

ANY OLD CHAMPIONS RETAIN SPORT CROWNS DURING 1924

TILDEN, HELEN WILLS, HOPPE, GREB, DEMPSEY, LEWIS AND OTHERS KEEP TITLES



BIGGEST UPSET OF 1924 STAGED IN BASEBALL

Washington's Triumph Unexpected—Notre Dame Eleven Considered One of Greatest Ever.

By BILLY EVANS

The biggest upset of the year in sport circles was staged in major league baseball. Washington, more or less an outsider, not only won the American League pennant but also captured the world series from the Giants.

The triumph of Washington was all the more unusual, since Stanley Harris, youthful manager, was making his big league debut.

Rogers Hornsby repeated his specialty of leading the National League in batting, while Babe Ruth showed the way in the American.

Hornsby, by taking down the 1924 honors, established a new National League record, the winning of the title for five successive years.

Ruth Leads

Ruth, who has tasted of almost every other baseball sweets, finally achieved his ambition of leading the American League in batting.

Walter Johnson, famous pitcher of the champion Washington club, and Dizzy Vance, Brooklyn's hurling ace, were voted the most valuable players in their respective leagues.

In football, Notre Dame had a team that must be rated one of the greatest of all time. In the East Yale, Dartmouth and Pennsylvania had the edge. Chicago won the Big Ten championship and Stanford nosed out California on the Pacific coast.

Grange Outstanding

Once again "Red" Grange, Illinois meteor, was the outstanding player of the year. He was a unanimous choice of every all-star eleven selected.

Bill Tilden, although harder pressed than usual, still retains the title of world's greatest tennis exponent. Vincent Richards took second position. As usual the United States won the Davis cup, the world series of tennis.

Among the women, Helen Wills, the California marvel, dominated the tennis field as clearly as did Bill Tilden.

Tough on Golf Champions It was as hard a bad year for golf champions. No major champion succeeded in repeating. Bobby Jones took the amateur title away from Max Marston, but in turn was deprived of his open laurels by Cyril Walker.

Gone Sarazen lost further prestige by his failure in the open professional championship, which went to Walter Hagen, also a victor for the second time in three years in the British open.

Dorothy Hurd of Pittsburgh provided an upset by winning the women's championship, succeeding Edith Cummings.

Chick Stymied

For the first time in years Chick Evans was unable to win the western amateur, his monopoly of this important sectional tournament being broken by Harrison Johnson of St. Paul.

Larry Nahlholtz made the most rapid forward stride of any young professional in the country last year, while George Von Elm of the Far West was the leading amateur, next to Jones.

Aside from activity in the bantamweight division, the year was a flop in Fisticland. The bantamweight title changed hands twice. Abe Goldstein took it away from a shadow of the old Joe Lynch, and was in turn dethroned by Eddie Cannonball Martin just as the old year was limping out the back door.

Dundee Too Fat Johnny Dundee grew too fat to defend the featherweight title and gave it up. A featherweight tour-

"MEN"

We're at It Again! Watch Friday's Times

Where Washington Crosses Delaware.

PURDUE IN DRILL FOR GAME WITH DE PAUW FRIDAY

Boilermakers Forced to Shift Line-up Because of Robbins' Illness.

By Times Special

LAFAYETTE, Ind., Jan. 1.—With its whirlwind floorguard, Winston Robbins in the hospital, Purdue university's basketball five will meet DePauw here Friday night. Robbins has for two years played stellar ball for the Boilermakers, but he gave indications this season of surpassing all of his previous performances.

Against Franklin he seemed the heart and soul of the Purdue defense and attack, and his absence from the game in the overtime period was keenly felt by the Boilermakers.

Robbins' illness means a shift in the lineup against the Methodists. Rigby will most likely replace Robbins at the floor guard position for the game.

The Purdue squad has been working out twice a day since Dec. 25, in preparation for the game Friday, and with the exception of Robbins, the men are in fairly good shape.

Wright of Bainbridge continues as one of the leading forward candidates, while Jolly, Neuman, Taube and Houston are scrapping for the same job.

Cramer is improving rapidly, at center, while the backguard position is being taken care of by the veteran Captain Wellman. Purdue's probable line-up for the game will be Wright and Jolly on the wings, Neuman, Taube and Cramer in the back, and Rigby and Capt. Wellman, center.

