

Light Game Seen in AAU Basketball Tournament

Youngsters Almost Overpower Veteran Ambrose Jellymakers Quintet

NATIONAL AAU BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT RESULTS AT DENVER
The Associated Press reports the results: (Second round)
Sixty-Six, Bartlesville, Okla., 60, Greeley, Colo., 37.
Kans., Cessna, Colo., 37, Colorado U. Medics, 39.
Ambrose 49, St. Louis, 35.
Allen-Bradley 81, Waukegan, Ill., 35.
Tanner, Colo., 35, Poudre, 35.
Cresney 53, Wyoming, 46.
Laramie, 46.
Music Makers, Portland, 44.
Iowa, Indians 34.
Idaho, Simplot 38, Nebr., 35.

FRANK CRAWFORD
DENVER, March 20 (AP)—A number of upstarts from St. Louis tried to show AAU ball fans that youthful en-

HUGH FULLERTON, JR.
NEW YORK, March 20 (AP)—The one-legged flyer whose legs with the Yankees and St. Louis caused a brief "feud" between Clark Griffith and Larry Doby, may be much more valuable as an object lesson to wounded soldiers than as a player. . . . There's no doubt, however, that Shepard's desire is to become a major league player. . . . Lt. Ross Lehman, a close companion of Fullerton during his imprisonment in Germany, also is in the line (Lehman also is a leg) tells of Bert's determination to resume his baseball career.

WOULDN'T GIVE UP
The only baseball equipment available at a prison hospital Berlin was a softball and ball. Lehman says. Nevertheless, Shepard worked hours every day testing and controlling his pivot in batting practice, and toughening his leg where it was amputated just the right ankle. . . . He talked baseball morning, noon and night, constantly asking them if they thought he could still gain. . . . His fierce determination was something to behold, says Lehman. "Baseball was his whole life and he determined to play the game again if it could possibly be."

TODAY'S GUEST STAR
Garrison, Burlington, Ia., Eye Gazette "Nearly all Big Ten basketball teams lower average scores this year than the coaches are puzzled by the reason. . . . That's Chicago. U. serves as the last season to let the nine quintets run up big totals. This year they were

ette Defeats "Mask" In Portland
PORTLAND, March 20 (AP)—Dusette defeated the "Mask" here last night after the first fall on a scuffed head butts by the hooded "Mask" Dusette took the next fall with his standing full

FIELD TRIALS
OKANE, March 20 (AP)—A pointer, Miss Lux, owned by Lloyd Sulter of Tacoma, was handled by Ed Harrison of the all-age champion of the Pacific Coast field yesterday.

DEPTING CAGE
"IT IS HARDLY NEW," says making book on the ball game is a mid-winter natural for gamblers. "You'll do as much betting on our games at Hanover as you will on one in Madison Garden," asserts Dartmouth's director of athletics. "The crowd adds that there's nothing new about gamblers betting to reach college play-

FIGHTS
The Associated Press reports Steve Dudas, age 21, of New York, outpointed Ed Menichelli, 194, of Alres, 10.
When in Medford Stay at HOTEL HOLLAND Thoroughly Modern and Anne Earley Proprietors

Kozatske?



Pigtails flying, Eleanor Leverson, 12, of Los Angeles, youngest entrant in national and North American amateur figure skating championships, cuts caper at New York's Iceland.

