



SPORTS...

By Eddie Ash

THE Indianapolis ball club put over a stove league session last night that measured up to any promotion stunt tried before. . . . There were no invitations by mail or phone and it was open to all fans, come and go as you liked, and enjoy the atmosphere of baseball out of season.

However, the general admission customers, the real backbone of attendance, didn't show up to go about, toss the free lunch down the hatch and watch the National League movie.

The Indianapolis Indians' officials left nothing out of the picture in the way of entertainment in their offices, warm and cozy, but most of the persons who checked in were Perry Stadium "regulars."

In other words, the baseball fans of the minor league class—fans whom the Indians are trying to "reach," did not show up.

It was more or less of a house-warming for Wade (Red) Killefer, who is doing a stint (or a stunt) as a manager, recalled after others had "failed."

Persons at last night's party would not commit themselves on Owner Norman A. Perry's backtracking but the consensus was that firing managers in midseason has hurt the Indianapolis ball club.

Maybe we're wrong, but we think Ray Schalk was a good manager. . . . We still are waiting to be talked out of that opinion.

Official Averages On A. A. Pitchers

Ernie White, crack southpaw of the Columbus Red Birds, holds down the No. 1 spot among American Association pitchers for the season of 1940, official averages released today disclose.

Charlie Wagner of Louisville is the nominal leader with his mark of nine victories and but one defeat and an earned run average of 1.84, but he took part in only 11 games, with 20 considered necessary for recognition.

White led the field in both the percentage column and the earned run averages among all pitchers taking part in 20 or more games, winning 13 and losing four for an average of .765 and having an earned run mark of 2.25.

Of the 10 leaders in earned run averages, five were from the championship Kansas City club, three from Columbus and one each from Louisville and Indianapolis. . . . Of the 10, six were right-handers and four southpaws.

FOUR MOUNDSEVEN gave up more than 100 bases on balls, Frank Melton of Columbus leading with 130. . . . The runner-up was his teammate, Tom Sunkel, who gave up 117. . . . Stancu issued 109 and Kimberlin 107.

Melton was at least consistent, for he also led the circuit in strikeouts, 142 enemy batsmen going down before his slants. . . . Others with more than 100 whiffing bees to their credit were Kimberlin with 131, Stancu with 126, Brecheen with 124, Sunkel with 113, Johnny Vander Meer of Indianapolis with 109, Dickson and Red Evans of Minneapolis with 105 each, Logan, Haefner and Elton Hogsett of Minneapolis with 104 each and Art Herring of St. Paul with an even 100.

Grid Coach Becomes An Expert

DANA K. BIBLE, Texas University football coach, qualifies as an expert WITH portfolio. . . . He predicted his team would trim the undefeated and untied Texas Aggies and the Longhorns delivered.

It took a long time for the Aggies to topple, but when it happened they lost to an old pal. . . . Well, that makes Indiana U. look good, if you recall the Longhorns defeated the Hoosiers, 13-6.

In playing eight games before meeting the Farmers, Texas won six and lost two, the defeats coming at the hands of the Rice Owls and Southern Methodist.

A READER wants to know about the Dec. 7 college football schedule. . . . The best we know is that Notre Dame plays at Southern California, Los Angeles, Texas plays at Florida, Southern Methodist plays at Rice, Texas Tech meets San Francisco University at San Francisco, all major games.

That Florida eleven has been steadily improving and Texas may bump into a little surprise party in spite of its victory over Texas Aggies. . . . However, the Longhorns are a cinch to be the favorites in the game at Gainesville. . . . In last year's skirmish, Texas prevailed, 12-0.

Layden Predicts Everything Will Be Rosey for Stanford

By ELMER LAYDEN
Notre Dame Football Coach

Top game of the last day of the last month of the main football show is Stanford-California. The Redskins should clinch their invitation to the Rose Bowl and reaffirm Clark Shaughnessy's title as the coach of the year.

Hoping for a reversal of Stanford form are the Washington Huskies, who believe that a California upset of the Indians might swing the Bowl bid to them. They feel that Stanford's victory over them was one of those things and they have no doubt of their ability to defeat Washington State impressively. I look for both Stanford and Washington to win their games tomorrow. That means Stanford in the Bowl.

Boston College should hurdle Holy Cross tomorrow and keep the record clear. Navy should win the service game at Philadelphia. Duquesne will become champion of Pittsburgh by taking Carnegie Tech, although the Tartans are much improved.

Such traditional rivalries will be fought out in the South as Georgia Tech-Georgia and Tulane-Louisiana State (I take Georgia and Tulane), but the most important game is at Nashville, where Tennessee will overcome Vanderbilt.

