

SPORTSLIGHTNER

by Al Lightner

The new McCulloch stadium press box strictly is an item of class and comfort for those who are to rattle the Remingtons for the Bearcat grid games. This modernistic touch, comparable to anything we've seen on the Coast, in smaller stature of course, certainly earmarks the "new deal" in WU athletics. Too bad you're not all newsies assigned to covering the Cat games, as the coup is that inviting. We do trust, however, that the owners haven't forgotten one important item in the thing at McCulloch. That would be the light globes. About all we like to remember about the drafty, dirty, smelly and grossly uncomfortable press facilities at Sweetland field is the fact that its janitor eternally forgot to install bulbs in the sockets. Spec Keene, Les Sparks, Walt Erickson, Gil Leiser and others, all in turn absorbed many a cursing from the pressies whose very first chore when arriving at the field was to find somebody who had an extra light bulb for the press box. And you'd hardly believe how impossible it seemed to be to find one of the indispensable things. So to whoever is to be commander of the McCulloch coup, please don't forget the light bulbs. . . . Speaking of Spec Keene, commander of the WU forces for 17 years before moving to Oregon State, he was in town earlier in the week and was noted sporting a broad grin. When asked how his Beaver footballers looked for the coming PCC derby, Spec beamed even more jubilantly. Now Spec never was one to go around frowning all the time. But the painless smiles he turned loose during his local visit were of the species that had us believing Mr. K. fully expects the Staters to make a big noise in the touchdown parade this season. . . . For that matter they tell us Leo Harris at Oregon isn't exactly carrying around a crying towel these days. . . .

TONY (SMARTY) ROSS

Volves Up to "Quick-Hitting" Stuff Again

If you're planning to see Bill McArthur's OCE Wolves in action this season, better be there when the game starts. The Wolves are again up to their old 1949 trick of ramming a long touchdown run through the enemy on the first play of the game. And again it's Robin Lee, who earned Little All-Coast honors last season, who is carrying the ball on one of McArthur's pet plays. The scooter ripped it through Lewis & Clark for 69 yards on the first play of last Saturday's game, and we recall a few occasions last season when the specialty went all the way for "six."

We'll not of course diagram how the play works, as it wouldn't be at all fair to the Wolves. We'll just let it ride with the tattle that the payoff play is a dandy, requiring but one key block to get it under way. . . .

Young Thorpe Praised by Chemawa Coach

Chemawa's Indian schoolers don't get their football season rolling until next week, but already the Chemawa coach Francis Kettleson is singing the praises of his fullback Dick Thorpe. Young Dick is of course the son of the great Jim Thorpe, voted the most outstanding athlete and football player for the first 50 years of the current century. Dick looks quite a bit like his famous daddy even though he weighs only 160 pounds.

Kettleson tells us the youngster is "running real well" in practices and should lead Chemawa to a good season in the Marion County B league. Most of the Chemawa attack will be built around Fullback Thorpe, naturally. . . .

While on the subject concerning Indians, might mention that one of the newest rasslin' rages in the east at present is "Chief Thunder" (Continued on next page)

Starting Crew Shapes Up

Bearcats Finish Heavy Drills for Grid Opener

Willamette's football squad hammered through a lengthy scrimmage Wednesday and at the windup Coach Chester Stackhouse had a somewhat clearer picture of how his starting forces will shape up in the season's opener against Central Washington's Wildcats Saturday afternoon at McCulloch field.

Due to open at the quarterback post is Rick Bingham, the 185-pound Myrtle Point freshman. Standing close behind Bingham is Ed Jarman, sharp-passing junior.

Willamette officials announce that equipment has been received for the movie-taking which will be a part of the "Salem-Day" activities Saturday at the WU. CWCE opener at McCulloch field. Cameras will be set up and pictures taken of every person who passes through the gates. The film will be shown next week at the Elsinore theatre, as well as candid shots taken of the crowd and game.

Another frosh, Don Humphries, who has decided to stick with football despite medical studies, apparently has won the right half position after a good performance Wednesday.

A former Salem higher, Sophomore Paul Jewell, seems to have the nod for the fullback post, with Al Minn a close second. Minn or Keith Sperry, both vets, will handle the left half spot. Other backs sure to see action are Bob Taylor, Bill Ewaliko and Ralph Onzuka.

