

SPORTSLIGHTNER

Sporties: What with football now in full swing, the Coast conference basketball men get together Sunday for their first meeting. The PCC cagers are already hard at it with practices at that. Incidentally, newest addition to the whistle tooters for the division from his sector is Max Allen. He's on the supplemental roster... After getting full particulars on the Puget Sounders his Bears meet in the Homecoming game here Saturday, Jerry Lillie offers to bet money "they'll be the biggest team ever to play on Sweetland field." And perhaps Mr. L. is right. Noted along the CPS lineup are such



BILL McARTHUR

featherweights as 273-pound Bob Buller at center, 226-pound Dick Hermesen at guard, 215-pounds level. Ouch!... Another who has his Homecoming work cut out for him this weekend is Bill McArthur, the OCE skipper who is getting a bangup job with the Wolves at Monmouth. Bill was an interested spectator during the Southern Oregon-San Francisco State game at Ashland last week, but we thought we saw a distinct twinkle in his eyes when after the game he promised SOCE Athletic Director Ted Schopf, "We can't beat you." True, the Southern Raiders, under Al Simpson, will spring a mighty good "T" quarterback on the Wolves Friday night. He's Chuck Vandreau, and he can pass expertly as well as direct the SOCE offense. But then American has some pretty pert lads himself in Robin Lee, Corky Van Loo and Abe Johnson, the latter a "T" quarterback of note also. Should be quite a ball game. McArthur openly admitted to Schopf, "It's the one we want to win most of all at Monmouth."

Not Biggest Crowd

That crowd of 86,288 for the Boston-Cleveland game at Cleveland wasn't the largest to witness a ball game after all. Instead, it was the largest crowd of spectators who knew what it all was about. A gathering of 120,000 Germans faithfully trooped out to the Reichsportfeld in Berlin during the 1936 Olympic games to watch an exhibition between two American teams. No one understood what was happening but they were physically there, anyway... While on baseball, Joe McCarthy has a law on his ball clubs which lacks an equal. Most manager taboo drinking or prowling during the darker night hours. McCarthy also forbids his players from smoking pipes, at least in his presence. He claims a pipe-smoker is a contented cuss, and a contented ballplayer isn't for him...

Jones Set Record

Farmer Jones, the rasser with the pet pig, won't be back here for another week or so. But in the meantime he's established a new crowd record in Vancouver, B.C. He lured an all-time high of 3800 paid up there, to prove that the Canucks like their color too... Good bet: That the town Senators can now be purchased for less than the \$75,000 price tag they sport. But before you go to signing checks, remember it will take another \$15,000 to \$20,000, and maybe more, to put a decent team on the field at the start of next season. Spring training will cost \$5000 alone...

Must Have Been Wet

Top oddity: The Indians Central vs. Franklin football game in Indiana was called off last Saturday, because of wet field. That's the first in football we know of, and the boys back there certainly never could have heard of some of Oregon's famed (7) football weather or, better still, of Willamette's Sweetland field after a day or two of rain. The nearest to a wet field postponement we have ever seen came in 1934 at Pasadena's Rose Bowl. One of those California "mist" turned into a cloudburst over the Arroyo Seco the night before the Columbia-Stanford game, and it took almost every piece of pumping equipment in Los Angeles to get three and four feet of standing water out of the bowl before they could play. They finally made it, if you'll recall, and Lou Little's ensuing Columbian upset Tiny Thornhill's "Vow Boys," 7-0... This well the Klamath Falls punters found few takers in Medford when they came across the mountain loaded with \$35 to bet on the favored Pelicans against the Black Tornado. Medford won, 27-7, and hundreds of K-Falls natives would be homeless today had Medford partisans covered all available bets...

Duck Pins

In Automotive action last night at the Portland road Pin Derby, winners results included: Dodge 2, Kaiser-Frazer 1; Ford 4, Cadillac 3; Chevrolet 1, Hudson 1; Buick 3, Oldsmobile 1. Glen Schroyer had high series with 463, Bill Campbell notched a 179 for top game and the Star-Baker Dodges hit an 1898 for high team series.

Vikings Could Alter Picture

Mort Eleven Plans Hillsboro Knockout

Right now the Hillsboro Spartans, 1947 state champion runners, rank right along with the best prep footballers in Oregon. They are not only undefeated and untied, but haven't been scored upon this season in five games. Coached by Jim Davis, the Hill-Hi team boasts 14 lettermen and operates from the T formation. They're headed for Multnomah stadium, and the Thanksgiving day finale, the experts say. All of which means little to the Salem Vikings as they tune up to meet the Spartans Friday at Hillsboro. Suddenly blossoming as a smooth working outfit last week, after four straight setbacks, the Salems are dead sure they'll kyo the Spartans Friday and therein toss a bomb into the title picture. Coach Loren Mort's team has some pretty pert lads thumping in the game, but this means little to Paul Jewell, Bud Michaels, Dean Paulus, Warren Mulkey, Ray Cummings, Fred Sproule & Co., also. They were rated as no better than Springfield last week, but completely swamped the Millers, 26-0.

