

Northwest Gridiron Teams Need Fundamental Training; Oregon Team Has Best Defense

High School Grid Title to Remain Tied

By Earl R. Goodwin
WITH the playing of the 7 to 7 tie game between Washington high and Franklin high on Multnomah field a week ago, the 1922 football championship of the Pacific coast school league must go undecided. When the present circuit was organized, the directors made provisions for a post-game tie breaker. The regular schedule ended in a tie but they overlooked the settling of the supremacy question should the contesting eleven battle to a tie score.

The 1922 circuit among the local high schools was a grand success as far as attendance records were concerned. The largest crowd of the campaign, numbering 8000, took in the Jefferson high-Franklin high engagement on Armistice day and the next best was 5541 paid admissions when Franklin met Washington in the extra contest. The fact that the regular season was so successful, the regular schedule ended in a tie but they overlooked the settling of the supremacy question should the contesting eleven battle to a tie score.

The Quakers finished the regular schedule with five wins and one tie, the lone setback being in their opening clash of the year against Washington. The Colonials also won on five occasions and dropped one. Harry Chase, the Quaker's coach, scrapper taking the long end of a 6 to 4 effort.

The two coaches who worked their teams into the division title have interesting histories of the gridiron. Coach Colton C. Meek of Franklin is a Portland boy and started his career at Clinton Kelly grammar school. Following his graduation he went to Washington high and was graduated from there in February, 1910. The next four years he spent at the University of Oregon.

He never took part in athletics until his senior year at Washington when he played guard and managed the basketball team following a season as sub and on the football squad under Coach Virgil Earl. At Oregon he made the freshman football and basketball teams but the next year he threw his knee out of place and it never healed sufficiently after that to permit him to enter strenuous competition although now it does not bother him.

An interesting sidelight in connection with Meek's coaching career is that Dr. Fenstermacher was the coach when Meek was manager. Now they're against each other.

Meek always was very much interested in athletics and as a result it did not take much coaxing to have him made coach after he had joined the Franklin high school faculty in 1918.

He did not handle the football squad until this year, but previous to that he had taken charge of basketball and track. He tied for first among the coaches in his first year, was the interscholastic champion of Oregon the second and last year placed third, losing to the championship Jefferson high aggregation by four points but only after five overtime periods had been played. The squad was given a setback at the start when Babe Thomas and Howard Hobson, two veterans, were declared ineligible to compete because they had played summer baseball.

On the Franklin roll are Captain Joe Kropp, Tuttle, Walgren, McCollum, East, Brown, Luce and possibly Hoffman, while for Washington Captain Pete Brooks, Lisle, Marriett, Nelson, Cramer, Ferguson, Nakagawa and possibly Hollinger played their last Puget Sound high school league football game. Homes of Franklin and Estlinger of Washington are eligible to play next year and may be back if they obtain need of more credits to enter an institution of higher learning.

Overseas Coach Meek will have to build his 1923 machine around Captain-elect "Mid" Peake, Shinnell and Klippel, while the Washington eleven will be started by Lassiter, Espey, Durbin, Peterson, Luce, Angus and Delrympie. Cloninger, who came this year, is figured on to be a regular in the backfield.

Basketball, at present, is taking up the attention of both Meek and Fenstermacher, who again will battle for honors.

Former Oregon Center Seeks Position as Grid Mentor

JAKE RISLEY, one of the greatest centers ever developed in Pacific coast football circles, has heard the call of the gridiron.

This time Jake is not going to bust into a play, but he wants to break into the coaching game. He is the holder of several offers to coach teams in the Middle Western states, but he prefers to remain on the Pacific coast.

Hence any college seeking to install the Besdek system of play into teams has the opportunity of communicating with Risley, who can be reached through the sports department of The Journal.

