

Maroons Start New Year with Flashy Conquests on Court

Two clean cut victories were scored Friday night by the Maroon-wearing Auburn High Schools basketball teams over the representatives of Nottingham High of Syracuse, who were entertained on the hardwood at Central High in Garden Street. The Auburnians, who are tutored by Coach Harold E. Button, fought their way to the top of the score list and held off many last half drives by the visitors to take the varsity tilt 25-21. In the preliminary, between the junior varsities, the locals won in a handy fashion by the lopsided count of 43-15.

Last night's win for the varsity five was the first in three starts and thus made a good beginning for the new year for the players and coach. When the tilt opened Coach Willard (Doc) Maynor's lads hopped into a two point lead as the quarter closed with the guests ahead 4-2. Auburn's campaign really opened in the first two minutes of the second when Locastro popped in a pair of double deuckers and later Nick Rossi and Tucker Leone added goals and Rossi contributed a singleton to bring Auburn ahead, 11-6 as the half closed.

Thrilling Last Quarter

During the course of the third leg Auburn was outscored but managed to continue its advantage and coming up to the final stanza the tally read 15-11. The fourth and final period was a rough affair and Nottingham tied the total at 18-11 at the four-minute mark. The knot was broken when Rossi flipped in a foul point and a moment later Locastro contributed a two pointer

to pull Auburn out of danger. Izzie Noble slipped in one from the corner to bring the tally up to 23-18 for the locals. Helping er, long lanky center for Nottingham, converted a singleton from the charity stripe and Shaper nabbed the ball in Auburn territory, dribbled the length of the floor, to score and Auburn, with only a minute to go led by two points.

The game was really led with Leone's shot from the corner and Nottingham was held away from scoring by an air tight defense on the part of the Auburnians.

Leone of Auburn and Helfinger of Nottingham shared scoring honors of the evening, each one making four field goals and a foul shot for a total of nine points apiece. Nick Rossi was the fireball on the local side of the struggle.

The Auburn team faces a busy schedule next week, three games being billed in four days. Next Wednesday Coach Button takes his varsity to Syracuse to meet Central of that city and on Friday the Maroons will trek to Cortland for a return game with that outfit. The third clash of the week brings the locals into competition on the Garden Street court when Fulton High comes here on Saturday night, January 15.

The summaries of the varsity and junior varsity games are appended:

Varsity Game			
Auburn High	G.	F.	P.
Leone, f.	4	1	8
Rossi, f.	2	3	7
Kot, c.	0	1	1
Noble	1	0	2
Augello	0	0	0
Locastro, g.	2	0	6
Fleiss	0	0	0
Aubin, g.	0	0	0
10 5 25			
Nottingham High			
Foster, f.	1	1	3
Abdo, f.	0	0	0
Hilbner, c.	4	1	9
Garrett, s.	1	1	3
Wright	0	0	0
Longley	0	0	0
Shapery, g.	2	2	6
Snyder	0	0	0
Stompaala	0	0	0
8 5 21			

GOOD YEAR AHEAD FOR BOXING, SAYS NBA PRESIDENT

Greene Points to Farce in Differences Between Association and New York Commission

(This is another in a series, written expressly for the Associated Press, by sports leaders in which prospects for 1942 are discussed.)

By ABE J. GREENE
President, National Boxing Association

Paterson, N. J., Jan. 3.—(AP)—Anemic and scrawny in quality, but well fattened and paunchy in box office appeal, boxing in the United States can look forward to another busy year in 1942.

On the theory that there will always be a fight club so long as the fans are willing to pay for anything that resembles a couple of gloves falling the air, promoters the country over are settling up for a big year. Lifting of dimouts in coastal areas has added to their anticipation. Ball parks and outdoor arenas are being figuratively whitewashed for a grand summer spurge.

But what of the future? There is lies the rub.

