

Sport Sparks

By RON GEMMELL

An undefeated season for Willamette U? ... At least an undefeated season in the United States of America? ... Well, if you have any faith in these national football rating systems, that's the portent. ... One of the better known of these rates all of Willamette's remaining opponents, with the exception of the University of Hawaii, below the Bearcats.

Willamette is spotted in 115th place among the nation's grid teams, while Idaho at 131st is 16 places below, Whittier at 240th is 86 places below, Pacific at 351st is 236 places below, CPS at 325th is 210 places below and Whitman at 313th is 194 below. ... Only Hawaii of the remaining opponents, at 101st, rates in front of the Bearcats.

Of course, these ratings come from the same fellow who placed California at the top of the pack at season's outset, but who since has dropped the Golden Bear clear down to 77th. ... They come from the same system which also rates Washington 64 places below Minnesota despite the fact the Huskies gave the Gophers as good a battle as they'll have, probably, all season.

Maybe Willamette will prove to be better than Whittier tomorrow night, better than Idaho next week, and so on, but just how the Bearcats, whose games thus far have been against pure unadulterated pushovers, can at this time be rated 16 places better than Idaho, for instance, is just a bit unfathomable. ... In fact, they can't.

He Wasn't Ready!

It was a scorching nine holes Kenny Fotts, the policy man, put together for his five-under-par-81 on the front nine of Salem's swing-and-cuss pasture Sunday. ... Kenny's card read 5-3-4-4-3-1-4-2-5-31, a par on number one, a bird on two, a slip on three, a bird on five, a hole-in-one on the par three number six, a bird on seven, a bird on eight and a par on nine.

His dodo, second he has banged home on the Salem layout, was a fade shot that trickled right into the can, plunk! ... His birdie on number eight came on a chip shot from off the green and his bird on number two came on a 40-foot putt over hill and dale. ... Ken cut out his 21 on the first nine after first firing a 39 on the back nine—giving him a two-under-70 for the round. ... And to think he was the fellow who didn't think he was quite in condition to play his flight match that day!

The club tournament ends Sunday in what promises to be a lulu of a titular match between the defending champ, Walter McKinley Cline, Jr., and Will Needham. When both are at the top of their games, Needham is a wee bit longer hitter but Cline has better control of his woods and long irons. ... It should be a sizzling hot match.

Farm System Pays

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They'll be stepping high for the Bearcats of Willamette Friday night, will these majorettes. They'll be leading the band for the Bearcat band which opposes the Poets of Whittier in a football game at Sweetland. Members of this perky foursome, from left, are: Barbara Pitts, sophomore from Canby; Donna Belle Savage, freshman from Salem; Margy Smith, freshman from Camas; and Virginia Loop, freshman from Brownsville.—Statesman photo.

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Simmons Works At Fullback For Vik Club

Coch Harold Hauk had his star fullback, Dutch Simmons, the regular left fullback, learning fullback chores in Wednesday's drill of the Salem high Vics. ... We may use Simmons at fullback in case Bob Warren, who has taken over there since Bud Coons was injured, also goes on the injured list," said Hauk. ... Simmons turned his ankle during the proceedings, but Hauk said he didn't believe the fleet fullback would be handicapped for Saturday night's game with the big Corvallis team here. Should Simmons be shifted to fullback, Johnny Hofert would take over at left wingback.

Husky Win Should Have Been 16-13, Is Paper's Claim

The Spokesman-Review said Wednesday the second touchdown scored by Washington in the WSC game at Pullman Saturday should not have been counted and the final score should have been 16-13 in Washington's favor. ... The article said motion pictures of the game showed that Barrett, Washington halfback, stepped out of bounds on the 35-yard line during his gallop to the touchdown.

members of this year's Viking varsity played either sophomore or junior high football, or both, prior to making the varsity. ... Also, 12 of them played on the Jaycee outfit which couldn't win a game last season. ... Further, only three members of the 1941 first team didn't play on one of the sophomore outfits that, for the most part, look pretty futile each season. ... Dutch Simmons, a transfer, had no opportunity to play with the sopho, while Owen Garland and Jim Wenger came right up from junior high to the varsity.

Although they took a drubbing from Medford in their season's opener, the Corvallis Spartans who play our Vics here Saturday night have since boomed back to whip McMinnville and score within one touchdown of as many points against Oregon City as did Salem in beating the Pioneers 40-0. ... Frank Ramsey's team, which, because of its proximity thereto, may have taken on some of the fighting spirit of the Oregon State club, is pointing for the Vics, but hard.

The unscathed upon Salms at this writing seem as the team to beat for the No Name league championship. ... In fact, if the Vics can vanquish the Spartans, they'll be but one more step away from the title for they'll have only Eugene left to play in league competition.