Dodgers Eye Trade With Cubs

President Branch Rickey Searching For Catchers

By TED MEIER
NEW YORK, March 20 (AP)—A trade is brewing between the Brooklyn Dodgers and the Chicago Cubs, baseball circles heard today.
Word came from the Bear Mountain camp of the Dodgers that President Branch Rickey was searching for a catcher to help Stan Andrews, the only backstopper the Dodgers currently possess.
Rickey, it was rumored, was eyeing the four catchers the Cubs have. As trading ball, Rickey is said to have put French Bordagaray on the block.
Pitcher Whit Wyatt, who was hampered with a lame arm last season, appeared at Bear Mountain, but Mickey said that he, along with Pitcher Art Herring, are classified 2-C in the draft and will not be available for an indefinite period. Infielder Barney Koch and Pitcher Les Webber were listed as holdouts.
Other training camp briefs: Boston Red Sox—Five players still unsigned, among them Star Pitcher Emmet O'Neill who wants more money.
Detroit Tigers—Third Sacker Pinky Higgins, 38 in May, due to take pre-induction physical exam on Thursday. His loss would seriously cripple team.
Cleveland Indians—Catcher Jim McDonnell, who probably will be No. 1 catcher, arrived at LaFayette, Ind., camp.
St. Louis Browns—First Baseman George McQuinn signed contract. Pitcher Sig Jakucki reported his arm felt sore.
Pittsburgh Pirates—Third Baseman Bob Elliott, a 4-F whose third draft exam has been referred to Washington for final decision was expected to report today.
Boston Braves—Pitcher Tom Early, recently discharged from army, reported eager to resume where he left off in 1943.
St. Louis Cardinals—Blix Donnelly, world series pitching star, was rejected by army for 10th time. Mort Cooper, 20-game winner, signed contract and infielder Johnny Antonelli was classified 4-F.
New York Giants—Outfielder Danny Gardella suffered sprained ankle when he stepped into gopher hole while chasing flies.
New York Yankees—Outfielder Johnny Lindell signed contract. Allen Gettel, up from Norfolk, was termed likely prospect as starting pitcher.
Cincinnati Reds—Rain forces first workout to be held indoors.
Chicago White Sox—Bill Nagel, third baseman purchased from Milwaukee, reported. Shortstop Floyd Baker called up for draft re-exam at Youngstown March 26.
Philadelphia Phils—Southpaw Al Gerhart showed up at camp, but said he still is dissatisfied with contract. Pitcher Wilbur Reaser said he is returning to Reading, Pa., for war work.
Chicago Cubs—Pitcher Ed Hanyzewski was scheduled to test arm in practice game today.
Philadelphia A's—Russ Christopher, star twirler, reported 10 pounds underweight.

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From Midfield

By PAUL HAINES

Oregon Crowned Conference Champion

In as thrilling a ball game as we have ever heard, the University of Oregon basketball team won the Pacific coast, northern division crown Saturday night on McArthur court by downing the Cougars of Washington State, 39 to 37.
It was a great victory for the Webfoots as they trailed, 21 to 15, at halftime and were forced to make an uphill fight all the way. By winning Saturday night's game, the Webfoots proved one thing, if no other, and that is that the Ducks are strictly a second half ball club.
They trailed Oregon State at the half in the first of the deciding games for the conference title and were behind the Cougars at the midway point in all three of the playoff tilts. This fact is all the more credit to the dauntless Ducks and they are all the more deserving of the title.
In the second half of the final titanic struggle the Webfoots had to overcome a six-point lead rolled up by the Cougars in the first half and the score was tied numerous times during the last half. Elongated Vince Hanson, record-breaking Cougar center, couldn't quite do it all alone, although he kept the Washington State five in the running right up until the final gun.
Dick Wilkins and Jim Bartlett were the big guns of the Oregon attack, as Bob Hamilton, Webfoot guard and captain, was once again effectively covered by George Hamilton of the Cougars.
In picking Washington State to win the crown, we still feel that we made a good choice. In a playoff series as close as this one turned out to be, and especially in the final tussle where there was only two-points difference, one lucky shot or one minor misplay can spell the difference between defeat or victory.
The Oregon triumph Saturday night was no fluke, however, as the Webfoots certainly won the honor the hard way. Honest John Warren and his boys will now represent the Pacific northwest in the NCAA tourney and we wish them luck against such teams as Ohio State and Kentucky. Not since the famous "Tall Firs" has an Oregon club won national recognition and we sincerely and fervently hope that the "Small Pines" are successful in their eastern campaign.



HAINES

Pete Belcastro Will Tussle With "Mask"

The top tussle on the crunch card Friday night at the Klamath armory will pit meany Pete Belcastro against the "Grey Mask." Belcastro has given Mr. Stoneface a bad time upon two previous occasions here and a wild evening is on tap for Klamath rassing fans.
Promoter Mack Lillard is seeking the services of popular Ernie Piluso in the semi-wind-up against a top-notch opponent. Piluso has not rassed here in several months, ever since he was beaten by Gorgous George Wagner, and he will be going all out to redeem himself in the eyes of Klamath mat addicts.
JUST LIKE SLIPPING IN THE BATHTUB
NORMAN, Okla. — George Strommeyer, the Iowa Seahawks' all-service All-America center, went through the intense pre-flight course as though it were a breeze, played a rigorous football season with hardly more than a scratch. Cadet Strommeyer progressed through primary flight training at Norman, was about to shove off for intermediate when the USO asked him to put on a diving exhibition. He slipped on the board, threw his right arm under him to break the fall and fractured his hand.

