

Taking Title by Pap'



Paralyzed Youth Is Star Athlete

Houston, Tex. (AP)—The kids in Phil DePrato's block wondered why the newspapers wanted to do stories on Phil and his athletics. Sure he's the best player in the gang, they said, but why all the fuss?

Phil has been paralyzed from the waist down since birth and the fact that he plays football, baseball and basketball naturally would be considered news.

Each afternoon the kids in his block come around for football, baseball or basketball, whichever is in season. When it comes to choosing sides, 13-year-old Phil is taken first.

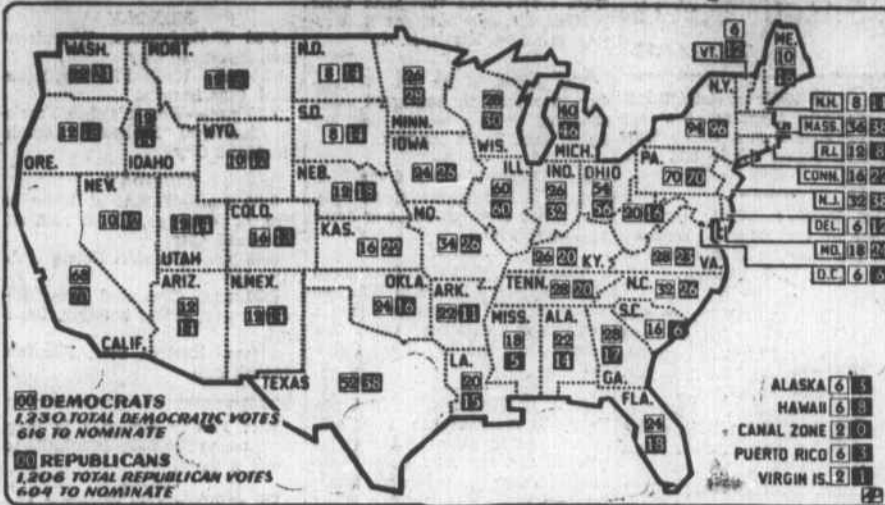
He's quarterback in football, calls the plays and tosses the passes on offense; on defense he wears a cap and when somebody cuts a round end, Phil moves his wheel chair in that direction, throws the cap and if it hits the ball-carrier that person considers himself tagged. He's mighty accurate.

In baseball, Phil asks only one concession. A runner stands behind his wheel chair, ready to run to first when Phil hits the ball.

His parents run a split shift on his education—in the morning his mother gives him half of his lessons; at night his father takes over the other half. He keeps up with regular school work.

"Phil has not only learned to overcome his handicap but the other children have helped him in accepting him as being just 'one of the gang,'" says Mrs. DePrato. "It's something that's hard to put into words."

Convention Voting Strength by States



Buyers Prefer Wade Snapbean

The new Wade snapbean is going over with a bang.

Although this is the first year seed were available to commercial growers, several thousand acres were planted in the United States. Sellers liked the first they received and now they are calling on producers to furnish them more. Premiums of 50 to 75 cents a bushel over Tendergreen, Contender, and Stringless Black Valentine have been offered.

H. M. Covington, horticultural specialist for State College Extension service, says the Wade variety is on demonstration this year in Pender, New Hanover, Columbus, Currituck, Ashe, Avery, Watauga, Henderson, and Polk counties. Anyone interested in seeing the new variety can do so by getting in touch with the farm agent in one of these counties.

"Take a look at it," advises Covington. "You'll probably want to plant at least part of your acreage in Wade next year — or even this fall."

Saltwater Schedule

SUNDAY

- Harkers Island at Salter Path (2)
- Beaufort at Mill Creek (2)
- Atlantic at Marshallberg (2)

Coach Resigns After 16 Years

Dimmitt, Tex. (AP)—John Blaine, who coached two undefeated teams in the same sport, has resigned.

Blaine had been coach at Dimmitt high school for 16 years. He handled all sports. That was the reason he resigned. He felt the burden of coaching was too great.

Now Dimmitt is seeking two coaches to replace Blaine.

His boys basketball team won 36 straight games and the state championship. His girls basketball team won 38 games and the state championship. Last fall his football team won 10 of 11 games. Last spring his track team was runner-up in the state meet.

Newport Rotary President Names Program Chairman

C. S. Long, recently installed president of the Newport Rotary club, has announced that program chairman for the year will be Edward F. Carraway.

