

# Tigers Overrun Mac-High to Score 20-6 Win

## O'Neill to Save Top Pitchers for Playoff Battle

By HARMON W. NICHOLS  
ST. LOUIS, Sept. 29 (UP)—Tiger Steve O'Neill, either supremely confident or suffering from a defeatist complex, said today he probably wouldn't start his ace, Hal Newhouse, in the game with the Browns that will decide whether Detroit wins or ties Washington for the American league pennant.

There were two ways of looking at O'Neill's strategy. It could be he figures the Tigers are "in" and beating the Browns in the one game that will be necessary to gain the title will be accomplished without complications. Or it is possible he fears the Browns more than he admits, and, that realizing the danger of losing two, he wants to have Newhouse rested and ready for the playoff game with Washington.

To Gamble  
O'Neill said he intended to start Virgil (Fire) Trucks, his star of two seasons ago, who was discharged from the navy late this week and who probably doesn't even know the first names of the Browns' batters. Trucks reportedly is in fine pitching form because he has been playing with navy teams, but strategists figured that putting him in is a definite gamble.

"I intend to use Trucks today and then either Dizzy Trout or Stubby Overmire on Sunday," O'Neill said. "With that order, I'll have Newhouse ready for the big one against Washington if we have to play it. I can't take the chance of going into a play-off without my best pitcher available. So Newhouse will be ready to go against the Senators on Monday if it comes down to that. But believe me, I hope it doesn't."

Week Rest  
Manager Luke Sewell said he would send the top Browns pitcher, Bob Muncie, against the Tigers in today's opener. Muncie, with a record of 13 wins and four losses, lost to the Tigers his last time out, but he has had a week of rest.

That leaves Nelson Potter, who pitched a two-hit shutout, against the Tigers last Sunday, for a possible "encore" performance on the coming Sabbath. The pressure on the Tigers would be terrific if they dropped the Saturday game and had to face Potter Sunday, a factor which might prompt O'Neill to change his mind in favor of Newhouse.

The Browns warmed up for their big week-end yesterday by beating Bobby Feller of the Cleveland Indians, 2 to 1, in the only American league game. The game was called because of rain in the sixth.

## Pioneers Score Only On Pass Interception

La Grande high school Tigers brought an exciting plot, plenty of suspense and a thrilling climax to the first home presentation of the 1945 edition of the football team and won easily, 20 to 6, from Mac-high of Milton-Freewater. About 2,000 fans saw the game.

The Tigers' fast charging forwards, although not always opening up the desired holes for the backs on offense, smeared many a cherished Mac-high ambition and kept the Pioneers from scoring anything from their own scrimmage line and even from marking up a first down until in the last minute of play when the Tiger team was made up largely of a flock of substitutes.

Only once did Mac-high get away with anything and that was in the closing minutes of the first half.

Sweep Down  
The Tigers had swept down the field to score in the earlier part of the second quarter and with Bennett carrying on a quarterback sneak had scored the first touchdown of the game. Malone had plunged over for the extra point, making it 7 to 0.

Bennett then had run back a punt, after kicking off to Mac-high, and the Pioneers had been unable to advance. With the ball on the Mac 27 yard line Bennett attempted to pass to an end. Winston intercepted and started for the goal, but a cloud of tacklers barred his way. He tossed the ball in the air to Olson in what appeared from some points in the stands to be a forward. Olson went all the way to the goal, without a hand being laid on him.

The referee Karl Khegel, explained the ball had been tipped by a La Grande tackler which made it appear to travel forward. Pass for point, Winston to Jones, was incomplete.

Blocking Solid  
Malone made La Grande's second touchdown after a 25 yard run with perfect downfield blocking clearing all but the safety man from his path. Malone then bucked the ball over center for the point, making the score 14 to 6.

Final score came in the last quarter, as La Grande took the ball steadily down the field on straight power football. A succession of first downs brought the ball to the 11 yard line. Four straight plays through the line or off tackle brought it to a first down on the one yard line and Bennett smacked over on the next play. A penalty wiped out the point after touchdown by Gilstrap.

