

# The Sporting Page

## BOWERMAN SEEKS BACKFIELD PUNCH FOR FRIDAY GAME

### Mentor Experimenting With Two Units in Practice for Axmen's Coming — Powerful Line in Condition

Coch Bill Bowerman is experimenting with two backfield units as he attempts to develop a consistent offensive punch for the Medford high versus Eugene high Axmen game here next Friday night. The first unit consists of Bill Caples, quarter; Jack Bowman, left half; Rodney Stead, right half and Louis Thurman, full. The second unit is composed of Harry Thurman, quarter; Shorty Campbell, left half; Bill Fitch, right half and Bob Newland, full.

With the exception of Bob Verbieck, end, and John Childers, guard, the powerful Tiger line is in good condition for the invasion of the strong Axmen. Verbieck is a doubtful performer, because of his sprained knee, and Childers will be out for the next two weeks while he recuperates from an attack of flu.

A bitter battle is being waged for the two starting tackle posts, with Hibert and Dale Howard having an edge over Bill Clute and Al Barrow, the mentor stated. Monteith and Miller are in good shape at the flanks, Jones and Eri are knocking them dead at the guards, and Prentice at center is a fixture.

Almost 100 applications for reserved seats tickets have already been received, and school officials predict another huge crowd of from four to 8000.

## SOCKEYE HALTS MURDOCK'S REIGN OVER LOCAL RING

Sockeye Jack McDonald got back into his winning groove at the Medford armory last night before a capacity crowd of ladies, gentlemen, and as he did so popular Paul Murdock lost his first wrestling match of the year here. The big ex-Seattle logger took a bruising two-out-of-three-fall verdict from Murdock, in a main event filled with spectacular action from beginning to end.

It took McDonald, wrestling clean, 21 minutes to garner the first tumble. After being weakened by Murdock's terrific headlocks for the better part of 20 minutes, Sockeye finally revived enough to slam Paul into the ropes and whom him in the stomach as he rebounded. Twice he did that, the second time proving all that Murdock could stand. He sunk to the canvas and McDonald pinned him with a body press.

Three minutes later Murdock evened the score. Twice he smashed Sockeye to the floor with sonnenbergs, then climaxed the attack with a flying tackle and body press.

Such a beating did Sockeye take in losing that fall that when they came back after the rest period for the third and deciding press, it appeared like Murdock would end the fight in short order. He whipped McDonald over his shoulder several times with flying mares, but Sockeye gathered himself together and as Murdock rushed at him with a sonnenberg, McDonald caught the Texas under the chin with both hands, flipped him over backwards, and climbed on top for the fall.

Pete Belcastro took two straight falls from Monte LaDue in the second and third rounds of the middle event, using his bouncing surfboard to do the trick. The match was bitterly fought, with Belcastro performing in his usual dirty manner and LaDue not staying too pure.

Frankie Schroll took the lone fall of the opener from Buddy Knox, using his devastating crocodile clutch with deadly effect. It was a clean and sparkling match, with Schroll applying the finisher after Knox did effective work with head holds. Following the fall, Knox was completely unconscious for at least three minutes, and was carried to the dressing room by Referee Earl Yoskley.

In a special boxing attraction, Lester "Tiger" Robertson, 101, of Salt Lake City and Owen Griffith, 113, of Ashland, went three rounds to a draw. The youngsters, both 13 years old, staged a good exhibition for the customers.

## LOU DAIRO EASY FOR SEATTLE MITT ARTIST

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 1.—(AP)—Sydney Brent, Seattle 155 pounder, stopped Lou Dairo, 154, San Francisco, in the second round of a four-round boxing match here last night. The referee stopped the fight after Dairo spent most of his time on the mat for various counts.

## Lombardi of Reds Awarded "Most Valuable" Accolade

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—(AP)—Following, as it usually does, the best hitter or the best pitcher in the league, the award for the most valuable player in the National league in 1938 goes to Ernie Lombardi, an Italian.

The big Italian who catches for the Cincinnati Reds rolled up 228 points in the voting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America. He is the first Cincinnati player ever to win the title.

Lombardi has much to recommend him. He led the league in hitting with 342 and according to his manager, Will McKechnie, had much to do with the success of the Reds' young hurlers this year. He cannot run fast enough to scare any infielders but he is a big, center fielder, a powerful catcher with an arm like a bull-whip.

