Johnny Saxton Wins World Welterweight Title

2 Boston Colleges Offer Fans Variety

Rank 1st in Defense, 2nd in Offense

NEW YORK (UP)— Boston's two undefeated college football teams are trying to satisfy all tastes. For those who can't get a thrill out of Boston University's speedy offense, which ranks No. 2 in the country, there's the Boston College defense which ranks No. 1.

NCAA Service Bureau figures showed today that BC has given up only 139.5 yards a game. That's a sizeable margin over the next most effective defenses, Richmond's 152.6 and Alabama's 153.8.

In ground defense, however, the Eagles are second to Mississippi, which is providing both kinds of excitement to its fans all by itself. Mississippi, which is the top major-college team in total offense and passing, has yielded only 52.8 yards a game through its line. BC has given up 77.8, Yale 78.0 and Oklahoma 78.8.

One Touchdown Per Game

And just to make it more definite BC is one of three teams in the country holding the opposition to the equivalent of one touchdown a game. Colorado has given up 3.6 points a game, Alabama 4.2 and Boston College 5.8.

BU's answer has been second place in both total offense yardage and scoring, so when they meet on Nov. 13, cliches about "immovable objects-irresistible forces" will be flying about as thickly as strong young bodies.

Syracuse, the national pass defense leader for two weeks, was knocked all the way down to 43rd place by Boston U.'s 184 aerial yards during a 41-19 defeat. Texas A and M is now on top, with 30.8 yards a game allowed, followed by Wyoming, Richmond, Iowa and Detroit, all closely bunched under 40.

BU in Punting Picture

BU figures n the puntnig picture too. It has had a 5 to 0 kick only nine times in four games, less than any other team.

In the runback department Wichita is going furthest with enemy kicks. It's No. 1 in punt returns, averaging 29.6 yards a try and No. 2 in kickoff returns with 29.9. Runners-up in punt runbacks are UCLA with 25.9, Denver, with 25.4 and Detroit with .8. The kickoff leader is Arizona wth 31.4 and after Wichita come Syracuse with 9.6 and Colorado with 26.9.

By carrying eight intercepted its 28-14 victory at Duke. The CaUCLA posted the second highest such total on record. The standard is 240 yards made by Kentucky against Mississippi in 1949. The Uclans have intercepted the most (18 passes), have run them back the most (276 yards) and have been passed against most often (118 times).

But the best one-game pass defense was thrown up by Army in its 28-14 victory at Duke. The Ca dets let Duke complete one pass—for minus nine yards.

Secret Workout Given Vandals

MOSCOW, Idaho (AP) — Coach Skip Stahley barred the gates Wednesday and put his Idaho Vandals through a secret workout as they prepared for the Saturday football encounter with Washington State.

The emphasis was on pass offense with George Eidam and Gary Cozien alternating as passers.

Stahley installed sophomore Chuck Fries as a guard and moved Fred Magee, another sophmore, from center to guard. Fries replaced Elvind Ross who was injured in the Arizona game last week.

'Back of the Week'

Jon Arnett, above, University of Southern California tailback who has been named Back of the Week by the Associated Press, has yet to win a place on the Trojans' starting team. USC coach Jess Hill hasn't decided whether Arnett or Aramis Dandoy, an All Pacific Coast Conference back, will open against California Oct. 23 at left half. (AP Wirephoto)

Gavilan Slumps In Loss

Judges Agree; But Writers Say Kid Won

By MURRAY ROSE

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Johnny Saxton won the welterweight title from Kid Gavilan last night.

Today, with cries of "robbers" from the Gavilan camp echoing around him, Saxton went into court to face a possible 15-day sentence. He is charged with 12 traffic violations.

"I hope the judge will give me a break," said the 24-year-old New Yorker.

Gavilan insisted he got no breaks last night when a highly controversial unanimous 15-round decision relieved him of the 147-pound crown he had worn for 3½ years.

