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HARVARD STYLE IS BAFFLING

Varied Attack of Houghton System May Prove Troublesome; Condition Big Asset.

By George Bertz
OREGON football players will be forced to fight as never before when the referee's whistle sets them in action against the Harvard eleven in the intersectional gridiron clash at Pasadena New Year's day.

The Harvard style—or, to be more exact, the Percy Houghton system— which swept the big Eastern teams off their feet for a number of years, is likely to prove troublesome to the Lemon-Yellow warriors.

Combined with a wonderful forward pass attack, the short, snappy aerial shots, Harvard uses a series of plays built around the feet-footed Eddie Casey and a baffling assortment of line bucks and plunges. The Crimson team uses its open attack in the neutral zone and its own territory, and only resorts to line-bucks, in which Ralph Horween, the big fullback, is called upon time and again to carry the ball, when within the opponent's 40-yard line.

OFF-TACKLE PLAY USED

An off-tackle play, similar to the one with which Oregon has had great success in the past several seasons, is worked frequently with the elusive Casey carrying the pigskin.

Harvard is strong for punting and invariably the ball is booted out of its own territory. This is followed through in the Pasadena contest, where they likely be a great punting duel between R. Horween and Bill Steers.

According to a former University of North Carolina player, from whom most of the information regarding the Oregon attack has been gained, Horween is a better punter than any other player of their regular position by a wide end run or off-tackle play.

PLAYERS AGGRESSIVE

Yale went down to defeat before Harvard on a short forward pass which Casey made brilliant. He is also a direct pass system is used entirely by Harvard. A majority of the end plays and some of the off-tackle bucks are made from the punt formation. Oregon uses this same offensive line-up on some of its plays.

Harvard players are aggressive, but they rarely get into a set up a stiff fight. Football is drilled into their heads by a number of assistant coaches, many of whom were on the unbalanced team when he was mentor at Cambridge. Nearly all of them come from the big prep schools from the East, and for that reason they likely will have a slight edge on Oregon in experience.

Another feature of the Harvard coaching system is the fact that its ends can play on either side of the line. The line being used almost entirely with the end shifted over in place of a tackle or a guard.

WORKING ON DEFENSE

A backfield player generally follows the man carrying the ball in case of a fumble, and each man down the player he is supposed to get on the offense. Each player is assigned a man, and that man is generally covered.

Coach Huntington of the Oregon team has a big task on his hands to perfect an adequate defense for the Harvard players. Many conferences have been held between Huntington and his assistant since it was announced that Oregon was selected to play at Pasadena, and more will be held at Pasadena next week.

Weather conditions halted extensive practice on the campus at Eugene, but now that the players are domiciled in Pasadena, much effort will be exerted in perfecting the defense. A light workout was engaged in Saturday following the arrival of the team, but the real job of perfecting the players for the game begins Monday.

LESLIE MAY PLAY GUARD

There will likely be one change in the Oregon line-up, "Spike" Leslie being groomed to fill in at left guard in place of Al Harding. This change depends on a good deal on the conditions of Baz Williams, who starred in the last big East vs. West game on New Year's day in 1917.

Oregon's backs are being groomed to stop Casey in his Bartlett and either Leslie or Williams are being groomed to stop the Harvard punter. Hoffman has two great players who can be depended upon to stop a lot of short end runs or off-tackle bucks. Hoffman Huntington is a great secondary defense

'Greasey' Neale May Follow in Sunday's Steps

Eric Neale, star outfielder of the Cincinnati Reds, may follow in the footsteps of Billy Sunday. According to a recent report from Marietta, Ohio, where Neale is coach of the Marietta college football team, Neale held in intense interest a congregation that taxed the capacity of the First Presbyterian church of Marietta, as he told how he invoked divine intervention for his team. The Cincinnati outfielder, it is said, accepts invitations to preach from the pulpits of the local churches and defiantly claims that his teams are successful because of his ardent prayers for victory. He also accepts the Red Cross victory in the world's series partly to the same source.

player, and he can be counted on to display his ability against Harvard.

TRIP MAY HURT MEN

The greater experience of the Harvard players may be offset somewhat by the condition of the Oregon team. It is granted that the Lemon-Yellow will have an edge on the Crimson players in this line as they are already on the field, while Harvard has a six-day trip ahead of it, being scheduled to arrive at Pasadena next Friday afternoon. Climate conditions may have some effect on the Harvard players.

