

He Takes Wedemeyer Over Gilmer

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 3 (AP)—These football postmortems wind it up until next fall, maybe, so bear with us. In the All-America tub thumping, concluded some time back, there was considerable competition between the rooting section for Alabama's Harry Gilmer and St. Mary's Herman Wedemeyer.

These two halfbacks had wide support for mythical national team honors, deservedly so. This writer saw Wedemeyer in his most important games, excluding the Sugar Bowl. He saw Gilmer

in the Rose Bowl against Southern California.

They are a dandy pair, no mistake. Which would be considered the more valuable? In our book it would be Wedemeyer. These are the reasons. Wedemeyer served in a greater gridiron capacity than Gilmer. He handled more chores than the Alabama and had less to squawk with in the matter of squad strength.

Alabama supporters said Gilmer had an off day against USC when he completed four out of a

dozen passes. He looked plenty good, nevertheless, on the pitches, he throws 'em long and short.

Wedemeyer throws about as good a pass as Gilmer, although the latter's pogo pass from off the ground is more spectacular. They're first class ball carriers. Wedemeyer slightly harder knocking and Gilmer's lope, whirl and change of pace a bit more deceptive.

As safety man, we'd rank them about equal. Wedemeyer's added value lay in the fact he stood

out as a punter and place kicker. On defense he was near the top in pass interceptions, in fact his all-around defensive play compared favorably to the best seen anywhere in years.

Gilmer of Alabama is a corking player, good enough for any team.

So is Wedemeyer. However, we think that most coaches, if they had to make a choice between these two, would pick the Hawaiian-born athlete attending St. Mary's because of his impressive versatility.



Now that the bowl games are over and the traffic jams around the stadia at Pasadena, New Orleans and San Francisco are probably getting things heated out a bit, we will admit we came out a small bit of pocket change ahead on our forecasts although we muffed a couple horribly. We now blushing grant that Oklahoma A. & M. has a better team than St. Mary's and that Texas can whip Missouri.

Pel Hoopsters Drilling For Twin-Bill With Bend

Wildcats Schedule Prelim With Malin For Saturday; No Opener On Friday

A preliminary game to be played before the Pelican-Lava Bears tilt Saturday night has been scheduled between Coach Paul Angstead's Wildcats and the Malin Mustangs, taking the KUHS floor at 7 o'clock.

At present there has been no prelim slated for Friday night and the Klamath-Bend game is supposed to get started at 8 o'clock.

Already a classy outfit, the Pelicans appear to be getting better all the time and Coach Dutch French is highly optimistic over the Pel's chances of sweeping the Bend series. Very little is known about the Lava Bears this season and French has had no first-hand information as to the strength or weakness of the Deschutes county five.

So to be on the safe side he's drilling the Pels thoroughly on offense, preparing them to carry the game at their own pace without capitalizing on any Bend

weaknesses that may materialize.

In practice last night the K-men ran through fast break and shooting formations exclusively and apparently intend to pass up no chance to aim for the basket against the Lava Bears. The entire squad is in tip-top condition for the coming fray and the red-hot first string of Gene Hoyer, Jerry Thorne, Ray Craig, Jim Palmer and Leroy Coleman will probably get the starting signal.

Paul Derringer Looking For Pitching Berth

CHICAGO, Jan. 3 (AP)—Big Paul Derringer, who pitched for three National league baseball clubs in his 15 years in the majors, was looking for a new job today, preferably in the big leagues.

The 39-year-old right hander, released by the Chicago Cubs yesterday, said he had applied for a pitching job with all major league clubs.

Derringer's major league record was 223 wins and 212 defeats, including 10 and 11 with the Cubs in 1945, his best season in three with Chicago. His big league career started with St. Louis in 1931. He was traded to Cincinnati in 1933 and stayed with the Reds until 1943 when he was sold to the Cubs.

Game Commission Slates Open Meet For January 12

The annual hearing of the Oregon state game commission with reference to angling regulations will be held at 10 o'clock, Saturday morning, January 12, at its offices, 816 Oregon building, Portland, Ore.

Consideration at that time will be given to seasons, bag limits and other regulations affecting the taking of game fish for the ensuing year.

The hearing is open to the general public.

Lippy Leo Signs For Another Term

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Jan. 3 (AP)—Leo (The Lip) Durocher, back as the Brooklyn Dodgers' 1946 manager, quipped today that the Daffiness boys would finish among the first eight in their eight-team National league.

He was more optimistic in a telephone conversation last night with Dodger officials in New York—a talk that ended in agreement with President Branch Rickey to pilot the "Bums" for the eighth year.

Durocher told Rickey he was "high" on the Dodgers' pennant chances, and informed another official it was his No. 1 ambition to win a pennant under Rickey. His 7-year record is one pennant won, second place twice, third three times and seventh once.

With more salary promised—and perhaps an understanding on a bonus—Durocher went right to work to select his regulars for the coming season.

SPORTS

By Hale Scarborough, Sports Editor

Twenty-One Ball Players Named For Hall Of Fame

NEW YORK, Jan. 3 (AP)—Twenty-one former major league baseball stars have been nominated by the Baseball Writers' Association of America for places in baseball's hall of fame.

Final voting will be completed January 19. Under the new rules the 202 members are authorized to select five men who must poll 75 per cent of the final vote.

