

# STATESMAN SPORTS

By Al Lightner, Sports Editor

## Marv Owen Signed to Manage Portland Beavers for 1944

### From the BLEACHERS

By AL LIGHTNER

Old home week, homecoming, furlough fate, coincidence—call it what you will, but the village seems seething the last few days with visiting "ex's". First Sgt. Lee Fallin, in from Camp Roberts, then Pvt. Don Williams of Chemawa basketball up from Adair.

Followed by Cpl. T/5 Phil Salstrom, home for a spell from army nursing duties at Sheppard Field, Tex. Along with Phil came Cpl. T/3 Les and Cpl. T/4 Stan Miller, the former wrestling twins of Corvallis high who helped the Spartans win the state grappling title not so long ago. They're now at Sheppard Field also. Then there's Lt. (Jg.) Bruce Williams up from Alameda air base and Lt. Dick Peters of the RCAF. Ron Gemmell, your ol' Sports Sparker and brand new papa broke away from glorified cop duties for a short visit. Even Cpl. Al Lightner, the kid brother who hoops for Fort Lewis Reception Center quit checked in for a spell. So there's a little life in the town at that—at least this weekend.



RON GEMMELL

Williams tells (no pun intended) of giving A/C Dave Kelley (the ex-Bearcat football-basketballer ace) a "check" during Dave's tenure at Alameda—helping pass him onto further training at Corpus Christi—then joins Gemmell in assuring that Herm Wedemeyer, the St. Mary's college freshman from Honolulu is by far and away the best collegiate backfielder either have ever seen.

#### Wedemeyer All They Say He Is

"You just can't believe he's only a freshman playing his first year of college ball, he's that good," says Bruce. "I saw him against Cal and he made monkeys out of 'em. He's really got it, and the California scribes who insist he's the freshman find of the year aren't just kidding. The guy's terrific. He looks to me like a pro calibre player right now. (To which Gemmell "ayes" at every turn.)

"I understand S'pec (Keene, of course) could have had him at Willamet this year if it weren't for the war and all. They tell me Art Gallon was set to send him over, but he picked St. Mary's possibly because there was more football down south.

"Got to see Stag's team play a few times, and both games I saw Ted Ogdahl play he looked great. He played about half the game against Del Monte. In Stag's system the fullback plays up rather close on offense, so Ted didn't do much with the line smacks. But on the wide ones he's still as rugged as he ever was.

"Stagg's punt formation is an odd-looking setup, but what results! Kicker stands about 15-17 yards back and on the snap the linemen merely brush-block and head up-field to a man. The kicker boots with little or no protection, and when the opposing safety man gets the ball—wham! He's hit right there. There's hardly such a thing as a punt return against Pacific, and when this fellow Podesto booted 'em it was all the tougher on the safety man. He wasn't a long kicker, just 35 or 40 yards but awfully high. The whole Pacific line was there waiting with the safety man when he kicked."

Williams adds he's finally come up with the long-awtiate transfer from instruction in California and hopes to be on fleet duty pretty soon. He thinks it'll be off the east coast at least.

#### Fort Lewis May Lose Bishop, Torgeson

The other Al Lightner brought tales of more basketballing for the Reception Center men starting Monday, but saw possibilities of playing this time without such men as Gail Bishop, the scoring titan who hit for 224 points for WSC last winter and then notched 50 in one game in the AAU tourney at Denver, and Earl Torgeson, Seattle's \$50,000 baseball beauty who's said to be equally efficient on the hardwoods. Even Hal Lee, ex-Washington caging whiz is at present hospitalized and may be unavailable.

"Both Bishop and Torgeson are MPs, Bishop patrolling vit jeep, the city of Tacoma every night and Torgeson stationed at Fort Lawton. It's going to be tough obtaining permission for both to play with the Reception Center since they're quite outside our jurisdiction, but we have hopes.

"We'll be tickled to get this 6-foot 8-inch Roger Wiley from Oregon, though," says the athlete of the family, "for we need lots of height on the club. By the way, if this Wiley is 6-8 he wouldn't be in the army. Regulations say 6-8 is too big, so he must be at the most 6-7 1/2.

"We heard we almost got this 'Chief' McLean, the former Oregon and Southern Oregon Normal basketball-baseball star, but he up and joined the navy instead.