As one of the major sports industries of the country, boxing can stand to have its collective nose rubbed in the sand a bit. Baseball has its major and minor league organizations, its Judge Landis. Football has its League and its Layden. Boxing has its National Boxing Association, which around the country has done a mighty good job in holding the lines for the various boxing commissions and in providing an effective line-holder against contract-jumpers and the like, as well as maintaining the best ratings system.

But N. B. A. doesn't have New York in its membership, and so long as the juley ball of Madison Square Garden payoffs remains without the N. B. A. organization, there will be bountiful nutting.

In spite of the marked progress other key cities in the country, notable Cleveland, Philadelphia and Los Angeles—have made in staging major attractions, New York, with its Garden and its manna, is still the mecca to which star entertainers turn. The National Boxing Association, with most of the states in its membership, commands a wholesome respect among the astic fraternity, who carefully avoid conflict with its regulations. But they'll risk an NBA frown for the juicy steaks a Madison Square Garden bout will hold for them.

In this new year, and in anticipation of the day when thousands of newfound boxers and fans return from the wars, boxing has got to get its act together on a new pattern of decency and universal ethics. Otherwise how can the farcical deal of championships which consistently crop up to plague the game be averted?

Picture the fantastic situation in the lightweight ranks today. NBA recognizes Sammy Angott as champion by virtue of the fact he's never been defeated at the lightweight limit. New York, by a series of lightning promotions, pins the title on Beau Jack. Since it is by common consent agreed that Angott and Jack just about represent the tops, why should not the two meet at the 135 pound limit and end the fantasy?

But the box office men say nay. Angott and Jack will meet—on the New York, mind you—but at the lightweight limit? Certainly not. It will be for 10 pounds, over the weight, and the fans will like it or stay away from the Garden, which of course they won't do, money being the profligate commodity it is today. Later on, of course, if the fans behave, Angott and Jack will meet for the title—at an increased price per ticket.

I contend that this is but one example of a weird, untenable and ridiculous situation which should not prevail if boxing were organized on a national scale, with proper power in the hands of its officers.

The boys who come back, and the folks who are behind on the home front and paying a heavy freight, deserve a better deal from boxing. The National Boxing Association will continue its fight for a strong, unified, coordinated and common sense front for government of boxing, not for New York or any other state alone, but for the sport all over the country. That goal, I predict, is not too far off.

Arkansas Razorbacks whipped Texas Christian, 71-56, in their southwest conference basketball opener.

The preachers did all right, too. The Rev. Bill Flynn, a Baptist, sank 18 points for Arkansas, and the Rev. Joe Wick, a Christian pastor, counted nine points for T. C. U.

New York, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Bill Hulse, America's fastest outdoor runner, has entered the Grover Cleveland Club mile one of the feature events of the opening track meet of the season, January 15 at the Seventh Regiment Armory.

About two pounds of household fats are required to make an incendiary for one incendiary bomb.

ALL IN A LIFETIME Boys Will Be Boys By Frank Beck



WEEDSPORT IN TOP POSITION IN TRI-COUNTY LOOP

Shades Fast Moving and Determined Cato-Meridian Basketeers in Contest That Is Close All the Way

Coach John Skvorak's Weedsport Central High School team took over top place of the Tri-County Basketball League Friday night by shading the Cato-Meridian entry 27-22 on the Weedsport court. It was in a fourth quarter sprint that led Weedsport to the win as Cato-Meridian was close enough right through the first three periods to be a danger.

The game was a low scoring affair in the first period. Weedsport held a one point, 5-4, bulge. At half time the host team led 11-10 and at the conclusion of the third it was Weedsport by a 22-20 count. Milo Hudson was the heaviest contributor for the Weedsport cause with 11 points. House led the losers on three goals and three foul points for a total of nine.

Weedsport now has won two and lost none in league competition. Cato-Meridian is next in line with a 5-0 standing, winning once and losing one. Hannibal and Red Creek complete the league roster and are next on the list.

