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Team's First Skipper



Joe Gantenbein, a South San Francisco boy who makes baseball his livelihood, will be the first manager of the Klamath Falls entry in the Far West professional baseball league. He was sent here in accordance with a working agreement with the Philadelphia Phils. Picture was taken when Gantenbein played with Connie Mack's Philadelphia Athletics.

Indians Boxing Leaders

PORTLAND, Jan. 29 (AP)—Golden Gloves boxers slammed their way through 17 bouts last night in the opener of the annual Golden Gloves-March of Dimes AAU tournament at the Civic auditorium.

Chemawa Indians grabbed five of the wins to lead organized groups going into the second round. Vancouver (Wash.) Recreation club took three wins and two each were won by Multnomah Athletic club, Portland, and Eugene Boxing club.

112 Pounds—Vernon Gore, Rainier, decided Auggie Dick, Chemawa.

118 Pounds—Pete Bonnell, Vancouver, Wash., decided Freddie Huston, Longview, Wash.; Carroll Genshaw, Chemawa, decided Gene La Berge, Longview, Wash.

126 Pounds—Gene Winn, Vancouver, decided Lewis Trujillo, Portland.

135 Pounds—Art Johnson, Chemawa, decided Phillip Winters, Salem; Jess McCoy, Portland, decided Leo Vigil, Dallas; Bob Fender, Longview, Wash., decided Bob Hutchison, Portland; Levi George, Chemawa, TKO in second round over A. J. Meldonado, Tongue Point; Paul Lewis Martin, Eugene, knocked out Wayne Wichmann, McLoughlin Heights, Wash., second round.

147 Pounds—Gil Kelsey, Yakima, Wash., decided Dick Weidman, Eugene; Earl McCarty, Vancouver, Wash., won by default from Ken Sam, Chemawa; Joe Pinkham, Chemawa, decided Jim McDonald, Eugene.

150 Pounds—Johnny Diehl, Eugene, decided Charles Gann, Portland; Royce Gish, Vancouver, Wash., decided Pat Schleich, Portland; Pat Walsh, Portland, decided Dave Shellal, Chemawa; Stanley Swanson, Portland, TKO in second over Mal McLean, Eugene.

Eagles Keep Losing Games To Ironmen

By The Associated Press
The Portland Eagles are going to make news in the Pacific Coast Ice Hockey league when—and a sizeable if—they manage to defeat the Ironmen of Seattle.

The Ironmen, perched atop the northern division, have beaten the Eagles in ten straight games. Last night's close score, 5 to 4, provided small comfort for Portland, which saw Ironman Roy McBride, leading division scorer, bolster his record with three goals, assisted on each by Gordon Kerr.

The southern division's top team, the Los Angeles Monarchs, registered a win, too, turning back last place Oakland at Los Angeles 4-0. Hank D'Amore scored three times while Goalie Bev Bentley came through with his third shutout of the season.

Bill Richardson of San Francisco and Len Wharton of San Diego traded blows twice in the heat of a game at San Francisco which the hometown Shamrocks won, 5-3.

Game tonight: Fresno at Portland.

Haas Back In Harness

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 29 (AP)—One of baseball's old associations—the on-field, off-field partnership of Jimmy Dykes and George (Mule) Haas, will be renewed this spring.

Haas, star outfielder for the Philadelphia Athletics when Dykes was the A's crack third baseman back in 1928-32, has been mailed a contract to coach for Dykes' Hollywood club of the Pacific Coast league.

Virtual agreement for Haas' services was reached at the minor league meeting at Miami, Fla., in December—a move obviously recommended by Dykes—according to Business Manager Oscar Reichenow.

Fitzgerald Signs
PITTSBURGH, Jan. 29 (AP)—The Pittsburgh Pirates today announced receipt of Catcher Eddie Fitzgerald's signed contract. The West Coast had last year posted a sparkling .363 batting average for Sacramento.

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broke into organized baseball in 1935 after he finished high school when he was assigned to a team in the class D Piedmont league. In 1937 he moved up to the triple-A International loop to play for Toronto, then spent the 1939-40-41 seasons with Connie Mack and the Philadelphia Athletics.

