

## Valiant Immigrant Not Forgotten



Knute Rockne (right) with his 1930 Notre Dame football captain, Tom Conley.

## Masses Pay Rockne Honor 18 Years After His Death

Wreath Placed on Notre Dame Grave; Killed in Air Crash, Mar. 31, 1931

SOUTH BEND, Mar. 31 (UP)—The valiant immigrant who elevated Notre Dame to national football power was not forgotten today, the 18th anniversary of his death in a flaming airplane crash in Kansas.

Knute Rockne, born in Norway and educated under the "golden dome" largely by the meager funds gained from manual labor, was honored in uncounted Catholic masses for the repose of his soul.

The masses were donated by friends who remained anonymous and by the aging priests who taught the youth 30 years ago and who later cheered the football teams he produced and took from coast to coast to display the grid skills of the "Fighting Irish," and Poles and Swedes and Germans.

## Annual Mass

Herb Jones, who during his student days was Rockne's part-time secretary, remembered his former mentor and his death.

"Thursday is the 18th anniversary of Rockne's death, isn't it?" he was asked.

"That's right, yes," he replied. His tone said he had known it all the time.

"We held our annual alumni mass and communion breakfast for him Sunday," he went on. "Alumni groups did that all over the country. We've done it every year since his death, either on the Sunday before or the Sunday after the anniversary."

"Rock was a great man. He'll never be forgotten at Notre Dame. There's no question about that."

There was no outward commemoration on the campus today. Sunday's ceremonies in tribute to the great coach furnished that.

## Buried Together

"Students now don't remember Rockne," Jones said. "But there'll be lots of masses said for him today. By friends and by the old priests who remember him."

"After the breakfast Sunday we all went to the cemetery and

## Win 135 of 141

NEW YORK—The New York Celtics, famous pro basketball team, during the 1923-24 season, played 141 games and won 135 of them.

## Today's Sport Parade—

## Putting Back, Snead Sure He'll Win Masters

By OSCAR FRALEY

NEW YORK, Mar. 31—Without the slightest quaver in his somber, "Slammin' Sammy Snead disclosed today that he had conquered his putting 'yips' and was a sitting squirrel cinch to win the coveted Masters golf tournament.

Considering that the high-poketted hill billy hadn't won a tournament for over a year until he bested Lloyd Mangrum this week in the Greensboro Open, Snead's sudden confidence had to have a solid foundation.

It did. Sam won that one, his first triumph since the 1948 Texas Open, on the greens. His putting was superb, and for Snead that's just like money in the bank.

There was a time during the past year when Sam was experimenting with 17 putters—all at one time. From green to cup he was the worst.

A two-footer was as tough for Sam as a 20-footer. He had the shakes and he had them bad. The second putt was liable to be farther away than the first.

It was this one phase of the game which threatened to ruin one of the finest golfers ever to hit the tournament trail. And it was an old story to Snead.

When his putting was true, Sam could give them all fits. He won his share, including the cherished PGA title, but after a brief period of success following his return from the Navy, Snead hit the putting skids, but good.

As far back as 1939, when he was in the groove, Snead caught his lumps. That was the year he had the Masters title, but after a record 280. But Ralph Guldahl came hammering home with a 33 on the last nine which gave him a 279 and the title.

Sam may have been thinking of that just a few months later when he stood on the final tee at Philadelphia needing only a par five to win the National Open. He blew to an eight worrying, not about the guys who had finished but about the ones who still were out.

From there on his troubles started and, in the periods when his putting nerves were under control, Snead was the man to beat. He had the swing and he had the shots. Mostly he didn't have the putting.

Yet he made a great spurge in 1946. Until the "yips" hit him again.

At the time, Sam was playing in the Toledo four ball just prior to going to England for the British Open.

He couldn't drop a putt in a bathtub and Joe Louis, watching him flinch from virtual "gimmies," asked wonderingly: "Just how much can a man take?"

Even Louis, an expert in that capacity, was amazed.

And Sam, as he walked to the clubhouse announced that he would withdraw from the British Open.

"I can't putt, so why go," he said.

