Trojans Favored to Beat Penn State as Result of West Virginia's Showing With Gonzaga

New Year's Boxing Card Completed

By George Berts

THE fact that the Portland boxing commission is affiliated with the National Boxing association means that the parent body will recognize the winner of the Danny Kramer-Joe Gorman contest New Year's day afternoon as the legitimate featherweight champion of the Pacific coast.

The Portland commission plans to stage coast championship events once every three months, provided suitable challengers appear.

Kramer and Gorman are training hard for the bout. Each is confident of winning. Gorman never trained so hard for a contest as he is for the coming bout with Kramer. Tuesday afternoon he worked 12 rounds. Gorman, it is said, will have no trouble making the required weight.

PROFITS TO CHARITY

The entire profits of the smoker will be turned over to charity, the commission having cleared its debt, which was upwards of $4000, and has a comfortable sinking fund. Just what charities the profits will go to has not been determined as yet.

Harry Hansen, the commission matchmaker, Wednesday announced the other bouts of the card:

Six rounds—George Burns vs. "Chick" Rocco, 130 pounds.

Four rounds—Jack Griffin vs. Richie Davis, 150 pounds.

Four rounds—Tim Callahan vs. Gene Murphy, 135 pounds.

Four rounds—Charley Dawson vs. Mickey Farley, 135 pounds.

Four rounds—Earl Zimmerman vs. Benny Dotson, 120 pounds.

SEAT SALE HEAVY

Instead of staging two six-round contests, the commission decided to put on an extra four-round affair.

The championship belt to be offered the winner of the title has been designed and is on display in Friedlander's store.

The seat sale continues to be heavy and indications are that the entire house will be sold before the first pair of boxers step into the ring. Arrangements have been made to have the boxers step into the ring as soon as one pair leaves, which will prevent the card from being a long drawn out affair.

RING NOTES

Frank Lonergan of the Portland boxing commission received a telegram from the National Boxing association asking for a vote on the place for the 1923 annual meeting of the association to be held January 15 and 16. Lonergan stated he would vote for Portland, Or. That's the old spirit, Frank.

Jack Kearns may accompany Joe Benjamin to Portland early in January. According to the dope sheets, Benjamin will be matched to box in the Armory January 10 against some crack lightweight, probably Jimmy Sacco.

Chances of Harry Greb, Pittsburg light heavyweight, appearing in these parts are small. Greb has cancelled a bout scheduled for January 8 in Toronto.

Oregon Will Open New Athletic Rooms

University of Oregon, Eugene, Dec. 27.—When the winter term of school opens in January university students and faculty will have four new handball courts and six new boxing and wrestling rings in which to exercise. Carpenters are now busily engaged in partitioning and sealing the old outdoor men's gymnasium, dividing it into the handball courts, the rings and one basketball floor.

The new handball courts will be 37 by 21 by 13½ feet high and will be completely sealed and well lighted.

Sand Lots Furnish Seattle Infielder

Seattle, Dec. 27.—(U. P.)—Seattle has signed a new infielder, William Merakle, a Philadelphia sand lotter, one of the best prospects in the Quaker city, according to Jim Boldt, who received a telegram announcing the deal from Manager Wolverton today. Both Philadelphia clubs were dickering for Merakle's services.

Schroeder Will Rejoin Beavers; Is Reinstated

Clyde M. (Lefty) Schoeder, who jumped the Portland club in 1920, will be reinstated by the National Association of Minor Leagues in time to join the Beaver tossers in the training camp at Hanford, Cal., according to a telegram received here Wednesday.

President Klepper of the Beavers some time ago let it be known that he would take Schroeder to camp provided he was reinstated. During the past two seasons Schroeder has been pitching high class baseball in the bush circuits around Portland, and if he gets down to the business of pitching he will no doubt be a valuable man for Portland next season.

Schroeder has not played against any ineligible players during his suspension, and that's one thing that aided in the lifting of his name from the blacklist.

TRAPSHOOTING

FOR A WHILE it looked as though the wind and rain might cause the shooters a lot of unnecessary inconvenience but shortly after 10:30 o'clock a. m. Manager O. N. Ford was able to throw the first bird in the annual Christmas day shoot at the Everding park traps of the Portland Gun club. C. B. Preston, former president of the organization, won five turkeys and next came C. W. Laughrey of Hood River with four, the same number as taken home by A. Cellers of McMinnville.

