

# SPORTSLIGHTNER

This is a mighty big weekend not only for those football mentors whose teams collected assorted championships and bowl bids, but also for those whose outfits finished as also-rans. The latter group, which is in the great majority, can after this week dare a relaxation that hasn't been possible during the dizzy Autumn. The poor guys didn't know from one week to the next whether they would find their images being hung from the highest tree on their respective school campus. It got so bad in the late stages of the campaign that many sent scouts to scan the campus, seeing if it were safe to check in at the school Monday morning. . . . One fellow took no chances. He bought up all the rope in his town. . . .



**KYLE ROTE**  
He's having big season.  
Hanging the coach got to be quite a fad in '55. Thankfully, most of the lynchings were done in fun and meant little. Not unlike the old chain-letter gimmick, one guy started it and the rest of the sheep followed. . . .

Our Heisman Memorial Trophy ballot is in, and we will join umpteen-dozen others across the land in selecting college football's most outstanding player of 1955. Ohio State's Howard (Hopalong) Cassidy is as certain of receiving the award as you are of paying your taxes and, good as he may be, Cassidy qualifies as a modern reason for old Bob Zuppke's famous quote, "An All-American is made by a long run, a weak defense and inspired writers."

In other words, the guy's name and reputation is so well known to gentls like ourself that he'll get votes from many who have never seen him play.

Too bad the Heisman award isn't for "year's outstanding coach" as well as player, for our vote would then go quickly for Tommy Prothro. What a tremendous job he did with Oregon State this year, one that surpassed even the hopes of the Beavers' most ardent supporters. . . .

**Kyle Rote Having One of Biggest Years**  
Our good friend Bob Daley, the New York Giants publicity department, has been keeping us up to date on the individual doings of the Gotham footballers, and it may be surprising to some to note that Kyle Rote, one of the older athletes on the club is having one of his greatest-years in the rugged pro sport. The onetime Southern Methodist All-American has tallied six touchdowns to lead the team in that department, and has caught 21 passes for over 400 yards, which is tops in the entire NFL.

As mentioned here some time ago, Rote has been playing as a regular offensive end much of the time this season. Hence his fine pass receiving mark. But he also still plays some at right halfback and has a 4.1 rushing average. . . .

Note too in the statistics on pro football that Norm Van Brocklin, whiz of the Los Angeles Rams, is having one of his worst pitching years. He's far down the list of NFL passers, in the No. 11 spot. Time was when Norman gave Otto Graham quite an argument for the No. 1 spot. . . .

Seems that a guy can't go far enough away to escape detection from someone who knew him when. Take rascal Henry Lenz for example, the low-headed muscled who likes to be known as "Golden Adonis" and who is equipped with quite a supply of muscles.

No sooner did Lenz strut into the Armory the other night, garbed in his soft red velvet get-up, including sleeves that reached clear up to his elbows, than some young femme gave forth with a squeal and spouted, "Why there's ol' Henrietta, just as sure as I'm sittin' here."

Seems that the gal knew Lenz when he was a paid-up member of the Santa Monica "Muscle Beach" clan, and his official monicker there wasn't Henry, but Henrietta. Whoops, m'dear. . . .

One of the early December basketball opponents for Oregon State at Corvallis will amount to one of the biggest outfits in the nation. Ev Shelton's Wyoming Cowboys have no less than seven lads on the 12-man squad who measure over 6 feet, 8 inches in height. . . .

### Changes Again Noted in Cage Rules

And speaking of basketball, fans will note two radical rules changes again the coming season, along with the collegiate adoption of the 12-foot lane (twice as wide as the now outmoded 6-footer). One of the changes calls for the 1-and-1 bonus foul to be in effect throughout the game, doing away with the all-fouls-two-shot-fouls-in-the-last-three-minutes. In other words all common fouls other than those on the shooter, or of flagrant variety, will be penalized by one free throw. If the thrower makes it, he gets another. If he misses the first the ball is in play.

