

The Sporting Page

GUARD SITUATION WORRYING COACH; BOYS DRILL HARD

Linemen Get Severe Course in Blocking As Game with Hood River Nears —Backfield Encouraging

Coach Bill Bowerman, as he hammers his Medford high school Black Tornado through furious practice sessions in preparation for their night football game with Hood River high here next Friday night, is still plenty worried about the guard situation.

In fact, the mentor became so disgusted with the antics of the guys who are supposed to come out of that line in a hurry and knock someone down for keeps, that he kicked over the traces at the end of a grueling workout yesterday afternoon and ordered the entire team to get to the dressing room and out of his sight.

No fooling, Bowerman was fit to be tied. "Our guards are so terrible," he grunted, "that they make the whole squad look bad."

Drill On Blocking. Yesterday's drill consisted of blocking, blocking and more blocking for the linemen and maneuvers destined to break ball-carriers away from would-be tacklers. Backfield Coach Ed Kirtley worked his charges on pivoting away from danger, and seemed fairly well satisfied with the manner in which they assimilated and put into practice that knowledge.

Not so Head Coach Bowerman, with his linemen floundering in cross-blocks, straight-ahead blocks and every variety of blocks the chief drilled his forwards on. It was man-to-man for awhile, then two-on-one. Then, two teams lining up for actual scrimmage, with blocking again stressed to the nth degree.

Yesterday, Wally Eri, Gene Archibald, John Childers, Sam Richardson, and Scripper were tried at the guard slots, and all, according to the head man, have so much to learn it is a pity. Several different combinations were sent into offensive action during scrimmage sessions on the baseball field and none of them were satisfactory. They weren't blocking, and as a result, the backfield was having a tough time getting any place.

Bowman Gets Away. Jack Bowman, working at both left and right half, broke loose for several nifty gallops, but it was mainly because of his own ability and not good blocking that sprung him loose. The speedster, by the way, appears to be one of those slashing, smashing, rugged ball-packers of the Bob Smith type. Given some down-field help, he will go and go plenty this season.

The offensive forward wall spread out, to start things, with Red Root and Don Monteth at the ends, Hubert Santo and Dan Erhardt at the tackles. Scripper and Eri at the guards and Prentice, center. The guards were changed several times. In the backfield, Jack Hill, Bowman, Warren Bayles, Willie Caples, Shorry Campbell, Rod Stead and Bob Newland saw action.

On defense, Miller and Wilson were at the ends, Dale Howard and Barrow were at the tackles, Archibald and Childers were at the guards, and Baker was at center. Several shifts were made from time to time, with defensive linemen being transferred to offense and vice versa.

Bobby Eitinger, blocking quarterback and left half, took things easy yesterday favoring a slightly injured knee received in the alumni game last Saturday.

ROBERT TUTTLE IS JUNIOR RIFLEMAN

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(Sp.)—Robert M. Tuttle, P. O. box 1166, Medford, Ore., has qualified as an expert rifleman in the junior division of the National Rifle association, it was announced here today. The only grade higher than expert is distinguished rifleman.

He is a member of the Medford Rifle club and won his qualification medals under the supervision of S. M. Tuttle, instructor of the club. Of the total of 3852 junior shooters of the country who have qualified so far this year in all grades of shooting proficiency from the beginning grade of pre-marksmen to the highest grade of distinguished rifleman, only 88 have succeeded in attaining the distinguished rating and 355 the expert rating.

BEARS WARNED TO TAKE BEAVERMEN SERIOUSLY

BERKELEY, Calif., Sept. 29.—(A.)—California's Bears, who dismantled St. Mary's under a 30-7 score yesterday, were warned today not to take Oregon State too lightly next Saturday. Though the Beavers lost to Idaho, 7-6, Coach L. B. "Stub" Allison warned his charges "they're pointing for us, and they're in the right spot to beat us."

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Schindler Gallops to Troy Touchdown



Amby Schindler (24), Southern California quarterback, is shown ambling 64-yards to the Trojans' first score in their fall opener against the College of the Pacific at Stockton on a punt return. The game, played in Los Angeles, ended in a 40 to 0 victory for U. S. C.

