

Year In Sports Was Devoted To Plenty Of Talk

NEW YORK, Dec. 31 (AP)—The second post-war sports year, 1947, goes into the books as the one of the big noise, with practically all its patrons suffering from cauliflower ears.

There was as much talk as there was action.

It opened with the professional New York Giants' football fix trial, and closed with Joe Louis on the seat of his pants.

Baseball writers spent the spring training season writing about a squabble between Larry MacPhail of the Yankees and Leo Durocher, which started when the Dodgers' manager made some crack about two alleged gamblers being seated near the New York American league president in a Havana ball park.

The controversy was swept into hearings by Commissioner Happy Chandler, wound up with Durocher's suspension for the remainder of the campaign. Then the writers spent a good share of the rest of the year writing about the probability of Durocher returning for 1948.

In boxing, attempted bribe talk brought about the suspension of Rocky Graziano in New York, and after the Dead End Kid acquired the middleweight championship by flattening Tony Zale in the July heat of the Chicago stadium, he was banished in other states for going over the hill while in the army.

Ray Robinson was set down for 30 days in New York and fined \$500 for failing to report a bribe offer. Jimmy Doyle of Los Angeles died after being knocked out by the welterweight champion in Cleveland.

Following a long investigation by a grand jury, the 29th Century sporting club was fined \$2500 and Matchmaker Nat Rogers fined and suspended for dealing with underworld characters.

Jack LaMotta's highly unsatisfactory knockout by the Philadelphia light-heavyweight Billy Fox is still before a New York grand jury.

As usual, it remained for Joe Louis to put boxing on its pins, even though the majority believed Jersey Joe Walcott was entitled to the decision he didn't get. Walcott had Louis on the floor twice, for a count of seven in the fourth round, so the Brown Bomber literally dropped the curtain on a surprising year that saw baseball and football attendance soar to unprecedented heights.

Leo Lipped Himself Into Trouble

Joe Page hopped the bullpen gate to pitch the Yankees to the American league pennant and world championship.

With Lippy Leo Durocher in the dog house, Branch Rickey called on his old friend, 42-year-old Earl Broughton, to manage the Brooklyn, which the kindly old gentleman did so well that the Superbas won the flag, took the Yankees to the seventh game of the World Series and topped the National league in home attendance with 1,807,526.

Bill Revers of the Yankees came within one out of pitching the first no-hitter in World Series history, and the one blow—Cookie Lavagetto's memorable one—beat him, 3-2, knotting the series.

The Yanks and Dodgers broke the opposition's back with winning streaks in the west—the Yanks reeling off 19 to tie the league mark and the Brooks wrapping together 13.

The baseball disappointments were the Red Sox and Cardinals, the latter getting off to an almost unbelievably bad start that lasted into July. The Giants went on a home run hitting spree, Johnny Mize finally tying young Ralph Kner of the Pirates for the major league leadership with 51.

No-hit, no-run performances. The former narrowly missed turning Johnny VanderMeer's feat of pitching two in succession.

MacPhail Peddled Yankee Interest

Immediately after the World Series and a rhabur with his partners, Larry MacPhail sold his one-third interest in the Yankees to Del E. Webb and Dan Topping for close to \$3,000,000.

A syndicate headed by resigning Postmaster-General Bob Hannegan bought the Cardinal chain from Sam Breadon for \$3,500,000.

Billy Herman and Muddy Ruo opened and closed in one as the managers of the Pirates and Browns, respectively. Bill Meyer moved into Pittsburgh, Zach Taylor into the American league side of St. Louis, and Dick Mackerman sold practically every name player on his roster. Joe McCarthy returned to baseball as manager of the Red Sox as Joe Cronin stepped into the front office. Joe Kuhel succeeded Oast Bluege as manager of the Senators.

Notre Dame went through a nine-game season unbeaten and untied, as did Michigan and Penn State. A remarkable Texas varsity was edged only by Southern Methodist, which was unbeaten and untied until its final engagement with Texas Christian, when the Mustangs had to come from behind in the last 10 seconds to get a draw.

Columbia snapped Army's unbeaten three-year streak at 32. Johnny Lujack of Notre Dame repeated as a unanimous All-American. The Cleveland Browns again beat the Yankees for the professional All-American conference championship as the new league gained stature. The Philadelphia Eagles and Pittsburgh Steelers battled for the right to engage the Chicago Cardinals for the National league title and swag, December 28. The Cards won.

