

Collegians Heading Toward First Clashes

New York, Sept. 21 (AP)—Intercollegiate football headed toward its first big week-end today with the midwest and the Pacific coast presenting games of mid-season calibre and a new element, the service team, looming as a threat to major gridiron powers.

Skits and Scratches

By Fred Zimmerman
Capital Journal Sports Editor

Salem high graduating athletes of last June seem to prefer the set-up at Oregon State. At any rate a majority of the boys who learned their prep track, football, basketball and other lines of athletic endeavor at the Viking school have sent their credits over to the Corvallis institution. How many of them will turn out for competition remains to be seen. Rollie Haeg, football end; Floyd Runyan, miler; Max Bibby, sprinter; Carl Butte, baseball pitcher; Bob Barber, high jumper; Bob Palmer, guard; Ben Fortner, tackle; Herb Booth, center; Don Toomb, catcher, and Jack Bosch, distance runner, are among those who appear to like the atmosphere of the Benton county metropole.

Haag and Les Peppin were the flankers of the 1940 football team. Their performance was outstanding during that season. Peppin went over to Oregon State last fall and is described in the OSC publicity as "aggressive and a good competitor." Haag is expected to catch up with Les next season after serving his freshman apprenticeship. Runyan, despite his somewhat disappointing showing in the state meet, may be counted on to make track history at Oregon State.

Oregon State didn't get all of the Viking athletes since Willamette attracted at least five of them, including Rex Hardy, who participated in football, basketball and track during his prep days. Somewhat light for college football, nevertheless Hardy's speed, if he decides to go out for the sport, may make him a valuable man. It is understood he has an eye on West Point. Erwin Winkenwerder, guard, Ed Fitzsimons, an end, and Ray Loter, big tackle, move over to the Bearcat institution with Hardy.

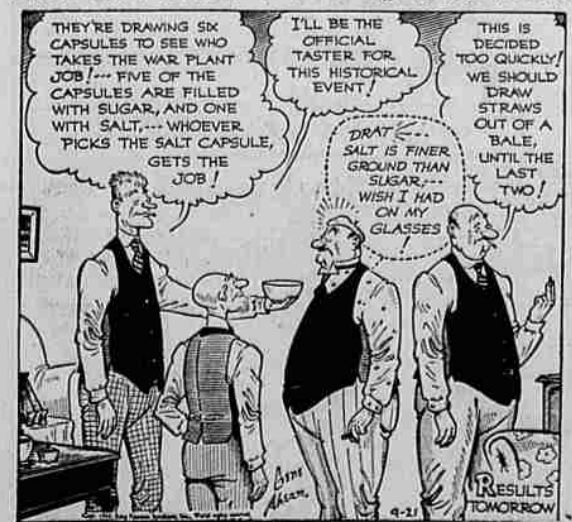
Dutch Simmons, a three sport letterman — football, basketball and baseball — will cast his lot with the University of Oregon. Somewhat smaller than the giants Coach Howard Hobson prefers for basketball duty, yet his ability to fast start and hit a swift clip either on the maple boards or the football field makes him a good prospect. Dutch was bothered with a tendency to tighten up when the chips were down but may overcome that habit in stiffer competition.

Twenty nine of the 35 man football team which was with Spec Keene of Willamette at the time the Japs conducted their sneak attack on Pearl Harbor, would have been eligible for competition this fall. Had they all returned Spec would have come up with another great club. However, 21 of them have joined the armed forces while the balance have signed up in connection with naval or army corps reserve programs.

Major League Leaders

(By the Associated Press)
National League
Batting—Lombardi, Boston, .329; Reiser, Brooklyn, .317.
Runs—Ott, New York, 116; Slaughter, St. Louis, 87.
Home runs—Ott, New York, 28; Mize, New York, 25.
Pitching—Kris, St. Louis, 13-3; French, Brooklyn, 13-14.
American League
Batting—Williams, Boston, .330; Peck, Boston, .328.
Runs—Williams, Boston, 140; DiMaggio, New York, 121.
Home runs—Williams, Boston, 35; Laska, St. Louis, 21.
Pitching—Borham, New York, 20-5; Borowy, New York, 15-4.

Room and Board . . . By Gene Ahern



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Sacramento Wins PC Flag

Pepper Martin Gives Solons First Pennant

(By the Associated Press)
Pepper Martin, who pitched and won his first professional baseball game despite a dose of poison ivy and a sprained ankle, didn't work any harder that day in Oklahoma than he did yesterday in directing Sacramento to its first Pacific Coast League championship.

Los Angeles led the Senators by two games as the teams opened a seven-game series here last Tuesday. Immediately Sacramento, which three times missed pennants by hair's breadth margins, dropped the first two games. That meant the team had to take every one of the last five contests—which it did.

