

Palmer Opens Golf Season With Victory

'Golfer Of Year' Captures LA Open

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—It was the same old monotonous story today with Arnold Palmer again on top of the money heap—exactly where he was when they closed the till on golf's money register for 1962.

In his wallet was a \$9,000 check, his pay for a first-place in the \$50,000 Los Angeles Open which ended Monday in a typical, patented Palmer finish. He came from three strokes off the pace to win handsily with a five-under-par 66 and a four-round 274 total. It was Arnie's 38th tournament win in seven years as a pro. But it was his first victory in the Los Angeles Open — having never finished better than 10th in his heretofore jinx event.

"I want to thank the splendid gallery, all my friends — and everyone," said Palmer, casting a meaningful glance skyward as he pocketed the loot. The \$9,000 in his first tournament of the year put him well ahead of all. Last year he banked a record official \$31,448 in PGA winnings.

Calling Play Erratic "Playing what he termed 'erratically,' he put together a round of eight birdies, a bogey and a double bogey. After turning back the not-too-strong drives for the front spot by Art Wall, Don Fairfield and Houston LaClair, he made a virtual runaway of it in his decisive margin over the second-place—imports Canadian Al Balding and South African Gary Player, who each finished with a 277.

"The big hole was the 17th," said a periphrastic Palmer as he quaffed a soft drink at the finish. "That's when I really won it. To be sure, he did by rolling in a birdie putt — which he modestly said was from 80 feet out.

County '5s' Slate Three Contests

There are three Klamath County League games on tap tonight with Merrill hosting Malin, Bonanza entertaining Bly and Chiloquin hosting Gilchrist.

Merrill will be favored over the Mustangs tonight. The Huskies have been coming on strong as of late and Malin hasn't yet yielded. The Huskies are led by Ken Smith, Jim Thompson and Dale Kurtz. The Mustangs are paced by Tom Brown, Tom Tozell and Randy LeQueu.

Chiloquin, the league leader and favorite, will be a strong pick over Gilchrist. The Panthers have too much strength in Al DeBortoli, Tony Wilder and Greg Harris.

Bonanza will be a slight pick over the improving Bly Loggers. The Antlers have Eddie Simmons, Fred Dearborn, Bill Newlin and Ernie Nichols leading the way. Bly has a well balanced team in Jim Watts, Johnny Go-davis, Merle Clemens and Greg Davis.

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BODY ENGLISH — Using all the body english he can come up with, Arnold Palmer watches his ball stop near the cup on the 18th green at Rancho Golf Course in Los Angeles Monday. Palmer eased the ball into the cup on the next stroke to par the 18th hole with four strokes and win the 37th annual \$50,000 Los Angeles Open Golf Tournament with a score of 274 for 72 holes.

Cincinnati Holds Onto Top Rating

NEW YORK (UPI)—Cincinnati was voted the No. 1 college basketball team by unanimous acclaim for the third straight week in the United Press International ratings, but the runner-up Loyola of Chicago Ramblers are beginning to challenge the Bearcats' popularity.

Coch Ed Jucker's Bearcats scrambled to a 63-50 victory over Wichita last Saturday for their 11th straight win and 29th consecutive triumph over a two-season span.

Loyola ran its record to 15-0 with three successes last week and drew 290 points in the balloting of the 35-man UPI Board of Coaches. The Ramblers had collected 284 points in the previous weekly poll.

Illinois (9-1) and Arizona State (12-1) retained their No. 3 and 4 rankings. Ohio State moved up one rung to No. 5 and Duke took three giant strides to sixth place.

Georgia Tech, the only other school in the top 10 with a perfect record (9-0), surged from 13th place to the No. 7 spot. Mississippi State also advanced into the elite with a move from 11th to eighth place.

Wichita fell back a notch to ninth place and UCLA, which lost two squeakers to Washington during the weekend, dropped from fifth to 10th place.

Points are issued on a 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 basis for votes from first to 10th places. Cincinnati's perfect 350 points was 60 better than Loyola, Illinois received 219 points, Arizona State 177, Ohio State 159 and Duke 147.