Sewanee De-Emphasizes, Detroit Tops Nation's 11s

SEWANEE, Tenn., Oct. 15—(AP)—They "de-emphasized" football at the University of the South (Sewanee), but it didn't take. ... Tired of being shoved around like a stepchild year after year by their larger and more ambitious colleagues in the Southeastern conference, Sewanee withdrew from the league a year ago and decided to take on schools of an equal size as an independent.

And now look what's happened! Sewanee is among the nation's unbeaten, untied teams, conqueror of Washington & Lee, 29-19, and Davidson, 7-0, both of the Southern conference, and is looking ahead to its most successful season in years. ... The man behind this sudden upsurge in the Tigers' gridiron stock is Coach Jenks Gillem, but a large assist should be credited to the Rev. George A. Hall, Sewanee chaplain who was drafted for coaching service after Gillem's two assistants, Lex Fulbright and Joel Eaves, were summoned for army duty.

Gillem and Hall, a former guard at Sewanee, are the whole works. Sewanee has been famed for years as a team "long on spirit and short on material," and the same situation obtains this fall. ... "Spirit is the thing that has done it," says Gillem of the Tigers' unblemished record. ... "The boys want to play football, and they're getting away from their defeatist complex. When they get a bad break they don't seem to let it bother them. They're willing, and that will make up for what we lack in manpower part of the time."

Runyan Races To New Mark

Floyd Runyan, transfer from a Montana high school, set a new course record in winning the Ivan Fruit cross-country run at Salem high Wednesday. ... Runyan, a senior, legged the mile-and-a-half course in eight minutes and 19 seconds, lowering by eight seconds the record of 8:27 set by Jerry Mulkey in 1939. ... Wesley Miller, a junior, was second and Bud Carver, a junior, third.

Soda Jerk Wants Skippership of Portland Bevos

PORTLAND, Oct. 15—(AP)—A man who signed himself Edwin Roemert and said he was a Norfolk, Neb., soda jerk, applied Tuesday night for the job of managing the Portland Pacific Coast League baseball club. ... President E. J. Scheffer of the club said Roemert assured him in a letter that he was "sure of being a successful manager" and promised to "use only the best players." ... Oscar Vitt recently resigned as Beaver manager.

Uclans On Way
LOS ANGELES, Oct. 15—(AP)—Thirty-six strong, but with at least three cripples aboard, the UCLA football squad left Wednesday night for Seattle to meet the Washington Huskies.

Detroit Tops Nation's 11s

SEATTLE, Oct. 15—(AP)—Detroit on total offense; Tulane in total defense. ... Those are the principal team leaders in this week's American football statistical bureau rankings.

Detrol, in winning a 14-7 victory over Indiana, then slaughtering Wayne and Central, averaged 410 yards per game from rushes and passes. ... Tulane, despite its 19-9 defeat by Rice last week, ranks high as a defensive club against rushes and passes, holding three foes to 48.7 yards per game.

In the case of both leaders, other schools could rank ahead of them, but both schools, Georgia and Vanderbilt, had not turned in results of their last game played. For two games, Georgia had a total offense figure of 448.5 yards per game; and a defensive mark of 11.5 yards yielded. Vanderbilt had yielded 42.5 yards in its first two games. ... With Georgia's 363.5 yards rushing drawing a king's X because of insufficient returns, Ike Armstrong's T formation Utah eleven gets the week's rushing leadership with 350.5 yards rolled up as an average for two games.

The Kimbrough-less Texas Aggies, last year principally a rushing club, hold a big lead as the nation's best forward passing outfit, having completed 49 of 95 passes for 231 yards average per game in three tilt. ... Nebraska, giving up 16.5 yards per game on the ground, tops the country in rushing defense, although Georgia allowed but a minus 27 yards in those games reported.

Vanderbilt has allowed enemy passes only 10 yards per game, with one game unreported, while Boston university yielded 13 yards. ... Maybe it's the altitude, but Colorado, year in and year out a great punting team, leads that classification with a 44.14-yard average per punt.

Line Worries Northwestern
EVANSTON, ILL., Oct. 15—(AP)—The big puzzle surrounding Michigan's battle with Northwestern at Dyché stadium Saturday is the strength of the Northwestern line—and it's as much of an enigma to Burking Wrench as it is to any Wildcat fan. ... The Northwestern line coach, one of the nation's best, convincingly says he doesn't know how good his first string forwards are. He says he's as much in the dark now on that point as he was after the Kansas State game and after last Saturday's rout of Wisconsin. He's certain, however, that he'll know come Saturday night. ... "Our line is as much a mystery to me now as it was last month," said Ingwersen. "I know it's improving but I also know it's not up there yet—not up where I'd like to see it. I know what it will have to be against Michigan, Ohio State and Minnesota. Saturday's game will tell me whether it will reach that standard."