Walter Hagen cornered Sam in the locker room and stood him on a bench to watch Sam's putting stroke.

"Why, there's nothing wrong with you," Sir Walter said. "Just hit it at the equator and it goes in."

## Training Camp Briefs—

## Team Doctors Order Joe Gordon to Rest Ailing Throwing Arm

Cleveland Whips White Sox for 11th Win; Alvin Dark Hits Two Homers for Braves

TUCSON, Ariz., Mar. 31—Second Baseman Joe Gordon of the champion Cleveland Indians began a "short vacation" today in order to strengthen his throwing arm which X-rays revealed to be weak and strained.

Team physicians ordered the rest for Gordon and informed Manager Lou Boudreau the veteran second baseman would be out of action for some time. Gordon is believed to have developed the arm trouble during recent exhibition games.

Either Al (Flip) Rosen or Roberto Avila will be at second base for the Indians today when they meet the Chicago White Sox here.

The Indians notched their 11th victory in 18 games yesterday when they tamed the White Sox, 8 to 4, as Mike Garcia and Gene Bearden limited the Chicagoans to nine hits. Cleveland collected 12 hits off Fred Bradley and Al Gettel, including Dale Mitchell's fourth home run of the spring.

BRADENTON, Fla., Mar. 31—The Boston Braves, who seem to have adjusted their batting sights after a long delay, will train them today on Chief Albie Reynolds of the New York Yankees in an exhibition game here.

The Braves, paced by Alvin Dark's two homers, defeated the St. Louis Cardinals, 12 to 11, yesterday as they combed four Redbird hurlers for 15 hits.

Casey Stengel's Yankees snapped a four-game losing streak with an 11-inning 7-to-6 triumph over Cincinnati yesterday. Joe DiMaggio played six innings and went hitless in three trips to the plate. He will not play against the Braves today.

LAKELAND, Fla., Mar. 31—Manager Joe McCarthy brings his suddenly revitalized Boston Red Sox here today for an exhibition game against the Detroit Tigers, the clubs' second meeting in as many days.

Standout pitching by Ellis Kinder and Mickey Harris, plus Vern Stephens' 12th-inning home run, gave the Red Sox a 1 to 0 victory over the Tigers at Sarasota yesterday. Virgil Trucks and Fred Hutchinson hurled for the losers.

Saul Rogovin, young Tiger right-hander, was scheduled to go to Atlanta today to be hospitalized with an infection of the middle ear. He was expected to be able to rejoin the team when it starts its trip northward next week.

Tiger Pitcher Art Houtteman, out since being injured in an auto crash was en route to Detroit today for further examination at Ford Hospital.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Mar. 31—Making their final appearance of the spring, the Philadelphia Phillies today were scheduled to meet the St. Louis Cardinals.

The Phils, who break camp after today's game, scored a 7 to 4 victory over the Washington Senators yesterday. Bill Nicholson, with a two-run homer, and Willie (Puddin') Head Jones, with three hits, led the Phils at the plate.

The Cardinals dropped a 12-11 decision to the Braves yesterday with Erv Dusak, Howie Pollet, George Munger and Bob Habenicht hurling for the Redbirds.

TAMPA, Fla., Mar. 31—Bucky Walters will attempt to lead the Cincinnati Reds back on the victory trail today when they oppose the Washington Senators here.

The Yankees defeated the Reds, 7 to 6, yesterday in an 11-inning game with First Baseman Charlie

## Irish Banquet



Mike Dunn, sports director for radio station WXLW, will act as toastmaster for the annual Cathedral High School Boosters Club banquet tonight at Buckley's restaurant in Cumberland.

## Anderson College Honors Athletes

ANDERSON, Ind., Mar. 31—An even dozen varsity letters have been awarded Anderson College basketball players including one to Bob Freeman of Indianapolis. Cheer leaders and six freshmen were also included in the awards list announced by Frank Heddon, athletic director.

Major letters went to Joe Anderson, Don Barnett, Warren Gouley, Merrill Holloway, Paul O'Neill, Robert Smith and John Wilson, all of Anderson; Freeman, Indianapolis; Jim Macholtz, St. Joseph, Mich.; Loren Williams, Summitville; Jim Woodward, Lapel, and Garland Campbell, Sheridan.

