

# Sport Sparks

By RON GEMMELL

Most encouraging items gleaned from Willamette's 26-0 walk over Portland U? . . . They are two in number: (1) The astute defensive play produced by the line, especially; and (2) The downfield blocking of the whole club. . . Portland's ground attack, most of which was directed around the Willamette ends, got practically no where and the manner in which the 'Cats cleared the way for Gene Stewart, Jim Burgess and Buddy Reynolds on pass interception jaunts was pretty to see.

Offensively, Spec Keen's "best team in history" yet needs plenty of polish—something it should take on as it goes along—but in this game it definitely revealed it has the potentialities for achieving that "best team in history" rating so magnanimously given it in pre-season appraisals. . . By the time December 6 arrives, it should be a sweet outfit that goes against the Hawaiians in Honolulu.

Waltzin' Al Walden, who barreled his keglike body straight through the middle of the Portland defense for a total of 128 yards in the first half alone, was the boy who had Rose City fans buzzing. . . The sawed-off hunk of dynamite ripped off 51 yards the first time he hugged the leather, setting up the opening touchdown, and on the first play of the second quarter he squirted through center to leg off 42 yards before he was cut down from behind.

## Owens Ambles

With the exception of Buddy Reynolds' 10-yard touchdown toss to Bill Reeder, who made a honey of a jumping catch to make the play click, Walden's waltzin' was Willamette's whole offensive until late in the game when Neil Owens began booming from the same fullback spot. . . And therein lies a story, for this rangy, 200-pound sophomore, who may or may not be called into the army before the football season is over, opened a lot of eyes with his powerful, yet plenty shifty ball carrying.

On the strength of Owens' ambling, it's conceivable the Gresham giant may give even Walden a battle for the boomer spot before the season is over. . . The big guy, who is surprisingly swivel-hipped in an open field, stepped here and there and then back here, reversed his field twice and went 26 yards the first time he packed the ball. . . In all, he got 46 yards in five carries.

The only place Portland gained any ground from rushing was outside the ends, with a flanker back working on Willamette's wingmen and with three interference runners ahead of the ball carrier. . . Willamette's ends did yeoman work on these plays for the method they employed, which, I fear, wasn't the right one. . . For the center of the Bear's attack forward wall, it was just too tough for the Pilots.

## Upset Via Air?

While this department dangled along with the pack in naming the evidently powerful Washington team to top Oregon State today, don't in the least be surprised if Stiner's Staters provide a big upset. . . Frankly, I haven't seen the Orange in action as yet, but I've read plenty of southern California comment since they were so narrowly edged by USC last Saturday.

The whole of Los Angeles' sports writing fraternity was agreed that Oregon State outplayed the Trojans, and that with a break or two would have won the ball game. . . When California typewriter thumpers put words like that in print about Oregon teams, the latter really must have something. . . Sure to be seen in today's tiff are an abundance of passes, for a superiority in the air, as they say across the pond, is Oregon State's principal hope of survival against the ground-gaining Huskies. . . If a couple or three of those touchdown tosses click, there's your upset.

## Hatcher Number 1 In Table Tennis

Rankings of Salem Table Tennis club members, as they emerged from the recent tournament at Playmore park are: Hatcher, number 1; Len Williams, number 2; Ohlsen, number 3; Oberman, number 4; Zehner, number 5; Cross, number 6; Dunbar, number 7; Leland Williams, number 8; Evans, number 9; Hendrie, number 10.

## Coast Playoffs Are Rained Out

SEATTLE, Oct. 3—(P)—Heavy afternoon rains that left the field sopping wet caused postponement Friday night of the opening game of the Sacramento-Seaside playoff series for the Pacific Coast League president's cup. . . A doubleheader will be played Saturday night, and a single game Sunday. Then the teams will travel to Sacramento to finish the four-out-of-seven series.

# Vikings Find Easy Pickings, Shellack Pioneers 48 to 0

## Beaver Passer



DON DURDAN

## Bevos, Huskies To Battle on Slick Gridiron

PORTLAND, Oct. 3—(P)—The Washington Huskies prepared Friday to give evidence against Oregon State college in Multnomah stadium here Saturday that they are the team to push Stanford from the Coast conference football pedestal.