Mutuel Handles At Tracks Dropped

Mutuel handle at the racetracks dropped somewhat, but to no alarming extent.

Jet Pilot won the Kentucky Derby, Faultless The Preakness and Phalanx the Belmont Stakes.

Armed ran away from Assault in a \$100,000 match race at Belmont park to further his claim to the title of Horse-of-the-Year.

Calumet also had the finest two-year-olds—Citation and the filly, Bewitch—and set a new record for winning.

Stymie ran his bankroll to \$818,000, reclaiming the all-time money winning championship.

Johnny Longden led the jockeys, Willie Foster the trainers.

Mrs. Babe Didrikson Zaharias became the first American to win the British Women's golf championship.

Lew Worsham accounted for the U. S. Open, Jim Ferrier the PGA championship, Jimmy Demaret set the pace in winnings, but the pro star of the year was Bobby Locke of South Africa. Fred Daly of Ireland acquired the British Open. The American team easily defeated the Ryder Cup against the British on a rain-soaked Portland, Ore., Golf Club course.

Willie Turnesa won the British amateur, Skeel Reigel the American, Louise Suggs the National Women's.

Jack Kramer accounted for the All-England and U. S. singles tennis championships, helped Ted Schroeder defend the Davis Cup and turned professional. Bobby Riggs repeated as the professional champion.

Holy Cross surprisingly beat City College of New York and Oklahoma to be the NCAA basketball champion.

So into the New Year.

Police Quell Hockey Riot

Tacoma police quelled a free-for-all last night as the HomeTown Rockets defeated the New Westminster Royals 4-3 in a close-checkered Pacific Coast league hockey game.

The ruckus developed after Pete Taillifer of Tacoma and Ken Terry of New Westminster tangled. Players of both teams and half a dozen spectators joined in.

In another Northern division contest the dividing Vancouver 5-2.

Fresno's Falcons defeated the Oakland Oaks 2-0 and the Los Angeles Monarchs drove furiously to an 8-4 win over San Francisco in the Southern division.

Tonight Fresno, one point behind the second place Los Angeles club, tangles with the Monarchs in the only game scheduled.

Bill Brennan got his first shutout of the season in the Fresno win over Oakland. The second period saw Referee Jerry Mathieu assess a total of 35 minutes in penalties for a new league record.

Pels Conclude Early Season Game Docket Eureka Stumbles Badly, 53-38 In Finale Of Series

The early exhibition-game season was closed off by the Klamath Falls Pelicans last night as they decisively defeated the Eureka, Calif., Loggers 53 to 38, making their second straight win over the Loggers and their 10th win in 13 basketball contests.

Eureka didn't score last night for the first five minutes and were looking at the game from 10 points behind before ramming home the first basket. The Loggers never quite got into the thick of things.

Score at the end of the initial period was 13 to 8 for Klamath, and by the half the Pels had extended the lead to 10 points again, 24-14.

DOWN 22 POINTS

Midway of the third chapter the California quieted had sunk to the depths of 22 points in the rear, but with Ray Craig going on a single-handed scoring spree the Loggers pulled back within eight early in the fourth.

Craig scored 13 points for Eureka, all of them in the second half, but Forward Bob Green set the pace with 14 Jack Lusk's 10 was high for the Pelicans. The shorthanded Loggers—with only seven players on the varsity squad—were handicapped by injuries to Dale Craig and Charles Murphy.

The Pels scored 21 field goals out of 38 shots, while Eureka counted 18 goals and only two free throws.

In last night's owners, the Klamath Junior varsity fought their way from behind a couple of times before dropping an exciting 46-37 decision to the Eureka "B" outfit, which is small but good.

BALL TAKEN OUT

Eureka had the lead at 38-37 with 30 seconds to go, ahead in another long bucket and three times took the ball out of bounds rather than risk losing possession on a foul shot.

