaker that sent the fans home early.

TOP MEXICAN ATHLETE

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 20 (AP)—Maj. Antonio Nava Castillo, who starred in polo games against the United States and Latin American teams, last night was chosen Mexico's No. 1 athlete of 1942.

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Oregon State Hoopmen Drop Huskies, 42-39

Tight Second Half Defense, Good Backboard Work Gives Beavers Win

CORVALLIS, Jan. 20 (AP)—A tight man-for-man second half defense and the deft under-the-basket work of a 6-foot 4-inch sophomore center gave the Oregon State basketball team a clean-cut 42 to 39 victory over the vaunted Huskies of the University of Washington last night.

Center Erland Anderson put his club out in front midway in the first half and for the rest of the way the defending Pacific Coast conference champions put the Huskies to shoot from far out. Anderson got 15 points, 12 of them in the first half.

Early in the game the score was tied five times. After the count reached 13-13 however, Anderson scored four successive baskets to give the Beavers a lead of 27-20, which they maintained at half time.

The Huskies closed fast on a foul conversion by Center Gilmur and two quick field goals by Boody Gilbertson, bringing the count to 42-39. But the Washington shooters were unable to close the gap, although they had possession of the ball three times in the final minute.

Bobby Morris, guard, was high scorer for Washington, with 13 points.

The Summary:
Oregon State FG FT PF TP
Warren, f 2 0 1 4
Cecil, f 3 2 3 8
Howard, f 0 0 2 0
Anderson, c 6 3 3 15
Beck, g 1 1 1 3
Durdan, g 3 3 2 9
Jeffries, g 1 1 3 3

Totals 18 10 15 42
Washington FG FT PF TP
Ford, f 0 0 2 0
Gilbertson, f 3 1 3 7
Taylor, f 2 2 1 8
Brown, f 0 0 1 0
Gilmur, c 3 2 2 9
Leask, g 1 2 1 4
Morris, g 5 3 2 13
Biss, g 0 0 1 0
Gissberg, g 0 0 1 0

Totals 14 11 14 39
Halftime score: Oregon State 27, Washington 20.

Free throws missed: Washington, Gilbertson, Taylor, Gilmur 4; Morris; Oregon State, Warren 2, Anderson, Durdan, Jeffries 2.

Referee, Piluso. Umpire, Leute.

Marines Box To Learn Knife Drill

Correct Boxing Side-Step Is Also Used to Avoid Death in Bayonet Fighting

By SID FEDER
NEW YORK, Jan. 20 (AP)—The difference between a boxing glove and a bayonet is apparent even to the most casual observer, but take it from Col. Harvey Miller, the marines who know their bayonet-busting have found it an especially healthy habit in places like Guadalcanal.

The boys are "learning like never before," says Colonel Miller, that a practical knowledge of boxing is important stuff, and the reason is as simple as sitting down. This is it:

"In the ring, the correct side-step means only the difference between scoring a knock-down or being knocked down. In the jungle, the same side-step instinctively performed—without boxing gloves but plus bayonets—may mean the difference between life and death. That's a big difference."

"There's no loser's end in the jungle league," Colonel Miller adds for the special benefit of the Jacobs beach-combers who might like their theory knocked down to the simple terms of the trade. "The motto is 'kill or be killed.'"

Colonel Miller is more widely known as Heinie Miller, the permanent secretary and former president of the National Boxing association.

In his latest literary production from marine headquarters in Washington, Miller suggests boxing give up such intra-mural merry-go-rounds as the current lightweight muddle.

Calling for boxing to recognize its duty and concentrate on encouraging and teaching youngsters the sport as a means of self-defense in the "jungle hand-to-hand league," Miller contends that a state commission has no more license to give away a world championship "than the Arizona legislature has to give away the Statue of Liberty."

