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EDDIE LEBARON!

LeBaron's "Courage"
Crown Fits Like Glove

By MURRAY OLDERMAN
NEA Staff Correspondent
PHILADELPHIA, Pa. (NEA) — Little Eddie LeBaron, the big trophy in his arms looked like our tiny toddler staggering under the load of his first big teddy bear.

"To the Most Courageous Athlete of 1952," it was engraved on the base. This is 1953, but it's still a story. The Philadelphia sports writers, selected the right man for the award they gave him the other night.

Where else is there a kid who's had four starring years of varsity football (Little All-America three years, All-America one), put in two years with the U.S. Marines while collecting two Purple Hearts and a Bronze Star for his eight and a half months in Korea, completed one successful season of professional football and still is only 23 years old?

It was just a year ago that magic-fingered Eddie returned from Korea, two pieces of flak in his right shoulder and a Purple Heart with oak leaf cluster pinned to his chest.

Maybe, at 22, his football career was over. His passing arm was stiff from disuse and injury. He'd seen men blown to bits. He didn't know if football was such an important thing in his life any more.

Besides, there were plenty who

Bassett
Stops
Famechon

PARIS (A) — Featherweights who want a shot at the world title can start lining up. Percy Bassett is going to be a fighting champion.

"We'll fight anyone anywhere as long as the money is right."

That was the cry from Bassett's dressing room Monday night after the 23-year-old Philadelphia Negro had won the interim world featherweight championship by chilling Ray Famechon with one of the greatest exhibitions of power punching ever seen in Paris.

A devastating left and right, both directly to the head, sent the Frenchman crumbling to the canvas at the end of the third round. The bell saved Famechon from a third round knockout but the Frenchman was still completely out when the fourth round bell sounded. His manager signalled defeat and under French rules the victory goes into the books in the fourth round.

Bassett will hold the interim crown for a maximum of only 13 months since he is a fill-in for Sandy Saddler, now a private in the Army. But the Philadelphia fighter is eager to make it a full-fledged title as soon as possible.

JOHNSTOWN, Pa. — Chico Vejar, 153 1/2, Stamford, Conn., outpointed Tony Cimmino, 154, Bayonne, N. J. (10).

Bevo Runs
Average
To 50.4

By The Associated Press
That new basketball craze — "Francis Fever" — is sweeping the country.

Ever since Bevo Francis and his Rio Grande (Ohio) mates hit the headlines, the accent on scoring seems to have increased.

The NCAA Statistical Bureau reports that point-making is on the upswing in collegiate basketball circles—and it has the statisticians going around in circles.

Monday night, for instance, at least 10 players popped in 25 or more points. Not all their teams won, however, as defense still counts, too.

Francis himself, led the point parade. He netted 51 points as unbeaten Rio Grande won its 30th straight game, whipping Cedarville College, 104-48.

50.4 AVERAGE

Francis now has 1,513 points for a fantastic 50.4 average.

Dick Knostman's scoring antics set an army record at Ames, Ia., where Kansas State chopped down Iowa State, 74-64. His 31 markers topped the record 29 set by Art Bunte of Colorado last Saturday.

In the other Big Seven game, Colorado pulled away in the third period to defeat Nebraska, 65-78. At Lincoln, Willard Fagler's 27 points were in a losing cause.

At Bloomington, Ind., meanwhile, Indiana (10-0) kept its perfect Big 10 record intact by wall-popping Wisconsin, 66-48. Don Schlund's 25 points enabled him to retain his league scoring lead.

ILLINOIS WINS

Illinois (8-2) kept pace with Indiana by downing Michigan, 92-62. Other Big 10 games saw Michigan State trim Iowa, 60-48, at Iowa City, and Ohio State out-man-uever Minnesota, 81-71, despite Ed Kalafatis' 26 markers.

Western Kentucky, sparked by Art Spoelstra's 28 points, buried Loyola of the South, 92-67.

weren't sure the baby-faced blond had what it took for professional football. His passer floated. He was only five feet eight inches tall in a game where you have to peer over 6-4, 250-pound tackles bearing down on a passer. And the Washington Redskins, to whom he belonged, still had the venerable Sammy Baugh.

So Eddie said as he came off the boat, "I'm thinking that staying in the service would be preferable to playing a year or two of professional football."

