

Leahy Analyzes 'Split T' Tricks

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Oklahoma's impressive Saturday night victory over Boston College's powerful "Eagles" has once again stirred up considerable interest in the Split "T" formation.

Bud Wilkinson's well drilled "Sooners" have caused many football fans to become curious as to that system's intricacies, while Missouri's 34 to 35 loss to Ohio State proved that this system can be tough against the best in the nation.

The Split "T" derives its name from the fact that the linemen in this formation are spaced about two feet farther away from each other than they are in the conventional "T." As in all versions of the "T" the Oklahoma quarterback is the heart and soul of the formation.

In addition to the requisites of a normal quarterback, the Split "T" pilot must be a capable ball carrier, as he handles the ball on every play. On end runs he carries the ball out as far as the end, having the option of laterally to the halfback who is three yards behind him or of cutting inside the offensive end with the ball under his own arm.

This system's main advantage is that it utilizes the abilities of a real triple threat quarterback to the utmost degree and it provides a team with four threatening backs.

In our opinion the biggest disadvantage, and the principal reason we have not given its adoption serious consideration, is that because of the wide spacing of the linemen it is impossible to give the passer adequate protection against a fast charging line.

Passing in football is pleasing to the fans and the conventional "T" allows for a fast moving slender quarterback to handle the main assignment, if he is a good passer. For this reason we plan to stick with this system but feel that a coach who has a rugged quarterback would do well to explore the possibilities of the Split "T" or at least a few plays from this formation.

Don Faurot first devised this plan of attack at Missouri, and it is also being employed successfully by Jim Tatum whose Maryland "Terps" opened the season Saturday by downing Virginia Polytechnic Institute 34 to 7.

Our hat is off to Coach Bennie Oosterbaan and his Michigan "Wolverines" for their 7 to 3 victory over Michigan State who proved to the country that they are reckoned with in the national rankings. Coach Oosterbaan must be very proud of his boys as they certainly displayed the true mark of a champion when they came from behind to win. Michigan State's defensive strategy was superb as Coach Munn employed an eight man line most of the day.

Michigan's important victory once again stamps them as the team to beat in the Big Nine, but the three main contenders, Northwestern, Minnesota, and Ohio State also kept their states clean. In the East, Villanova's decisive victory over Penn State definitely marks them as a title aspirant in that area.

In the Notre Dame stadium our "Irish" got off to a good start as they defeated a fighting Indiana ball club. Our mind was considerably relieved as Emil "Red" Sitko, Notre Dame's leading ground gainer for the past three years, proved conclusively that he has overcome his knee injury.

Sitko scored three touchdowns and total 60 yards in eight tries. Clyde Smith did a marvelous job in preparing his "Hoosiers" for the opener, as the halftime score of 19 to 6 indicates. Two-thirds of the Indiana squad had never played in a varsity game before and naturally they made mistakes during the first half, which were relayed to us at halftime by our staff members who were located in the pressbox. Guided by these observations our strategy was changed slightly and the deciding score resulted.

We have a great deal of admiration for Indiana's Coach Clyde Smith because at the risk of losing ball games in 1949 he has weeded out some of the older members of his team who were not performing to his liking. Such a move indicates that the man possesses a great deal of character and confidence in his own ability and we are certain that his teams of 1950 and 1951 will cause many to realize that his past coaching successes have been well deserved.



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SCORES in the ALLEYS

University Alleys

LADIES' OFFICE LEAGUE
University Bowl (1)—M. Bath 242, Carlin 241, Lewis 239, Roudsmeil 278, 1990, Carlo's Dairy 277—Owens 294, P. Bath 241, MacArthur 277, Vibbert 324, Carper 300, 1618.
Oregon Statesman (1)—Giray 370, Kitzinger 342, Coughler 409, White 331, Bover 410, 1822, Top Hat (2)—Weich 403, Delaney 339, Gould 390, Hamilton 389, Chesney 392, 1902.
Mayflower Milk (1)—Bettlemier 326, A. Stewart 300, Craven 341, Woodford 233, D. Stewart 233, 1541, Western Paper (2)—Purvis 313, Plick 405, Anderson 333, Conaway 278, Steumler 273, 1538.
Brown's Jewelers (1)—Farrer 369, Law, Metropolitans Stores (1)—Dow 266, Kay 257, Mike 292, Gregory 228, Jones 210, 1143.
High individual same: Anovae, Capital City Ldry, 196.
High individual series: Anovae, Capital City Ldry, 444.
High team series: Top Hat, 1902.