Sport Graphs

Billy Hulén Says:

Grants Pass and Ashland Ranked As Dark Horses

Add Grants Pass to the list headed by Ashland as being in the darkhorse or "don't sell 'em short" category for this coming Southern Oregon conference pigskin race.

Like the Grizzlies, Grants Pass lost its first football game of the season last Saturday to North Bend, 6-0. As North Bend has seldom been extra salty in the past, the logical conclusion to draw after the game was that Grants Pass would most certainly be the weak sister of the conference. However, according to some expert dope straight from the field of battle, those Cavemen are going to be nobody's shortcake.

Our informant is Captain Lee Bown of the state police, who last Saturday witnessed Grants Pass receive what, to all appearances, was a surprise setback. There was very little surprise stuff about that ball game though, says Cap Bown. North Bend slapped a great machine on the field, one of the finest high school machines he had ever seen, and it was far from a disgrace to be beaten by the Coast outfit. Powered by a huge fullback transfer from Nebraska, Captain Bown stated that North Bend would extend any high school team in the state, and whack most of them decisively.

On the other hand, while looking rather slow-footed and ragged, he informed that the Cavemen appeared to possess plenty of material which was almost certain to start rolling before the season was done for. They are all big guys, he stated, and as soon as they learn a few more fundamentals are bound to be tough. He said the team did a great job in holding the North Bend powerhouse to one touchdown.

Grants Pass, it will be remembered, tied with Klamath Falls for the conference title last year by defeating Ashland and the Pelicans while falling only to Medford. Losing Ken Pruitt, all-conference fullback and Art Winetrot, gigantic tackle, along with several others, the Cavemen were not figured to have a great deal of say-so in the race this season. But, if what Captain Bown says is true and if vague rumors that have wafted to our ears are well-founded, Grants Pass will be right back up there, knocking at the door.

Because of all this football hysteria lately, we sort of lost touch with the

HOMER IN TENTH WINS PLAYOFF OPENER, 4-3, FOR SAN DIEGO TEAM

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Sept. 29.—(AP)—Outfielder Rupert Thompson and the San Diego Padres were one up on the Portland Beavers today after taking the 10-inning opening game of the Pacific Coast league title series, 4 to 3.

Thompson's second home run of the day was the deciding run. His first homer accounted for all of the other Padres runs. He hit it in the third inning with Pitcher Wally Hebert and Shortstop George Myatt on the pathways.

Portland scored runs in the sixth and seventh innings to tie the count, but following a procedure he set early in the season, Thompson sent the fans home when he hit for the circuit with one away in the last of the tenth.

San Diego got only four hits off two Portland pitchers. Ad Liska and Bill Thomas, but two of them were Thompson's homers. Hebert was nicked for seven hits. He is the only southpaw on the Padre pitching staff and has consistently been poison to the Beavers this season.

The second game of the seven-game series will be played today.

BYRON NELSON WINS RICH BELMONT PRIZE

BELMONT, Mass., Sept. 29.—(AP)—Byron Nelson of Reading, Pa., won the \$3,000 top prize in the \$12,000 Belmont open match play golf tournament Tuesday by defeating Henry Picard of Hershey, Pa., one of his Ryder Cup team mates, 5 and 4 in what was scheduled to be the 36-holes final. Picard earned \$2,000 for finishing as the runner-up.

Most of the match was played in a driving rain, which ruined Picard's tee shots, especially during the afternoon play, which started all even after Nelson twice erased two-hole deficits during the morning round.

Scores Yesterday

By the Associated Press
Coast league play-off:
Portland..... R. H. E.
San Diego..... 3 7 0
Liska, Thomas and Cronin; Hebert and Starr.
National
Pittsburgh 6, St. Louis 2
Chicago 2, Cincinnati 0
Others postponed, rain.
American
New York 9-1, Washington 0-2
Cleveland 7, Chicago 6 (second game called end third, darkness.)
Detroit 6, St. Louis 1
Philadelphia-Boston, rain.

LOUIS FAILS TO HELP HIS SOFTBALL SQUAD

SALINAS, Cal., Sept. 29.—(P)—World champion heavyweight boxing champion Joe Louis of Detroit failed to hit last night as his softball team, opening a barnstorming series in California, lost to the Monterey Beer team, 5 to 2.

