



## SPORTS...

By Eddie Ash

AFTER SERVING eight seasons with the Detroit Tigers, Ervin (Peter Rabbit) Fox, outfielder, moves to the Boston Red Sox in a straight cash deal. . . . The Evansville, Ind., product has never played for any big league club except the Bengals and his many Hoosier friends hope the change of pasture will lead him to achieve a comeback.

Pete's batting average dropped to .289 this year, his lowest mark since 1934, and in "games played" he was only in 93. . . . Fox entered the Detroit chain in 1930, batted .339 for Wheeling and .302 for Evansville in 1931. . . . This gained him a promotion to Beaumont where he walloped the sphere at a .357 clip and belted 19 home runs in 1932.

That convinced the Tigers and Fox landed in the Motor City lineup in 1933. . . . His two best seasons at Detroit were 1935 and 1937 when he turned in the respective batting averages of .321 and .331.

The Hoosier was charged with only two errors in 155 games in 1933 and in the 1934 World Series he made six two-base hits in seven games. . . . He collected eight hits but the Tigers lost out to the St. Louis Cardinals.

In the 1935 World Series Fox tore the cover off the ball and pounded Chicago Cub pitching by garnering 10 hits in six games. . . . Three of the blows were doubles and he batted in four runs. . . . He came out of that championship play with a batting average of .385. . . . He only made one appearance in the 1940 Series against the Reds, batting for Dick Bartell in the fourth game and going hitless.

## Looking Ahead to All-Star Game

A CROWD of 60,000 is envisioned for the 1941 big league All-Star game in Detroit July 8. . . . The present attendance record for Briggs Stadium is 37,000 odd customers, which can be increased a few thousand more under pressure, it is believed.

The All-Star attendance record was established when 69,812 in 1935 turned out in Cleveland Municipal Stadium.

Tiger ball players wintering in Detroit have formed a bowling team. . . . Paul (Dizzy) Trout is the "playing manager." . . . Others are Charlie Gehring, Barney McCoskey, Tom Seals, Harold Newhouser and Coach Bing Miller. . . . Mickey Cochrane, former Tiger pilot, also is available to take a crack at the pins.

WITH KIRBY HIGBE backing up Whitlow Wyatt, the Brooklyn Dodgers have improved their pennant chances next year. . . . and from here to there. . . . Except for Bucky Walters and Paul Derringer, Cincinnati has little on the Dodgers last season. . . . Though Higbe's 1940 record with the Phillies was 14 won and 19 lost, he had a lot of one-run defeats with the last-place club. . . . He is only 26 years of age, and transferred to Brooklyn for \$100,000 and three players.

It was almost a record price for a pitcher. . . . However, the best pitching bargain in recent years was Bucky Walters, who transferred from the Phillies to the Reds for \$47,500.

Top price for a pitcher was \$125,000, when Connie Mack sold Bob Grove to the Boston Red Sox.

## Greek Boxer Flourishes in Cleveland

ONE OF THE REASONS professional boxing is booming in Cleveland is the rapid development of a Greek middleweight. . . . The name is Anton Christoforidis and he's packing 'em in. . . . Anton is one of the biggest cards the Forest City has had in years in the bruised ear profession and the Greek is willing to take on all comers, including light heavyweights.

This Greek not only has a word for it (take a gander at his last name) but he also adds a growl to his list repertoire to hasten the capitulation of opponents who dare to trade punches.

OF THE NINE "most valuable" Western Conference football players selected for the recent season three were centers, namely Gahn of Indiana, White of Ohio State, and Hienens of Northwestern. . . . Others honored were Iowa's Enich, tackle; Paskvan, Wisconsin, fullback; Illinois' Bernhard, fullback; Purdue's Rankin, end; Minnesota's Paffrath, halfback, and of course, Thomas Dudley Harmon, Michigan, the ace halfback.

It is reported that Jack Meyer, who shared the quarterback duties with Forest Evashevski in 1939, will essay a comeback in Michigan's 1941 spring grid practice. . . . Meyer injured his knee in the 1939 Ohio State game, and was out two seasons.

