

CURT COMMENTS

A few drops of rain fell Tuesday.

And we think that's an outrage. Why should it rain at this time of year?

Seriously speaking, we can't expect this arid condition to hang on much longer. There will probably be plenty of rain before next Monday, and if there is, it will be bad business for the two Salem football teams which got in action on Sweetland field that afternoon.

The Salem high team is lighter than the Eugene eleven which it will meet, and even on a dry field, Holly Huntington's boys would have their work cut out for them. If it's sloppy, it will be worse.

Willamette, on the other hand, is backing up against a team which is trailing at the bottom of the Northwest conference standings—but wait a minute before you mark down another Bearcat victory.

Linfield held College of Idaho scoreless during the first half at Caldwell Saturday; and that's going some for a Willamette valley team traveling that far and playing at that altitude. The Wildcats from McMinnville held the Coyotes even on straight football, and lost only because they were weak on pass defense. The same weakness a few weeks ago spelled defeat for the Wildcats in their game against the Pacific Badgers.

So if Sweetland field is a sea of mud, or approximately that next Monday, the Bearcats will be due for a tough afternoon. Their goal line hasn't been crossed in conference football this season (knock, knock), and it's difficult to see how Linfield will be able to score, but breaks can always occur in football. That game isn't tucked away by any means.

A friend asked us Tuesday why we praised the Willamette line so much after Saturday's game, when it didn't play as good a game as it did against Idaho. We admit that. One Pacific man was breaking through, always at the same place, and breaking up Bearcat plays behind the line.

But it was so unique for a set of linemen to get the credit for a victory and to score the deciding touchdowns, that we didn't want to detract from their credit right after the game.

"Why do you devote so much space in your column to Willamette?" somebody asked us the other day. We answer, "Why not?" Mostly because we and most of our readers live in Salem, this happens to be the football season, and Willamette has the best football team in town.

Everybody Ready for Opening Gong at Armory

BLACKWELL TO DO HIS STUFF

New Fighter Here May Steal Limelight From Akers-Hawks Bout

TONIGHT'S FIGHT CARD
Main Event—Art Akers, 133, Salem, vs. Johnny Hawks, 133, Seattle; ten rounds.
Semi Final—Bob Kelly, Salem, vs. Dave McRae, Salem, light heavyweights; six rounds.
Special—Joe Blackwell, 154, Eugene, vs. Oklahoma Kid Summers, 154, West Salem; four rounds.
Special—Burruss Kelly, 128, Salem, vs. Pat Haley, 128 Independence.
Preliminary—Jack Kelly, Salem, 140, vs. Bill Getty, 140, Salem; four rounds.
Time—8:30. Place—Armory. Referee—Tom Loutitt.

Despite the fact that Johnny Hawks, junior lightweight champion of the northwest, is coming here to fight Art Akers in the main event at the armory tonight, a lot of the fans' attention will be sidetracked temporarily

ette has the best football team in town.

This is as good a chance as any to enlarge on one of our pet beliefs. Nobody can accuse us of being over optimistic, and yet we can see no reason why Willamette shouldn't, within the next two or three years, climb right up the athletic ladder and meet the Coast conference schools on even terms.

