



# AAU Basketball Goes Into Final Title Night

## Giants of College and Independent Basketball Show Their Shots Tonight

The year 1942-43 already stands as the greatest sports year in the history of Klamath Union high school.

The football team, guided by a new mentor, Frank Ramsey, ran all the way to the top and grabbed the state championship. Then Wayne Scott, another new coach, brought home the state basketball title from Salem and landed Baldy Foster on the all-state team.

Foster, incidentally, was the second Klamath cager in history to win that distinction.

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Pickett	134	130	121 435
Delany	127	130	119 421
Lawson	115	127	105 422
Clark	102	109	174 435
Lavernick	156	208	202 566
Handicap	84	84	84 252
Hiba Clothing			
W. Smith	166	177	179 522
W. Shaffer	161	159	166 486
Wood	185	157	163 499
W. Hill	141	107	108 456
Handicap	118	128	128 374
Lamm Lumber Co.			
Dexter	156	147	171 514
Putnam	178	145	155 478
Brown	174	145	165 464
Lawrence	193	127	168 528
Young	192	225	169 577
Handicap	76	76	76 228
Lost River Dairy			
Darham	114	144	171 513
Lawley	106	117	115 338
White	81	120	99 300
Lawrence	138	137	136 411
Tucker	115	103	125 343
Handicap	185	185	185 555
Black and White			
A. Robinson	151	151	151 453
McGowan	157	155	166 478
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Anderson	102	105	109 316
Mulla	171	215	189 575
Davis	131	120	124 416
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Handicap	65	65	65 195
Superior Trolly			
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## New Queen of National Figure Skaters



Gretchen Merrill, 17-year-old Boston skater and newly crowned champion in National Women's Senior figure skating competition at Madison Square Garden after closest contest in history of event. Three times runnerup, Miss Merrill shaded sensational Dorothy Goos by 17.1 points with a total of 2,749.12.

## America's Popular Avenue of Recreation Still Remains Open

By WILLIAM E. LOWELL  
WASHINGTON, March 16 (AP)—America's most popular avenue of recreation and relaxation is still open to the hundreds of thousands of civilians who can squeeze a day or so of free time into their war work-crowded schedules.

That's the assurance of Dr. Ira N. Gabrielson, the chunky affable director of the agriculture department's fish and wild life service, who still insists that he has at least a squatter's right to the lovely Wallowa lake country, in Eastern Oregon, where he spent a lot of time during his long service in the Pacific north-west before he became the key man.

And, if anyone wants to argue with the doctor's assertion that more people are interested in the native denizens of forest and stream than participate in any other type of recreation, it might be well to look over the figures he offers. He said between 15 and 20 million persons pursued hunting or fishing licenses last year. And, if those figures aren't impressive enough, he says that represents only part of the fishermen and hunters because there are several classes of people who don't have to buy licenses and some states where they are not required. Women and children don't need licenses and landowners can hunt and fish on their own property without paying a fee, he said.

Another great class which doesn't need licenses to enjoy the great outdoors, he points out, are those folks who just go out into the country to rest and relax, satisfied with just seeing wild animals, fish and fowl in their native settings.

And the doctor doesn't believe the participation is going to suffer much despite war demands on time, transportation and munitions.

As to the transportation problem, Gabrielson said there was a pretty normal kill last year throughout the nation. There were less cars in the game areas but about the same number of hunters, he said, and he theorized that hunters and fishermen were pooling cars for their trips. This year there won't be so many fellows jumping into the car for a few hours hunting, but more careful planning of two or three day trips, with a car full of hunters or fishermen, he thinks.

And the game chief isn't worried yet over the possible scarcity of ammunition for hunting, despite complaints that stores in some sections have exhausted their stocks. He thinks it's largely a matter of distribution and believes the situation will adjust itself.

I didn't ask what he thought about the supply of silk fish lines, of leaders and of flies. I recall there used to be a man in Missoula, Mont., who had quite a business of tying flies. Wonder whether he's still in that business or whether those skilled hands are caressing some delicate scientific war instrument. There must be lots of other such craftsmen about the country.

I wondered if the meat shortage might increase the urge for hunting and fishing but the game chief didn't think it would make much difference. He said the big game kill last year represented only about 253,000 pounds of meat, which is very small percentage of all the meat needed to feed the civilian population. Just a by-product, he thought, of the main purpose of relaxation and recreation.

I've heard Montana and Colorado and Utah and Idaho farmers complaining of damage done by wild game on their haystacks and deer used to come down into Salt Lake City and nearby areas and browse on the fruit trees, so I had visions of growing herds of deer and elk, antelope and maybe even moose invading the populated places. But Dr. Gabrielson doesn't think the herds will increase like that.

He did think, however, that war-time recreation might require some new planning by the state and federal game agencies.

Dr. Gabrielson is very proud of the accomplishment of the federal and state game agencies in building up the nation's wild life population since the first World War.

"In 1910 to 1915," he said, "it was thought that perhaps there would be no big game in the country within 10 years but the fact is that we are going into this war with a much bigger game population than in the first one."

