

Sports

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From the BLEACHERS

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We've written considerable about the deserving fetes of Willamette's football players and coaches, her basketball and baseball teams, but how about a line or two on the southern gentlemen who seem to it that everything's ship-shape in the headche department—the equipment room. He's "Doc" Walker and has been doing everything from bandaging bruises to keeping the Bearcat's nose clean for some four years now at WU. It's "Hey, Doc, gimme this," and "hey, Doc, gimme that" from morning till night for the keeper of the towels, pads, suits, shoes, arnica and the answers to hundreds of sometimes dizzy questions demanded of him every day but Sundays. But Doc says he doesn't mind and would feel quite lost without the noisy bunch always wanting something.



"DOC" WALKER

Walker came west from the he heard that everything was booming in Oregon that year so hit the trail. Bought a small farm south of town, but as prices fell so fell the Walker fortunes. "It was merely a case of going to some other field of work to support the wife and myself, so here I am," says Doc.

(P.S. Doc claims he'd rather take care of WU's "bad" boys than a farm anyway.)

Heisman Award Near

Voting ballots for football's greatest individual award—the Heisman Memorial Trophy—have been issued by the Downtown Athletic Club of New York City, the organization which annually presents the trophy to "the outstanding college football player in the United States."

This will be the eighth year since the coveted honor was dedicated in 1935 and awarded Jay Berwanger of the University of Chicago that fall. Since then the bronze symbol of gridiron perfection has been awarded to outstanding All-Americans every year—End Larry Kelley of Yale in 1936; Halfback Clint Frank of Yale in 1937; pass-pitching Davel O'Brien of Texas Christian in 1938; Iowa's great Nile Kinnick in 1939; Tommy Harmon of Michigan in '40 and Minnesota's dynamic Bruce Smith last fall.

This year—? (We'll give odds that WSC's Bob Kennedy and Willamette's Teddy Ogdahl get one vote each, anyway, even if Frankie Sinkwich does get a few hundred. We voted for all three.)

Interesting History

Quite an interesting history of the Heisman award, although only eight years old. This Downtown Athletic Club decided to make some presentation in 1935 and hired a well-known New York sculptor, one Frank Eliscu, to create a bronze figure of a football player which when properly enshrined would become the permanent possession of the winner each year.

The sculptor made several visits to Fordham Field where "Sleepy" Jim Crowley's boys posed for the clay model. Later, after the Army-Notre Dame game of '35 the entire Irish team inspected the model, which depicted a player sidestepping, while apparently under full sail goalward, and okehed the design as authentic, so the "Oscar" of the football clan was cast.

Various methods of balloting to elect the winner were considered, but finally the committee agreed that the sportswriters and broadcasters would be the only impar-tial players in action and scan press and qualified electors. These men are in a position to see the reports, they claimed, so more than 700 equally chosen from all sections of the United States were chosen and now act as electors.

Grid's Greatest Award

In 1936, John W. Heisman, then Director of Athletics at the Downtown AC passed away and the "Oscar" was renamed the Heisman Memorial Trophy.

This seemed particularly fitting and met with instant approval because John Heisman had coached football for 37 years at eight different colleges. He was the inventor of the spin play and direct snap from center to quarter and was considered by many as the originator of the forward pass. He was twice president of the American Football Coaches association, first president and organizer of the Touchdown club and a truly great figure in the football world.

Warren Picks All-Opponents

EUGENE, Ore., Nov. 24—(AP)—Southern California, with four men, dominated the all-Pacific coast conference opponent football eleven named Tuesday by University of Oregon coach John Warren.

Warren placed three players from Washington State and two from Oregon State. Oregon played all conference teams except Stanford and Montana.

While his selections were confined to the conference, Warren said the St. Mary's navy pre-flight team, which Oregon met early in the season had four of the best players on the coast—quarterback Nello Falaschi, guard Joe Busch and ends Ed Manks and Ed Erdelatz.

Warren said also that his own guard Floyd Rhea was the conference's standout.

His selections:

Success (WSC) and Ferguson (California), ends; Wickett (OSC) and Verry (USC), tackles; Seixas (USC) and Ward (WSC), guards; Harrison (Washington), center; Bleeker (USC), quarterback; McCordie (USC) and McInnis (OSC), halfbacks; Kennedy (WSC), fullback.

Cougars 'All Out' for UW

PULLMAN, Nov. 24—(AP)—"Washington," Coach Babe Hollingbery said Tuesday, "is the one we're going all-out for."

The Washington State college mentor's first prep work for the Saturday game—which will either leave his team at the top of the Pacific Coast conference standings or spill it out of the Rose Bowl running—was a round of place-kicking for all members of the squad who cared to try their toes.