The efforts of one of town representatives proved to be the feature of Monday's competition. Cellers was in hard luck for in five shoot-offs he missed his first target after he had broken 96 out of his first 100. The following won turkeys: C. B. Preston 5, A. Cellers 4, C. W. Laughrey 4, C. C. Follett 3, Dr. O. D. Ireland 3, E. H. Richie 2, Charles Leith 2, E. E. Gabriel, W. L. Crowe, Peter J. Holohan, A. Kappel, H. Ward, H. J. Taylor, L. D. Broadhead, W. R. Letsen and W. J. Legg one each.

E. E. Gabriel was the winner of the tower event with 21 out of 25 and A. Cellars captured the doubles honor when he broke 21 out of 24. The longest shootoff was won by C. W. Laughrey, who was forced to go 17 from the 23-yard line before he was able to eliminate his opponents.

Orin N. Ford Jr. was the recipient of several Christmas presents from the Portland Gun club members, and he is going to reciprocate by putting up a trophy to be shot for on his birthday next September.

Boston Americans Reject Cash Offer For Herb Pennock

By Davis J. Walsh
(International News Service Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—That the coming of Frank Chance as manager of the Boston Red Sox and the almost coincident departure of Colonel T. L. Huston as half owner of the Yanks may have an appreciable effect on the alleged working agreement between the two clubs is indicated by the developments of the last several days. It is barely possible that the last of those famous, or infamous, Boston-New York "deals" has been transacted.

As late as 24 hours ago Ed Barrows, business manager of the Yanks, is said to have made another attempt to send Norman McMillan and a suitable cash token of his esteem to Boston for Herb Pennock, the left-hander. Harry Frazee would have none of it. He is said to have demanded players.

A demand upon the Yanks, coming from Frazee, is almost revolutionary. Heretofore, it has been accustomed to sell them anything they asked for, whether it was the greatest home run hitter of all time, or the right to enter his theatre by the stage door. It was all one to Frazee. Yankee money was keeping him in baseball, and every time the whip was cracked he rolled obediently over and played dead.

Frank Chance, the two handed gentleman from California, is not the type to submit gracefully to the business of selling a ball club from under his feet. The chances are when he signed a contract there was a clause calling for Chance to do all the selling and trading around Fenwick Park.

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Collegiate Heads Meet For Pow-Wow

By Lawrence Perry
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NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Coaches in the various branches of intercollegiate sport, physical directors and faculty men who are interested in athletics are arriving in this city today from all parts of the country to attend the National Collegiate Athletic association convention and various conferences associated therewith.

Since the greatest of all college games is football a great deal of interest naturally centers upon what will be said about the game. But to those who see beneath the surface of things football and every other subject will be subordinated to a study of just what progress the N. C. A. A. has made in the past 12 months in the direction of gaining control of intercollegiate sport. This is the aim of the organization and probably it is destiny.

TO CONTROL SPORTS

Everything seems to indicate that eventually college sport will be controlled in all its ramifications by this body. The prevailing opinion will be that a development of the sort is highly desirable but there is a thoughtful minority who are wondering what or not in the end the complete elimination of student control in intercollegiate sport will be found to have justified the aims of those who brought it about. In institutions devoted to education of youth it is logical to withhold from students these opportunities for administration, for organization and for broad contacts that intercollegiate athletic relations affect so abundantly. This at least is one of the questions asked by thoughtful few have marked with regret that ever-increasing tendency to eliminate our undergraduates from all save active participation in the great intercollegiate sports.

The situation now stands with respect to the N. C. A. A., it has no executive function. It may merely discuss and recommend. A fine influence beyond doubt and personally the writer is not convinced that its attainment of some measure of authority would serve any end other than a beneficial one.

TO DISCUSS GRID RULES

So far as football rules are concerned it will be grasped that the national association has no authority to change them. Neither have the football coaches whose meeting at the Hotel Astor will be held as a sort of an adjunct to the convention. The right to alter the playing code of the gridiron game is vested in the football rules committee, which will meet in February. None the less it is likely that there will be forwarded to this committee various suggestions in the way of changes few of any which would be acted upon.

