

Odds Are Even On Medford-Jefferson Thanksgiving Day Grid Tilt

MYTHICAL TITLE AT STAKE WHEN SQUADS LINE UP

Tigers in Trim for Effort of Lives — The Dalles Challenges Winner in Dispute of State Gridiron Crown

With a large crowd of students and fans wishing them good luck, the Medford high school football squad, with Coach Burgher and Assistant Coach Kirtley, left last night for Portland, where tomorrow they play Jefferson high for the mythical state title.

The high school band and a large delegation of fans will leave tonight on special rates offered by the Southern Pacific. Many will take advantage of the low rates for the holidays.

Coach Burgher said his starting lineup would be: Ends, Bennett and Lindley; tackles, Miner and Shaw; guards, Geim and Greaves; center, Hammack; quarterback, Schoel; halfbacks, White and Gillinski; and fullback, Fichtner.

The squad is in fine physical condition and fit for the battle of their lives.

Portland was reported as betting even money on the result.

The Dalles has challenged the winner of the Thanksgiving tilt for a post-season game, claiming that Medford and Jefferson are only playing for the championship of western Oregon, and they are the champions of eastern Oregon. This is old stuff with the mid-Columbia school. They are no better than they were in 1928 when Medford, under the impression they were as good as they sounded, finally lured them on a football field and administered a 42 to 0 beating. The present outbreak is the first heard from that section until recently. The high school season ends December 3. A downpour of challenges is anticipated from The Dalles after tomorrow.

The Medford team and fans will return home Friday morning. Many started for the metropolis today by auto and foot.

STATERS FACING BATTLE IN SNOW

DETROIT, Mich., Nov. 23.—(AP)—With the Detroit playing field cleared of snow and ice and in reasonably fair condition, the Oregon State college football aggregation worked out lightly here today in preparation for the Thanksgiving day Oregon State-Detroit intercollegiate contest.

OLD HENRY RETAINS GRAPPLING LAURELS

SALEM, Nov. 23.—(AP)—Henry Jones of Provo, Utah, kept his mid-west wretweaving championship belt here last night by defeating Bobby Novak of St. Louis, Mo., two out of three falls. Jones gained the belt from Robin Reed, who won it in a mid-west tournament. Novak was winner of an elimination tournament here to select an opponent for Jones.

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JEFFERSON "IRON MAN" WILL OPPOSE MEDFORD

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 23.—(AP)—Jefferson high's "iron man," Raymond Woodman, clever signal caller and halfback, will lead his team against Medford's Peapickers in Portland's annual Thanksgiving high school classic here tomorrow. The game will start at 1:30 p. m. and will be played at Multnomah stadium. It will be Woodman's last game with Jefferson. For a time it was feared he would be unable to play. He suffered injuries following Jefferson's recent game with Lincoln. The game promises to be a duel between the Jones-Warner systems, in addition to one for the mythical state championship.

CHINESE PUNCHER RALLIES AFTER KO TO GAIN DECISION

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 23.—(AP)—Knocked cold in the first round by a long underhand right swing by Benny Pels, Ah Wing Lee, Portland's Chinese sensational lightweight, staged a wonderful recovery to come back and win the decision of the referee at the end of the tenth round.

As the referee tolled off the count of eight in the first round, with Lee lying face downward totally oblivious as to what was going on, the bell rang. Quickly picking up their man, Lee's seconds rushed him to his corner, worked over him feverishly and sent him out for the second round.

Ah Wing boxed carefully and took it easy during the second round, but from that time on he grew stronger and in the ninth round dropped Pels with a short, vicious left hook to the chin.

Had the fight gone the usual six-round route, it would have gone to Pels. But from that time on he was the Chinaman's fight, and he administered much punishment to the game South Portlander. Pels weighed 134 pounds, Ah Wing 134½.