Yankees Favored in Dope To Capture Subway Series

NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—(AP)—There being no further serious argument about the winner of the National league pennant, it becomes fashionable once again to start comparing the talents of those two colossal New York institutions, the "Jints" and the Yankees.

Which will win the second "subway series" in as many years, starting a week from today? The dope, all things being considered, must favor the Yankees, run-away champions of the American league, to repeat last year's six-game victory over Colonel Bill Terry's slickers.

Boasting the greatest collection of sluggers in baseball, the Yanks have systematically bludgeoned the life out of the opposition in their league. They hit with all the power (and, incidentally, the grace) of a ten-ton truck. Their admirers say they will, once again, strew the Giants all over the Bronx.

Those who swear by the National leaguers' brand of baseball—tight pitching, fast fielding, hard hitting—say it's going to be a different story this time. They think Carl Hubbell and Cliff "Mountain Music" Melton, two of the greatest southpaws ever to pitch for one club at the same time, will slow the Ruppert rough-housers down to a toddle starting next Wednesday.

That is going to be the drama of the series, when Melton and Hubbell and then Hal Schumacher (probably in that order) start trying to slip strikes past Dimaggio, Dickey and Gehrig. There will be the danger of an explosion on every pitch. It's up to the Giants' pitchers to see that it doesn't happen. Can they?

The ability of the Yankees' two ace, Vernon Gomez and Charles "Red" Ruffing, to hold down the Giants' scoring won't be quite so important. Nobody, including the Giants themselves, expects the Terry-men to go on a batting rampage, though they have been getting runs in surprising clusters lately. They will be playing in the big series for one run and depending on pitching and smart fielding to protect it.

Over Confidence Defeated Beavers

CORVALLIS, Ore., Sept. 29.—(AP)—Attributing the Oregon State Beavers' defeat at Moscow last Saturday largely to "over confidence," Coach Lon Stiner today planned several shifts in the lineup before taking his football squad south this week end. Ben Ell, sophomore reserve fullback, and Hal Higgins, left halfback, who have been out with injuries, were expected to return to strengthen the squad this week.

Closing time for Too Late to Classify Ads is 1:30 p. m.

HOW THEY STAND

National			
	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	91	54	.628
Chicago	89	60	.597
Pittsburgh	80	68	.541
St. Louis	79	70	.530
Boston	75	73	.507
Brooklyn	62	86	.419
Philadelphia	58	89	.395
Cincinnati	37	91	.285

American			
	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	99	48	.673
Detroit	87	62	.584
Chicago	82	65	.558
Cleveland	79	69	.534
Boston	76	69	.524
Washington	71	75	.486
Philadelphia	49	95	.340
St. Louis	44	104	.297

VETERAN PROS TO VIE AT AUGUSTA

CLEVELAND, Sept. 29.—(P)—Capt. Charles Clark of Willoughby, O., secretary of the National Golfers' Seniors association, announced today that a national championship tournament for professionals 50 years of age and older would be held this winter at Bobby Jones' Augusta National course.

Capt. Clark said the tourney, a 54-hole medal play, three-day event.

would be held the last week in November or the first week in December. The tournament is the first ever held exclusively for the veteran professionals, and its purpose is to honor the 200 or more eligibles for their contribution to American golf since the turn of the century.

A \$1,500 trophy, presented by Alfred Vaughn, well-known amateur, goes to the winner of the tournament. The veterans will play 18 holes daily for three days.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON FOOTBALL SQUADMEN ON THEIR RETURN TO THE CAMPUS. "Our passing combination of Smith to Graybeal, or vice versa, looks great," he said.

The two, with Paul Rowe, all sophomores, sparked the advances leading to both touchdowns scored against the Bruins.

Predicting that the Stanford game here this week will develop into an aerial battle, Callison said it would be "our Graybeal, Smith and Anderson against Paulman, Groves and Hamilton."

The Gadsden Purchase, by which a large slice of Mexican territory was added to Arizona, cost the United States \$10,000,000.

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