

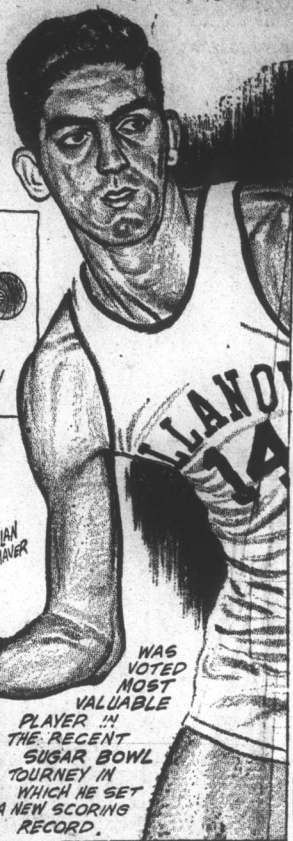
WILDCAT WHIZ

By Alan Mauer

LARRY HENNESSEY OF VILLANOVA, AT HIS 20-PLUS PER GAME PACE, WILL HAVE REACHED THE 1,000-POINT MARK IN ONLY ONE AND A HALF SEASONS.



HE SET THE MAJOR COLLEGE MARK FOR A SOPH LAST SEASON WITH 703 POINTS - AND A NEW ALL-TIME FIELD GOAL HIGH WITH 306.



WAS VOTED MOST VALUABLE PLAYER IN THE RECENT SUGAR BOWL TOURNEY IN WHICH HE SET A NEW SCORING RECORD.

Elizabeth City Or Wilmington Likely Choice For C. P. L.

WILLIAMSTON (AP)—Directors of the Coastal Plain League meet today to pick an eighth team to operate in the loop for the coming season.

President Ray Goodman said the choice will be announced at 8 a.m. Wednesday, and declined to identify applicants for the berth.

"We're definitely going with eight clubs," he said. "The seven already in have agreed that whoever is named for the other spot, they'll go along."

Greenville has withdrawn, leaving New Bern, Goldsboro, Kinston, Wilson, Rocky Mount, Tarboro, and Roanoke Rapids as active members.

Fans in the area believe applicants for the vacant membership are Wilmington, Edenton and Elizabeth City. Wilmington was voted down last week on a 4-3 vote of active directors.

Edenton and Elizabeth City hold franchises in the Virginia League, and if either pulls out the already-faltering league may be forced to fold.

FADING CAGE LOOP

WILKESBARRE, Pa. — (AP) — Think you got troubles? Listen to the woes of the American Basketball League, the nation's old professional loop.

Carbondale, Pa., quit the league and so did Washington. The league's president, John J. O'Brien, also resigned Jan. 3.

But when Scranton went to play Bridgeport, Conn., at Bridgeport, half the old Carbondale team was on the roster.

Somebody had to make a ruling. So the resigned president, O'Brien, stepped in. He threw out the "big trade."

The only teams left in the league now are Scranton, Manchester, Conn., Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Elmira, N. Y., and Saratoga, N. Y.

And Saratoga has no home court.

Ex-Fight Manager To Face Assault Charges

NEW YORK (AP)—Fight manager Tommy Ryan and his brother Patsy Ebboli, were indicted today on charges of third degree assault in connection with attacks on referee Ray Miller and matchmaker Al Weil at Madison Square Garden Jan. 11.

Ryan, whose real name is Thomas Ebboli, and his brother were arrested immediately and taken to the Elizabeth Street Police Station for booking.

Arraignment will be made later today in Manhattan Felony Court. Ryan was indicted on two counts of assault and can draw up to three years in prison in a blanket sentence or one year and \$500 fine on each count.

"Sport Magazine" To Release Life Story On Dick Groat On January 31

DURHAM. — While it is no news these days that Duke's Dick Groat is in the headlines, the Blue Devil All-American was the subject of a feature story in the New York Daily News of yesterday and will get a big spread in the upcoming issue of "Sport Magazine."

