

Cards Trounce Eagles, 28-21

Chicago Takes Pro Grid Belt

CHICAGO, Dec. 29 (AP)—The Chicago Cardinals today reigned as the National Football league champions for the second time in the professional circuit's 28-year history and they owed it all to a "fast break" that would put basketball to shame.

In fact, yesterday's league championship game at cement-like Conkey park was exclusively a "gym shoe" romp in which the Cardinals outlasted the Philadelphia Eagles, 28-21, before a shivering throng of 30,750.

Webfoots Entertain Jayhawks

SEATTLE, Dec. 29 (AP)—Back to their home stands, Oregon and Oregon State basket quintets perform on the reception committee tonight and Tuesday, hopeful of making it just as warm a reception as they have received in their respective road jaunts.

Oregon, which blasted out a 69-49 victory over the much trampled Springfield, Mass., college five Saturday night, hosts the strong Kansas university Jayhawks, while Oregon State, twice defeated in California appearances over the weekend, entertains the powerful University of California Bears.

Oregon State dropped a 44-42 decision to University of San Francisco Saturday night after losing an overtime encounter the previous evening to Stanford.

Washington, meanwhile, was en route home after dropping the old game of five in the Mid-west—a 68-60 verdict to Ohio State Saturday night.

Idaho, though defeated 73-44 by Marshall college of West Virginia, still retained a chance for third place in the Los Angeles collegiate invitational championship, and will meet Brigham Young Tuesday night.

Wally Butts Angered At Salary Audit

ATLANTA, Dec. 29 (AP)—Head Football Coach Wallace Butts of the University of Georgia has offered to resign after accusing State Auditor B. E. Thrasher Jr., of "distorting expenses" in connection with Butts' salary.

Thrasher recently reported that Butts received \$19,749.95 during the last fiscal year, \$9,909.92 as salary, \$708.33 as a bonus, \$6,641.70 as subsistence allowance, and \$3,900 as "Sugar Bowl contingencies."

Butts said his salary as coach and athletic director is \$12,000 annually, and declared he objected to Thrasher's inference that over \$19,000 "came to me personally" the last year.

Butts was joined in his protest of Thrasher's criticism by President Harmon W. Caldwell who denied the auditor's charge that the Georgia Athletic association has improperly created a state debt.

Eight-Game Streak For Tacoma Ends

By The Associated Press
The eight-game win streak of the Tacoma Mountaineers was ended today, a 55-56 Sunday victim of the Bellingham Firecrackers, but the Tacoma continued to hold down the Pacific Coast Professional Basketball league by a half game over the Seattle Athletics.

Seattle knocked off Portland 73-64 yesterday after downing Bellingham 66-56 Saturday night to draw up on the Tacoma who could gain only an even split over the weekend. The leaders bumped Portland Saturday 70-55.

A half game behind Seattle and only a single game behind the Tacoma is Vancouver which rambled over Astoria 97-66 in a record breaking 111 Saturday in Vancouver. Norm Baker's 37 points for Vancouver took over the league's one-game individual scoring mark from Astoria's Ken Hays, and the 97 points lifted the single game team mark from the 91 previously registered by the Canadians against Portland. Hays had led individual scoring with a 32-point effort marked up against Bellingham December 17.

The cumulative 163 points fell five below the 168 racked up when Portland dumped Bellingham 88-80 December 14.

Tonight the schedule shows Tacoma at Bellingham, Portland at Seattle and Astoria at Vancouver.

Frisco Chinese Win
SEATTLE, Dec. 29 (AP)—The San Francisco Chinese staged a stormy third quarter drive last night to overcome a mid-game deficit and edge out the Hawaiian All-Stars 48-43 for the first annual Oriental-American basketball tournament title.

The Chicago Huskies defeated Seattle Nisei 45-27 for third place.

NAME THE BALL CLUB Contest

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Klamath Falls holds a franchise for a professional baseball team in the class D Far West league and the ownership organization, Klamath Baseball, Inc., wants the fans to choose the name for the club. Suitable and valuable prizes will be awarded the person suggesting the name which is accepted by the judges and who writes the best conclusion, in 50 words or less, to the sentence: "Professional baseball has a place in Klamath Falls because—"

Write the name of your choice and your contest sentence on a postal card and mail to:
Don Neal, radio station KFLW,
or
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Pels Finish Strong In Whipping Albany

The Klamath Pelicans made a roaring comeback in the second half of their two-game series with the Albany Bulldogs Saturday night, looping in an amazing 37 points in the second half and literally running the Bulldogs into the floor with a suddenly revitalized fast break. The score was 52-34.