The war intervened and Gantenbein went into the army for a couple of years in France and Germany.

DEBUT AS MANAGER
In 1946 he was back with Philadelphia, was traded to the Chicago Cubs and then to the Los Angeles Angels where he was made a free agent and picked up by the Phillies' system. He will be making his debut as a manager here.

Gantenbein has played third base, short and second base, and will hold down one of those spots on the Pioneer roster.

High point of last night's session was the appearance of the three visiting diamond dignitaries—Walter (The Great) Mails, who blushing admits being the "greatest pitcher the world has ever known"; Bill Bevins, New York Yankee pitcher of 1947 World Series fame, and Joe Oregno, ex-big leaguer and now manager of the Sacramento Solons.

BEVINS EXPLAINS
Chief of those points was Bevins' explanation of the instance that made him famous—that one-hit world series game he tossed against the Dodgers, a game Cookie Iavagetto broke up with two out in the ninth inning. The details need not be repeated. Said Bevins:

"Instructions were to pitch outside to Lavagetto. He missed the first pitch by a foot. But he didn't miss the second one. I should have dropped dead."

Walter Mails, who was an American league flash back in the early '20s and who will say a few thousand colorful words on baseball any time the occasion arises, carried the talking load for the visitors, but not before Joe Oregno revealed that his Sacramento team has some youngsters he plans to farm to the Pioneers. Oregno is also a polished talker and a smooth-looking guy. He should be able to do something spectacular with the Solons.

BASEBALL FOR KIDS
Mails, who originated the 10 cent "kids" days for the San Francisco Seals, was strong in advocating the same step here. His suggestion probably will be taken up.

Bill Spangler, president of Klamath Baseball, Inc., announced last night that KBI will now lay its hands on some \$25,000, but need another \$15,000 to throw the green light on park construction and getting ready for the coming season.

Trap Scores Off Slightly

Scores were a trifle off during the latest shoot of the Klamath Gun club, a 46 score out of 50 targets from the 16-yard line being the best any of the shotgun-armed sportsmen could manage.

James Wisenback, Clyde Fox and J. Martin Adams all tied at 46, while in the handicap Fox, Nelson Reed, Frank Adams and Dale West accumulated 42 hits.

Latest scores:

Name	16-yd.	Hdep.
James Wisenback	46	34
Clyde Fox	46	42
J. M. Adams	46	37
Rod Smi	45	36
Nelson Reed	45	42
Carl Olney	44	38
Bill Davis	44	38
Tom Watters	43	38
Allen Moccabee	43	36
John Coulson	43	36
F. D. McMillan	43	39
P. Broyles	42	32
E. E. Driscoll	42	31
J. F. Adams	42	42
Don Rathiff	42	35
William Cooley	41	32
C. J. Martin	40	32
Al Hatten	39	39
Dale West	38	42
H. Kenaga	37	34
Dr. Swaney	36	—
Paul Dalton	36	39
L. W. Penhall	35	16
R. D. Brannaman	35	37
Mrs. Carl Olney	35	*19
Lloyd Day	33	24
C. J. Caldwell	*15	—
Charles Hahn	*16	—

*Shot 25 only.

Ruth Won't Get Florida Jaunt

NEW YORK, Jan. 29 (AP)—Babe Ruth won't be able to take off on his planned trip to Florida for possibly a week because of a bad cold.

The Bambino, who left Neurological Institute Tuesday after a physical checkup, originally had planned to depart for the South today.

It pays to use the Want-Ads!

Pro Hoop Pressure Settles On Seattle

By The Associated Press
The pressure was all on Seattle today.

Bellingham's Fircrests blasted out a 95-63 triumph over the cellar Portland Indians last night to move within a game of clinching the first-half Pacific Coast Professional Basketball league title.

Seattle takes the center of the

Huskies Next On List For OSC Beavers

OREGON STATE COLLEGE, Corvallis, Jan. 29—Washington's Huskies, the team picked by most of the experts to wrest the northern division crown from Oregon State's defending champions, will invade Corvallis for a crucial two-game series against the Beavers Friday and Saturday nights.

