

Touchdown Duel in Prospect Tonight

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Joe "Piano-legs" Gordon, who is nearly a cinch to step into Lazzeri's keystone position with the Yanks next year, is one of the best all-around athletes we have ever had the pleasure to know. While Joe-Joe confined his varsity competition to baseball at Oregon, he could have been one of the best backfield men the Webfoots ever paraded if he'd donned the moleskins. In fact, we happen to know that Mr. C. B. Lazzeri begged Joe to come out for the football team. Using his own intelligence, of which he has no dearth, and listening to Cazy Billy Reinhart, Joe refused to risk hurting his "career arm" on the gridiron.

Gordon vs. Montague.

For natural athletic prowess, although not as highly publicized, Joe could compare favorably with the mystery man of the hour, John Montague. One of the best tumblers and gymnasts ever to perform on Webfoot mats and parallel bars, Gordon could, and probably still can, tee-off on most anybody's golf lot and give their posted par a good race. Put him in a squared circle with a pair of padded mitts on his dukes, and he'd make it interesting for any amateur his weight.

Easy, Yet Firm.

Beautifully coordinated, Joe has the temperament and personality to go with his ability. Naturally good natured and easy-going, Joe never would be the first to offer to slug it out if he thought an opponent was carrying man-for-man tactics too far. Remember an incident that happened when we were playing Idaho in Moscow in '34. Double-jointed Harry McCall, playing first base for Oregon in his own clowning, talkative style, had been verbally baiting little Wally Geraghty, Idaho shortstop. Geraghty, who played a potent batch of both baseball and basketball for Idaho during his three years of varsity competition, was always a rather cocky little squirt, and McCall was merely "riding" him. During the course of the game Geraghty got a nice bingle that resulted in a close play at first. When he struck the sack, in stride, McCall's foot was in the exact position that Geraghty's spikes hit. Whether it was intentional or not would be unfair to say, but in view of the heated verbal battle that had been in progress and the fact that Geraghty had attempted to steal second on the next pitch, and Joe was waiting for him—taking the throw at the keystone sack. When the dust of the slide cleared away Geraghty had to be packed off the field.

It's OK, McCarthy.

Just why the Yank's master minds have converted Joe from a short-patcher into a second baseman is a little hard for us to understand. Both while in school and in Oakland in the Pacific Coast league, Gordon worked the shortstop position—in a long way. We say "in a long way" as Joe played about the deepest of any ss we have ever seen. The depth that he played, coupled with his speed and strong right arm, cut off a lot of hard-hit horsehide pellets that would go for clean base knocks a gainst most short stops. Of course, we don't mean to criticize Mr. McCarthy and the rest of the Yankee brain trust—for we are fully aware that his and their records show that he and they know pretty well what they're doing back there in little old New York. Switching Joe from the right side of the middle sack to the left side was of course done with the knowledge in mind that Tony "Poosh-em-up" Lazzeri had about run his race. Nevertheless, we can't help but feel that shortstop is Joe's natural position.

Monmouth High to Meet Stayton at Home Friday

MONMOUTH—Monmouth high school grid players, aroused over their one-sided defeat from Hubbard high at Hubbard last Friday, are drilling with a vengeance for their coming tilt with Stayton high here on Butler field Friday afternoon.

Bowling

Salem Cleaners won three games from Bud's Place and the Bluebell Potato Chips (team won two from Nash Furniture in Commercial league bowling Wednesday night at the Bowl-Mor. Blatchford of Salem Cleaners had high series of 592 and Nash rolled high game, 203.

BUD'S PLACE	
Handicap	2
Kitchen	147 156 187-490
Wool	113 157 128-402
Hill	140 142 139-421
Hart	143 112 158-413
694 718 746 2148	

SALEM CLEANERS	
Handicap	50
Farman	123 142 125-390
Hendrie	109 122 150-421
Blatchford	168 189 145-502
Preve	173 105 120-398
Higgins	178
Hackett	145 157-302
Burch	117
690 821 770 2281	

BLUEBELL POTATO CHIPS	
Handicap	50
D. Johnson	107 143 159-409
Peterson	153 120 150-423
Fisher	172 154 141-467
Barney	162 128 166-456
Liedstrom	147 135 178-460
791 737 819 2367	

NASH FURNITURE CO.	
Handicap	2
Kitchen	130 122 136-471
Wool	139 112 150-401
Hill	148 127 127-392
Hart	129 117 122-368
661 788 706 2153	

Grizzlies Have Strong Record

Tie With Eugene Is Hint of Power; Game at 8, Sweetland Field

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HillR.E.	GrizzliesVerateeg
MyersQ.	GrizzliesMead
ChapmanL.H.	GrizzliesKreider
WickertR.H.	GrizzliesWhible
NelsonF.	GrizzliesSITON

Game time: 8 o'clock.