Serving during the coming year with President Long will be Roy T. Garner, vice-president; Bob Montague, secretary-treasurer; and Charles (Dick) Locky, sergeant-at-arms.

Installed as directors were Edgar L. Hibbs, Moses C. Howard, V. M. Rhue, and C. Monroe Garner.

Skin Reactions Foretell Ability

Boston (AP)—Can a coach or manager tell if his star pitcher is in rare form or if he will be in the showers before the first inning is over? Can a trainer tell in advance if the football team will be "up" for the big Saturday game?

Dr. John Harmon, professor of education at Boston U., says such information can be found quite simply and accurately. It's all in the skin.

Dr. Harmon has been working on the relations of physical and mental conditions for over 20 years. He has developed a simple method of testing skin resistance to an electrical current passed through the skin. An athlete who has a high skin resistance before a game will probably play below par, while a player with a low resistance will be more likely to turn in an outstanding performance.

"We tried it during the 1940 football season," says the professor, "measuring the skin resistance of the players before the games. Before the Maryland game the players showed a low skin resistance and played an outstanding game although they were beaten by a superior team."

"Our work is still in the research stage," the Boston university pedagogue admits, "and we still have to establish norms for variables such as age. Up to now, however, the results of our work have been encouraging."

Singapore Puts Hope in Swimmer

Singapore (AP)—This colony's chief Olympic hopes are riding on the shoulders of Neo Chwee Kok, a young Chinese swimmer who has never been beaten.

"That's the whole trouble with Neo," said Secretary D. E. Strickland of the Singapore Olympic and Sports council, "he doesn't know what it is to chase somebody. He always jumps into the lead and just stays there so we really don't know too much, except that he's good."

Just how good the 20-year old student is can be judged by a recent performance in which he swam 100 metres in 58 seconds. The Olympic record is 57.3 seconds.

Besides Neo there will be four other swimmers on the Colony's Olympic entry, as well as two weight lifters and two track competitors.

The 1948 games at London marked the first time Singapore sent a team to the Olympics. One man qualified in the high jump. This time, however, the colony hopes for a better showing and about 30 citizens are planning to go along to Helsinki as a cheering section.

Girl Scores 111 Points in Game

Johnstown, Pa. (AP)—Take it from a fellow who makes it his business to find out, the gals are stealing the basketball limelight away from the stronger sex.

A towering lass out in Monona, Iowa, came up with a national record during the past season.

Norma Schoulte, six feet four inch high school senior, scored 111 points Jan. 28 in leading Monona to a 132-12 win over Harpers Ferry.

In the books of statistician Steve Seman of Johnstown that erases all previous highs, including those set by boys.

For the past decade Seman, a railroad worker, has been scoring hundreds of newspapers daily to pick out scholastic basketball records.

Norma Schoulte scored 54 field goals and three fouls in setting her record. Two years ago, Steve reports, Norma Overcash, a six feet seven inch girl from Landis high school in North Carolina tallied 102 points as her team trounced Spencer high 107-35.

However, to add to Miss Schoulte's fame, she already has scored 3,722 points in four years of competition.

In the boys corner Steve reports that Joe Wilmore is tops with 104 points scored last March for Union Junior High in West Frankfort, Ill. Walter Piekarski of Chicago Tilden Tech holds the senior high record with 91 points as his team beat Dunbar, 122-23.

'She's My Gal'



"She's my gal!" might be the words of He's My Boy, the greyhound pictured here with Ann Mills, Miss Morehead City of 1952. Miss Mills will be guest of honor tomorrow night at the Morehead City dog track when He's My Boy, favored greyhound, will race in the Miss Morehead City handicap.

Court Receipts for June Total \$2,866, Clerk Says

Court receipts for the month of June totaled \$2,866.71, A. H. James, clerk of superior court, reported to the county board Monday.

Received from the county was \$1,373.50, through superior court \$267.46, probate and clerk's fees amounted to \$70.90 and fines and forfeitures from Beaufort mayor's court totaled \$193.25 and from Morehead City recorder's court \$836.80.

Fines from justices of the peace amounted to \$25.

43 Hear Pastor

Forty-three members of the Methodist Men's group of the First Methodist church, Morehead City, attended a dinner meeting in the educational building Wednesday night and heard an address by the Rev. Priestly Conyers III, pastor of the Webb Memorial Presbyterian church, Morehead City.

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