

Sport Sparks

By RON GEMMELL

Yes, I think Willamette will whip Whitman today, and you can be thankful for that. If you are a Whitman supporter, as is our Adam, Robert, and Sprague, you can be thankful for that 45-0 shellacking the Whitmans handed the Willamettes in 1923.

Such things as the rain and Gordon Moore's knee, however, not tend to enhance the Bearcats' chances of building up a topheavy score, however. These two bad breaks, the weather and Moore's knee, which really isn't a break but just a bruise, are in good measure offset by Spec Keene's pessimism.

When Keene becomes overly pessimistic, you can be pretty well assured his football team is ready to explode behind some other football team's line of scrimmage. An old tradition up around the Methodist education mill, a tradition learned by every matriculator upon his matriculation, that whenever Spec Keene's lower lip begins to drag and his shoulders to sag the alma mater is on the verge of a football victory.

Some Sympathetic.

I don't know how Nig Borleske, the 26-year-old man at Whitman, feels about the rain and Moore's knee. In fact, I don't know if the "Old Fox" feels. There are ex-Whitman gridders who swear there never was and never will be a speck of feeling in his bones. One ex-Missionary wingman is almost certain, however, that he once heard Borleske say, "I feel terrible."

Dick Ainslie, the ex-Purdue to whom Borleske has entrusted most of the fetching up of his football fellows this season, says, "I've seen heavier rains and knees that have suffered greater damage."

Off the Records.

Backing up my assumption that Willamette will whip Whitman are the records. As this goes to press (or the waste paper basket, if not yet tucked away), the Bearcats stand 667 percentage points higher in the Northwest conference football scheme than do the Missionaries, have scored 110 points in three games to Whitman's 12 in four games and have allowed but one touchdown while Whitman has given up 39 points.

It is of course a fact that comparative ratings looked almost the same last year, what with Willamette meeting only a tie to the co-championship when she went into what appeared would be an easy ramble over the Missionaries. When the game was over, Whitman held an 8-7 edge and the Bears' 4-0 were nudged clear of the circuit throne.

"I'll take more rain than has fallen so far and more than a bruised gingivum joint to stop the Bearcats today, I'm believing. Score: Willamette 26, Whitman 0."

Bend too Powerful.

Perhaps, as was intimated by Coach Hark, the Vicks have such a game in their systems as will enable them to knock over Bend's Broddingnagian Lava Bears today, and thus gain the right to play in the state championship finale, but I frankly doubt it.

The big Bears, who have knocked over both Medford and Klamath Falls, are rated by neutral observers to have the most powerful running attack in Oregon prep play outside of Portland and the tackle is something the Vicks have been notably weak against.

From here, it looks to be a Bend win by three touchdowns, or call it 30-0. In the same breath, call it Bend over The Dalles, 13-7, and thereby set up a Bend-Medford championship game despite the fact Bend has already once whipped the Bearpickers.

Ducks Open Drill For Beaver Clash

EUGENE, Nov. 20.—(AP)—University of Oregon footballers worked today on defensive tactics for their "civil war" game with Oregon State college at Corvallis November 30.

Coach Tex Oliver said several men still were out with bruises and slight injuries inflicted by California, but that all were ready for the Thanksgiving day game. Heavy workouts will begin Monday.

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It's Posies They'll be Getting This Afternoon



Justin Weakley, Floyd Cline, Larry Drury, Johnny Kolb and Joe Holland, the five seniors on the Bearcat football squad who play their final home game here this afternoon, are reaching for those old noggin protectors for the last time. They'll also get the traditional pawful of posies. —Statesman photo.

Vikings Arrive in Bend

Set for Clash At 1:30 Today

Winner to Play for State Title; Boardman May See Action

BEND, Nov. 20.—(Special)—Salem high's football team, which meets the Bend Lava Bears here tomorrow afternoon at 1:30 in a semifinal game of the state high school championship playoff, arrived here late this afternoon.

Coach Harold Hauk sent the entire squad through an hour's drill before it left for Redmond, where it is spending the night. The Viking mentor said his team was in good shape with the exception of Center Bob Boardman, who is not fully recovered from an intestinal ailment, and Quarterback Dave Tragilo, who will play in a cast designed to minimize a back injury.

Joe Huston, Bend coach, named diminutive George Chambers, 135-pound halfback, as captain of the Vikings. Chambers and Ted Meland, both of whom starred in last week's 7-0 win over Klamath Falls, have been nursing severe colds and are not expected to be at top shape.

Winners of tomorrow's game will be turned into a benefit game for one of the team's number. Don Hagedorn, who was injured in the Friday night game and has been at the hospital since.

The game will be played with Lebanon at 10 o'clock Thursday morning. Only a small charge is being made and all of Silverton's share will go to Hagedorn's hospital expenses. Students are selling tickets about town for the game.