"For instance, we had only 25,000 antelope in 1924 and there are now about 200,000. The deer season in many states was closed down completely during the World War yet last year nearly 600,000 deer, 34,000 elk and 90,000 antelope were killed."

"Better protection for the wild life, a better popular understanding of conservation practices have made it possible to take a much bigger harvest. If we continue the same wise management of our recreational resources we can continue to take an increasingly larger amount of game in the annual kill."

"However, I think relaxation and recreation still are the major benefits of our outdoor program. More people get their fun that way than through any other participating type of recreation."

BEAR MOUNTAIN, N. Y.—Billy Herman, veteran second baseman of the Brooklyn Dodgers, appeared at third base for the second consecutive day with Albie Glossop, recently acquired from the Philadelphia Phillies, cavorting at the keystone.

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## Cardinals Brushing Up Training

### It's An Important Factor For Ball Club to Whip Into Shape by April 12

CAIRO, Ill., March 16 (AP)—Even before he brushed the sleep from his eyes, Manager Billy Southworth of the world champion Cardinals, now an avid meteorologist, poked his head out of the window to look at the weather.

More so than with some othered spring training period, climatic conditions are going to be an all-important factor in Southworth's ability to whip his players into shape for the pennant race opening April 12.

If he gets a break in the weather—and he should at the southernmost of all major league camps—Southworth will be off to a galloping start in quest for another championship, because he has no real player problem.

But a string of bad days would



be another story since the Cards have no adequate indoor training facilities. An old high school gymnasium, made of wood and with a low roof, has been placed at the team's disposal, but the barn-like structure is scarcely large enough to let all 32 members of the squad take part in a game of catch.

But weather or not, President Sam Breadon, who is here with the ball club, said, "We'll win the pennant, whether we train or not."

Singing Sam had some solid support in Southworth's appraisal of the team's prospects.

As Billy viewed it, the team's infield is intact with Johnny Hopp or Ray Sanders at first, Capt. Jimmy Brown at second, and Martin "Tarion" at third.

Outfielder Stan Musial, Catcher Walker Cooper and Ken O'Dea are three other regulars to be counted on.

The pitching staff includes Morton Cooper, Ernie White, Murray Dickson, Bill Beckmann, Harry Gumbert, Howard Krist, Howard Pollet and Max Lanier.

That leaves two outfield positions of Terry Moore and Enos Slaughter and the pitching berth of Johnny Beazley, the Cardinals' three major contributions to the armed forces. Southworth has seven outfield candidates to look over and six top flight pitching prospects.

## Training Camp Briefs

By The Associated Press  
BLOOMINGTON, Ind., March 16—Pitcher Bucky Walters is the first casualty of the present baseball campaign.

The top-flight hurler of the Cincinnati Reds attempted to clear a high hurdle and was spilled when he failed. X-rays showed he suffered a bruised ankle and a slightly sprained left heel. He will be idle five days.

CHICAGO, Ill.—Manager Jimmy Dykes of the Chicago White Sox, who recently underwent an operation, is expected tomorrow from the west coast. The welcoming committee will take the convalescent skipper to Comiskey park where President Grace Comiskey will be hostess at a corned beef and cabbage party in the press room.

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## Gilmur, Gilbertson Of Huskies Are Called

### Two Hoopsters From Washington's Squad Called In Enlisted Reserve

SEATTLE, March 16 (AP)—Center Chuck Gilmur and Forward Buddy Gilbertson of the University of Washington's Pacific coast championship basketball team have been called for duty, as members of the enlisted reserve corps, but they still will be able to compete in the western collegiate championship

tourney in Kansas City and, if the Huskies win there, in the national playoffs in New York.

Under the call they will not have to report until after April 5. Bing Dahl, sophomore substitute from Spokane, also will be subject to the call which affects 300 students, 16 of them varsity athletes.

The western tournament is March 26-27, and the national playoff March 30. Other teams competing in the western tourney are Wyoming, Oklahoma and Texas.

Other athletes affected are: Football—Fred Provo, Bill Hoyt, Dmitri Tadich, Mark McCorkle, Ray Gardner, Jim Burlick and Charles Perepski. Track—Bert Joachims. Swimming—Jim and Bill Belete. Golf—Jack Hazlett.

Crew—Gordon Callow, son of former Coach Rusty Callow and Le Connie Styles.

BEAR MOUNTAIN, N. Y., March 16 (AP)—If the Brooklyn Dodgers get off to a good start in the National league campaign next month it should settle the everlasting argument about whether or not a baseball club can train indoors satisfactorily.

The Dodgers have their spring training headquarters here, but they held their first workout yesterday in the vast field house of the U. S. Military academy at West Point, five miles away, and it pleased everyone so much the Brooklyn club may not work outdoors here a single day.

Till Leo Durocher led his noisy gang of 15 players into the army's baseball "cage" even the Dodgers had some misgivings about the advantages of inside training.

Bear mountain is a ski resort and it is giving away no weather secrets to say that people were skiing in the vicinity when the Dodgers checked in Sunday.

This meant that Durocher had no alternative for indoor work at the start, but he did have hopes of getting outside soon. To this end the Dodgers, who still do things the daffy way, had big log fires