It is still a wide open battle for several of the forward wall spots. Frosh Buzz Oerding seems to have won the "H" end post and at the other flank John Skinnar, a sophomore, is the nominee. Right tackle will likely be held down by Freshman Dorrance Notaboom and at the other tackle Art Beddoe seems a sure bet. Notaboom hits 212 pounds and Beddoe weighs in at 195. Jim McHale, a 175-pound soph, is foremost candidate for the right guard slot but half a dozen men are still in the running for the other guard position.

At center it will probably be either Wally Richartz, a soph, or Junior John Markosky.

The Wildcats boast 15 returning lettermen, but many of their 1950 hopes rest on a bunch of promising transfers. L. C. (Clipper) Carmody, is this year making his debut as CWCE skipper.

Tapering drills will occupy the Bearcats today and Friday.

PCL Line Scores:

Sacramento	000 001 001 0-2 9 0
Oakland	000 100 100 1-3 11 2
Evans and Rainmond	Shoun and Padgett
Los Angeles	012 110 300-8 13 1
Seattle	001 000 002-3 10 5
Muncie and Novotny	Brown, Soriano and Shetty
San Diego	200 001 202-7 11 0
Hollywood	100 000 103-3 9 1
Jurisch, Welmsaker (5), Savage (6), Kerrigan (9), Saltsman (9) and Kerr.	
Wade, Schellack (7), Carbonaro (8) and Sandlock, Dapper (8).	

Wheels Roll for Local Purchase of Senators

By Al Lightner
Statesman Sports Editor

A home owned and operated Salem Senators baseball club became a distinct possibility Wednesday when it was announced by Salem Attorney Donald A. Young, who is heading a group of local business and professional men, that the formation of a club-owned corporation is well under way.

The deal with the Portland Beavers, with proper and protective measures included, practically has been negotiated by Young and his associates. The purchasing price for the Senators club, Waters field, certain players and equipment is \$50,000. A sum of \$12,500 is to be paid down on the holdings and the balance is to be paid with in five years at 5% interest. The Portlands a year ago were asking as high as \$100,000 for the proper-

ty. It is felt by the local men, after careful study, that the \$50,000 price is a fair one.

Designed not for the benefit of any one man or the group of men who are originating it, the corporation will be an "open-to-the-public" venture. Two-thousand shares of stock at \$25 per share are to be issued, and the group feels that the more who buy into the club the better it will be from a successful standpoint.

Western International League President Robert Abel has been contacted for his views on the proposed deal and has promised that no action toward the moving of the local franchise from Salem will be taken until after the local group has had a chance to form the corporation. Abel wants to see the franchise remain in Salem and feels that the league directors will stand unanimously behind the

home-owned proposal if it is backed sufficiently by cash.

The Portland owners have announced that if the club is not sold they definitely will move it from Salem.

Many baseball-minded citizens of Salem and the surrounding areas have professed a desire to buy stock in such a venture should one be undertaken. They will now have their chance, at \$25 per share. No money is to be collected at this time. Instead, eight legal stock subscription pledge forms have been prepared by Young and are now in circulation. Those interested in buying stock in the club are urged to sign one of the forms as soon as possible so that a compilation of probable sales can be made within the next two weeks. Inasmuch as the local movement must be completed no later than the last week in October,

time is valuable. If the local plan is not completed and ready for submission to the league by the time the WIL bosses meet early in November, it is a certainty the city will lose its professional ball club.

The eight subscription forms have been placed thusly, and contacts should be made with the following as soon as possible: 1—Bruce Williams at either Station KOCO or his office in the Oregon building, 2—Howard Wicklund at Maple Sporting Goods Co., of which Wicklund is owner and operator, 3—Wardie Graham at the Labor Temple, 4—Kenny Long at Krape & Long Printers, 5—Ed Stoble at Mt. Angel News, 6—Noble Dependence, president of the Salem Tavern Owners association, 7—Hunt Clark at The Statesman, 8—Al Lightner at The Statesman.

In the event that those inter-

ested cannot get at one of the forms to sign, a letter from them, with name, address and number of shares of stock they intend buying will be acceptable by any of the above named agents. All agents, incidentally, are licensed by the state's corporation department and are circulating the subscription forms sans any fee or other stipend.

Reports of the progress of the drive will be made public at regular intervals. But it is again reminded that time is exceedingly valuable as well as scarce, and that action by those interested in buying into the club should be taken at once.

After the drive for signatures is completed, and if it is successful, a meeting of all signers will be called. It will be during this meeting that those who have subscribed for stock will elect their own

three or five-man board of directors who will have complete charge of the ball club and will do the hiring of business manager, team manager and other necessary personnel, along with making a tie-up with preferably a major league club.

