The Sports Trail

By WHITNEY MARTIN

NEW YORK, Feb. 3—(AP)— The little guy wore a plaid lumberjack shirt over a lumberjacket shirt, as if expecting a double exposure. His greying hair was close cropped, and his face had the rugged, weatherbeaten look of the outdoor man.

This tabloid edition of John Bunyan was introduced as Charley Miller, a veteran guide from the Moosehead region around Bangor, Me., who was in town for the express purpose of trying to get Billy Conn to spend about 30 days in that invigorating country as a prelude to his heavy training for his fight with Joe Louis.

His bait for the elusive Billy was moving pictures of the joys of life in the great north woods, particularly when Charley Miller is chef, and after viewing a couple of reels you got the vague idea that eating is something of a full-time job up there.

Charley, who has had such fistic celebrities as Gene Tunney, Jack Dempsey and Primo Carnera under his care, provided the sound as the camera story was unfolded with the first scene showing a sturdy figure trudging through the woods on snowshoes.

"That's me chopping wood," he would explain, "lookin for two lost women." The same figure, sagging a little more each time, appeared in several succeding shots, with Charley each time identifying himself. Finally two figures were shown. "That's me," Charley repeated. "I found one of them.'"

The search and discovery were just a prelude to the real story, however. That concerned food and the preparation thereof, with Charley explaining the Miiller technique.

The pictures were good, and in color, creating a mouth-watering sensation with their views of broiling steaks, browning fish and Johnnycake. Charley kept up a running description of the event.

"Thats me chopping wood," he would explain, or "that's me building a table; that's me mixing Johnnycake; that's me making coffee."

Sometimes it was a little mysterious as to just where he got all the ingredients for these delectable feasts, as it seemed there must be a well-stocked kitchen cabinet within easy reach. If milk was needed, presto, Charley pulled out a bottle of milk. "Just happened to have it along," he explained.

His little party was shown digging into the vittels like they were the first food enjoyed in six weeks. "Me," said Charley, "I don't eat much—after a meal like that."

After devouring, visually, several whopping meals, admiring Charley's outdoor kitchen wizardry and the beauties of the Maine scenery which were brought out so realistically it semed you could smell the pines, although it developed someone had been taking cough syrup, we asked Charley what luck he was having in his quest for Conn. A Conn quest, you might say. We knew Conn was in Hot Springs, Ark.. or Texas.

"I asked Mike Jacobs about the idea," Charley said. "He was interested mostly in getting wood for a roof over his house. I told him I'd get him the wood if Conn would chop down the trees. I guarantee a month with me up in the Maine woods would get him in shape. If he got 1st all he would have to do would be to fire four shots."

We think he said fire four shots, not take them.

"Uncle Mike" In Accord On Controlled Fighters

By BUS HAM

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3—(AP) — Mike Jacobs and National Boxing Association officials today ironed out some of their differences over the manner in which professional boxing should be conducted for the good of the sport.

Jacobs, the Nation's No. 1 promoter, held heart-to-heart long distance telephone talks with Abe J. Greene, president, and Col. Harvey L. Miller, executive secretary of the NBA, about this controversial problem.

Miller later said that Jacobs:

1. Pledged his full cooperation in helping cities other than New York, where he stages most of his principal fights, hold championship and near championship bouts.

2. Labeled as "absolutely right" an NBA assertion that "house controlled" boxers are harmful to the game.

3. Denied that he actually manages boxers.

Jacobs' denial was in reference to a statement yesterday by Miller in which the NBA official pointed out that Joe Louis, world heavyweight champion, recently said in effect that Jacobs is looking after his interests.

Miller made no further comment on that issue.

Louis will make his first postwar title defense against Billy Conn in New York next June.

Miller remarked that:

Jacobs disclosed that he has more fights available than he knows what to do with, including a world's heavyweight championship match.