The two clubs will renew hostilities a week later at Seattle and the outcome of the four games might very well determine the league's 1948 champion.

The Seattle quintet, apparently intent on justifying the experts' predictions, moved into the division leadership by whipping Oregon twice last week-end, 48-44 and 56-38.

Washington now has four victories against two defeats while Slat's Gill's Beavers are half a game behind with a 3 and 2 record.

After playing five games in eight days, the Orange have been idle since January 17 with the result they are well rested for the Huskies. The club has been strengthened by the return to the lineup of Alex Petersen, veteran 6 foot, 5 inch center. Big Pete missed the first five conference starts because of a bad case of tonsillitis.

With Petersen back in action, the Beavers will have some much needed height which they sorely needed in competition with the other division members. Gill plans no other changes in his regular lineup of Norm Carey and Cliff Crandall, forwards; and Jim Catterall and Dan Torrey, guards.

U. S. Hockey Teams Banned

ST. MORITZ, Switzerland, Jan. 29 (AP)—Dr. Albert Mayer, member of the International Olympic committee and the Swiss organizing committee, announced today that the IOC voted 18 to 10 to ban both U. S. hockey teams from the winter Olympics and added that the Swiss would reject the decision.

Mayer made the statement to an Associated Press reporter as he left a meeting of the international committee at which he said the vote was taken.

The executive board of the international committee had ordered the banning of both teams yesterday in a decision which the Swiss also rejected. Swiss officials in charge of the games accepted the entry of the Amateur Hockey association as the official United States representative, resulting in a bitter protest by the U. S. Olympic committee, which has entered a team of its own.

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Lutes Raving Over Prowess Of Pivot Ace

High-Scoring Lad Boasts Best Point Total In Northwest

TACOMA, Jan. 29 (AP)—The fair-haired, predominantly nordic students of Pacific Lutheran college are giving their cheers this winter to a black-haired, lanky basketball player of French, Irish, Scottish and Indian blood.

Subject of this adulation is Harry McLaughlin, 6 foot 3 inch descendant of a famous South Dakota Indian agent after whom a town was named and one of the nation's leading scorers in the hoop sport this season.

The western intercollegiate (WINCO) conference leading Lutes have played 29 conference and non-conference games this season, during which time Harry has scored a total of 339 points for a game average of just under 17 points. This is the top college player total in the Pacific Northwest, regardless of league or size of school. He got off to a slow start, too, in fits with the powerful Washington Huskies, Washington State college and Montana.

JUST SHOOTS BLIND
Last week-end, although continually watched by two men, Harry piled up 56 points in two games against the strong Western Washington College of Education quintet. Bill McDonald, the western coach, said his shooting was "uncanny."

It is, too, because the poker-faced terror of the maple courts rarely ever looks at the basket before shooting. He shoots one-handed, holding the ball with a hand as big as a banana bunch and shooting with a peculiar backward flip that is at once deceptive and delectable. The first four inches his hand travels seem to be the most important, as he has many times been fouled, on the upward sweep of his arm without loss of control of the ball.

Gladdening also to the Lute rooters is the fact that their 22-year-old, 185 pound star is a sophomore—leaving him two more years of play with the little prairie school that developed mammoth little all-American footballer Don D'Andrea last fall.

SHOULD BEAT MARK
Last year, as a freshman, McLaughlin scored 944 points in 29 games and was named all-WINCO center. He holds the conference scoring record with 228 points in 12 games—a mark he should surpass this year.

This shouldn't make good reading for Washington State Coach Jack Friel, either. Harry was originally enrolled at WSC but he transferred to PLC to play basketball closer to his home at Clover Park, a suburb of Tacoma.

Whitman Looks For New Name

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Jan. 29 (AP)—Competitors may soon refer to the Whitman college Missionaries by another name.

The student newspaper, critical because other schools have twisted the name to such terms as "the boys from the institute" and "preachers," is offering \$25 for the best nickname submitted by a student.

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Mele, Torgeson Divide Honors

BOSTON, Jan. 29 (AP)—Earl Torgeson, former Snohomish and Seattle first baseman, will share Boston's "rookie of the year" honors tonight with Sam Mele, Red Sox outfielder.