The rules committee takes the stand that football at the present is approaching standardized form that the flavor of sectionalism has been pretty well eliminated, thereby making of the gridiron sport a game that is played along national lines. One suggestion that probably will be forwarded from this week's convention to the rules committee relates to the relegation of coaches from the side lines to the stands. What will come of it no one knows; probably nothing. Then there will be representations from those who oppose rules which make of fumbling such a calamity to the butter-fingered team. Nothing is likely to be done about this, either. It might be suggested in this connection that the way to reduce fumbling to an approximate minimum is to have a less highly polished and less slippery football.

Fistic Gossip

(Copyright, 1922)

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Will Mickey Walker allow his welterweight title to go by default in New York state?

When Dave Shade challenged the present champion just after the Britton-Walker fight, Chairman Muldoon decreed that Walker would have to give the Californian a crack at the title within six months or else forfeit it. This dictum has not seemed to worry Walker or his manager a little bit. This is the same as saying that a Walker-Shade fight is a long way off from today.

What will probably happen is that Mickey will meet some ham welters and some good middleweights where, even if he loses, his title will remain intact. There is a straight tip that Benny Leonard's first fight will be against Charlie White and that then he and Walker will mix it up. The whole idea is that what Walter needs most is experience.

The time will come when his manager will decide that his meal ticket is ripe to go against Dave Shade. But for some months to come the Walker forces will let Shade have his New York title and bide their time.

Johnny Dundee will begin his winter fighting campaign Friday night when he goes against Tommy O'Brien out in Milwaukee. Johnny says that among his New Year's resolves is to force Benny Leonard into the right with him. He does not seem to consider what resolutions may have formed with respect to Dundee.

If Tom O'Rourke's plans go through Dundee will get some action to his liking next summer. He says after the Kilbane-Criqui battle he will be willing and eager to match Dundee against the winner.

Kilbane, by the way, has not yet named the sums he would accept for risking his title against the French fighter. Probably it will be a barrel of iron men since the best opinion is that Criqui is likely to deprive the Cleveland man of his crown. Criqui has been fighting right along and Kilbane has been completely inactive. Even if that were the only edge the French boy possessed over the champion it would be impressive to influence betting.

Now that Harry Greb has called off his January 8 date with Jimmy Delaney of St. Paul because of Harry's bad eyes, it looks as though Gene Tunney will take Greb's place. Tunney has an engagement for January 8 with Harry Foley, but it seems that Tunney's manager feels that a match against Delaney at Oklahoma City would mean bigger money.

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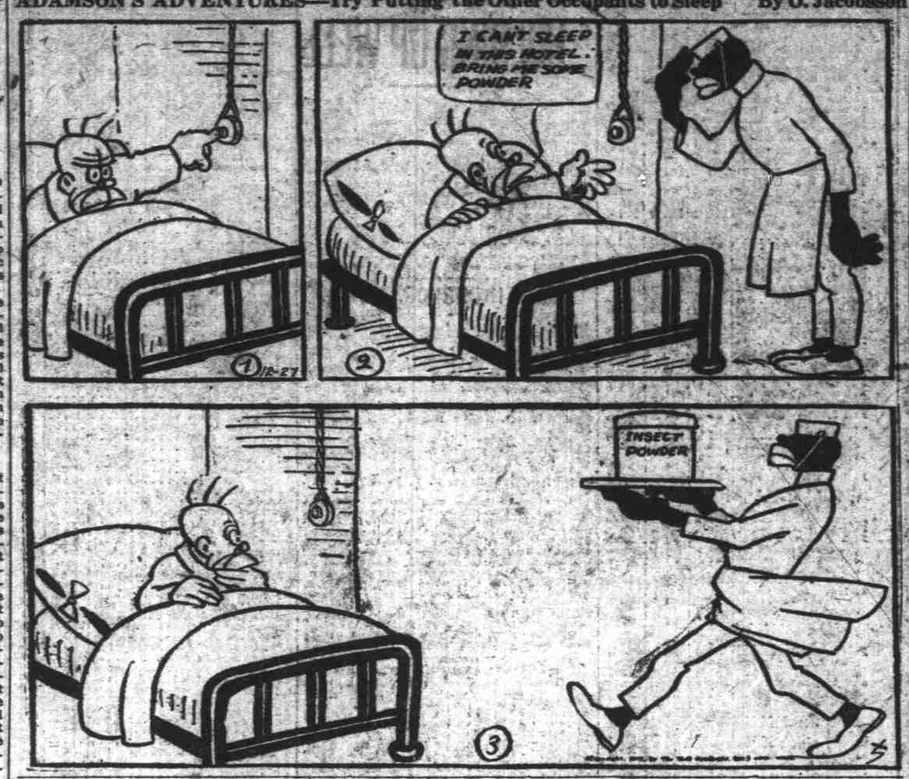