Back in 1930, under similar conditions, State clambered over Washington into the Bowl on the strength of a three-point boot by End Lyle Maskell. That, incidentally, was the last victory for WSC on the Seattle field.

Sun Bowl to Have Game After All

EL PASO, Texas, Nov. 24—(AP)—After having called off the annual Sun bowl game because of the war, the bowl committee Monday thought better of it and pulled the wraps off its annual New Year's day gridiron event here for a war-time showing.

Bearcat Bunch Await Whitman On Turkey Day

Two Northwest Loop Powerhouses Renew Rivalry, Sweetland

Willamette's fumin' footballers, anxious to lock horns with Whitman on Sweetland come Thursday, wound up intensive preparations on "upper" Sweetland Tuesday afternoon with a spirited scrum session against enemy plays. Coach "Spec" Keene listed it as the final practice session of the season, so the 'Cats

HANK ERCOLINI went to work in earnest. A second-string eleven consisting of John Copenhaver and Lloyd Griffith, alternating with Dave Geddes as ends, Gordon Stanley and Fred Osterhaut at tackles, Al Barrett and Matt Anderson at guards, Charlie Filbin, center and Cecil "Chief" Connors, Bob Weaver, Bob Donovan and Rex Hardy as backs tried numerous Missionary plays against the No. 1 team of Dave Kelly and Gene Schmidt, ends; Hank Ercolini and Andy Rogers, tackles; Garrell Deiner and George Constable, guards; Pat White, center, and Capt. Teddy Ogdahl, Chuck Furno, Bob Douglas and Ken Jacobsen, backs, but found only so-so success in making them click.

Keene announced that the 'Cats would be at full strength for Whitman's attempt to knock the Northwest conference champs into a tie with the Missionaries this season. A Whitman win Thursday will wind up hostilities at three wins and one loss each for the ancient rivals who seem to take turns at dominating the Northwest football picture.

The turkey day tussle will be the 25th between Willamette and Whitman, a rivalry which began in 1906, died out from 1910 to 1920 and flared anew to keep going ever since. Whitman has won 13 times to Willamette's nine and two games wound up in a tie.

Just what Coach "Nig" Borleske has up his sleeve for the 'Cats Thursday is somewhat of a mystery, as information from the Walls Walls camp has been considerably scarce. It is known that the popular Missionary coach has a squad made up mostly of freshmen and sophomores with only a light sprinkling of veterans at the key spots. If past engagements between these two conference powerhouses are any indication, however, Borleske could bring down a flock of raw rookies and still put up a whale of a ball game. Willamette-Whitman gatherings can almost invariably be depended upon for plenty of action of the bubbling over kind.

The kickoff is tabbed for 1:30 p.m.

Pepper Martin May Move Up

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 24—(AP)—A report the St. Louis Cardinals will send Pepper Martin as manager of their International League farm club was published Tuesday in the Sporting News.

However, Sam Breadon, president of the Cardinals, had "no comment" on the report. Martin, one of the most colorful players in baseball during the Cardinals, was made the manager of their Sacramento farm club in 1941. His team won the Pacific Coast league pennant this past season.

Hockey Scores

New Haven 3, Indianapolis 2.
Boston Bruins 5, Chicago Blackhawks 5 (tie).
Detroit 4, Montreal 4 (tie).

Hurricanes, Zombies Tie for Intramural B Football Flag

The Hurricanes and the End Zone Zombies wound up intramural grid play at Salem senior high school victoriously Tuesday afternoon as the 'Canes swept to a 6-0 win over the Mudcats and the Zombies tattooed the Piledriver goal line for an 8-0 decision.

As a result of Tuesday's tilt, the Hurricanes and the Zombies share a mythical co-championship in the strong B circuit. George Gettifer's Cougars waltzed to the A league title Monday.

Peaceful Looking, That Nation's No. 1 Eleven



These pleasant gentlemen in a campus setting compose the nation's top football team—Boston College Eagles. Left to right: Carl Lucas, Don Durrivan, Al Florentino, Mike Holovak, Fred Naumets, Charlie Furubush, Joe Repko, Bill Comanche, Mickey Connolly, Eddie Delbert, Rocco Canale and Gil Souley. The Eagles were voted top ranking nationally by 118 sports writers Monday and replace Georgia's Bulldogs, upset by Auburn Saturday.

Vikings Trek North to Vie With Everett 'Gulls in Grid Finale

Coach Tommy Drynan, assistant Frank Beers and 24 Salem high football Vikings, packed and waiting for the 8:45 bus this morning, will travel to Everett to exchange turkey day football felicitations for 1942, a return engagement with the Washington 'Gulls who gave the Viks a 28-0 lesson on Sweetland a year ago to the day.