Numerals were given to Charles Barrett, Charles Harris, John Horevay, Edwin Sanders, Jack Shaffner and Virgil Whitehurst. Cheer leaders were Herman Harwell, Richard Harp, Obadiah Williams, Peggy Mims and Shirley Sears.

## Greenwood Trounces Laurel, Md., Cagers

BEAVER FALLS, Pa., Mar. 31—Greenwood, Ind., advanced in the American Legion's national basketball tourney, swamping Laurel, Md., 66 to 23, in their initial game last night.

First round play was to be completed today with eight games scheduled.

Moorhead, Minn., dropped the defending champion Beaver Falls from the tourney last night, 40 to 37, and Casselton, N. D., defeated Macon, Ga., 50 to 39.

Add to '49 Schedule

WACO, Tex., Mar. 31 (UP)—Baylor University athletic officials announced today that University of South Carolina and University of Wyoming had been added to the 1949 football schedule. Both games will be played here—South Carolina on Sept. 24 and Wyoming on Nov. 12.

Knute Rockne's Son Goes to Utah College

LOGAN, Utah, Mar. 31 (UP)—The youngest son of Notre Dame's famed Knute Rockne enrolled at Utah State Agricultural College, school officials revealed today.

John V. Rockne, 22, South Bend, Ind., transferred as a sophomore physical education major from Notre Dame. He said he would finish school at Utah State.

Rockne won letters in football and basketball in high school at Prairie Du Chien, Wis. He hushed claims the Skyline Six Conference school had a new star by terming himself only a "mediocre" football player.

Blind Par Tourney To Open Speedway

A "Blind Par" tourney will mark the official opening of Speedway Golf course Saturday. Open house will be held in the evening with food and refreshments.

Chuck Garringier will serve as

Speedway par again.

## McKinney to Watch Indians in Game With Pelicans Tonight

Lopez Plans to Dot Tribe Lineup With Rookies; Hann, Swigert to Hurl

NEW ORLEANS, La., Mar. 31—Frank McKinney, president of the Pittsburgh Pirates, will be watching the Indians tonight when they stage a battle with the New Orleans Pelicans at Pelican Stadium.

McKinney and Roy Hamey, the Bucs' general manager, arrived in town yesterday and will stay a few days to see just how the Tribe and the Pelicans are doing and what can be done to make them do it better.

The game tonight begins at 8 o'clock (Indianapolis Time). Manager Al Lopez has named a pair of pitchers to take the Indians' side against the Pels. John Hann, the Shari rookie, and Bill Swigert are the lads and they'll be aided by Inman Chambers, if necessary.

Lopez especially wanted Hamey to see the action of Hann. He was very promising in the game with Houma last week and looks as if he will be a sure winner.

Also showing his wares for the first time will be Rene DeBenedetti, third baseman. Rene joined the club yesterday and had a good workout at the far turn. Lopez will use him for the entire game tonight to see his reactions under fire.

Starting lineup for the Indians tonight will find Bill Plate leading off and playing right field. Mel Rue at second and John Kellogg at center field.

Coogan in Cleanup

Dale Coogan will hit from the cleanup slot and will be followed to the plate by Left Fielder Cully Rikard. DeBenedetti will hit sixth. Grady Wilson at short and Bobby Casan at the backstop will complete the lineup.

The Pels will offer some stiff opposition to the Indians in the form of pitching alone.

Bill McDonald, the Pirates \$10,000 bonus beauty, is slated to hurl for the Pels and will be followed to the hill by Harry Fisher, a young fireballer.

Weatherly to Play

Roy Weatherly in left field will bat cleanup and Stan Wentzel and Pete Kraus, center and right field, respectively, will follow for the Pels.

Third Baseman Charlie Glick and Catcher Ed Mathis will bring up the rear.

The Birds and the Indians will have another joust tomorrow afternoon at 2:30. The Indians will break camp Saturday afternoon and start their long trek homeward.