Friday night Albany had laked a surprise 40-38 overtime verdict from the Pels on much the same tactics, coming back with a rush in the second half.

The Pelicans were on the bottom of 17-15 at halftime Saturday, but it was a completely changed team which took the floor for the second half. Three baskets in a row by Forward Jack Kennell pushed Klamath into the lead and they kept going from there.

Kennell, who has been an infrequent scorer all season this far, surprised even Coach Wayne Scott and himself by hitting the hoop for 17 points in the game, the first time any member of the Pelicans has come up with that amount of individual scoring.

The Pels continue their holiday exhibition series tonight, meeting the Eureka Lumberjacks in the first of a two-game set at the KU gym. The main event is slated to 8 p. m.

Lineups and scoring:
Klamath: Kennell (17), P. (10), Simon (10), Daves (7), C. (5), Erb (5), Lutz (3), Haines (2), G. (2), McCloskey (2), Zarosinski (2), G. (2), Reid (2).
Klamath reserves—Whitney (2), Dorman (1), Edwards, Elliott (1). Albany: Green, Merrill (2), Smith, Heiss (2).

END OF YEAR SHOULD SLICE UNBEATEN RANK

NEW YORK, Dec. 29 (AP)—The basketball picture on New Year's night should give the fans a pretty good indication of who's who in the college game world.

By that date, a majority of the current unbeaten crop—some 30-odd quintets—will have been through the mill following a flock of tough games tonight, tomorrow and Wednesday. In addition, such power-packed but once-beaten lives as North Carolina State, Holy Cross,

Kentucky, Oklahoma A. and M., Purdue, Bowling Green, Georgetown, Temple, Utah, Syracuse, Michigan and Michigan State also will have encountered stiff opposition.

Three major unbeaten, for instance, are scheduled to compete in the three-day Oklahoma City tournament which gets under way tonight. They are Texas (8-0), Hamline (6-0) and Alabama (4-0). Two of these are certain to face defeat for the first time, and with such strong opposition as the Oklahoma Aggies (6-1), Georgia Tech (3-1), Wyoming (6-2) and Baylor (5-3), it is not at all improbable that all three may be knocked off the unbeaten perch.

Kansas State (8-0), New York University (6-0), Western Kentucky (6-0), Toledo (8-0), St. Louis (6-0), and Louisville (7-0), face the most difficult assignments. Coach Jack Gardner's speedy Kansas State Wildcats, who already boast victories over such stalwarts as Indiana, Oklahoma and Oklahoma A. and M., take on formidable Canisius at the latter's home court on Buffalo. Memorial auditorium tomorrow. They also meet strong St. Joseph's in Philadelphia next Saturday.

Wichita Due For Raisin Contest
FRESNO, Calif., Dec. 29 (AP)—The University of Wichita football team was due here about noon today to begin final practices for their New Year's Day game against College of the Pacific in the third annual Raisin Bowl contest.

The COP Tigers, champions of the California Collegiate Athletic association, will not come here until Wednesday.

The game is expected to produce a battle for individual honors between Linwood Sexton, ace Wichita halfback, and 17-year-old Eddie Le Baron of Pacific. Sexton has been an all-Missouri halfback choice three years running and Le Baron, one of Northern California's outstanding backs, is a little All-America and All-Coast selection.

Cowboys Due At San Diego
SAN DIEGO, Calif., Dec. 29 (AP)—A workout in Balboa Municipal stadium, site of the New Year's Day Harbor Bowl here, is the first order of business for the Hardin-Simmons football cowboys after they arrive by air today.

The Cowboys meet the San Diego State Aztecs, who planned a final scrimmage this morning.

Coach Warren Woodson's Texans were scheduled to arrive by plane at 2 p. m.

Faint Gleam Of Hope Seen In USC Camp

Trojans May Evolve Tactics To Offense Michigan Defensive

PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 29 (AP)—Southern California and Michigan head into the final stages of conditioning today for their New Year's Day engagement in the Rose Bowl, and surprising enough, it appears a gentle ray of hope has begun to peep out of the USC camp.