The second change has to do with stalling by an individual. No player may retain possession of the ball for longer than five seconds if he is attempting to stall and if he is closely guarded by a defensive player. If guilty, a jump ball is to be called.

The latter does not apply during team control of the ball, and fans will still see what's called the "stalling weave" where a number of players control the ball. But the individual can no longer control it during a stalling situation.

This was injected into the rules in the hope that it would cut down stalling near the end of a game. But as we see it, coaches will only teach their athletes the art of team-control stalling, and we're right back where we've been at the end of a game when the team ahead is freezing the ball. . . .

### Texas Christian Whips Rice, Moves Into Cotton Bowl Game

FORT WORTH, Tex. (AP) — Texas Christian toyed with Rice for a 35-0 victory Saturday to move into the Cotton Bowl as host team Jan. 2.

Chuck Curtis' passing and the Huskies win, Green Shines

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tory over its cross-state rival in three seasons and also marked the end of a long-standing jinx. When Green clipped off 18 yards on his first touchdown run it was the first time in 41 games that Washington had scored by rushing from farther than 17 yards out.

The teams were ankle deep in slop most of the time, a memento of the midweek snowstorm. Green Big Star  
Time and again Green cut through the State line into the clear and had to be hauled down deep in the secondary. He had excellent blocking most of the time but went it alone when he didn't.  
He had a 39-yard center in the middle of Washington's first touchdown drive and intercepted a Cougar pass to start Washington's drive to their first third-quarter touchdown.

## Bears Test Lions In Top Pro Game; Rams, Colts Meet

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
The Chicago Bears, back in their onetime familiar place at the head of the professional football race, get a chance Sunday to find out how really serious is the comeback effort of the Detroit Lions.

The two teams clash in Detroit in the highlight game of a six-game schedule which should throw added light on the confusing National Football League activities. The Bears drove into a tie for first place in the NFL's Western Conference by crushing the Los Angeles Rams last week 24-3. The Lions, who dropped their first six games, won their second in a row by whamming Pittsburgh 31-28.

**Rams Play Colts**  
Los Angeles, which shares the Western lead with the Bears on the basis of a 5-3 record, plays

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE				
Eastern Conference				
Team	W	L	T	Pct.
Cleveland	6	2	0	.750
Washington	5	3	0	.625
Pittsburgh	4	4	0	.500
Chicago Cardinals	3	4	1	.429
Philadelphia	3	4	1	.429
New York	3	5	0	.375
Western Conference				
Team	W	L	T	Pct.
Chicago Bears	5	3	0	.625
Los Angeles	5	3	0	.625
Baltimore	4	4	0	.500
Green Bay	4	4	0	.500
San Francisco	3	5	0	.375
Detroit	3	6	0	.333

the Baltimore Colts, who are threatening to step into contention with four victories and four defeats.

In other games, the Cleveland Browns, who lead the Eastern Conference, entertain the Pittsburgh Steelers at Cleveland, the Philadelphia Eagles meet the Giants in New York, the Washington Redskins take on the Chicago Cards in Chicago and the San Francisco 49ers clash with Green Bay at Milwaukee.

The Steelers, who have won half of their eight games, will catch a Cleveland team shaken a bit by a loss last week to the Eagles. After running up 17 points, the Browns apparently became over-confident and saw the Eagles shoot past them 33-17.

**Browns Hold Lead**  
The Browns, who have won conference titles nine straight times, still lead their half of the competition with a 6-2 record, followed by Washington (5-3) and Pittsburgh (4-4).

The Eagles, who were pre-season choices for the championship, lived up to their rating for the first time last week. Their line thwarted the Browns' hard-striking offense and Adrian Burk emerged as a real double-threat-runner and passer.

### Oregon Routs Beavers 28-0

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by starting a scoring drive from its own 29. In 14 plays Oregon had its first touchdown, Shanley circling left end for the final seven yards. He shook off two tacklers at the five and, despite the treacherous footing, managed to dance his way down the sideline to the score.