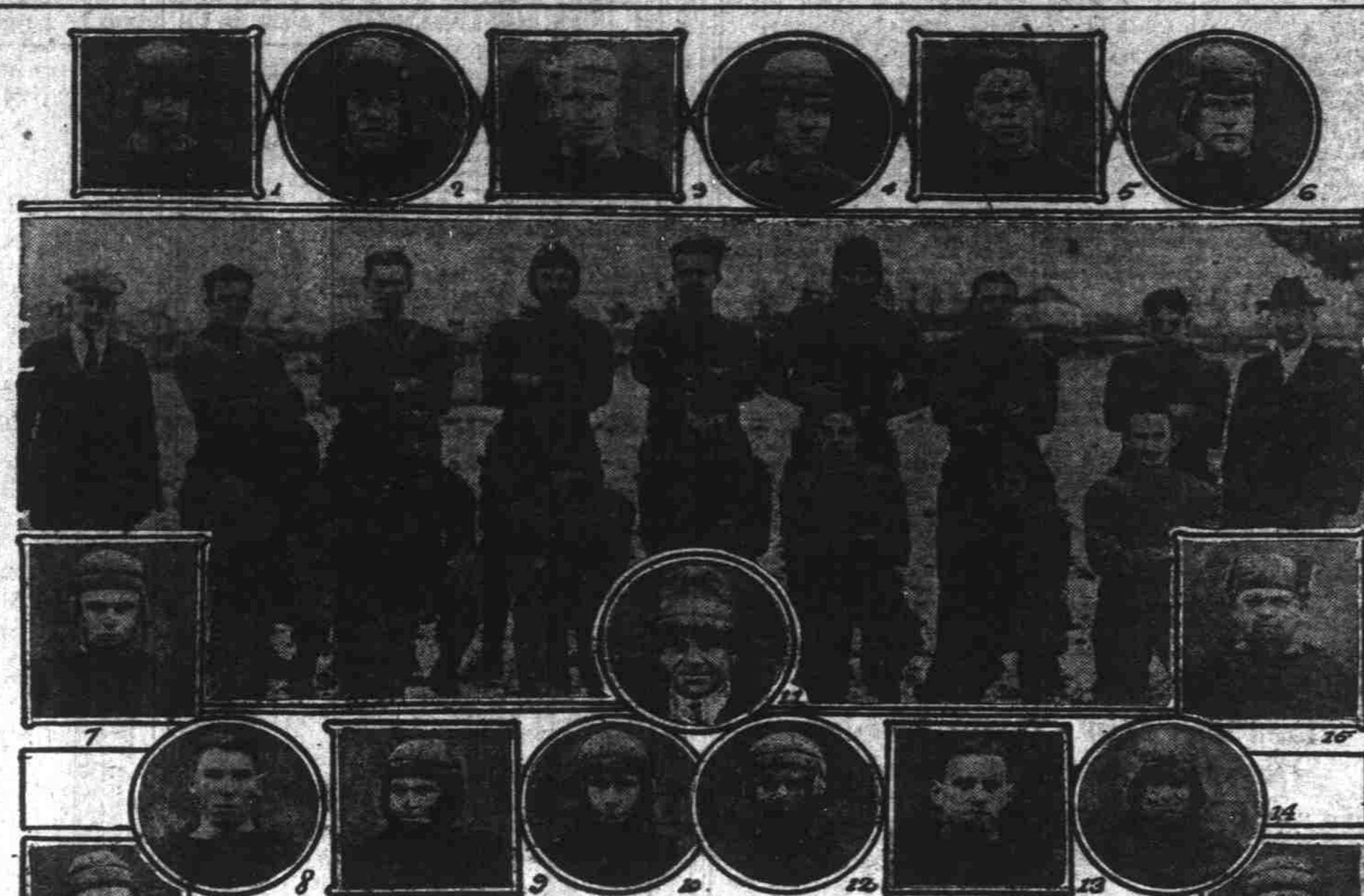
ALL-COAST CENTER
Risley played under Hugo Besdek, now coach of the Besdek team, which will play at Pasadena, New Year's day against the University of Southern California, three seasons at the University of Oregon. Two of his three years at Oregon he was named All-Coast and All-Northwest center. In 1918 he played under Bill Dietz at the Midwestern team.