10 First Downs  
La Grande made 10 first downs to one for Mac-high. Most of the penalties were called on La Grande, mostly for offside, although there were two 15-yard penalties for man-in-motion. Seetnan's opening kickoff went to Malone, who was stopped by Nyhus. La Grande recovered its fumble and Malone made eight yards. Seetnan stopping him. Houle made seven yards his next try, but he and Gilstrap were stopped for no gains.

Mac-high took the ball and Green lost eight yards. Carey stopping him.  
When the Tigers again took the ball after a short punt, Gilstrap tore off three yards, and Malone brought the ball to a first down on the 15 yard line. A fake by Houle was good for two yards, a five yard penalty for offside was called. Houle made that back and then seven more. McElrath knocked down Malone's pass to Schilling, but Bennett went over standing up on the next play, quarterback sneak.

The Pioneers received on their 20 yard line and Seetnan was stopped after a few yards. Olson made five yards, Bohnenkamp and Malone stopping him. He made another four yards. Schilling was shaken on the play and Leal Graham replaced him. Winston's pass to Heald was knocked down, but came within a hair of

## Chicago Cubs Set To Finish Season Against Pirates

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 29 (UP)—The Chicago Cubs were all set today to put an anti-climax finish to the National league's "tale of two cities," a baseball melodrama that has kept fandom astrir since mid-season.

The Cubs were almost as safe as Superfortress pilots eluding a bean bag attack. They still are sure of a tie with the intrepid St. Louis Cardinals, even if an entire combination of six games in two days involving the two clubs should go against them.

The Cardinals have only one hope—and a mighty slim one. They could tie the Cubs only by winning their three games at Cincinnati today and tomorrow while the Cubs lose three against the Pirates here. One odds-maker, who said he isn't taking any bets, figured the odds against the Cardinals in such a situation are at least 100 to 1.

Manager Charley Grimm, radiating good humor, said the time hadn't come to celebrate—yet. The all-important "clinch" victory would have to come first, he said, and until then everything would be "strictly business."

He said he will send Hank Borowy to the mound in the first game with the Pirates today. Borowy, a 10-game winner since coming from the New York Yankees at mid-season, also may be his choice for the first game of the world series, since the ex-Fordham flinger has been the club's "blue-chip" pitcher. Should Borowy fail, he will have Ray Prim, southpaw, or Claude Passeau for the second game.

## Southworth Will Top Pitchers to Meet Cincy Reds

CINCINNATI, Sept. 29 (UP)—Manager Billy Southworth of the St. Louis Cardinals faced the not-too-pleasant assignment today of playing second fiddle to a banjo.

The banjo belonged to Hummin'-Strummin' Charley Grimm of the chipper Chicago Cubs and by nightfall he'll be in a mood to pluck out a "victory polka" unless the impossible happens today—here and in Pittsburgh.

Deciding to play the axiom that "anything can happen in baseball" to the limit, Southworth named two of his top pitchers, Sylvester (Blitz) Donnelly and Harry (The Cat) Brecheen, to go after the double victory against the Reds that will be necessary to keep the Cards mathematically in the running provided the Cubs lose two at Pittsburgh.

Manager Bill McKeechie, rounding out his worst season as pilot of the seventh place Reds, selected veteran Joe Bowman and Rookie Howard Fox as the pitchers to face the Cardinals in the "do-or-die" double header.

In the only National league game played yesterday, the Dodgers clinched third place at Brooklyn, beating the Phillies, 5 to 2, as Eddie Stanky tied the circuit's mark for bases on balls in a single season. Stanky drew four walks against Phil pitchers Dick Mauney and Don Grate to run his total to 147. He equaled the mark set by Jimmy Scheckard of Chicago in 1911, although it is far short of the American league record of 170, set by Babe Ruth of the Yankees in 1923.

## Dunn-Boyer in Romantic Film

The words "together again" have always had a magical effect on the movie-goer. They have always meant that two or more of their favorite stars were once more to gaze into each other's eyes with that look. The news, therefore, that one of the most popular teams of all times, Irene Dunne and Charles Boyer, will return in Columbia Pictures' "Together Again" which will bow in at the Liberty theater on Sunday, will be greeted with enthusiasm.