Jacobs did not mention names of the fighters, but he probably meant Willie Pepp and Sal Bartello. Pepp is recognized as the world's champion in New York, while the NBA recognizes Bartello. A bout between these two would establish a clear-cut champion.

A statement by Miller said in part:

"Jacobs readily agreed that centralization of stellar ring attractions in New York is not good for the game.

" 'Because the purses are tops in New York,' Jacobs said, 'good fighters want to show there. Currently, I have six fights for every three available dates.

" 'It would take me until June to unload all of these. I would be glad to see some of these bouts go to other cities.'

"No one in the NBA," Miller said, "is unfriendly toward Jacobs, whom we recognize as boxing's greatest promoter. We wish we had the likes of him in every state. However, we cannot have that if all of the top fighters show in New York.

"The national good of the sport should come first and its business aspects second.

"Not long ago Jack Dempsey said that if New York would join the NBA, it would be the greatest forward step in boxing.

"Jacobs also stated that he will go along 100 per cent with the recently proposed GI championship."

LOST HUSBAND, FATHER

Maffitt Village police last night were preparing to make a search for Rufus Weaver, 34, father of five children, missing from his home since Saturday, 3 p. m. Mrs. Weaver who resides at 111 Davie drive, who reported the unexplained absence of her husband told them that this is unusual, that there seemed to be nothing wrong with him when he left and that he carried $50 cash when he left the house alone.

Basketball Schedule For Current Week

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—(AP)—This week's leading college basketball games include:

Monday — John Carroll at Bowling Green. Chicago at Illinois. Drake at Kansas State. Tulane at Georgia Tech. Kentucky at Vanderbilt Mississippi at Louisiana State. Michigan State at Cincinnati. Mississippi State at Tennessee. Washington at Oregon State. Virginia at Richmond. Gannon at Westminster (Pa). Delaware at Drexel.

Tuesday — American U. at Loyola (Baltimore). Buffalo at Niagara. Davidson at Clemson. Valparaiso at Dartmouth. Davidson at Wofford. Wake Forest at Duke. Gallaudet at Randolph-Macon. Marquette at Great Lakes. Harvard at Worcester. Indiana at Washington (St. Louis). Ordinance at North Carolina. Washington at Oregon State. Chapman at Pepperdine. St. Louis at Missouri. Furman at South Carolina. Wichita at Tulsa. VPI at Roanoke.

Wednesday—Toledo at Akron. Rochester at Alfred. West Virginia at Army. Baldwin Wallace at Western Reserve. Brown at Connecticut. Pittsburgh at Carnegie Tech. Washington (M) at Catholic U. Syracuse at Colgate. LaFayette at Columbia. Cornell at Sampson. Wyoming at Denver. Fordham at Rutgers. Georgia Tech at Georgia. Muhlenberg at Gettysburg. Louisville at Eastern Kentucky. Penn State at Navy. Denison at Ohio. Pennsylvania at Philadelphia Coast Guard. Yale at Princeton. Albright at St. Joseph's (Philadelphia). Johns Hopkins at Western Maryland. Elder at Villanova. Virginia at VMI. Williams at Middlebury. Texas at Texas Agate. Baylor at Southern Methodist. William and Mary at Wake Forest. St. Vincent (Pa) at Washington and Jefferson. Delaware at Swarthmoge.

Thursday—Johns Hopkins at American U. Detroit at Michigan Normal Wayne at Michigan State. Toledo at Kent State. Holy Cross vs. Valparaiso and Boston College vs. St. Johns, doubleheader at Boston. Canisius vs. Notre Dame and St. Bonaventure vs. Ithaca College, doubleheader at Buffalo.

