

Gretchen Takes Olympics Title

America Given First Ribbon

ST. MORITZ, Switzerland, Feb. 5 (AP)—The swishing skis of Mrs. Gretchen Fraser brought America its first championship in the fifth winter Olympics today when the 23-year-old Vancouver, Wash., housewife sped to victory in the women's special slalom.

Outclassing Europe's masters in their own specialty, the tiny west coast star made two brilliant, zig-zagging descents over the precipitous alpine course in 1 minute 57.2 seconds.

The victory—following on the heels of her second place medal in yesterday's alpine combined event, consisting of both downhill and slalom skiing—was one of the biggest upsets of the current games.

The men's counterpart of the slalom went to Edi Reinhalter of Switzerland as the Swiss forged in front of Sweden in the race for team honors. Reinhalter had two dashes down the mountainside in a total of two minutes, 10.3 seconds.

Another American—daring sledder Jack Heaton of New Haven, Conn.—finished second in the suicidal crests (skeleton sled) runs as the United States staged a mid-point rally in the winter carnival that to date has been dominated by Scandinavians.

The good showing vaulted the Americans back into sixth place in the team standings.

BUTTON A CINCH
Also, they stood to better their record later in the day when young Dick Butler of Englewood, N. J., took to the ice in the figure skating final. Already ahead after the difficult compulsory figures, the 18-year-old skating artist was figured a cinch to breeze in on his free-style skill.

The United States suffered one reversal, however, in the unofficial hockey tournament. Canada virtually knocked the U. S. Amateur Hockey association team out of the title running with a 12 to 3 rout.

It was the second setback for the Americans in the round robin and it seemed almost impossible they could catch up with Switzerland, Czechoslovakia and Canada, who are tied with five wins and no defeats.

SWISS WIN AGAIN
The Swiss won again today, beating Sweden, 8 to 2, while Austria was taking Italy, 15 to 5.

With the ice hardening after a drop in temperature, thus assuring completion of the games, Heaton was bean out in the treacherous one-man sled event by Nino Bibbia of Italy. Bibbia's margin was only 1.2 seconds better than Heaton's after six slides down the open ice tunnels.

Weather Cuts Trap Scores

Cold weather and a strong head wind not only cut the scores turned in by members of the Klamath Gun club during that group's latest trap shoot at Wocus, but cut the number of fliers as well.

Nelson Reed and Carl Olney turned in the best marks, 45 out of 50 targets from the 16-yard line. Scores of 38 in the handicap were accomplished by Reed, C. J. Martin and Rod Smith. G. M. Grant had 41 hits in that event.

Latest scores:

Name	16-yr. Hdcp.
Nelson Reed	45
Carl Olney	45
C. J. Martin	44
Bill Davis	43
James Wissenback	42
Verne Moore	41
F. Broyles	41
Rod Smith	40
Al Hatton	39
G. M. Grant	39
Robert Lapsley	38
Prent Puckett	38
E. E. Driscoll	38
J. M. Adams	37
E. G. Clengens	37
William Cooley	37
Lloyd Day	31
E. Stoll	30

*—25 targets only.

Gordon Handed Salary Boost

CLEVELAND, Feb. 5 (AP)—Joe Gordon, Cleveland Indians stellar second baseman, has signed on the dotted line.

Tribe President Bill Veck announced receipt of Gordon's contract and said Joe got a "substantial salary boost." Gordon came to the Indians last season in a trade with the New York Yankees involving Pitcher Alvin Roy. "The Flash" went on to finish second in the league's homer race and gain the all-star team.

WRESTLING

GEORGE TEMPLE JR. vs. AL WILLIAMS
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JOE LYNAM vs. FRANKIE HART
4 Rounds

Georges Dusette vs. Joe Dorsetti
4 Rounds

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Pie In Face Will Finish Hoop Wager

Somebody is supposed to get a chocolate cream pie right in the face—crust and all—tonight after a basketball game at the Oregon Vocational school.

The contestants will be the Oregon Woon team and the Link River Motors squad, both of the Basin league's city division, and the Mack Sennett finish planned was brought about between a sporting bet between Sam Neslin, manager of the Woods, and Clyde Walsh, ditto for the Motors.

The manager of the winning team is supposed to slap the manager of the losing outfit in the face with a specially-baked and gooey chocolate pie. The loser is also stuck for a dinner, plus a dry-cleaning job.

That feature game is supposed to get under way at about 8:30. The opening tilt, at 7 p. m., will be between Rickys Jewelers and the Blue Eagles.

Graham Sets Ten New A-A Aerial Marks

NEW YORK, Feb. 5 (AP)—When more and better forward passing marks are set in the All-America conference, the Cleveland Browns and Otto Graham will set them.

Official 1947 figures for the conference show that the AAC champions set four team records for passing, while Graham, their star quarterback, put 10 new ones into it.