Ernie, or "Booho" as they called him in his salad days at Brooklyn, was placed first on 10 of the 24 ballots of the writers' voting committee, a fine percentage considering the opposition.

He was 63 points ahead of Bill Lee, the Chicago Cubs' hurler, who finished second. Lee was one of the main reasons for the Cubs' perky showing in the late season drive. He worked four days in a row in the

## Sport Graphs

Billy Hulen says:

### Rose Bowl Teams In Stretch Drive; Panthers Favored

The halfway mark in this 1938 football season was passed last Saturday, so from now until the end of November the guys you see huddled on street corners and in barber shops will be discussing no more important business than which team will meet which in Pasadena's annual Rose Bowl extravaganza.

New Year's Day. The nation's teams are pretty well catalogued now, although so, anyway to feed the fuels of Rose Bowl chatter.

Before we come out flatly and tell you what two ball clubs are going to fight it out in the country's most famous "bowl" encounter, let's take a look at those still unbeaten and untied aggregations, all of which are potential Rose Bowl performers. We'll leave out the Big Ten, which would not send a team if it could, and Santa Clara, apparently barred from the classic by Pacific Coast conference bigwigs, etc.

In the Coast conference, only California's Golden Bears and the University of Southern California Trojans are still in the running. Not mathematically, of course, because the sky could fall in and send UCLA or Stanford or possible Oregon State or Oregon to Pasadena. But, it's a 10 to 1 shot that one or the other will represent the Pacific coast come January 2, 1939. Which team it will be decided, undoubtedly, next Saturday, when they clash in Los Angeles. With the proper inducement, we would take a little flier on the Joesmen.

In the Southern conference, the lone Rose Bowl possibility is undefeated and untied Duke. Coached by Wallace Wade, who used to be at Alabama. Although the Blue Devils are unquestionably plenty powerful, they play Pittsburg November 26, which occurrence should preclude the possibility of them remaining untied. In the Southeastern conference, long dominated by Alabama, number one team is Tennessee. The Volunteers apparently have only one extra-tough game remaining on their slate—against Vanderbilt November 12—and they must be considered distinct Rose Bowl possibilities. Especially in view of the fact that the Southeastern league has proved such a popular section for choosing Bowl teams in the past.

In the east it's mighty Pittsburg leading the way, as usual, with Dartmouth of the Ivy league running the Panthers a close second for favoritism among the "experts." Pitt, of course, should go on through without a record blemish, although Carnegie Tech could cause some trouble and Nebraska won't be a pushover, not to mention Duke again. As for Dartmouth, it is doubtful if the big Green team would accept a Rose Bowl bid, tied up as it is with those highest Ivy leaguers. But it might.

## BOWLING

In Classic league bowling matches at the Medford alleys last night. Active club beat M and M, 2 to 1; Studebaker beat Maid Rite, 3 to 0, and Ramblers beat Mobligas, 3 to 0. Sunday, the Medford Ramblers and Medford alleys traveled to Marshfield for three matches with coast bowlers. In addition to taking most of the team-match honors, Roy Pruitt and George Eads won the doubles with Frank Renstorf and Earl Sims taking second. Earl Sims won second in the singles. Scores follow:

M. & M.	
Rengstorff	168 178 181 527
Semon	168 180 151 479
Dawes	159 209 159 527
Jones	149 202 178 529
Hemstreet	191 193 165 549
835 942 834 2611	

Active Club	
Burroughs	153 178 192 523
Larsen	158 170 162 490
Freitag	155 182 160 497
DeVore	151 211 225 587
Sims	181 196 168 545
Handicap	23 25 23 60
819 978 947 2744	

Studebaker	
Roy Pruitt	181 168 213 562
Stan Stark	158 155 134 447
Sanderson	158 170 162 490
Dr. Paske	188 149 200 537
Geo. Eads	171 171 171 513
855 813 880 2549	

Murray's Maid Rite	
J. Murray	159 158 156 473
Hagen	125 140 163 428
M. Bell	142 135 178 455
Gabel	182 208 181 571
Saylor	143 149 130 422
Handicap	16 16 16 48
767 806 824 2397	