Connie Mack Comments on Manpower Trubs

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 20 (AP)—Connie Mack, whose American league Athletics have had plenty of war-time manpower problems, had this cautious comment to make about the Boston Braves' release of Paul Waner and John Cooney, two of the National league's oldest outfielders:

"Some of us may need men like them before the approaching war season is over. Right now I can't see where they can fit in with the Athletics. I expect to have plenty of outfielders around, but one can't be sure."

TODAY'S GUEST STAR
Walter Haight, Washington Post: "Is it true that the Philadelphia pro football fans still

PIRATE SHIPBUILDER
ATLANTA—Aif Anderson, Pittsburgh shortstop, classified 3-B, is frozen in a shipbuilding job until the war is won.

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Budge Prepares to Enter Army



Tennis star Don Budge (left), preparing to enter the army, turned over his racquets to his brother, Lloyd, who succeeded him as physical education director of the Embury-Riddle school of aviation at Miami, Fla.

Coast Baseball League Announces 1943 Season

Coast Teams Start Three Weeks Later Than 1942, Will Play 26 Fewer Games

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 20 (AP)—The Pacific Coast league's 1943 campaign will begin Sunday, April 18, and close September 12 after a 152-game schedule.

Secretary Harry Williams announced the dates after conducting a mail poll of the club owners. The league is starting three weeks later than usual, and is playing 26 fewer games because of the war.

Portland and Seattle will make their first home stands the third week of the season, much earlier than usual, and also, for the first time in years, will wind up their campaigns in the northwest.

Williams announced the schedule for the first three weeks and the last week and said the rest remained to be worked out. The schedule:

April 18-25: Seattle at San Diego, Portland at Sacramento, Oakland at Los Angeles, Hollywood at San Francisco.

April 27-May 2: Seattle at Sacramento, Portland at San Diego, San Francisco at Oakland, Los Angeles at Hollywood.

May 4-9: San Francisco at Seattle, Los Angeles at Portland, Sacramento at Oakland, San Diego at Hollywood.

Sept. 7-12: San Francisco at Portland, Los Angeles at Seattle, Sacramento at Oakland, San Diego at Hollywood.

Hollywood, announcing it would do its spring training at its home field, said it hoped to arrange exhibition games with strong semi-pro outfits and college nines in the absence of major league clubs which ordinarily pitch their spring camp in this area.

Emmett Barrett Confesses He Is Only 168 Pounds

PORTLAND, Jan. 20 (AP)—Emmett Barrett, former University of Portland griddler, made a confession yesterday just before entering the army.

He was only 168 pounds heavy last autumn when he played for the New York pro football Giants. The league considers a 200 pounder too light.

Barrett, who saw action in every game and was understudy to the famous Mel Hein, center, was listed on Giant programs at 193 pounds.

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Hoqan Pins Steer at Denver Show

DENVER, Jan. 20 (AP)—Tom Hogan dropped onto the broad neck of a fast-charging roan steer and pinned it to the ground in exactly 5.6 seconds yesterday, equalling the National Western Stock Show record.

Last night the Tulsa, Okla., wrangler wrestled another steer in 7.9 seconds after Frank Finlen of Phoenix, Ariz., won first money in 7.6 seconds.

In bronc riding, Wag Blessing of Bell, Calif., was best on Kit-tynhawk, at the matinee.

WSC Boxers Take Four Out of Seven Bouts From Gonzaga

SPOKANE, Jan. 20 (AP)—Washington State College boxers took four out of seven matches from Gonzaga University slugger here Monday. Gonzaga, however, counted the only knockout, a first round victory over Fred Turner of WSC. Doug Allen, only Cougar veteran, took a close decision over Floyd Sage in the 155 pound class.

By The Associated Press
HARTFORD, Conn.—Willie Pep, 120, Hartford, outpointed Billy Spear, 120, Nanticoke, Pa., (non-lit).
RUFFALO, N. Y.—Bobby McQuillan, 135, Lockavanna, Pa., outpointed Joe Genovese, 150, New York, (5).