Coach Ken Hewitt reports he will start out his seniors and they may play the entire game. They include Ray Lewis at left end; Max Pittney at left guard; Bob Kellis or Richard Nelson at center; Clarence Melby, right guard; Ervardo Luna de, right tackle; Lester Bugli, left tackle; Erland Anderson, right end; Fred Reed, quarter; Harry Burr, left half; Harry Hagedorn, right half; Roy Herr, fullback.

Almost 25 football players have put in sufficient quarters during the autumn games to make their high school letters.

Aumsville Plays Arlington Today

AUMSVILLE.—Coach Ray Stephens and his undefeated Aumsville high football team boarded a bus here Wednesday morning for Arlington and a Thanksgiving day game with the champions of the Wheat league.

The traveling roster of the Aumsville team, which hung up 236 points to 26 scored against it during the regular season, included:

Robert Bethel, James Bethel, Gene Butler, Forest Lane, Clifford Gillespie, Duane Moore, Melvin Nichol, Lyle Montgomery, Eugene Power, Stanley Russell, Eugene Russell, Connie Roberts, Kenneth Wilkinson, George Steiner, Fred Steiner, Ivan Royce, Ray Strawn, Francis McManaman, Victor Selman and Richard Gray.

That they have two of the largest and loudest cheering sections to be found anywhere? That their schedules simply bristle with inter-sectional games? That they stage each season the biggest "spectacle" sale of the year, for which they sell better than 100,000 tickets?

Their names? Army and Navy. Though tomorrow is the first Thanksgiving day, the football fare will be very alive. From

Sports

Pitt's Pre-Shrunk Football Pony Doing All Right in Race Made up For Stake Horses; Loses but Two

By WHITNEY MARTIN

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—Offhand it wouldn't seem fair to shrink a race horse to a pony and expect it to compete in the same stake events, but the University of Pittsburgh, which de-emphasized its football and forgot to de-emphasize its schedule, is giving a fair account of itself.

The Panthers' victory record this year—the second since the big shrink—hasn't impressed, but Coach Charley Bowser is far from discouraged.

"Take out two quarters—the second against Fordham and the third against Ohio State—and we would have had a pretty fair season to date," he opines.

The Pitt purge still has Panther followers snarling at each other from both sides of the fence. On one side are those who can't adjust themselves to the new healthier condition promoting the loss of football after years of the high pressure game in which a defeat was a calamity.

On the other side are the loyalists who see in the new setup a healthier condition promoting the old college spirit. Let's listen to a loyalist:

"A school this size naturally will draw some good athletes," he says, "and there will be years when we will be up and others when we will be down. No more hand-picked boys. Ninety percent of our freshmen were in the first two-fifths of their high school classes and that eliminates a lot of good football players."

"I think the student body is twice as enthusiastic as it used to be. There is no more of the fans streaming out of the stadium at the start of the fourth quarter. The start to the games, as they don't know who will win."

"We haven't had any crowds of 65,000 and 70,000 this year, but our attendance will be about an average over a 10-year period. We had 40,000 for Fordham, 39,000 for SMU, 25,000 for Tech, no real small crowds. And they are the real football fans, the ones who want to see some competition. We figure it will take about five years to become adjusted, but we're satisfied with the way things are coming."

Meandering over to the other side of the fence, find the grumbling of discontent, a yearning for the return of Jack Sutherland and the glory days. They won't accept Charley Bowser, forgetting that it was some time before the austere Sutherland was accepted after he succeeded the great Warner, who was "Hi, Pop," to everybody.

Bowser will shrug heavy shoulders and blink eyelids at mention of the 1940 freshman crop, indicating that he is far from discouraged. He will hint darkly that Pitt has more than 50 of the best freshman footballers ever assembled anywhere, the hint carrying the further point that as purity entered the front door it was quietly ushered through the house and out the back door.

It's all a matter of opinion, and only time will tell how everything will work out. Meanwhile Pitt has lined up a 1941 schedule that is a fair cross-section of a football who's who, the theory possibly being that if a de-emphasized school can make even a fair showing against such competition everything is worth while. If it can't, it will have to drop into the minor leagues.

The Panthers open with Purdue, then meet a couple of easy ones—Michigan and Minnesota. After that come Duke, Fordham, Ohio State, Nebraska, Penn State and Carnegie Tech.

If de-emphasized Pitt can get through a program like that without looking like the Phillies, there'll be a wave of de-emphasizing sweeping the country.

Six-Man Titular Mix Set

MEDFORD, Nov. 20.—(AP)—Albie J. Beck, Jacksonville high school superintendent, said today that the state's six-man football championship would be settled in a Thanksgiving game between Jacksonville and Monroe.

what there is, this corner culls the following selections: Fordham to beat Arkansas, despite the Bearcat's 6-foot 9-inch end and 25 other players who stand over six feet; Missouri to beat Kansas; Richmond and Art Jones over William and Mary; Rutgers over Maryland.