Bob Heckler, Salt Lake amateur light heavyweight, knocked out Jack Young, San Francisco, in the first round; Whitey Neal, Vancouver, B. C., won a six-round decision over Johnny Snell, Portland; Louie Nelson and Tommy Hill, both of Portland, went six fast rounds to a draw, both scoring knockdowns; Carl Campbell, 207-pound truck driver for a Portland department store, knocked out Don Thompson, 201, Portland, in the second round.

It was Campbell's second professional bout.

HOTELL TO LEAD ROOTERS' SECTION

In order that Winston Hotell, Medford high school's yell leader, might be in the Portland stadium turkey section to lead the Peapickers' rooting section, the Active club voted last night to send him to the Jefferson high game. He will leave on this evening's special train for the north, according to announcement made last evening at the club's regular meeting.

Rev. W. E. Baird, pastor of the First Christian church, entertained with two readings, "Beth Peters on Daniel Webster's Speech," and "The Race Question."

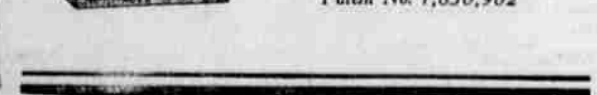
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Jefferson Coach



Coach Eric Waldorf, coach of the Jefferson high school football team of Portland, which meets Medford Thursday.

Gleanings From Many Gridirons

Princeton and Rutgers played the first intercollegiate football game at New Brunswick, N. J., on November 6, 1869, Rutgers winning, 6 to 4. There were 25 on a side, not counting spectators. . . . Columbia's eleven, if not the best in the land, at least is the most thoroughly probed.

Harry Mehre, Georgia's witty coach, admits his team has two systems of offense, "Mine and theirs." . . . Basketball fans, already a little mystified by the game's complex rules, will be interested in a prominent official's guess that "a magician will be required to straighten out the problems this winter." . . . National league club owners have been notified to proffer no contracts until after the winter meeting. They plot a 25 per cent reduction in overhead.

The average age of players in the national professional football league is slightly over 25, with not a single performer under 21.

Baseball usually bears slight relation to politics, but it's a safe guess Charley Grimm knows exactly how somebody feels.

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Gleemen Throw Critics For Loss In "Workouts"

The football scribe attended a rehearsal of the Gleemen last night and handed in the following account of his impressions: The Gleemen worked out last night under artificial lights and went through two hours of heavy scrimmage before they were sent to the showers. The big test is less than two weeks away and it is Coach Stevens' intention to have his squad at the peak of their stride the evening of December 6.

Their forward wall of first tenors and first basses is light, but fast and aggressive and Stevens depends on them to open up holes for his heavy plunging second basses who have been consistent gainers all season. The signal calling will probably be done by the second tenors, while the kicking will be left to the librarian, "Click" Buchanan.

The Gleemen have a real triple threat man in Rollie Beach, who can sing first tenor, second tenor or pass with equal ability and we'll probably hear a lot from him before the season ends.

Stevens is relying on steady, consistent fundamentals, but there is one trick play that the writer observed in which "Doc" Howard carries the maddy around left end without interference and if it works it should be good for a touchdown. The play starts as a spinner through center, when suddenly Howard grabs the turn out of the air that the rest of the chorus is humming, and reversing his field heads for the goal posts.

As to condition and morale every one appears to be in good shape except for the usual run of strained vocal cords and dislocated larynxes. However, Sebastian Apollo, the trainer, hopes to have these all ironed out by December 6, and the full squad of 35 will doubleless see action.

"Genial Jim" Stevens makes the usual gloomy predictions traditional with all coaches and when queried as to the outcome, said, "We've got a lot of good material, but this is only our first season together and I don't know what they're going to do in a pinch."

"Our early season performance at the dedication of the courthouse was satisfactory and gave the fans a thrill but our heavy schedule for the 6th

may be too much for the boys. Nevertheless the squad is full of fight and enthusiasm and barring a fluke or fumble I expect them to give a good account of themselves."

All of which means that Jim is pretty well pleased with the way things are coming along and the grandstand occupants will get a run for their money. It is expected that the stadium will be crowded to capacity, as the demand for pasteboards is exceedingly brisk.

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trojans, husky clash thursday

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