Manual Beats Seymour Many Fouls Called in Game—At Kokomo Friday.

By Times Special

SEYMOUR, Ind., Jan. 1.—Manual High School of Indianapolis defeated the local high team here Wednesday night in a game which was marked by many personal fouls.

The visitors led throughout the game. Seymour tying the score only once at the start, 9-11. Thirty-four personal fouls were called. Sixteen were checked up against the invaders, while fourteen were against the home team.

Cederholm and Martin were the high point men for the visitors. Manual plays at Kokomo on Friday night.

H. S. BASKET STAR DIES

Blood Poisoning Develops From Injury to Finger.

By Times Special

NEEDMORE, Ind., Dec. 31.—Vest Turner, 17, died here Wednesday from blood poisoning caused by injuries received when he was struck on the finger by a basketball as he attempted to catch it. He was one of the most popular students at the local high and was the star of the high school squad.

The local team would like to schedule games with teams playing in 12-15-year-old class for Friday night. The team will play at Kokomo on Friday night.

In a rough and tumble game the Holy Cross G. C. basketball team defeated the Indiana team 38-18. Grant, Sylvester and Jackson were best for the winners, while Shomaker was high point man for the losers.

The Western Union G. C. defeated the Fada club 7-14, Tuesday night. For game call Circle 5270 or address 1, Garfield, 31 S. Delaware St.

The Riverside Meteors would like to book a game for Friday night. The Meteors have defeated some of the best clubs and state junior players. For game call Main 8261 and ask Joe or write Dick Weaver 1433 Marshall Ave. Kokomo, Ind.

INTERSECTIONAL GAMES BIG FEATURES ON COAST

Hoosier Fans Anxiously Await Outcome of Notre Dame and Stanford Contest—Penna. vs. California.

Two of the most important intersectional football games ever played between East and West were on the New Year's sport program today when Notre Dame clashed with Stanford at Pasadena, Cal., and University of Pennsylvania met the University of California at Berkeley, Cal.

The interest of Hoosier fans naturally was centered on the Notre Dame battle. The men of Rockne need a victory to uphold their prestige. In many quarters they are rated as national champions and one of the best teams of all time.

A victory would strengthen claims to such honors. A defeat would give the Pacific coast an opportunity to say that the best teams in the land are in the far West.

Stanford is the champion of the Pacific coast conference. It has not been defeated, but was tied by California.

Notre Dame reigns the favorite to win but there are many fans on the coast who believe Stanford has a good chance to stop the famed team from Indiana.

Refin' To Go

The South Bend aggregation arrived at Pasadena on Wednesday and worked out in the afternoon at Rose bowl, where the game is scheduled. The "four horsemen" seemed in good shape.

Odds were quoted at 2 to 1 and some at 8 to 5 on Notre Dame.

"The odds are absurd," said Rockne. "I hope to win, certainly, but my team is not as efficient as it was early in the season."

Coach Rockne does not intend to start his famous "four horsemen." He will rely on secondary men to tire the westerners down before sending his first stringers in to carry off the honors.

Warner, Stanford coach, on the other hand, will start his stars, hoping to score, and then fall back into a defensive game. Ernie Nevers, stellar back, who was kept from playing most of the season because of injuries, has recuperated and will be in at the starting whistle, according to Warner.

Bear Line Outweighed While the Pennsylvania line outweighs the Bear line by some ten pounds per man, Coach Andy Smith believes his men will prove much faster than the Easterners.

Smith's game is fast kicking game. The Bears planned to try and wear down the Quakers by sending them long punts to run back again and again. Then they were to open with an aerial game, it is believed.

Tickets to the Notre Dame-Stanford game were sold out ten days in advance, according to reports. At Berkeley 55,000 tickets had been purchased Wednesday night, and with prediction of fair weather for the game more seats were expected to be filled by the time the game starts.

Fair weather has been forecast for both games.