Elmer Layden

Grid Results

By UNITED PRESS

Douglas Teachers, 19; Cochran Jr., 14. Chattanooga, 20; Mercer, 6. Louisiana Tech, 6; Centenary, 0. Wichita, 12; Tulsa, 0. Columbia, 6; Brown, 0. Bucknell, 0; Albright, 0. Marquette Teachers, 6; Tennessee Teachers, 0. Fort Scott Jr., 7; Parsons Jr., 6. Southern, 1; Prairie View, 2. Southwest Louisiana, 12; Louisiana Normal, 7. Texas, 7; Texas A. & M., 0. Trinity (Tex.), 13; Austin, 6. Wake Forest, 7; South Carolina, 6. Greensboro A. & T., 12; North Carolina College, 6. Parsons, 20; Iowa Wesleyan, 0. Johnson C. Smith, 35; Livingston, 6. Kansas, 26; Colorado State, 0. Iowa Jr., 20; Central, 0. Lemoyne, 13; Arkansas State, 0. Lehigh, 7; Lehigh, 0. Franklin-Marshall, 12; Ursinus, 0. Emporia Teachers, 20; Pittsburgh Tech, 0. Washburn, 20; St. Benedict, 0. Clifton, 19; Morris, 6. Cameron Aggies, 32; Murray Aggies, 0. Oklahoma City, 31; McMurray, 12. Western State, 31; New Mexico Mil., 0. Iowa Jr., 20; Central, 0. Alva Teachers, 15; New Mexico College, 0. Onachita, 24; Hendrix, 0.

Babe Ruth Better

NEW YORK, Nov. 29 (U. P.).—Babe Ruth was reported greatly improved today from a severe cold and throat infection which have kept him in bed since Tuesday. Ruth has been ill since his return from a 10-day hunting trip in New Brunswick.

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High Schools Launch Basketball Blitzkrieg

Six Contests Scheduled on Local Floors

Tech Opens Its Season At Anderson Tonight

TODAY

Noblesville at Shortridge (afternoon).

Broad Ripple at Howe. Rushville at Washington. Manual at Southport. Tech at Anderson.

TOMORROW

Plainfield at Broad Ripple. Jamestown at Sacred Heart.

High school basketball in and about Indianapolis will start at tea-time today and run late into tomorrow evening. Altogether, seven games are scheduled, with youthful Howe putting on the biggest show in its gym dedication this evening.

Broad Ripple will be the Hornets' basketball guest for the evening, with I.H.S.A.A. school and city officials as the sideline guests. Beside basketball, there will be music and speeches.

Howe Starters Listed

Likely Howe starters against Ripple will be Bob Collins and Carl Barnes, forwards; Kenny Burns, center; and Don Clapp and Don Pfeiffer, guards. Against the combination Coach Frank Baird probably will use Bob Maxwell and Art Halekamp or Fred Wood at forwards; Bill Melick, center; and Paul Blakeslee and Herb Eaton or Bill Steck, guards. Ripple has another engagement tomorrow night, meeting Plainfield on the Rocket court.

Coach Robert Hinshaw's lanky Rushville team will be Washington's guests this evening at the West Side arena. The Continentals, hoping to offset the visitors' height with speed, will open with a combination of Harold Fulton and Don Cagle, forwards; Gerald DeWitt, center; and Charles Petercheff and Bob Miller, guards.

Tech Faces Indians

Tech opens its season this evening at Anderson against the up-and-coming Indians. After losing two of its first three games, Anderson since has knocked off Marion and Lebanon. Coach Bayne Freeman of Tech will take a 12-man squad composed of Roy Hurley, Harry Hager, Dudley Cole, Hoot Meyer, Bob Wilson, Bob Evans, Dick Plummer, Barclay Johnson, Bill Pease, Don Rademacher, Dale Burries and Sylvester Lux.

Athletic Director Russell Julius, who looks with favor on matineeage entertainment, has another tea-time game scheduled this afternoon for Shortridge against Noblesville. The Blue Devils, having edged Greenfield Wednesday, will be out for their second victory. Likely Shortridge starters are Bryan West and Dave Strack, forwards; Bob Padock, center; and Chuck Benjamin and Bob Harris, guards.

Nine Redskins in Uniform

A nine-man squad will represent Manual at Southport. Redskin uniforms have been issued to Joe Boorman, Joe Nahmias, Wendell Garrett, Ralph McFall, Bill Arnold, Richard Phillips, Albert Nahmias, Charles Wilson and Sidney Feldman.

Sacred Heart goes after its third victory of the season tomorrow evening, entertaining Jamestown.

Panther Returns To Armory Mat

The Black Panther returns to the Armory next Tuesday night, prepared to dish out another "killing" in the wrestling ring.