## Today Is Friday the 13th; Voice in Cellar: 'So What?'

Times Special

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 13.—Indiana's hockey Capitals were in a fitting mood for this Friday the 13th as they marked time awaiting their next move to Cleveland, where they resume American League competition tomorrow night.

As of now, the Capitals are on the cellar steps of the western division with a possibility of going into the coal hole tomorrow. Should the Ohio Barons best them and Springfield defeat Hershey, bottom place will belong to the Hoosiers. So the Hoosiers hope Eddie Shore's Indians do something about this Buffalo team.

The Capitals couldn't do the same last night. They ran into their usual trouble, got two goals behind at an early hour and were never able to recover. The game finally went to the Bruins, 5 to 2.

## Rookies All Right

Nevertheless, there was some encouragement for the Indianapolis club in defeat. The three young rookies—Jed McAtes, Art Herchenratter and Bill Jennings—had a hand in both goals. If this line hits its stride, Manager Herbie Lewis still may be able to make trouble for some of the league leaders in the contests to come.

Herchenratter pushed home the first goal after 17 minutes of the first period, with big Eddie Bush coming deep down the ice to lend some assistance. The only other Indianapolis counter came midway in the third period, McAtes doing the damage and Herchenratter and Jennings getting credit for the assists.

Center Morey Rimstad and right wing Bill Cunningham were the Buffalo trouble-makers. Cunningham was the producer of Buffalo's first goal, Rimstad assisting, and Cunningham got another late in the third period with the help of Rimstad and Art Simmons. As a clincher Rimstad rode through the entire Indianapolis team in the final two minutes for an unassisted goal.

## Fisher Is Bad Boy

The second Buffalo goal, made at 15:03 of the first period, was credited to Simmons while Paul Rump got the third at 11:18 of the second session. Joe Fisher was the

only Capital to serve a penalty-box session, going there in the third session on a hooking charge.

## Summary:

Indianapolis (2) Buffalo (5)  
 Franks..... Goals (5)  
 Herchenratter..... Right Wing  
 Whitehead..... Left Defense  
 McAtes..... Left Wing  
 Herchenratter..... Center  
 McAtes..... Left Wing  
 Herchenratter..... Center  
 McAtes..... Left Wing  
 Herchenratter..... Center  
 McAtes..... Left Wing  
 Herchenratter..... Center

## Score by Periods:

Indianapolis..... 0 0 5 5  
 Buffalo..... 2 3 0 5

## First Period Scoring:

Indianapolis..... 0 0 0  
 Buffalo..... 2 0 0

## Second Period Scoring:

Indianapolis..... 0 0 0  
 Buffalo..... 3 0 0

## Third Period Scoring:

Indianapolis..... 0 0 0  
 Buffalo..... 0 0 0

## RESULTS LAST NIGHT

Buffalo, 5; Indianapolis, 2.  
 New Haven, 1; Providence, 3.

## NEXT GAMES

TOMORROW—INDIANAPOLIS at Cleveland, Hershey at Pittsburgh, New Haven at Philadelphia, Buffalo at Springfield.

## Amateur Fighters Seek Matches

Wilson Milk Co. amateur boxers are working out at the Senate Avenue Y. M. C. A. and desire matches with other club teams in the novice class.

Jack Reese is team manager and Tiger Kiggins is assistant manager and team trainer. Boys now in training for Golden Gloves competition under the Wilson colors total seven as a starter. They include featherweights, welterweights, middleweights, light heavies and heavies. To arrange matches call Kiggins, DR-7800 ring 2.

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## Bulldogs Make It Hot for the Fireball Five



By J. E. O'BRIEN  
 Inaccuracy at the foul line, the old hex that has made a nightmare out of many a happy basketball dream, shook Butler out of one of its fondest last night—that of beating Indiana.

Still there's no cause for drooping heads or spirits in Fairview today in spite of that 39-36 defeat.

Butler, supposedly the fox of the chase, turned on the Hoosier hounds and kept them running for a good part of the 40 playing minutes.