A slippery field for the game was certain Friday night with the weather bureau reporting .40 of an inch of rain for the day up to 6 p. m.—and continued showers forecast for the night. It was reported likely that the skies would clear by afternoon. Optimism of the Washingtonians was reflected by rooters who arrived here today on two special trains. The Oregon State contingent moved up by car from Corvallis and estimates of probable attendance ranged upward to 25,000.

Lon Stiner's starting Beaver squad will be made up of 10 veterans and one sophomore, but there was some doubt that Washington players who took the brunt of the attack in the Minnesota game would be on the sidelines for the kickoff.

## Bevos to Pass

OREGON STATE COLLEGE, Corvallis, Oct. 3—(Special)—Oregon State's football squad squares off with the Washington Huskies today in Portland in the second game for the Beavers this 1941 season.

Reports from Jim Dixon, Oregon State's line coach and chief scout for the Washington-Minnesota game in Seattle last week, say the Huskies have one of the greatest lines on the coast and that the Beavers will have to go some to gain ground this way.

To get around this line, the Beavers under Coach Lon Stiner plan to use their aerial attack which proved so valuable against the Southern California Trojans. In this game Oregon State completed 17 out of 23 passes without an interception. Best passing combination of the Beavers is the Bob Dethman-Don Durdan pair. These two did most of the pass catching and receiving against the Trojans. Also on hand to take part in the aerial blitz will be Bill McInnis and Bob Leichardt, sophomore halfbacks who are very able at tossing the pigskin.

## Sox Win Again

CHICAGO, Oct. 3—(P)—The American League White Sox defeated the National League Cubs, 6 to 4, Friday night before a crowd of 27,169 to assume a two-game lead in the Chicago City series.

## Multitude of 'Managers' Found at World Series, but Fail to Outguess Weather

By WHITNEY MARTIN  
NEW YORK, Oct. 3—(Special to The Statesman)—The rains came, giving the Yankees and Dodgers a rest Friday and giving the fans from Brooklyn to Bombay a chance to catch up on their second-guessing.

If Joe McCarthy and Leo Durocher and Leo Durocher knew they had several million assistant managers, all "no" men, particularly when a play goes wrong, they probably would think twice before making some of their moves.

Only two games have been played but the assistant managers have been having a picnic, with everything but the ants, and the way some of them jiggle around, there might be a few of them.

These "I'd a done it this way" guys had a chance to get a head start on their grandstand quarter-backing this year. Before a ball was thrown they were asking

## Even Jayvees Get Tally As Salem Preppers Roll To 7 Touchdowns, Safety

By RON GEMMELL  
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Vikings, clear down to the junior variety, slogged through the mud into touchdown territory with monotonous regularity at Sweetland Friday night as the Salem high football flotilla overwhelmed Oregon City's hapless Pioneers, 48 to 0 in a No Name loop clash.

In registering their season's second successive victory, the Viks took to the sloppy going like their Norse namesakes took to the seas, and the game was absolutely no contest from the time the varsity powered 59 yards for a touchdown the first time Salem had possession of the ball until an eleven made up of junior Vikings punched over the seventh touchdown late in the final heat.

The Viks converted four of their seven touchdowns, getting the extra points on scrimmage plays, and added a safety.

Oregon City, able to register but a single first down from scrimmage and unable to complete one of the four passes attempted, never got beyond the Pioneers' own 37-yard line.

Dutch Simmons reversed around left end from 10 yards out after Bud Coons, Rex Hardy and Simmons had carried the ball from the Salem 48 in five plays. Coons cracked right tackle for the extra point.

End Jim Wenger and Tackle Ray Loter blocked Oberon's punt on the Oregon City two-yard line, with End Rollie Haag recovering, from whence Simmons reversed through tackle for a touchdown as the second quarter opened. Coons failed to get the extra point.

Fullback Bob Warren slammed 18 yards through tackle shortly before the half time gun and added the extra point to give Salem a 20-0 halftime lead.

GAME STATISTICS table with columns for Ore. City and Salem, listing stats like Yds. gain, passes, punts, etc.

Coons cracked over from seven yards out to culminate a 70-yard march as the second half opened, after Rex Hardy and Simmons had ripped off most of the yardage. Again Coons' plunge for the extra point failed.