Bill Hayward, who has charge of the conditioning of the Oregon men, is watching every move of the Harvard. Every effort will be used to get the men primed for the hardest game of their gridiron career.

ATTRACTION ATTENTION

Hayward took no chances of the men being put off color by taking a tank full of Oregon water to the Southland.

The game is attracting more attention than any football game ever scheduled. It is expected that the Pasadena field will be taxed to its seating capacity, hundreds of reservations being filled already with the tournament committee.

Officials for the contest will not be chosen for several days, but it is known that Oregon favors a Pacific coast referee.

HARVARD ELEVEN ENROUTE TO COAST FOR OREGON GAME

Oregon Players Confident of Victory as They Prepare to Put on Finishing Touches.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 20.—(U. P.)—Harvard's football squad was en route tonight for Pasadena where it will meet and give battle to the husky University of Oregon team on New Year's day.

amid the cheers of hundreds of Harvard students that crowded the South station, the team, accompanied by college officials and coaches, left here shortly after 3 o'clock today. The Crimson team was in high spirits and every man appeared in the pink of condition. The coaches felt confident that the eleven will return victors over the Westerners.

Among the officials and coaches who went with the team were Graduate Coach "Shy" Huntington, who is scheduled to spend Christmas in San Francisco, leaving the same night for Pasadena.

Oregon Squad Workouts

Pasadena, Cal., Dec. 20.—(U. P.)—With Oregon here and Harvard on the way, things are shaping up for the season's football here New Year's day. Harvard left for Pasadena this afternoon, a few hours after Oregon had arrived.

No sooner were the northerners located in their bungalows at the Hotel Maryland than they took deep breaths and commenced work. Harvard was coming west to be trimmed.

Oregon couldn't see it any other way. "We are going to win this game," Coach "Shy" Huntington declared soon after arrival. "My men will make the fight of their lives. So will Harvard. But we'll fight hardest."

The Oregonians worked out lightly this afternoon.

Rival Teams to Clash

The Robins drydock soccer team of Brooklyn is expected to give the champion Bethlehem soccer eleven a great battle in National league and cup ties when they clash this season. Several of the Bethlehem players formerly played with the Bethlehem team.

Annapolis Naval academy gymnastic team has lost two matches to college rivals in 10 seasons.

HARVARD DEPENDS ON ITS BACKFIELD STARS



The Crimson players who will start in the backfield against the Oregon team at Pasadena New Year's day. Reading from the left the players are—R. Horween, fullback; Eddie Casey, the brilliant halfback, and Captain Murray, the brainy field leader. Below is R. S. Humphreys, Casey's running mate.

SCOTTY MONTEITH SAYS HARVARD HAS CHANCE TO ANNEX

Former Oregon Halfback Says Dry Weather Favors Crimson Team; Style Will Not Bother.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 20.—Scotty Monteith of the famous Oregon eleven of 1916, who is visiting in Boston, thinks Harvard's chances of defeating Oregon are good.

Monteith said today: "If weather conditions are right, I think that Harvard ought to win by one or two touchdowns. In a case like this loyalty doesn't but any loy. It's a matter of cold, hard fact, and the dope as I see it gives Harvard the better of the argument under good playing conditions."

"Steers is Oregon's all-around man and well worth watching. He has been well drilled in how to run the Oregon eleven. Oregon's game is to get possession of the ball and hang on to it, and the end, Howard and Anderson weight in securing these boxes, the Milwaukee boxing commission has decided to raise the admission prices for the smoker. Ring-side seats will sell for \$5 each. Other seats at prices ranging as low as \$1 will be available."

"This appears to be the greatest card ever offered the local fans. Never before has any combination of club offered such an attractive card. Each contest, save possibly the Hall-Sommers go, is a main event in itself."

WESTERN football teams and players are superior to those of the East, in the opinion of Representative O. N. (Pat) McArthur, former manager of the University of Oregon eleven.

McArthur, a close student of the game, reached this conclusion after witnessing the following games in the east during the past season: Navy-Georgetown, Penn-Pitt, Yale-Harvard and Army-Navy.

WAS DOBIE BOOTER

In a lengthy letter to the Oregon Emerald, McArthur gave some interesting facts regarding the big game and also told of a visit with Ed Dobie, the Navy coach, who was formerly at the University of Washington.