The summary of the Weedsport-Cato-Meridian game follows:

Weedsport Central			
G.	F.	P.	
Wetherstone, f.	1	2	4
Stevenson	1	0	2
Dutton, f.	2	1	5
Hudson, c.	4	5	11
Talbot, s.	1	0	2
Vella	1	0	2
Bales, g.	0	1	1
9 9 27			

Cato-Meridian Central			
G.	F.	P.	
Sine, f.	0	1	1
Lawrence, f.	1	1	3
Biss, c.	2	2	6
House, g.	3	3	9
Weldon, g.	1	1	2
Falsett	0	0	0
Chapman	0	0	0
7 8 22			

BASKETBALL SCORES

- By The Associated Press
- LaSalle 47, Fort Miles (Del.) 25.
- Haverford 51, Rider 45.
- Calistota 33, Wooster 25.
- Camp Reynolds 49, Bethany College 47.
- Middlewest
- Wisconsin 43, Illinois 38.
- Iowa 37, Minnesota 34.
- Northwestern 57, Michigan 47.
- Purdue 76, Chicago 27.
- DePauw 67, Central Normal 47.
- Miami, O. 46, Ohio U. 39.
- South
- Norfolk Naval Air Station 50.
- Bainbridge Md. Naval Station 46.
- Southwest
- Arkansas 71, Texas Christian 46.
- Southern Methodist 65, Texas A & M 25.
- Gambians, legendary boxing, is credited with a broving of bees.

BOWLING HIALEAH TRACK OPENS TO 12,726

Adulator Wins Featured \$5,000 Added Inaugural Handicap — \$635,758 in Bets

By E. V. W. JONES

Miami, Fla., Jan. 3.—(AP)—A dozen promising three-year-olds competed in the \$5,000 added Hialeah stakes at Hialeah Park today while owners study their performance with the rich Flamingo stakes and Kentucky Derby in mind.

The pink damingoes on the infield lake had Hialeah Park to themselves last winter when wartime difficulties prevented the track from opening. Officials prepared to throw the infield open to spectators today if a record crowd came out for the 16th running of the Hialeah stakes.

Their first year of racing behind them and possible turf glory ahead, the youngsters will dash six furlongs in the fifth race feature. This is a preview for the \$15,000 Flamingo, a mile and a furlong contest scheduled for February 26.

A. Hirschberg's Black Badge, with Jockey N. L. Pierson up, rated as the 2-10-1 overnight favorite. The black colt won easily at Tropical Park December 18 with Pierson riding.

M. G. Goff's Skytracer, winner of two recent victories at Tropical, and Stylic, Mrs. Ethel D. Jacobs' entry are optional choices. In Stylic's favor is the fact the jockey will be Ted Atkinson, leading with 30 wins in the short winter season, four of them yesterday. Greentree Stable's Mouse Hole, Con of Granville, and Miss Mouse, are rated high.

Other entries are Aloray, Challenge Me, Augustina, Good Bid, Fifth, Blue Sash, Quick Draw, and Brief Sign.

Bob Montgomery Gets Decision Over Peralta

Detroit, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Even while missing, Bobcat Bob Montgomery, former holder of the New York Pennsylvania version of the lightweight title, is quite a puncher. He proved it last night by hammering out unanimous 10-round decision at Olympia Stadium over Joey Peralta of Douglas, Ariz.

Montgomery, lithe Philadelphia Negro, missed as often as he connected on his durable Mexican opponent, but Referee Elmer (Slim) McClelland and the two judges awarded Bobcat Bob the decision. There was some discussion from the 3,500 fans who paid \$11,614.