Two minutes later, Warren waltzed over tackle from a yard out, after Pettit had intercepted an Oregon City pass on the Oregon City 21 and after Hoffer had rammed 11 yards. Hoffer swung around end for the extra point.

Five minutes later Hoffer took a lateral from Owen Garland and sprinted end for 16 yards and a touchdown. Warren plunged for the conversion.

Fuderbaugh, attempting to get a punt off from behind Oregon City's goal line, fumbled and was downed for a safety by (Turn to Page 9, Column 6)

## Linfield Tops St. Martins

McMINNVILLE, Oct. 3—(P)—A third-quarter field goal gave Linfield college a 3 to 0 non-league football decision over St. Martins college here Friday.

A pass interception paved the way for the score and with the ball on the St. Martins' six-yard line, Redkey booted the placement.

## Why Durocher, with an outstanding ace like Whit Wyatt, shelved him in favor of Curt Davis for that all-important first game.

They figured that Durocher would want to use Wyatt as often as possible, and that the earlier he started the oftener he might have a chance to work.

That was just a warm-up second-guess however. Before the first game was over they were second-guessing all over the place, the Brooklyn fans even telling you what they would have done had it been Charley Keller reaching over into the stands to rob Delph Camilli of a home run, instead of Joe Medwick robbing Joe DiMaggio.

The general idea seemed to be that Keller would have been launched then and there, even if the bottle contained only pop.

The Peewee Reese "I was fouled" episode, which tied in nicely with Jim Wasdell's missing bunt controversy, was the choice tidbit of the opening day.

In the seventh inning, with the tying run on second and the winning run on first, and none down, Wasdell was sent up to bat for Casey. The natural play under the circumstances would be a

## World Series Continues Today, Maybe

By JUDSON BAILEY  
BROOKLYN, Oct. 3—(P)—Rain and fog wrapped a wet blanket around the world series Friday, forcing a postponement of the third tussle between the Brooklyn Dodgers and New York Yankees and even threatening Saturday's prospects.

When white-haired Commissioner Kenesaw M. Landis dramatically announced "Gentlemen, I have made my decision and the game's off," he gave baseball's

STILL RAINING  
NEW YORK, Oct. 3—(P)—It still was raining here late Friday and the weather man gave little hope that the third game of the world series, already delayed a day by showers, could be played Saturday.

The forecast predicted clouds and light rains for the forenoon and showers in the afternoon.

Each postponement delays the schedule one day, but does not disturb the order of the games. The next three contests will be played at Ebbets field whenever the weather is favorable and two more, if necessary, will be at Yankee stadium.

The interruption in the program did not affect the immediate pitching plans of the two managers. Kirby Higbe, a 22-game winner with a buggishy arm, was generally expected to take the mound for the Dodgers, with Lefty Marius Russo the probable starter for the Yankees.

Higbe's lack of control has made Durocher regard him as a gamble, but Saturday's affair would be the place to gamble and would leave Higbe ready to work again later in the series if he proved successful against the bombers. Fred Fitzsimmons would be the alternative starter for Brooklyn.

Russo was in line to start Friday but an upset stomach caused Joe McCarthy to select Spud Chandler. Russo's stomach may be calm again by Saturday, but if it is not, then Atley Donald, a righthander, will get the job.

The rain started as a hard shower about 7 a. m. and filtered into a misty drizzle that lasted most of the day and thoroughly drenched the playing field and the few hundred fans who had huddled around the bleacher gates, some of them since midnight.

The gates never were opened and after Commissioner Landis called off the game the fans scattered to their homes for dry clothes and some rest before starting another vigil.

## Dayton Whips Indep., 6-0

INDEPENDENCE—Dayton high defeated Independence 6 to 0 in a football game here Friday night. The play which set up the score was a pass from Terry to Todd to the one-yard line. Groth carried the ball over for the score.

INDEPENDENCE (0) (6) DAYTON table listing player names and stats.