## New Umpire Added in American League

CHICAGO, Mar. 31 (UP)—Will Harridge, president of the American League, announced today that George "Jim" Honochick has been added to the league staff of umpires.

Honochick, 31, was obtained on option from the International League. He has officiated spring exhibition games in Florida. In 1946 he worked for the Eastern Shore League and for the past two seasons for the International League.

Honochick, a football and baseball player at Temple, played for the Baltimore Orioles in 1943. He lives in Onedia, Pa.

## Pair of Dual Tilts Among Top Features

Tri-Angular Meet On 1949 Outdoor Program

By JIMMIE ANGELOPOLOUS

A pair of dual meets and a three-affair will open the 1949 outdoor track season for the city and tourney circuit teams tomorrow.

Crispus Attucks and Manual will clash at the Delavan Smith Field and Broad Ripple will go to Howe in the top dual meet attractions. The triangular meet will feature Carmel, Ben Davis and Deaf School teams competing at the Silens Hoosiers' field.

Also on the docket tomorrow will be Franklin Township's baseball opener at 3:30 p. m. at home against Shelbyville. The contest is the second city-county diamond opener of the year. Manual's Redskins were slated to battle Sacred Heart's Spartans at Smith Field this afternoon at 3:30 p. m. Test of Strength.

The Broad Ripple-Howe encounter may give an early estimate of those two teams' relative strengths in the city competition. Broad Ripple placed behind Tech in the East Side sectional meet last year and won all seven scheduled dual and triangular meets.

Howe's cinder fortunes are expected to continue on the upgrade this season. The Hornets defeated Hammond Clark two weeks ago in a dual meet and showed strength in the eight-team invitational run at Indiana University last Friday night.

The Hornets were paced by Dave Martin, high-jump, hurdle and broad jump stalwart in the indoor engagements.

Five returning lettermen are ready to compete for the Rockets. They are Jim Altup, 440, Tommy Graves, 100 and 220; Jack Engle, 220 and broad jump; Dave Rouse, and Bob Weigel, half-mile and 440.

Other promising contenders are Junior Bob Conlin, 100 and 220; sophomores Jack Scott, hurdles and broad jump, and Dee Hughie, pole vault; Joe Clymer, hurdles, and Ed Huguie, pole vault.

The Howe-Broad Ripple meet will get under way at 3:30 p. m., the Manual-Attucks at 3 p. m., and the triangular affair at 3 o'clock.

Eulas Jackson is expected to show well in the dashes for Attucks. Returning lettermen for the Silent Hoosiers are Don Gall, Robert Surowicz, Jerry Moers, Don Lavalle, Art Wooten, Ted Hagemeyer, James Stouse, Don Deardorff and Paul Hines.

Haverford, Pa., Gets Wightman Cup Dates

NEW YORK, Mar. 31 (UP)—The Merion Cricket Club at Haverford, Pa., will be the scene of the 1949 renewal of the International Wightman Cup matches, Sept. 9 and 10. It was announced today by the U. S. Lawn Tennis Association.

The American squad has won 16 of the 20 matches that have been played since 1923.

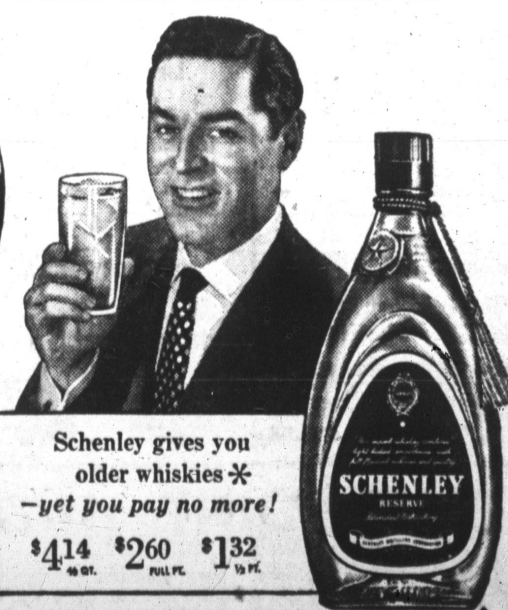
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