New Players Bolster OSC Cage Hopes

CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 3 (AP)—Four lettermen and two outstanding freshmen performers registered at Oregon State yesterday and immediately were declared eligible for the Beaver basketball squad.

The veterans were six-foot-six Glenn Warren, Corvallis; Erlend Anderson, Silverton; Dick Strahl, Portland, and Larry West, Corvallis.

The freshmen are Cliff Crandall, 1943 all-state prep star from Astoria, and Ron Esping, all-city star from Portland's Jefferson high.

Two grid stars, members of the Oregon State 1942 Rose Bowl team, also registered yesterday. They are Martin Chaves, Baker, and Norm Newman, Hoquiam, Wash.

Canucks Grab Encounter From Webfoots

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 3 (AP)—The University of British Columbia basketball team took an early lead and made it stand up for a 72-61 victory over the University of Oregon here last night.

The Webfoots had won two previous encounters between the two clubs.

The Canadians took a 10-1 lead early, but Oregon pulled into a 17-17 tie after eight minutes.

The teams kept pace until Oregon moved ahead 35-33 at 17 minutes and 43-39 at the half.

The Canadians tied it at 45-45 early in the second half, and led by Harry Kermode and Ron Weber, who each scored 18 points, swept into the lead and stayed there.

George Bray, with 16, was high for Oregon.

Conn Starts Grind Ready For Louis

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 3 (AP)—Billy Conn was en route to Hot Springs, Ark., today for a training grind he hoped would pare 10 pounds off his weight and get his legs in trim for his heavy-weight title bout with Joe Louis next June.

Conn, disagreeing with those who believe Louis will not be able to get in shape, said "Joe will be ready, don't worry about that. He's got some weight around his stomach, but he'll take that off when he starts hard training. We'll both be in good shape."

Plane Establishes New Speed Record

RINEANNA, Ire., Jan. 3 (AP)—A Pan-American plane landed at Rineanna yesterday seven hours and 58 minutes after taking off from Gander, Newfoundland, establishing a new speed record for the flight for the type of plane. The previous mark was 8 hours, 12 minutes.

The plane was piloted by Capt. William H. Grace of Mount Vernon, Wash., it was aided by strong tail winds.

TAKE HOME THE BACON

HASTINGS, Neb., Jan. 3 (AP)—All during the war a customer at one Hastings meat market joshed his butcher by walking into the shop and calling out loudly, "10 pounds of bacon please."

The other day after he made his customary request, the butcher produced a 10-pound slab of bacon. Then the customer was forced to talk his way out of making the \$4 purchase.

Classified Ads Bring Results.

Never Too Cold For Beauty



Inspired by the various bowl games in sunny sections of the country, two teams of former St. Paul, Minn., high school football players put on a gag Snow Bowl, complete with queen. Barbara DeSmidt (left) was it. The other scantily-clad sweetheart is Corrine Miller, a candidate for the post. The girls basked this way only for the picture and were well-wrapped when they viewed the game, which ended in a scoreless tie in a foot of snow. (AP wirephoto).

Ohio State Mentor Steps Down A Notch In Jobs

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 3 (AP)—Ohio State university today had its fourth new head football coach in 12 years after an unprecedented swap in which the head coach and his assistant traded jobs.

Moved up to head coach was Paul O. Bixler, 39, an assistant since 1941.

Dropped back to assistant was Carroll C. Widdoes, 42, who in 1944 gave the Bucks their first perfect regular season since 1920 and a Big Ten championship and whose 1945 team lost only to Purdue and Michigan. Widdoes also was named "coach of the year" in 1944.

The Ohio State athletic board, which said it unanimously approved the change, made public a copy of a letter from Widdoes in which he offered his resignation because "I have come to the conclusion that I was better satisfied as an assistant than I have been as head coach."

PLAN VACATION

LONDON, Jan. 3 (AP)—Former Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Mrs. Churchill will leave January 9 aboard the Queen Elizabeth for their American vacation, it was announced today. Their daughter, Sarah, will join them later.

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RASSLING RESUME

In rassling, as in everything else, a trerz of fashion can be perceived and the northwest circuit may be having the end of one cycle and the beginning of another in the gentle art of mayhem before customers.

All last year the brutal bashers held sway, led by the redoubtable Grey Mask. Also in the eye-gouging, head-butting retinue were such mad demons as Jack Lipscomb, Rufus Jones, Pete Belcastro, George Wagner and Georges Dusette.

Then, in the late months, a new type of grappler began to ease into the picture, clean, youthful, energetic and talented. In that group count Joe Lynam, Angelo Martinelli and Herb Parks. They met the ruffians on the latter's own terms, were very successful and pleased the crowd. Lynam holds the only known win over the Grey Mask, Lynam also has lifted Jack Lipscomb's junior heavy crown, both Martinelli and Parks have battled the circuit's Murderer's Row to a standstill.

Now into the latter rank comes another ex-army man, Joe Smolinsky, who will battle Herbie Parks here next Tuesday. All we know of Smolinsky is that he was an army wrestling and physical training instructor, so the odds are he has talent along the line of pure muscling.

Two old warhorses, Jack Lipscomb and Gust Johnson, will bash it out in the semi-windup of the year's first grapple card. Jack is undoubtedly the vilest-tempered gentleman to crawl in the local ring for a long time, while the Old Viking is a mild-mannered cuss and very popular.

The likeable Martinelli takes

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