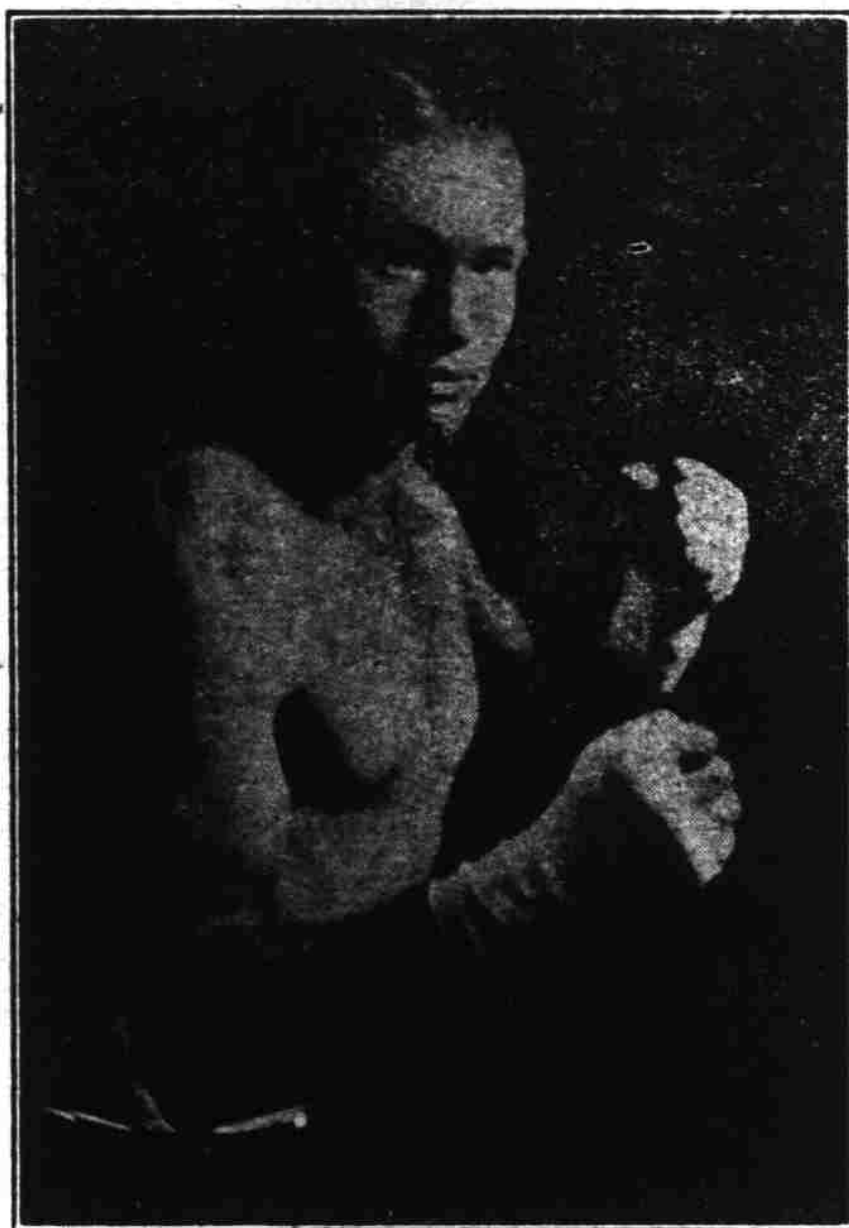
No reason, that is, except that some link in the necessary chain of events should fail. Right at this minute Willamette has the best football team it has had in eight years, at least. It's a team that has been developed in this one season, practically.

This bunch of athletes looks like it would stick, but so have some that didn't stick in the past. If these boys stay and another good freshman squad comes in next fall, it'll look awfully good. But if they don't stay, maybe it won't be their fault. The attitude of the rest of the students, faculty and Salem folk in general may have a lot to do with it.

But just think what it would mean to Salem, to have a football team of Coast conference calibre in its midst. Before long we'd have a build a concrete stadium.

Now to get pessimistic again, we pick Johnny Hawks to beat Art Akers tonight. Also we'll plunge on the game and pick Kelly to beat McRae.

Faces Tough Battle



Art Akers, speedy local lightweight fighter who faces the toughest bout of his career when he meets Johnny Hawks, junior lightweight champion of the northwest, tonight at the armory.

from that angle of the situation. Former Eugene Lad Packs Mean Wallop

The reason for this division of interest is Joe Blackwell, Eugene middleweight who has been fighting main events in the Lane county town. He knocked out Spud Murphy twice, and had held his own with Cleghorn and the rest of the top notchers.

Blackwell has just taken up residence in Salem, coming here in connection with the construction work on the new water plant, and he wants to fight. He's so anxious to fight that he told Harry Plant he would start in anywhere on the ladder, even if a preliminary was the only thing left open.