## Gonzaga Gridder Petitions Court Draft Deferment

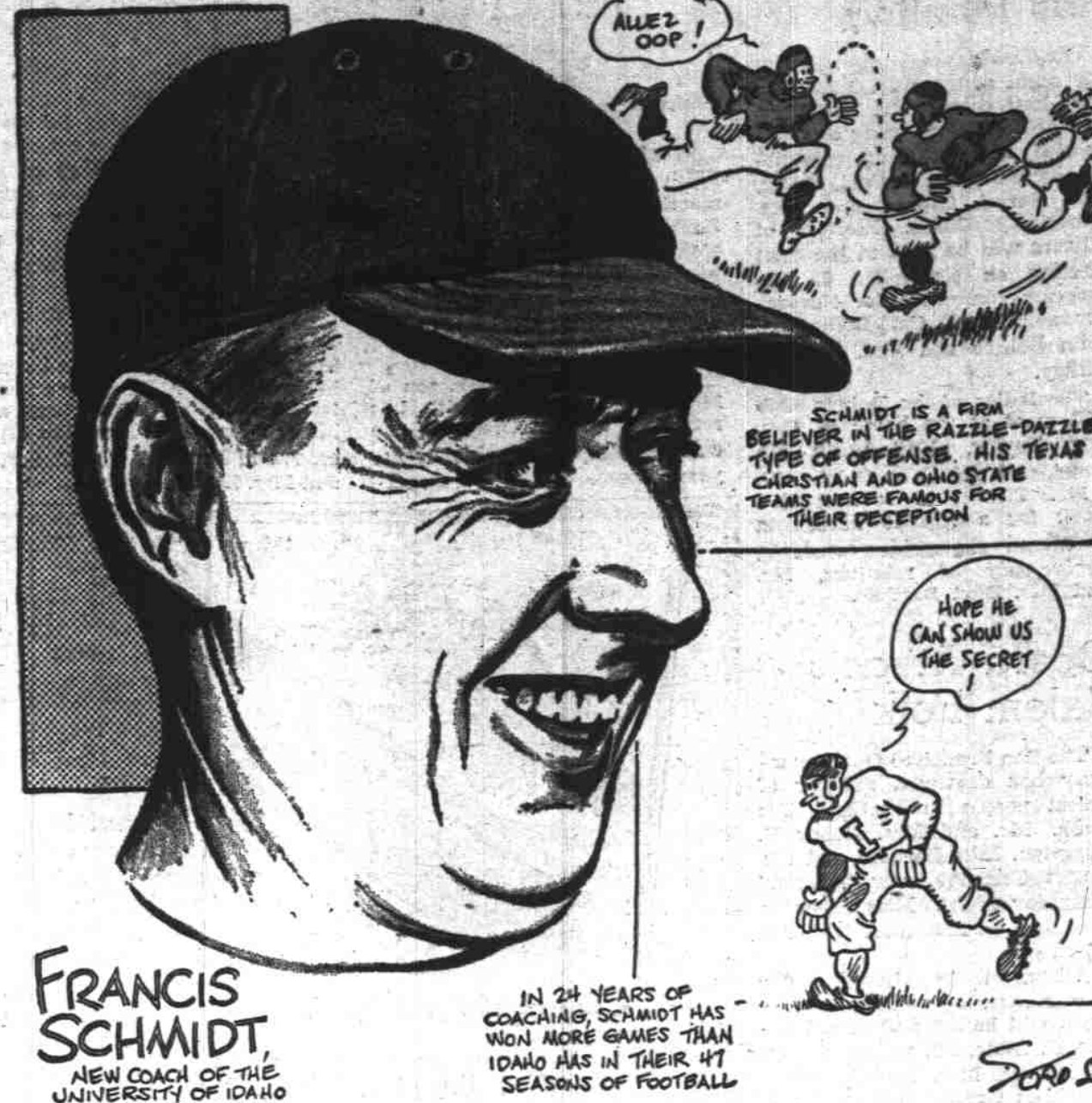
SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 3—(P)—Peter Larry Connors, member of the Gonzaga university football team, feels that Spokane needs his services, and that his draft board should defer him.

When the draft board, No. 1 in Silver Bow county, Montana, refused to defer him, Connors went to Judge James Baldwin at Butte, and got an injunction against the board.

Friday Paul Gow, chairman of the board, petitioned the US circuit court of appeals here for speedy judgment on the case, and the court set October 29 for hearing. Gow wants the injunction dissolved.

Connors, a senior, told the draft board that he wants to finish out this school year and become a coach.

BRINGS HOME BUCKS  
FAIRVIEW—Delmer Stoutenburg in company with three other hunters returned home Friday after 10 days' spent deer hunting in the Ochoco National forest. He was the only one in the group lucky enough to get a buck.



