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## PERSON SPORTS SLANTS

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### Would Make Good Series . . . . .

The Knoxville Journal says negotiations are underway between University of Tennessee and Southern California athletic authorities "looking toward a series of football games" between the two institutions.

The paper says the first game of a home-and-home arrangement will probably be played in 1942, adding that "previous schedule obligations would prevent the two teams opening their series before 1942 or 1943."

This should make a good series of games. California generally has a good team and the rule is that the Volunteers play rather good ball.

Then too, we would like to see Tennessee get a chance to repay the Trojans for that licking that was hung on them in the Rose Bowl. The Volunteers had little to say about that game, but we have an idea that they were not at their best and that revenge is in their minds.

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### Co-operation Is Needed . . . . .

Here's a tip for local high school cage games. The sports editor of this paper would like to have accounts of all games that are played in this county this season. But—there is no way for us to get these accounts unless they are turned in by the schools that have played the game.

Why not adopt a general rule like this. Let the team that wins the game report it to the paper. If that rule is followed all games will be turned in.

This little speech is meant for both boys and girls games. The paper needs your cooperation. See to it that your school gives it.

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### Wade Man Takes Over . . . . .

The Clemson college athletic council has selected Frank Howard, line coach at Clemson since 1931, to succeed Jess Neely as head football coach. Neely resigned to become head-football coach at Rice institute.

Howard, 30 years old and a native of Barlow Bend, Ala., came to Clemson with Neely as his assistant of Alabama, where Neely had been assistant coach under Wallace Wade.

Clemson's new coach played football, baseball and basketball at Murphy high school in Mobile, Ala. He attended the University of Alabama from 1927 through 1930 and won his varsity letters as a football guard and baseball catcher the season of 1929, and 1930.

He was a first string guard on the Alabama team that defeated Washington State 24 to 0 in the Rose Bowl game of January 1, 1931.

Frank Howard is probably an excellent coach and the sporting fraternity will be pulling for him. On the other hand he is in for a tough job. Clemson has just had a swell year in football and the supporters of that institution will be yelling for more victories and more bowl games. Howard is taking over a winning team and to our mind that is worse than taking over a losing one.

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### Worry! Worry! It's a Weighty Problem



Jack Spratt could eat no fat—and neither can Silvio Concel, left, noted jockey, who returned to New York from Italy only to find himself 16 pounds overweight. Now he must reduce to get a job. But Joseph Froberg of Brockton, Mass., right, can eat what he likes—and plenty of it. He must gain seven pounds in two weeks to meet U. S. air corps physical requirements for admittance. When examined Joseph weighed only 121 pounds. He told officials at Mitchell Field, Long Island, that his Christmas dinner alone weighed seven pounds.

### DEFENSE PAYS OFF IN COURT GAMES

East Orange, N. J. — Big-time college basketball coaches may be astounded at the way Al Gorton teaches the game at little Panzer college, but they'll have to admit this doctrine has paid dividends.

Gorton believes that a good defense is better than a good offense, a view which most coaches don't concur.

"If they can't score we have to win," Gorton says. "Gog your man, so he can't pass or receive a pass. He can't score or help a teammate score."

#### Panzer's Court Record

Panzer has won 24 straight games; this equals a school record which was set in the 1930-31 season. Panzer's last defeat came in December, 1937, when a powerful Long Island University five turned the trick with a six-point victory. Gorton's team scored one of the season's big upsets two weeks later by humbling New York University on its own floor. Neither scheduled Panzer this year.

Gorton doesn't put too much stock in the kind of basketball taught by Howard C. Cann at N. Y. U. or Clair Bee at L. I. U.

#### One Man's Opinion

Cann holds that the principle of basketball "was, is and always will be to put the ball through a hoop as often as time will allow." He teaches his players to be "ball hawks" on the theory that if you can get the ball away from the other fellow, he can't score and you can.

Of course, Panzer has to score. Gorton has a veteran team which centers its attack around a six-foot, seven-inch center, Herman Knuppel, who takes a position near the basket. His teammates feed him the ball, he pivots and drops it in. That's the Panzer offense.