Lineups and scoring:

KLAMATH		EUREKA	
Harvey 4	14	Stetler 4	14
Green 4	14	Green 4	14
Lusk 10	10	Stetler 4	14
Dave 10	10	Stetler 4	14
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Late Cage Scores

- Jefferson 46, Hillsboro 29.
- Central Point 44, Revere 37.
- Rainier 58, Forest Grove 43.
- Camher 45, Goldendale (Wash.) 24.
- Vancouver, Wash., 22, Milton-Freewater 21.
- McMinnville 40, The Dalles 43.
- Battleground 37, Silverton 28.
- St. Mary's (Eugene) 59, Sweet Home 27.
- Corvallis 47, Junction City 33.
- Nestucca 48, Amity 34.
- Oregon City 47, West Linn 46.
- Lebanon 53, Molalla 28.
- Klamath Falls 53, Eureka 38.
- Collegiate**
- Oregon 61, Kansas 53.
- Oregon State 63, California 47.
- Gonzaga 48, Eastern Washington 45.
- Pacific Lutheran 40, British Columbia 39.
- New York 64, Temple 41.
- St. John's (Brooklyn) 49, Utah 44.
- Nevada 51, Nebraska 50.
- Nevada 63, Nebraska 50.
- Iowa State 47, Michigan 41.
- Holy Cross 56, North Carolina State 51.
- Tulane 49, Oklahoma 32.
- Oklahoma A & M 22, Baylor 21.
- Texas 50, Alabama 31.
- Wyoming 55, Syracuse 42.
- Marshall 46, Syracuse 44.
- Idaho 42, Brigham Young 41.

Eagles Acquire Goal Tender

PORTLAND, Dec. 31 (AP)—Portland's lowly hockey Eagles will have a new goal tender for the New Westminster game here tomorrow night.

Coach Jimmy Ward said Albert Bengley, from the Boston Olympics, would arrive today. He added that Johnny Gauthier, center on last year's Portland northern division championship team, would return tomorrow and be on the ice that night.

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Lads Who Toss Pigskin Will Shine In Bowls

NEW YORK, Dec. 31 (AP)—Picking the bowl game stars on New Year's Eve is like selecting your Christmas turkey on the Fourth of July but it's a safe bet that most of the backfield heroes in tomorrow's gridiron clashes will be distributed among the boys who flip the passes.

After a season in which all the collegiate records for completion and throwing forward passes were broken, it was only natural that teams owning the most high powered aerial artists should wind up with lucrative bowl assignments.

Unless they are lobbied with very bad weather, an extra good defense, or both, it is highly probable that Gilmer, Layne and Conerly will outshine the fellows who think the only way to advance the ball is to carry it down the field.

In addition to the assortment of established hurlers, most of whom could cap a brilliant season with one more display of aerial wizardry.

There is always the possibility that some obscure fourth-string sub might steal the show as Southern California's Doyle Nave did against Duke in the 1939 Rose Bowl fray.

Michigan's favored Wolverines may be handicapped in the aerial department when they collide with Southern Cal in the Rose Bowl at Pasadena, Calif., tomorrow if All-America Bob Chappuis, their principal pitcher, fails to recover fully from a practice injury received this week.

Chappuis threw 84 passes during Michigan's all-victorious nine-game season, completing 48 of them for 376 yards and 11 touchdowns.

Operating against him, the Trojans will have Jim Powers, who connected on 46 of his 89 passes for 561 yards and five touchdowns, as well as George Murphy, who tried 71 forwards and completed 42 for 422 yards and a touchdown in the bargain.

The most brilliant display of aerial fireworks may be touched off in the Sugar Bowl at New Orleans when Texas and Bobby Layne hook up with Alabama and Harry Gilmer.

Gilmer tossed 93 passes in Alabama's ten regular season games and completed 57 of them for a percentage of 613, highest among all the collegiate passers. His completions covered 619 yards and five touchdowns.

Layne did even better in all respects except accuracy. He made good on 61 of the 115 passes he tried, accounting for 965 yards and nine touchdowns.

Penn State, which depended almost entirely on a running game for the perfect record it will carry into the Cotton Bowl at Dallas, Tex., may discover that all-America Dock Walker is merely the second best passer on the Southern Methodist team it takes on tomorrow.

Walker completed 30 of 52 passes for 344 yards and two touchdowns but his teammate, Gil Johnson, hurled 77 passes, completing 43 of

them for 564 yards and five touchdowns.

Kansas goes into the Orange Bowl tangle at Miami, Fla., with a well known passer in All-America Ray Evans, whose 30 completions in 60 attempts netted 598 yards and 40 touchdowns. But Georgia Tech, the Jayhawkers' Orange Bowl foe, boasts a tosser with an even better record. He is Jim Still, who completed 42 out of 74 for 545 yards and six touchdowns.