FRANCIS SCHMIDT, NEW COACH OF THE UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO GRID TEAM

IN 24 YEARS OF COACHING, SCHMIDT HAS WON MORE GAMES THAN IDAHO HAS IN THEIR 47 SEASONS OF FOOTBALL

Salem Oregon, Saturday Morning, October 4, 1941

# Ducks Down Vandals, 21 to 7 On Rain-Drenched Gridiron

## Molalla Ties Chemawa Team

CHEMAWA—The Chiefs scored early in a football game with Molalla there Friday afternoon but were tied in the second quarter by the Buckeroos and the game ended 6-6.

Clarence LaRoque carried the ball over for Chemawa after five running plays had placed it in scoring territory four minutes from the kickoff.

In the second quarter Shield bucked center for one yard and the score for Molalla after three passes took the Buckeroos over their own 45-yard line.

Both teams were close to scores in the second half.

## Lutes Pitch To 27-0 Win

TACOMA, Oct. 3—(P)—Pacific Lutheran college's "Marvelous Marv" Little All American Marv Tommermark and Fullback Marv Harshman—combined again to win the Lutherans an easy 27 to 0 football victory over the Eastern Washington college Savages Friday night.

Tommermark completed 10 of 16 passes for 197 yards, including one touchdown pass, while Harshman, besides playing a grand defensive game, smashed through center for a 64-yard touchdown run, and also scored another touchdown after catching a 22-yard pass and twice plunged for touchdowns from a half yard out.

## Sandy Defeats Silverton 7-0

SILVERTON—With less than 30 seconds of the first half to play, Wally Scales went over for a touchdown that enabled Sandy to defeat Silverton 7 to 0 in a Big Nine league football game here Friday night.

Silverton punched to the one-yard line in the third quarter but was held there.

## Oregon Scores Early, Stacks Up Much Yardage in Wet Mix

EUGENE, Ore., Oct. 3—(P)—Oregon defeated the University of Idaho 21 to 7 before 5000 rain-drenched spectators on Hayward field here Friday night.

The game was only two and a half minutes old when Oregon counted its first score, set up by Tommy Roblin's 62-yard run on a reverse over left tackle to the Idaho 11 yard line. Two Idaho offside penalties and Curf Meeham's two-yard crack put the ball on the one-yard line and Roblin drove over.

Jimmy Newquist came from the bench, as he did on two subsequent touchdowns, to make the extra point.

Early in the second period Meeham ran 35 yards on a reverse to cross the Idaho line standing up.

Idaho came to life at that point and kept on even terms. Late in the period Hank Crowley recovered Frank Boyd's fumble on the Oregon 35 and with Sophomore Howard Manson sparking the drive, moved down the field with Bill Micklich scoring from the one-yard line.

The third period was scoreless and the last was wet along when Idaho got off a short punt, Oregon getting the ball on the Vandal 33-yard marker. Bill Dunlap, Boyd and Meeham alternated in driving forward with the latter going over for the score.

The game was Oregon all the way except for the brief flurry in the second period. The Webfoots piled up 326 yards to Idaho's 72.

IDAHO (7) (21) OREGON table listing player names and stats.

Idaho scoring: Touchdown, Micklich. Point after touchdown, Anderson (placement). Oregon scoring: Touchdowns, Meeham, 2; Roblin. Points after touchdown, Newquist (for Dunlap) 3 (placement).

## On Hunting Trip

WHEATLAND—Clyde M. La Follette, Wheatland, Alex La Follette, Troutdale, Harold Stoutenburg, Milwaukie, and Delmer Stoutenburg, Fairview, hunted in the Ochoco forest. They saw several bucks but Delmer was the only one to bring the proof home.

## First Hunt Success

RICKREALL—Marshal Teter holds the honor of being the first hunter in the community to bring home a deer weighing 165 pounds.

## Owen Leaps for Second but too Late



Mickey Owen of the Brooklyn Dodgers made this leap toward second base too late in the fifth inning of the second world series game. He was forced out by Elicha Whitney Wyatt's grounder to Joe Gordon (6). Yankee second baseman, who threw to Phil Rizzuto (center), who covered the base. Rizzuto's peg to first caught Wyatt for a double play. The Dodgers won, 3-2, to square the series.