MOTION PICTURES

OHIO Theatre

NOW SHOWING JAMES M. BARRETT'S "PETER PAN"

With Betty Bronson, Ernest Torrence

Spot Family Comedy "DEAF, DUMB AND DUFFY"

LESTER HUFF'S "ORGAN SOLO"

"New Year's Resolutions"

CHARLIE DAVIS ORCHESTRA

APOLLO Theatre

BUSTER KEATON IN "THE NAVIGATOR"

OUR GANG COMEDY "The Mysterious Mystery"

Emil Selid and His Orchestra

BUCKEYES STOP BUTLER'S MARCH BY 34 TO 25 WIN

Veteran Ohio State Squad Proves Too Much for Local Netters.

By Times Special

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan. 1.—Butler College basketball team ran into a snag here tonight after defeating three Big Ten teams and Ohio State's veteran outfit downed the scrappy team from the Hoosier State, 34 to 25.

The Buckeyes took the lead at the start and were never headed. The visitors were handicapped by the loss of their captain, Hal Griggs, who was unable to play, because of injuries.

The first half ended, 18 to 13, and Ohio pulled farther away in the second period when Shaw and Miner bombarded the net. Shaw was the big point getter for the winners with seven field goals and two from the foul line. Miner got four field goals and five free throws.

Wakefield and Colway made two baskets each for Butler from the floor and each got three from the foul line. Nipper accounted for five points with a field goal and three fouls.

The big Butler squad was divided here one group heading for Kansas City, where they play on Friday while another bunch went to Bradford, Ohio, to meet the Y. M. C. A. team there tonight.

Vogel to Marry

By United Press

URBANA, Ill., Jan. 1.—Otto Vogel, recently appointed Iowa baseball coach, former Cub outfielder, and all around athlete at the University of Illinois in his college days is to wed Miss Dorothy Whitaker of this city, it was announced today.

AMUSEMENTS

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COLUMBUS LOSES JINX

Connorsville High Defeated 34 to 24—Gilmore Leads Attack.

By Times Special

COLUMBUS, Ind., Jan. 1.—Columbus High broke its jinx here tonight when they downed Connorsville, 34-24. Previously Columbus had lost three games by one and two-point margins. The locals led throughout the game, holding a 21-15 margin at half time.

Gilmore was best for Columbus with eight points, while Steele kept the visitors in the running with thirteen points. In a certain raise the Columbus Alumni defeated the Columbus seconds, 46-25.

CATHEDRAL - ST. XAVIER

Local H. S. to Meet Cincy Team at K. of C. Hall Friday

Cathedral will meet the St. Xavier team of Cincinnati at the K. of C. hall Friday night at 8 o'clock. The Ohioans will come here with several victories to their credit and will probably present a strong line-up.

A curtain-raiser between two Cathedral alumni teams has been arranged. One team is composed of Notre Dame students and the other of students attending various colleges.

The Cathedral starters probably will be Gill and Corrier, forwards; Costello, center; Dougherty and Keers, guards.

Life for Latimer

By United Press

XENIA, Ohio, Jan. 1.—C. W. "Tacks" Latimer, former National League baseball player, will be sentenced on Friday to life imprisonment for the murder of Charles Mackrodt in Public Square here. He was found guilty of second degree murder.

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NORTON DISPOSES OF ST. PAUL CLUB

Group Headed by Connery Buys Into Association.

By Times Special

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 1.—John W. Norton, for ten years owner of the St. Paul baseball club of the American Association, announced its sale Wednesday to a group headed by R. J. Connery of St. Louis, veteran major league scout.

Connery will become president of the club and Norton said that the new management of the club intends to offer a contract to Nick Allen, who managed the team last season. The amount involved in the transaction was not made public.

"Red" Has a Heart

By United Press

KEWANEE, Ill., Jan. 1.—Charles Lakaskey was unable to gratify his ambition to see "Red" Grange, who spoke at a Kiwanis meeting here Wednesday. Lakaskey broke his leg in a high school football game this fall. Hearing of this Grange made a special trip to the hospital to see the lad.

AMUSEMENTS

SHUBERT

Today, 8 p. m. and 8:15. Mat. 5c. DeWolf Hopper

COMIC OPERA CO.

Today, Matinee (8:20), To-Only 5 p. m. tomorrow. 8:15. Last time of the season. "Mikado" "Pinafore"

Mr. Hopper will recite "Ode to the Bat" at the Pinafore performance.

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