

# Some Football Coaches Raise Their Own Players



H. N. (Little Rusty) Russell, SMU sophomore halfback. Southern Methodist backfield coach H. N. (Rusty) Russell.



Army football Coach Earl (Red) Blaik and his sophomore quarterback Bobby.



Dud DeGroot, West Virginia grid mentor, and son Dudley, a senior halfback.

By JIM BECKER  
(AP Newsfeatures Sports Writer)

New York—If you can't recruit players, raise your own.

That motto would fit the cases of several college football coaches around the country, who have their own sons playing for them.

Probably the finest prospect among the offspring of the grid mentors is Bobby Blaik, youngest son of Army football coach Earl H. (Red) Blaik, and only a sophomore. Young Blaik has understudied the Cadet's great passing quarterback, Arnold Galiffa, this season and is slated to take over the heaving and field general chores for the Black Knights next year.

His sophomore performances have been terrific. He compiled a better than .500 passing percentage for the first six games, and displayed a coolness under fire that prompted one sports writer to observe, "Through his veins courses the purest ice water."

Young Blaik also is a better-than-average all-around athlete. He played center on the plebe hockey team, second base on the plebe baseball team and quarterbacked the plebe football club.

Coach Blaik has carefully groomed his son, trying always to avoid any charge of favoritism toward him—a problem that frequently arises when a coach's boy is on the team. In fact, the mentor has leaned over so far to avoid these charges that some people have accused him of indifference toward Bobby's performances. After the lad had tossed a nifty touchdown pass in the Penn State contest, he trotted to the bench and didn't receive a nod from his father.

After the game, when questioned about this, Blaik said, "I may not have looked like I was excited, but I felt real good down inside."

At Southern Methodist in Dallas, H. N. (Rusty) Russell, the backfield coach who is the architect of the Mustangs' offense, has H. N. (Little Rusty) Russell on the team. A sophomore halfback, Little Rusty (not too little—six feet, two, 190 pounds) made a spectacular catch of the touchdown pass that clinched the 20-7 upset of Kentucky for the Methodists.

Coach Russell tried to make it appear the play was nothing out of the ordinary, but after the game admitted he was pretty happy about his son's performance.

Little Rusty was brought up

on football. When his dad was coach of Masonic Home high school in Fort Worth he took his son to all the games. Russell later coached at Highland Park high school in Dallas and Little Rusty played at the school, but the father joined SMU as assistant coach the year his son came out for football. Little Rusty starred for three years.

The father gives out no extra coaching to his son. Young Russell stays in the athletes' dormitory and sees his father only at practice and games except to go home for a clean shirt once in a while.

At West Virginia, Dudley Sargeant DeGroot is head coach and Dudley Edward DeGroot, his son, is a halfback.

Young DeGroot plays mostly defensive halfback. He is a senior, 22, majoring in political science, and an honor student. His father was a Phi Beta Kappa at Stanford and is one of the nation's foremost oologists (those who study bird eggs) and ornithologists (those who study birds). He has coached in both professional leagues and came to West Virginia in 1948.

The son played at Stanford in 1947 and 1948 then transferred with his father to WVU.

Another coach who has his son to help him is Lloyd Jordan of Amherst. His son is the quarterback in the team's T formation, does most of the punting, passing and running and kicks extra points for the Lord Jeffs. The father is almost as busy, serving as athletic director, program director and basketball coach in addition to his gridiron duties.



Not Clowning "Lefty" O'Doul, manager of the San Francisco Seals, is not clowning to get the umpire to call the game in the above picture. "Lefty" donned Japanese rain gear to take his regular coaching position at third base in Nagoya, Japan, where the Seals met a Japanese All-Star aggregation. Rain failed to dampen the enthusiasm of the Japanese baseball fans as some 140,000 turned out for the two games. (AP Wirephoto)

## SCORES in the ALLEYS

(Complete Results)

### Capital Alleys

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE NO. 2  
Red & Gun Club (1)—Miller 238, McInlay 30, Poirier 280, Dellow 516, Moores 472, Nalley's (1)—Thompson 451, Johnson 274, Thurman 472, Gwynn 394, McCrene 524.

The Jewel Box (1)—Cowan 510, Miller 493, White 361, Brant 266, Tschida 497, Woodburn (1)—Steele 516, Ford 484, Austin 416, Deagan 491, Hicks 518.

Valley Oil (0)—Deik 424, Boon 357, Vesel 353, Lutz 432, Warner 458, Hoffmann 364, (1)—Kara 491, Emberton 284, Miller 329, Hanson 449, Clark 465.

Dick Meyer Lumber (1)—Barber 524, Hagen 488, Livingston 468, Phipman 503, Lacy 497, Sound Const. (2)—Bob Straw 470, L. Saylor 472, Bud Straw 474, Garrett 487, Simmonds 396.

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE NO. 1  
Nicholson's Insurance (1)—Gannon 372, Friesen 465, Gardner 486, Brown 479, McCuskey 381, Senator Radio & Photo (1)—Cady 495, Duffus 571, Witney 511, Blank 524.