Grapplers Will Vie for Honors in Heilig Tonight

HAVING mastered the headlock, one of the most painful and dangerous holds in the wrestling game, Al Karasick, the Russian Lion, admits that it is his favorite and he is going to use it plenty—if he can—against Ted Thye, mat instructor at the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club, in the Heilig theatre tonight.

Karasick's uncanny strength, made possible by his wonderful muscular development as a result of his weight-lifting activities for several years, gives him the advantage when it comes to clamping on the headlock. He has won most of his matches by way of this method and the tougher the opponent the more power he puts into the match. While he has never met Thye before and had not seen him before coming to the Rose City, Karasick says he has learned a lot about the Portlander from other matmen who have had their arms and legs twisted by Thye.

One look at Karasick in his street clothes and one could tell that he is an athlete, but he is not like the general run of foreign wrestlers. He came to America 12 years ago and two years later took up wrestling on a business basis along with weight lifting. It was in 1915 that he competed in the national championships at San Francisco.

Until two years ago Karasick had been battling along as a middleweight, but now he has taken on so much weight that he has been forced into the heavyweight class. He came to Portland from Salt Lake, where the high altitude put him down to 170 pounds, and against Thye tonight he'll go into the ring at not more than 172 pounds, he believes. This means that the two matmen will be of the same poundage.

A line on Karasick's ability is obtained in the fact that he wrestled George Barnes of Nebraska, the same man with whom Thye had such a terrible time in the Lyric theatre last winter. Karasick won in two straight falls and later he took on Cyclone Workman from whom he secured one fall and the match. He has been in Portland before but not as a wrestler, and this will make his first appearance on the canvas. His home is in Oakland, Cal., where he has a wife and two children and he further stated that he is 31 years of age.

Virgil Hamlin, who is promoting tonight's wrestling card in the Heilig, has arranged a mixed bout as the curtain raiser. Danny Needham of Spokane will act the part of a boxer trying to overcome a wrestler, the latter to be Jimmy Anderson of Portland. The go is set for 15 minutes and it will be followed by a 30-minute preliminary between Kid Irish and Basanta Singh. Singh will outweigh the Kid about 10 pounds, but Irish says that he is the biggest little man among the bone crushers.

The first number on the program will start promptly at 8:30 o'clock, with Carl Frellinger as the referee.

McGRAW PLANS EARLY START

New York, Dec. 27.—(I. N. S.)—Taking a leaf out of the book of Kid Gleason, who sent his White Sox pitchers to Marlin Springs, Texas, for early conditioning, John McGraw has ordered 20 pitchers of the New York Giants to report there February 22. They will join the main squad later at San Antonio.

HUNTER IS FINED

Kelso, Wash., Dec. 27.—William Gilmore of Silver Lake was arrested by County Game Warden George Oyster for having a fresh deer skin in his possession and was fined $10 and costs Tuesday by Justice Frank Ruth, Castle Rock.

SERVICE GAME HEADS TO MEET

Annapolis, Dec. 27.—(U. P.)—Officials of the military academy and the naval academy will meet in Philadelphia tomorrow to confer on an agreement whereby the annual football game between the two institutions will be arranged for a period of years.

Burk Wins Cue Title

New York, Dec. 27.—(U. P.)—Harold W. Burk won the amateur three-cushion billard championship of New York state last night when he defeated R. M. Steinbugler, 30 to 20.

Kelso, Wash., Dec. 27.—The Kelso high school basketball team downed the Alumnia 32 to 15 in a hard fought game. The high school team will commence its regular schedule early in January, and looks to be a strong aggregation.