Thanks to Graham, the Browns broke three of their own pro marks for efficiency, completing 49 per cent of their tosses with only 7.1 per cent intercepted, for an efficiency mark of 41.9. The Browns completed 174 of 296 heaves, had 12 interceptions.

The passes paid off in 2990 yards and 26 touchdowns, both records. Graham hit 183 of 269 for 2753 yards and 25 touchdowns. He completed 53 throws in 91 tries without an interception in one string.

Bud Schwenk of the Baltimore Colts was more active than Graham. He threw 327 passes and completed 168.

Lightning Hits Ref's Whistle

WOLVERHAMPTON, Eng., Feb. 5 (AP)—Lightning struck the whistle of Referee Stanley Cockayne as he was about to call a penalty in a recent soccer game here.

Lightning leaped from his right hand, but he was not hurt. Today he said earnestly: "I am going to advise plastic whistles."

Marshall Cut Loose

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 5 (AP)—Veteran outfielder Max Marshall, who played for Los Angeles and Tulsa last season, was handed his outright release by Los Angeles today.

Long hitter Marshall hit 280 for the Texas league club last season after playing for the Angels in the early part of the season.

OAKLAND — Jesse Flores, 138, Stockton, outpooled Larry Cisneros, 138½, Los Angeles, 10.

Grapplers On Road

KUHS wrestlers left at noon today for meets with Springfield high school tonight and Salem high Friday afternoon. Coach Dutch Simons took along 12 scheduled contestants, three boys for exhibition bouts and the team manager.

MIAMI—Steve Belloise, 161, New York, outpooled Oswaldo Silva, 157½, Rio De Janeiro, 10.

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Durocher Plans For Dodgers To Swipe Another Flag

NEW YORK, Feb. 5 (NEA)—It was last spring in Havana that Leo Durocher predicted the Brooklyn Dodgers would run away and hide.

"We'll break in front and stay there," boasted The Lip, never dreaming then that he was going to be banished for the year by Commissioner Chandler.

Well, the Dodgers didn't break in front and lose the opposition, but there wasn't much doubt about the National league pennant-winners, once they struck their precise stride, and the Giants lost their surprising early foot.

Manager Durocher once more feels that the younger Brooks will make the club more formidable as the campaign rolls along. They won't bog down in the heat of summer, should be rambling fastest of all at the wind-up.

The highly imaginative Durocher plans to steal another pennant for Brooklyn.

"We'll upset the other side with our speed on the bases, stealing and taking the extra base," he says. "Outfielders will stumble in their haste to get the ball away."

The new Durocher, who is pretty much like the old one, points out that Bert Shotton swiped the pennant last year.

"The records show the Dodgers stole 88 bases, a third more than their nearest rivals," he explains. "And what does not show are the extra bases they took, the base hit stretching they did to get the other clubs jittery and open up their opportunities."

Chatting with the new, new Durocher you suspect that he, like a lot of other baseball men, was surprised when the Pirates traded William Richard Cox and southpaw Pitcher Roe, especially the former. It looks like the Corsairs are playing on the Superbas' side.

"Bill Cox is one of the fastest men in baseball, and we will prove it," beams Durocher.

Tall Vandal Center Out For Season

PORTLAND, Feb. 5—A top-grade featherweight bout is in the making for February 17 at the auditorium in Portland, the arena which is currently grabbing all of the boxing glory in the Northwest.

Promoter Tex Salkeld announced he has signed Joey Dolan, Irish brawler from Spokane, for that date.

The two-year letterman is rated as one of the leading pivot men in the northern division of the Pacific Coast conference and has scored 220 points in 19 games this season. He has scored 55 in five conference contests.

Phoenix is a junior in the school of physical education.

Reserve Center Jay Gano is expected to replace Phoenix in the Idaho lineup when the Vandals entertain Oregon here Friday and Saturday.

The loss of the 230-pound offensive star from American Falls follows the loss of Reserve Guard Bob Link, who suffered an ankle injury in a toboggan accident Monday night. Link is expected to be out for several weeks.

Names Alike In First Go

Two boys with names enough alike to be distant cousins will have the opening bout on Friday night's armory wrestling card.

They are Georges Dusette the self-styled French Canadian Hercules, and Joe Dorsetti, a New York rough guy. The curtain raiser is slated for four heats, same as the semi-final.

Dusette is one of the most—if not the most—personally popular grappler to show here these past couple of years, and fans will welcome him back to the arena. Georges is also an exceptionally capable wrestler, although his career was almost cut short by Pete Belastro in a county fair bout in Yreka some 18 months ago. Ever since that fight Georges has either been on the shelf or having to nurse a trick knee.

BONANZA, Feb. 5 — The Main Mustangs defeated Bonanza 30-23 here Tuesday night in a class A non-conference basketball game. DeMerritt scored 11 points for the Mustangs, while Ralph Womack had nine for the Antlers. In the "B" game Bonanza came out ahead, 31 to 23. Bob Barney and Don Coleman each had 10 points.

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