Goldie's of Silverton (1)—Spencer 498, J. Herr 540, Frank 386, G. Herr 549, Benson 478, Stettler Supply Co. (0)—Kistler 510, Hendrie 462, C. Stettler 434, F. Stettler 521, W. Valder 368.

Orrava Used Cars (1)—Cassabiano 505, Pykar 507, Davenport 535, Kenyon 612, King 521, Knights of Columbus (0)—Link 423, Ahrich 463, Bickler 495, M. Miller 472, J. Miller 553.

Starr Foods (2)—Scobie 567, Lengren 460, B. Powell 428, Artbart 539, Allen 453, Master Bread (1)—Mattson 448, Prim 460, Coomer 476, M. Powell 559, Farmer 474.

Western Paper (0)—Hartwell 814, McClary 590, Gabel 535, Ross 560, Klemple 465, Walton Brown (1)—Perry 495, Slocum 517, Alderin 506, Sike 599, Hiltner 482.

High ind. game, Bill McClary of Orval's 296; high ind. series, Floyd Kenyon of Marlon Creamery, 612; high team game and high team series, Orval's Used Cars, 1048 and 2999.

### University Alleys

LADIES' OFFICE LEAGUE  
Oregon Statesman (3)—Talmage 431, Klammiller 382, Cordier 418, Greene 495, Bower 318, T. Hat (0)—Cinney 343, Delaney 369, Welch 330, Hamilton 329, Gould 318; 1600.

Western Paper (0)—Purvis 381, Plick 367, Sematier 273, Coonwell 388, Otto 312; 1653.

Curly's Dairy (3)—Owens 292, P. Ruth 461, Hubert 385, Carter 434, Wallace 431; 2057.

Capital City Laundry (1)—Angove 361, Kiefer 377, Lomen 291, E. Stettler 329, Michael 486; 1744.

Masterflow Milk (1)—S. Stettler 313, A. Schaff 322, Craven 362, Peltus 366, D. Schaff 362; 1794.

Stop-Lite Coffee Shop (1)—Locken 406, Marks 385, McWain 390, Frederickson 409, Slocum 517, Alderin 506, Sike 599, Hiltner 482, Housham 442, Smith 345, Haysen 336, Heineke 313; 1976.

Chad's Steak House (2)—Carrion 370, Curtis 396, Lewis 338, Bennett 445, Roadman 311; 1770.

Metropolitan Slaves (1)—Black 250, Gregory 279, Jones 232; 534.

### Capital Alleys (Continued)

367, Dow 382; 1815.

High individual game: Joyce Kunke, Stop-Lite Coffee Shop, 177.

High individual series: Jan Bennett, Chuck's Steak House 445.

High team game: Stop-Lite Coffee Shop, 120.

High team series: Curly's Dairy, 2057.

### MERCANTILE NO. 1

State St. Market (2)—Thompson 467, Primbs 464, Erler 387, Kleins 465, Hauser 322, Brown's Jewelers (1)—Packer 365, E. Haugen 419, Nyström 413, H. Haugen 471, V. Haugen 594.

Doollittle's (1)—Dulot 487, Wilkins 416, Burton 451, Poole 449, Keene 378, Montemery Ward (2)—Fleet 460, Gramam 525, Gausser 473, Clino 494, Morris 422.

Teamsters Union (1)—Gramam 487, B. Thies 449, Goodkin 394, R. Thies 297, Pool 422, State & 11th (2)—Coffman 512, Crossler 347, Cox 436, Westphal 340, Meyers 413.

Alex Barbers & Business Market (1)—Pat 365, Handal 379, Remans 371, Bannister 412, Chastain 474, South Salem Pharmacy (2)—Riordan 407, Merritt 415, Hinkle 442, Keckler 413, Pratt 793.

High individual game: Gramam of Teamsters Union, 500.

High individual series: J. Gramam of Montgomery Ward, 525.

High team series: Doollittle's, 2416.

### Duckpin Bowling

#### LADIES LEAGUE

Ladd & Bush (3)—Peggy Short 234, Joan Voves 287, Frances Lavender 342, Donna Green 221, Pauline Osborne 391, Highland Market (1)—Ella Schroyer 218, Margie Zeeb 215, Ruth Hanson 217, Cleona Debut, Gerrie Carter 242.

Dick Meyer Lumber Co. (4)—Bita Hangan 342, Helen Nolan 304, Evelyn Thompson 256, Margaret Holmes 207, Gladys Acuff 267, Memorial Hospital (0)—Dorothy Denison 311, Florence Jones 240, Dorothy Walker 198, Anne Chapman 287, June Moore 243.

Here Ur Self Laundry (2)—Lorene Hansen 322, Rita Schuff 244, Marsha Pizer 321, Ruth Powell 348, Alma Penny 446; Hubbs Real Estate (2)—Velma White 216, Jordan Harrison 247, Lucille Allen 394, Mary Polinski 382, Wilma Linhart 347.