Martin's crew, some rookies and some veterans from the majors, snatched the first game of a doubleheader from Los Angeles yesterday in the eighth inning with home runs by Centerfielder Buster Adams and Catcher Ray Mueller. Both are National League veterans.

Then Tony Freitas, who has worked for both the Athletics and the Cincinnati Reds, hurled a four-hit second game victory, 5 to 1, which was never in doubt after two Solon runs in the first inning.

Pepper, who started life as Johnny ("not John," he corrects) Leonard Roosevelt Martin, sums up his baseball philosophy by saying "these guys (his opponents) ain't supermen."

That is the thought, he says, which helped him beat the Philadelphia Athletics when he was with St. Louis in the 1931 world series. And that also pulled him through when as a shortstop with a sprained ankle who had just contracted poison ivy, he volunteered to pitch for Guthrie in the Oklahoma State League. Somehow he managed to win.

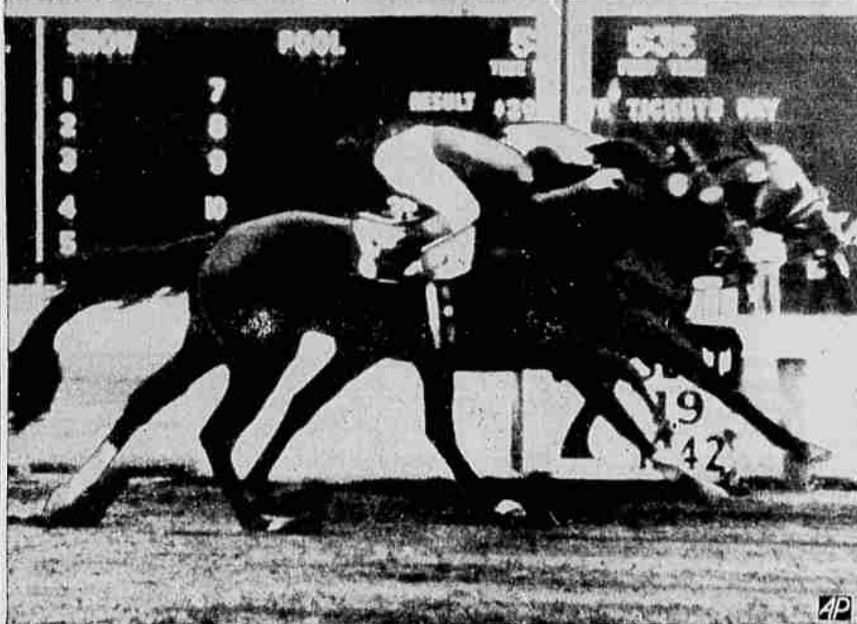
The 1942 championship comes to Sacramento after flitting with the state capital club through 14 years. In 1928 the team tied with San Francisco but lost in the playoff. In 1937, the year that post-season playoffs determined the championship, the Senators ended the regular schedule in first place by a four-game margin. By 1940 the year before Martin came, the team had lost its spark and finished down in fifth place. Last year Pepper kept it on top of the standings for 25 weeks, but in the final seven days the remainder of what was once a 16-game lead to Seattle had disappeared.

This year the Solons lost 14 of their first 20 contests to retrace in last place. Then they took the lead away from Los Angeles on June 15, only to lose it a month later, July 16. After that they stayed in second place until yesterday—the day that counted.

Sacramento beat Los Angeles Saturday, 6 to 5. Other games Saturday saw San Francisco beat the San Diego, 6-3, Portland take a doubleheader from Hollywood, 6-3 and 8-5, and Seattle down Oakland twice, 2-1 and 4-3.

The league's Shaughnessy playoffs begin tomorrow with Seattle meeting Sacramento. The Rainiers have agreed to play all of the contests on the Senators' home grounds because of transportation problems. The other two teams in the President's Cup series, the Angels and San Diego, meet at Los Angeles Wednesday. Three of the seven games will be played in San Diego.

