

Sports Briefs

By Hugh Fullerton, Jr.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23 (AP)—Canisius, one of the first colleges to drop football after the army's "no time" announcement, professes to have no qualms about it but Athletic Director James Crowlley admits it is schedules as much as the army that prompted the decision. "We had five scheduled games cancelled," he explains, "but if we could arrange games with the University of Buffalo and Rochester. . . . Well, he wouldn't say he'd like to change his mind."

HEADLINE HEADLINER

"Where to apply 'kick' puzzles Gil Dodds" (Washington Star). Also how to escape disqualification after applying it.

ONE-MINUTE SPORTS PAGE

Boston trade school had three Bill O'Briens (not related) who scored in a track meet last week. Coach Harry Tilton distinguishes them by their school courses, "aviation," "auto" and "caddy." . . . Ned Irish reports Notre Dame's basketball team is better than Great Lakes but lost because the Irish aren't built for the rough play that prevailed Saturday. . . . Bobby Ginn, former Nebraska Miler who'll come from Stinson field, Tex., to run against Gil Dodds, Earl Mitchell, etc., in the national track championships, never has raced in a big-time indoor meet. In other words, Bobby's new career is about to begin.

TODAY'S GUEST STAR

Jimmie Murphy, Canton (Ill.) Daily Ledger: "An old Wells Fargo stage coach, which had been in several holdups, was used Saturday to haul race fans to the Bay Meadows race track. . . . Some of its passengers probably were victims of the modern version of the holdup of earlier days, watching their horses finish as also-rans."

A GOOD SKATE

When Bobby Widholm, of the Ice Follies, took his physical exam for the naval air force, the doctors nearly turned him down because he could walk a straight line immediately after a test that makes most candidates dizzy as a whirlwind. . . . He got an okay only after explaining his skating act, which calls for plenty of rapid spinning.

PLUS ONE

Dumb Dan Morgan says he can count 128 different boxing moves, most of which today's "smart" boxers don't know. . . . That doesn't include the way Dan's jaw moves when he talks about Jack Britton.

Gonzaga Cagers Take Win From Whitman, 79-48

SPOKANE, Feb. 23 (AP)—Gonzaga university's basketball team ran away from Whitman 79-48 here last night in a game which the Missionaries seemed to be dominating successfully until they wilted suddenly midway in the first half.

Whitman tallied first and held leads at 5-3, 12-9 and 16-11 before Gonzaga, paced by Buck Labissoniere and Dick Lewis who rattled the backboards for 18 points apiece, swept into the lead to stay. In the last four minutes the Bulldogs held Whitman scoreless while dropping in eight points.

Harlan Somerville, guard, bagged 15 points for Whitman.

Riverside Tops A Teams in Grade School Basket Chase

Riverside took the lead in the A league of the grade school basketball race Saturday, when they beat the previously undefeated Fairview 44-16 on the Riverside floor.

Redkey of Riverside led the scorings with 22 points and Edwards led Fairview with five. Riverside took the game all the way and led at half-time, 19-2. This victory gives Riverside the undisputed lead in the league.

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Roosevelt B kept their record clear by winning from Conger at Fairview, 18-10. Coach Munder's Roosevelt boys, played a good game but were held down considerably by the close checking of the Conger five. Half-time score ended 10-4 for Roosevelt. Jim Carter of Roosevelt was high scorer with eight points. Wayne Guyer and "Skip" Johnson led Conger with four apiece. Roosevelt C also won from Conger C 18-12 and led at half-time, 11-2. Conger came back the second half and outscored

Bobcat Bob Drops Lulu Constantino

Bob Becomes War Worker After Gaining Decision in Last Night's Ten-Rounder

By ED MEIER

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 23 (AP)—Bob Montgomery, again a ranking challenger for the lightweight boxing title by virtue of his defeat of Lulu Constantino last night, is going to become a defense worker for the duration. After gaining an unanimous 10-round decision over the "Fancy Dan" New Yorker, the Philadelphia negro told Promoter Herman Taylor he will start work next Monday at the Sun Shipbuilding and Drydock company in Chester, Pa.

"He will get about 10 days leave whenever he fights," Taylor explained.

Montgomery, who has not been impressive in recent fights, was the "bobcat" of old in ramming home a savage body attack that forced his lighter opponent to retreat. Constantino weighed 129½ to Montgomery's 134½. Spectators showered the ring with cigar butts and cigarettes when Montgomery kept hitting Constantino after the bell had ended the fourth round. Oddly, Referee Dave Beloff, who was booed for not breaking the boys apart, gave Constantino more rounds than the two judges. Beloff gave Montgomery five, Constantino four with one even.

Bill Swift Eyes Return To Baseball

LAKELAND, Fla., Feb. 23 (AP)—Pitcher Bill Swift, getting into condition for a return to the majors by working in an amphibian tank factory, thinks this will be a good year for the hurler.

Swift, a regular on the Pittsburgh Pirates mound staff from 1932 to 1938, then with the Boston Braves, Brooklyn Dodgers and finally with St. Paul of the American association last year, was drafted by the Chicago White Sox last fall and is looking forward to a good year on his return to faster company.

