



Angelo Martinelli has a split and double leg lock on Buck Davidson and the ex-marine is pleading for mercy while trying to keep his shoulders off the deck. The referee is Norval Stockstill. Martinelli takes on Seattle Ben Sherman in tomorrow's curtain-raiser at the armory.



National Leaguers Set Minor Records

The 1945 major league baseball season, which was not unusually remarkable in any respect except that the play was a great improvement over the strictly war years and a handful of good players got back into the game after war service, did see a few minor all-time National league records set, according to official statistics recently released.

Phil Cavaretta, Chicago's first baseman, won the NL batting honors with .355—177 hits in 498 times at bat—and went on to run wild in the world series against the Tigers. Tom Holmes got 224 bingles for the Braves and his average was second best, .352. Holmes hit safely in 37 consecutive games, led in home runs with 28 and doubles with 47. He slugged for the highest base total, 367, and played in Boston's every game.

Stan Hack of Chicago got 155 singles, and the Dodgers' Luis Olmo topped the three-bagger division with 13. By winning the senior loop pennant, the Cubs established that National league mark at 18. The Giants have come out on top 15 times. Chicago's winning of 20 double-headers is another record. The Cubs enjoyed playing the Cincy Reds during the past season, winning 21 of 22 games from the Rhinelanders.

Mel Ott finished his 20th season for the Giants, pushing his lifetime league records to 1857 runs scored, 1856 batted in, 5032 total bases, 1069 extra-base blows, 510 home runs and 1700 walks. The Giants will be owing Mel a pension soon.

The down-trodden Phillies also set a couple of league marks: cellar record of 17 times and 100 or more losses per season at 13 times. The Phils lost 108 games last season. Anton Karl hurled portions of 67 games for the Phillies, none of them complete, for a new record.

For the fourth successive season Vince DiMaggio fanned most often, 91 times. He also hit four homers with the bags filled. Ed Stanky walked 147 times for the Dodgers, and Babe Dahlgren hit into 23 double plays.

The Giants and Reds played baseball close to the vest. Each won 28 and lost 23 games by one-run margins. Boston played 53 one-run games but won only 20 of them.

National league pitching was even less spectacular than the slouting. Hal Gregg of Brooklyn pitched two one-hitters, against the Braves and Phillies and a two-hitter against the Phillies. Gregg won 18 and lost 13 during the season. Tracey Barrett dropped 20 tilts for the Phils, contributing materially to the Quakers 108 losses. Charlie Schanz of the Phils hit four Cincy batsmen in one game.

Golden Gophers Biggest Sports Flop Of Year

NEW YORK, Dec. 20 (AP)—The University of Minnesota football team, which started off like a house on fire, then lost five in a row, today was named the "Flop of the Year" in the annual Associated Press year-end poll.

The collapse of the Golden Gophers was far and away the biggest disappointment singled out by the sports writers participating in the voting. It polled a total of 112 points compared to the St. Louis baseball Cardinals, whose failure to again win the National league pennant, put them in second place at 32 points.

The failure of the Chicago Bears in the National Football league was ranked third with 30 points, only one point ahead of

the St. Louis Browns who were expected to repeat their 1944 pennant winning of the American league.

Special Elk Season Set For Baker

Ranchers Complain That Animals Are Raiding Their Fields

PORTLAND, Dec. 20 (AP)—A special elk-shooting season to reduce elk numbers encroaching on agricultural land will be held in Baker county Dec. 28-31.

The state game commission authorized the emergency season after Baker county ranchers complained elk were invading their haystacks and fences. Ten ranchers were accused early this month of shooting 13 elk on their places.

The commission said early snows over the Blue mountains have forced more than 600 elk into lowland agricultural regions.

Bag limit will be one elk of either sex, with hunters who have not used their 1945 tag eligible. Tags will be available at Pendleton, LaGrande, Baker and Portland.

The area included in the special season: Beginning at the city of Baker, thence north along U. S. highway No. 30 to its junction with Wolf creek at North Powder; thence west along Wolf creek to the summit of the Blue mountains near Anthony butte; thence south along the Blue mountain summit to Columbia Hill; thence south along the Fruit creek road to Sumpter; thence east along the main Sumpter valley road to its junction with state highway No. 7 at Salisbury; thence north along state highway No. 7 to Baker.

Bumper Crop of Nags For Santa Anita

ARCADIA, Calif., Dec. 20 (AP)—If only a small fraction of the nominees start, it will still be crowded at the gate March 9 for the ninth running of the \$100,000 Santa Anita Handicap. A list of 134 nominations for the hundred-grander was released yesterday by the Los Angeles Turf club. It is believed to be an all-time high for an all-age race.

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By Hale Scarbrough, Sports Editor

Pels Play Eureka Tonight In Grants Pass Tourney

Sixteen Oregon and California cage teams, including the Klamath Falls Pelicans, are engaging in the Grants Pass A and B loop basketball tourney beginning this afternoon and running through Saturday. The Pels are in the A bracket, along with two teams each from Weed and Eureka and singles from Cottage Grove, Roseburg and Grants Pass.

The two California towns got a pair of quints in the top division as the brackets were set up on an age-weight-height basis.

B entries include Kerby Union high, Gold Hill, Central Point, Glendale, Prospect, Medford B, Reedsport and the Grants Pass junior varsity. The junior loop games will be played in the

afternoons and the varsity tilts in the evening. Four games will be played each afternoon and four more in the evening.

The Pelicans play Eureka's second team tonight. Other first division pairings put Roseburg against one of the Weed quintets, Grants Pass against the other Weed outfit and Cottage Grove against the remaining Eureka squad.

Junior pairings for this afternoon have Kerby and Gold Hill, Grants Pass Jayvees and Central Point, Glendale versus Prospect and Reedsport against Medford.

Cougar Coach Will Scout Southern Cal

PULLMAN, Dec. 20 (AP)—Coach Phil Sorboe of Washington State college's football squad, stamped himself a long-range planner yesterday when he announced he would attend the Rose Bowl game New Year's day with one of his purposes to scout southern California for his Cougar's season's opener next year.

His other reason, he said, was to cheer the Trojans on in their battle with Alabama.

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