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Early Salmon Runs Aided

PORTLAND, Jan. 29 (AP)—The state game commission said today that its closure of the Nehalem, Trask and Wilson rivers from March 1 to September 15 was necessary to protect a declining spring Chinook salmon run.

Answering protests against the closure, the commission said a study had shown spring Chinook lie in deep pools of those rivers during low water periods. A halt to angling may build the Chinook run back again, the commission said.

The November closure of the Miami river is intended to protect chum salmon, which spawn in the river during that month.

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Broken Limbs No Obstacle To True Love

MACON, Ga., Jan. 29 (AP)—A woman wrestler and a roller skater, both with broken legs, helped each other to the Bibb county courthouse for a marriage license.

Miss Agnes Aline Murphey suffered a leg fracture in a wrestling match at Columbus, Ga., and walked with the aid of crutches while Anthony Page Hall used a cane after breaking his leg while skating.

They were directed to the marriage license desk by a fellow sufferer, Lincolny Burkett, courthouse reporter for the Macon News, also on crutches. Burkett, former Washington Post writer, broke his leg in a fall recently at the courthouse.

Clerk Judith Wiley took their application, wished them well and offered sympathy—she had broken a leg once herself.

Al Niemiec Will Direct Great Falls

GREAT FALLS, Jan. 29 (AP)—Great Falls will have at least one Montana player on its Pioneer league roster this spring, Al Niemiec, general manager, announced today.

The Montanan is 19-year-old Rodney Cannon of Lewistown, a third baseman and catcher who played in the Cascade league, an Eastern Washington semi-pro loop, last season. Cannon is working at Ellensburg, Wash.

Niemiec reported Kenneth Peterson, Lewistown, Ida., also has been signed by Great Falls.

The addition of Cannon and Peterson brings to seven the number of players now signed by Great Falls for Pioneer league competition. Others are Dick Gyselman, playing manager, Seattle; Jerry Galstorf, Los Angeles; Charles Segale, Angels Camp, Calif.; Henry Borch, San Jose, Calif.; and Raymond Millie, Tacoma, Wash.

Everybody Was Hot Weird Cage Contest Finished At 118-116

GALLIPOLIS, O., Jan. 29 (AP)—Just about everything the boys threw at the basket went in.

That's how Rio Grande, (O.) Coach Bob Stoneburner describes the weird 118 to 116 triple overtime decision his team took from Winless Wilberforce Church university last night.

"I've never seen anything like it. Every player on each team seemed to be coming through with the greatest scoring night of his career."

The game, played at Gallipolis—Rio Grande's home—ended at 104-all after the regulation 40 minutes. And after the first five-minute overtime the score was 114-111.

The weary players rested a couple of minutes, went at break-neck speed for three more—and the score was still tied—at 116.

The coaches put their heads together and decided the first team to score two points in the third overtime would win, although collegiate rules permit five-minute overtimes until one team is ahead when an extra period ends.

Guard Jack Canady of Rio Grande was fouled immediately after the last overtime began. He sank his charity toss. A few seconds later Neil Oliver—Rio Grande's one-man scoring gang—was "hacked."

He calmly sank the free shot—and his 59th point. That was the ball game.

Twenty-three of Oliver's points came on free throws, boosting his foul line total for the season to 167. Stoneburner claimed this is a new national record.

Louis Will Aim For Foe's Chin

CHICAGO, Jan. 29 (AP)—Joe Louis, world's heavyweight boxing champion, who will appear in a four-round exhibition match in the coliseum tonight opposing young Bob Foxworth says "I'm gonna be trying to hit somebody like I didn't hit Walcott."

It will be the champion's first appearance in a ring since he was awarded the disputed 15-round decision over Jersey Joe Walcott in New York last December 5 and Louis says it will also be his last appearance in a Chicago ring. He plans to retire this year.

Profitable Pelts

PORTLAND, Jan. 29 (AP)—The state game commission's first beaver pelt sale of the season yielded \$85,563.73 on 2005 pelts.

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