The "Sport" story will be on the newstands January 31, and it carries a full-page color photograph of the Duke star along with an article on him by Wilton Garrison, sports editor of the Charlotte Observer.

In the New York Daily News year, written by Dana Mosley, Groat is called "the best collegian of them all." That write-up also says: "There wasn't a better infielder on any college last spring."

He quotes Carl Braun, former pro star, as saying: "As for offense, I've never seen a better one anywhere."

A member of the staff of "Sport" stated, "we of Sport got a big thrill in publishing the story—he's an athlete's athlete and from what we've seen of him, he rates every word of praise we or any publication might give him."

THAT DOES IT



SUBSTITUTING FOR the injured Lee Sala, Al (Red) Priest, (left), bald middleweight from Cambridge, Mass., misses with a left and gets a right in the side, thrown by Gene (Silent) Hairston of the Bronx, in a scheduled 10-rounder in St. Nick's arena, New York. Priest was unable to answer bell for seventh because of a rib injury. (International)

Dunn High Teams Meet County Foes This Week

that the Greenies have chosen to use in the last couple of games.

On Friday night, at the Lillington gym, the local boys will take the roll of heavy favorites. The foe from Anderson Creek has yet to find a win in conference play, but the local lasses will have another tough opponent in the A. C. girls.

After the two county games this week, the comparison of the Greenwaves with the other Harnett teams will be better known.

Admission Boost

WASHINGTON (AP)—The government today authorized six Major League baseball clubs to hike their ticket prices by five cents to 50 cents and minor league clubs to boost their admission charges by 8 per cent.

Major League teams who will get increases under the order, effective Jan. 29, are the two Chicago teams, the two Philadelphia teams, the Cleveland Indians and the Detroit Tigers.

Snaveley Adopts "T" At Carolina

CHAPEL HILL (AP)—Coach Carl Snaveley's switch to the "T" formation at the University of North Carolina in the wake of his worst season with the Tar Heels leaves Clemson the only single-wing holdout in the Southern Conference.

Snaveley announced the long-expected switch last night, signaling that he has given up the hope of developing another Charlie Justice out of his available material.

BETTER ADAPTABLE "We have decided that our personnel is best suited for the 'T', Snaveley said. "In the 'T' we are sure to be able to use to advantage several backs on our squad who are not physically equipped for the single wing."

He indicated that he would use the "Illinois-type" T, which includes split-T plays, but declined comment on reports that he has offered the job of masterminding the switch to Ned McDonald, line coach at the University of Virginia.

State Tries Another Non-Conference Foe

RALEIGH (AP)—N. C. State is rated as the favorite tonight over Loyola of Baltimore, its seventh inter-sectional foe of the season.

State has lost five of its previous matches in foreign competition but holds a season record 11 wins to five losses compared to Loyola's 10-5.

The visiting lineup includes five lettermen led by Ed Doherty who averaged 18 points per game last season.

The game, at State Coliseum, is the only one scheduled by a Southern Conference team before Saturday night.

Illinois Holds Cage Lead For 6th Week

Big Ten Team 16 Points Short Of Perfect Score; Unbeaten Hold Top Spots BY NORMAN MILLER Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP)—Unbeaten Illinois was rated the nation's No. 1 basketball team for the sixth straight week today, receiving just 16 points short of a perfect score from the United Press Board of Coaches.

The powerful Illini, who made Indiana their 11th straight victim, 78-66 last Monday, received 21 first place votes and a total of 334 out of a possible 350 points from the 25 leading coaches who comprise the board.

Coach Harry Combes' men who returned from nearly two weeks of inactivity to meet DePaul at Ohio State Stadium last Saturday night, thus widening their lead over runner-up Kansas by 37 points.

LEADERS REPEAT The same teams of last week occupied the top 10 positions this week, with Iowa, St. Ponsaventure and Duquesne, all unbeaten, advancing in the ratings along with Kansas State.