"Together Again," according to advance reports, is a gay, romantic comedy about the mayor (Irene Dunne) of a small town in Vermont and a sculptor from the big city. When lightning strikes the statue of her dead husband, ex-mayor of the same town, Irene decides to go to New York and contract for another one. She is advised by her crotchety father-in-law (Charles Boyer) to have a good time besides, buy a gay hat and get away from the confining influences of civic virtue.

The four of clubs in a deck of cards is sometimes called "the devil's bedpost."

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## Commission Plans To Probe Riot at Madison Garden

NEW YORK, Sept. 29 (UP)—Chairman Eddie Egan of the New York boxing commission will make a "thorough investigation" of the riot that broke out at the Madison Square Garden into an uproar last night.

Not since the late Tex Rickard built the Garden 20 years ago has there been such a turbulent fight scene in the punch emporium as that staged after Kocky Graziano, bull-shouldered New York middleweight, knocked out Harold Green of Brooklyn in the third round.

## Seals Beat Solons In Cup Contest

By United Press  
San Francisco Seals, who defeated Sacramento 4-3 Friday night in a game on the Solons' home field, move to their own grounds Sunday to attempt to win the one game needed to earn the right to play the winner of the Portland-Seattle series for the Pacific coast baseball league championship.

Portland was traveling too, as the pennant-winners shifted to Seattle for a doubleheader Sunday. They played no game Friday.

The Seals scored their victory with a four-run outburst in the second inning. The Seals scored two runs in the third on pitcher Jim McCarthy's homer, and another off Joe Landrum's homer in the fourth.

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## Bowling Season to Open Next Monday

Bowling season will open next week with the following teams scheduled to match hooks on the local alleys: Monday, Oct. 1, Farnham Supply vs. Service Wholesale; Shell Oil vs. Loree's Builders; Tuesday: Observer vs. Coca Cola; Cherry Florists vs. Richfield.

## Ben Hogan Clings To Four Strokes Lead at Portland

By JOHN W. DUNLAP  
PORTLAND, Sept. 29 (UP)—Sharpshooting Ben Hogan, staying off the nation's best golfers, today maintained a four-stroke margin as the field was cut to 50 for the final two days of the \$14,333 Portland open.

Hogan, from Hershey, Pa., broke the competition course record with a 65 Thursday and posted a three-under par 69 yesterday, giving him 134. His comeback after three years with the air forces was the more remarkable because missed putts kept him on the brink of getting birdies on almost every hole.

Tied In Fifth  
The two early favorites, national champion Byron Nelson and Sammy Snead, the defending Portland champion, were tied in fifth place at 142, despite their sub-par shotmaking. Ahead of them was Harold (Jug) McSpaden, Sanford, Me., second with 138; Harry Baseler, Los Angeles, third with 140; and Jimmy Hines, Chicago, fourth with 141.

Bracketed with Snead and Nelson was Ken Storey, former Pacific northwest amateur champion whose second round 68 is the second best to Hogan's record 65. Storey took the amateur division lead from Arnold Innmann of Portland, who slumped to fifth place with 153. Bill Welch of Spokane was second with 143.

In Sixth  
Sixth place winners with 144 were Sgt. Jim Ferrier, the Australian champ from San Francisco; Ed Furgol, Detroit, and Ky Lafon, Chicago. Next with 145 were two Portland aces, Ted Longworth and Joe Moezel.

Among players bracketed at 146 were Newton Bassham, Carmel, Calif.; Pvt. Bob Hamilton, Fort Lewis, Wash.; Fred Wood, Vancouver, B. C.; Ray Mangrum, Los Angeles, and Chet Congdon, Tacoma, Wash.

## ROB GAS STATION

SALEM, Sept. 29 (UP)—State and city police today were looking for two men who robbed a gasoline station here of \$135 last night. Attendant Robert H. Bartlett told police the hold-up men made him open his cash register then clipped the receiver off the telephone before making their getaway.

## CONTINENT OF BICYCLES

Holland has 2,250,000 bicycles, Switzerland 1,500,000, Denmark 700,000, Belgium 1,500,000, Germany 11,000,000, France 6,000,000, England 6,000,000 and Italy 3,000,000.