#### YAMS

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### Card One-Two Batting Punch Still Unsigned

St. Louis — The No. 1 of the St. Louis Cardinals has gone to Florida without signing a contract and the No. 2 failed to reach an agreement with Vice President Branch Rickey.

Joe Medwick and Johnny Mize, called the National league's best one-two batting punch, probably will test all of Rickey's persuasiveness before matters are settled.

Mize was reported to have received \$15,000 last season and friends said he wanted to get into the same bracket with higher-paid Medwick for 1940. His contract parley was adjourned to permit Rickey to keep another appointment.

Medwick, who is demanding an increase over his 1939 salary of \$18,000 went south several days ago after failing to agree to terms with Rickey. He is on the "faculty" of a baseball school at Orlando, Fla.

### DIZZY DEAN TURNS BACK CONTRACT

Chicago — "Dizzy" Dean's 1940 contract with the Chicago Cubs arrived at the Cubs' offices a few days ago with no signature.

Instead, Dean sent from Dallas, Texas, a note to Phil K. Wrigley, owner of the team, which said: "I realize I haven't been much help to the club the last two years, but I still think the cut is too big. However, I'm sure we can adjust things and I'll be all set for spring training on time."

Dean, reported to have received \$20,500 last season, was offered half as much as the result of winning only six games last season. Charles Drake, assistant to Wrigley, said Dean wanted \$15,000. Drake indicated that Wrigley would consider Dean's request soon.

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### Norton, In Driver's Seat, Demands Five Year Contract

Dallas — Two days hence the future of Homer Hill Norton, professor of winning football at Texas A. and M., will be known.

On Friday the Aggie athletic council is expected to approve, without much of a quiver, Coach Norton's demand for a five-year contract, a handsome salary increase and less pressure on the coaching staff.

He's the same man who stood in defense before the council only a year ago and escaped being dismissed before the 1938 schedule had been completed.

The question posed in Texas today was: Is it a coincidence that Stanford university, looking for someone to replace ousted Tiny Thornhill, announced that something would be done about its football job on Friday?

A few weeks ago Norton journeyed to California, studied the athletic setup at the Palo Alto school. He was impressed but stressed his visit was rather unofficial. Reports from the coast say that one Stanford group wants the doctrine of Glenn (Pop) Warner, perhaps in the person of the grand old man himself, returned to Stanford football.

Another group leans toward Norton who, with a mixture of orthodox football and the southwest brand of wide-open play, was believed to be the man needed.

Norton wants to stay at Texas A. and M. He likes "the setup, the people and the school."

Eight of the starting eleven on the nation's top college team will be back in 1940. He wants to be with them.

"But now I want security," he said recently. "I will not accept any football contract under five years. I'm no longer a young man. I have served 20 years in football and want reasonable assurance that I will be settled. I will quit the profession entirely unless I can get a five-year contract, wherever I go."

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### Name Radman Most Valuable Carolina Star

Chapel Hill — North Carolina's football players received monogram awards at their annual banquet and selected George Radman "most valuable player" for 1939.

The star blocking back will receive the trophy donated by E. Carrington Smith and won by Andy Bershak in 1937 and Steve Maronic in 1938.

Radman ranked third among the nation's pass receivers last year and as a junior led the Tar Heel ball carriers and scorers. He is a senior and also a letterman in baseball.

Dean R. B. House was the principal speaker at the banquet. Assistant Coach Bill Lange presented the football awards in the absence of Head Coach Ray Wolf and Coach Dale Ranson the cross country awards.



**BEN DILWORTH - CENTER NORTH CAROLINA**  
Ben Dilworth, one of the main cage men at the University of North Carolina, is showing great form this year and is working hard.

### P. C. T. S. Reports Three Cage Games

Starting with the same pace as set in its former games, the Person County Training school boys' basketball team defeated the

Washington High school of Reidsville, Thursday night with a one-sided score of 27-8.

The Washington High school girls showing a superior brand of basketball, took a lead in scoring, which the Person County girls were unable to overcome. The game ended 20-10.

Tomorrow night the Jordan Sellers High school of Burlington, will play the Person County Training school in the school auditorium.

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