In a season remarkable for the scarcity of ties (only 14 in 287 games) Harvard has played three, with Army, Princeton and Penn. . . . Of the first five teams on this week's Associated Press ranking list, Stanford is the only one which hasn't played an inter-sectional game. . . . Minnesota beat Washington; Tennessee beat UCLA; Boston college has whipped Tulane and plays Auburn Saturday, a 4-Cornell hand-off Ohio State its worst licking in the seven years the Buckeyes have been coached by Francis Schmidt. . . . Syracuse stayed consistent to the end, being beaten in its second, fourth, sixth and eighth

games and unbeaten in its first, third, fifth and seventh.

The smartest single bit of instruction we've seen cropped up in the BC-Georgetown game last Saturday, the first being Coach Frank Leahy's orders to Safety Man Charlie O'Rourke to signal for fair catches in receiving all punts, thus saving the receiver's punishment and enabling this 185-pounder to go 60 minutes. . . . The second was Leahy sending in a sub quarterback to make sure Boston took a safety when it was backed 'way down in its own territory on fourth down in the last two minutes.

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Who Gets Gobbler in Today's Traditional Football Fracas?

'Cats Need Win to Bag Conference Pennant

PROBABLE LINEUPS

Whitman			Willamette		
No.	Wt.	Name	Pos.	Name	Wt. No.
27	188	Hanson	LGR	Kolb	209
88	190	Lord	LTR	Constable	197
26	180	Transth	LGR	Holland	205
13	186	Hughes	C.	White	175
86	172	Graue	RGL	Fraiola	176
41	205	Talmadge	RTL	Barstad	200
14	163	Broadhead	REL	Reder	174
28	176	Heilsberg	Q.	Drury	200
15	155	Lewis	LHR	Ogdahl	170
31	162	Cahill	RHL	Reynolds	165
16	175	Hart	F.	Walden	170

Game Time: 1:30 p.m.

Question: Who gets the gobbler in today's traditional Thanksgiving day gridiron duel between Willamette's Bearcats and Whitman's Missionaries?

The question has significance in that a Willamette victory assures return of the Northwest conference championship to the Methodist school while a Whitman victory saves the Walla Walla collegians from an otherwise desultory season.

As in traditional tussles the country over, strength as revealed by comparison of season's records means little or nothing. Last year Willamette was "figured" to be 20 points better than Whitman. The final score was Whitman 2, Willamette 7. This year the Bearcats by the same arithmetic "figure" to be 30 points better.

The question remains: Who'll get the gobbler?

WHITMAN COLLEGE, Walla Walla, Nov. 20.—(Special)—With nothing to lose and everything to gain, Whitman's Missionaries entrained tonight for Salem where they meet Willamette university tomorrow in their final grid game of the season.

In top physical condition for the first time in several games, and well rested after an open date last weekend, the Whitman varsity hopes to make a good showing against the heavily-favored Salem eleven.

Coaches R. V. "Nig" Borleske and Dick Ainslie mean to shoot the works in this game, for it is Whitman's last of the season and completes the collegiate football careers of three members of the team. With nothing to lose and a "save" of a season to gain, the Missionaries will undoubtedly play chance-taking football in an effort to upset the Methodists.

Spec Keene, Bearcat bossman, fears his team may not have recovered from the letdown it displayed in last week's clash with Pacific. "If we don't show more than we did for three quarters of that game, we're due for a whipping," he said.

Lewis Top Carrier Jonie Lewis, 155-pound junior halfback from Seattle, is expected to carry the offensive spark for the Whitman, while "Walties" Al Wideman, studly halfback who averaged better than seven yards per crack against Pacific, is again expected to carry the load for the local collegians.

Coach Ainslie indicated he would use Hal Heilsberg, who ordinarily operates from the fullback slot, at blocking back in today's game, leaving the power position to Sophomore Everett Hart. Keene is expected to start the same eleven that opened against Pacific, but certain to see service are Gene Stewart, Chuck Furno and Gordon Moore the big pushes in Willamette's final period rally.

The game is set for 1:30. There is no broadcast.

Salem Harriers 8th in Hill Run

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 20.—(AP)—Three University of Idaho runners, jogging in behind Don Vallencourt of Oregon State college, won first places—for their team in the annual Hill Military academy cross-country race today.

Vallencourt took first with a time of 20:41 minutes. He was followed closely by Phil Liebowitz, Victor Drygall and Bob White of Idaho. Oregon State took second in team score and Washington third.

In the high school division Bend took the first two places to win the team title. Portland teams followed closely, but other teams gaining places were: Salem 8th, Chemawa 9th, Mt. Angel 12th, Albany 14th and Jefferson, 15th.