Pelican Hoopmen Lose Medford Battle, 43-37

Hot Tiger Squad Leads Pelican Team All the Way at Medford Last Night

At Medford last night, Klamath's Pelican basketball team dropped their first season game to the Black Tornado squad by a score of 43-37 before a wildly cheering crowd, after the Medfordites stalled through the final minutes of play to maintain their lead. Halftime score was 17-24 for Medford.

According to Wayne Scott, Pelican coach, on his return before the storm last night, the Klamath men had their first uphill hoop battle this season. They were behind all the way.

"Medford," he said, "was hot. They had lots of speed, and were getting the ball off the backboard. You could tell they were hot because they were making their long shots. They made seven of nine tries from the middle of the floor."

The Pelicans were especially ragged on their foul shots. Out of 18 tries they made only five. Bocchi—usually good on free throws—missed four of five foul tries.

The Klamath team lagged 16-5 at the end of the first quarter, pulled up to 24-17 at the half, and ended the third quarter 37-32. Several times but three or four points behind, the Pelicans could not gain enough tallies to take the lead.

With one minute left to play in the last quarter, the Pelicans were behind 40-37. Medford, attempting to stall, made the Klamath men try desperately for the ball. In their efforts they gave Medford a field goal chance, and a foul try.

Bocchi high pointed for Klamath with 14 counters to his credit. He was followed by Welch with ten. High man for Medford was Neldermyer who made ten. Monteth was next with nine for the Tigers.

Summaries:
Medford (43) (37) Pelicans
Fawcett 8 F 3 Conroy
Monteth 9 F 10 Welch
Neldermyer 10 4 Young
Edwards 6 G 4 Foster
Weir 8 G 14 Bocchi
Bayless 2 S 2 Cox
S Bellotti
S Bigger

Yankees Get Three Weeks Spring Work

NEW YORK, Jan. 20 (AP)—The New York Yankees will open their training camp at Asbury Park, N. J., March 21, just a month before the start of the American league season, President Ed Barrow announced today. They will remain there only three weeks, breaking camp April 8 and moving into New York for nine exhibition games against the Brooklyn Dodgers, Boston Braves and New York Giants.

They also will play three games against their Newark International League Farm club before coming to New York.

The Yankees will start training about a week later than their two New York City rivals, the Giants and Dodgers, who plan to open their camps at Lakewood, N. J., and Bear Mountain, N. Y., on April 15.

Warmerdam Hoping to Hop 16 Feet

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 20 (AP)—Cornelius Warmerdam, the world's champion pole-vaulter, hopes to clear 16 feet next month.

The 27-year-old high school teacher who holds the world record of 15 feet 7 3/4 inches is hard at work these days using a little higher grip and a new, stronger pole. He figures he may get over the unbelievable altitude of 16 feet at the Millrose games in New York on February 6.

Warmerdam said he had never gone higher than 14 feet 9 inches in practice in his life, and yet he's cleared that four times recently "so maybe I'm in pretty fair shape, except for speed. I'm not as fast yet, but I'll get faster."

One thing might keep Warmerdam from trying for that 16-foot mark. He hopes to join the navy shortly, and can't say if an immediate call to the colors might be expected.

BASKETBALL SCORES

SOUTH
Louisiana State 61, Mississippi State 40.
Kentucky 35, Georgia Tech 37.
Lynchburg College 45, Bridgewater College 42.

MIDWEST
Michigan State 55, Dearborn Naval 24.
Washington U. (St. Louis) 34, St. Louis U. 27.

SOUTHWEST
Texas 47, Texas Christian 30.
Oregon State 42, Washington 39.
Navy Pre-Flight 58, St. Mary's 47.
San Jose State 62, Mather Field (Sacramento) 30.

NORTHWEST
Northwest Nazarene College 48, College of Idaho 34.

PASCO (Wash.) Navy Flyers 40, Pendleton Air Base 26.

HIGH SCHOOL
Milwaukee 36, Central Catholic (Portland) 30 (overtime).
Etanada 37, St. John's (Milwaukee) 14.
Beaverton 45, Tigard 30.

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