Past performances of the two clubs who will appease Salem's gridiron palate tonight on Sweetland field indicate a high scoring fray, as a total of 122 points have been scored in their last three engagements.

If history was any criterion of present potentialities, however, a guy named Noah would be hanging around somewhere with a mouth full of spikes and a hand full of hammer, building another ark.

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At Victory Dinner for Yanks



After taking the fifth game of the world series to clinch the championship, the New York Yankees were tendered a victory dinner by their boss, Col. Jake Ruppert. Vernon Gomez, star southpaw who won two games for the Yankees, was given an extra reward by his pretty wife, top, in the presence of cameramen and guest celebrities, including left to right, below, John Montague, golf wizard awaiting trial on robbery charges; George Raft, screen star, and Joe DiMaggio, sensational outfielder.

Gates Locked For Webfoots

Graybeal Returns; Three Orange Linemen Hurt, May Play Saturday

EUGENE, Ore., Oct. 20.—(AP)—University of Oregon gridsters resorted to secret practice for the first time in more than two years today as Coach Prink Callison presumably sought new offensive plays to spring on Oregon State college in the homecoming game here Saturday.

Little Jay Graybeal, the Webfoots' sparkplug, appeared in uniform for the first time since his injury in the USC game last week. The Webfoot followers sensed new plays in the making for the versatile Graybeal-Smith passing combination.

CORVALLIS, Ore., Oct. 20.—(AP)—The hard luck which haunted Coach Lon Stiner of Oregon State college early in the season returned today to remove three of his linemen in the face of Saturday's game with the University of Oregon at Eugene.

The smile worn by Stiner since the Washington and UCLA games dimmed when Prescott Hutchins, guard, and Leon Sterling and Warren Gillis, tackles, were benched with injuries. Campus fans were cheered by word the trio might be in shape to play Saturday. They will miss the rest of the week's drill, however.

Stiner placed Jay Mercer with his star backfield trio of Gray, Kolberg and Duncan today, with Holly Holcomb, Johnny Alexander, Hal Higgins and John Eilers groups in an alternate combination.

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Baltimore's Bantam Boss

JEFFRA, SUPREMACY CONFIDENT, TOOK THE TITLE BOLT WITH SIXTY ESCOBAR FOR LITTLE MORE THAN EXPENSE MONEY...



A HUMAN embodiment of the idea of determination, little Harry Jeffra has finally attained the goal he set for himself a number of years ago.

Jeffra, a poor kid born in Baltimore of Italian and Irish parents, vowed at an early age that he would make himself financially independent. Although a frail boy and small of stature, he was athletically inclined, with a natural bent for golf and fighting. Not that Harry was a pugacious sort, but being smaller than other kids of his own age, he had to be handy with his dukes—or else!

Oscar Vitt Will Replace S. O'Neill As Cleveland Manager; Success With Newark Paves Way for big Time Job

CLEVELAND, Oct. 20.—(AP)—The Cleveland Indians today named Oscar Vitt to replace Steve O'Neill as manager and gave the Newark International league club pilot his first managerial opportunity in major league baseball.

Logger Knows His Bees, Gets Profit

TILLAMOOK, Oct. 20.—(AP)—Loggers at the Conale Dye camp had a lively time—and honey for their hot cakes—when a bee tree fell victim to the falliers' axes. Removing the wire rope "chokers" with which the log was snaked proved especially hazardous.

Rowdy Dow to See Action, Frosh Tilt

CORVALLIS, Oct. 20.—(AP)—Ken "Rowdy" Dow, whose passing and ball carrying were the sensation of the first "little civil war" of the season in Portland, is being groomed for key man of the Oregon State Rooks' offense against the University of Oregon Frosh here Friday.

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EUGENE, Oct. 20.—(AP)—A side injury sustained in practice may keep Chet Hiltzki, crack blocking back of the University of Oregon Frosh football team, out of Friday's game with the Oregon State college Rooks, Coach "Hon-

Bearcats Hold Aviation Drill

Aerial Attack Indicated for Whittier Contest Here Friday Night

Expecting to both hurl a few aerial alans and knock some down is evidently Coach Keene's prescription for Friday night's homecoming tilt with the birds from Whittier. Knock some down was the outstanding item the Bearcats failed to do last weekend against San Jose, and consequently were badly trounced.

