

DEAD BALL GRID RULE LIKELY TO BE SUPPORTED

(Note: In connection with the widespread agitation for college football rule changes, an official rebuttal is presented herewith on behalf of the national rules committee, answering in particular those who advocate a return to regulations now in vogue in professional football.—Editor's note.)

By William S. Langford (Secretary, National Football Rules Committee)

NEW YORK (AP)—Now is the "open season for shooting" the football rules and the firing is quite general and from all directions.

With so many shots being taken it is altogether likely that some may find their way into the hearts of the rules committee, but the indications are that that body will adopt no radical changes and will confine itself to simplifying the code as much as possible.

Suggestions for changes to "make the game more interesting from the standpoint of the spectators" almost invariably would bring back hazards to players which have already been eliminated from the game, and it is predicted that the committee will accord these but scanty consideration.

One suggestion is to abolish the dead ball rule, another is to move the goal posts back from the end lines to the goal lines, either or both of which, if adopted, would increase the chances of injury without any proportionate compensating benefits.

The present dead ball rule was adopted in 1922 and provides that when any part (except hands or feet) of the player in possession of the ball touches the ground, the ball at once becomes dead and play ceases automatically.

This rule has almost entirely eliminated "crawling," i. e., attempts by a player to advance the ball further after he has been downed, and "piling-up" or falling upon the player with the ball after it has become dead.

"Crawling" and "piling-up" used to be prolific sources of injury and it is unthinkable that any lover of the game would wish to gamble on the welfare of hundreds of thousands of football players for the sake of providing an occasional "thrill" to comparatively few spectators.

Some critics have argued that the rules committee should give more thought to the general public who support football and by so doing make possible the whole athletic program of the colleges, by giving them more "thrills." These people ask that we adopt the rules under which the professional games are played so as to give the spectators a "real run for their money."

The main difference between the rules of the N. C. A. A. and the professional code lies in the fact that the latter failed to follow the safety measures adopted by the rules committee in 1902, including the dead ball rule mentioned above, and the prohibition of the flying block and flying tackle.

It may or may not be true that the followers of the professional game demand the retention of features which the rules committee felt it wise to eliminate from college and school games, but that is no reason for asking that these hazardous features be re-introduced into the amateur game which is played for vastly different reasons than the professional game.

It must always be remembered that whereas professional exhibitions are arranged solely to attract paying patrons, amateur sports are primarily for the benefit and enjoyment of the players themselves and the functions of the rule makers of the two are almost as wide apart as the poles.

The rules of the N. C. A. A. are framed primarily for the use of the colleges in its membership—after that for secondary and preparatory schools who care to use them in training their students to participate later in the college games after their graduation from school.

These rules are designed to meet the requirements (A) of college play-ers ranging from 17-23 years of age, and (B) (with modifications) of school players ranging from 15-19 years of age.

When we contrast this with possibly 1,500 professional players, ranging from 23-27 years of age, most of whom have had the benefit of years of school and college training and experience, we must see that there is no common ground and no reason whatever for uniformity in the playing rules.

E. O. N. PLAYING 2 GAMES TODAY IN TOURNAMENT

The E. O. N. basketball team, which arrived in Nampa, Ida., last night to participate in a two-day, six-team college tournament there beginning this afternoon, will meet Albion Normal school at 8 p. m. (Pacific standard time) this afternoon, in the final game of the first round of play.

If the Mountaineers win, they will face the loser of the Northwest Nazarene-Gooding college game tonight at 8 p. m. (P.S.T.), and if they lose, they will play the loser of the Boise Junior college-College of Idaho game at 7 o'clock tonight.

The tournament play is an intricate one, but tournament officials believe that when it is completed, each team will be definitely placed in the position it should have on the basis of its actual showing in games won and lost.

LEVINSKY MAY BE PRIMO'S OPPONENT

By Herbert W. Barker NEW YORK, Jan. 19 (AP)—If Madison Square Garden promotes a heavy-weight championship bout in June, the chances are just about ten to one the challenger won't be Max Baer. But it might be King Levinsky.

Finding it impossible to tie Baer up to a contract to fight for the Garden in the event he won the championship, Col. John R. Kilpatrick, president of the big arena, and his matchmaker, Jimmy Johnston, have dropped all negotiations with Baer, his manager, Anell Hoffman, and promoter Jack Dempsey, and turned to Levinsky instead.

ALL IN READINESS FOR CARD TONIGHT

All was in readiness for the boxing card to begin at 8:30 o'clock tonight in the Scajawa arena, Promoters Leo McCarthy and Martin Fitzgerald said today.

Elmer "Burr" Brown, Portland featherweight, is to meet Jackie Brighton, of Seattle, in the 10-round main event. Jim Museler, La Grande, will fight Dynamite Murphy, of Baker in the six-round semi-final.

Three four-round preliminary bouts have been scheduled.

WEBFOOT QUINTET TO TACKLE O. S. C.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON Eugene, Jan. 19 — Oregon's surprising young Webfoot basketball team will meet Oregon State's coast champion Beavers in the second encounter of the annual civil-war series tonight

BLOND GODDESS A New Serial by Herbert Jensen

SYNOPSIS: Frank Grahame cuts an appointment with the great Mybers, movie executive for whom he expects to work, because it would take him too long to get to the office. He leaves the office in a hurry, and a second car follows him. A second car follows him. A second car follows him.