Duck Foe



Bob George (above), veteran Washington State college back who played a part in the Cougars' 10-0 win over Washington last week, will see considerable action at Eugene Saturday when the WSC's attempt to halt the Oregon Duck march to the Rose Bowl.

Lillie Visions Punting Duel

Slanchik vs. Wood Accents 'Foot' Ball

The "foot" will return to football but definitely Saturday afternoon when the Willamette Bearcats play the College of Puget Sound Loggers in the big Homecoming game on Sweetland field. Both the Cats and Loggers have in Johnny Slanchik and Warren Wood two of the best punters on the Pacific coast hands down, and both are ready to take up from where they left off in the CPS-WU game at Tacoma a year ago. Wood, a guard at 215 pounds, averaged 47 yards per boot in the scoring 40 mark this season. Slanchik went 45.6 in the '47 game and has been steadily improving all this campaign.

In forecasting a top-grade kicking duel between the two, WU Mentor Jerry Lillie also added that Bearcat Quarterback Bob Douglas, out of the past two games with an injury, will be back in harness Saturday to help with the T-formation chores so ably handled by Johnny Burleigh recently. Douglas' aeriels could help a lot, as Lillie doesn't believe his charges will have too much luck running at the huge 200-plus pound line the CPS'ers have.

Valley Prep Elevens Face Important Weekend Clashes



Gene Barrett

Although few have bearing on the drive for state championship honors, well over a dozen high school football battles in the valley this week do have their importance so far as league titles are concerned. The Big Six, Willamette Valley, Marion-Polk and Marion County B circuits boast their crucials, and even the local Junior high loop loses together its two undefeated elevens. First, the Big Six: The top clash here is of course the Eugene-Albany game at Albany

Friday night. Rex Hunsaker's Bulldogs are headed pell mell into state title contention after five straight wins, including the 20-7 conquest of Bend last week. Eugene isn't so well off with a 3-won, 2-lost record so far, but almost anything can happen in Albany-Eugene conclaves, and usually does. However, it's indeed doubtful "it" will happen at Albany. Bend plays at Springfield in the only other league tilt, and after last week's deflating loss to Albany the Lava Bears should bounce back with a vengeance. Salem plays at Hillsboro and Corvallis at Beaverton in non-league scraps. Hillsboro is another of the state prep powerhouses and should have little trouble with the Vikings, although those same Vikings, after smashing Springfield 24-0 last

week, are primed for a major upset. Next, the Willamette Valley: When Mt. Angel beat Silverton two weeks ago most WVL experts figured that one practically wrapped up the 1948 title for the Preps. But now Gene Barrett's kids find themselves tied for the league lead with Bobby Daggett's up-and-coming Dallas Dragons, and they get together at Dallas Friday night in the week's feature. Title chances rest squarely on the outcome. Silverton is battling to remain in the race and must knock off a surprising Estacada team Friday night at Silverton. Woodburn intends getting back into the win column after being upset last week by playing Molalla Friday afternoon at Woodburn. The fourth game sends Sandy to Canby.

The Marion-Polk: Both Stayton and Sacred Heart Academy, listed top powers, play Friday afternoon on the Sacred Heart field. They are unbeaten after one league game and neither can afford to lose Friday if it expects to retain title honors. Monmouth's Wolverines, losers last week, play host to Salem Academy. Jefferson goes to Independence. Marion County B: St. Paul plays at Gervais, Turner at Aumsville and Chemawa at North Marion, all in the afternoon. Gervais, Aumsville and Chemawa should win. Junior High: The feature game falls at 3:45 o'clock on Olney field Friday, between the two unbeaten Parrish teams, the Greys and Carids. While this one looms as a tossup, the night game between West Salem and the Le-Vie Blues, 7:30 o'clock at Leslie, should be all Blues.

Lee Slams First Round Kayo Over Volk; Locals Cop Wins

Ripping Left Decides Scrap

Colley, Hoffert, McDowell Victors

By Al Lightner
Statesman Sports Editor

King Henry Lee sent a wicked left hand smash into Bobby Volk's right eye in the first round of their main event at the armory last night, and the blow, one that may long be remembered by the Portlander, brought the Seattle negro a knockout win in 50 seconds.