Friday—Texas Christian at Arkansas. Buffalo at Western Ontario. Colorado A and M at Utah State. Regis at Colorado College. Wofford at Davidson. Denver at Colorado State. Washington (St. Louis) at Drake. Auburn at Florida. Georgetown at Galladuet. Iowa State at Nebraska. La Salle at Scranton. Quonset Point at Long Island. Mississippi State at Louisiana State. Dayton at Marshall. North Carolina at Maryland. Minnesota at Northwestern. Wake Forest at N. C. State. Trinity at RPI. Norwich at St. Michael's (VT). St. Louis at Creichtom. Stanford at UCLA. De Paul vs. Oklahoma A and M and Hamline vs. Bowling Green, doubleheader at Chicago. Randolph Macon at Hampden Sydney.

Saturday — Mississippi at Alabama. Akron at Westminster. Western Maryland at American U. Notre Dame vs. NYU and Manhattan vs. St. Francis, doubleheader at New York. Texas Christian at Arkansas. Army at Columbia. Baldwin Wallace at Toledo. Brigham Young at Utah State. Harvard at Brown. Gettysburg at Bucknell. Southern California at California Catholic U. at Loyola (Baltimore). Minnesota at Chicago. Clemson at the Citadel. Tufts at Coast Guard Academy. Colgate at Penn State. Colorado A and M at Colorado. Colorado Mines at Colorado College. Connecticut at New London Sub base. Dartmouth at Cornell. Michigan State at Detroit. St. Louis at Drake. Auburn at Florida. South Carolina at Georgia. Georgia Tech at Tennessee. Holy Cross at Yale. Michigan at Illinois. Indiana at Ohio State Purdue at Iowa. Missouri at Iowa State. Kentucky vs. Vanderbilt at Paducah, Ky. Butler at Louisville. Western Michigan at Marquette. Maryland at Virginia. Cincinnati at Miami (O.) Mississippi State at Tulane. Valparaso at Muhlenberg. North Carolina at Navy. Dayton at Ohio. Pepperdine at Whittier. Marshal at Xavier (Cincinnati). RPI at Worcester. Richmond at William and Mary. Oberlin at Rochester. Scranton at Villanova. Stanford at UCLA. Trinity at Union. Utah State at Wyoming. Washington (St. Louis) at Iowa Preflight. Williams at Wesleyan. Bethany at West Virginia. Pennsylvania vs. Princeton and Temple vs. Duke, doubleheader at Philadelphia. Winner of DePaul vs. Oklahoma A and M and Hamline Bowling Green contest Friday night and also loser of each contest. Doubleheader at Chicago. Niagara vs. LaFayette and Canisius vs. Syracuse, doubleheader at Buffalo. Texas A and M at Rice. Baylor at Texas VPI at Washington and Lee. Northwestern at Wisconsin. Geneva at Carnegie Tech. Idaho at Washington State. John Hopkins at Delaware. Mt. St. Mary's at Washington (Md).

Sunday—Purdue at Great Lakes.

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MACON HORSEMAN SUSPENDED OVER "RINGER" CHARGE

L. R. Wadley Also Assessed 200 Fine By U. S. Trotting Association

RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 3—(AP)— L. R. Wadley, Macon, Ga., was fined $200 and suspended for one year at a meeting today of directors of District No. 7 of the United States Trotting association for allegedly "ringing" a noted trotter.

The horse, Ray Hamilton, also was suspended for one year.

The board of review, consisting of two directors, Robert Jewell, Willmore, Ky., and Dunbar W. Bostwick, Aiken, S. C., and New York city, ordered the Georgia horseman to pay back winnings of $147.50 gathered in races at Rome, Ga., Columbus, Ga., and Atlanta, Ga. The monies will be returned to the proper owners by the United States Trotting association.

An additional tax of $50 was levied against Wadley, a dairy products merchant, for the recording fee for changing the name of a horse. The association charged Wadley with "ringing" Ray Hamilton under the name of Tippecanoe.

The board of review says if the fines are paid within a year and the unlawful earnings returned, Wadley will be back in good standing in 1947.

Wadley said he believed he was racing Tippecanoe, a 13-year-old gelding about the same age as that of Ray Hamilton. The original Tippecanoe did not have the markings of the horse raced under that name by Wadley in 1945.