And the scoreboard might have had

a different story to tell if more than four of those 17 Butler free throws had connected, for each team produced 16 goals from the field.

But Indiana was able to get out of trouble on all occasions—and that perhaps is the mark of a champion.

And don't think the Hoosiers weren't in trouble. They trailed by six points at one time in the first half and never had the lead until the final minutes of the period when Bob Dro outdribbled his guard down the boards for a

goal. Then early in the second half it looked as though young Wilber Schumacher was out to annihilate personally the Fireball Five. Within two minutes 50 seconds, the Kentucky-born center rammed in four baskets in as many attempts to put Butler ahead, 28-23.

Obviously the one look Coach Tony Hinkle had at the Hoosiers paid dividends. Against Georgia, the Hoosiers were able to go like lightning down either side. Hinkle put a stop to this, bottling up the

outside lanes and cluttering up the middle and slowing down the Fireball Five to a dejour speed at times.

Hinkle knew, too, where the biggest danger to his Bulldogs lie, so he assigned leech-like Bob Dietz to annoy Bill Menke, with the understanding that one or possibly two other of his little boys in blue would lend a hand when Menke got inside the blockade. At that, the rangy Menke scored six field goals to pace the Indiana attack.

Two of Branch McCracken's Hoosiers ace, Paul Armstrong and Jay McCree, weren't in the best of health, and Branch kept them out of the melee as long as possible.

But with Butler leading, 31-28, halfway in the second half, he turned 'em loose, and the tide turned immediately. Armstrong one-handed a goal to clip the Blue lead and big Andy Zimmer batted in Bill Menke's attempted free throw to give the Hoosiers the lead.

Bill Hamilton's rebound gave Butler a 34-32 advantage, but the Bulldogs lost it by losing the ball to Bill Menke, who fed it to Zimmer for another one-hander. Indiana then kept the lead and decided to keep the ball, too, in the final two minutes.

Butler Keeps on Top

Some of the crowd slightly below high school tournament proportions were still looking for stray seats when Hamilton sent the Bulldogs to a 2-0 lead. Butler continued to work with a lead until Neat's mesh-splitter from the side sent the score to 9-4, and the Hoosiers asked for rest.

Schumacher managed to loop in another from the outfield before Bill Menke hit twice in succession, narrowing the Blue advantage to 11-10. Hamilton and Chef Francis of Indiana matched baskets, after which Dietz and Bill Menke squared off for a duel. Dietz doing damage from a distance and Menke rolling in a couple of his lonehand specialties.

But it was Schumacher's foul-goal trick early in the second half that nearly turned the Fieldhouse upside down. Fortunately for the Hoosiers Bill Menke was able to sandwich one two-pointer between each pair by Schumacher, so I. U. still stayed within yelling distance of the Bulldogs.

Late in the game Hinkle yanked all but Dietz from the floor for fresh players, fearing the Hoosier firewagon would pull out leaving exhausted Bulldogs at the station-house. But the Blue boys, as a whole, showed themselves to be in the pink and were usually around when the Hoosiers were just as soon they wouldn't have been.

Gale Robinson and Glenn Adams wore the whistles and weren't afraid to blow them, much to the mutual discomfort of Messrs. Hinkle and McCracken.

The summary:

Indiana (39) Butler (36)  
 Logan, 1; 0; 3; Schumacher, 1; 0; 9  
 W. Menke, 1; 2; 4; Dietz, 1; 2; 0  
 Francis, 1; 2; 4; Braden, 1; 1; 0  
 Motter, 1; 0; 0; Hamilton, 0; 0; 0  
 McCree, 0; 0; 0; Clayton, 0; 0; 0  
 Zimmer, 0; 4; 1; 2; Neat, 0; 0; 0  
 Menke, 0; 0; 0; Dietz, 0; 0; 0  
 Driver, 0; 0; 0; McCree, 0; 0; 0  
 J. E. O'Brien, 0; 0; 0; McCree, 0; 0; 0  
 Armstrong, 0; 0; 0; McCree, 0; 0; 0  
 Totals..... 16 7 15  
 Referee—Gale Robinson; Umpire, Glenn Adams.  
 Score at half—Indiana, 21; Butler, 20.