Apparently the only reason for their cautious upgrade of optimism is based on the complete secrecy thrown around the Trojans' drills—and possible new operational plans.

Jeff Cravath, the Trojans' coach, who guided them to four Pacific Coast conference championships and two wins in three trips to the Rose Bowl since 1942, has not been exactly mysterious; he just hasn't been talking.

Best bet is that USC will try to mount a charging defense, practically an offense, in breaking up Michigan's vaunted slight-of-hand trick before the Wolverines' Fullback, Jack Weisenburger, or the two halfbacks, Bob Chappuis or bouncing Bump Elliott, can get going.

To put the matters nicely, the Trojans are noted for sheer strength—and, shall we say, conservative thinking. Which means conservative playing.

But, as Trojans' quavering but hopeful followers point out, Mr. Cravath is no lavender and old lace thinker. In 1941 he turned out a University of San Francisco eleven that could match in dip-ty-do anything produced in the daring Southwest Conference and the highest scoring team in the nation. It had imagination, bravado and smart coaching behind it.

Whether Cravath has the material—certainly he can't match Cruder's offensive-defensive eleven because he simply does not have line depth—to latch onto a new look at this late date is something that won't be answered until Thursday afternoon.

But Cravath and the Trojans, who have nothing now to lose and everything to gain, can't have been twiddling the same thumbs since the Notre Dame game. That is why a faint hint of optimism has emanated the past couple of days from the Trojans' den at Santa Barbara.

Shrine Stars End Practice

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29 (AP)—Heavy practice was ended today at outstanding college stars representing the East and the West tapered off training for the annual Shrine football game in Kezar stadium New Year's Day for the benefit of crippled children.

Both camps went through only one workout yesterday, prior to the annual sightseeing trip to Santa Cruz, and opposing coaches scheduled only one session a day from now on.

Coaches Bernie Bierman, Andy Kerr and Howard Odell of the East squad agreed their players were in good mental and physical condition. Tony Minisi of Pennsylvania, who sprained an ankle in a scrimmage Saturday, is expected to be ready for action by Thursday.

Head Coach Don Raup, put the Westerners through a two-hour workout yesterday at their Stanford university camp. The session included a dummy scrimmage, practice on offensive plays and emphasis on a defense against expected East plays.

Some of the white sand dunes in San Luis valley, Calif., rise to a height of 1000 feet.

Yanks Tap Mellbye

PORTLAND, Dec. 29 (AP)—Clarence Mellbye, 22, right-handed pitcher from Linfield college, will get a try-out with a New York Yankees baseball farm club next spring. Scout Syl Johnson said he had signed Mellbye, but did not know to which farm team he would be sent.

Browns Get Title

CLEVELAND, Dec. 29 (AP)—The Cleveland Browns, champions of the All-America conference, today announced the signing of Y. A. Tittle Jr., star passer and signal caller for the past four years at Louisiana State university.

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Phil Sampson Gets Portland Bout

Young Phil Sampson, welterweight of Reno and Klamath Falls, will appear in a supporting bout to the Jack Snapp-Bobby Volk 15-round middleweight match in Portland New Year's Day.

Matchmaker C. W. Hutchinson Saturday announced that Sampson would be faced by Buford Hanson, young negro from Seattle, who is fast rising in the 147-pound bracket. The fight will be a six rounder, one of three on the support card to the Pacific Northwest middleweight scrap.

Sampson has done all his professional fighting here, five bouts, and holds four quick knockouts and one decision loss. Recently he has been inactive at his home in Reno.

The remainder of the Portland holiday card will put Chuck Brown,

Portland lightweight, against Hal Robbins of Vancouver, B. C., six rounds; Joey Ortega of Vanport against Paulie Cook, Tacoma, featherweights, six rounds; and Dick Abney of Salem against Dave Arndt of Portland, middleweights, four chapters.

Snapp and Volk finished off their heavy training at the PAL gym yesterday, attracting a good-sized crowd of the ring faithful to watch their work. From now until Thursday both boxers will confine their exercise to morning sprints and callisthenics. Both are reported in fine shape for the scheduled 15-round fight.

Snapp is the underdog in the fight, but the long 3-1 odds on Volk are weakening and the Merrill boy may not be much worse than even money by fight night.

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