



Sports Roundup—
Ex-Winners Rate In Coach Award

Waldorf, Leahy, Blaik Are Receiving Strong Support

By Eddie Ash
 Times Sports Editor

NO COLLEGE football coach ever has repeated in the annual Coach-of-the-Year poll conducted by the New York World-Telegram and Scripps-Howard newspapers, including The Indianapolis Times. . . . But this year, for the first time, there is a possibility the feat might be accomplished.

Ballots are beginning to roll in to the World-Telegram from America's football coaches who do the voting, the members of the American Football Coaches Association. . . . And among those who have received strong support in early returns are three former winners—each the coach of an undefeated team. Lynn O. Waldorf of California, Frank Leahy of Notre Dame and Earl Blaik of Army. . . . This is a remarkable tribute to past winners, considering that only five ex-champs are still in the field of coaching. . . . This is the 14th annual Coach-of-the-Year award.

The 1947 winner—Herbert Orrin (Fritz) Crisler of Michigan—is not eligible to repeat. . . . Since winning the coveted plaque, Crisler has left coaching to be director of athletics at Michigan. . . . Crisler joins a famous group of coaches in the same "retired" category.

OTHER winners who cannot possibly repeat are: Dick Harlow, 1936, now retired from coaching; Bill Kern, 1938, now an assistant coach; Clark Shaughnessy, 1940, now coaching the Los Angeles professional Dons; Bill Alexander, 1942, now retired as coach, athletic director at Georgia Tech; Amos Alonzo Stagg, 1943, now assistant to his son at Susquehanna College; Carroll Widdoes, 1944, now Ohio State assistant coach; Bo McMillin, 1945, now coach of the Detroit professional Lions.

COACH WALDORF was the first selected when the Coach-of-the-Year feature was initiated in 1935. . . . The husky former Syracuse tackle then was at the helm of Northwestern. . . . He seldom has gone a year without getting several votes, but it wasn't until he shifted to California two years ago and produced his fine club this year that Lynn could be called a principal contender.

COACH LEAHY is another who has received annual support all the years since winning

the Coach-of-the-Year award.

JETS BOW TO LAKERS, 88-82, After Leading Most of Way

Mahnken Keeps Locals in Running Until He Fouls Out; George Mikan Tallys 33 Points

By Jim Smith

For three quarters of their basketball game last night with George Mikan and the Minneapolis Lakers, the Indianapolis Jets had the answer to their problems—height.

The answer, John Mahnken, 6'8" center acquired from the Baltimore Bullets, played terrific ball. Besides going high in the air for rebounds at both baskets which gave the Jets possession of the ball a good deal of the time, he hit tip-in shots, hook shots from the sides and long shots from in front. In all he scored 13 points.

As a result, the Jets were leading at the quarters 24-20, at the half 45-42 and the three-quarter mark 69-64.

But the task of guarding Big George Mikan without fouling proved too difficult, and Mahnken went out of the game at the start of the 4th stanza, on six personal fouls. The Jets lost 88-82. Lack of a tall man, to get the ball on rebounds so the team could shoot, again proved the undoing of the Jets.

Big George, in the meantime, poured in 33 points to keep up his average of 31 points per game. He took 39 shots at the basket and hit 10 for a shooting average of .256. He hit 13 of 14 free throws.

The Jets, led by Bruce Hale who scored 15 points, hit 33 field goals out of 91 attempts for a team average of .363. The Lakers hit 34 out of a possible 104 for an average of .327. The Indianapolis boys, usually very sharp at the free throw line, fell off last night, hitting only 16 of 24 while Minneapolis hit 20 out of 26.

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AFTER THE TURKEY DAY FEAST . . . SEE THE JETS KNOCK THE STUFFIN' OUT OF THE BOSTON CELTICS
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Tony Zale To Fight Cerdan Again For Title

By Jim Heyrock

Tony Zale, the puffy-eyed two-time holder of the world's middleweight championship, will have a chance to regain the crown from Marcel Cerdan of France in a return bout sometime next summer.

This was disclosed by the former Gary, Ind., steel worker last night in an interview with The Times.

"Things are just about set for the match and this time the finish is going to be different," said Zale, who was knocked out by Cerdan to lose the title last September. It was the third major ring title to leave the United States recently—middleweight, flyweight and light heavyweight.

Zale was a heavy favorite when he entered the ring against the flashy Frenchman. He took a pasting for the better part of 10 rounds and finally crumpled under a right hook in the 11th round. He was unable to answer the bell for the 12th.

"But this time it'll be a different story," declared Zale. "I know how to fight him now and this time I'll be ready."

In his first meeting with Cerdan, Zale asserted, he had

an "off night." He feels "right" now and is confident of victory, probably by a knockout.

The title bout, which became a certainty recently, will be held either in New York or New Jersey, Zale said. The last meeting was in New Jersey.

Serious workouts for the fight were started this week in the Gary YMCA. He intends to work diligently for the event, shifting his training quarters from the YMCA to Gary's Catholic Youth Organization later.