This scrapper has put up some of the best battles of his career for a purse of \$10 or less; and an attitude like that is what has gained him so many friends. A lot of them live in Salem and wouldn't miss tonight's card for anything. Blackwell goes up against Harold "Oklahoma Kid" Summers, now a resident of West Salem. Summers has had plenty of experience, and those who have seen him fight say he is good enough to make Blackwell step.

Matchmaker Plant's promise to the Irish of three Kellys on this card was made good when he signed Jack Kelly, Bob's younger brother, to meet Bill Getty, another local boy in the 140 pound class. Burruss will meet Pat Haley of Independence.

That means seven new faces on tonight's card, which approaches close to the ideal the matchmaker has set before him, of testing out new men to determine who can be counted on for future cards, and provide the variety the fans crave.

Freshmen Out for Basketball Play

The freshman basketball squad at Willamette university started practice this week under the direction of Coach Leslie Sparks. Ten aspirants are turning out and this number will be increased when men now playing football turn from outdoor training to the indoor game.

Follow the sports in the Statesman; full sport news reports fresh each morning.

WALLA WALLA JAUNT PLANNED

Willamette Students Plan to Send An Excursion to Whitman Game

Without forgetting that the Linfield Wildcats still present an obstacle to the Northwest conference championship hopes of the Willamette Bearcats, students of the local school are already planning an excursion to Walla Walla Thanksgiving day to support their team in the big game of the year against Whitman.

There has been some talk of sending the Bearcats to Walla Walla by airplane, an offer having been made by an air transport company which has two tri-motor planes available; but the prospects of an excursion taking a lot of rooters to the game rather overshadow that. However, if the excursion falls through, the air trip may be arranged. If it is, it will be the first trip of the kind for any football team in the northwest.

Linfield looms up as no idle threat, especially in view of the injuries suffered by the Willamette squad in Saturday's game and in scrimmage practice Tuesday. Cranor, Willamette's most dependable ground knacker for the last three years, will not be able to play until the Whitman game on account of injuries suffered in the Pacific game.

Coach Keene hadn't called any scrimmage practice for a couple of weeks, but it became necessary this week because the timing of plays was suffering. Tuesday night Carpenter, fighting tackle, broke his hand and Gretsch, fullback who performed so capably against Pacific, suffered a wrenched knee.

DePoe, quarterback, and Bursch, guard, are also on the list of cripples, DePoe wrenching his back in the Pacific game. Linfield has an exceptionally strong line, and has been defeated in its earlier games because of an ineffective defense against passes. If there is heavy rain between now and Monday, handicapping Willamette's pass attack, Linfield is especially likely to make it a tough game.

MORE RECORDS IN BOWLING SMASHED

The General Petroleum bowling team Tuesday night broke both the team game and team series records in the Commercial league, with marks of 947 and 2592, and won three games from the Gasco quintet. The Capitol City Bedding

company team won three from Valley Motor, Hall of the mattress stuffers rolling a 637 total for three games. Barr Plumber took three straight from McKay Chevrolet.

The handicap sweepstakes was won by E. Ostrin with a score of 610. The women bowlers are now taking an active part in these events, four competing Tuesday night. Stollker was second with a score of 601, E. Roth third with 595.

League scores were:

GENERAL PETROLEUM			
Ostrin	157	154	200
Nelson	157	169	202
Newton	168	182	195
Woodruff	214	152	152
Wilkinson	145	154	197
Totals	11	804	197

GASCO			
Kargman	125	160	160
Benson	141	177	173
V. King	190	128	172
Snyder	150	177	177
Page	146	167	178
Totals	752	830	820

VALLEY MOTORS			
Peterson	140	147	201
Brown	146	126	128
Muller	167	166	151
Letlie	151	188	162
Colwell	160	140	161
Totals	737	770	784