The ratings were based on games through Saturday Jan. 5. Oregon State led the second 10 after slipping from 10th place. North Carolina was 12th, followed by West Virginia and Colorado State University (tied for 13th).

Kentucky, Auburn, Colorado and St. Joseph's (Pa.). Stanford, Wisconsin, California and Utah State were tied for 19th place. Kentucky was seventh last week.

NEW YORK (UPI)—The United Press International major basketball ratings (with first-place votes and win-loss records in parentheses):

Team	Points
1. Cincinnati (33) (11-0)	350
2. Loyola (Ill.) (13-0)	290
3. Illinois (9-1)	219
4. Arizona State (12-1)	177
5. Ohio State (9-1)	159
6. Duke (10-2)	147
7. Georgia Tech (9-0)	106
8. Mississippi State (9-2)	71
9. Wichita (9-2)	70
10. UCLA (10-4)	64

Second 10 teams — 11, Oregon State, 50; 12, North Carolina, 26; 13, (tie), West Virginia and Colorado State Univ., 23 each; 15, Kentucky, 19; 16, Auburn, 15; 17, Colorado, 14; 18, St. Joseph's (Pa.), 12; 19, (tie), Stanford, Wisconsin, California and Utah State, 8 each.

Others — DePaul, 7; St. Louis and Niagara, 6 each; Bradley and Notre Dame, 5 each; Miami (Fla.) and St. Bonaventure, 4 each; Kansas and Texas A & M, 3 each; Bowling Green, Pittsburgh, Oklahoma State and Texas A and M, 2 each; Kansas State, Virginia Tech, NYU, Vanderbilt, Seattle, Princeton and Pennsylvania, 1 each.

College Scores

College Basketball Results By United Press International

EAST
CCNY 76 Bridgeport 61
Columbia 74 Lehigh 66
Acadia 63 Rutgers 59
Gannon 79 Belmont Abbey 39
Phila. Textile 100 Delaware 29

SOUTH
Auburn 79 Mississippi 44
D. Lipscomb 68 Chattanooga 66
Union U. 78 Christian Bros. 52
Howard U. 71 Lincoln U. (Pa.) 69
Alabama 77 Mississippi St. 72
Abil. Christian 93 McMurry 87
Win-Salem St. 92 Virginia St. 60
Kentucky 106 Vanderbilt 82
Memphis St. 96 Hawaii 60
Tenn. St. 82 St. Francis (Pa.) 61
Rand-Macon 74 Roanoke 65
Lane 76 Knoxville College 73
Richmond 74 Furman 71
S. Carolina 66 Virginia 64
Aus-Peay St. 85 Southern Ill. 71
Georgia 76 Louisiana St. 67 (6-1)
Bellarmine 92 Union College 68

MIDWEST
Kansas St. 58 Air Force 42
Illinois 90 Ohio St. 78
Indiana 83 Purdue 71
Augsburg 63 St. Thomas 46
Oklahoma 91 Iowa St. 65
MacAlester 71 Gust-Adolphus 59
Miss. (Duluth) 57 St. John's 45
Oklahoma St. 81 Missouri 56

ADDS SIX TRACKS
NEW YORK (UPI)—Six tracks were added to the Harness Tracks of America membership Monday, raising the total to 29. The new harness racing ovals were Liberty Bell Park in Philadelphia; The Meadows, Washington, Pa.; Wolverine Raceway, Detroit; and Grandview, Northfield and Painesville raceways in Northfield, Ohio.

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WHERE DID IT GO? — Dick Thies (24), Ohio State, and Illinois' Ted Brody (12) combine on a "London Bridge" effect while ball goes the other way as Ohio State and Illinois met in Champaign, Ill., Monday night. Foreground is Bob Starnes, Illinois, and unidentified OSU man. Right is Gary Braddis (35). Illini led 80-69 late in the game. See college scores for final result. — UPI Telephoto

Collegiate Group Urged Not To Use Amendment

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—The National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) closed ranks today behind the U.S. Track and Field Federation in its battle with the Amateur Athletic Union while holding up an example that the warring groups could co-exist.