It was the first "ringing" case the United States Trotting association has had in five years.

The case of Joe Hylan, trainer-driver of Frankfort, Ky., who claimed he did not commit a foul at Lexington, Ky., last September when he was fined $50 for interference and his mare, Performance was placed sixth after finishing first, was continued to give Hylan time to furnish more evidence.

Bostwick was renamed as director to represent the district for the next three years. The organization voted to hold its 1946 meeting at Elizabeth City, N. C., sometime in February.

At an open forum, Roger Duncan, executive vice-president of Hartford, Conn., told of the growth of the sport in the past few years and predicted the greatest season in history in 1946.

Orlo Robertson, Garden City, L. I., former Associated Press sports editor, gave a talk on some of the things he is to recommend to the meeting of the board of directors of the association in New York on March 10-13.

Robertson said he would advocate universal starting throughout the country. He joined the association forces last September in the capacity of a "trouble shooter" and to make a survey of the sport.

Don Millar, Madison, Wis., newly appointed assistant to Roger Duncan in the Hartford office, was among the 50 horsemen present at the meeting.

CHANDLER CONFERS ON COLEGE BALL

NEW YORK, Feb. 3—(AP)—College baseball coaches met with Commissioner A. B. Chandler and representatives of organized baseball today to discuss means of improving the relationship between campus and professional groups.

Plans for restricting signing of college players until after their classes have graduated were considered, but no action was taken. Chandler and his associates said it was purely a preliminary conference and any actual legislation might be delayed for some time.

In general the proposal on signing college athletes was similar to the rule adopted yesterday by both major leagues on high school players, providing severe penalties for any violations.

Coach Eppie Barnes of Colgate, president of the American Association of College Baseball Coaches, presided. In addition to Chandler, organized ball was represented by Art Ehlers, promotional director of the minor leagues and George Trautman, general manager of the Detroit Tigers who was chairman of the High School committee.

No date was set for a future meeting but Barnes indicated he hoped to schedule several future conferences.

The professional representatives expressed interest in the proposals but indicated they would expect to be assured of renewed interest by the colleges in baseball in return for any restrictions.

Southern Field Trials Open In Georgia Today

ALBANY, Ga., Feb. 3—(AP)— A classy field of pointers and setters will compete in the Southern Field Trials which start here tomorrow and will probably last through Tuesday.

The meet, to be over the clubs courses on Blue Springs, Pineland and Wildfaid plantations, was suspended for the last three years because of the war.

The competition will be in the all-age stakes, the derby and the puppy stakes. The judges are Roy Persons of Monticello and Lester White of Orlando, Fla.

Like His Pa

Dick Sisler, son of great American League first baseman, is batting star in his own right. After 37 months in Navy, Dick came to Havana, shattered 26-year-old home run mark by smacking three in one afternoon. The day before he established new Havana League record, knocking one over Tropical Stadium right field fence, more than 450 feet.

NAVY ONLY MAJOR TEAM IN NATION WITH NO DEFEATS

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—(AP)—Notre Dame and West Virginia fell by the Wayside last night leaving Navy as the only major unbeaten college basketball team in the country.

Notre Dame, which plays in the east in Buffalo and New York on Thursday and Saturday, respectively, of this week, fell before Northwestern at Chicago by one point, 56 to 55. Northwestern's winning basket was made by Max Morris with one minute left. The Irish had won 13 in a row.

Temple, although beaten in six games, was made a three-point favorite over West Virginia and came through with a 48-42 conquest at Philadelphia that shattered the Mountaineers' 13-game streak.

Navy chalked up its seventh straight by crushing Columbia, 64-41, at Annapolis, but Middies can look for plenty of trouble against Penn State and North Carolina this week.