Former Oregon center, Jake Risley played football in the Portland High School league. George Varnell, Pacific coast conference referee, is naming Risley as center on the all-coast team in 1918, said: "Jake Risley, the Marines was in a class all by himself as a center and he stood alone in that position. Risley, although not built along these lines, made every inch and pound count in every minute of every game. He was one of the speediest men on the Marine's team, going down on punts and readily broke up plays behind his opponents. His Risley smothered Bachman of the Great Lakes team in the New Year's game here. Bachman got the center position on Canada's service team."

ANALYZED TEAMS' ATTACKS
That's quite a compliment for Risley who has made a thorough study of football. Often times in his college career Risley analyzed the plays of opposing teams and thereby succeeded in breaking them up before they got under way.

Jake Risley

SCHOLASTIC TEAMS WHICH ARE TIED FOR 1922 FOOTBALL HONORS



Franklin and Washington high school football squads, which played a sensational 7-7 tie in the playoff for the championship. Members of the Washington team are: (1) Fred Nelson, (2) Harold Lobe, (3) Harry Lady, (4) Donald Helinger, (5) Royal Nakamoto, (6) Captain Pete Brooks, (7) Alva Person, (8) Roscoe Luce, (9) Warren Lassiter, (10) Frank Durbin, (11) Coach Dr. W. A. Fenstermacher, (12) Charles Williams, (13) Robert Espey, (14) Robert Cramer, (15) Everett Merritt, (16) Everett Gooden, (17) Alfred Cook. Insert in Franklin team: Reading from the left, standing—Coach Colton C. Meek, Earl Smith, Allen East, Paul Walgren, Lyle "Tank" McCollum, Carl Klippel, Captain Joseph Kropp, Lawrence Tuttle and Principal S. F. Ball. Front row, from the left—Ralph Holmes, Irving Brown, Millard "Mid" Peake, captain-elect; Ellis Shinnell, Desmond Anderson, Harry Leavitt and Arthur Walters.

brought him to Oregon and in the fall of 1907 he became a member of the Washington high school faculty. He began coaching basketball in 1910 and for the first three years he won the title of the league and since then he tied three times. The last couple of years have found his teams going strong but not at the top. The 1921 team was his third football squad at Washington and he has lost only one game on the field of play since taking the reins and that was to Benson Tech last month. His baseball team won the championship the first year and tied the second.

Both coaches will be hard hit for veterans when the 1923 season is around according to present indications, nine Franklinites being in the January or June graduating classes and eight Washingtonians figuring on being given their sheepskins by summer.

Gil Doble's Cornell aggregation scored an average of 42.5 points per game and next in the list was the Colgate team with an average of 32.2. Michigan leads off the defensive average with a score of 23.5 points per game and Oregon to halt strong opposition under the shadows of its own goal posts.

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The figures also show that the Oregon Aggies were well balanced on offensive and defensive. The University of Idaho team, which did not win a single conference victory, had a good record, being scored on for an average of 6.8 points per game, while the Gem State scored an average of 3.1 points per game.

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Figures Reveal Oregon Had Best Defense on Coast

AN ANALYSIS of the records hung up by 42 of the leading football teams of the country during the 1922 season reveals some interesting facts for the followers of the gridiron.

Offensively, the University of California team, which went through its third straight season without a defeat, topped the list, scoring an average of 44.2 points per game. That's some record. On the defensive, however, the Bears did not rate so good, being 16th in the list. Blocked punts resulted in a majority of the points scored against the Californians.

The records of the Notre Dame and Army teams, which played a scoreless Armistice day, brings out the fact that these two legends were pretty evenly matched. The Army scored an average of 34.5 points per game and Notre Dame scored 22.5 points. Each team had 27 points scored against it.

The Pacific coast conference teams rank as follows, according to figures: Offensive—First, Oregon, 44.2; second, U. S. C., 32.6; third, Washington, 23.5; fourth, Oregon, 23.5; fifth, Idaho, 9.8; sixth, Stanford, 7; seventh, O. A. C. and W. S. C., 6.8.

Defensive—First, Oregon, 1.3; second, U. S. C., 3.4; third, California, 4.7; fourth, O. A. C., 6; fifth, Idaho, 6.3; sixth, Washington, 9.3; seventh, Stanford, 10; eighth, W. S. C., 12.3.