Zale, who was in Indianapolis last night as a guest of the Cathedral High School Boosters' Club, which sponsored a dinner for its football team, is slightly out of his weight at the moment.

He now weighs 168 but will tip the scales at 159 by time for the Cerdan title tussle. In their first meeting, Zale weighed 158½ while Cerdan weighed 158½.

Zale said this may be his last ring go. "How does my wife feel about me continuing with boxing? Well, she's just like any wife. She wanted me to stop now, but I've got to have one more shot at that title."

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"But don't misunderstand me," he added quickly, "she's 100 per cent behind me in every one of my fights."

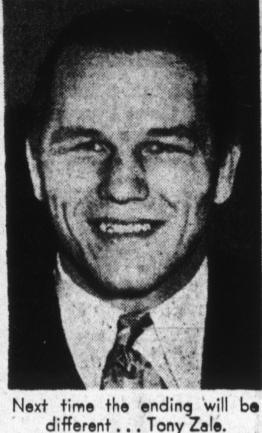
Zale, who battled his way to the top of the middleweight fistic heap from the Golden Gloves ranks, is now 34 years old, several years past the prime age for a fighter. Cerdan is 32.

The modest, unassuming Tony, who has become a model for youthful athletes through his clean living and strenuous training, is at the present time operating a bowling alley in Gary along with his three brothers, John, Frank and Walter.

Zale fought for the last time as an amateur in the Golden Gloves tournament in 1934 when the Chicago team met the New York team. He fought out of his weight against Melio Bettina, who later held the light heavyweight title for a short time.

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Champs, Runners-Up Treated To Lavish Grid Banquets



Next time the ending will be different... Tony Zale.

Banquets honoring city football teams were the order of the day as Broad Ripple and Cathedral grididers, city champs and runners-up, respectively, were treated last night. At right, a cake which was an anonymous "telegram" from a father, is being cut by Broad Ripple fullback Don Klinger while Bob Safford (left),

Cathedral Grididers Tackle Ham, Talk With Zale at Club Dinner

Cathedral's hard-hitting football squad may not have finished at the top of the city's championship grid heap this season, but when it comes to destroying a platter of baked ham, that Irish crew is tops in anybody's book.

It was the members of the Cathedral Boosters' Club, who placed the lavish layout of food before their team members, of whom they are very proud for finishing in the runners-up spot of the city race this season.

There were no awards, but top of the banquet the grididers were treated to some fine entertainment in the school's auditorium.

Headlining the host of personalities was Tony Zale, former middleweight champion of the world from Gary, Ind., who brought along pictures of his last two fights. The one in which he won the middleweight title from Rocky Graziano and the one in which he lost the crown to Marcel Cerdan of France.

Questions Are Asked

And the popular Tony stayed around until hundreds of questions had been shot at him by the members of the football team and parents.

The talks were short. Mayor Al Feeney, as much at home at a football banquet as anybody, congratulated the boys on their splendid season. The Mayor was an All-American center from Notre Dame in 1913.

Congratulations and a short talk also came from Frank E. Coughlin, assistant attorney general and captain of the Notre Dame eleven in 1920.

Mikan Ties Up Game

At the start of the fourth quarter, with the score standing at 48-42, the Lakers, displaying fancy ball handling that was lacking the first two periods, hit two field goals and a foul to tie up the game at 69-64, and it was at this point that Mahnken fouled out. From then on the Jets got just four field goals while the Lakers scored 8. With 2:11 remaining in the final quarter and the score 83-77 in

last night, hitting only 16 of 24 while Minneapolis hit 20 out of 26.

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Coach Diederich and John Lyman await their portions. At left talking it over after their meal at Cathedral are (left to right) Mayor Al Feeney, Charlie Schmutz, co-captain this year; Frank E. Coughlin, assistant attorney general; John Mason, co-captain, and Coach Joe Dezelan.

Broad Ripple Football Dinner Long on Steak, Short on Talk

By Bill Pittman

Guests of honor at the Broad Ripple High School football banquet in Cumberland last night were the players themselves. There were no awards given. No valuable player was named. And there were only two brief speeches.

The boys just ate steak and had fun re-playing the season past.

Koverly Wins Main Mat Attraction Here

George Koverly defeated Al Lovecock last night in the featured mat attraction at the Armory.

Koverly took the first fall with a body press, but when Referee Harry Burris raised his hand in victory, Lovecock went just a little berserk. He knocked Koverly to the mat along with the ring official. Police finally quieted him down.

Lovecock took the next fall with several body slams, but Koverly came back to take the match with a hammerlock.

In other bouts, Larry Morin, 225, Monroe, used a dropkick and press to beat Don McIlroy, 230, Otterville, Mo., in 23 minutes, and "Irish Jack" Kennedy, 235, Dallas, Tex., conquered "Tiger Joe" Marsh, 225, Chicago, in 15 minutes with a rolling leg split.

Should McCullough make the switch, Jim Green would be elevated to the starting right half-back. The talkers were short. Mayor Al Feeney, as much at home at a football banquet as anybody, congratulated the boys on their splendid season. The Mayor was an All-American center from Notre Dame in 1913.

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