CAPITOL CITY BEDDING			
Hall	224	200	213
Muller	179	160	180
Lane	179	140	144
Lloyd	160	164	161
Kayser	141	126	171
Totals	871	790	840

McKAY'S CHEVROLET			
B. Hemmaway	174	171	158
DeMerritt	127	118	145
Kitcher	179	160	180
E. Roth	152	147	205
Allen	167	162	128
Totals	799	721	784

BARR PLUMBERS			
K. Barr	153	134	145
Salman	129	160	180
T. M. Barr	141	162	126
Bowen	172	132	158
H. Barr	164	155	219
Totals	822	743	819

VAN WEIDER BREAKS CITY LEAGUE MARK

Van Weider of the Elks quintet broke the City league record for individual game in Monday night's play with a score of 247. All of the matches Monday night were closely contested, Senator Food Shop, Man's Shop and Elks winning two out of three respectively from Reo Flying Clouds, McKay Chevrolet and Schell's Clothing.

Hall bowled high series, 568, and Kay and Coe, also of the league leading Man's Shop team, had the hook ball working to perfection. The Man's Shop is now two games ahead of the Elks.

In the sweepstakes, Kay, Allison and McMullen finished in the first three places in the order named.

League scores were:

REO FLYING CLOUDS			
M. Hemmaway	214	138	183
H. Barr	146	166	156
Nebergall	155	149	123
Page	156	206	176
Karr	199	172	167
Totals	870	851	802

SENATOR FOOD SHOP

Messner	185	114	172
Mohr	198	179	170
Poslin	209	149	155
Allison	172	171	175
G. Johnson	142	166	179
Totals	913	779	853

MAN'S SHOP

Kay	183	200	178
Wilkinson	181	158	148
Sharkey	157	140	157
Coe	187	154	224
Stollker	188	163	153
Totals	951	813	863

DOUGLAS McRAY CHEVROLET

S. Steinbeck	167	184	204
Johnson	193	172	189
Grote	142	139	141
Gahl-dorf	173	183	176
Allen	156	149	163
Totals	831	826	878

SCHELL'S CLO. CO.

McMullen	155	134	169
Wilkerson	121	158	148
Benson	123	146	182
Edwards	135	179	185
Greenlaw	154	149	190
Totals	748	766	869

ELKS

Victor	183	131	190
Hussey	159	177	178
Wender	147	145	138
Young	156	172	147
Praet	177	186	138
Totals	922	811	791

Carter Ribbel is being held in the county jail on a warrant issued for his arrest on a charge of aiding the escape of Beverly Ribbel, his daughter, from the state industrial school for girls. The attempt was made October 29, according to the warrant, and Ribbel was in company with another man whose identity is unknown.

Tuesday morning Sam Burghart, deputy sheriff, learned that Ribbel had been arrested in Oregon City and went there to bring the man here where he will be heard in justice court today.

FORDHAM TIES WEST VIRGINIA

No Score Made by Either 11 In Terrific Grid Battle At New York

NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—(AP)—Fordham and West Virginia university played a scoreless tie today, the New Yorkers driving 72 yards in the closing minutes but falling 12 inches short of a touchdown as the game ended. The gallant fighting mountain band from West Virginia gave the Maroon every chance but all overtures of old man opportunity were steadfastly rejected by the home team. Fordham remained undefeated but had its record marred by the second tie of the season, the first tie was of West Virginia origin, a 6 to 6 deadlock with Davis and Elkins.

West Virginia had two great chances in the first few minutes of play when a Fordham fumble caused apprehension in the Cavanaugh camp, but when Fordham stopped this drive, it's time of did not start to function until it was too late. The one sustained drive was under way when the game ended. The big thrill came at the close when Fordham practically talked himself out of a chance to win the game. After the players left a huddle with the ball only two yards from the Mountaineer goal, they ran back to talk it over again.

