

Sport Graphs

Billy Hulen says:

All-Star Teams Produce Laughs; Prize to Tigers

At their best, these apparently unlimited number of all-star football teams being publicized are merely a reflection of the personal opinions of individuals, or the consensus of a group of "pickers," and, as everybody knows, aren't necessarily composed of the greatest players. Undoubtedly, many a deserving gridman is not honored by an all-star berth because of several reasons—he may have had a bad day when under observation by the "pickers," he might not possess enough color to attract attention, or maybe he missed a key game or so because of injuries, just to name a few of the things that could happen to keep him off the all-star outfit.

There are a lot of laughs contained in many all-star selections, screwy placings of players and leaving-off of others that are funny as heck, if you are not directly involved and can view the whole thing as a spectator. For instance, one of the greatest backs ever produced on the Pacific coast, California's Vic Bottari, was not named on many of the better-thought-of All-American aggregations. The name of Howie Wells, Wisconsin back, hasn't graced a single All-American first team so far, yet he is the boy every professional team in the country is hot after. And, have you ever heard of Paul Kell, whom competent scouts call the best lineman in America?

At the risk of seeming to commit treason, we will mention several highly peculiar, and laughable, facts about the all-star eleven named in this territory, including the All-Southern Oregon conference aggregation of The Mail Tribune, which was determined by a poll of coaches and writers.

Bob Verbiak, Medford's left end, is called by his coach, Bill Bowerman, the greatest wingman he ever saw in high school football, yet Verbiak made only the all-conference second team. This is not meant to belittle Medford's Don Montell and Royal Moore, who were named first-team nominees, both of whom performed brilliantly all year. Yet, it does seem like Verbiak should have been on that first team, especially after receiving such a fragrant bouquet from his mentor.

Grants Pass Cavemen selected their all-opponents team and, amazingly, didn't mention George Sanders of Roseburg. Yet, the Roseburg left halfback, who made local fans and Tiger players wonder who this guy Baugh is, was chosen by the Tornado on its all-opponents team as the outstanding back of all the opposition.

The Klamath Falls Pelicans selected an all-opponents team, and an all-conference opponents team, Charlie Warren, Ashland quarterback, was named to that post on the Pelicans' all-opponents eleven, but failed to make their all-conference opponents' club. In other words, Warren was selected as the best quarterback among ALL the quarterbacks Klamath played against, but wasn't named the finest at the position among the conference signal callers. That's really one for the book.

Yes, there are many things unique, to say the least, about these all-star selections, but the prize screwball all-goofy team seems to be that named by our own Medford high gridgers when they purportedly chose the best players they played against all season. We will turn the story over to Asahel Bush of the Klamath Falls News-Herald, and let him tell it as he did in his column recently. In commenting on the Black Tornado's all-opponents team, Asahel had the following to say:

"It is enlightening to learn what high school gridgers the Medfords considered most capable at their respective positions of all those they played against this fall. It is particularly enlightening, if not actually entertaining, to discover that among that number is listed Lidstrom of Bend, a wingman.

"Walt Lidstrom, an end, is a fine football player, probably as fine as ever filled his post for the Bend Lava Bears. His defensive play, his pass-snatching and his ball-carrying on end-around maneuvers contrived heavily toward the Deschutes county eleven's smashing defeat of the Klamath Pelicans a year ago Armistice day.

"This past fall Walt Lidstrom held down an end berth for the University of Oregon Frosh and was a starting regular with the college team until an injury cut down his playing capacity. He might have got home to Bend for Thanksgiving, but he certainly wasn't there, not even in the grandstand, the day the Tigers edged out their closest, closest victory of the season over the Lava Bears.

Arkansans Pair Will Scuffle With Britt Brothers Tonight

FEUDING FAMILY OUT TO REVENGE FORMER DEFEAT

Grappling Program at Armory Will Pit Brothers—Little Brother Mike Meets Kelly in Opening Match

Before an expected capacity crowd of ladies fighters in the Medford armory tonight, the Brothers Britt tangle with the Brothers Jones in one of Promoter Mack Lillard's finest wrestling presentations of the year. The card, figured to be a blood and thunder affair, gets under way at 8:30 sharp. To all ticket purchasers will be given a free one to admit a feminine grapple fan.