The Oklahoma Aggies, NCAA champions, stretched their winning streak to 14 by sweeping aside Tulsa, St. Louis and Washington of St. Louis during the week and now are in a position to redeem their one defeat of the year when they meet DePaul at Chicago on Friday night. DePaul beat the Aggies, 46-42 early in the season at still water.

DePaul, meantime, was upset 69-67 by Great Lakes. Other surprises of the week included Cornell's 64-54 win over Colgate; Holy Cross' 53-47 win over Temple; Brigham Young's 57-41 conquest of Wyoming and Tulsa's 35-32 defeat of St. Louis.

The list of once-beaten clubs dwindled to 15 during the week: Oklahoma Aggies 15-1, Kansas 15-1, Muhlenberg 14-1 Akron 14-1, Notre Dame 13-1, West Virginia 13-1, Iowa 12-1, New York University 12-1, Rhode Island State 12-1, Yale 12-1, Holy Cross 10-1, Gettysburg 9-1, Harvard 8-1, Louisiana State 8-1 and American University 6-1.

The various conferences now shape up thusly:

Big Ten—Iowa on top at 6-1 with Indiana and Ohio State tied for second at 6-2. Minnesota leader a week ago, still in running at 4-2 with Northwestern having an outside chance at 4-3.

Southwest—narrowed to two-team race between Baylor and Arkansas. Baylor leads at 6-1. Arkansas is second at 5-1.

Pacific Coast (Northern division) —Idaho surprised by taking over first place at 6-4 in wide open race. Oregon and Oregon State are tied for second at 5-4 each. Washington at 5-5 and Washington state at 216 still in running.

Pacific Coast (Southern Division) —California beat UCLA twice and tied Southern California for the lead at 7-1.

Missouri Valley—Oklahoma Aggies far out in front at 5-0.

Eastern Intercollegiate — Race narrowed to Cornell and Dartmouth. The Big Red eliminated Pennsylvania, 70-58, as Dartmouth beat Princeton for its eighth victory in row. Cornell now tops circuit at 6-1. Dartmouth has 5-1.

Southeastern — Kentucky tied Louisiana State for lead at 3-0, Tennessee is third at 4-1.

Bix Six — Only Oklahoma has chance to beat out Kansas, now leading at 6-0. Sooners stayed in running at 4-1 by nipping Iowa State.

Southern — North Carolina 9-1, beat Wake Forest twice to climb within half a game of first place Duke, 10-1.

Big Seven—Brigham Young 5-1, took over first place by beating Denver and upsetting Wyoming. Colorado and Utah tied for second at 4-2 with Wyoming next at 3-2.

Mason Dixon—American University leads at 5-0 followed by Baltimore Loyola at 9-1.

Ohio conference—Otterbein first at 7-0 followed by Toledo 3-0 and Akron 8-1. Otterbein also is unbeaten in two non-league games for a season record of 9-0, but is generally not regarded as a major team.

Middle Atlantic—Muhlenberg, 5-0, retained lead over Gettysburg and LaFayette in section one, but ursinus ousted Swarthmore from thet op insection two.

Midwest Athletic—Coe took over undisputed possession of first at 5-0 by beating Cornell of Iowa, Monmouth and Knox.

Rocky Mountains—Colorado State still leads.

Wilmington Upsets Prexy; Conwell Tops Track Stars

SPRINTER NAMED FOR WANNAMAKER CUP RECOGNITION

Name Of Former NYU Man To Be Inscribed On International Trophy

NEW YORK, Feb. 3—(AP)—Eddie Conwell, who triumphed over a star-studded field in the 60-yard dash at the 39th annual Millrose games last night, was selected today as the outstanding performer in this first postwar track and field carnival at Madison Square Garden.

The former New York University sprinter, now competing for the Shore Athletic club of Long Branch N. J., was placed first on seven of eight ballots cast by a committee of judges named to select the three top athletes for the Rodman Wanamaker international trophy.

The other first place vote went to Ed Dugger, who won the 60-yard high hurdles for the third straight year. Dugger's name appeared in second place on the seven remaining ballots.