It has been stressed by Young and associates that no one man or group of men will have directorship of the corporation, despite how much stock he or they own, unless they are elected by a general assembly of the stockholders.

During the attempt to buy the Senators last winter a goodly number of fans submitted written requests for possible stock to the writer at The Statesman. It is now urged that these people do so again, soon, if they cannot find one of the circulars upon which to register.

Hot Grid Chase Expected in PCC; Stanford Favored

By Russ Newland

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Western college football appears in for its closest competition in years. Top Pacific coast conference teams are loaded. Those on the fringe have the manpower to make trouble.

The leading independents will furnish major league opposition.

The annual rundown on the main contestants is ready. Any difference in opinion will be filed under "D"—for disagreement. This is the way they size up at this station:

Pacific Coast conference.

1—Stanford: Packs heaviest offensive wallop.

2—U.S.C.: Thundering herd; J. C. transfers help.

3—California: Thundering horde; green now, strong late Oct.

4—Washington: Great backfield; dangerous team.

5—U.C.L.A.: Sleeper; Wilkinson west's best end.

6—Oregon: Good passing; running questionable.

7—Oregon State: Lacks proven running backs.

8—Idaho: Best club in four years.

9—Wash. State: "T" to single wing; tough task.

It is impossible here to get away from Stanford as the conference's best bet. The starting eleven comprises lettermen, hardened by a year's experience. It was the most explosive team in the league last season and should be more so this time. The reserve material outlook is brighter. Coach Marchie should come up with the big winner.

Southern California has a wealth of talent on hand, plus potential stars among junior college transfers. California, in Lynn Waldorf's own words, will field the most experienced team of any major school in the country. The practice field swarms in numbers of big ones, however. When they fuse, watch out.

Washington's first string backfield, led by the bullseye thrower, Don Heinrich, compares with any. Starting linemen are seasoned.

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Beavers Rack 10th Straight

PORTLAND, Sept. 20.—(AP)—The Portland Beavers rode their winning streak to ten straight by edging San Francisco, 4 to 3, tonight in the first game of a Pacific Coast league doubleheader.

Red Adams, third Portland hurler of the evening, got credit for the win. The Beavers outthrew the Seals, 13-6. (Second game result on page one).

In other games the leading Oakland Oaks stepped nearer the flag with a 10-inning 3-2 win over Sacramento. San Diego topped Hollywood, 7-5, and Los Angeles whipped Seattle 8-3.

First game box:

	AB	R	E	O	A		AB	R	E	O	A
Holder	1	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Lidgiani	3	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
McWayne	5	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
L. Fingel	2	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Grace	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Oriele	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Moran	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Conway	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Perez	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Dickey	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Jacinto	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Wislake	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Demsey	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Lien	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	25	5	2	0	0	10	10	1	0	0	0

Y-3 out when winning run scored.

W—Doubled for Adams in 7th.

Z—Fanned for Hocco in 8th.

Portland 111 0-3

San Francisco 100 120 1-4

Pitching:

	IP	AB	R	E	BB	SO
Creel	5 1/2	32	3	0	3	7
Fleming	0 plus	0	0	0	0	0
Adams	4 plus	0	0	0	0	0
Perez	4 plus	0	0	0	0	0
Dickey	1 1/2	8	0	0	0	0
Demsey	0 plus	0	0	0	0	0
Lien	0 plus	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	20	40	3	0	3	7

AB—Austin, 2; Conway, Holder, Perez.

RB—Moran, Rucker, Brovia, Clay.

SB—L. Fleming, JR.—Basinski, Tobin.

JP—Moran to left; Fleming to right.

Austin to Mole; Left—San Francisco

10; Portland 12 RB by Creel (Lod-

giani). WP—Creel, Dickey. Winner—

Adams. Loser—Lien, U-Bentz, Cum-

mingham and Fort. T-2-45.

Army 2nd, Michigan 3rd

Pre-Season Poll Rates Irish (Naturally) 1st.

By Whitney Martin

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—(AP)—"Who? Me?" That was the general incredulous, if not downright alarmed, reaction of college coaches whose teams were chosen in the top 10 in the Associated Press pre-season football poll.

PREF GRIDDER DIES

GONZALEZ, Fla., Sept. 20.—(AP)—A sophomore quarterback on the Tazie high school football squad dropped dead at today's practice session. Fellow players said Randall Harris, 14, fell as the squad was running around the field at the start of practice.