Two-thirds of the program will see the Jones boys colliding with the Britt boys in an old-fashioned family feud, the likes of which seldom occur anywhere but in the Ozark mountains of Arkansas, home of the Jones family. Having been born and reared in the hot bed of family feuding, and consequently well versed in all the tricks of such a trade, the Jones brothers are expected to make things very unpleasant for the Britt duo, who have not had much experience in such goings-on.

It will be Floyd Britt versus Tony Jones in the one-hour main event, a match best last week under conditions which make it a sure-fire grudge equal. The Britt person had just finished flogging Little Brother Mike Jones into defeat when Big Brother Tony, all 200 pounds of him, decided to chastise the guy who treated Mike so roughly. Tony walloped the hateful Britt on the back of the neck, challenged him to a grapple and Britt was forced to accept the bid when Promoter Lillard made it clear that, unless he did, he wouldn't wrestle at all this week.

The match is expected to spill plenty of red corpuscles, although many fans doubt whether Britt's corpuscles are red. Tony, big boy of the Jones brothers, looks like a barrel, but wrestles with as much expertise as any man you yet to appear here. He is inherently a clean workman, but what he will do when Britt opens up with his foul arm-breaker tactics is another thing. Fans hope it will be considerable.

In the center bout, slated for six 10-minute rounds, Alvin Britt, former junior-heavyweight champion, takes on Brother Tony, smaller than Tony but several times as tough. Brother Alvin was sent for by Floyd Britt during the main event. Thus, if Alvin is all in one piece after Tuffy gets through with him, he will scuffle Floyd.

The six round opener will see Little Brother Mike Jones clash with Spider Kelly of Oakland, Cal., a clean and scientific wrestler. Mike, like his two older brothers, is strictly a legitimate grappler until forced to be otherwise. This match should provide a tasty dish for customers who like their mat activity produced on the up and up.

ICY CRUST PREVENTS SKIING ON MOUNT HOOD

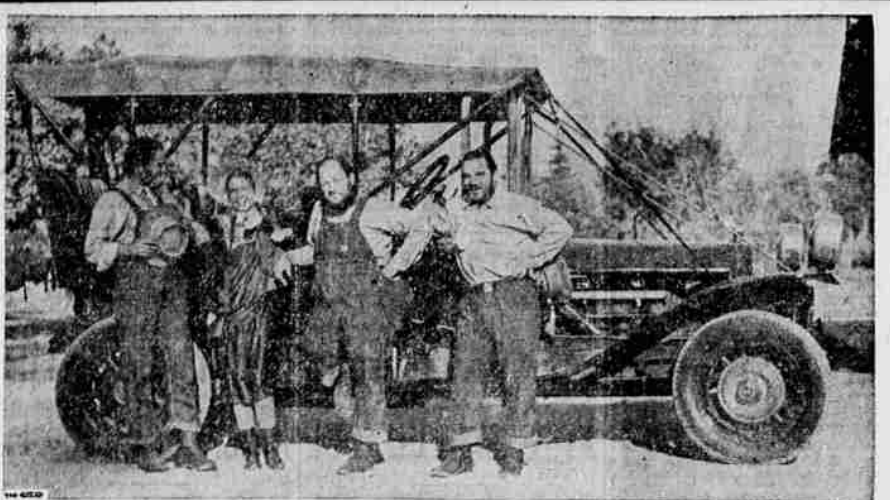
TIMBERLINE LODGE, Mt. Hood, Dec. 12.—(AP)—An icy crust turned back skiers on Mount Hood Tuesday, freezing weather and a lack of new snow preventing use of the slick slabs.

About 2400 snow fans went to the mountain, but most of them turned to tobogganing and sledding.

stardom, and he certainly didn't cavort anywhere in the line.

"Phil Brogan, sports editor of the Bend Bulletin, who believes our friends across the ridge must have seen a ghost perform at end, suggests the Medfords may have had George Hudson, a 200-pound junior right flank, in mind when they nominated Lidstrom, because Hudson gave an all-out performance that night. Hudson and Sherman Nisar, sophomore left end who was a position on the Klamath Pelicans' all-opponents team, were regular Bend winners this past season.

Hillbilly Trio on Armory Program



In the above pictured vehicle of ancient vintage, the Arkansas Scufflers travel the country over looking for wrestling victims. From left to right are Mike, Sister, Tony and Tuffy Jones, and all but Sister swing into action at the armory tonight against a couple of villainous Britt brothers and Spider Kelly. The Scufflers are probably the most colorful wrestlers to ever go to work in southern Oregon, and a capacity crowd is expected to witness their hillbilly headlocks, etc., this evening.