Keene Says 'Cats Ready For Whittier 11 Friday

Medford Meets K. Falls in Prep Classic

By MATT KRAMER
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Oregon high schools' first big test of T-formation football comes Friday night in a game that pits together undefeated Medford and Klamath Falls. ... Medford, the T-formation team, has marched to three straight victories and a southern Oregon conference leadership tie with Klamath Falls, a power team of the old school that has won five games. Winner of the fray probably will coast to the conference title, and will be one of the favorites for the state crown.

In another southern Oregon fray, Myrtle Point, a high-scoring T-formation outfit and the coastal area's last unbeaten team, invades Grants Pass. The Cavemen, getting stronger every week, may provide more opposition than the Bulldogs expect. ... In western Oregon Corvallis, which showed unexpected power in drubbing Oregon City, 40-0, last week, journeys to Salem to meet the unscored-on Vikings. Albany, which has lost only to Salem, will play Tillamook, North Bend will meet Coquille, University high will play Roseburg and Bandon will tangle with Marshfield.

Milton-Freewater, eastern Oregon's only unbeaten eleven, faces Clarkston, a power in southeastern Washington. Pendleton will attempt to hold second place in the Blue Mountain conference in a game against La Grande, and Baker will force conference play for a trip to Caldwell, Idaho.

Undeclared Hood River plays host to an in-and-out Astoria squad which unbeaten The Dalles rests. Bend will travel to Redmond. ... Other games: Reedsport at Sweet Home, Newberg at Beaverton, Tigard at Forest Grove, Cottage Grove at Springfield, Heppner at Arlington, St. Helens at Clatskanie, Estacada at Canby, Woodburn at Gresham, Independence at Willamina, Lebanon at McMinnville, Chemawa at Sandy, Silverton at Parkrose, Newport at Taft, Amity at Dallas, Toledo at Junction City, Union at Enterprise, Sherwood at Hillsboro, Crane at John Day, Ontario at Adrian, Hill Military (Portland) at Rainier, Halfway at Rickland, Prairie City at Prineville, Lakeview at Burns, Scappoose at White Salmon, Cannon at Hermiston.

Scrum Reveals Defensive Strength; Ogdahl, White Nursing Severe Bruises

After an hour-long scrimmage during which his varsity was able to score but once and his second team not at all, Coach Spec Keene Wednesday night decided his Willamette footballers are definitely ready for their Friday night battle here with the Poets of Whittier. ... The veteran Methodist mentor was somewhat worried about the health of two of his regulars, however. While both Halfback Tedd Ogdahl and Center Pat White are scheduled to start against the Poets, neither appeared in Wednesday's scrum and the extent of their usefulness in the for-keeps combat Friday appeared problematical.

Ogdahl is suffering from a severe bruise and a cold, while White, who was out of the Linfield game, also is nursing a painful bruise. ... Keene said his starting backfield probably would consist of Ken Jacobsen at quarter, Gene Stewart at left half, either Ogdahl or Chuck Furno at right half and Al Walden at fullback. ... While Bill Reder and Marvin Goodman are slated to open at the wings, Dave Kelley and Marshall Barbour are pressing them closely, said Keene. Martin Barstad and Neil Morely are ticketed at the tackle slots, Tony Frairola and Gordon Moore at the guards and either Pat White or Al Barrett at center.

The Poets are due into Salem at 8:15 Friday morning and will remain in their car on the siding until after breakfast. ... Chemawa loses Tackle Davis will be out of the Chemawa lineup when it goes against Sandy at Sandy Friday night, Coach Doug Olds reported Wednesday. He sustained a shoulder injury in practice this week. ... George Walters will probably replace Davis in the starting eleven, said Olds.

Brings Poets



Coach Wallace "Chief" Newman, who brings his Whittier Poets to Salem Friday night.

Chemawa Loses Tackle Davis

WOODLAND, Calif., Oct. 15—(AP)—A \$429 damage suit was filed in superior court Wednesday by Percy Locey, Oregon State college athletic director. It stemmed from an automobile accident in 1939 in which Locey and Washington State College Coach Orin Hollingsbery were injured. ... Locey charges Frank Hawkins, Woodland, operated an automobile negligently and was responsible for the collision.

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He was slated for a right guard berth on the frosh team but may be benched for the season.

Frosh Breaks Jaw
EUGENE, Oct. 15—(AP)—Jake Prince, 19, University of Oregon freshman football player from Albany, suffered a broken jaw Wednesday—not on the gridiron but in a friendly scuffle at his quarters.