"We're already looking forward to entering the Denver tourney again, and if we can repeat as champs of the Washington AAU meet we've been promised 300 towards Denver from that association.

"Speaking of basketball teams, this Camp Roberts could have a real one if they went after it. Just four of a whole potful of speedster), Boody Gilbertson (off Washington State's champion-prospects at Roberts now are Lew Beck, (the former Oregon State ship team), Ray Turner (Idaho's center who held the Northern division scoring record for awhile with 192 points) and Johnny Ryan (high-scoring guard with Idaho's Vandals last season.)

"Don't think we wouldn't like to have 'em all."

#### Tablers Pick Gridiron Foes

SPOKANE, Nov. 13—(AP)—The Spokane athletic round table announced today it had picked the unbeaten Bellingham high school team to meet John Rogers high school, Spokane city champion, here on Thanksgiving day.

The announcement said Harlan Jackson, principal of the Bellingham school, had wired acceptance.

The game is to be a feature of the ART's "physical fitness day" which will have as its main event the Pacific coast college cross country championships.

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## Veteran Third Sacker Takes Shea's Place

PORTLAND, Nov. 13—(AP)—The appointment of Marvin Owen, third sacker, to be manager of the Portland Beavers of the Pacific Coast Baseball league, succeeding Mervin Shea, was announced tonight by William Klepper, general manager.

Shea's dismissal was announced by Klepper soon after the league season closed in September.

Owen was signed by the Portland club in 1941 as a free agent. He played for Seattle in 1930, and was sold to the Detroit Tigers, where he remained a year.

From Detroit he went to the International league to play a year before returning to the Tigers. He remained with that club for five years before he was sold to the Chicago White Sox.

From Chicago he went to Boston to play with the Braves for two years, after which he was declared a free agent.

## Bears Bounce Bruins, 13-6

By RUSS NEWLAND  
BERKLEY, Calif., Nov. 13—(AP)—The University of California Bears beat the University of California at Los Angeles Bruins 13 to 6 here today in a "brother vs brother" football match that saw the boys from the south go down fighting but not humiliated through their showing.

Shortenders, the Bruins scored first, shoving over a touchdown on a sensational play engineered by one man—Don Malmberg. The big left tackle, handiest player on the field, blocked a punt of California's halfback Bob Weeks, then scooped up the ball to run 17 yards for the score.

The Bears came back to cross their rival's goal line with thirty seconds to go in the second quarter and converting the extra point, left the field at half time with 7 to 6.

They built up their margin in the last period, thanks to alert play that saw weeks recover a fumble by U.C.L.A.'s left half John Roesch on the six yard line. Bob Frisbee, California's left half darted through right tackle for the touchdown. Frisbee also scored his team's other touchdown, going through the same spot for one yard.

## Medford 'Zephyr' Next for '50-50' Vikings

Wondering what gruesome fate is in store for them next, Salem high's 50-50 Vikings — they've won four and lost four now — go back to weekday shift tomorrow to prepare for their last scheduled game of the season, against Medford's Black Tornado at Medford next Friday night.

Their brand-new win streak scuttled at one straight by the 14-13 happening at Eugene Thursday, their spirits at half-

## 'Unusuals' Dot Saturday Scrums as Buckeyes Annex Thriller, Penn Upset

By ORLO ROBERTSON

NEW YORK, Nov. 13—(AP)—This was a day of unusuals of the nation's gridirons but there was nothing out of the ordinary at Evanston, Ill., and Iowa City where Notre Dame and Iowa Pre-Flight brought their unbeaten football trails a little closer together in preparation for their clash at South Bend next Saturday.

While Ohio State was whipping Illinois 12 minutes after the game apparently had ended and North Carolina and Army were capitalizing on the sel-

dom-seen safety to down Pennsylvania and Sampson naval training station, respectively, Notre Dame and the Iowa Sea-hawks each posted their eighth straight triumph. The Sea-hawks downed the soldiers from Camp Grant, 28-13.

But the Ohio State-Illinois affair took the cake. All-square at 26-26 with seconds to play, the Buckeyes tossed an incomplete pass into the end zone as the final gun sounded. The players rushed to their dressing rooms and the crowd filed out of the stadium. Meanwhile, Head Linesman F. C. Goebel was gesticulating wildly that Illinois was offside. The players finally returned to the field for one play—enough to permit John Stungis to kick a 25-yard field goal and give Ohio State a 29-26 victory.