MERCANTILE LEAGUE NO. 1
State St. Market (1)—Primb 323, Knoderer 306, Eyer 328, Hester 437, Krinke 413, Doolittle's Service Station (1)—Dutoit 401, Wilken 454, Burton 348, Poole 323, Schelle 396.
Brown's Jewelers (1)—J. Parker 485, E. Haugen 415, Metropolitans 333, H. Haugen 429, V. Haugen 309, Montgomery Ward (1)—Bullcock 374, J. Graham 475, Casner 494, H. Cline 394, Dittman 378.
Teamsters Union (1)—B. Graham 419, Goodrich 322, Tines 309, Ray Tines 439, Paul 426, Acee Barber & Business Mar-ket (2)—Pugh 378, Randall 345, Itemann 393, Bostner 492, Cushing 423.
State (1)—H. 81, 67—Coffman 430, Crocker 410, Cox 391, Hren 388, Strong 289, S. S. Pharmacy (1)—Kochler 368, Merritt 352, Hall 466, Burdian 502, Hyatt 404.
High individual same: Knoderer, State St. Market, 365.
High individual series: V. Haugen, Brown's Jewelers, 369.
High team same: Brown's Jewelers, 3421.

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Oust Nisei Team From Bowling on Order From ABC

Seattle, Sept. 27 (AP)—A Japanese-American bowling team was ousted from a Seattle league today by order of the American Bowling Congress, which insisted on enforcement of its racial ban.

The order, from the ABC executive office in Chicago, said: "ABC membership is available only to white males. . . . A league which permits this unauthorized practice runs the risk of inviting problems which can not be satisfactorily adjusted."

The Nisei team competed in the Boeing Bowling association. All members are permanent employees of the Boeing Airplane company. They promptly declined to make an issue of the case, but Association President Jack Bunsey said it was likely that members of his organiza-

tion would fight the ban against fellow employees.

A conference has been scheduled by the Boeing league directors with Bob Nelson, ABC representative in this area.

Mill City Grid Team Plans for Sublimity Game

Mill City—The Mill City high school Timberwolves will go to Sublimity next Friday for their second game of the Marion County B league season.

The Wolves got off to a good start last week by defeating Turner 33 to 6. Leo Poole, left half went over the goal line four times in the first and second quarters and his brother, Lawrence, scored once in the third period. Lawrence kicked two out of three points after touchdowns but missed on two attempts via the air route.

Turner scored in the fourth quarter.

Viking Jayvees Tackle Cards in Season Opener

The initial gridiron curtain raiser for the Salem high Jayvee football team coached by Roger Pederson will be held Wednesday night when the Jayvees take on the twice defeated Sacred Heart Cardinals coached by Father John O'Callaghan.

The game will be played under the lights of Leslie field at 7:30.

341, Sparkie McCarrall 303, Ladd & Bush Bank (1)—Peggy Albert 373, Donna Greene 283, Joan Vores 244, Bie 229.
High Steer Lbr. (1)—Rita Hanniman 289, Helen Nolan 349, Evelyn Thompson 344, Ebel Glover 278, Margaret Tolmea 284, Highland Market (4)—Eva Schroter 189, Jean Zech 352, Ruth Hanson 231, Cleona DeLitt 331, Gerlie Carr 544.
High team game: Highland Market, 739.
High team series: Highland Market, 1947.
High individual same: Gerlie Carr (Highland), 233.
High individual series: Gerlie Carr (Highland), 344.

FOOTBALL

OREGON HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SCORES

(By United Press)
(Monday afternoon games)
Grant 48, Roosevelt 5
Roosevelt 27, Beason 6
Franklin 28, Cleveland 6
Jefferson 23, Lincoln 8

Huskies to Lose Star Fullback

Seattle, Sept. 27 (AP)—University of Washington's hopes for a football victory against Notre Dame Saturday suffered a setback today when it was revealed that Fullback Hugh McElheny may be out of action because of a sprained foot. The big sophomore suffered the injury during the Minnesota game last week.

Nibble Hanover is the only stallion ever to sire winners in both of harness racing's three-year-old classics—the Hambleton for trotters and the Little Brown Jug for pacers.

Porky Wins Golf Meet as Bowles Hits Best Nine

Walla Walla, Wash., Sept. 27 (AP)—Ed "Porky" Oliver won the northwest open golf tournament here yesterday with a 72-hole total of 275, nine strokes under par.

The rotund Seattle professional shot a 66 on the final 18 over the tricky Walla Walla Country club course. He collected \$500 prize money.

Oliver's tournament partner, Stan Leonard, Vancouver, B. C., was second with 277. He won \$300.

Don Bowles, Salem, Ore., shot the best nine of the meet, a 31.

as he ended the tour. Other top shot-makers included Harold West, Portland, 283; Bill Welch, Lewiston, Ida., 284; Dave Killen, Olympia, and amateur Dick Yost, Portland, 286.

POUND DEVALUATION HITS LIGHT-HEAVY FIGHT PLAN

London, Sept. 27 (AP)—Promoter Jack Solomons said today that devaluation of the pound had forced him to drop plans for a light-heavyweight championship fight in London this fall.

Pee Wee Reese, brilliant Dodger shortstop and team captain, is the only member of the team who was around when Brooklyn met the Yankees in the 1941 World Series.

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