BOB WARREN

According to advance notices, respective wins and losses and comparative squad strength, all indications point to the second straight Everett win Thursday. Everett has won six and lost two, both losses coming in the same week after hanging up five straight wins. The Galloping 'Gulls "came back" last Friday, however, and poured over a Yakima eleven, 42 to 6.

Former Washington Husky Chuck Smith is now coaching the Gulls, having replaced Jim Ennis, now headman at St. Martin's college. Smith tutored his charges to their fourth straight Cross-State championship of the north-east state this fall despite a 7-0 loss to Stadium high of Tacoma.

Unlike the powerhouse which swept over Salem last Thanksgiving, this year's model goes for the tricky stuff—lots of passes, reverses and trick plays, according to Don Davis, sports editor of the Everett Herald. Maul Olsen has taken over the quarterback spot made famous in Everett by last year's Larry Hatch, and with Mickey Barnes at fullback provide the 'Gulls with most of their offense.

Impressive Record
Everett's record thus far includes wins over Seattle Prep, 14-0, Lincoln of Tacoma 27-20, Bremerton 7-0, Walla Walla 6-0 and Bellingham 7-0. Came then losses to Stadium 7-0 and Butte, Mont., 6-0, followed by the 42-6 Yakima shellacking.

For the Viks it will mean win this one or go through the nine game season without a win. As usual the Red and Black greenies will enter the game as underdogs, and it will take an upset of the Georgia-Auburn caliber for Drynan's crew to bring back the long sought victory.

Final for Nine
It will be prep football finis for nine Salem seniors, only two of which are regarded as regulars, however. Those playing their last game under the Red and Black will be Guard Ota Binegar, Tackles Bob Tompkins and Ernie Miller, Quarterback Earl Strausbaugh, Fullback Rod Ault and Halfbacks Gordy McMorris, Bill Ransom, Louis Hough and Clair Priem.

Besides the nine who will wind up high school football careers in Everett, the following will make the 11-hour jaunt north today: Ends—Jim Wenger, Jerry Langan, Ed Brandlow and Bill Barlow; tackles—Don Bisbee, Jack Slater, Eldon Farrow; centers—Eugene

'Cat Poison?



LES TAYLOR, pass-pitching Whitman college halfback, who'll probably do much work-hide propelling on Sweetland Field Thursday when the Missionaries come to town to vie with their arch-rivals, Willamette's Bearcats. Taylor also pitches for the Whitman baseball team.

Help! Wrecks Want a Doc!

ATLANTA, Nov. 24—(AP)—If there's a doctor in the house, Georgia Tech would like to have him pronto for the ailing underpins of Jimmy Luck and Pat McHugh.

That's the word from acting head coach Bobby Dodd, as he gets ready to meet once-beaten Georgia Saturday in a game heavy with the odor of Pasadena roses. And if the significance escapes you, the cause for worry is that Luck and McHugh are Tech's leading punters.

Good Kickers
Kicking is Tech's long suit. Exchange punts with Dodd's Yellow Jackets a half-dozen times, and you're 50 yards back of where you started. That's the kind of profit Tech makes by booting 'em long, and running back the other fellow's.

Freshman Clint Castleberry, Tech's pint-o-magic, takes care of the latter. In fact, he's the south's leading gainer on punt returns. But Tech needs the services of Luck and McHugh—especially against Georgia—and both Tuesday were nursing foot injuries.

Lewiston 5 Nips Zags

LEWISTON, Ida., Nov. 24—(AP) Lewiston Normal Loggers opened their basketball season here Tuesday night by taking a 35 to 34 victory from the Gonzaga university Bulldogs in the last minute of play when six-foot-six Dick Hilding tossed in his only two points of the game.

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Griffith Claims Baseball Has Fighting Chance for '43 Life

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24—(AP)—Silver-haired Clark Griffith, 73-year-old major-dome of sports in the capital house lobbying efforts gave baseball a stay of execution from July to Labor day, 1918, is going to the annual major league meeting at Chicago next month in the full expectation that the national game will escape wartime extinction.

Griffith ruefully admits that priorities on strategic materials used in baseball plus the constant drain on manpower and the acute transportation situation have posed tougher problems than those of the last war but he thinks that baseball has a fighting chance to complete the 1943 season.

Work With Government
"There's only one way of looking at the whole question," he said. "We stand ready to cooperate with the government. That is baseball's wartime policy. Last year, it was the government's wish that baseball be played and I think it is still the government's wish that it be continued."

Ball Deal Brewing Between Cubs-Bums

Upcoming Chicago Meet Seen as Poor Trading Grounds This Year

By JUDSON BAILEY
NEW YORK, Nov. 24—(AP)—Although he insisted that the prospects for trading at the winter baseball meetings in Chicago next week are scant, President Branch Rickey of the Brooklyn Dodgers Tuesday disclosed he has been exploring some possible deals.