Leslie MacMitchel, winner of the famed Wanamaker mile, was third in the ballotting, with five points for the first place, three for second and one for third. Conwell scored 35 points in the voting, while Dugger tallied 26 and MacMitchell five.

They will receive special prizes and their names will be inscribed in that order on the international trophy, along with those of such former Millrose winners as Paavo Nurmi, Stella Walsh, Glenn Cunningham, Charles Hornbostel, Cornelius Warmerdam and others.

Conwell, last year's IC4A winner, who withdrew from NYU to study embalming, nipped the defending titleholder and national champion, Barney Ewell, by a yard and stepped the distance in 6.2 seconds, just one-tenth of a second short of the world indoor record he shares with Ewell and several other sprinters.

Dugger, former Tufts star from Dayton, O., came from behind to nose out Navy's Clyde Scott in the hurdles, finishing in 7.3 seconds, also one-tenth of second off the world mark held by Charles Glad.

MacMitchell, former NYU miler competing unattached since his discharge from the Navy, set his own pace and won easily in the slow time of 4:19. Marcel Hansenne, the French star making his American debut with his first appearance on the boards, wound up in third place, behind Tommy Quinn of the New York AC.

FORMER VOL GUARD TO ASSIST BEATTIE FEATHERS AT STATE

RALEIGH, Feb. 3.— (AP) —Bob Suffridge, all-America guard at Tennessee in 1938 and an outstanding lineman in the National Football League, will assist Head Coach Beattie Feathers of State in spring football practice if Feathers' recommendation to the State Athletic Council is accepted, the News and Observer said tonight.

Suffridge is in Raleigh and will start working with the state squad at tomorrow's session, but the matter of formally signing him has not yet come before the athletic council. Dr. H. A. Fisher, chairman of the council, said that members of the group will be contracted within a few days relative to feather's recommendation.

The husky Suffridge is rated along Herman Hickman, a former State line coach, as the finest guards ever produced at Tennessee. Following his last season with the Vols, he was voted by the Wahington Touchdown Club at the year's outstanding player.

Stanley Benham Captures Junior AAU Bobsled Race

LAKE PLACID, N. Y., Feb. 3.—(U.P.)—Stanley Benham, of the Adirondack Bobsled club, drove his four-man sled to victory in the National junior A. A. U. championship race, four heats, at Mt. Van Hoevenberg today.

Benham's total time for the four one-mile heats was four minutes 40:28 seconds.

Second place went to Joe Meconi, Plattsburg, four minutes 43.97 seconds, and third to Joe Church, Plattsburgh, four minutes 54:01 seconds.

Playing Accordion Gives Lavelli Finger-Tip Zest

By HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor

NEW HAVEN, Feb. 3—(NEA)—There's music in the fingers of Tony Lavelli, and the kinky-haired freshman is writing a symphony on the strings—the strings of the baskets in Yale's spacious Payne Whitney gymnasium and elsewhere throughout the east.

Young Lavelli wants to some day be a composer.

What makes this peagreen so great? The Somerville, Mass., product's height helps. The Elis' center stands six feet, two, but it's not his speed or ability to fake an opponent out of position.

It's finger-tip control of the ball.

Any coach will tell you accurate shots are not made from the heel of the hand, but from the fingers, and that's why Lavelli excels.

Ever since Lavelli was a little lad in Peter Pan collars and high white shoes the phenomenal frosh has spent at least two hours daily practicing on his accordion. He's an absolute master of the instrument.

15 YEARS OF PRACTICE

Red Rolfe's says it's these past 15 years of daily drills up and down the keys that have given Lavelli the terrific finger power which enables him to send the ball toward the basket with just the right degree of spin and momentum.

In 10 games Lavelli has tossed in a total of 214 points from his pivot spot, but there's no telling what his field goal sum might be if Coach Rolfe would choose to let him go the full route in every game.