BASKETBALL

THREE refterees were used in the Holy Name-Lincoln high basketball game staged in the Aquinas high school gymnasium, Grand avenue and Clackamas street, Tuesday night. The Railsplitters won, 20 to 18, Gene Duncan shooting the winning basket in the last two minutes of play after the score had been tied three or four times in the last half. When the first half ended the count read 13 to 7 in favor of Holy Name. Captain Johnny Faust shot the fouls for Lincoln and Razzier converted the free throws for the losers. The lineups:

Lincoln (20)	Pos.	Holy Name (18)
Duncan (4)	F	(6) Brandon
Chiles (2)	F	(8) Razzier
(C) J Faust (10)	C	(2) Fitzpatrick
L. Faust (2)	G	Albers
	G	(4) Murphy
Williams (2)	S	Sisk

Referees — Schroeder, Borelli and Harry Craig.

The Stephens Athletic club quintet will work out tonight in the Hawthorne school gymnasium, East 14th and East Alder streets, starting at 7:30 o'clock, and Coach Henry "Peanuts" Pander expects a full turnout.

Stayton, Or., Dec. 27.—The boys and girls' basketballs of the Stayton high school returned home after having played a double header at Scio against the high schoolers of that place, Friday night. The local girls won from Scio, 19 to 1, and the Stayton boys added more glory by defeating the Scio boys, 13 to 12. Sims was the star for Scio and Max Montgomery featured for the winners. Following the games a light lunch was served by the girls of the Scio high school domestic science department and it was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The Stayton girls have played Mill City, Independence and Scio so far during the 1922-23 season and each game has been a victory for the locals.

A return game between Holy Name and Lincoln high school basketball teams will be played before the opening of the 1922-23 schedule of the Portland Public High School league, according to the present plans of Coach Ray Brooks of the Railsplitters. Friday night Lincoln will go to Ridgefield, Wash., for a game with the high school of that place.

Dallas, Or., Dec. 27.—In a game featured by sensational shooting and close checking by the local guards, the Dallas Legion quintet opened the season by defeating the Willamette university team here Saturday night by the one-sided score of 33 to 7. Helgerson, Scott and Farley were the high point men for the locals while Patton was the outstanding star for the visitors. Willamette was held to two field goals, which speaks well for the local guards.

Lineup and summary:

Willamette U (7)	Pos.	Dallas Guards (33)
Vinson (3)	F	(7) Farley
Erickson	F	(2) D. Hayes
Caughlan	C	(8) Helgerson
M. Jones	G	(8) Scott (Cap.)
Patton (Cap.) (2)	G	Smith
McKenzie	S	E. B'Mennett
Emmel (2)	S	(2) J. Hayes
W. Jones	S	S. Bennett
Stolzheise	S	Hart
	S	(6) Boydston

Referee—Gregg.

Ridgefield, Wash., Dec. 27.—The Goldendale Amateur Athletic club basketball quintet will play the Ridgefield All-Stars at Goldendale. The local hoopers are in good shape for the trip and celebrated the opening of the local season by defeating the La Center Amateur Athletic club quintet, 25 to 15, last Friday night.

Giant Owner Will Plan to Conduct Big Racing Stable

(By Universal Service)

New York, Dec. 27.—With his retirement as president of the New York Giants January 1, Charles A. Stoneham plans to conduct one of the biggest stables of thoroughbred race horses in the country, it become known today.

It is the baseball magnate's ambition to own a string of thoroughbreds that will match those foHarry Sinclair and Sam Hildreth, Mrs. Payne Whitney, Harry Payne Whitney and Commodore Ross, according to men close to Stoneham.

His retirement from baseball, it is generally believed, was due to Stoneham's desire to devote his entire time to racing. It is said that Stoneham plans to buy back the Havana racetrack, which he sold last season.

At present Stoneham owns two fine thoroughbreds, Flannel Shirt and Dry Moon, besides others of less repute.

'Strangler' Lewis Is Operated on by Wife

San Jose, Cal., Dec. 27.—(I. N. S.) Ed "Strangler" Lewis, world's champion heavyweight wrestler, was recovering today from a minor operation for blood poisoning performed by his wife, Dr. Ada Scott Morton Lewis, at a local hospital.

The big wrestler arrived home for Christmas suffering with an infected arm which he had scraped against an iron post while in the ring at Kansas City. Dr. Lewis examined the arm and as soon as the Christmas festivities were over took her husband to a hospital and performed the necessary operation. Lewis expects to be able to wrestle again tomorrow night.

Operation on her husband was just a part of her day's work, Dr. Lewis said. She amputated her father's leg when he was 75 years old, saved her brother's life by an appendicitis operation and has operated on 15 other blood relatives.