Oregon took the second-half kickoff and drove 65 yards for its second touchdown. The third came shortly after, as guard Renous Cochrane partially blocked an Oregon State punt. Oregon took the ball on its own 49 and drove in 13 plays to a third touchdown.

**James Intercepts**  
James intercepted a pass on the Oregon 39 in the final quarter, and from there Oregon marched to the final score.

Oregon State, unable to turn to the air because of the mud, relied heavily on its off-tackle plays, but never could get them going, a fact that can be blamed in large part on Oregon's McHugh, who sliced down the blockers regularly.

Oregon State	0	0	0	0	0
Oregon	7	0	14	7	28

Oregon scoring: Touchdowns—Shanley 2 (7, run; 2, run); Tom Crabtree 2 (1, plunge; 3, run). Con-

### Buckeyes Rin Michigan '11'

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and Sigman was ejected from the game.

Michigan's big end, Ron Kramer, carried on the protest and he too left the game after Michigan was penalized to its 18-inch line. Fullback Don Vico dove over from there for the OSU score.

Michigan Head Coach Benny Oosterbaan commented after the game, "Maybe it was too exciting. Things may have gotten out of hand."

Cassidy, an All-America halfback from Columbus, Ohio, ripped Michigan's veteran line from start to finish.

**Field Goal Kicked**  
Cassidy's brilliant rushes set up Ohio State's first score in the second quarter—and Fred Kriss' 17-yard field goal hit the left upright and bounced through the cross-bars.

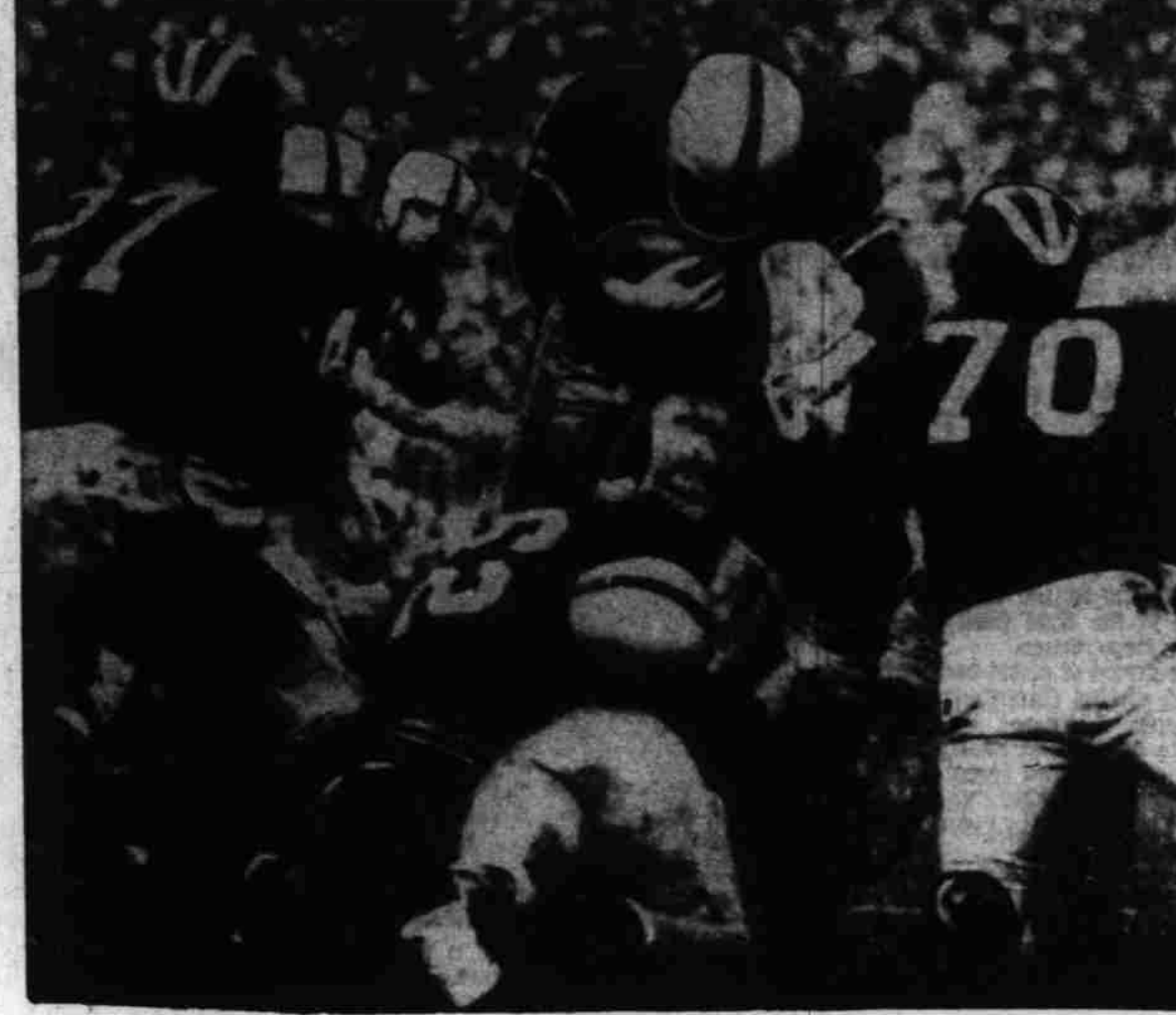
It was the first time Kriss, Ohio State's kicking successor to little Tad Weed, had ever tried to field goal.