While the referee and two judges were in accord and had Saxton the champion by the 12th round barring a knocking, 20 of 22 boxing writers at the ringside had Gavilan the winner in what had to be the worse fight of his career.

Gavilan, alternately crying and screaming and alternately retiring and unretiring, sobbed after the fight:

"People don't talk for nothing. I know from the first round on that I cannot win. The referee he gives Saxton everything his way. I no want to fight no more. I give my left hand—I give my right hand to the Pennsylvania commission. Everything steenk."

"The Keed, he is robbed," screamed his manager, Angel Lopez. "The Keed, he is jobbed. I know he have to win big but after he take last three rounds I figure for sure they must give him the decision. I say to the Keed, 'They cannot take it away from you.' I am wrong. I give you the Pennsylvania commission. They can take the championship and keep it."

"It was a lousy, stinking fight," said Chairman Frank Wiener of the Pennsylvania Athletic Commission. "If Gavilan fought like I've seen him in the past, Saxton wouldn't have won."

He made that statement to Frank (Blinky) Palermo, manager of the champion, and Jim Norris, president of the International Boxing Club in the Saxton's dressing room.

Later, Wiener said, "If Gavilan's handlers are still crying robbers, crooks and fix after they have had time to cool off, it will cost them. Both Gavilan and Saxton stunk out the house. Let Saxton take his title to Syracuse and fight Carmen Basilio, and let Gavilan fight anywhere but in Philadelphia."

There was more action and confusion in Gavilan's dressing room, including a list fight, than there was in the "fight."

This observer had Gavilan in front, 8-4-3. The officials voted for Saxton this way: Referee Pete Panteleo, 9-6; Judge Jimmy Mina, 7-6-2, and Judge Nat Lopinson, 8-6-1. They all gave Gavilan the last three rounds.

When they didn't pose and wait for the other to lead, the boxers huffed and puffed at close range.

There were no knockdowns, naturally, and few solid blows were landed.

Portland Given Rap for Trying Out Basketeers

PORTLAND (AP) — The University of Portland gave full cooperation in an inquiry which led to a reprimand from the NCAA executive council, the athletic director said Wednesday, and now regards the case as "almost a closed incident."

The council scolded the school for holding what it said were tryouts of 11 prospective basketball players under the direction of head coach Art McLarney.

Athletic Director Ed Fiene described the sessions last April as "not exactly tryouts," but said "its certainly not going to happen again."

"We had taken corrective action prior to the council's inquiry and gave them complete cooperation," Fiene said. "So therefore it is almost a closed incident."

Portland University was one of four schools cited in the NCAA report Wednesday. Western Illinois State College also was reprimanded. The University of Miami (Fla.) and City College of New York were suspended for one year.

Serra to Play Gervais Friday

By LeROY WELLE

Fresh from their win over Philomath last Friday, the Serra High Sabers will meet the Gervais Cougars at Gervais at 2 p.m. Friday in a Capitol league game.

Last night's practice was a muddy one for the Sabers as Coach Leo GrosJacques put them through a light scrimmage and usual calisthenics in the mud.

Serra's squad has a won-lost record standing at 4-1, beating Mt. Angel, Salem Academy, Nestucca and Philomath and losing to Cascade. No injuries plague the Sabers as they go into action tomorrow.

GrosJacques named the following starters on offense:

LE—Jeff Elliot.
LT—Arbie MacDonald.
LG—Bob Stebner.
C—Bernie Johnson.
RG—Denny Alley.
RT—Mike Skaling.
RE—Ed Dougherty.
QB—Don Forcier.
LH—Craig Fear.
RH—Don Lucero.
Fullback—Don Endres.

All-Stars Win Over Lakers

CHICAGO (AP) — The college all-stars Wednesday night broke the monopoly of the pro champions in their annual basketball series, defeating the Minneapolis Lakers 93-90 in an overtime battle.

The game, attracting 15,321 fans to Chicago Stadium, brought the first victory for the collegians in the rivalry in seven games. It was the Lakers' first defeat in six appearances in the series, which now stands 5-7 for the pros.