## Cleveland and Boston Swap

CLEVELAND, Dec. 13 (U. P.)—Cleveland, Boston and Washington kept the baseball player mart lively last night completing a triangular deal that changed the uniforms of seven players.

Major portion of the deal was between Cleveland and Boston, but before it could be completed Boston had to acquire hard-hitting Gerald Walker from Washington to wrap up the Cleveland package.

According to the Indians' new manager, Roger Peckinpaugh, Boston sent outfielder Doc Cramer to Washington for Walker in a straight deal.

Then, Cleveland sent catcher Frankie Frylak, pitcher Joe Dobson and infielder Sammy Hale to Boston in an even swap for Walker, catcher Gene Desautels and pitcher Jim Bagby Jr.

Peckinpaugh, who expressed delight with the deal, said that Vice President C. C. Slapnicka had done the trading in Chicago last night, then telephoned him the news.

For some time, Slapnicka has been offering Frylak as bait to acquire a hard-hitting outfielder, and Walker is expected to be the answer to that problem. Although erratic at times, in playing 52 games. With Rolfe 284 and drove in 96 runs last year for Washington. Frylak, a stubborn holdout and no favorite of the Cleveland front office, hit only .141 in playing 92 games. With Rolfe Hensley as No. 1 catcher and Desautels to relieve him, the Indians seem well equipped behind the plate. Desautels batted .225 in 71 games.

Hale was regarded as a little past his prime, but he is expected to make Boston a good utility infielder. He hit .220 in 48 games with the Indians last year.

## Fancy stuff by the Fireball Five.

Here's one of the tricks Indiana used against Butler last night in scoring a 39-36 victory over the Bulldogs. Bill Menke (38) fakes a shot and while in the air slams the ball to James Gridley (30) under the basket. Gridley then made the goal. Also shown in the picture are Bob Menke of Indiana (29), and Lyle Neat (13) and Jim McCray (14) of Butler.

## C. Y. O. Cagers Open Season

Twelve grade school teams will launch the C. Y. O. Cadet basketball season tomorrow morning on three parochial school floors. The league will play a ten-week schedule.

Little Flower, the defending champion and undefeated in last season's play will face stern opposition from many quarters. St. Philip, which lost only two players from last year's squad, is expected to pack a lot of punch, while St. Patrick is the dark horse of the league.

Holy Cross will play Holy Trinity at Holy Trinity gym at 9 o'clock and St. Joan of Arc meets St. Patrick on the same floor at 10 o'clock. At St. Philip's, Lourdes meets St. Catherine at 10. At Sacred Heart, St. John and Sacred Heart meet at 9 and Holy Rosary and Little Flower play at 10.

The Junior C. Y. O. league will launch its season tomorrow afternoon. The schedule: 1 o'clock, St. Patrick vs. Holy Trinity at Holy Trinity and Holy Cross vs. St. Joan of Arc at St. Philip's; 2, St. Thomas vs. Cathedral at Holy Trinity and St. Philip vs. St. Ann at St. Philip's.

## Greyhounds Turn on Power To Take Seventh Straight

TONIGHT'S GAMES

Wabash at Iowa.  
 Concordia at Jackson (Mich.).  
 Eastern Illinois at Indiana State.  
 Valparaiso at Elmhurst.

The Greyhounds of Indiana Central have over their seventh hurdle today as they sped along the path of the undefeated.

The University Heights boys turned on the power last night to give Otterbein of Ohio its first defeat after the visitors had taken their first three games. The score was 69 to 37.

The current pacesetters in the

Indiana Inter-Collegiate Conference showed unusual speed in their victory over the Ohioans and served notice on the state league that they would be hard to head off as the Indiana title race hits its full stride.

The use of several combinations by Coach Harry Good showed that the Greyhounds have plenty of reserve power for its drive toward the state crown.

Otterbein took the lead early in the game but the Greyhounds found the range in time to tie it at 10-all. The Hoosiers went ahead 16 to 15 before the half was over and held the lead the rest of the

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