HUSKIES WORK

SEATTLE, Sept. 20.—(AP)—The University of Washington's football squad worked out on everything from kickoffs to goal line stands today. They were polishing up for their season opener here Saturday against Kansas State.

Big Six

	G	A	B	R	E	P
big six						
Goodman, Red Sox	107	417	80	140	357	
Musial, Cardinals	139	532	102	184	346	
Kelle, Tigers	146	601	110	206	343	
Robinson, Dodgers	131	472	118	188	331	
Doby, Indians	134	475	104	187	321	
Cooper, Braves	115	374	85	118	216	

Franklin Was Lucky to Beat Them . . .

Gresham to Field Big, Rugged Grid Team

The Gresham high Gophers may not be in the same class with Salem's Vikings in the matter of size of school, but from scouting reports on the Gopher football team in its game with Franklin of Portland last Friday, the Villa Viki will be against anything but a pushover come Friday night at Waters field. Coach Loren Mori of the Viki had the Gophers scouted in the Franklin game, and the report brought back has made the Salems accelerate their practice labors.

Gresham will field as big a team as Salem's. An according to Assistant Coach Ken Brophy's

report, the Gophers are rugged. The line averages almost 180 pounds and the backs go over the 160 mark. Against Franklin the Gophers gained more yardage, completed more passes and notched more first downs. But a do-or-die play in the final seconds by the Quakers netted them a 12-7 victory.

The Gophers are coached by Harry Thompson, use the T-formation as do the Viki and have nine veterans in key positions in their starting lineup. Ted Judd, a 201-pound tackle spearheads the line and Co-Captains Rich Miller and Jim Hartman, both

165-pounders, spark the ball-carrying department.

Mori and Assistant Hank Juran and Hal Petersen have had the Viki doubling up on blocking drills during the week, as it was lack of downfield blocking against Cleveland that prevented the Viki from scoring. Much spirit has been shown in the Salem camp since the tie with Cleveland, and with that game beneath their belts, plus the knowledge of the mistakes they made in it, the Salems expect to get rolling in impressive fashion against Gresham.

Friday night game time will be 8 o'clock.

Yankees Retain Slim Lead

Ford Again Sparkles; Tigers Win; Bosox Lose 2 to Indians

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Brilliant pitching by Eddie Ford, sensational rookie lefthander, enabled the New York Yankees to hold their slender half-game lead today in the tough American league pennant race.

Ford pitched the Yanks to a 8-1 three-hit victory over the White Sox in Chicago for his eighth victory without a loss.

The Detroit Tigers gained undisputed possession of second place by edging the Philadelphia Athletics, 6-5, while the Boston Red Sox tumbled to third place. The Red Sox lost a doubleheader to the Indians in Cleveland, 6-3, and 7-1.

Ford cruised to victory as his mates supported his classy pitching with an 11-hit drive and built up a 6-0 lead in the first four innings. Bobby Brown led the Yank offensive with three hits. Garry Coleman knocked in three runs on a triple and single and Cliff Mape accounted for two on his 12th homer and a single.

Tigers Come from Behind

The Tigers came from behind to clip the A's. The Mackmen piled up a 5-1 lead in five innings at the expense of Dizzy Trout but the Tigers clawed back with three in the sixth and won out with two in the eighth. Ted Gray and Hal White held the A's to two hits in the last four rounds with White picking up the victory.

Bob Lemon and Early Wynn felled the Red Sox. Lemon limited the Sox to seven hits in posting his 21st victory in the first game. Wynn permitted only five safeties in gaining his 17th victory in the nightcap.