Budge Again Ranks No. 1 Athlete by Sports Scribes

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—(AP)—For the second year in succession, Don Budge is ranked as the nation's No. 1 athlete.

The lanky California red-head, who negotiated an unprecedented tennis sweep in winning the Australian, French, British and American titles in one year before electing to cast his lot with the professionals, was named as the No. 1 athlete for 1938 by 28 of the 63 sports experts who participated in the Associated Press' annual poll.

In sharp contrast, however, to his run-away triumph in last year's battle of ballots, Budge was hard-pressed this time by Henry Armstrong, great negro fighter, who set up a new all-time boxing record by holding the featherweight, lightweight and welterweight championships at the same time.

Armstrong, drawing 19 first-place votes, wound up only 18 points behind the tennis ace in the final tabulation, based on three points for first choice, two points for second and one for third. Budge's total was 122 points, Armstrong's 104.

In a preliminary Jacksonville graders' best Talent graders, 27 to 2. Harry scored 10 points for the winners.

Lineups: Jacksonville (22) Talent (21) F. Metzger 2 P. Sketers 9 McKinney 7 P. Maxson 3 Offenbacher 2 C. Hungate 6 White 11 G. Wadsworth 4 T. Metzger 10 G. Keith 3 Subj. Jacksonville, Woods, Woodard, Talent, Anderson, Summers, Perdue. Referee: Ronald Gandee.

PORTLAND HOCKEYMEN FINALLY MEET DEFEAT

By the Associated Press

Things were looking up in Pacific Coast Hockey League circles today.

The Portland Buckaroos finally were beaten and the luckless Spokane Clippers started the week with a tie.

The second place Seattle Seahawks performed the giant killing act Saturday night on the Seattle Ice, setting the visiting Burs back 6 to 2.

The Clippers now under new ownership, came from behind twice in Spokane last night to deadlock their battle with the Vancouver Lions, 2 to 2 in an overtime game.

GIANTS TRIM PACKERS 23-17 IN PLAYOFF FOR LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Professional football patterns its game to the customers' wishes. The customers want wide open football with plenty of scoring. No better case for both the customers and the pro could have been presented than yesterday's national league championship playoff, in which the New York Giants beat the Green Bay Packers, 23-17.

It was a fine testimonial to pro football's sponsors and to Giant Coach Steve Owen; to the sponsors because 48,120 spectators, a new playoff record, paid \$58,331.90 into the Polo Grounds till to see the game; to Owen because the Giants' well-earned triumph topped off a rebuilding campaign begun two years ago when he scrapped most of his veterans in favor of young bloods.

The Packers' 17 points were the most scored on the New York club by any club this season. He had his team at its peak for its three most vital games; the 15-3 conquest of the Packers November 20, the 36-0 rout of Washington last Sunday that clinched the eastern title, and yesterday's final triumph.

CAVEMEN, IRISH GLASH TUESDAY

Coach George Hibbard's Grants Pass Cavemen, members of the class A district 9 basketball loop, come to town Tuesday night for an exhibition encounter with the class B league St. Mary's Crusaders. The battle will be staged in the St. Mary's gym starting immediately following completion of a preliminary, which gets under way at 7:30.

Grants Pass, considered on a par with Medford and Ashland for the coming district race, is expected to win from the local class B quartet, but not without a struggle. St. Mary's, coached by Father A. A. Meyers and Dick Lewis, are rated one of the strongest teams in division I of the Jackson county class B conference.

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TO PICK PLAYERS FOR SHRINE GAME

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—(AP)—The Shrine selection committee meets here today to pick 22 college football stars who will receive invitations to represent the west in the East-West football game in San Francisco on January 2.

One committee member, Percy Looey, Oregon State college athletic director, said "at least two and possibly three" members of the University of California team will be invited to play.

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Spiders are never insects. Man first worshipped trees. Gorillas do not have tails.

TIGER HOOPSTERS GIVEN INVITATION TO O.S.C. TOURNEY

Invitational Affair to Include Quintets Coached by Former College Athletes—Acceptance Is Planned

Medford high school's varsity basketball team has been asked to compete in a contemplated invitational tournament at Oregon State college, December 27, 28 and 29, for class A high schools coached by O.S.C. graduates, it was announced today by Russ Acheson, Tiger manager, following receipt of a letter from A. T. (State) Gill, Beaver coach.