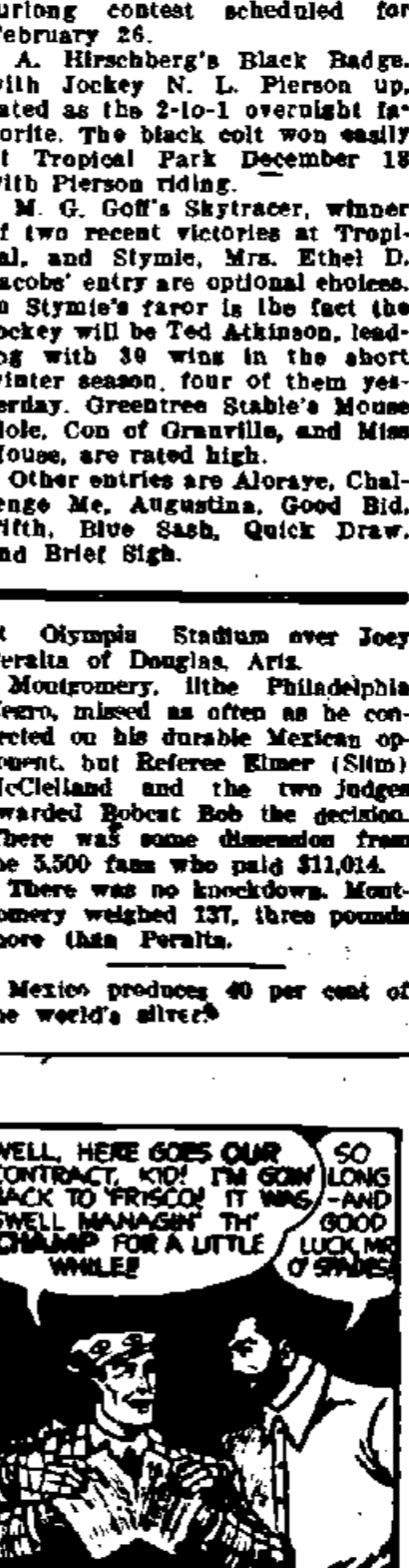
There was no knockdown. Montgomery weighed 137, three pounds more than Peralta.

Mexico produces 40 per cent of the world's silver.

WAR BONDS in action

Money spent for War Bonds goes to the front. Sometimes it provides spectacular equipment like planes, oft times it buys a rusty donkey like this American soldier is taking ashore in Italy. The quicker your dollars go into action, the sooner it will be over. Buy More War Bonds. U. S. Treasury Department

JOE JINKS



SPORTS ROUNDUP

By BUON FULLERTON, Jr.

New York, Jan. 3.—(AP)—That was a right smart idea Lou Little applying the old-day about making football officials keep out of the play's way. Of course, you might think that Lou meant for them to stay off the field entirely (which might not be a bad stunt, either) but he says all he wants is for them to stay out of the part of the field that the players are using at the moment.

How many times have you seen a paunchy referee try to outrun a snatched or serve as an extra blocker? ... Or a fight that spots a bout by spending too much time between the horns? Or, as we saw in the Garden Thursday, a bocky official chasing the puck-carrier down the rink, oblivious of the fact that an injured player was sprawled on the ice behind his back? ... Regardless of all Pat Kennedy antics, officials are paid to see without being seen.

Excess Baggage

When the Kentucky U. basketballers rode in a baggage car on a recent trip, it was hardly a new stunt. A couple of years ago the Bradley Tech football team made a trip to North Dakota and Coach A. J. Robertson saved space for more important travelers by using a baggage car and bunking the boys on rubber beds that could be inflated or deflated at will. ... Now if he could only figure out some way that opponents could be given the same treatment as the beds.

One-Minute Sports Page

Sid Luckman will play basketball for the New York Jets against the Detroit Eagles in a benefit show here January 16. And probably he'll find that the Bears give the passer, more protection ... the Hollywood Legion Club averages \$120,000 to \$440,000 a year profits from fight shows and uses all the dough for charitable purposes. Marine Major Gregory Boyington, reported missing in action after downing his 16th Japanese plane to equal Major Joe Foss' record, is a former Pacific Northwest amateur middleweight champion ... When Gill Dadds, a kid who ran in a track suit his mother had made from underwear, saw Don Lash receive the Sullivan Award in 1935, he told Coach George Doenges that he'd rather get that award than anything else in the world. ... And the Ashland College coach predicted that Dadds would win it—which is real long range forecasting.