The safety that helped give North Carolina a surprise 9-6

triumph over Penn came in the second period. The Tarheels protected that slim margin through the third chapter, yielded a touchdown in the fourth, then struck back for one of their own for the biggest upset of the day.

The Army used its safety in the fourth to take a 9-7 lead after the Navy boys had held a 7-0 margin through the first half. True, the Cadets later tallied a touchdown but it was the two-pointer that broke the heart of Dr. Mal Stevens' team.

Both head coaches were absent as Navy rolled up the biggest score of the day with a 61-9 rout of Columbia. Capt. John Wheelchell of Navy was at West Point scouting the Cadets and Lou Little of Columbia remained at home convalescing from a recent illness.

The remainder of the games went pretty much as expected.

Michigan took another stride toward at least a tie for the Western conference title by whipping outclassed Wisconsin, 27-0. Oklahoma handed Missouri its first home defeat in 22 starts and just about assured the Soomers the Big Six crown with a 20-13 decision. Duke, Georgia and Georgia Tech led the scoring parade in the southland as the Blue Devils trounced Virginia, 49-6, the Crackers turned back VMI, 46-7 and Tech's Engineers buried Tulane under a 33-0 count.

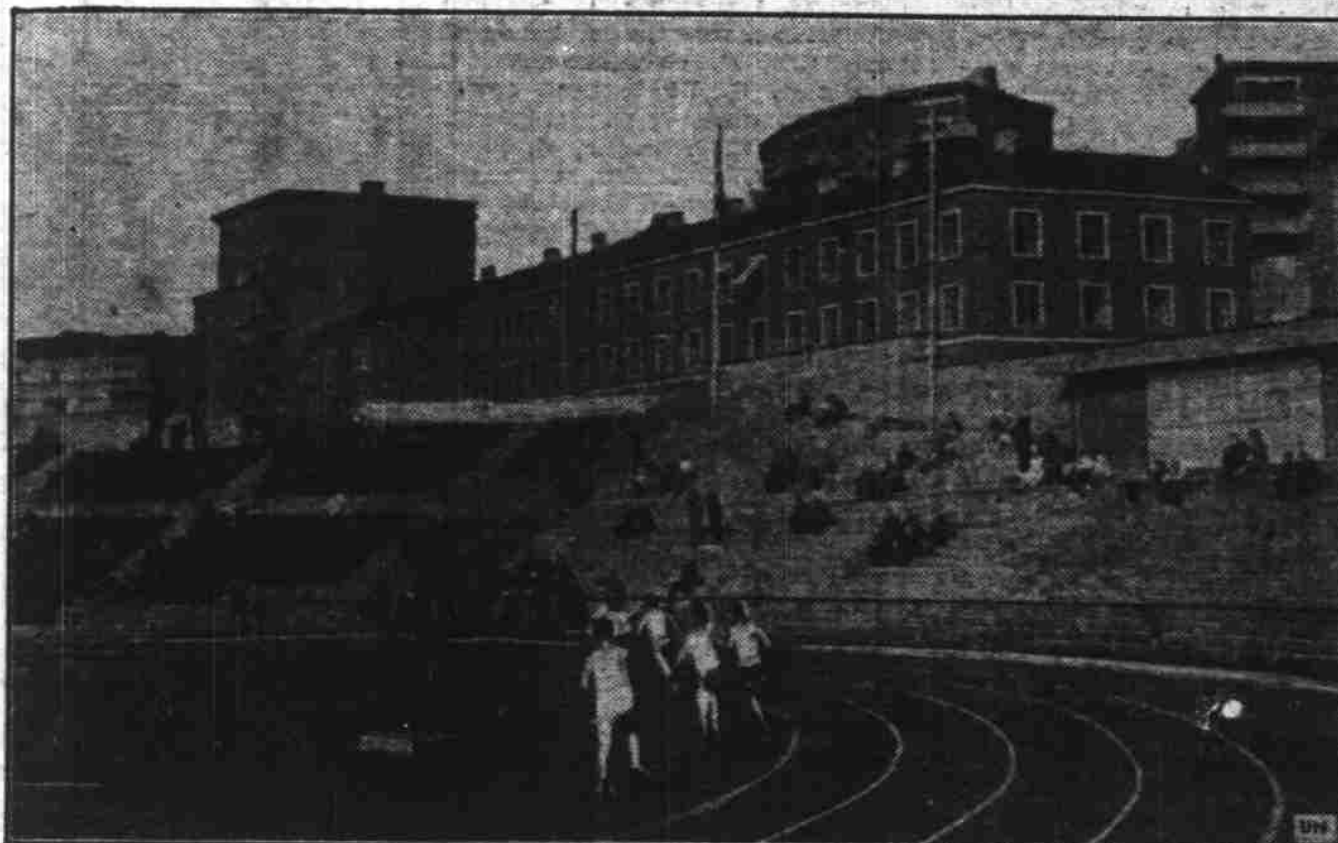
Except for Arkansas' mild 14-12 upset of Southern Methodist, the Southwest conference picture remained unchanged. Texas and the Texas Aggies warmed up for their Thanksgiving day title clash by defeating Texas Christian 46-7 and Rice 20-0, respectively.