Overlin Is Lost To UCLA Eleven

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 20.—(AP)—First string fullback Bill Overlin, a hard line smasher and long distance punter, was declared "definitely out" of the UCLA lineup for the Washington game, Coach Babe Hornell disclosed today.

Overlin has a knee injury, and to make matters worse, Leo Cantor, who plays either halfback or full, may not be at top shape for the Huskies Saturday. Hornell indicated Cantor might not be in the starting lineup.

UCLA hardly figured to test Washington, even with Overlin and Cantor in good condition, but the Bruin hopes were riding high after their one victory of the season last week over Washington State.

West Salem Wins 14-12

WEST SALEM.—The West Salem basketball team defeated the Zion Wildcats 14 to 12 here Monday night, with Bureau and E. Leek counting four points each to top the scoring.

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By Jack Sords



Bill Rayburn Bests Jesse James

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Rayburn and Jesse James staged a smooth aerobic session that has seldom before been equaled here before the Alabama youngster, who holds the coast light heavyweight title, slipped a reverse crab on James for the deciding fall.

James, the people's choice, took the first fall with a sifely applied full Boston crab, but Rayburn came back to win the second and deciding falls via reverse crabs in an electrifying, scientific, straight-away raffle that had fans applauding all the way.

Burly Dude Chick was too strong and too canny for Jerry Marcus newcomer from New York. The Wyoming cow waddle pinned Marcus two straight, using a rolling scissor press for each.

Harry Elliott, making his first start in two years, hammered Tro into submission with looping rights and followed them up with whip wristlocks to win the match.

The turkeys were gifts of the American Legion and Promoter Herb Owen.

Bowling Scores

CITY LEAGUE		
Handicap	Pins	Score
Kitchan	175	285 344 654
Adolph	202	190 184 570
Ferry	184	225 171 520
C. Foreman	189	188 183 552
Olinger	171	170 179 520
Totals	904	1007 1033 2944
KATTS		
Handicap	Pins	Score
Swan	177	195 195 565
Miller	177	189 171 537
Wieder	167	159 143 469
Page	170	164 187 501
Totals	943	928 904 2775
GILBE'S OFFICE SHOP		
Handicap	Pins	Score
Hartwell	142	177 214 529
Kelly	168	163 158 489
Clise	178	164 182 524
Wood	165	178 180 513
Young	178	199 159 536
Totals	1030	1017 940 2977
COPLAND YARDS		
Handicap	Pins	Score
Trush	140	146 160 346
Bone	188	181 157 526
Paterson	162	166 178 506
Woolery	201	214 152 567
Clise, Jr.	159	203 157 519
Totals	919	906 855 2770
WASH FURNITURE CO.		
Handicap	Pins	Score
Marr	220	154 159 533
Brown	160	148 138 447
Paterson	162	166 178 506
Woolery	178	182 180 540
Scales	161	197 155 513
Totals	978	893 849 2720
RED CROSS		
Handicap	Pins	Score
Pratt	191	180 153 524
Trush	154	166 178 506
McCarroll	139	140 148 427
Beausamp	169	185 182 544
Khanan	154	225 185 611
Totals	962	988 925 2875
KANSAS		
Handicap	Pins	Score
Duploy	164	158 178 474
Clark	156	161 174 491
Baranis	193	173 214 579
Totals	924	972 940 2875
BUD'S PLACE		
Handicap	Pins	Score
Hogland	65	65 65 195
Newman	169	191 165 524
Leason	187	191 158 534
Patterson	152	145 155 452
Hart	128	200 170 498
Totals	674	967 881 2723
ANNE ANTO WRESTLERS		
Handicap	Pins	Score
Type	165	174 154 493
Anderson	137	170 183 490
Cullivan	195	169 181 527
Steinback	187	218 147 544
Totals	677	962 925 2725

Husky Swim Flash Breaks 2nd Record

SEATTLE, Nov. 20.—(AP)—Young Peter Powelson, University of Washington freshman swimming flash from Honolulu, read the papers late yesterday afternoon about his record-breaking intramural free-style and breast stroke feats.

Then he dived into the Washington pool and broke the 50-yard backstroke intramural and pool record, with a 28.8 performance which bettered the former mark of 29.5 held by George Personette of Bremerton and Dick Becker.

Leslie PTA Will Meet Monday for Discussion

Monday night the Leslie junior high school Parent-Teacher association will meet in the school library, with Mrs. Howard Hunsaker presiding.

Round table discussion will concern pre-occupational needs of the average student, a by-subject of the year's topic.

Unionvale Men Get Elk

UNIONVALE.—Ernest G. Huber and J. W. Moore returned here Thursday with a five-point bull elk killed in the Kampla area while on a 10-day hunting trip.

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