The Delta Bowl at Memphis, Tenn., of course, will have the top collegiate grid battery of all time in Mississippi's Charlie Conerly and Harvey Poole. Conerly set new records by throwing 233 passes and completing 133 of them for 1367 yards and 18 touchdowns, and Poole caught 52 of them, including eight of the touchdown heaves.

But Texas Christian will not be at a complete disadvantage in the air against Ole Miss as long as it has Lindy Berry, who completed 32

of 70 passes this season for 437 yards and three touchdowns.

In the "Gator Bowl" at Jacksonville, Fla., it will be Georgia's Johnny Rauch, who outranked all the bowl game passers except Conerly by completing 98 of 181 for 1352 yards and ten touchdowns, against Vic Turyn of Maryland, who succeeded on 32 of 69 heaves for 524 yards and six touchdowns with a club that moves chiefly along the ground.

Passes also may play an important part in the East-West all-star game at San Francisco, with all-America Johnny Lujack of Notre Dame leading the eastern backfield forces and Herman Wedemeyer, former all-America at St. Mary's, heading the western crew.

Lujack tossed 109 passes for the all-victorious Irish, completing 61 for 791 yards and nine touchdowns, while Wedemeyer also tried 109, but connected on only 47 for 691 yards and five touchdowns.

NORTH DIVISION CAGE SQUADS ON TOP AT END

By The Associated Press

Looking clean the final course of their 1947 basketball menu, northern division Coast conference teams successfully devoured three inter-sectional opponents last night and settled back for a two-day holiday respite from a heavy pre-season schedule.

In one of the most successful nights of the Kings-X season, Oregon downed Kansas university 61-53 to sweep the two-game series.

Leicht Signs With Browns

STICKTON, Calif., Dec. 31 (AP)—Jake Leicht, University of Oregon backfield ace, will continue his football antics for the professional Cleveland Browns of the All-American conference.

Leicht, who led the Coast conference in scoring, rushing, kickoff returns and punt returns, disclosed at his home today that he had signed with the Browns. He said he had rejected an offer to go with the Washington Redskins.

Although not disclosed, his salary as a professional was estimated by sports writers to be around \$10,000 plus a bonus.

Athletics Take Over Hoop Lead

By The Associated Press

Seattle's Athletics held the Pacific Coast pro basketball league lead today, taking over from idle Vancouver with a 67-59 triumph over the hapless Portland Indians as Bellingham administered a 48-33 trouncing to the slipping Tacoma Mountaineers.

It was the third win in as many days against the same opponents for both Seattle and Bellingham. And both had their roles well under control.

Bellingham took a half-time lead of 20-13, built it to 39-15 and then coasted. Gale Blahop topped the Bellingham scoring with 15; Jack Voelker's 11 led Tacoma.

Portland led Seattle briefly at the start of the contest, faded badly in the closing moments of the second quarter, hit a fast pace in the third and early fourth to close the gap twice to 1200 points, but Seattle snapped out of its lethargy to win going away. Norm Dalthorpe hit 19 points for Seattle, four more than Portland's Bill Taitt.

All teams are idle tonight.

Seattle officials said today the Athletics would be strengthened for the New Year appearance by the addition of Ken Suesens, who finally gained his release from the Sheboygan, Wis., pro team. The big center was sought early in the year to coach the Seattle entry but was unable to gain his release.

New England Skiers Tops In Speed Run

SUN VALLEY, Idaho, Dec. 31 (AP)—Their ability to push ahead in cross-country racing gave slick slat from New England's Middlebury college the commanding position today as Sun Valley's annual intercollegiate ski meet headed into its final event.

Only jumping competition remained to wind up the four-day tourney.

Middlebury sent home the first four finishers in the six-mile cross-country jaunt yesterday and had one other skier among the first ten.

The sweep moved the Vermont school into first place in team standings with 827.1 points. The University of Washington was second with 821.2. Dartmouth third, 785.4, and the defending champion University of Utah, fourth, 795.

The raccoon is not a hibernator. When winter comes the raccoon retreats to his den, slumbering intermittently until "warm weather comes."—Sports Afield.