Odds and Ends in the World of Sports

Fee's Music Makers, top independent basketball club of Portland, will meet the Ute, Iowa, Indians in the first round of the national AAU cage tournament at Denver, Colo. . . . Mort Cooper, star hurler for the World Champion St. Louis Cardinals, is still 4-F after a three-day physical examination. . . . Lt. Bert Sheppard, whose right leg was amputated below the knee because of a wound received as a pilot with the 55th squadron, now has a role as batting practice pitcher with the Washington Senators of the American league. . . . The pitching staff of the Detroit Tigers looms as the best in the American circuit with Hal Newhouser, Dizzy Trout, Stubby Overmire forming its backbone. . . . We heartily disagree with L. H. Gregory, sports editor of the Oregonian, who is crying loudly and too avial that Brooklyn college should withdraw from competition due to the "Brooklyn basketball scandal" a few months ago. Greg laments that the college has "no sense of shame." What's he want the students and the faculty to do—go around wearing sackcloth and ashes?

Oma, Mauriello Set For Fracas Friday

NEW YORK, March 20 (AP)—Heavyweights Lee Oma and Tami Mauriello, who meet in a 10-rounder at Madison Square Garden Friday night, were pronounced fit yesterday after the customary examination at the office of the state athletic commission. Oma said he weighed 186, Mauriello about 186.

Mickey Cochrane's Son Reported Dead

LAKE FOREST, Ill., March 20 (AP)—PFC Gordon Cochrane Jr., 20-year-old son of Lt. Comdr. Gordon (Mickey) Cochrane, former American league star catcher and manager, was killed in action February 25 in Holland, his mother was notified by the war department.
Young Cochrane, a student at Iowa State college before entering service in January, 1944, went overseas last October.
Comdr. Cochrane, one-time Detroit Tigers manager, now is on duty in the Pacific. He had been baseball manager at Great Lakes training center for three seasons.

Sam Meets Lord Byron In Playoff

Snead Fritters Away Good Chance On Last Two Holes

By FRITZ LITTLEJOHN
CHARLOTTE, N. C., March 20 (AP)—The two best shotmakers now in business—Sam Snead and Lord Byron Nelson—met here today in an 18-hole playoff for the \$10,000 Charlotte Open golf tournament title.
They deadlocked at the end of the regulation 72-holes with scores of 272 when Snead, after leading for 70 holes, grew over cautious on the 71st and 72nd and frittered away his chance to clinch first prize—two \$1000 war bonds.
Nelson, always a great finisher, posted a closing 68. Slammin Sam needed to finish par-par on the last two holes to sew up two modern records—four tournaments in a row and seven in one winter season.
Second place in the rich war bond tournament is worth \$1500 Gene Kunes of Hollywood, Fla., slipped into third place seven shots off the pace and Sam Byrd was fourth at 280.
Jug McSpaden, in second place through the first three rounds, needed a big 77 and wound up fifth. McSpaden finished a stroke back of Sgt. Dutch Harrison in the 1944 tournament.
From here the touring professionals will go to Greensboro for a \$7500 war bond tournament beginning Friday.
If it's a "frozen" article you need, advertise for a used one in the classified.

Doghouse Blues

This New York bass fiddle player probably was moaning the blues as he packed up his "doghouse" and headed for home when the midnight curfew law closed his nightclub.

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St. John's Five Noses Out Fighting Muhlenberg, 34-33

NEW YORK, March 20 (AP)—In one of the most exciting games of the season, St. John's, defending champions, squeaked by Muhlenberg, 34 to 33, in the National Invitational basketball tournament at Madison Square Garden last night.
A crowd of 18,081 saw the Redmen and the Allentown, Pa., quintet put on their spine-tingling thriller after the top-seeded DePaul Demons from Chicago had overwhelmed West Virginia, 75 to 52.
The triumphs put St. John's and DePaul in the semi-final round on Wednesday against Rhone Island State and Bowling Green, respectively.
Sparked by Oscar "Red" Baldwin, the Pennsylvanians took an early 10-0 lead, but St. John's pulled to within 14-13 at halftime and went ahead at 15-14 soon after the second half started. The crowd was in a continuous uproar thereafter as the lead changed hands 12 times.
Big 6:09 George Mikan flipped in 33 points, the season's high at the Garden, as DePaul whipped West Virginia, the opener. A 15-0 gether Mikan scored 13 field goals and seven free throws before he was banished on five personal fouls. He made 23 points in the first half.

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