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BOXING

SALEM, ARMORY

TONIGHT

Art Akers vs. Johnny Hawks

10 3 minute rounds

Bob Kelly vs. Davis McRae

6 rounds

SNAPPY PRELIMINARIES

28—Rounds of Boxing—28

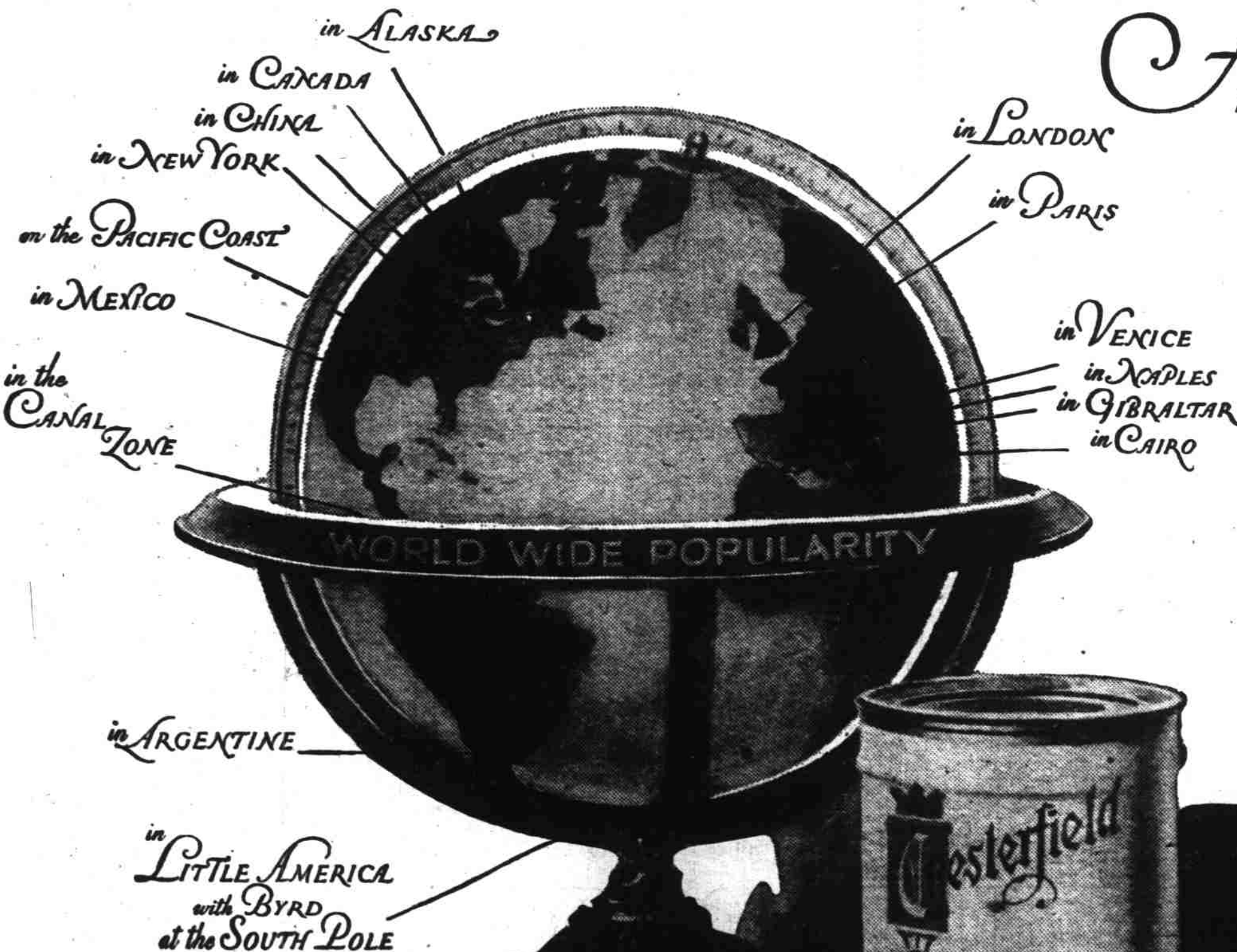
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