Iowa, 12-0, jumped from sixth to fourth place, while Kansas State, 12-3, advanced from seventh to sixth, and St. Ponsaventure, 10-0, and Duquesne, 11-0, each moved up one notch to eighth and ninth, respectively.

The coaches based their ratings on games played through Saturday Jan. 19.

Erwin High Teams Top Benson Twice

Erwin High teams took a couple of basketball games from Benson on Friday night. The girls toppled their foe by a 62-55 score, and the boys got the best of a 50-40 decision.

Jerry Mathews had another one of her plus-30 games as she scored 30 points to lead the game's scoring. Doris Oldham added 15 points to the total, and Pat Woodworth got 12 and Do Strickland 6. Jerry sank 17 shots from action. Elladine Johnson led the defense.

Della Brady was high scorer for Benson with 23 points. Betty Lou Bell had a fine 18 point total, and Rose Dixon added 14. Sylvia Moore was the best guard for the Benson girls.

Added Another One George Earnshaw was the point-maker for Erwin in his 20-point siege on the baskets. Other scorers for Erwin were George Lucas with 3, James Faircloth with 14, Devon Stewart with 8, R. O. Jackson made 5, and Bill Odum got 2. R. C. Jackson was tough on the defense. Jack Lyles and Rollins Johnson topped the Benson scoring with 14 points and 13 points. Jack Lyles was also good on defense as was Stacey Miller who scored 6 points. Robert Smith added 5 points, and Martin Parker added a free throw.

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The two Matthews boys led the home team to its win in the second game of the night. Jimmy was tops on both offense and defense as he tossed in 21 points. Max was strong on defense also. The Angier boys are battling for third place in the conference.

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TODAY'S SPORTS PARADE

By RUSS GREEN (United Press Sports Writer)

LANCASTER, Pa. — Professionalism was forced on track star Barney Ewell while his Olympic Gold Medal glittered brightest. Now, with a fling around the world as a professional sprinter behind him, the former Penn State star is good authority for the statement—there's no real money in running for cash.

"The track man can't capitalize on his ability like the baseball or football player," Barney sums it up. "They go on for years getting good money. But the big track meets are only for the amateurs, and you can't support a family as an amateur."

Ewell knows whereof he speaks. While he was competing in the 1948 Olympics in London, sportsmen in Lancaster, with permission from the Olympic heads, supported Barney's wife and youngster.

It was the same enthusiasm by the same sportsmen which did what father time couldn't do to Barney — end his amateur career. They bought him a six-room home, furnished it with proceeds from a track meet highlighted by a post-Olympic race between Ewell and Harrison Dillard, and gave it to him as a Christmas present in 1948.

It was home town appreciation for Barney's Olympic performances when he lost eyelash finishes to Dillard and Mel Patton in the 100 and 200 meters, but won his Gold Medal as a member of the victorious U. S. 400 meters relay team.

The AAU called the guy's case similar to that of Canadian skater Barbara Ann Scott who was compelled to return an automobile given her by the home folks — or lose her amateur status.

"Barney didn't give up the home. 'I can't — I'm living in it,' he explained.

The AAU declared him a professional, and the legs which made him both sprints and broad jump champion in the Intercollegiate of 1940, 1941 and 1942, and won him the AAU 100 meters title in 1945 and the 200 meters in 1946 and 1947 between a military hitch, began to chafe for money.

Barney admits he made "some money" on his professional tours in the U. S., Australia, England and Scotland. But it wasn't enough to make it a career or establish a bank account or annuities.

"I don't think Americans will go for a professional track meet. It isn't a game like football or baseball. It's over too fast. But in Australia, where they draw 25,000 crowds, the meet is tied up with bicyclic and other races," Barney said.

"The purses are high enough overseas to keep a professional going. They're as much as \$1,000 for first place, but here the runner bumps into the handicap system," he explained.

Barney, 33, comfortable in his home and job as custodian at a Lancaster plant, has rolled to the end of his career, amateur and professional. But he loves that Olympic medal.

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