Although he sat on the bench for four minutes of the first half and the final 15 of the second half when Yale had the contest well in hand against the Coast Guard Academy, Totin' Tony curled in 21 points in an early-game spree which was featured by his looping in six consecutive field goals in three minutes and 10 seconds.

93 FOULS IN SUCCESSION

Lavelli's best is a blind hook shot which he tosses with either hand from close up, far out, going into or coming away from the hoop.

Opponents who hope to cut his total by fouling him find that almost as costly. He's deadly from the charity line. He put 93 through in succession before missing in practice.

Lavelli won't be the nation's top point-getter this year. The reason is that the Bulldogs play only a 15-game schedule, but there is considerable doubt whether any performer on the hardwood court will be able to match his average of 21.4 points a game.

Yet ask Red Rolfe what he likes best about Lavelli, and he'll be quick to admit that while his shooting accuracy is amazing, the youngster is equally valuable because of the sterling defense he plays and the control he exerts on rebounds and around-the-boards operations.

Tony Lavelli is Yale's newest Rhapsody in Blue.

Tony Lavelli . . . finger-tip control.

EDWARDS MILITARY DOWNS PRESBYTERIAN FOR FIFTH VICTORY

SALEMBURG, Feb. 3—Edwards Military Institute won its fifth straight victory, Friday night by defeating Presbyterian Junior college, 31-29, in an overtime period.

The game got off to a slow start and the teams played on even terms for the first quarter, but E. M. I. was able to forge ahead and led at the half time, 16-11.

Both teams came back the second half determined to take a comfortable lead, but neither team was able to accomplish this. Presbyterian Junior college pulled nearer to Edwards Military institute and the third quarter ended with Edwards Military institute, leading 22-21.

The fourth quarter was played on even terms and the score at the end of the regular game was 29-29.

In the extra period Edwards Military institute made a quick basket and was able to get possession of the ball before Presbyterian Junior college could score and successfully froze it the remainder of the extra period.

Barbee was high scorer for Edwards Military institute, with 11 points.

Kelly was high scorer for the losers with nine points.

Edwards Military institute meets Campbell college at Salemburg, Tuesday night, February 5, in what promises to be another exciting game.

MY UNIVERSE TAKES SAN BLAS HANDICAP IN DRIVING FINISH

AGUA CALIENTE, Mex., Feb. 3. — (AP) —Bert McFarlands 9-year-old gelding, my Universe, long absent from the winners' circle, returned with a bang today, annexing the mile and one sixteenth San Blas handicap by a nose in a driving finish.

F. W. Buss' Seekonk was second, with J. J. Jensen's Tommy's Double in the show slot. Time for the route was 1:46 1-5.

With jockey Tim Sena in the irons, My Universe stayed close to the pace all of the way and proved best in the drive to the wire. The Redsull brothers' favored First Prize met a lot of trouble and finished up the track.

My Universe paid $13, $6.00 and $4.60 across the board. Seekonk's backers collected $7.60 and $4.60, and Tommy's Double rewarded at $5.80 for show.

PRESBYTERIANS KEEP SHEET CLEAN

First Presbyterian cagers kept their record clear in the YMCA Sunday School League the past week by trouncing the Carolina Beach Methodist five by 26-15 for their fifth straight victory in as many starts. R. Newbold was high scorer for the victors with 11 points. Followed by J. Hilburn with 9. Brewer was top man for the losers with nine of his team's 15 points while Moore accounted for four.

Tabernacle Baptist moved up a peg in the league race by taking a fairly fast game from Trinity Methodist, the score ending 30-18. Freeman and L. Heath divided the scoring honors for the winners with eight points each, while C. Heath accounted for six. Hayden and Romeo were top scorers for Trinity with six points apiece.