Service Dept.

Ena. Samuel Cooper, former Oberlin College grid captain, hopes he's waiting for a return-trip to Germany at the New Orleans armed guards center. Cooper was on the 1936 Olympic squad that demonstrated non-Olympic American games at Berlin. His next assignment will be as a merchant ship gun crew captain ... Billy Conn and his trainer, Freddie Fierro, still manage to stay together at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., after three army transfers. After Marine Lieut. Dave Rankin, former Purdue end, bagged a couple of Jap dive bombers at Bougainville, he maintained it was "just like shooting ducks." ... Ever try roasting dire bomber, Dave?

Half time score—ARSTP, 15-10. Officials, Ken Sullivan and George Strbs, umpire, Referee, Timer, O'Brien, Scorer, Beltman.

Preliminary Holy Family J. V.

G.	F.	P.
Fitzpatrick, f.	0	0
Graney, f.	1	1
Cuddy, c.	2	0
Burke, c.	0	0
Ryan	0	0
Wood, g.	1	1
Bergan	0	0
4 2 10		

Squires

G.	F.	P.
Kierst, f.	4	0
Graney, f.	4	0
Clifford, c.	0	0
Lawler	0	0
Flannigan, g.	1	0
Hutson, g.	0	0
10 0 20		

Crosses the Ice, Finds It Fine

On December 29, Hart Carr made his annual trip on skates across Cayuga Lake to the State Park, and again on New Year's Day. He reported the ice the finest in many years, about five inches thick and clear as crystal. On December 30, Hart celebrated his birthday and had a jolly time at his home in Union Springs. Out of town guests were his son, Harold, his grandchildren, Buddy and Nancy, also John Cook of Syracuse, Henry Williams of Seneca Falls.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

By The Associated Press

New York—Beau Jack, 139, Augusta, Ga., outpointed Lulu Constantino, 136, New York, 10 (non-title); Pat Foley, 132, Boston, and Al Guido, 134, New York, drew, 6.

Detroit—Bob Montgomery, 137, Philadelphia, outpointed Joe Peralta, 134, Douglas, Ariz., 10; Harold Smith, 147, Philadelphia, outpointed Ben Franklin, 144, Pittsburgh, 8.

Worcester, Mass.—Leo Sawicki, 145, Worcester, and Al Evans, 147, Newport, drew, 10; Jimmy Taylor, 147, Lowell, and Oscar Suzzo, 145, Newport, drew, 6.

ARSTP Cage Team Triumphs

Holy Family High School was held to a mere half dozen field goals and a brace of foul shots while the Auburn Army Reserve Special Training Program cadets scored almost at will to roll to a 31-14 win Friday on the Fulton Street School court. Coach Francis (Moon) Mullins' lads used a swinging one defense to good avail to hold Mentor Tom Hickey's Purple and Gold clads away from the hoops.

Last night's showing was the first public appearance for Coach Mullins and Company and the lads show signs of being a real classy outfit. Earl Bronson led the cadets to the win column by hitting the nets for six field goals. On the Holy Family ledger Doyle was top hand with six points from three field goals.

In the preliminary the Columbian Squires sparked by Clifford and Kierst won a 20-10 victory over the Holy Family javes. Clifford and Kierst each had eight points. Cuddy did the major portion of the H.F. javes scoring, four points, and the remaining half dozen were divided evenly between Grancy and Woods.