Maryland's Eugene Shue bagged a free throw in the last 14 seconds to tie the score 86-86 and send the game into extra time.

In the overtime period, Frank Selvy of Furman contributed one basket and a free throw. Shue added a field goal and Johnny Kerry of Illinois and Joe Bertrand of Notre Dame each made free throws.

Kentucky's Cliff Hagan and the Lakers' Vern Mikkelsen shared scoring honors, each with 22 points.

9 Straight K. O. Winner Matched

PORTLAND (UP)—Heavyweight Jimmy Byrne, who has scored nine straight knockouts, faces Kirby Seals of San Diego at the Armory here tonight in a scheduled 10-round bout.

The Portland slugger, who has been fighting locally, plans bouts in the Bay area, on the eastern television circuit and perhaps a fight later with Pat McMurtry of Tacoma, recognized in Washington as the Northwest heavyweight king. He is favored to get by Seals.

JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL

Salem junior-high school league football games Friday are scheduled as follows:

Parrish Grays vs. Leslie Blues at Parrish; Parrish Cards vs. Leslie Golds at Leslie.

A's Owners Face Baseball Damage Suit

Johnson Claims Breach of Contract Over Franchise

By CHARLES CHAMBERLAIN

CHICAGO (AP)—The stock-buying syndicate of the Philadelphia Athletics, sweating out word of an American League blessing that would make their deal official to keep the club in Philadelphia, today was threatened with a big damage suit by Arnold Johnson.

The Chicago industrialist declared he felt "wronged by the Philadelphia group who so suddenly appeared on the scene," and has placed the matter in the hands of a Philadelphia law firm to study the advisability of filing suit.

"In view of the indicated advance ticket sale (in Kansas City) of almost two million dollars, the measure of my damages should be substantial," Johnson said. "The suit would be not only for the cash damages sustained by me, but also on the grounds that this group joined together to induce a breach of the contract which I made in good faith for the purchase of the A's."

In a Chicago meeting nine days ago, American League club owners voted to shift the A's franchise from Philadelphia to Kansas City.

"Roy Mack at that time agreed without equivocation to sell the team to me for transfer to Kansas City," Johnson said in a statement. "It never was contemplated that Mr. Mack would be given an opportunity to look for otherpurchasers, or to do anything except to talk to his family.

"It seems unbelievable to me that the agreement with me made in good faith . . . has now been violated."

At the Chicago meeting, Roy Mack was given until last Monday to sell his stock to Johnson and thus complete a deal of nearly four million dollars that would wipe out the Athletics' indebtedness and send them to an enthusiastic Kansas City.

Roy's brother Earle and father Connie long had pressed for the sale to Johnson.

Before last Monday's deadline, a group of eight Philadelphia men bought the stock from the Macks and announced they had saved the A's for their own city, where the club has been for 54 years.

Johnson was left holding the bag. But the American League vote needed to approve the sale to the Philadelphia syndicate has not been forthcoming thus far.

League President Will Harridge has had only one comment: "There will be no statement until the final papers have been signed for the purchase of the Philadelphia Athletics."

Art Gallagher, a member of the syndicate, said in Philadelphia that he considers Johnson's statement "entirely unwarranted."

"As I recall it the last thing Roy said before he left Chicago was that his final decision depended upon what his family wanted him to do," said Gallagher. "And it is clear from his transaction with our group that his family prevailed upon him to keep the A's in Philadelphia, where they belong."

Critical Badger-Buckeye Grid Clash Rated 'Even'

Mississippi, Yale Favored Among Unbeatens

NEW YORK (UP)—The Big Ten's important struggle between Wisconsin and Ohio State was listed as "even" today but a national odds-making syndicate made solid choices of Mississippi and Yale in Saturday's other game which involves college football teams with perfect records.

Mississippi, the nation's fifth-ranked team in the ratings of the United Press Board of Coaches, was a 7-point choice to defeat an Arkansas squad which last Saturday beat Texas, 20-7, to remain the only unbeaten team in the Southwest Conference.