Concerning this, he said: "Being a member of the house committee on naval affairs, I was, of course, a Navy partisan, and, for the first time in my life, a rooter for Dobie's team. I spent the evening with the famous coach and we agreed on his superiority of Pacific coast football. Dobie regards the Oregon team of 1911 as the strongest ever turned out at Eugene, although he had a high regard for the 1918 eleven."

CASEY IS PRAISED

McArthur paid great tribute to Eddie Casey, the Harvard backfield star.

The following is taken from Monteith's letter to the Emerald: "In my humble opinion, the Pacific coast is playing a better brand of football. It is my candid opinion that if the six teams of the Pacific coast conference were to meet six of the leading teams of the East or

neutral fields—Kansas City or Omaha, for instance—at the height of the season, the Pacific coast eleven would win a majority of the six games.

WAS STRONGER TEAM

"It is impossible for me to compare this year's teams at Yale, Harvard, Pennsylvania, Pittsburg, Annapolis or West Point with the season's eleven at Oregon, or any other Pacific coast college, but I am firmly convinced that the Oregon team of 1916 was three or four touchdowns superior to anything I have seen in the East this year. I haven't seen a team this season that possessed the all-around punch that Oregon showed in her game with Washington State, Washington and the Oregon Aggies that year. I haven't seen a team that was as proficient in the use of the forward pass or in handling punts—two very important items in modern football."

NO GREAT FIELD LEADERS

"Furthermore, I haven't seen a really first class field general—a man like Cassel, and I don't think 'Wee' Coyle type. I'll admit I haven't seen the topnotchers of the East—Penn State and Syracuse—in action, but I am judging only by what I have observed in the playing of Yale, Harvard, Penn, Pitt, etc."

"I have seen some strong individual players this season, but not a tackle the equal of Beckett of Bartlett; not an end as good as Tegar or Mitchell, and backs in the same class as Howard and Anderson weight. I could mention a score of other players on Pacific coast teams of 1916 that could shine on any team in the country."

GIBBONS TO FIGHT FORTITLE

McCormick, English Champion, to Be Opponent New Year's Day; Charley White on Card.

TOMMY GIBBONS of St. Paul and Boy McCormick of England will battle for the world's light heavyweight championship crown in a 15-round contest in the Milwaukee arena January 1.

This was the announcement made Saturday by Frank Kendall, matchmaker, and George P. Moore, general manager of the Milwaukee boxing commission. Terms were accepted by both men Saturday.

Gibbons is the recognized champion of the United States. The Minnesota man was much pleased at securing the match.

McCormick, who recently boxed a 10 round draw with Frank Farmer, the Northwest champion, at Milwaukee, is the light heavyweight champion of England and holds the Lord Londale belt. He is a fighter of the slashing type and made a great hit with the local fans in the Farmer go.

BRONSON TO BOX WHITE

Backing up this bout are three other bouts featuring the best batters obtainable in the United States. White of Chicago, one time contender for the world's lightweight championship crown, and Muff Bronson will fight a 10-round scuffle.

White demonstrated that he is not going down hill when he boxed a draw with Eddie Shannon, a clever lightweight, who is now located in Seattle.

GORMAN TO BATTLE

Bronson was greatly pleased at securing the match, and is confident of securing a victory over the Windy City lad, Eddie Kane, manager of Gibbons, says that if Bronson is as fast and can hit as hard as the fans tell him he stands a chance of beating White.

Joe Gorman and Earl Bais will battle over the eight round route, and Al Sommers will go against "Kid" Hall of Seattle in another eight-round match.

BASKETBALL GAMES

ARRANGEMENTS have been completed whereby the Multnomah Guard basketball team will meet the Dallas contingent at Dallas next Saturday night. The Multnomah Guard juniors, made up of Edlund, Gilman, Irvine, Hill, Wright, Tuma and Daniels, are out to win the junior championship of the state and they are going to start against the Waverley Athletic club team in the Washington high school gymnasium Monday night, starting at 8 o'clock.

Seven or eight games will be staged in the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club gymnasium by the Multnomah Guard basketball team's "M" quintet, according to his present plans. He wants to meet the Oregon Aggies on January 10, Whitman college on January 17, University of Oregon on January 24, and University of Washington on January 21 or February 14. Washington State college will be here February 7, and "Andy" would like to have Stanford university put in an appearance on February 21 or February 28. March 6 has been offered the University of California. An admission of 50 cents will be charged to witness each game, according to present plans, and dancing will be held in the gymnasium immediately following the contest.