The fact that Oregon had 27 shut points scored against it and 20 of that number in a game against the strong Multnomah club alone, is indicative of the strength of the defensive of Huntington's squad. Oregon has been rated highly on the defensive this season. There's something unusual about the defensive strength of the "Lemon-Yellow." It has always been a forte of Oregon to halt strong opposition under the shadows of its own goal posts.

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It is estimated 40,000 students enrolled in Western Conference colleges are receiving physical training.

California Loses Many Grid Stars

CALIFORNIA is counting upon developing another "wonder eleven" next fall.

The supporters of the Golden Bear are visionary, despite the fact that Andy Smith will lose 10 first string players, including the stars who contributed to a large measure to the success of California teams during the past three seasons.

Charley Erb, the master key of the Bear offensive, is numbered among those who will leave California's future teams. The success of the 1922 California team depends solely upon Smith's ability to produce another quartet of Erb standard, a field general per excellence.

MULLER TO GO
Passing out with Erb are "Duke" Morrison, Archie Nishet, Jimmy Dean, "Buck" Muller, Bob Berkeley, Bill Galagher, "Doc" Clark, Art Beas and Bill Bell. Morrison's shoes are going to be hard to fill and great trouble will be experienced in digging up another Muller to go.

Out of the vast army of second stringers and freshman stars, Andy has hopes of winning his fourth conference championship. To select a backfield combination, however, will be nearly as many men to choose from as Oregon will have to pick its entire team. The freshmen coming up are Alton, Inley, Cramer, and with them will be Nichols, Dunn and Spalding. Witter, Newman, Evans and Burgess. Witter is said to be groomed to fill Morrison's place.

Passing out will be to be constructed. Beam is the only regular of last fall's team still to be back. There are about 11 second stringers in addition to a big bunch of freshman material.

HUNTINGTON LOSES STAR
Oregon, too, is hard hit. Huntington loses Prink Callison, George King, "Tiny" Shields, Bud Brown, "Chuck" Parsons, and it is likely that "Dutch" Grant and "Wop" will be numbered among those missing. That a smashing blow for Oregon, but Huntington has several holdovers and a good crop of freshmen coming up.

The Oregon Aggies will lose several men, but Rutherford still will have a big squad from which to pick his team. Coach Welch of Washington State college faces a task of making a winning combination out of a tall-end aggregation. Welch will lose Duntun, Currawack, Sandberg, McKay, Meeker and Dave.

The former Carlisle player tried every possible combination to produce a winner for the Cougars last season and finished his career with 21 men awarded letters.

OTHERS LOSE SEVERAL
The University of Washington team will lose Ingram and Grimm, tackles; Travis center; McInroe, guard; Johnson Wilson and Bryan, backfield. The loss of Grimm and Ingram will be felt more than the loss of the others.

The University of Southern California loses Leach, center; Leach, guard; Leach, lineman, and Kincaid, backfield. The Trojans may also be without the services of Leach, center, and Kincaid, backfield, on account of an eligibility ruling.

Idaho will lose several of its best players, but Coach Matthews has some consolation in coming up from the freshman eleven.

OREGON OUTLOOK FAIRLY BRIGHT FOR 1923 FOOTBALL
University of Oregon, Eugene, December 9.—The 1922 varsity football season is a closed book for Oregon and the outlook for 1923 is bright.

There is little or no sorrow over the Lemon-Yellow failure to get the great southern game. With only one defeat, that is, that of Washington State, chalked up against them, Oregon is pretty well satisfied over the season's results.

Eyer, Callison, Jordan, Tiny Shields, Bud Brown, Parsons and Grant have played their last game for Oregon. All but Grant will graduate, and he expects to go East for a master's degree.

Floyd Shields may also graduate, and Chuck Parsons is not expected to return.

There was a good year ahead for the Oregon varsity. Chapman, Mac Meyer and Anderson will be out for quarter.

Ward Johnson, French, Stevens and Campbell, McKeeva, Spear, T. Johnston and Foulson will be included in the backfield material which will be available.