The new shoot billed for the Jenne station grounds of the Portland Gun club is slated for next Monday and will be the annual New Year's day gathering. The first event will start promptly at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

BOXING

(By United News)

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Joe Lynch may fight Pancho Villa if he and Villa want to.

The New York commission will not forbid the bout now proposed between the lanky bantam champion and the brown-skinned Filipino, who holds the American flyweight title. Villa has not met one flyweight since he won the title, boxing bantams exclusively, against whom his title is not at stake.

New York, Dec. 27.—Jeff Smith, the wandering middleweight, is on the hike again. Recently returned from New Orleans, he is now setting forth for Atchison, Kan., to fight Pay Kelser. Then he goes to Portland, Maine, to meet Eddie Tremblay.

New York, Dec. 27.—(U. P.)—Kid Williams of Baltimore and Harry Leonard of Philadelphia will have to fight another bout before either is awarded the purse, the state athletic commission held. The commission decided that in the bout which ended when Leonard fouled Williams in the first round, neither had showed anything which would entitle him to the money.

Veteran Players Holding Their Own As King Fielders

By Henry L. Farrell

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—(U. P.)—Young players are coming along fast as batters in the major leagues and veteran pitching arms are beginning to crack, but the old fixtures around the bases and in the outfield continue to set the fielding pace.

Take the three leading outfielders of the American league for instance—Tris Speaker, Bobby Veach and Ty Cobb.

The leading first basemen—Joe Judge and Stuffy McInnis.

The leading second baseman—Eddie Collins.

The leading shortstop—Everett Scott.

The leading catchers—Ray Schalk and Hank Severeid.

The best fielding pitchers—Walter Johnson and Joe Bush.

Age held its own just the same in the National league during the past season. The averages of 1922 show as the fielding leaders the following:

First base—Jake Daubert.
Second base—Hornsby.
Shortstop—Hollocher.
Third base—Heinie Groh.
Outfield—Wheat, Powell and Meusel.
Pitcher—Alec the Great.

Figuring misplays among the number of chances is not the most accurate way to judge the ability of a player. Unless an error has a vital result on the outcome of the game, it should not be figured in the averages.

Some, classed as average player, will not exert themselves to go after a real hard chance and others go after everything, taking a chance on an error.

Veteran players, because they are slower of limb and less ambitious, do not take the chances that youngsters do and the averages show it. Fielding averages are misleading at the best. George Sisler was eighth on the list of first basemen and he made 17 errors during the season. Jo Judge was the first on the list. He went through the season with only six errors.

As a fielding first baseman, regardless of batting, which one would you pick for your team?

California Sees Victory For Trojans

By Jean Frederic Loba
United Press Staff Correspondent

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—(U. P.) The dope bee is buzzing in the bonnet of every Pacific coast football fan since the Christmas game when West Virginia defeated Gonzaga, 21 to 13. Long pencils have become mere stubs, the owners calculating on a basis of comparative scores just what will happen when Pittsburg meets Stanford at the Stanford stadium next Saturday and when Penn State meets U. S. C. at Pasadena next Monday.

The connection with the Pitt-Stanford game is somewhat vague, but there is a very interesting, if inconclusive connection between the West Virginia-Gonzaga battle and the Penn State-U. S. C. game.

West Virginia, admittedly one of the strongest teams in the East, victors over Pittsburg, which in turn defeated Penn State, was barely able to nose out a victory over Gonzaga. The Bulldogs undoubtedly have a good team but lost to Washington State, which was trounced by U. S. C. by a score of 41 to 3.

If West Virginia, rated high above Penn State, was only slightly superior to Gonzaga, ranking a long way below U. S. C., what will the Trojans do to the Nittany Lions on New Year's day?

Southern California rooters can't see anything but a juicy Trojan victory. If the Trojan team is convinced of the same thing, the chances are excellent that Penn State is due for a trimming.

U. S. C. rarely suffers from overconfidence. Its games this and other seasons seem to indicate that only with abundant confidence in its ability to score at will does the U. S. C. team open up and play real football. If the team tries to play the offensive game it is capable of, then the figure chasers will have reason to rejoice.