So he was sent to Quantico, Va., to teach other Marines.

"But I couldn't go for that life," explained Eddie. "There wasn't enough action, no challenge."

However, there was the gnawing challenge of pro football, and Washington was just around the corner from Quantico. He exercised relentlessly to restore the usefulness to muscles of his right arm. He cut his weight down to 175. And when the season opened he was out of the Marines and with the Redskins.

They came to New York to play the heavily favored Giants one Sunday late in the season. LeBaron had long supplanted Baugh at quarterback. On the third play from scrimmage he faded to his left and careened into the arms of 250-pound Arnie Weinmeister. The Giant tackle bounced him heavily, and LeBaron's helmet spun away as his head hit the turf. They carried him to the sideline with a possible concussion, apparently through for the day.

RETURNS

Fifteen minutes later, the color back in his red cheeks, he scampered back on the field and what he did to the Giants shouldn't happen to your next door neighbor (the one who borrowed the lawn mower last Spring).

Instead of soft lobes, he hung passes on a line for 50 yards. When needed, he squirted through the Giant line for valuable yards. He punned, he faked, did everything but block (what, and demean a T quarterback?) In the final assessment, the Giants were knocked out of title contention.

The next week the little man from Lodi, Calif., did the same to the title chances of the Philadelphia Eagles.

Pushing Eddie at quarterback next year will be Jack Scarbath of Maryland, the Redskins' No. 1 draft choice. Is LeBaron worried?

"Somebody's got to help with the chores," he smiled. During the off-season he's running a ranch near Geyserville in northern California.

He thinks maybe pro football will be okay for a few years, too. "Less bumps and bruises than when I was at College of the Pacific," said Eddie, "because I get better protection." It's not like that post-Santa Clara game inventory in 1947. His lower teeth had been banged through his lip, his nose was broken, both eyes puffed and his ribs a network of welts.

Even Korea was never that rough.

Grid Suit
May Be
Set Aside

PHILADELPHIA (A) — Counsel for the National Football League prepared Tuesday to ask U. S. District Judge Allan K. Grim to dismiss the government's antitrust suit against the pro grid loop.

Chief Defense Attorney Bernard I. Nordlinger said the request will be made as soon as the prosecution rests its case in the involved trial. Government lawyers have indicated they are about to wind up their side of the case.

The suit charges the NFL with restricting the broadcast and telecast of professional football games. Nordlinger said he'll ask that the case be thrown out on grounds the NFL was not engaged in interstate commerce and that the alleged restraints were "reasonable ones."

M. Perry Epes, government counsel, said he thought it was. One of the final government witnesses was Gordon McLendon, Texas radio station executive, who told the court that radio has helped, not hindered, the economy of professional sports.

McLendon, founder and president of the defunct Liberty Broadcasting System, was on the stand for the third day.

Mountaineers
Drub Nazarenes

LAGRANDE, Ore. (A) — Dick Kofford scored 22 points Monday night to lead Eastern Oregon College to 91-79 basketball victory over Northwest Nazarene of Nampa, Idaho.

Lauren Sanders was high man for the losers with 17 points.

Argentina Heavy
Wins in Debut

SAN MATEO, Calif. (A) — Argentina's giant heavyweight boxer, Elgardo Romer from La Pampa, made his first start in this country a winning one Monday night when he scored a 10-round decision over Junior Payne of Oakland.

Romer weighed 244 and Payne 278. There were no knockdowns.

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Oregon Woolen	30 21
So. Ore. Music	31 27
Suburban Tavern	30 29
Suburban Flower	29 32
Stone's Signal Serv.	28 32
Lorenz Food	28 32
Klamath Flower	19 42

Oregon Wool is closing in on Bing's Cafe in the Moore Ma's Bowling League, just four games back after last night's 3-1 win over Suburban Tavern. Bing's split points with So. Ore. Music.

LaRayne Harris of So. Ore. had the top game, a 210, five pins better than Joyce Ross of Suburban Flower with a 205.

Harris also rolled the top series, 569, with lines of 187, 210 and 172. Sally Bennett of Bing's Cafe was a close second with lines of 188, 192 and 181 for a 561 string.

So. Ore. had the top team game, an 876, and Bing's the top series, an 888-886-844-2578 string.