Brown and the United States Coast Guard put on a rip-snort-

er before the Bruins emerged victorious, 34-21, with two touchdowns in the last three minutes. Dartmouth whipped Cornell, 29-0, in the rippling Ivy league game while Yale rolled over hapless Princeton 27-6. Penn State nipped Temple 13-9. Colgate turned back RPI, 27-0 and Tufts defeated Harvard, 13-7. Rutgers defeated Lehigh for the second time, 20-0.

Mid-west games which followed pattern were Minnesota 33, Iowa 14; Iowa State 20, Drake 0 and Great Lakes 21, Indiana 7. In the south the scores went this way: Baltimore naval station 46, Maryland 9; Jacksonville naval ATTC 44, Daniel Field 9; North Carolina Freighter 14, Camp LeJeune 14; Georgia Freighter 22, Clemson 9; North Carolina State 20, Davidson 0 and Camp Davis 22, Presbyterian 0.

## NAZIS? PHOOEY!



Smuggled to the USA by the Norwegian underground, this photo of a Nazi-sponsored track meet at Oslo's famed Bislet stadium speaks for itself. This August track meet—to Norwegians what the world series is to Americans—was this year a scene for an effective, silent demonstration of resistance to German occupation as the handful of spectators in German uniforms testify. The stadium seats 30,000. For three years the 300,000 members of the Norwegian Athletic union have flatly refused to take part in Nazi-staged events. Many of them, including the world's champion ski jumper, Birger Ruud, are in concentration camps as a result.

### Golf Durationalized

## 'Blazin' Ben' Now 2nd Looney

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Nov. 13 (AP)—Golfer Ben Hogan became Second Lt. Ben Hogan of the army air forces today. He was graduated from the AAF officer candidate school.

"I'm afraid my golf is over for the duration," said the 36-year-old Texan as he looked longingly at the former greens and fairways of the Bayshore golf course, now a drill field. "But I'm planning to take up where I left off when the war is won."

The former Hershey, Pa., pro, a top money winner the past few years, is classified as a physical training officer but he doesn't know what or where his new assignment will be.

## Nelson, McSpaden Eye 'Under Par' Itinerary

DALLAS, Nov. 13—(AP)—Byron Nelson and Harold "Jug" McSpaden, on a nationwide 180-hole golf tour for war relief, hope to stay under par on the long jaunt.

Their chances look bright. Nelson, former national open champion, and McSpaden, acclaimed unofficially as the 1943 pro king, are four and three under par, respectively, for the courses at Pinehurst and Greensboro, N. C.