KRAMER TAKES FIRST VICTORY OVER RIGGS

CLEVELAND, Dec. 31 (AP)—Jack Kramer believes he'll wind up the victor in his first professional tennis tour if the lighting is as good as it was here last night when he notched his initial triumph over Bobby Riggs, king of the pro zonals.

The 1947 amateur champion and Davis cup hero credited better lighting at the arena for the deadly accuracy of his overhead which played a major role in his 6-4, 6-4 decision over bounding Bobby.

"The lights are spaced farther apart here and I didn't have any trouble following the ball," Kramer remarked after his victory.

Big Jack never missed with his devastating overhead as he broke

Medford Gets New Skipper

MEDFORD, Dec. 31—The Medford Dodgers of the Far West professional baseball league have already hired a playing manager for next year and also acquired a left-handed pitcher. The club for the league will be in operation for the first time next season.

Larry Shepard, 28, a right-handed moundsman, has been purchased from the class A Pueblo, Colo., team to handle the Medford team, and Ralph Alspar, 18-year-old Courtland, Calif., rookie is also coming onto the roster.

The Medford baseball team will operate as a farm club of the Brooklyn Dodgers.

The Atlantic salmon feeds on herring, smelt.—Sports Afield.

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Rain Sighted For East-West

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31 (AP)—A forecast for scattered showers may revise the odds for the 23rd annual East-West football game here tomorrow but can't touch the sure thing held by hundreds of crippled children.

The 60,000 seats of Kezar stadium have been long sold, with all profits from the classic rivalry of college stars going to the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children.

Local odds favored the East 2 1/2 to 1, but the possibility of rain and the long history of upsets in this hard-to-predict game made the figure look good to backers of the West team.

Finalists Meet At The Dalles

THE DALLES, Ore., Dec. 31 (AP)—Vancouver, Wash., and The Dalles high schools are finalists in the invitational basketball tournament here.

Vancouver won last night 32-31 over Milton-Freewater and The Dalles when California's Big Jim Smith was benched unexplainably throughout most of the second half. Smith, whose 16 points were high for the Bears, was dealt with by a one-handed whirl shot. Norm Carey, O.C. forward, hit 20 for scoring honors, one more than Cliff Crandall. The victory gave the Beavers a split in the series.

Oregon marked its ninth win in 11 starts with ease in a game slowed by experimentation with a proposal requiring the opposing team to take the ball out of bounds at the center line after each foul shot, whether made or missed. Oregon's Roger Wiley and Kansas Jerry Waugh and Chuck Penney each collected 15 counters.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

MANCHESTER, N. H.—Featherweight Champion Willie Pep, 192, Hartford, Conn., stopped Maurice (Lefty) LaChance, 134 1/2, Lubon, Me., in eighth round of ten-round non-title bout.

When starting a balky outboard motor, it is inadvisable to tilt the motor up so that it is out of the water.—Sports Afield.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I have filed my Final Account as administrator of the estate of JOHN C. ELLIS, also known as J. C. ELLIS, deceased, and the Judge of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Klamath County, has fixed 10:00 A. M., in the forenoon of January 15, 1948, and the Courtroom of said Court in the Courthouse at Klamath Falls, Oregon, as the time and place when and where any person may present any objections or exceptions in anything contained, and at said time and place the Court will finally settle said account.

H. J. ELLIS, Administrator of the Estate of John C. Ellis, Deceased.
L. ORTH SISEMORE, Attorney at Law.
D. 17-24-31, J. 7, No. 934.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR KLAMATH COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SARAH ANNE HOMERDING, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that I have been appointed Administrator of the above entitled estate. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present them to me, with the proper vouchers, at the office of Wm. Gonzaga, 724 Main Street, Klamath Falls, Oregon, on or before six months from December 17, 1947, which is the date of first publication of this notice.

VIVIO BUCK, Administrator.
D. 17-24-31, J. 7—No. 933.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, JAMES C. CUSICK, has been appointed Administrator of the Estate of BURNICE I. CUSICK, deceased, by the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Klamath County and has qualified. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present them duly verified, as required by law, to the undersigned Administrator at his office of A. W. Schupp, 207 Willis Building, Klamath Falls, Oregon, on or before six months from the date of the first publication hereof, which date is December 24, 1947.

JAMES C. CUSICK, Administrator of the Estate of Burnice I. Cusick, Deceased.
D. 24-31, J. 7-14-21—No. 944.

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