Masterhead (1)—Vida Flood 304, Donnie Melum 294, Shirley Studenker 265, Gerrie Cox 333, Arlene Hafenbrack 312; Jordan Harrison 247, Lucille Allen 394, Mary Polinski 382, Wilma Linhart 347.

High team series, Bandle Oil, 1630; high team game, Ladd & Bush, 687; high ind. series & game, Alma Penny (Serv Ur Self), 445 and 193.

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# Capital Journal Sports

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## Athletics Look Up at Whitman

Walla Walla, Nov. 22 (AP)—Things, athletically speaking, are looking up at Whitman college.

"Intercollegiate athletics are here to stay," Doug Blessinger, college news service director, said yesterday after watching the bustle of fans and students prior to Saturday's tilt with Eastern Oregon college.

Two weeks ago, Blessinger announced that attendance at games had been so low it was doubtful if the school could continue to finance an intercollegiate schedule.

## Losing Webfoots Show Gate Boom

Eugene, Ore., Nov. 22 (AP)—University of Oregon footballers attracted more fans in losing six games this season than they did in tying for the Coast conference title in 1948.

The 10-game attendance this year was 347,100—a new school record. Only 286,570 fans sat in on 1948's 10-game schedule.

Home attendance also was up—88,600 for four games this season as compared with 76,080 for a quartet of contests last year.

The pre-Big Seven Conference basketball tournament at Kansas City is slated for December 27, 28, 29, 30.

# Leahy Claims Iowa Forced Irish in Top Test of '49

By FRANK LEAHY  
Eddie Anderson and his Iowa Hawkeyes certainly earned the respect of a sellout crowd in the Notre Dame stadium Saturday afternoon. Coming into South Bend as a 34 point underdog, the Iowans forced Notre Dame to play their toughest game of the season before widening the gap to 21 points with 37 seconds left in the game.

Without intending to detract from any of the other fine teams we have played this fall, I must say that Iowa was definitely the best aggregation we have yet opposed.

The Hawkeye coaching staff deserves an enormous amount of credit for the very scientific defenses they devised for the game. Naturally, we have been very proud of our offense this fall, especially the versatility of our running backs.

Yet a look at the statistics shows that the vaunted Irish running attack was slowed down to the extent that it became necessary for Bob Williams to throw a large number of passes on a very windy day. It was his accuracy combined with fine receptions by Spaniel, Hart, Coutre and Sitko that allowed Notre Dame to outscore the enemy.

Notre Dame fans throughout the country who have enjoyed the fine games that have been played in the Iowa-Notre Dame series will be happy to know that at the pre-game press party on Friday night, Eric Wilson, Iowa publicity director, stated that the Iowa authorities were very pleased with their relationship with Notre Dame, and that the Hawkeyes will be willing to play any place, any time, anywhere.

Having known Eddie Anderson for many years, I can't but realize that such sentiments typify that gentleman, and we are happy to know that such an atmosphere permeates the entire Iowa athletic department.

In case any football coach in America would like to have his mail increase about 200 percent, all he has to do is to have his quarterback call a pass on fourth down, deep in his own territory, with his team trailing in the early stages of an important game. Following Bob Williams' call, as described, in our game with North Carolina, our office has been deluged with queries as to the soundness of this selection.

A complete analysis of the situation causes us to hit upon what we think to be the main reason for Notre Dame's enjoying such a successful season to date.

Two important determinations in such a plan are the fact that Bob Williams has implicit faith in his teammates, and the other 10 members of our starting team are convinced that their quarterback is the best in football and they feel that when he calls a play it is definitely the best, and they must do all in their power to carry out their assignments.

Even more important is the fact that the Baltimore lad has complete confidence in himself. This was evidenced again in the Iowa game when on two occasions when precious yardage was needed for a first down our quarterback carried the ball himself; for no other reason than that he knew such a play would not be expected and he felt he could do the job.

This reciprocal confidence has always been evident on the important plays and has turned the tide in more than one game. From the coach's standpoint any play that succeeds is a good one.

Coaching Bouquets  
Sharing the spotlight this week are the two coaches who will oppose each other in the Rose Bowl come January. It was a long tough row, but both Lynn Waldorf at California, and Wes Fesler, at Ohio State, have ended up on top of the heap in their respective conferences.

Additional praise goes to these mentors for Saturday's games as both California and Ohio State were trailing their opponents early in the ball game.

To come from behind to achieve a victory over such a potent power as Stanford, and a tie with mighty Michigan, definitely causes the two aforementioned coaches to be deserving of the highest praise.

Traditional Ivy league games brought forth two outstanding coaching performances as Herman Hickman's Yale eleven displayed their true capabilities in rolling over Harvard, while Charley Caldwell's Princeton Tigers upset the favored Dartmouth Indians 19 to 13.

Bob Neyland pays a return visit to this corner as Tennessee defeated a highly regarded Kentucky team which had been high on the list of Bowl possibilities. Most impressive upset of the day was the convincing manner in which Bob Woodruff's Baylor Bears outscored Southern Methodist to remain tied with Rice for first place in the Southwest conference.

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