## War of Minds, Souls in Japan Prison Camps

### Internees Died of Starvation and Diseases

SINGAPORE, Sept. 29 (UP)—Tomblike quiet of the Muntok Banka jailyard was broken only by the bells signaling roll-call or by the shuffling steps of the fittest men who were keeping up the camp cooking, cleaning and grave-digging.

Our first 18 months of internment was not so bad. Even though our bellies were not full, we were able to study, stage theatricals and even issue a weekly "newspaper." But our next 12 months changed all that.

In Apathy  
At Muntok a handful of rice, a bowlful of tapioca gruel, a spoonful of fish. We had a skin full of malarial mosquitoes. Our minds constantly were filled with the struggle to survive. The devil or the grave took the hindmost.

There was no laughter. We were like living dead. We heard the ravings of the stricken. We listened to the delirious moans of the beri-beri victims as the flesh burst on their swollen limbs. Most of us sank into silent, staring apathy.

I'll never forget the ghastly contortions of the dying dry beri-beri cases, shriveled to skeletons, or the weight of the fantastically swollen corpses of the wet beri-beri cases which we literally poured into their coffins. I'll always remember bodies covered with tropic ulcers.

He Has Learned  
I'll sense again the thrill of nightly eluding the guards by crawling the barbed wire fence and inching along the jungle trails to barter for food with the natives.

During my police reporting days in America I thought I knew something about my fellow-man. I have learned much more. I have hungered, thirsted, prayed in vain for medicine in a stagnated prison, nearly drowned, nearly died from malaria. I have seen my own, and other men's strength and weakness tested.

The meanness and the best in us could not be hidden. I saw the scarcity of true leaders among us, the hollowiness of those who should have taken command but hadn't the guts. There were a few exceptions.

Hat Off  
My hat is off to the Irish doctor who fought greed and petty politics and national jealousies and strove to maintain the best hospital circumstances permitted.

There were a few Dutch, British and Australians who managed to keep the kitchen going.

There was a small band of Catholic priests who took over the nursing of the dysentery cases, and died themselves.

The Japanese had two categories of treatment for their prisoners, one inside the camp, the other outside. There was no brutality inside the prison except gin.

## NEWS OF OUR MEN—WOMEN IN UNIFORM

Union county men recently released from the service include: Thomas Russell, navy; Edward Hatcher, army; Robert Keeney, army; Royal Haefler, army; Andrew Peters, army; Mayo Walker, army; William Miller, army; Joe Mansfield, army; Janis Sarret, army.

Union and Wallawa county men recently given honorable discharges from the army at Fort Lewis separation center include: Pfc. James L. Farris, 1306 Jackson avenue and Pvt. John L. Eldridge, La Grande and Sgt. Ernest Wingfield and Pft. Curtis Lancaster, Enterprise.

## Ruth Jones Tells Of Experience in Jap Manila Camp

COVE, Sept. 29 (Special)—Mrs. Sallie Conley was hostess to the Ladies Aid at her home west of town Wednesday afternoon at a silver tea. She was assisted by her daughter, Maxine, and her daughters-in-law, Mrs. Grant Conley and Mrs. Muriel Conley. There were about forty guests and the afternoon was spent socially. One feature of the afternoon was a talk by Miss Ruth Jones, recently home from Manila where she spent three years in a prison camp. She told many of her experiences.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Amudson and their three small sons of Sunnyside, Wash., were guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mills over the week end and until Wednesday.

Eugene and Claud Laird, a Mission, Calif., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Fletcher. These two men purchased the farm from the Fletchers about two years ago but have not yet come to live here. They expect to move here soon, and are now looking after their purchase.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Robinson are at the home of his parents for the present, but he has to go to Ft. Lewis to get his discharge. Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Laird who went to Weiser last week returned Monday evening.

## RECRUITER RE-ENLISTS

SALEM, Sept. 29 (UP)—Sgt. Lester B. Lont, a member of the army recruiting staff here, believes the successful salesman is one who has faith in his own product. Yesterday Sergeant Lont re-enlisted.

when black marketers were caught. They were beaten and then imprisoned outside and starved.

Probably it's the little things about internment I'll remember best. Like the Fourth of July party tendered the only two Americans in camp and the amazing appearance on that occasion of a bottle of Gordon's.

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