This Cue Has Seen Service

Jerome Keogh, the ex-champion pocket billiard player, has been using the same cue in matches 22 years.

Binland Goes to Italy

Binland, 2-0-14, the Transylvania stake winner of 1918, goes to Italy, having been sold for \$20,000.

Woodburn to Hold Shoot

The Woodburn Gun club will hold a turkey shoot at Woodburn next Tuesday, and shooting will commence at 10 o'clock a. m. The scatter gun artists of Portland are invited to attend and arrangements have been made to make it a handicap affair, so that the poor trapshooters will have just as much chance of winning a bird as the state champion. Enough turkeys have been secured to warrant prizes for everyone, providing of course that someone does not try to break a "world's record" or something.

Olympic Club a Winner

The Olympic club basketball team trimmed the Sellwood park delegation to the Sellwood Community house Friday night by a 35 to 10 score. Former Portland Interscholastic league stars make up the Olympic club quintet, which was organized for the first time to take part in the 1919-20 activities. Games are wanted with both in and out of town teams. Call the manager at Woodlawn 178.

Kinsey, San Francisco; Richard Norris Williams and W. M. Washburn, Boston; New York; Vincent Richards and William T. Tilden, Philadelphia.

Mrs. George W. Wignam, Boston. Mrs. Frank Malloy (Mollis Bjurstedt), Miss Marian Zinderstein, Boston. Miss Helen Baker, San Francisco. Mrs. Edward Raymond, Hardsdale, N. Y.

Miss Helen Gillespie, New York. Miss Marie Wagner, New York. Miss Corlene Gould, St. Louis. Miss Huene Polak, New York.

HIGH SCHOOL HOOPERS WILL START 1919-20 GRIND JANUARY 12

Tentative Schedule Has Been Arranged by Coaches; Later Directors Will Meet.

By Earl R. Goodwin
DIRECTORS of the Portland Interscholastic league will gather together again in the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club to ratify a basketball schedule arranged by several coaches of the circuit Friday. President William Fletcher is not certain when he will call the meeting, but if the session is not held Monday or Tuesday of this week it is not likely that it will be called to order until after the Christmas vacation.

The tentative arrangement calls for the opening clash to be between Hill Military academy and James John High on January 12, and from then until Columbia university and Benson Tech meet on March 2, five games a week will be staged. There are nine teams in the league, but the Portland Business college having decided to give up basketball as far as league competition for 1919-20 was concerned.

February 24 was left open, according to the schedule makers, because they did not want any team playing three matches in a week. Just where the games will be played was not finally settled, but Washington High school's gymnasium and the Portland Y. M. C. A. were tentatively agreed on.

All the squads of the Portland Interscholastic league will let up on strenuous training during the holidays, but that will not prevent the various institutions from holding practices just the same. Sessions will be called daily, no doubt, for an hour or so workouts while the holidays are listed.

RAILSPLITTERS WON LAST

Lincoln High won the league championship last season and after that went to Eugene to compete in the State basketball tournament. Lincoln finished with the highest honors. Since then Coach George Dewey has gone to Columbia university to coach the hoopers, while Kenneth Rank is fast taking up the duties of rounding the Railsplitters into shape.

Following is the tentative schedule drawn up by the coaches for the 1919-20 basketball season:

January 12—Hill vs. James John.
January 13—Jefferson vs. Franklin.
January 14—Commerce vs. Lincoln.
January 15—Columbia vs. Washington.

January 16—Benson vs. Hill.
January 17—Jefferson vs. James John.
January 18—Franklin vs. Commerce.
January 19—Washington vs. Hill.
January 20—Columbia vs. Lincoln.
January 21—Benson vs. James John.
January 22—Jefferson vs. Commerce.
January 23—Franklin vs. Lincoln.
January 24—Washington vs. Benson.
January 25—Columbia vs. James John.
January 26—Lincoln vs. Washington.
January 27—Commerce vs. Washington.

February 1—Franklin vs. Washington.
February 2—Commerce vs. Benson.
February 3—Washington vs. James John.
February 4—Washington vs. Benson.
February 5—Jefferson vs. Washington.
February 6—Franklin vs. Hill.
February 7—Commerce vs. Benson.
February 8—Washington vs. James John.
February 9—Washington vs. Benson.
February 10—Washington vs. James John.
February 11—Jefferson vs. Columbia.
February 12—Franklin vs. Benson.
February 13—Lincoln vs. James John.
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February 15—Franklin vs. Columbia.
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February 20—Columbia vs. Hill.
February 21—Commerce vs. Washington.
February 22—Franklin vs. James John.
February 23—Columbia vs. Benson.