Yale, meanwhile, was installed as a 6-point pick to defeat Colgate and add to its stature as the Ivy group's strongest team.

Four of the five other teams ranked among the first 10 which see action Saturday were favored by from two to four touchdowns.

Oklahoma Over Kansas State

Oklahoma, the country's No. 1 team and 65-0 victor over Kansas last Saturday, was rated 27 points stronger than Kansas State; third-ranked UCLA, which set a school scoring mark in a 72-0 rout of Stanford last weekend, was 28 points over Oregon State; Army, which rose to ninth place in the ratings after a 2814 triumph over Duke, was 27 points over Columbia, and 10th-ranked Colorado was 14 points over Nebraska.

Minnesota, tied with idle Notre Dame for the sixth spot in the ratings, was picked by 7 points over Michigan in the other game involving one of the top 10.

Boston University was a 13-point favorite over Holy Cross in the TV game for Eastern viewers; Northwestern and Pittsburgh were "even" in their Mid - west TV struggle, while no odds were listed for the West's TV contest between Montana and Brigham Young.

Other Odds Quoted

In intersectional games, TCU was 7 over Penn State; Illinois 14 over Syracuse; Marquette 14 over Fordham, and SMU 27 over Kansas. Maryland was 7 over Miami (Fla.); Detroit 19 over Tulsa, and Houston 20 over Villanova in games Friday night.

Odds on other games:

East: Dartmouth and Harvard even; Princeton 7 over Cornell; Navy 20 over Pennsylvania.

Midwest: Michigan 6 over Purdue; Iowa 13 over Indiana; Missouri 14 over Iowa State.

South: Florida 1 over LSU; Wake Georgia 13 over Tulane; Duke 21 Georgia Tech 7 over Kentucky; Forest 6 over North Carolina; over North Carolina State; Alabama 14 over Mississippi State.

Southwest: Rice 1 over Texas; Baylor 13 over Texas A and M.

West: Stanford 6 over Washington; Southern Cal 7 over California.

San Jose to Hurl Passes

SAN JOSE, Calif. (UP)— Coach Bob Bronzan of the San Jose State Spartans says he expects Saturday's game with the Oregon Ducks at Eugene should produce a "natural aerial battle."

Benny Pierce of the Spartans is currently ranked 10th nationally with 33 completions out of 59 attempts for a 55.9 percentage mark. He will be dueling with George Shaw, great Oregon quarterback, who is second nationally with 53 completions out of 106 attempts and a 50 per cent average.

San Jose was leading the Ducks 7-6 after 52 minutes of play last year. But Shaw and Dick James combined on three quick Webfoot scores for a 26-13 victory.

Bronzan said his line averaged 215 pounds per man and composed entirely of veterans. He said he was counting on the Spartan forward wall to pressure Shaw's passes, while containing the Oregon line to give Pierce protection for his own throws.

Bevo to Play Here Jan. 6

Bevo Francis, the fabulous ex-Rio Grande college center scorer, will appear in Salem Jan. 6 when the Boston Whirlwinds will be on the same exhibition program with the Harlem Globetrotters.

Sponsored by the Salem Junior Chamber of Commerce, the schedule calls for a Salem team to play the Whirlwinds for 20 minutes, then to take on the Globetrotters for 20 minutes. The two pro teams then will play two 15-minute halves.

There will be special entertainment between halves, it was disclosed. The games will be in the new South Salem gymnasium.

Indians No Soft Touch, Wn. Told

SEATTLE (AP) — The Stanford Indians are not a soft touch despite their 72-0 loss to UCLA last week, Coach Johnny Cherberg warned the Washington Huskies Wednesday.

He put his charges through several hours of rugged scrimmage with the emphasis on passing and pass defense, punting and goal conversion as they prepared for the Saturday game at Palo Alto.

A tapering-off drill was in the cards for Thursday.

Movies Show Officials Were Right in Disallowing Score

PORTLAND (UP) — The fans rooting for Oregon who rose up in anger when an apparent Oregon touchdown was ruled no good in last Saturday's football game with Southern California can relax.