As the NCAA convention went into its second day there were reports that the White House was exerting pressure to bring the struggle to an end quickly through the good offices of Gen. Douglas MacArthur, who had agreed to head an arbitration panel in the dispute.

And cooler heads in the NCAA ranks were urging the collegiate group not to adopt a proposed amendment to its bylaws under which an athlete would be barred from NCAA championship competition if he competed in a meet not sanctioned by the track federation.

Colleges To Defy NCAA

NEW YORK (UPI)—Seven colleges in the New York City area signified their intention of defying the NCAA by entering ahead with plans today to enter teams in the Knights of Columbus track meet at Boston this Saturday.

Coaches of Fordham, Columbia, Iona, Manhattan, St. John's and Seton Hall along with a spokesman for New York University said Monday they will enter their teams in the K. of C. meet unless ordered not to by their athletic directors between now and Saturday.

The coaches took their stand despite a recent letter by the Eastern College Athletic Conference, to which all seven schools belong, supporting the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and the NCAA-backed U.S. Track and Field Federation in its dispute with the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) over the control of amateur athletes in this country.

The NCAA feels member colleges should not compete in meets sanctioned only by the AAU such as the K. of C. meet. The athletic directors may be holding the trump card, however.

One of them, Arthur L. Mahan of Villanova University, which is also a member of the Eastern College Athletic Conference, overruled his own coach at the NCAA convention in Los Angeles Monday.

In another development here, George Eastman, the chairman of the U.S. Olympic Track and Field Committee, announced that the United States definitely will compete in the Pan-American Games at Sao Paulo, Brazil, April 20-May 5, even if it has to rely on non-collegiate athletes.

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1962 Football Fatalities Decreased 30 Per Cent

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—Football fatalities decreased nearly 30 per cent during 1962 and could be reduced even more, Dr. Floyd R. Eastwood said today in his annual report to the American Football Coaches Association.

Dr. Eastwood, chairman of the Football Fatalities Committee, said football deaths had dropped from 37 in 1961 to 25 in 1962, a decrease of 29.7 per cent.

The report noted that 7 of 19 deaths attributed directly to participation in football came by mid-September.

"Our whole problem of pre-season training is tremendous," Dr. Eastwood reported.

Dr. Eastwood's report stated that some of the main causes of deaths during the past season were gang-play, vicious head tackling and face-blocking. He recommended de-emphasis on that type of play and said it would be more closely regulated if there were about a corresponding decrease in football fatalities in the future.

Dr. Eastwood also stressed more and better supervision, pointing out that 23 per cent of the football deaths during the 31 years that they have been checked have been found to occur in unsupervised sandlot play.

Among his recommendations were: Complete physical examinations by a team physician both before and during the season; regulation of high school competition by an age-height-weight system between competing schools and teams; and a spring practice period for all teams of at least 10 to 20 days.

In his breakdown of the fatalities:

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Patterson Will Announce Fight Site In 24 Hours

NEW YORK (UPI)—Announcement of the site and date for the return Sonny Liston-Floyd Patterson heavyweight title fight is expected within 24 hours, now that the World Boxing Association (WBA) has unexpectedly approved it.

Emile Bruneau of New Orleans, chairman of the WBA's World Championship Committee, announced Monday night that the WBA's ban against the return bout has been rescinded.

Ex-champion Patterson, who has the privilege of choosing the site and date under the return-bout contract, has been considering four cities: Baltimore, Miami Beach, Cleveland and Las Vegas, Nev.

In those four areas, at least one boxing commission—not identified by Patterson—had been reluctant to sanction the fight because of the WBA ban. Now that impediment has been removed.

Promoter Al Bolan of Championship Sports, Inc. (CSI) has

visited three of the cities and reported to Patterson on their possibilities as sites.

Bruneau stressed that the championship committee had reversed its Christmas Eve decision because the WBA Ratings Committee on Jan. 2 had boosted ex-champion Patterson from second among contenders to first.

Bruneau explained that Patterson's boost had followed automatically the dropping of top contender Eddie Machen of Portland, Ore., completely out of the rankings because of a mental illness.

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