With him will be his manager and second, "Count" Pietro, who makes all of the Panther's matches and pilots the masked grappling giant around.

Ted Christie, weighing 221, did his best to out-manuever the Black Panther last Tuesday, but other than his willingness to try, he was an early victim of the masked heavy's punishing back-breaker hold. The Panther, incidentally, is six feet, five inches tall and scales 280 pounds. His identity has not been disclosed.

Next Tuesday, Powerhouse Frank Sexton, 233, of Akron, O., will pit his experience and skill against the Panther. Sexton is six feet, one inch tall, and figures he is a formidable opponent. They meet in a special semi-windup.

Elly Thom, head mat mentor at Indiana University, encounters Jules (Speedy) La Rance of Montreal in the headliner. La Rance is generally rated light heavyweight king and did a neat job of smothering Thom in two consecutive falls a few weeks ago. Thom is determined not to let it happen in their second meeting.

Shoots at College Record



Bob Dietz . . . now he's grown up.

Bob Dietz, who six years ago could not make his own high school team, probably will set a new all-time scoring record this year as captain of the Butler University basketball team.

In two years the local product has scored 305 points and needs but 159 to break Oral Hildebrand's three-year mark of 463. Dietz must average at least nine points per game to set a new record. And the Bulldogs will play 22 games this year, opening against Indiana University Dec. 12 in the Fieldhouse.

As a sophomore and junior at Washington High School, Dietz missed prep play because the coach said he was too small. In his senior year, however, he made the squad and all-city selections to boot. Since then he estimates that he has played in 400 games.

Headin' for Last Roundup

It's a fight to protect batting averages today as The Times' football experts square away for their final week's work.

Twenty games were selected from tomorrow's abbreviated schedule for the five dopesters to mull over, and, for the most part, they were very congenial. There was no argument whatever over 14 games—the boys all being convinced that Navy will beat Army, that Boston College will remain undefeated, that Fordham will take care of N. Y. U. and that Duquesne, Nebraska, Tennessee, Tulane, S. M. U., Rice, U. S. C., Washington of Seattle, Oregon State and Texas will conquer.

But Harry Grayson of NEA refused to join the parade to Duke, choosing Pitt. Our Eddie Ash and Elmer Layden of Notre Dame were the only ones to take a chance on the Marquette-Arizona game, Eddie leaning to Marquette, Elmer to Arizona. Bob Godley and Grayson voted for Oklahoma in the face of three Santa Clara ballots, while Henry Super, doing United Press' picking this week, gave Mississippi State its lone vote.

Ash and Layden teamed on Georgia, while the others preferred Georgia Tech in the Cracker battle. Super was alone again when he chose California to beat Stanford. The dope in full:

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The Big Three Give Their All For Bowl Bids

But Army-Navy Pageant Draws Nation's Eyes

By PAUL SCHEFFELS
United Press Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK, Nov. 29 (U. P.).—The 1940 collegiate football season, which brought bitter disappointment to an unprecedented number of teams and high honors to only a few, comes to a close tomorrow with three evenings—Stanford, Tennessee and Boston College—striving for sectional championships.

Bowl invitations for all three, so far unbeaten and untied, will be at stake as the other two surviving perfect record teams, Minnesota and Lafayette, rest after completing their schedules.

Top game of the day so far as crowd appeal goes will be the Army-Navy classic. Lacking any particular importance, the contest between the two service elevens will attract over 100,000 fans because of its colorful pageantry. Navy is a heavy favorite because Army has won but one game this season.

Bears Pursue Indians

But it's on the other three games that bids to post-season bowl extravaganzas hinge. Stanford, surprise team of 1940, can sew up the Pacific Coast title and western Rose Bowl bid by defeating the tough California Golden Bears in their traditional encounter. The Bears have improved steadily and should cause trouble.

If Tennessee beats Vanderbilt in its final game an invitation to some bowl will arrive by the next mail. The volunteers also will gain sole possession of the Southeastern title.

Mississippi State and Alabama, each with a mathematical chance for the crown, meet at Tuscaloosa, Ala. Winner of this game probably will play in the Orange Bowl—possibly against Fordham.

Boston College meets Holy Cross in a game that shapes up as fairly easy for the undefeated Eagles. Victory may open the way to an invitation to the Sugar Bowl in New Orleans and a meeting with Tennessee.

Huskies Play for Title

The only other major game sends Nebraska against Kansas State with the Big Six crown at stake. Play is finished in the Big Ten and Big Seven and the majority of Ivy leaguers have ended competition.

The season's second Thanksgiving Day schedule, while numerically small, served up an exciting prologue to Saturday's finale when Texas humbled mighty Texas A. & M.