Coach Acheson said the invitation would be accepted if he could cancel games scheduled for the Tigers with University high of Eugene and Salem, January 6 and 7, in the northern cities. He has requested cancellation of the two games with Salem and Eugene, and said he expected to receive word from the two schools this week. If they agree to forget the games, the Tigers will undoubtedly enter the tournament, Coach Acheson said.

Invitations to compete in the tourney, first of its kind ever to be held by a major Oregon college, have also been mailed to Ashland, Grants Pass, Corvallis, Albany, Milwaukie, Grant of Portland, Franklin of Portland, Marshfield, Astoria, LaGrande, Seaside and Eureka, Cal. All these schools are coached by ex-Oregon State athletes.

In his letter to Coach Acheson, the Oregon State college mentor stated he had checked with Troy Walker, secretary of the state high school athletic association, and received assurance of the association's approval of the tournament. Walker told Gill, the latter said, that Franklin and Grant, the two Portland schools, would be eligible to compete if they didn't use ninth team players.

"We feel that such a tournament would be of considerable benefit to the teams taking part, as it would give each team three days of excellent competition, as well as tournament experience," Gill stated in his letter. "We will have, during this time, at least one varsity basketball game and, if there is enough interest among the coaches, will carry on a clinic, or at least have meetings for basketball discussions at various times throughout the tournament."

All expenses of the teams for the three days they are in Corvallis will be born by the college host, Gill explained in his letter; the expenses to include board and room for nine players and the coach. Only expense to the schools would be transportation, but Gill stated that if enough schools accepted the invitation, he felt sure "that over a period of years we can develop enough interest that all expenses can eventually be taken care of."

OFFICIALS NAMED FOR BOWL BATTLE

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Bobby Morris of Seattle, an alumnus of the University of Kansas and for a number of seasons a football and basketball arbiter in the Pacific Coast conference, will referee the Rose Bowl game between Duke and the University of Southern California.

Herb Dams, commissioner of Pacific Coast conference football officials, said today other officials would be Paul Menton of Baltimore.

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The Grange

Phoenix Grange will meet in regular session, Tuesday evening, December 13. All members are urged to attend as this is the election of the executive committee, and also conferring of third and fourth degrees.

Griffin Creek

GRIFFIN CREEK, Dec. 12.—(Sp.)—Mrs. C. M. Howell gave a shower at her home December 11, honoring Mrs. John Troyanek a recent bride, who received many lovely gifts. After an evening of games and visiting refreshments were served. Enjoying the evening were the Madams Laura Jones, Alice Lamb, Baker Yarbrow, Sam Young, George Plak, D. A. Hood, J. D. Brown, J. C. Casad, Ardis McFadden, Bob Thurs on, George Horner, Amanda Cherry, Grandma Darby, Missa Joyce Durham, Helen Lamb, Ethel Caultkins, Freda Caultkins, the honoree's guest and the hostess Mrs. C. M. Howell.

Wall St. Report

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Light profit taking in the afternoon stemmed a stock market recovery push today and early gains of 1 to 2 points among leaders were chipped down considerably at the close.

Drying up of recent year-end tax work, according to brokers, had much to do with encouraging bullish forces to reinstate some commitments ditched last week.

Stimulating were the federal reserve board figures disclosing the seasonally adjusted index for industrial production of the institution passed 100 per cent of the 1923-25 average in November, with the rate going even higher in December.

Transfers were around 900,000 shares. Today's closing prices for 32 selected stocks follow:

Al. Chem. & Dye	182 1/2
Am. Can	64 1/2
Am. & Fgn. Pow	2 1/2
I. T. & T.	149 1/2
Anacosta	33 1/2
Arch. T. & S. F.	36 1/2
Banking	31 1/2
Beth. Steel	72
Caterpillar Tract.	45 1/2
Chrysler	70 1/2
Coml. Solv.	6 1/2
Curtis-Wright	91
DuPont	140 1/2
Gen. Elec.	41 1/2
Gen. Foods	37 1/2
Gen. Mot.	48 1/2
Int. Harv.	59 1/2
I. T. & T.	149 1/2
Johns-Man.	81 1/2
Mont. Ward	103 1/2
Nor. Amer.	21 1/2
Penney (J. C.)	78 1/2
Phillips Pet.	40 1/2
Radio	7 1/2
Sou. Pac.	17 1/2
Std. Brands	6 1/2
St. Oil Cal.	26 1/2
St. Oil N. J.	60 1/2
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