Army 11 May Be All Alone At Annapolis

By PETE ZURLINDEN
ANNAPOLIS, Md., Nov. 24—(AP) Somebody had better put an okay on the Navy football coach and his players or there is going to be one side missing when the Army shows up for the 43rd service tussle Saturday.

So with "Chief Ticket Detective" Morris Gilmore and he-better known as Lt. Comdr. Gilmore, treasurer of the navy athletic association—is the man who has the say-so.

"Come and Get 'Em"
"I'm still holding Comdr. John Welche's tickets for the varsity squad," Gilmore said. "He sent in the application all right—but he forgot to sign it and he's not getting the ducks until he comes over here and signs for them. Rules are rules."

Which gives you some idea about how tough it is going to be among the 20,000 expected to see Saturday's "semi-private game, when midshipmen will cheer for Army (the cadets can't come), and the Army rule will be one recruited from within the 10-mile eligibility zone.

Although 20,000 isn't much of a crowd, judged by peacetime standards, accept the word of Gilmore that's plenty when questions like these must be asked: Must Be Eligible

"Are you a resident of a 10-mile radius of the Maryland state-house? Navy athletic association member? Member of the Severn river naval command? Midshipman?"

The problem of checking eligibility for tickets to the Army-Navy classic developed after President Roosevelt shifted the game from Philadelphia to Annapolis and placed restrictions upon attendance.

More than 10,000 tickets have been mailed, and applications will be accepted until Friday.

And remember, "rules are rules."

Huskies Will Gun for WSC

SEATTLE, Nov. 24—(AP)—Washington's football squad appeared Tuesday as certain to be in top physical and mental condition for its attempt to knock Washington State out of the Coast conference leadership here Saturday.

The Huskies were driving hard Tuesday in their first turnout since a tough goal line break cost them the chance of victory over UCLA. Coach Ralph "Pee" Welch said he did not plan to give the players any hard body contact work during the week.

"We've had enough scrimmage," he said. "We're starting to store up all energy because we'll need it when those Cougars come to town."

Monmouth Grigger Hurt

MONMOUTH—Frank Smith, jr., a junior at Monmouth high school, fractured his left collarbone while practicing football on the OCE gridiron last weekend. The injury is not serious enough to keep Smith from continuing school work.

Manager Jimmy Wilson of the Chicago Cubs conferred with him for two or three hours here Monday, Rickey said at his weekly press conference, and "we did some casting about."

No Details Given
Rickey did not get into the subject of their conversation in detail, but it was quite possible that they may have considered one of the five first basemen on the Cubs' roster as possible replacement for the veteran Dolph Camilli, who has been considering retirement.

The Cubs have Glen Russell, Jimmy Fox, Phil Cavarretta, Ed Waitkus and Heinz Becker all with first base experience and the Dodgers' need may become desperate even though Rickey said he still had hope of persuading Camilli to return.

To Talk To Dolph
Another possibility was that he might obtain a replacement from one of the St. Louis Cardinals farms.

Rickey said he believed that Camilli was sincere in saying that he was unable to obtain help for the operation of his California ranch.

"I know this is a problem, from my personal experience," he said. "I don't think terms would bother us. But I am going to talk to him in a different vein than I have ever needed to do with other ball players."

Camilli's Farm Worries Over

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 24—(AP)—Dolph Camilli, who said he wouldn't, may be playing first base for the Brooklyn Dodgers next spring after all—because Mrs. Hugh Cumming heard an AP item broadcast from a local radio station Monday night. Confusing little paradox isn't it?

It happened this way. Two weeks ago Camilli said he would not return to Brooklyn next year because of the high cost of maintaining his family there coupled with the fact his 2800-acre cattle ranch near Laytonville needed his attention.

Camilli's predicament made news. Mrs. Cumming tuned in on a program. Her husband, now a Richmond shipyard worker, was born and reared on a Montana ranch and wants to get back to cattle raising. Jack McDonald, the announcer, supplied Camilli's address.

A letter was enroute Tuesday to Camilli from Cummings offering to take charge of the ranch if the former decided to play ball next year.

Albany and Eugene Clash

ALBANY—(Special)—The Eugene Axemen vs. Albany Bulldogs No-Name league football game, originally slated for Thanksgiving day, will be played Wednesday night on Central Field instead.

Albany chances for a victory received a decided upturn last week-end when the powerful and big Axemen were smacked down by Marshfield, 13-0. Nevertheless, the Bulldogs will go into the game underdogs.

Eugene is undefeated in league play while the boys of Coach John Welbes have a 7-0 defeat from Milwaukie against their record. Should the Bulldogs win the league race would wind up in a tie between the two clubs.

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