Short scores:
Los Angeles 301 100 0-5 8 2
Sacramento 000 200 14-7 12 0
Prim, Mallory (4), Davis (5), Pore (8), Dobson (8) and Todd; Donnelly, Wicker (4), Lyons (6), Beers (8), Freitas (9) and Mueller.
Los Angeles 000 100 0-1 4 0
Sacramento 205 000 2-5 3 0
Lyons (6), Dobson (3) and Campbell; Freitas and Mueller.
Seattle 000 000 0-0 8 3
Oakland 002 001 10-4 8 1
Carnett, Budnick (6) and Kearse; Balvaco and Raimondi.
Seattle 302 000 0-0 5 11 3
Oakland 380 001 2-10 12 1
Johnson, Quay (3) and Kearse; Balvaco and Raimondi.
San Francisco 001 012 300-4 9 2
Boston 090 020 22-12 10 0
Joyce, Stutz (2), Euseby (5), Harrell (5), Seals (7), and Sprain; Herbert and Salkeld.
San Francisco 000 000 0-0 2 0
San Diego 000 000 1-1 2 0
Lein and Okrowodski; Dasso and Salkeld.
Portland 000 000 000-0 6 0
Hollywood 000 000 001-1 12 2
Lika and Leovich, Mayer (3), Perry and Atwood, McConnell (1).
Portland 002 004 1-7 9 2
Hollywood 110 210 0-1 10 3
Schubel, Pitzke (6) and Mayer; Barisoff, Thomas (6) and McConnell.



Alsb Beats Whirlaway in Match Race—Alsb, 3-year-old Chicago colt whipped Whirlaway, the Kentucky cannonball by the width of a small piece of nose in one of the most smashing drives ever seen on any race track to end their long awaited "dream race," at Narragansett. Georgie Woolf rode Whirlaway, and Jockey Carroll Bierman was on Alsb. The winner, Alsb, took the entire purse of \$25,000. (Associated Press photo.)

Plays Four Minutes, Scores 62 Points

(By the Associated Press)
New York, Sept. 21 (AP)—Looks like more bad news for the National league. Marius Russo, the Yanks' only southpaw flinger, was in pretty good form yesterday. . . . When Leo Costa kicked that point for Georgia to beat Kentucky Saturday, it was his 62nd varsity point and the 25th consecutive game in which he has scored. But officially he has played only four minutes—against Ogelthorpe in his sophomore year. . . . Those points-after-touchdowns all were made while time was out. . . . Chuck

Somiske, future boss of the White Sox, has been farmed out to St. Paul. He's entered St. Thomas military academy there and is trying for the football team.

Today's Guest Star
B. M. Atkinson, Jr., Louisville Times: "With the football experts added to the war experts, what this country needs now is a good excess prophets tax."

Northwest War Clubs Kick Off

(By the Associated Press)
The northwest war industries football league got off to a flying start yesterday as the Portland Busters defeated the Vancouver Warcoes, 35-0, and Spokane defeated Seattle 7-6. The Spokane fracas produced no scoring until the final 93 seconds of play when the airtight defenses of both teams let up for just long enough to produce a spine-tingling finale.

The Seattle squad went 75 yards on two passes by former Oregonian Inky Boe to Del Owens for a tally but failed to convert when the try-for-point kick was blocked.

Spokane's Dick Wouters, former Lewis and Clark high school star, rifled three passes for a total of 61 yards and a score just as soon as he got his hands on the ball after Seattle's drive. The crucial conversion kick was partially deflected but barely cleared the crossbars.

Seattle returned the ball to Spokane's 19-year stripe and attempted a field goal but Milford Collins' kick went wide as the game ended.

At Portland the heavy and crafty Oregon squad virtually swamped Vancouver with three tallies in the first quarter and then added a fourth in the second after being forced back momentarily by a passing attack of the Warcoes. Shortly before the half ended the Busters intercepted a pass on the one yard stripe to stop Vancouver's only scoring threat.

The last half was quiet, with Portland scoring only once when it drove 71 yards in the final period.

Baseball Scores

(By the Associated Press)
American
Boston 1-6, New York 2-2 (second game 8 innings).
Chicago 4-2, St. Louis 3-4.
Cincinnati 1-2, Pittsburgh 2-3 (first game 13 innings, 2nd tie, called end 7th Sunday law).
Only games played.
Coast
Sacramento 7-3, Los Angeles 1-1.
Seattle 6-5, Oakland 4-10.
San Diego 12-1, San Francisco 4-0.
Portland 4-2, Hollywood 1-5.

Haegg Holds All Distance Records

Stockholm, Sweden, Sept. 21 (AP)—Gunder Haegg ruled the track world today at all distances from 1500 to 5000 meters.

Haegg hustled over the 5000 meter and two-mile distances yesterday to set two new world records. He lowered the 14:08.5 5000-meter mark of Taisto Maki of Finland to 13:58.2 and bettered his own mark of 13:35.4 for three miles to 13:32.4.