"BEE" TEAM IN SECRET WORK

Pasadena, Cal., Dec. 27.—(U. P.)—Penn State today held its first secret practice since arriving in Pasadena for the annual East-West football classic New Year's day with the University of Southern California. Later in the day the Trojans will indulge in practice at the Rose Bowl, the Trojans having arrived from Los Angeles today to remain until after the game.

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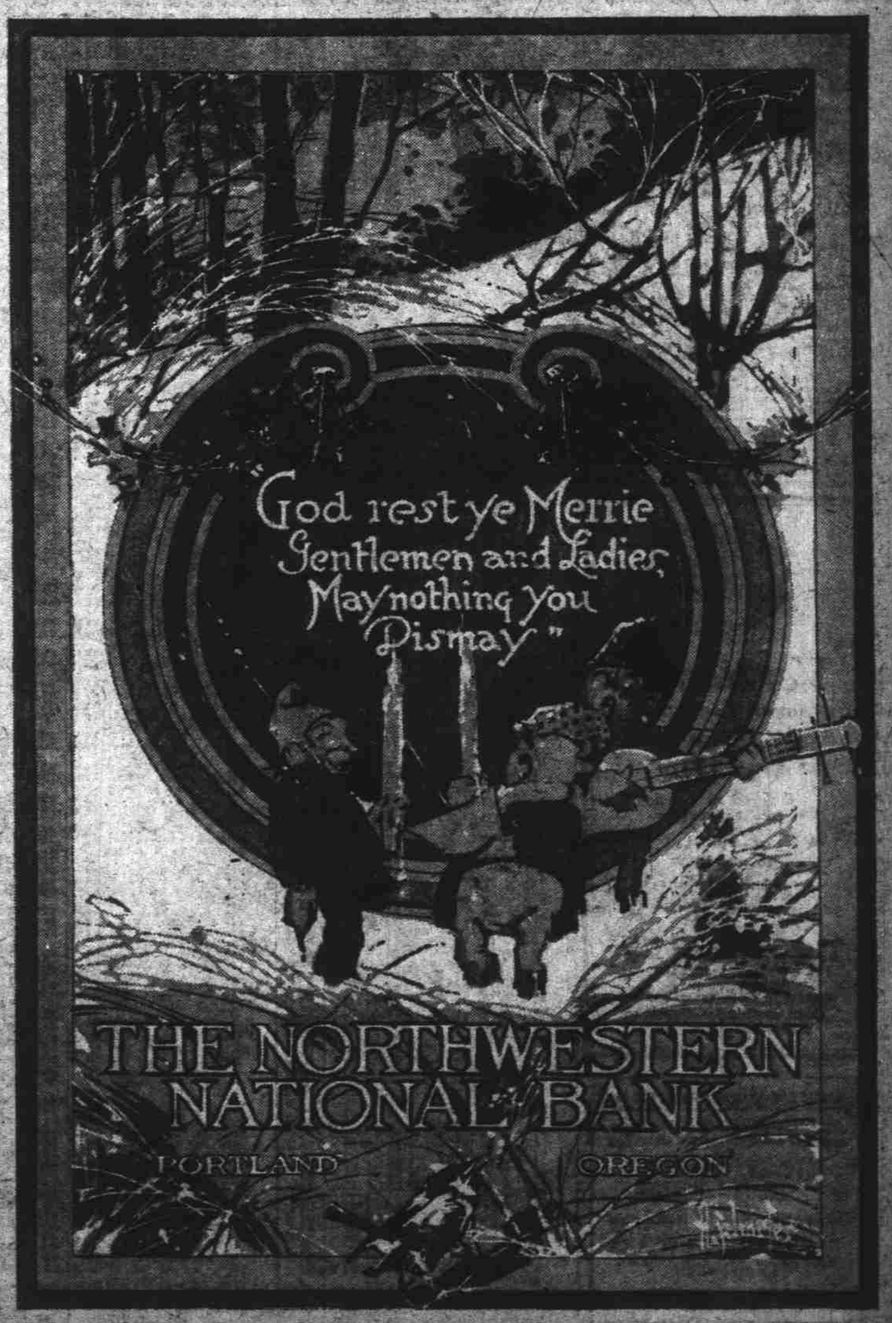
Stanford University, Cal., Dec. 27.—(U. P.)—Mornings for the Cardinals—afternoons for Pittsburg. That's the practice schedule here to put both teams in trim for the East-West game Saturday. Little scrimmage by either is on the program, although a few plays are being polished off.