Cassidy nailed down the victory for the ninth-ranked Buckeyes by diving across from the two shortly after the final quarter started.

It gave the red-haired senior 15 touchdowns this season and pushed his four-year point total to 222—Highest in Ohio State history.

**Arkansas Rows**  
LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Halfback Levi (Chuck) Johns bounced off three Arkansas tacklers in the line and raced 65 yards for a touchdown to break up a defensive battle and start Louisiana State toward a 13-7 victory over Arkansas here Saturday.

### Cassidy Flies Over for Touchdown



ANN ARBOR, Mich.—With the ball tucked firmly under him, Howard (Hopalong) Cassidy of Ohio State goes up and over Michigan defenders to score touchdown. Other identifiable players are guard Jim Parker (62) of Ohio State, and Michigan's Lou Baldacci (27) and Al Sigman (70). Ohio State won to take Big Ten title, 17-0. (AP Wirephoto)

### Title Tie Cinched By Colorado A&M

PRGVO, Utah (AP) — Colorado A&M clinched at least a share of the Skyline Conference football championship Saturday as halfback Gary Glick led the Rams to a 35-0 victory over Brigham Young University.

The Rams now lead the conference with six wins and one loss, and have finished their league schedule. Wyoming could tie this mark by winning its final game against Denver Thanksgiving Day.

### Quarterfinals Set for SGC

Golfers Slate Play In Fall Handicap

With a hope that nothing worse than rain falls, golfers will gather at the Salem Golf Club today for the quarterfinals in the Fall Handicap Tournament. Several matches have already been played but the majority will finish today.

Winners in the round will enter the semifinals of the annual tournament. Semifinals will finish next Sunday and the finals the following weekend. The quarterfinal round was postponed last Sunday because of the sudden cold weather that struck the Willamette Valley.

**Championship Round**  
In the championship round, Andy Anderson faces John R. Wood, Bob Thompson plays Hobart Price and Pat Mikha goes against Glen C. Cushman. Frank Ward has already gained the semifinal round with his win over. . . .

Quarterfinal matches in other flights that have already been played are:

First flight—Harry Miller over Bill Craycroft; Vern McMullen over Ed Roth; Ralph Kleizing over Ken Potts. Second flight—Del Gwynn over Paul Hicks. Third flight—O. E. McCrary over Dick Hendrie. Fourth flight—Vern Miller over R. Reynolds; Sam Tosti over Art Erickson. Fifth flight—Pete Bennison over Otis Berry.

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