TRANSPORTATION LEAGUE

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Lorenz Company	33 19
Consolidated Freight	32 19
Suburban Flower	32 28
Pioneer Tobacco	32 28
Intermediate Engineers	28 28
Warehousing	28 28
Band-Portland	28 31
KFLW	25 37
Great Northern	25 40

PMT jumped into the lead in the Transportation Bowling League last night with a 4-0 win over Consolidated Freight, one of the top teams in the kegling circuit.

Perhaps the most surprising news was KFLW climbing out of the cellar with a 4-0 win over A&B Paint Store.

Jules Hunt of People's Warehouse had the top game, a 218, closely followed by Horton Gadwell of PMT with a 206. Bob Dirsel of Lorenz Company with a 204 and Dwight Curran of Lorenz with a 203.

The top series went to Fran Miller of PMT with a 178-193-160-531 string but he was just a pin better than Gadwell who put together lines of 206, 151 and 173 for a 530 series. KFLW's Floyd Wynne had a 528 string with games of 180, 185 and 163.

Lorenz rolled the top team game, a 968, KFLW the top series with games of 909, 906 and 914 for a 2729 score. People's had 940 game and Lorenz a 2631 series.

SAN MATEO, Calif. — Elgardo Romer, 244, Argentina, outpointed Junior Payne, 275, Oakland, Calif., 10.

Gayle Talbot
Video Boon to News Peddlers

By GAYLE TALBOT
NEW YORK (A) — The jury's still out as to whether television is a boon or a menace to baseball and college football, but there no longer can be much doubt that the new sports medium is the greatest thing to happen to newspaper circulation since the invention of colored comics.

We are moved to this profound reflection as the eyes slowly recover from a hard week end of fight expiring over the coaxial cable and prepare for another tough session beginning tomorrow night, when Kid Gavilan and Chuck Davey will come at us on the silver screen from Chicago.

If our own experience is any criterion, millions of persons who ordinarily do with two daily

Francis Means Bucks
To Little Rio Grande

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Vessels to Play
Canadian Football

ARDMORE, Okla. (A) — Billy Vessels, the University of Oklahoma's sought-after All-America halfback, repeated a statement Monday night he made earlier in the day: He is going to sign at least a two-year contract with the professional Edmonton Eskimos of the Canadian Football League Saturday.

Vessels kept mum on his salary, but told reporters it was "a little over" \$10,000.

TEN YEARS AGO — Capt. G. Herbert Walker, Bill Cox and Lt. W. Potter were disclosed as members of a syndicate seeking to buy the Philadelphia Phils.

papers, one morning and one afternoon, will buy one off every stack this Thursday to find out what really happened to their hero, Davey.

We hasten to insist this is no swipe at television. The only trouble is that people continue to try to score boxing matches from their rumpus rooms and then become disgruntled when they discover they must not have been watching the same bouts as the referees and official judges were.

For our part, we discovered a good while ago that the fight we saw on TV often bore but passing resemblance to the one witnessed by members of the trade who were sitting in Row 1 ringside.

The example we are coming to was, of course, Bobo Olson's one-sided win over young Norman Hayes Saturday night in Boston. Unless we are badly rattled, not many of those who witnessed the lively scrap in their homes were at all prepared for the unanimous decision, which indicated that Hayes had caught a real shellacking.

CLONE

We thought it had been pretty close and would not have been surprised if Hayes had lost by no worse than a split decision in his home town. Yet we read next day that the one judge who did give Hayes a few rounds and made it fairly close was booed by the crowd. Just goes to show.

We learn from ringsiders that, actually, Hayes fought only in brief spurts while Olson swarmed over him continually and gave him a cruel beating in the last five rounds. Why this did not register on the screen we do not pretend to know, unless it is "the obvious reason that the camera is, by necessity, situated a good piece from the ring."

SOLUTION

As there appears to be no way of remedying this, the only solution we can think of is for the commentator to be given more leeway than he seems to have at present in telling the great unseen audience what is going on in there. Perhaps the man with the mellow voice could be given an assistant, an oldtime fighter or second, who would at intervals assess the battle up to that point and offer an opinion or two. And the commentator should be moved from the balcony down to the ringside. It's either this or have a nation of frustrated people before long.

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