The two had scarcely begun what was expected to be a slug-fest match when the muscular darkie let fly with the wallop from about waist level. It landed flush on Volk's eye. He staggered momentarily and then went down. So solidly did King Henry hit Bobby that he was partly paralyzed and totally blinded all during Referee Packy McFarland's count. Volk tried three times to get to his feet, but instead fell to his side on the canvas much like a steer that had been introduced to the slaughterhouse sledge. Once during the toll he was heard to say, "I can't see."

Volk was helped to his corner after the 20-year-old Seattle lad's hand in the raised, and a doctor's survey of the damage to the already badly bloodshot eye was, "It could be serious." Volk was still having trouble with his vision in the dressing room later, although he could see.

The kayo amounted to one of the nastiest ever scored in the armory ring, and it came as a surprise. Volk was liked by many as the favorite, and he too, had scored many a knockout in the past. In the first round with a mighty left hand of his own. He weighed 160, Lee 160 1/2.

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Jensen Moves Ahead

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 20.—(Special)—All-America candidate Jackie Jensen of the University of California took over the top spot in Pacific Coast Conference total offense this week and at the same time widened his lead in Conference rushing to over 100 yards ahead of his nearest competitor. The Bear fullback ran and passed for 169 yards against the Oregon State Beavers last Saturday to give him a total of 587 yards gained in 5 games. Don Samuel of OSC, last week's total offense leader, slipped to third place with 558 yards as Ray Nagel of UCLA also moved ahead of him with 578 yards. The statistics released by the Conference Commissioner's office show that Jensen has gained 494 yards on the ground in 44 attempts for an 11.2-yard average. Oregon's John McKay, the number two rusher in the league, was unable to play against Southern California last weekend and so could not increase his 385-yard total.

Norm VanBroeklin and Nagel pulled farther ahead of the field in the matter of passes completed. VanBroeklin, Oregon's quarterback, has had 35 of his throws caught in 69 attempts, while Nagel has completed 32 out of 60. Oregon's McKay and California's Charlie Sarver are tied for the scoring lead with 36 points each, on six touchdowns. OSC's Rudy Ruppe tops the pass-receivers with 16 catches for 170 yards.

McKay May Go Against WSC; Beaver In jury List Reduced

EUGENE, Oct. 20.—(AP)—Left Halfback Johnny McKay, the high scoring Oregon halfback until injured in the Idaho game, is improving and may see action against Washington State here Saturday. Coach Jim Aiken reported all others of the squad are in top condition as he sent them through pass defense and sharpened the running attack for the Cougar game.



DON MURDOCK

Murdock Tops Bowling Mark

Don Murdock, wheeling for the Pink Elephant team, last night set an all-time high mark for local league play as he chalked a scorching 741 series in Major league action at Capitol Alley. Murdock's performance was six pins over the previous high of 735 racked up by El Haman several years ago.

During his hot session Murdock rolled games of 262, 233 and 246. In his first game he whammed nine straight strikes and then was smitten with 4-6 split. He cracked seven strikes in a row in his final effort until another split stopped him.

Bowling Scores

CIVIC LEAGUE
Hollywood Lions No. 1 (2)—Hanna 470, Mootry 264, Gilson 224, Donaldson 306, Rogutowski 305, 20-30 Club (1) Boire 413, Gray 430, Schmidt 345, Sullivan 472.
Moose (1)—Russell 444, Smith 307, Scheibel 388, Frank 368, Goin 403, Jr., Chamber of Commerce (2)—D. Schmidt 328, R. Gray 268, Wedel 428, Doerk 542.
Lions No. 1 (2)—Duerrier 438, Henderson 411, Porter 394, Hoy 426, Esters 421, Hollywood Lions No. 2 (1)—Forkner 283, Cox 389, Cross 394, Purvis 410, Tindall 398.
Lions No. 3 (2)—Griffith 339, Seamster 420, S. Smith 441, Holt 456, Starrett 473, Lions No. 4 (1)—Young 373, Sheineth 397, Halverson 461, Miller 459, Stewart 396.
Lions No. 3 (2)—J. Beard 429, D. Young 442, Fagan 328, Rostel 441, Fletcher 438, Kivanih No. 1 (0)—McKinney 479, Kaye 429, Long 381, Anderson 458, Alhadeid 414.
High game, 307, rolled by Griffith of Lions No. 2.
High series, 542, by Doerk of Jr. Chamber of Commerce.
High team series, 2390, by Lions No. 1.

Cook in Lead WVL Scoring

Jack Cook, big Dallas fullback, is out in front of the Willamette Valley league individual scoring parade, according to incomplete figures compiled by league Secretary Charles Sheron, Woodburn coach. In three games Cook has scored six touchdowns and four conversions for 40 points. He is 13 points ahead of Jim Nosack, Mt. Angel fullback, who has tallied 27.