## Football Results

- WEST March Field 35, Southern Cal. 6. California 13, UCLA 6. Colorado College 64, Utah 0. New Mexico 33, Denver 13.
- EAST Duke 61, Columbia 0. Dartmouth 20, Cornell 0. Army 16, Sampson Naval Training Station 7. Yale 27, Princeton 6. N. Carolina 9, Pennsylvania 8. Brown 24, US Coast Guard 21. Penn State 13, Temple 0. Colgate 26, Rensselaer Poly 0. Tufts 18, Harvard 7.
- SOUTH Tuskegee 19, Florida A & M 6. Georgia 46, Vir. Military 7. Georgia Pre-flight 32, Clemson 6. N. Carolina State 20, Davidson 0. Duke 49, Virginia 0. Bainbridge Navy 44, Maryland 0. Jacksonville Naval 44, Daniel Field 0. Camp Davis 32, Presbyterian 0. Navy Fleet 68, Augusta Military 6. Georgia Tech 33, Tulane 0. North Carolina Pre-flight 14, Camp Lejeune 14 (tie).
- MIDWEST Ohio State 29, Illinois 26. Arkansas 14, Southern Methodist 12. Michigan 27, Wisconsin 0. Minnesota 33, Iowa 14. Oklahoma 20, Missouri 13. Great Lakes 21, Indiana 0. Ohio Wesleyan 32, Bowling Green 20. Oberlin 21, Wooster 0.
- NORTHWEST Wilberforce 25, W. Virginia State 2. Kenyon 13, Kenyon College Army Training Unit 7. Fort Riley 14, Fort Warren 7. Kansas 13, Warrensburg 12.
- SOUTHWEST Texas A & M 20, Rice 0. Texas 46, Texas Christian 7. Arkansas 14, Southern Methodist 12. N. Texas Aggies 34, Texas Tech 14. (OREGON HIGH SCHOOL — Friday and Saturday) Grant 14, Jefferson 6 (both Portland). Benson 7, Washington 6 (both Portland). Dayton 21, Sheridan 0. The Dalles 7, Hood River 6. Milwaukie 34, Oregon City 0. Newburg 48, McMinnville 6. Commerce 14, Lincoln 7 (both Portland).
- FRONTIER Etacada 12, Gresham 7. Franklin 12, Rosevelt 7 (both Portland).

## Montreal Nips Wing Skaters

MONTREAL, Nov. 13—(AP)—Montreal became the only undefeated team in the national hockey league tonight when they downed the hitherto unbeaten Detroit Red Wings, 4-1, and moved into undisputed first place in the standings.

## USC Trampled 35-0 By March Fielders

Injun Jack Jacobs Leads Parade To Worst Defeat Ever for Troy; USC-Husky Bowl Date Still Looms

By FRANK FRAWLEY  
LOS ANGELES, Nov. 13—(AP)—March Field's Fourth Air Force swamped Southern California today, 35 to 0, with a spectacular aerial attack generated by Jack Jacobs, former backfield star with the University of Oklahoma and the Cleveland Browns.

The crushing defeat was the second straight for the injury-riddled Trojans, who won their first six games without being scored on and then dropped a 10 to 7 decision to the San Diego Naval Training Station.

### They'll Talk Turkey

## Ruth Sought As Oak Boss

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 13—(AP)—There is only the remotest chance that George Hedman "Babe" Ruth may become manager of the Oakland Coast league baseball club, but the new owners cannot be ruled out for trying, at least.

C. L. "Buck" Laws, Oakland theatrical man, who recently acquired controlling interest in the club with Joe Blumenthal of San Francisco, held a conference here yesterday with Ruth's former business manager, Christy Walsh.

Walsh just returned from New York where he consulted the former Yankee home run king and idol of American youth on the matter. Walsh said that Ruth evinced only mild interest in the proposition but also agreed to meet with Laws, Blumenthal and the club's general manager, Victor Devincenti, when the trio attend the National Minor league's meeting in New York December 1.

The Fliers' first team, employing almost exclusively a running game, wasn't able to make much headway, but Jacobs' spearhead of the second crew was deadly accurate in his pitching.

The bottom fell out of the Trojan defense in the second quarter as the Fliers pushed over four touchdowns in short order. The first was easy, coming from the one-yard line on a plunge by Sal Rosato, once of Villanova, on the second play. The other three were registered on perfectly timed shot passes from Jacobs' active right arm.

Jacobs' first pitch was to Owen Thuerk, ex-Detroit Lions, for 82 yards; the next for 25 to Shelby Adams of Georgetown, Ky.; and the other for 42 to Ohio State's jumping Joe Williams. Each time the receiver was behind the Trojan defenders with a clear path to the goal.

In its own behalf Southern California had no overhead attack worthy of the term. The passer always was rushed by the alert

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