

Football Sleuth Issues Polyanna Report

COLLEGES CLEARED OF SUSPICION IN BUTLER'S SURVEY

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SEATTLE, Jan. 5.—(AP)—Athletic

activities at all northern division

Pacific coast conference schools, as well

as the southern institutions, have been

the "up and up" as far as inter-

pretation of existing rules are con-

cerned, showed the report of Jonathan

A. Butler, retiring commissioner, made

public today after an investigation

of "an amazingly large number of

reports of alleged irregularities."

Oregon, Oregon State, Washington,

Washington State, Idaho and Mont-

ana were given a "clean bill of

health" in the report covering athletic

conditions in the conference from

September, 1931, to December, 1932.

"While many of the allegations were

found to be based upon facts," the

report said, "a large number were

found to be unwarranted. In some in-

stances, it was found that the basic

charges were true, but that they con-

stituted no violation of the confer-

ence rules, although question might

be raised as to whether the spirit of

the rules had not been violated in

some instances."

Old Coach Talked

At Oregon no case was found where

any member of the present coaching

staff had violated the rules relative

to soliciting athletes but the head

football coach employed prior to the

fall of 1932 and one of his assistants

who is no longer employed talked

with athletes on trips. On at least

one occasion, the report said, the

assistant transported an out-of-state

athlete to Eugene to enroll at the

university.

Forty athletes were found to have

held bona fide jobs on the campus and

in Eugene during 1931-32 with sal-

aries ranging from \$10 to \$35 a

month. Athletes also were holders of

27 per cent of Oregon scholarships.

An investigation was made of an

organization known as the Orange

Council which encouraged the transpor-

tation of athletes to Oregon State. The

report said that no rule of the confer-

ence was violated.

Out-of-state athletes at both Ore-

gon and Oregon State took advantage

of a provision which permitted them

to pay the lower resident tuition by

declaring their intention of making

Oregon their permanent home.

CLEAN BILL OF HEALTH

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.—(AP)—

After a 15 months' investigation of

athletic conditions in the Pacific coast

conference, the report of Jonathan A.

Butler was made public today in a

fact-finding survey that gives the

conference a "clean bill of health" so

far as existing rules and regulations

are concerned.

Butler, former assistant to Major

John Griffith of the Big Ten con-

ference, was retained Sept. 1, 1931, to

make a general survey of athletic

conditions in the Pacific coast body. His

findings, embraced in a voluminous

report, delve into every phase of stu-

dent life of the athlete.

During his investigation, Butler

checked on the entrance credentials of

virtually every athlete in the confer-

ence. His findings in the case of

University of California constitute a

summation applicable to the other nine

members of the conference, as fol-

lows:

"An examination of the entrance

credentials of all athletes in the Uni-

versity of California showed each had

met the standard entrance require-

ments applicable at the time of their

admission."

In the case of Stanford, Butler con-

cluded, "Athletes are not favored in

THORNHILL NAMED STANFORD MENTOR

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Cal.

Jan. 6.—(AP)—Stanford University's

football fortunes were virtually in

the hands of Claude Earl ("Tiny")

Thornhill, protégé of the old master

he succeeds as head coach, Glenn S.

"Pop" Warner, today as a recommen-

dation made last night by the

board of athletic control.

The recommendation of Thornhill

for the head coach post awaits the

approval of Dr. Robert E. Swain,

acting president of the university, and

the university's board of trustees.

That approval is generally considered

a formality, however, it was pointed

out.

At the same time, the athletic

board recommended that Ernie Nev-

ers, former Stanford fullback and

aide to Warner in 1932, be appointed

Thornhill's chief assistant.

Springfield High

To Play Tonight

SPRINGFIELD, Jan. 6.—(Spec-

ial).—Springfield high school's bas-

ketball team will meet a group of

players from University high in a

practice game here Friday evening. A

regular "A" league game will be

played next Wednesday night between

Eugene and University high.

Springfield's probable starting line-

up will include Donald Hawke and

Carter Hartman, forwards; Dalton

Thurman, center; and Bruce Squires

and Tommy Williams at the guard

posts. Watson, a sophomore, and

Harry Wilson will also probably see

action in Friday night's game.

"B" League Teams

To Play Tonight

With two weeks of vacation behind

them, "B" league basketball teams

will resume action Friday night. In

the western division, Elmira will

play at Santa Clara, St. Mary's will

play a Crow and Lorane will play at Co-

burg.

In the eastern division, Pleasant

Hill will play at Oakridge, Mohawk

will journey to Creswell and Lowell

will play at Thurston.

RED SOX TO PLAY

The Red Sox, girls' basketball

team, will play St. Mary's high school

on the St. Mary's floor Friday eve-

ning at 8 o'clock. This will be the

second game with St. Mary's. A prac-

tice game was played in the Baptist

church Wednesday night between the

Red Sox and a pickup team, with

Spec Murray refereeing. The Red

Sox will play the Marcola town team

on the Baptist floor next week,

though the definite date has not been

set.

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ROB ROY AWARDED MATCH ON FOUL; O'REILLY LOSES

If being on the receiving end of a

right-hand sock to the jaw is revenge,

then Rob Roy achieved his vendetta

over Thor Jensen Thursday night at

the armory. The Scottish terror

had sworn vengeance on Jensen,

but Thor brought their match to a

sudden finish by knocking Rob Roy

cold.

Each had previously taken a pre-

liminary fall in the armory. The

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HIGHCHAMBER looks em over

By ROY CRAFT

What a fearless expose of college

evils Jonathan Butler's report turned

out to be! The publicity director for

any one of the coast conference

schools could have written the thing

in 30 minutes. It took Butler 15 months

to find out that the spirit of amateur

sport hovers like Motherly Love over

the coast conference.

In 15 months of investigation, only

one athlete fell victim to Butler's

sleuthing—Joe Lillard, Oregon back-

fielder, whose dark skin as well as

his ability to run, pass and kick the

ball made him a thorn in the side of

certain conference schools.

Fifteen months of investigation, one

poor colored boy sent down the river,

and finally a "complete report of con-

ditions in our colleges" that reads like

Elsie Dimmore's First Year at Vas-

sar, and Other Stories.

Not, you understand, that any-

one is complaining. For the most

part, the conference schools run

their business on an up-and-up

basis. But everybody who is not

dead, dumb and blind, knows that

there is and always will be a cer-

tain amount of proselytizing on the

part of any school big enough to

play a full season of football. If

the coach doesn't do it, his alumni

will. They wouldn't be very loyal

alumni if they didn't turn out and

encourage their athletes to enroll

at dear old Darold college.

The worst offenders in the confer-

ence—the big schools whose encour-

agement to fine, sturdy young spec-

imens of manhood includes such in-

ducements as \$100 a month deputy

sheriff jobs and soft assignments as

Packard salesmen, have been virtu-

ally overlooked in the report. Little schools

like Oregon and Oregon State who

can offer nothing more than perhaps