Chapter Three VICTORY FOR JANICE I GHT from a street lamp glared into the interior. Their glances met. Some combustible psychic material of humor ignited and flared. Grahame lifted her chin and laughed. Grahame's lips twitched. "Oh!" cried the girl. "How perfectly incredible!" Her voice mimicked her own. "Thank you," she said. Then you growl, "It was nothing, Miss. Then I say, 'But it was, sir, indeed.' Oh, why can't people—"



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conscious of with women subsided a little. He had lived too long away from civilization, he knew, too much in the company of rovers like himself, ever perhaps to feel comfortable in the presence of the opposite sex.

But here a small miracle had happened. It was with a growling wonder that he realized that he felt at ease, almost, with this gorgeous girl who was one of the world's beauties. Her essential femininity was such that there lived not a man who was so far screened face that did not feel that tug of response to her appeal.

Grahame knew, in a vague way that this quality of hers was not a personal one. There were other persons certainly with equally captivating faces, but what Janice Kent had—and it was a quality that women approved of as well as their men—was, as Hogarth, her favorite director, expressed it, "A universal sweetheart appeal."

A pal of Grahame's among the stunt flyers had quoted Myberg—who paid Janice Kent her salary—as saying, "That girl, understand, has something that makes men love their wives better."

GRAHAME, watching her profile as the street lights threw patterns of shadows across it, realized that he could quite agree with any eulogy of Janice Kent. He felt that although he had known her but a few minutes, he of all men could solve her charm could he but express it in words.

She made a fellow feel comfortable, that was it; a homely way to say it, but accurate. He was conscious of a flush mounting to his cheeks. He appreciated that he was not the first man who believed that he was uniquely appreciative of a particular woman. He was level-headed enough to realize that he was, perhaps, not the first man to consider himself an authority on Janice Kent's charm.

Like a swimmer wading from the shallows into deeper water he realized that he must press forward carefully. He drew in a deep breath. "He said, 'Miss Kent, did you notice any other men about the tan car. To me it seemed—'" "Yes," she answered quickly, "I

did. The accident itself was curious. It was so unnecessary. The tan car attempted to pass us, it pressed us into the curb. Yet, at that place, the street is wide. The man whom you struck was driving. There were other cars—two, I think—in the back seat. They were getting out when your car turned the corner. I didn't see them again."

"Scared, I suppose, didn't want to be mixed up in it. Let the driver take the blame." He checked an impulse to tell her that he had followed the two cars from the studio. There was the chance that she might understand the prompting that had drawn him after the three men in the tan car. He studied with the possibilities of his embarrassment were she to believe it had been the black car he followed. He concluded, "Yes, that was probably it."

"Yes—" The girl's voice was hesitant. Grahame said quickly, "You don't think so? Did you recognize either of them?" Reflectively she looked through the window. "I don't know." She shrugged. "But no, it couldn't be he." She laughed a little. "He drives a much nicer automobile."

"Maybe his friends don't," replied Grahame with a trace of grimace. "Who is he? When I talk to the police tomorrow, I'll tell them that we

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The arrests resulted in \$12,496 assessed in fines and sentences meted out to a total of 124 years, including one life sentence for a murder conviction, and collection of fees to the amount of \$2,001.

In traffic arrests, of which there was a total of 405, driving while intoxicated was responsible for 35, bringing in the heaviest fine assessments of \$1,365. Ninety-three arrests were for driving without operator's licenses.

In the general law enforcement, outside the murder conviction, the heaviest sentences went for burglary charges for 34 years. Holdup cases resulted in 20 years sentences in three instances. The largest number of arrests were for larceny under \$50 for which there were 44. Which also resulted in \$650 fines.

Game law violations totaled 136 arrests, the greatest number for recording illegal possession of deer, accounting for 16 arrests, resulted in 16 months sentences and fines of \$60.

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6TH AND 7TH GRADES STAGE 3-ACT PLAY

The sixth and seventh grades of Miss Mayne McGarret's room at the J. H. Ackerman Training school, presented a three-act play at 1 p. m. Wednesday at the Eastern Oregon Normal school auditorium.

The play which was adapted from Evaleen Stein's book, "Gabriel and The Hour Book," was planned, written and acted by the children of these grades. The first two acts took place in the chapter house of St. Martin's abbey. The third act portrayed the interior of Lady Anne's room.

Billy Warner played the role of the monk, Brother Stephen, Gabriel, a peasant lad, was played by the play Hurley. Other characters of the play were as follows: The Abbot, Donald Shade; Count Henri, King Louis

XII's messenger, Floyd Christopherson; Lady Anne, Pauline Watkins; a priest, Winton Puckett; first monk, Johnny Anderson; second monk, Vera Baxter; Jean Buchanan; Kay Andrews and Floyd Wetzel told the story of the various acts.

The stained glass window of the chapter house of St. Martin's Abbey and the Hour Book were designed and made by the sixth and seventh grades in their art periods. It added an interesting and artistic touch to the setting.

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OLIVE GREEN WORN BY MRS. GRAYSON WASHINGTON (AP)—Olive green, so seldom used for evening, makes a stunning party of crepe worn by Mrs. Gary T. Grayson, wife of the rear-admiral.