Other leaders Reich, Molalla, 19; Yuranek, Woodburn, 13; Myers, Silverton, 12; Randall, Estacada, 12; Collins, Woodburn, 12. All with single touchdowns are Kee and Smith of Canby, Penner

Sharpening Up for 'Jacks



Headman Jerry Lillie and three of his touchdowners, Johnny Slanchik, Herb Johnson and Bobby Douglas (left to right), sharpen up the big WU "Paul Bunyan" axe in preparation for the Homecoming game here Saturday with College of Puget Sound. The WU slogan for the game, "Battleaxe the Lumberjacks." Lillie & Co. won't be permitted to use the axe on the foe, but the thought is there.

Commish Upholds Kahut Nod

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 20.—(AP)—Oregon Joe Kahut's decision win in the ring here last night over Joey Maxim of Cleveland will stand as final for their heavyweight match. Joseph De Boest, chairman of the committee of judges and referees for the Oregon boxing commission, said today the decision was by appointed officials and is final.

'Forest' Ace Tops Receivers

NEW YORK, Oct. 20.—(AP)—The race for pass-catching honors among collegiate grid stars of the nation, a wide open affair this season, finds a new man out in front today for the fourth time in as many weeks.

He is Johnny O'Quinn of Wake Forest, who caught five forward passes for 117 yards and one touchdown against Duquesne last Saturday. That ran his total to 20 catches in five games and sent him to the top of the National Athletic Bureau's weekly standings where he replaced Tennessee's Jim Powell, who was shut out by Alabama.

Not only does O'Quinn top the nation in the number of passes caught, but he also leads in total gains on forwards with 254 yards. Paul Stombaugh of Furman is leading the punters. Stombaugh is averaging 45.4 yards on 36 punts to date, compared with the college record of 43.3.

and Ruef of Mt. Angel, Smith of Woodburn, Schiervo and Kelly of Molalla, Lamb and Snider of Estacada and McCulley and West of Dallas. Only Silverton has failed to turn in complete reports to Sheron.

WOLVERINES WARNED ANN ARBOR, Mich., Oct. 20.—(AP) Coach Bennie Osterbaan threw a steady diet of Minnesota plays at his unbeaten Michigan football team today and finished off the drill with a sharp warning: "Never underestimate a football team especially Minnesota!"

Waldorfs Stand Out

Cal Top PCC Club On Attack, Defense

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 20.—(Special)—California is the Pacific Coast Conference's undisputed leader in the half-way mark in the 1948 football season according to Conference statistics released today.

Cougar Tackle Handed Honor

NEW YORK, Oct. 20.—(AP)—Lauri Niemi, Washington State College football lineman of the week, was selected on the basis of his sterling performance in State's upset victory over the University of Washington. He received the most votes of the 35 players nominated in the Associated Press poll. Niemi played the full 60 minutes against Washington and was in the middle of every defensive play as State stopped Washington's running attack. On offense much of State's 224 yards were made through holes opened by Niemi. The star from the Pacific Northwest joins Alex Sarkisian, Northwestern center, who a week ago was named lineman of the week.

Horses Perish In Stable Fire

CHICAGO, Oct. 20.—(AP)—Chicago's second major race track fire in less than three years destroyed 25 thoroughbreds at a Hawthorne Park stable last night.

Loss of the horses, none of prominent reputation, and the stable at suburban Stickney was estimated at \$15,000 by Robert F. Carey, the track's managing director. Carey said "nobody has the slightest idea how the fire started."

About 900 other horses in nearby stables were unharmed as the flash blaze was held by firemen to barn 8 in which all the dead animals were stabled.

A report that an unidentified groom was missing after the fire could not be confirmed by the Cook county coroner's office.

The fire was not as costly as the blaze at Arlington Park May 2, 1946, when 24 horses owned by Mrs. Elizabeth Graham's Maine Chance farm perished. That loss, including a number of promising juveniles, was estimated at \$500,000.

BRUINS DRUB 'HAWKS' BOSTON, Oct. 20.—(AP)—The Boston Bruins opened their 25th national hockey league home season by drubbing the Chicago Blackhawks, 8-3, before a new capacity crowd of 13,000 tonight at the Boston Garden.

Coleman to Address Breakfast Clubbers

Ralph O. Coleman, longtime Oregon State baseball coach and physical education man, and also commissioner of the Northern Division, Pacific Coast conference in basketball and football, will be the principal speaker Friday morning at the weekly meeting of the Salem Breakfast club. The breakfast will start at 7:30 o'clock and President Howard Maple urges a full turnout of the membership.

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