"The American league is supposed to be a hitter's league," he said today. "But I think this will be a pitcher's year after the first few weeks."

"I don't know why," he continued, "Maybe it's the ball. Then, too, several of the long hitters won't be back this year. I guess pitchers got a break now and then."

Swift likes his work in the food machinery plant that is turning out amphibian tanks of the type that proved so useful in the conquest of Guadalcanal, and hopes he can return after the coming baseball season.

Willamette Cage Men Sweep Down On Portland U

SALEM, Feb. 23 (AP)—Willamette university last night wiped out a 26-20 halftime deficit and swept on to down the University of Portland cage club 55-45.

The victory left the two teams even in four games played this season. Irv Miller and Wes Saxton led Willamette in its second half scoring spree. Paul O'Toole and Del Hunsinger tied for high scoring honors with 16 points apiece, but both hit a scoring slump in the second half to spoil the Pilots' chances. For Willamette Saxton made 13 points and Miller 12.

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American Fighting Men Must Be Tough, Young

Rassle Holds No Match for Jiu-Jitsu Says Mat Man After Bruising Battle

By CHARLES DUNKLEY

CHICAGO, Feb. 23 (AP)—American soldiers fighting Japs hand-to-hand must be merciless, tough, and above all—young. Karl Pojello, 60, Lithuanian-born, who has appeared throughout the world as a professional wrestler, is convinced of that today after engaging in a bloody, battering, bone-crushing battle with a Jap jiu-jitsu artist—an encounter fought before a selected audience of 15.

Pojello, a skilled wrestler, weighing 205, was positive he could make any jiu jitsu instructor surrender by using wrestling tactics. He knows now that a man, skilled in the defensive science of jiu-jitsu, can knock out a man with a little jerk in less than two seconds, if he gets a hold at the throat. American-born Tamura Masato, 30 years old and weighing only 143 pounds, did exactly that.

Those who watched the match in a second floor room in a Loop building included navy and marine officers and Avery Brundage, former president of the National AAU. One idea of the match was to determine whether men in the service need more wrestling or jiu jitsu training for hand to hand combats on the battlefield.

After a few preliminary moves, Pojello slammed his opponent to the mat and they quickly squirmed to the edge. There Masato instantly applied a cross-hand grip to the collar of Pojello's jacket, quickly stopping the flow of blood to the brain.

Referee Ted Tonnenman commanded them to break holds and return to the center of the mat. But Masato screamed: "He's out."

Pojello, unconscious, lay motionless, flat on his face. The time was 1:10. Then Pojello, his face flushed, jumped to his feet and begged to continue. He tossed Masato flat on his back a half dozen times and began applying bone-crushing holds while on top, only to have the bare-footed Masato kick him into the air.

Within five minutes, Pojello was wheezing like an old bellows. His nose was skinned. Masato was bleeding from cuts over both eyes suffered when his head banged into a radiator. But they continued for 14 minutes, first the Jap hitting the mat, and then Pojello.

Tonnenman, wrestling arbiter, stepped between them. "This has gone far enough," he yelled. "Nobody is getting any dough out of this. Let's call it quits. It's a draw."

The grinning Masato and the puffing Pojello, both willing to continue, a bided by the referee's orders and shook hands. Lieut. James McMillen, former football star at the University of Illinois, later a pro wrestler and now teaching rough-and-tough warfare in the navy, commented:

"I still think that an American, in an alley rough-and-tumble, can lick a Jap any day in the week. A good kick in the belly, a punch in the nose, a good old fashioned football block works wonders."

BASKETBALL Results

EAST
Army 72, Harvard 40
Princeton 35, Yale 25
Dartmouth 70, Columbia 48
SOUTH
Virginia 34, VMI 33
Richmond 59, Washington & Lee 41
Alabama 47, Mississippi State 37
MIDWEST
Indiana 40, Minnesota 24
Iowa 42, Chicago 34
Northwestern 36, Wisconsin 34 (overtime)
Ohio State 53, Michigan 34
Xavier 37, Ohio 41
SOUTHWEST
Oklahoma Aggies 55, Tulsa Uni. 22
Southern Methodist 65, Texas 56
Rice 56, Texas Christian 26
WEST
Gonzaga 79, Whitman 48
Willamette 55, U. of Portland 45

HUMBOLDT WINS

EUREKA, Calif., Feb. 23 (AP)—The Humboldt State college basketball team defeated Oregon College of Education 45-44 here last night. The two teams met again tonight. Darrell Brown, high scoring Humboldt center, who had tallied 350 points in 19 earlier games this season, paced scorers with 19.

GETS TENNIS TITLE

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 23 (AP)—Bob Hage of Portland, Ore., Sunday won the men's open singles title in the Vancouver table tennis championships tournament by defeating Fred Swartz of Vancouver. Hage was forced to five games.

If it's a "frozen" article you need, advertise for a used one in the classified.

Beavers Eye Invasion of WSC Cagers

Washington State Begins Oregon Series; Meets OSC First Then Tackles Oregon

By The Associated Press
Washington State begins its annual Oregon invasion tonight against Oregon State at Corvallis, and four stern tests for the Cougars on the southern side of the Columbia river may virtually decide the hotly-contested issue in the northern division basketball scramble.

