

Cardinals Clinch at Least Tie for National League Pennant; Game Commission Postpones All Hunting and Fishing in State

From the BLEACHERS

By AL LIGHTNER

Time now to do our bit for the Peerless Pigskin Prognosticators' society, or in other words, to fill this space with a lot of bum guesses on who'll win Saturday's football sessions. Being but a junior member of the famed PPP's we aren't qualified to say "they're cinches," nor do we have any Roscoe Rumpfe-feather and Ira Dingbat to blame our lousy picks on. But our guess is as good as anyone's if you don't care about the results, and through the process of the PPP's secret rating system, with a drink if you do and a smell if you don't, behold—operator "PU" of the society selects!



MARSHALL BARBOUR

Top game in the northwest—Lt. Comdr. Tex Oliver's St. Mary's Airdevils vs. Oregon's Webfoots at Portland. Too many guys like Frankie Albert, Nello Falaschi, Jimmy Newquist and Vic Bottari in that one and they don't play for Oregon. The Preflighters, 20-7. And what a crowd!

Washington State at Stanford. Might be asked to turn in my PPP badge after this one, but we like Babe Hollingberry's Cougars after a nip-and-tuck battle, 20-14. And as long as we go that far to begin with, we may as well go all the way and put the Cougars in the Rose Bowl!

Oregon State at Idaho. A good one for the Rose Bowl champs to start out on. A comparatively easy 27-6 job by Lon Stiner's gang.

College of the Pacific at Washington. Amos Alonzo Stagg and his boys made the long trip for nothing. His Bengals may wind up with more than nothing on the scoreboard, but the Huskies will have something, say 31 to 12.

Oregon State College, Corvallis, Sept. 24 (Special) With the return of Lloyd Wickett, letterman left tackle, to the Oregon State football squad, the Beavers will be at full strength for their opening conference game of the season against the University of Idaho at Moscow Saturday.

Wickett spent the summer as a professional fisherman in Alaska and had a hard time getting passage out. He was a first stringer last year and should be one of the best tackles on the coast this fall. Also turning out for the first time this week was Bob Leichhardt, promising sophomore right half.

The Orangemen wound up heavy preparations for the Vandals with a snappy scrimmage session Wednesday afternoon. Defense against Idaho's great pass attack and offensive plays to be used against the Vandals were stressed in Wednesday's workout. In Howard Manson, Idaho has one of the best passers on the coast.

"We stand a good chance of being surprised in this game," Stiner told his men. "As this is their first game of the season, we have had no chance to scout them and it's hard to tell what kind of razzle dazzle Francis Schmidt, Idaho coach, may throw at us," he added.

St. Mary's at California. Jimmy Fhehan has "Fedeato of Modesto," but St. Mary's has a bunch of rugged Bears who never heard of Fedeato and Modesto and care less. Cal by 20-0.

Tulane at Southern California. The Trojans, 13-7, 'cause the Green Wave is too far from home.

Texas Christian at UCLA (Friday). Babe Horrell's Ukes ought to know better than to get tangled up with a mess of Horned Frogs this early in the season. TCU by 20-6.

Welcomes, Son, Welcomes Reports had the Willamette 'Cats with from eight to ten lettermen returning this fall, but one lad who wasn't exactly counted upon to be back and is back at his old end spot is Marshall Barbour, the red-headed Portlander. Is he welcome? Just ask Spec Keene.

From the top to the bottom all in one season this year was the baseball fate of Charlie Benson, that hard-hitting, flannel-wearing Tacoma first baseman who was called in by the San Francisco Seals in mid-season. Benson kept his batting average in the .300s and very near .400 at times while a WIL'er, but wound up his 36 games in the Coast circuit with a .177 percentage for the last available spot in the standings.

Worry, Worry, Worry Word comes that the Salem-Medford football game, scheduled for Sweetland this fall, will be shifted to Medford, instead—that is, if the Vikes obtain some means of transportation between now and then. The Peaspickers oked the switch. . . . And another worry—worry—worry for Coach Tommy Drynan. While he has 40 odds and ends out at Salem and only three lettermen, the Eugene No-Namers turned out 70 strong, including nine holdovers for Fritz Granger and his new assistant this fall, Ford Mullen, the Vancouver Cap second baseman. . . . When the Astorians face the Vikes on Sweetland come Armistice day they'll have one of those Hawaiian barefoot boosters in the lineup, as 100-pound Rusty Wilder, fresh from the islands, has been arching the pigskin out 50 and 60 yards per whack off his bare arch in Eugene workouts.