Gordon Helps Tribe

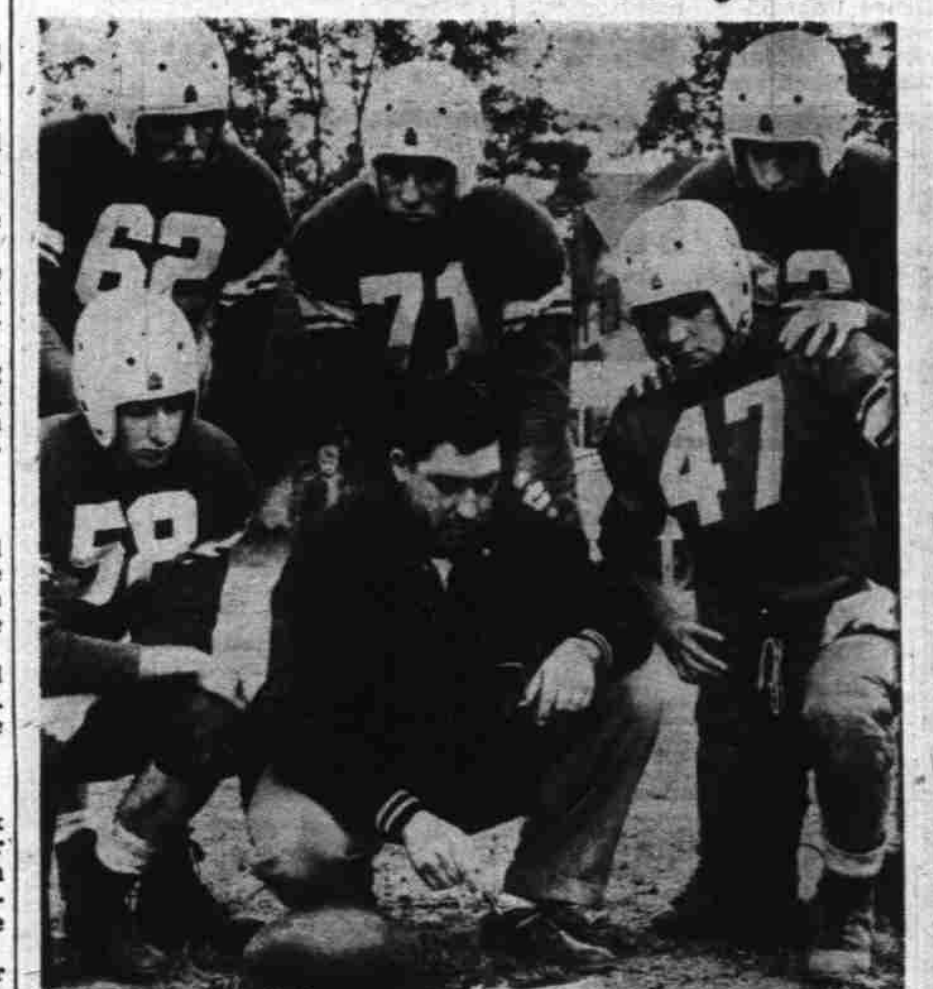
Luke Easter and Larry Doby led Cleveland's nine-hit attack against Chuck Stobbs and two relief pitchers in the opener. Easter belted a two-run homer, his 27th and Doby drove in a pair of runs on two singles. Joe Gordon was the big gun in the nightcap as he knocked in three runs, two on a home run. Walt Dropo brought in the lone Redsox run with his 34th homer in the seventh inning.

In the National league the Philadelphia Phils moved a step closer toward clinching their first pennant since 1915 by dumping the Chicago Cubs, 9-6. Stout hitting by Mike Gollat and another fine relief job by Jim Konstanty turned the tide. Gollat socked two homers with his second arriving with two on in the eighth inning to win the game. Konstanty made his 68th appearance of the season and held the clubs to two hits over the final 3 1/2 innings to earn his 16th victory.

Kiner Socks 46th

The Brooklyn Dodgers trounced the Pittsburgh Pirates, 7-2, behind the five-hit pitching of Carl Erskine. Ralph Kiner drove in both of Pittsburgh's runs with his 46th homer in the first inning. The Dodgers sewed it up in the last of the first on a grand slam homer by Gil Hodges. Cincinnati turned back the New York Giants twice, 4-1, and 2-0. Ewell Blackwell gained his 16th victory in the first game.

Cards Make Plans for Jeff



Sacred Heart Academy's Cardinals, after battling to a 0-0 tie with Mt. Angel last week, take on the Jefferson Lions Friday afternoon on the SHA field. In the above photo Coach Don Vandervort goes over a practice item with five veterans, Ed Jim Dimpewolf (58), Quarterback Jim Wiemals (47), Fullback Terry Cooney (62), Guard Paul Riley (71) and Guard John Hoy (52).

Ken Raffensberger blanked the Giants on six hits in the finale.

Sore Armed Cloyd Boyer pitched the St. Louis Cardinals to a 1-0 four-hit victory over the Braves in a night game at Boston. The loss dumped the Braves into a second place tie with the Dodgers, 7 1/2 games behind the Phils. The Washington Senators outslugged the St. Louis Browns, 12-7 in the lone American league night game.

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