Last night's practice session found second and third string pass slingers whipping the oval to teammates out in the flat while Messrs. Weisgerber, Burnett, Baird and Gallon ran themselves breathless in attempts to keep them from connecting.

That the first string backfield is somewhat weak in the pass-breaking-up department has been evident all season. Last night's practice proved no exception—with Bennett and Kelly both connecting with receivers time and again in spite of determined efforts on the part of Keene's starting backfield quartet.

Little is known of the type of offense featured by the this year's Whittier eleven but the Bearcat coaches, remembering the aerial attack featured by the Californians in their 21-13 victory last year, don't figure to be caught napping.

Softball Tourney Profit Announced

State Association Plans to Continue Program of Boosting Game

Figures released yesterday by Harry V. Collins, president of the state softball association, show that the 1937 state softball tournament held here August 24-29 netted \$439.94 profit. Add to that the \$371.65 taken in by the association in membership fees and district tournament percentages, and the organization has a total of \$811.59 for use in coming years.

Backs Give Away All Plays, Claim

LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 20.—(AP)—Charley Brock, Nebraska's contribution to the fall discussions on "how to play football," advised the nation's backs today they are not so hot.

Nebraska's Brock Charges Potential Ball Packer Is Easy to Judge

"I never saw a back yet that didn't give away a play somehow," said Charley, who sees plenty of opposition ball carriers from his post at roving center and ought to know.

Shifty Rhymer

Ed Nichols, uncanny hole picker-outter for Coach Newman's Whittier Poets, who will attempt to make it two in a row over the Bearcats Friday night. He runs and kicks from a half-back position.

Western Reserve Wins 27 Straight

NEW YORK, Oct. 20.—(AP)—In one of college football's greatest winning streaks, Western Reserve of Cleveland has played 27 straight games without a defeat and without a tumble around the football-mad land. Several points, such as Cornell university, have "discovered" the Red Cats from Lake Erie but most of the nation's fans have an idea they represent a naval school somewhere in Kansas.

Western Reserve Wins 27 Straight

Over their 27-game streak, the Red Cats scored 13 shutouts, compiling 759 points as against 123 for the opposition, an average victory of 23 to 4.7 points. They've done their job so convincingly they haven't won a game by the margin of one point.

Pirates, Wolves To Clash Friday

Independence Hop Bowl to Be Scene of Battle; List Lineup

MONMOUTH—Coach Don Faber's Albany college Pirates will come to the Independence Hop Bowl Friday night for a clash with the Oregon Normal Wolves. Faber's ball squad this season is the strongest one he has produced at Albany.

Following their surprising victory over the Linfield Wildcatters—which possibly generated overconfidence—Coach Al Cox's Teachers went into a light moult and had a real job on their hands to tie the score with the Oregon State Rooks on Kresonon field, Dallas, Friday night. Their one touchdown came late in the final quarter. Cox is driving his squad hard to bring them out of their slump.

Although the Wolves have emerged victors against the Pirates in previous contests, an inspired visiting club catching the home squad in a too nonchalant frame of mind, might easily reverse the meter.

Distance Men of Salem Top Canby

Score 51-54 With Jahn in First Place; Contest Extremely Close

If the fact that the Salem high cross-country squad defeated the Canby team yesterday by the score of Salem 51, Canby 54—with Amos Jahn piling up a total of one point for first place while M. Conroy, Canby, got 14 points for 14th place—sounds odd, it's merely the way the score is kept.

While Coach Vern Gilmore took 15 barriers with him, the meet was run on a 7-man team basis. Points scored in the open field event count against a team instead of an individual. The following order: Captain Amos Jahn, first—covering the course in 10 minutes, 35 1/2 seconds; Bob Ewing, second, LeRoy Pettie, seventh, Don Woodin eighth, Campbell, 10th, Lyle Lee, 11th, Marvin O'Brien 12th.

Paulman Is Taken On Seattle Jaunt

PALO ALTO, Calif., Oct. 20.—(AP)—Bill Paulman, Stanford quarterback, will leave with his teammates tomorrow for Seattle.

Noted Golfer Dies

NEW YORK, Oct. 20.—(AP)—Henry Graff Trevor, 72, broker and sportsman, the first lefthanded golfer to enter a national tournament and the man responsible for introducing French puddles to America, died today after a brief illness.

Benson Tech Impresses In 37-0 Commerce Win

PORTLAND, Oct. 20.—(AP)—Benson Tech made a strong bid to oppose the defending champions of Jefferson high school in the city prep Armistice day playoff, defeating Commerce high 37-0 today.

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