Speaking of Hawaiian kickers, Bob Douglas, the island's representative on Willamette's eleven, was getting off some beautiful punts during Thursday's workout. He wears shoes, however.

Burnett Has Nine Lettered Foxes SILVERTON—Nine lettermen are working out under Coach Jigs Burnett for the Silver Fox football team here. These are Burr, Duncan and Hogoborn, backs; Ransford, Dellen, Wright, Dickmann, Nelson and Fouts, linemen. A probable starter at fullback will be Nijst, a transfer from California. Other hopefuls listed, with good possibilities are Elliott, Anderson, Adams, Hansen, Moon, Remington, Zahler, Bennett, Walker, Zimmerman and Hutton.

Suds Win, 2-1 To Go One Up In Sac Series

Los Angeles Noses Out Padres, 1 to 0.

SACRAMENTO, Sept. 24—(AP) Seattle turned in a second straight victory over the new champion Sacramento Solons Thursday, winning 2-1. The Rainiers led the President's cup playoff series two wins to one.

Carl Fischer hooked up with Bill Schmidt in a pitching duel. The Sacs connected for three straight singles in the first inning to tally a run and Seattle tied it in the sixth of King's double and a single by Mathison.

In the seventh, Niemiec singled, was sacrificed to second and later scored on Stickle's fly to left.

The Sacs got only four hits off Fischer and the Rainiers seven off Schmidt.

Seattle..... 000 001 100-2 7 2
Sacramento... 100 000 000-1 4 1
Fischer and Collins; Schmidt and Mueller.

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Sept. 24 (AP)—Los Angeles blanked San Diego, 1 to 0, Thursday as the Angels recorded their second consecutive Coast league Shaugnessy win behind the four-hit pitching of Southpaw Ray Prim.

Los Angeles won the 11-inning opener Wednesday, 6 to 5.

Prim Twirled hitless ball until the sixth inning, when the Padres collected a double and a single for their best scoring chance. He yielded another hit in the eighth, and one in the ninth.

Wally Herbert gave up only five hits, and after the first inning the Angels didn't get a runner beyond second base.

Los Angeles 100 000 000-1 5 0
San Diego..... 000 000 000-0 4 0
Prim and Todd; Hebere, Dasso (8) and Detore.

Ducks to Use Full Strength

EUGENE, Ore., Sept. 24—(AP) The University of Oregon's full football squad will travel to Portland Saturday for the season's opener against the St. Mary's Preflight school.

Early plans to adhere to the Coast conference rule limiting squads to 25 men will not be followed, Graduate Manager Anson B. Cornell said Thursday, since the navy squad will total 64.

He said the limitation rule was not applicable to the non-conference game.

Syracuse Wins Little World Series Opener

COLUMBUS, Sept. 24—(AP) Syracuse of the International league, defeated Columbus of the American association, 6 to 1, in the first game of the 25th junior world series Thursday night behind the superb five-hit pitching of right hander Clayton Lambert. A crowd of 3494 witnessed the contest.

Syracuse..... 310 000 110-4 10 2
Columbus..... 000 000 100-1 5 2
Lambert and Bottarini; Crouch, F. Barrett, Burkhardt and Heath.

Yanks, Cards Alike in One Respect; They Take Advantage of the Breaks

(This is the last in a series comparing the prospective world series rivals.)
By JUDSON BAILY

NEW YORK, Sept. 24—(AP)—The strategy of the St. Louis Cardinals and New York Yankees involves one important similarity—to take advantage of opponents' mistakes.

The Yankees always have thrived on the foibles of their foes. All they needed was a tiny crack and they would bust down the dikes just as they did on Mickey Owen's famous dropped third strike last fall. This faculty has had as much to do with their winning world championship as their hitting or pitching.

The Cardinals are the same kind of a club. In their march to the top of the National league they sometimes have been smothered at the plate, sometimes have faltered on the mound, but invariably they have capitalized on every opening.

If an outfielder is slow throwing the ball back on a single the Cards will take two bases. If third base is left unprotected on a sacrifice bunt the Cards will race from first to third. If a pitcher and catcher get careless, the Cards will steal home. Anytime St. Louis gets a man on base he is a scoring threat.

The Redbirds are reckless runners, but they have made it pay not only because they are fast but because they tie in their foot racing with sound baseball percentages.

Neither Manager Billy Southworth of the Cards nor Manager Joe McCarthy of the Yankees is a lurch player. They lead with their eyes and follow with their legs. In other words you won't see Mori Cooper being kept out of the first game of the world series this year by a surprise starter at Whitler Wyatt who has years' experience when he was the best hurler in the National league.