MAIN GAME Auburn ARSTP			
Auburn	G	F	P
Osterhout, f.	0	0	0
Shallup	0	0	0
Hackett	0	0	0
Bronstein, f.	6	0	12
Roberts	1	0	2
Mayer	0	0	0
Pownall, c.	2	1	5
Koons	0	0	0
Kell, g.	2	0	4
Bennett	2	1	5
Crane, g.	1	0	2
Errera	0	1	1
Allen	0	0	0
14 3 31			

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Ryan	0	0
Wood, g.	1	1
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4 2 10		

Squires

G.	F.	P.
Kierst, f.	4	0
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Lawler	0	0
Flannigan, g.	1	0
Hutson, g.	0	0
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Today's Sport Parade

Reg. U. S. Pat. Off.

By JACK CUDDY
United Press Staff Correspondent

New York, Jan. 3.—(UP)—Commercial aviation will be geared perfectly to bring Pacific coast cities into the big-time professional sports fold at the close of the war, according to Leon C. Morrier, district traffic manager of United Air Lines.

We asked tall, dark-haired Morrier about this because he is a practical expert on trans-continental air transportation—not a mere misad him because of the doubts about transportation that greeted recent proposals to have west coast cities like Los Angeles and San Francisco become members of major circuits in baseball, football and hockey.

Practically everyone associated closely with sports realizes that the Pacific coast—great incubator of star performers in all departments of athletics—must ultimately become an important part of the projected set-up, because of (1) its large sports living-cities, and (2) injection of Pacific competition into current major circuits would stimulate box-office appeal throughout the country.

Cities like Los Angeles and San Francisco are ripe for the adventure. But their entrance would require air transportation of unfailing regularity. Can such trans-continental regularity be assured for the golden era of sports that is expected to follow the war? Will there still be an uncertainty about carrying out air schedules? Will storms or fog-blanketed airports cause ground-lar delays?

Morrier is positive that commercial air lines will be able to transport major sports teams and their gear with clock-like regularity to and from the Pacific Coast in the post-war period.

He said, "right now our company, for example, completes 98 per cent of its scheduled flights. This percentage will be increased after the war when new equipment and new developments—like the glide-path landing beam and radar are put to commercial use."

Equipment like glide-path landing gear, whose visibility is poor at the airport, was partially installed at several airports just before Pearl Harbor. And 50 of our company's pilots were prepared to use it. I cannot discuss radar because of war conditions."

Morrier assured that if the war were to end tomorrow, the commercial lines would have standard 21-passenger planes ready for use of sports teams. Within a year or so after peace comes, 50-passenger planes will be available. Shortly thereafter, 100-passenger planes will be used.

These larger planes will fly "over the weather" at altitudes of 20,000 to 25,000 feet at cruising speeds of about 220 miles an hour for 50-passenger craft and about 300 for 100-passenger machines. Jumps from Chicago to Los Angeles would require from eight to 10 hours and from New York to Los Angeles, from 12 to 15.

Morrier concluded, "and the cost of such transportation will be less than by railroad pullman."

SPORT SHORTS

Chicago, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Rudy Boedecker, a Chicago police detective and crack bowler, is the nation's new champion kiegler for three game league series this season.

Boedecker posted games of 289, 264 and 254 for a 803 total in the Randolph League, beating the season's previous high of 797 rolled by Bud Wright of Chicago two weeks ago. Boedecker's series total was the first 800 in Chicago in four years of League competition.

Chicago, Jan. 3.—(AP)—A veteran football coach and a young Northwestern University athlete will share the spotlight at a double header basketball show at Chicago Stadium tonight.

Amos Alonso Stagg, 31-year-old grid coach at the College of the Pacific, named by the National Association of football writers as "Coach of the Year," will receive a miniature football from the "Order of the C." Chicago's Letterman's Association.

Otto Graham, the Wildcats' all-America halfback, named the Western Conference's most valuable grid player, will receive the Chicago Tribune Silver Trophy between halves of the Northwestern-Wisconsin game. He also is a star on the Wildcats' grid.

Fayetteville, Ark., Jan. 3.—(AP)—Two ordained ministers opposed each other last night at