The Standings

(By the Associated Press)

Pacific Coast Finals	W.	L.	Pct.
Sacramento	103	73	.590
Los Angeles	104	74	.583
Seattle	96	82	.539
San Diego	91	87	.511
San Francisco	88	90	.494
Oakland	85	92	.480
Hollywood	75	102	.421
Portland	57	110	.379
American	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	101	49	.673
Boston	91	59	.607
St. Louis	82	69	.543
Cincinnati	72	79	.478
Cleveland	71	79	.473
Chicago	63	80	.441
Washington	62	87	.416
Philadelphia	55	99	.357
National	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Louis	100	46	.676
Brooklyn	97	50	.660
New York	82	63	.566
Cincinnati	82	63	.566
Chicago	68	83	.443
Pittsburgh	64	79	.448
Boston	48	86	.360
Philadelphia	40	103	.280

Alsb, Whirlaway May Be Rematched

New York, Sept. 21 (AP)—A proposal that Alsb and Whirlaway—principals in one of turfdom's greatest match races—be re-matched during Belmont park's fall meeting met with hearty approval from almost all parties concerned today.

The three-year-old Alsb held off Whirlaway, the four-year-old handicap king and all-time money winner, scoring by a nose in their historic meeting over a mile and three-sixteenths at Narragansett park Saturday. The race was so close that a rematch has now become a necessity to determine the better horse.

Belmont opens an 18-day meeting today and some time before it ends Alsb and Whirlaway may meet again in a program designed to net some \$50,000 for army emergency relief.

Overtime Periods Settle Golf Tilt

Spokane, Sept. 21 (AP)—H. K. Dillon and Carl Goettel, playing their 18-hole match in a golf tournament, wound up in a tie—so they played nine more holes.

And nine more and nine more and nine more before they came out uneven. Dillon won, 3 and 2. The 54-hole route covered about 20 miles.

Foreign air travelers spent about \$1,800,000 in Mexico last year.

Conn Was Confident, Now He's Positive

Rumson, N. J., Sept. 21 (AP)—My quick hunch on Private Billy Conn is this: He is either punchy or he knows something. Conn says, "I'm positive this time I'll like Louis." When Pittsburgh Billy was training for his first fight with Bomber Joe last year, he never went further than saying, "I'm confident I'll lick him." Now he says, "I'm positive."

Cooper Hurls Cards Nearer Nat Bunting

We have visited the camps of a multitude of challengers but never have we invaded the menace of a contender who already had measured himself for the crown—as has Conn, and his entourage. Pittsburgh Billy has just completed the first stage of his training for the big fight at Yankee stadium, Oct. 12. But already he is mapping his plans for carrying the title.

Conn's surprising positiveness is based partially upon his unexpected sharpness after his first week of training plus his unexpected weight of 187 pounds. He expected to melt off about 10 pounds in the first week, but instead he took off only one and a half pounds.

He says, "Maybe my months in the army hardened me — gave me meat instead of fat. Or maybe, because I'm 24 years old now, I'm a soldier and a man instead of a boy scout. But I've got what it takes to be a heavyweight. I'll come in against Louis at about 180 or more. And don't forget, I almost licked him the last time when I weighed only 174."

Conn and Trainer Freddie Fierro makes much of this weight, because they recall that Challenger Billy slowed Louis down to a walk in the 12th round of their last battle.

Cooper's feat came in an air-tight duel with his former teammate, Lou Warneke, who scattered seven safeties but was defeated on a double steal which brought Johnny Hopp home in the fourth inning. This was the 100th triumph for the Cardinals and Cooper's 21st.

Conzelman Has New Theme Son

Chicago, Sept. 21 (AP)—Silver-haired Jimmy Conzelman, coach of the Chicago Cardinal pro football team, sat down at the piano and ran his fingers over the ivory.

"Didja ever hear our theme song?" he chirped, "It's called 'It's in the Cards,' and I'm going to play it and sing it because I'm a plenty happy guy."

The good-natured Conzelman pounded out the melody in swing time and cheerfully belted the lyrics.

All this joviality happened last night, after the Cardinals had beaten the Detroit Lions for the first time in 17 games. The score was 13 to 0, engineered on two touchdowns passes by Bud Schwenk after recovered fumbles had set them up. The victory gave the Cards the western division lead of the National football league. Their record is two straight wins, no losses, and a goal line that's uncrossed.

In the meantime, the National champion Chicago Bears rattled off their fifth win in as many games by dowing Colonel Bob Neyland's eastern army all-stars 24 to 7.

Sammy Baugh and Steve Juzwik passed and powered the Washington Redskins to a 29-14 victory over the Pittsburgh Steelers. The Cleveland Rams struck through the airlines to whip the Philadelphia Eagles, 24 to 14.

Metal from the 600 million wire coat hangers made in the United States in 1941 equals the weight of three heavy cruisers of the Northampton class.

President Ed Barrow said that 14,000 upper grandstand seats and 14,000 bleacher seats will go on sale the day of the first game.

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