Movies of the game show the official was right and the Oregon fans wrong.

George Shaw had shot a 17-yard pass to end Phil McHugh who took it in the end zone early in the game with Oregon trailing 7-0. But it was ruled McHugh had stepped out of bounds and the fans howled.

Coach Len Casanova of the Webfoots said last night that movies of the game indicate the ruling was correct. "So far as we can gather from the pictures," he said, "McHugh's toe just touched the sideline as he caught the ball, making the pass incomplete. So the official was right."

Grid Giants, With 4 Passers, Leading NFL Scoring List

Gifford, Rote Toss for TDs; Next Foe Redskins

By EARL WRIGHT
United Press Sports Writer

NEW YORK (UP)—The New York Giants, the National Football League's lowest scoring team in 1953, have popped up with four touchdown passers and the circuit's highest point-total so far this season.

Quarterbacks Charley Conerly and Bob Clatterbuck, plus halfbacks Frank Gifford and Kyle Rote have thrown scoring passes to help the Giants roll up 137 points in four games. No other NFL club can boast four throwers who have thrown TD passes.

Vince Lombardi, the club's new backfield coach, says early season success with end runs developed passing by the halfbacks.

"We had been sweeping the ends so effectively that the defensive backs were beginning to come up too fast," Lombardi said. "So we developed some pass plays for our halfbacks."

Good Ball-Carriers

Gifford and Rote both are good ball-carriers. When they take pitchouts from the quarterback and start a wide sweep, the defense has to commit itself to stop a possible end run. Gifford and Rote then may fire a pass. Gifford has thrown two scoring passes and Rote one this season.

Quarterbacks do most of the passing in the NFL but the Giants don't claim they have a new idea. Other clubs, particularly the Detroit Lions, use halfbacks as passers.

Jim Lee Howell, New York's head coach, says the club's use of halfbacks as passers is part of a plan to change the team's "main attack" from game to game.

"We've been trying to do that since the season began. We hope to show each team an offense that's a little different from the one its scouts watched," Howell said.

Not that Howell is feeling cocky. He knows that Sunday's game with the Washington Redskins figures to be New York's last relatively "soft touch" and he describes his team as one of the "weaker ones" in the Eastern Division.

The most important games this weekend will be played at Pittsburgh and San Francisco. The Steelers, who dropped a 24-22 decision to Philadelphia two weeks ago, will entertain the Eagles Saturday night and the game is expected to attract the biggest pro football crowd in Forbes Field history. The Forty-Niners and Detroit Lions, tied for the Western Division lead, meet Sunday at San Francisco.

This week's selections with won-lost-tied records in parentheses:

Saturday night: Eagles (4-0) over Steelers (3-1) at Pittsburgh. Sunday: Forty-Niners (3-0-1) over Lions (3-0) at San Francisco; Rams (1-2-1) over Bears (2-2) at Los Angeles; Browns (1-3) over Cardinals (0-4) at Chicago; Giants (3-1) over Redskins (0-4) at New York; Colts (1-3) over Packers (1-3) at Baltimore.

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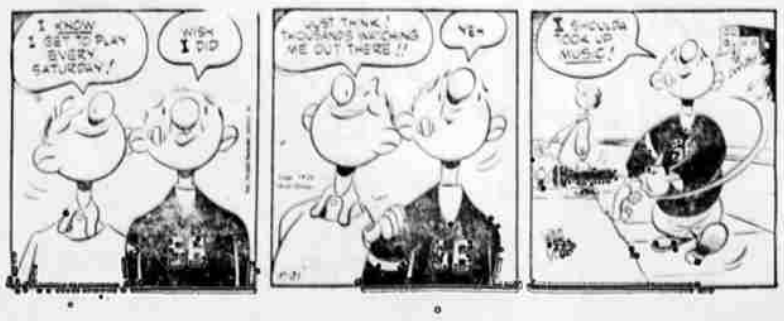

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