Ramblers	
Cannon	159 176 183 518
Green	159 163 173 495
Pruitt, M.	165 166 164 495
Gates	141 153 194 488
Reitama	201 153 163 517
Handicap	9 9 9 27
821 807 798 2424	

Mobligas	
Bean (absentee)	177 177 177 531
Weisenberger	153 144 188 485
Lantis (absentee)	163 163 163 489
White	153 169 118 440
Pruitt	175 154 150 479
821 807 798 2424	

Kooz Alwates	
C. Wheeler	176 170 154 500
A. Bennett	187 170 220 577
L. Sundbaum	182 155 175 512
B. Bush	169 190 165 524
H. Bush	213 153 179 545
927 838 893 2658	

Medford Ramblers	
Jim Moore	159 214 152 535
Claude Saylor	176 157 163 496
Bus Green	194 180 155 529
Ron DeVore	172 151 209 532
Earl Reitama	155 164 203 532
866 866 862 2614	

Kooz Alwates	
C. Wheeler	126 149 160 445
A. Bennett	147 174 192 499
V. Collier	188 166 156 510
Boots Bush	166 175 159 500
H. Bush	179 198 216 593
812 862 873 2547	

Medford Ramblers	
Jim Moore	128 146 172 446
C. Saylor	147 138 193 493
Bus Green	181 131 189 501
Ron DeVore	167 181 189 537
Earl Reitama	149 147 187 483
772 743 910 2445	

Embaco Alleys	
Mel Coffman	175 140 178 493
Mike Burke	164 153 170 487
Ed Payne	147 181 177 513
Toye Lundblad	192 203 172 567
Fred White	179 189 183 551
867 854 880 2601	

Medford Alleys	
R. Pruitt	178 201 183 562
Rengstorff	178 146 169 493
W. Pruitt	179 113 212 504
E. Sims	180 188 192 560

Our prediction for the Rose Bowl opponents is Southern California versus Pittsburg. This writer believes the Trojans will whip California next Saturday and breeze right on through, while Pittsburg appears unlicked from this corner. The winner of the New Year's game? Well, USC looks good, but on those semi-pros of Jock Sutherland! Pitt, matie, really has a football club.

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

## BOWLING

In last night's kids club bowling tournament match, the Sprig lost three out of four points to the Teal. Tonight the Mallards roll against the Spoonbill. Scores follow:

Sprig	
Paske	170 185 137 492
Bowman	144 161 154 449
Hutchison	148 132 161 441
Gill	127 192 169 488
Gritsch	99 107 120 326
Handicap	177 177 177 531
865 944 918 2727	

Teal	
Hohlweg	200 175 178 553
Sabin	144 124 178 446
Bowerman	113 133 190 436
Kuns	93 85 82 260
Johnson	140 161 135 436
Handicap	202 202 202 606
Totals 892 880 965 2737	

## HOSTAK TO RISK CROWN TONIGHT

SEATTLE, Nov. 1.—(AP)—Middleweight Champion Al Hostak, whose 17 opponents have averaged only three rounds against him before being put to sleep, will risk his title tonight against Freddie Steele of Tacoma. Hostak, a boy who has never been knocked off his feet.

With that irresistible force, immovable object motif, promoter Nate Druxman said he expected a bumper crowd of about 9500 to watch the scheduled 15-rounder. The fight will start about 10 p. m. (P.S.T.)

It will be Hostak's first title defense since he won the crown by knocking out Freddie Steele of Tacoma in the first round here last July. Fans, still remembering how quick he lowered the boom on Steele, have installed the "Savage Slav" as the favorite.

## Fights Last Night

(By The Associated Press)  
Chicago—Tony Zale, 159, Gary Ind., stopped Jim Clark, 158, Buffalo, N. Y., (2).  
New York—Bob Pastor, 194½, New York, stopped George Brackey, 231½, Buffalo, N. Y., (4).  
Youngstown, Ohio—Bill Boyd, 183, Baltimore, stopped Mickey Benson, 183, Boston (4).  
Salt Lake City—Jack Rainwater, 144, Pendleton, Ore., outpointed Speedy Wallace, 146, Tulsa, Okla., (10).  
Miami Beach, Fla.—Manuel Flores, 122, Mexico City, stopped Pat Floyd, 120, Fort Benning, Ga., (8).