Fifth Avenue Methodist dropped a thriller to St. James Episcopal by 27-20, the floor work of Symmes being too much for the losers to cope with. The St. James center racked up a total of 15 points during the game to lead his team on offensive. Glover accounted for five points and Taylor four. Newber was high man for Fifth Avenue with six points, while Boone chalked up four. Temple Baptist took over third place in the league standing by winning rather decisively over St. Andrew's Covenant by 36 to 19. Grissom, Jenkins and Begore hit the basket for 11, eight and seven points respectively for Temple while Barefoot, with six, topped St. Andrews scoring.

A meeting of the board of governors of the league has been called for tonight at 8 o'clock at the YMCA and representatives of all teamse are urged to be present.

The league standing to date is as follows:

	Won	Lost
First Presbyterian	5	0
Tabernacle Baptist	4	1
Temple Baptist	2	3
Trinity Methodist	2	3
Caro. Beach Methodist	2	3
St. Andrews Covenant	0	5

In a special double bill on Saturday night, St. James and Fifth Avenue split even.

Gas turbine engines, whether equipped with a propeller drive or depending upon jet power, can be easily installed in the wing of a large airliner with a considerable reduction in air resistance, as compared with a regular reciprocating engine, according to R. P. Kroon, Westinghouse engineer.

TRI-STATE LOOP MOGUL VEXED AT CITY'S DECISION

Charlotte Now Unable To Get Carolina Berth Wilson Declares

By EDWARD SACHS
Star Sports Editor

As North Carolina awaits the start of the 1946 baseball season with at various times the highest number of North State teams reported ready to enter organized leagues since 1941, the decision of Wilmington to pass the Tri-State league's invitation has repercussions throughout the state.

Present figures show that eight North Carolina teams will play in the Class C Carolina, the Class D North Carolina State and Coastal Plains leagues. Six will be in Tobacco State play and one North Carolina city is set in the Tri-State.

In 1941, 31 Carolina teams were entered in organized baseball leagues which gave the North State runner-up laurels to Texas. However, as reported in various state papers, the decision of Wilmington to forego Class B baseball has robbed North Carolina of the chance to surpass the 1941 figure.

The Greensboro Daily News has reported that because of Wilmington's decision, "Judge Llewellyn is not too optimistic over the Tri-State setup," as of Saturday night.

The judge said:

"We were led to believe that Wilmington was a certainty and I did not know that they were weakening. It leaves us with a late start to get another team figuring that Charlotte will stick with us now. I would advise against a four-team league although Knoxville and Asheville are ready under those terms. Spartanburg is also set and with Charlotte we could get above the Class B population limit.

"Gastonia is interested but so is Greenwood, S. C. We will know something definite when we meet in Charlotte, Wednesday."

But from all reports, Charlotte is not planning to stay with the Tri-State.

That city is now interested in the Carolina league.

However the Carolina league's president, Tom Wilson, when he heard these reports issued the following statement:

"The Carolina league is set. League directors once offered Charlotte a place but it was turned down because we could not go to Class B. I was against forcing Leaksville out at the time and now with such a good organization formed I would most certainly not be in favor of raising the question again."

Final decision of Wilmington in regard to an organized baseball league will probably be made this Thursday night at the organization meeting of the Class D Tobacco State league in Clinton. As reported before in these columns, cities set for that league are Smithfield, Fuquay, Erwin, Angier, and Sanford.

Asheville reaction to the local rejection of Tri-State baseball was expressed in the Asheville Citizen as" . . . a tough blow to those trying to complete organization of the Tri-State."

Dog Lovers At Augusta Organize Kennel Club

AUGUSTA, Ga., Feb. 3.— (AP) — The newest member of the Southeastern circuit of Kennel club is Augusta.

The new club has been organized with Dr. Linwood Morris as president.

It plans to hold a sanction match in the spring and a regular all-breed show in the fall.

TIGERS BOOK GAMES

PRINCETON, N. J., Feb. 3—(AP)— Princeton's 86th baseball team will open a 22-game schedule against Lehigh April 6, R. Kenneth Fairman, director of athletics, announced today.

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