In estimating the Cardinals it must be realized they are a different outfit from the one which started the season and stumbled along in a rut that eventually found them trailing the Dodgers by ten games.

Southworth went along for many weeks with Frank "Crabby" Crepel as second base when he was a dead weight. As a rookie he had been a sensation and there was, and still is, no explanation for his collapse. Many games were lost experimenting with Rookie Ray Sanders at first base trying to fill the big brogans left vacant by Johnny Mize. Johnny Hopp, now doing a good job on first, was hurt and in a hitting slump. The Southpaw pitchers, Ernie White and Howie Pollet did not come up to expectations.

Former Duck Goin' Duck Huntin'



JIMMY NEWQUIST, one of "Tex" Oliver's star halfbacks at the University of Oregon, last season, who will see plenty of action against his former mates at Multnomah stadium in Portland Saturday when the Ducks meet Lt. Comdr. Oliver's St. Mary's Preflight Airdevils in the top football game of the northwest.

Sports

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Stimson 'Shocked;' Will Make Personal Checkup On Louis, Conn Battle

By SID FEDER

NEW YORK, Sept. 24—(AP)—Secretary of War Stimson revealed Thursday he is making a personal investigation of the October 12 heavyweight championship fight between Joe Louis and Billy Conn, but officials promoting the bout said they did not believe it would be called off.

Stimson's investigation was disclosed at his press conference in Washington. He said he was "shocked" over arrangements for the battle between the two soldier heavyweights which is to be held in Yankee stadium, but he declined to say what details "shocked" him.

The war secretary explained that he "didn't know of the details until Thursday morning" and said he hoped to complete his investigation "within 48 hours."

The war secretary's statement was a complete surprise to all those in New York who are connected with putting on the fight.

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Fishing Joins Hunting Until Weather Okeh

Put Halt to Antelope Hunting; All State Closed to Anglers

EUGENE, Sept. 24—(AP)—Hunting and fishing in Oregon were banned indefinitely by the state game commission Thursday.

Deer and Elk hunting seasons, scheduled to open Saturday, were postponed and the antelope season, which started Wednesday was ordered halted immediately.

The entire state was closed to fishermen.

The commission's action was taken at the request of Gov. Charles A. Brannan.

Antelope hunters already were in the field and many had bagged game Thursday before the commission met. Hundreds of others were in the mountains making camp preparatory to stalking their favorite deer hunting areas Saturday.

The ban on hunting and fishing in Oregon, adopted Thursday by the state game commission at Eugene, is all-inclusive. H. R. Mangold, assistant game supervisor, said Thursday night.

"We are advising hunters and anglers," Mangold said, "that the ban is immediate and halts all hunting and fishing in the state."

He said the state and federal forest services were spreading word of the season closure as rapidly as possible, with agents seeking groups already in the field to advise them that for the present, at least, there will be no open season.

"There will undoubtedly be some groups in remote areas to whom the word will come late," Mangold said, "but all will be notified as soon as possible."

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10th Whitewash



MORTON COOPER

Dodgers Beat Boston, Cling To Slim Chance

End in Sight Despite Fifth Straight Win, Wyatt's 19th Victory

BROOKLYN, Sept. 24—(AP) The Dodgers staved off elimination from the National league race for at least one more day when they came from behind Thursday to beat out a 5 to 3 victory over Boston's Jim Tobin before 19,062 still hopeful fans at Ebbets field.

This left the Dodgers a chance of tying for the flag providing they won their remaining three games and the Cards collapsed completely in their last two.

In chalkup to their fifth straight victory since they got off the toboggan, the floundering Dodgers ran their record of wins for the season to 101, surpassing the best mark of all previous Brooklyn clubs. They had that for consolation, no matter what happens to them later on.

As has become their habit, the Dodgers let the opposition get a running start Thursday and then plastered the fences with a cluster of base hits to present Whitlow Wyatt with his 19th triumph of the year. And again it was Captain Dolf Camilli who supplied the big punch. He doubled in the tying runs in the Dodgers' sixth-inning outburst and scored the winner, himself, on a wild throw to the plate by Sibi Sisti, Braves second baseman.

Brooklyn..... 003 000 000-3 7 2
Boston..... 000 004 017-5 9 4
Tobin and Lombardi; Wyatt, Casey (7) and Owen.

Cincinnati..... 000 000 000-0 9 3
St. Louis..... 100 021 207-6 19 0
Starr, Beggs (7) and Lamanno; M. Cooper and W. Cooper.

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