Allen's Team Wins Title

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MOGULS TO MEET JAN. 5TH

Adoption of Playing Schedule Main Issue—Judge Admits It Will Be Task.

PRESIDENT WILLIAM H. MCARDLEY's call for a meeting of the Pacific Coast league club owners in San Francisco January 5, has set Judge McCredie of the Portland Beavers a-thinking about the 1920 schedule.

The judge—the recognized champion of schedule makers of the Western slope—faces a difficult problem this season, and he admits as much. The 1920 season in all probability will call for 28 weeks of baseball, giving each club 14 weeks of baseball at home and a like number on the road.

WANTS HOME GAMES

That part is O. K. with the judge; in fact, he favors that many weeks of baseball; but what is worrying him more than anything else is to arrange a schedule that will enable the Beavers to play at home during the Shriners' convention, Rose Festival and the T. P. A. gathering during the latter part of June.

Portland has never played at home during these two weeks as long as the judge can remember, and that's a pretty long time. It is likely, however, that a schedule putting Portland at home during the last two weeks in June, as well as July 4, will be adopted.

WILL OPEN APRIL 6

The 1920 season will open April 6, with Portland at Salt Lake, Vernon at San Francisco, Oakland at Los Angeles and Seattle at Sacramento. The second week probably will find Portland at Sacramento, Seattle at Salt Lake, Oakland at San Francisco and Vernon at Los Angeles.

In arranging the second week's series, the moguls want to get in the double openers at San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Portland and Seattle will open their home series April 20, Los Angeles being the attraction on the Vaughn street grounds. San Francisco will open at Seattle on April 21. San Francisco will play the second series at Portland.

TRADES IN AIR

Discussion of the resumption of relations with the major league clubs and the restoration of the draft will be one of the orders of business.

It would not be surprising if the magnates pulled across several trades. Bill Rodgers, the peppery boss of the Sacramento team, is willing to make several deals, and it is likely other managers will do likewise if they can benefit by the same.

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GREAT REVIVAL IN TRACK ATHLETICS IN 1920 EXPECTED

Athletes to Seek Places on America's Team to Olympic Games.

WITH the Olympic games scheduled for next August in Antwerp, it is expected that there will be a great revival of interest in track and field athletics along the Pacific coast next year. Four big meets have practically been settled upon for next season. The meets are:

April 3—Far western indoor at Oregon Agricultural college, Eugene.
April 10—Columbia university indoor at Portland (tentative date).
April 24—Relay games at University of Washington.
June (date not set)—P. N. A. championships at Spokane.

In addition to these meets, the Pacific Northwest intercollegiate conference meet will be staged at Pullman, under the auspices of the Washington State college.

The Pacific Coast intercollegiate conference meet will be held at Stanford University May 14 and 15. Other meets to be staged in California are the Pacific association, Southern Pacific association and the Far Western. The championship committee of the Amateur Athletic union is expected to arrange a tryout meet early in the summer.

The possibilities of being selected on the American team to the Olympic games will probably spur the athletes to train hard for the sectional meets.

Queen's university, Kingston, Ont., will spend \$70,000 on a new stadium and hockey rink.

JOHNSTON LEADS NATIONAL TENNIS RANKINGS FOR '19

With C. J. Griffin He Occupies Second Place in Doubles; Roberts Ranks Seventh.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—(U. P.)—William M. Johnston of San Francisco, national singles champion, is America's best tennis player.

The frail Pacific coast star has been placed at the top of the prominent racket wielders' list by the ranking committee of the United States Lawn Tennis association.

It is the second time he has been given the honor, as he was designated No. 1 in 1916. The following, in the order named, comprise membership in the coveted first 10 after Johnston:

W. T. Tilden II, Philadelphia.
Ichtya Kuznetsov, New York.
R. Lindley Murray, Niagara Falls.
William F. Johnston, Philadelphia.
Richard Norris Williams II, Boston.
Roland Roberts, San Francisco.
Charles S. Garland, Pittsburg, Pa.
Walter T. Hayes, Chicago.
William M. Washburn, New York.

AUSRELIANS ARE FIRST
Gerald H. Patterson and Norman E. Brookes, the Australian stars, were not rated, but were unofficially declared worthy of rank corresponding to second and fourth places, respectively.

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