## Livestock

Portland  
PORTLAND, Nov. 1.—(AP-USA)—Hogs: 900, market active, 10-15 higher than Monday average, good-choice around 165-215 lb. \$8.35-50, no carload lots offered, good-choice 225-70 lb. butchers \$7.75-8.00, packing \$6.50-75, lightweights up to \$7.00, choice feeder pigs salable \$8.00-25.

CATTLE: 100, calves 25, supply light but demand limited, scattered sales steady, practically no steers offered, medium-good salable \$6.75-7.50 and above, common steers quotable \$5.50 and down, few cuttery dairy type heifers \$3.50-4.00, common heifers up to \$5.25, low cutter and cutter cows \$2.50-3.25, common-medium dairy type cows \$4.40, common-medium bulls salable \$4.50-5.25, cutters \$4.00, few good vealers \$8.00, choice quotable \$9.00.

SHEEP: 300, market slow, early sales about steady, few good 70-95 lb. trucked in lambs \$6.75, common \$5.50, choice carload lots salable \$7.50, yearlings quotable \$5.00, slaughter ewes nominally 2.00-3.00.

CHICAGO, Nov. 1.—(AP-USA)—Hogs 25,000; mostly 5-10 lower than Monday's average on 190-270 lbs. av.

vealers 12½ @ 13c lb. light and thin @ 10c lb.; heavy, 8@9c lb.; lambs, 12 @ 19c lb.; ewes, 4@6c lb.; cutter cows, 6½ @ 7c lb.; canner cows, 6@ 6½c lb.; bulls, 8½ @ 9c lb.  
TURKEYS—Selling prices: Dressed new crop hens, 22-23c lb.; toms, 21 @ 22c lb.; buying prices: New hens, 21c lb.; toms, 23c lb.  
Cheese, live poultry, potatoes, onions, wool, hay, steady, unchanged.

## Wall St. Report

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—(AP)—Sellers sniped at the stock market today and succeeded in cutting down or cancelling early upturns running to 2 points.

Steels led the morning foray with Bethlehem stepping into new high ground for the past year. One or two mail orders, oils and specialties held on to modest advances and the rail, seemingly over the worst of their shifts resulting from the wage decision, generally maintained slight gains.

Business news, on the whole, continued rather optimistic. Except for the liveliness of several low-priced stocks, dealings were at a fairly even gait. Transfers approximated 1,200,000 shares. Today's closing prices for 33 selected stocks follow:

Al. Chem. & Dye	187½
Am. Can.	103
Am. & Pgn. Pow.	4½
A. T. & T.	148
Anacosta	36½
Atch. T. & S. F.	38½
Bendix Avia.	22½
Beth. Steel	67
Caterpillar Tract.	51
Chrysler	31½
Coml. Solv.	11
Curtiss-Wright	6½
DuPont	145½
Gen. Elec.	45½
Gen. Foods	38½
Gen. Mot.	49½
Int. Harvst.	63½
Jobs-Man.	10
Johns-Man.	102½
Montly Ward	50½
North Amer.	24
Porney (J. C.)	80
Phillips Pet.	39
Radio	8½
Sou. Pac.	19
Std. Brands	7½
St. Oil Cal.	30
St. Oil N. J.	53½
Trans. Amer.	9½
Union Carb.	84½
Unit. Altrcraft	34½
U. S. Steel	64

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SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 1.—(AP-USA)—Butter, 92 score, 28c.

## Portland Produce

PORTLAND, Nov. 1.—(AP)—Butter: Printing: A grade 30c lb. in parchment wrappers, 31c lb. in cartons; B grade, 29c lb. in parchment wrappers, 30c lb. in cartons.  
BUTTERFAT—Portland delivery buying price: A grade, 29½ @ 29c lb. Portland delivery; B grade, 1½c lb. less; C grade, 6c lb. less; Country delivery, 27c lb. for A grade.  
EGGS—Buying prices for wholesalers: Specials, 25c doz.; extras, 33c doz.; standards, 29c doz.; extras, medium, 28c doz.; extras, small, 21c dozen.

COUNTRY MEATS—Selling price to retailers, country killed hogs, best butcher under 160 lbs., 11 @ 11½c lb.



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