Washington State meets the Beavers tonight and tomorrow night and Oregon at Eugene Friday and Saturday nights. Washington entertains the University of Idaho at Seattle Friday and Saturday nights.

Conceding Washington two wins over Idaho, (although the last place Vandals have risen to

Northern Coast Hoop Standings

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WSC	7	3	468	474
Wash.	8	4	504	477
Oregon	8	6	591	548
OSC	6	6	529	529
Idaho	1	11	460	614

unexpected heights at times during the season), the Cougars must take all four contests in Oregon to maintain their slim lead, and three to rate a tie.

In that event the decision would be postponed until the final week when Washington plays OSC twice at Seattle and WSC and Idaho play at Pullman and Moscow.

The two Oregon clubs last weekend split a series and thereby knocked themselves out of conference consideration. Both, however, can be extremely tough, especially Oregon State, now at full strength for one of the few times this season. WSC, moreover, has lost Captain Owen Hunt to the army and Forward Gail Bishop may be called before the final Idaho series.

If the Cougars, however, can come out of Oregon with as much as a tie for the lead they will have a slightly favored position over the Huskies who still must face Oregon State.

Valentino Takes Fiducia in Ten Round Struggle

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 23 (AP)—Fred Fiducia, 192, Newark, N. J., lived up to advance billing as a menacing heavyweight contender for one round last night, but Pat Valentino, 190, San Francisco coast guardsman, looked more convincing for the other nine.

Valentino took eight rounds on the Associated Press score sheet—and the fight.

Fiducia took one round, the fourth, by knocking Valentino to the floor for a nine count. After that he and the glowing predictions which his manager, Jimmy Johnston of New York, issued before the fight took a steady beating.

FIGHTS
By The Associated Press
PHILADELPHIA—Bob Montgomery, 154½, Philadelphia, outpointed Lulu Constantino, 129½, New York, (10).
NEW YORK—Steve Ralston, 155½, New York, stopped Joe (Butch) Lynch, 161, Plainfield, N. Y., (5).
HOLYOKE, Mass.—Terry Young, Jr., 165½, New York, knocked out Joey Bagatola, 155, Toronto, (3).

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A Garden of Little Flowers



In skit presented at New York baseball writers' dinner, guests saw Mayor Fiorello La Guardia in triplicate. Left to right, complete with cigars and black sombreros, are Lou Costello, comedian John Ebing, baseball writer, and Hixson himself.

Spring's in Air, But National League Ball Needs Managers

NEW YORK, Feb. 23 (AP)—With the robins already scanning the want ads for summer homes, two National league baseball clubs still are busy studying the same pages for 1943 managers.

Brooklyn officials flipped to the help-wanted columns today after being informed that Manager Leo Durocher's selective service board had ordered him to appear for induction next Monday.

The new owners of the Philadelphia Phils have been hunting a field boss since taking over the club last Friday and aren't certain they can make a choice until Thursday.

The Durocher announcement was made while the talkative Leo was vacationing in Florida and Branch Rickey, president of the club, was rounding up talent in California.

Neither made any definite comment, except that Rickey said Durocher would remain

the Dodger boss until he was definitely in the army but added he had "several men in mind" as possible successors.

Dolph Camilli, big Dodger first baseman, remains in the running for the job, Rickey explaining that "while the Camilli situation is unfavorable right now because Dolf can't find anyone to run his ranch in northern California, I have a feeling that he may be on first for the Dodgers when the season opens."

Rickey was reported to have made the California trip in hopes of luring Camilli back to baseball with the promise of being named manager if Durocher were drafted.

Others mentioned for the job was Second Baseman Billy Herman among the players and Burt Shotton, coach at Cleveland, and Ray Blades, manager of New Orleans, should Rickey follow his custom of recent years at St.

Louis and select a bench manager. Both Shotton and Blades formerly worked for Rickey.

William D. Cox, who probably will become president when the new Phil setup is officially organized, revised his list of prospects after being chided by Ed Barrow, New York, Yankee president, for mentioning Bill Dickey, Yank catcher, as one of his choices.

After it was explained to Cox that his mentioning of Dickey came under the baseball rule of "tampering," he declared he had three other candidates in mind. He didn't mention them but they are believed to be in the following list: Lefty O'Doul, former Phil outfielder, now manager of San Francisco; Pepper Martin, manager of Rochester; Bucky Harris, at Washington last year; and Chuck Dressen, 1942 coach of the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Round Table Will Sponsor Basketball Meet

SPOKANE, Feb. 23 (AP)—Spokane's athletic round table will sponsor a state high school basketball tournament here at the end of the season if there is sufficient demand for it in the state, officials said today.

Officers said the club had been approached by coaches

from nearby schools but they added they felt the project should be undertaken only if schools in central and western Washington generally indicated they wanted the tournament.

The usual high school tourney held annually at Seattle in March, was cancelled recently and left the state's basketball teams without a climax tournament although county tournaments are being held.

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