Never in the history of the Southwestern Conference has a champion repeated and as a result of yesterday's upset, one of two teams—Southern Methodist or Rice—may tie the Aggies for the title.

The Aggies' record is five and one while both S. M. U. and Rice have won three and lost one with two to go. If both elevens win tomorrow, then the victor in their Dec. 7 meeting will tie with the Aggies.

Texas scored the only touchdown in the first minute of play. After taking the kickoff on the 35, Layden passed 32 yards to Crain on the first down. Another pass fell incomplete, then Layden tossed to Doss on the one-foot line and drove through center on the next play to score. Crain converted.

Signed at Rochester

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Nov. 29 (U. P.).—Charles (Tony) Kaufmann, will begin his 21st year in organized baseball next March as manager of the Rochester Red Wings of the International League. Kaufmann's re-appointment was announced yesterday by Oliver French, club president.

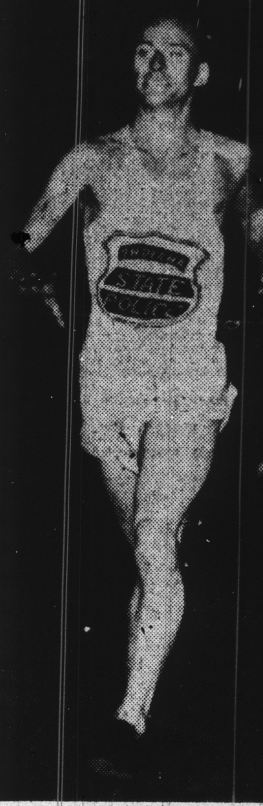
Iscombe Breaks Ice

The Capitals came back into the Providence backyard early in the third period determined to end the drought. Carl Liscombe's shot from the side bounced off Bill Thomson's leg right in front of the cage. Then Carl sneaked around the cage, recovered the puck, twice faked passes, and came face-to-face with a much baffled Mr. Karakas. There was nothing Mr. Karakas could do there—and he didn't.

Things weren't so bright, though, when Referee Rabbit McWeigh took offense at Thomson's overzealous defense tactics on Hub Wilson and ordered Billy to serve a two-minute sentence.

Eddie Bush, Bob Whitelaw, Hec (Continued from Page 30)

A Runaway



Snow and ice over the Meadowbrook Country Club course at Detroit failed to prevent Don Lash, former I. U. distance star and now a state trooper, from hanging up a new record of 30:25.9 for the 10,000-meter course in the national senior A. A. U. cross-country run. Yesterday's triumph was Lash's seventh straight championship in the event.

Butler Enters Six Harriers

Ray Sears, Butler University track coach, today announced he would enter six runners in the Mid-States cross-country championships at the Indiana Boys School, Plainfield, Ind., Sunday at 1:30 p. m.

Earl Mitchell, Anderson sophomore who placed ninth last week in the National Collegiate cross-country meet at Michigan State, will lead the Bulldogs harriers that will include Max Arner, Frank Wintin, Bob Dreessen and Maurice Naimals in the senior division and James Adams and Jack Rice, freshmen, in the junior division.

Sears, meet director and starter, also announced that Greg Rice, former Notre Dame athlete holding the world's outdoor two and three-mile records, has entered individually along with his South Bend A. A. team. Walter Mehl, former National Collegiate titleholder, and Don Lash, Indiana trooper and senior champion of the National A. A. U., also will compete.

Sanctioned by the Indiana A. A. U., the meet Sunday also will be held in conjunction with the state A. A. U. championships. The senior race, with Rice defending his title, will be run over a four-mile course, and the juniors three miles. Robert Crouser of Plainfield will defend his junior crown won last year.

A. A. U. gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded team and individual winners in the state race.

Jack Adams of the Red Wings called from New York today. "He said last night, 'He wanted to know if I wanted to trade or shake up the squad. I told him no, thanks. I was satisfied with what I had. And I told the boys the same thing before they took the ice against Providence.'"

The breaks still wouldn't come to the Capitals last night and you can be sure—as 1821 fans were—that the Hoosier ice men worked for three periods for that 2-1 triumph. They headed the white-shirted Reds around the ice, rode them into the curb and de-double-dared them to just try and come close to the cage Jimmy Frank was watching over.

But all the while the rubber mufin went everywhere except into that sacred territory behind the Red's Mr. Mike Karakas. At times the Capitals even played a tune on the iron goal posts like Adrian Rollini banging his chimes eight to the bar. Still no luck.

Next Games

INDIANAPOLIS, 2; Providence, 1. Philadelphia, 4; Hershey, 1. New Haven, 6; Buffalo, 1. Cleveland, 1; Springfield, 1 (overtime).

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