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Football Experts Are Told What Is What In New Gridiron Rules

By Brian Bell
Associated Press Sports Writers
NEW YORK—Football officials and coaches from many parts of the United States assembled at the annual intercollegiate meeting of the football rules committee to get an official viewpoint on application of the sweeping changes made in the rules for play this season.

The second breaking attendance—a host of football men—was held to introduce into the game of football and backward passes under vastly changed conditions, and the strict limitation of shift plays, including the far famed and highly controversial "huddle."

Discussion of the backward pass developed that in some cases an incomplete backward pass may result in the award of a touch-down and in others the imposition of a safety. Chairman J. K. Hall met the friendly criticism of this ruling by borrowing a point from "Back of the Bygone" to mollify the feelings of the teams who may suffer. He suggested that decisions on these points will come up at infrequent intervals, if at all.

As a result of the final definition of the new rules, a team threatening an opponent's goal may be awarded a touch-down if a backward pass is incomplete behind the goal line. On the other hand, an offensive team suffering an incomplete backward pass be-

HANDICAP GOLF TOURNAMENT BEGINS

Several Matches Played Sunday—Walla Walla Advances Contest

The local tournament on the La Grande country club course was commenced Sunday when 15 men played the first round matches. Eight matches remain to be played in the first while one match has been played in the second round. Sunday's score follows: Chase Holmenkamp defeated Clint Van Fleet, 3-7; M. D. Crook defeated Fred Smith, 1-3; H. Ray Murphy defeated H. M. Day, 2-3; F. J. Lillie defeated Harry Zierbrock, 6-5; A. W. Nelson defeated H. Holmenkamp, 1 up; L. K. Knudsen defeated John Thelen, 6-5; J. J. Carr defeated Charles Higgins, 4-3; and W. C. Perkins defeated Paul Peterson, 7-6. By the second round Chase Holmenkamp won from E. H. Jones, 1 up.

In a letter received by the local tournament committee from T. G. Webster, chairman of the Walla Walla tournament committee, the suggestion was made that the three-year friendship tournament which was inaugurated this year be postponed until next year, to continue for the same length of time, dating from 1928. According to the committee, the suggestion of Mr. Webster's letter, giving reasons for the cancelling of the sports on the two matches has been met favorably here, which were played this summer. "The tournament committee of our club held a meeting yesterday so are discussing the tournament that held with your club and we believe, in view of the fact that your grounds are now and your are fewer in number than your club, which were played this summer, that we of the players were able to go more than one round in the tournament here due to the rain, that it would be only fair for us to hold the trophy which was agreed upon until next year, the play for the possession of same to begin in 1928 and to continue for three years."

Other weights 150 pounds. Other prospective fullbacks are Chuck Williams, entered last from Washington high, Portland, who at one time was named on both the football and basketball all-star teams; Roland Coleman of Eugene, an all-around athlete and Harold Hutton, Pendleton, who was one of the mainstays of the football squad last year. Hutton and Coleman weigh 150 pounds each and Williams 175.

All four are good ball carriers. Williams was one of the best defensive men in the Portland high schools, but the other three are also good in backing up the line.

Coach McDevan is not much worried about his prospects in the line that has caused him many a nightmare, the captain said.

Mayor Lindbergh is head of reception committee. Dan, Colonel, just please consider Round the World Flyer Brock, whom two winners are awaiting an husband!

The movie operators in Chicago went on strike and theaters were closed. Mayor Thompson was just a bit indignant in defying King George like that.

he will be much in demand in Northwestern boxing centers during the coming winter.

OBSERVER WILL RECEIVE FIGHT

Returns From Demsey-Tunney Battle Will Be Megaphoned

When the Gene Tunney-Jack Dempsey three-million-dollar fight begins in Soldier's Field, Chicago, Ill., Thursday night, La Grande fans need not work because they are not in the stadium, watching the principals in the latest battle of the century trading punches.

The Evening Observer, through the Associated Press leased wire, which will be looked-up to ring-side, Chicago, will give an account of every blow that is struck, seconds after it is delivered. All the time that is required to transmit the fight here in the few seconds that are needed by the operator in Chicago and the additional seconds needed by the receiving operator in La Grande to type into the news down on a sheet of paper in the observer's office.

As the reports are received in the Observer office they will be flashed upstairs to an expert who will megaphone the results, round by round, from an upper window to fans who congregated in front of the office. This method has been tried out of late and has met with the approval of the local people.

In addition, as quickly as the fight ends, the Observer will issue a Demsey-Tunney extra, carrying a short general log story on the fight and the rapid-by-round story, with pictures of the participants. These extras will sell at the usual price—five cents a copy—but will not be sent to regular subscribers. The following afternoon the Observer will carry the round-by-round story in its regular issue and also longer general story.

Covered by Experts
According to announcement by the Associated Press, the fight of Dempsey-Tunney the night of Sept. 22 will be covered by Charles Funkley, of Chicago, sports editor of the central division; Edward J. Neil, of the New York sports staff; Alan J. Gould, of New York, sports editor of the eastern division; and Fred Lee and Milton E. Tappan, of the Chicago staff.

The main fight is scheduled about 7:30 p. m. central standard time which means that it will begin in La Grande about 8:20 p. m., unless threatening weather causes the promoters to hurry up the main event starting time. Preliminary fights will start about 7:15 central standard time. Fans who wish to receive the results by the Associated Press should be in front of the Observer office about 6:30 o'clock.

GIANTS GAIN ON PITTSBURG TEAM

Brooklyn Defeats Buccaneers While Cincinnati Bows Before N. Y.

NATIONAL LEAGUE		
Club	Won	Lost
Cincinnati	37	24
Pittsburgh	35	24
New York	35	20
St. Louis	34	20
Chicago	33	22
Cleveland	28	22
Brooklyn	26	22
Boston	26	22
Philadelphia	17	24

AMERICAN LEAGUE		
Club	Won	Lost
Cleveland	19	21
New York	18	21
Philadelphia	15	20
Washington	15	19
Detroit	15	19
Chicago	15	19
Cleveland	15	19
St. Louis	12	19
Boston	12	19

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Cincinnati bowed before the Giants yesterday in a 10-0 contest played by Helton playing.

Pittsburgh slipped a game by losing to Brooklyn 2-0.

Art Nehf, veteran southpaw, pitched his first full game for the Chicago Cubs and returned with a 6-0 win over Boston.

The St. Louis Cardinals made it three straight over Philadelphia. Fred Frankhouse, Houston, Texas recruit, emerged with a 12-5 record.

Washington and Cleveland hooked up in the only game on the American league schedule. The Senators won, 4-1, when the contest had to be halted by the sixth inning of rain.

We submit that spacy instinct from our jettish associates, a British zoologist tells us. The professor must have been peering in at a dance.

A Russian newspaper says farmers (with shades of home boxes in the United States. And we hear that over in Russia they teach boys to love as dandies.

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