

SPORTS

COAST GRID LOOP RELAXES RULE ON FORWARD PASSING

Aerials May Be Thrown From Anywhere Back of Line—Changes Wanted

Hood River, Ore., June 14—(U.P.)—Spectacular football will be played on the Pacific coast next fall as service teams and independent colleges today followed the pleas of the Pacific Coast Intercollegiate conference in permitting passes to be thrown from anywhere behind the scrimmage line.

The coast conference action broke away from the traditional national policy of not permitting passes closer than five yards behind the line of scrimmage. The professionals have had the unlimited rule, and repercussions from the coast decision are expected.

Coaches proposed the rule change to speed up the game for the spectators, and faculty representatives quickly approved.

Another rule change was to prohibit deliberate out-of-bounds kickoffs.

The coaches also recommended to the national football rules committee that the defensive team be permitted to advance a recovered fumble, reduce the penalty inside the 10-yard line which exceeds one-half the distance to the goal line, and no penalty outside the 10-yard line to place the ball closer to the goal than the five-yard line.

Revive Cage Playoff

The conference revived the north-south basketball playoff but only if the winners desire to arrange such a series.

Before announcing the 1944 schedule, the meeting agreed that summer practice may be held at any time, although the fall season officially will open Sept. 1.

The double round-robin football schedule was repeated for the three southern teams remaining in football competition—Southern California, California and UCLA. In addition, Washington—lone northern division competitor—will make a trip south in October to play USC and California. The rest of the schedule was filled by independents and military squads.

YARN BLAMED FOR BAD CONDITION OF BALLS

Chicago, June 14—(U.P.)—Manufacturers blamed improperly treated yarn today for the oily conditions of baseballs which has forced umpires to throw out nearly a dozen of them a day.

Cal Hubbard, veteran American league umpire, said oil from the yarn soaks through the outer hide and he recently threw out 19 balls in a game at Cleveland. In one game there were about 10 wild pitches before the oily balls could be eliminated, he said.

HOW THEY STAND

American	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Louis	29	23	.558
Boston	26	23	.531
Detroit	25	25	.500
Cleveland	25	26	.490
Chicago	22	23	.489
Washington	24	26	.480
New York	22	24	.478
Philadelphia	22	25	.468

National	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Louis	33	15	.688
Pittsburgh	26	19	.578
Cincinnati	25	23	.521
New York	25	24	.510
Brooklyn	24	26	.480
Boston	23	30	.434
Philadelphia	19	27	.413
Chicago	16	27	.372

Pacific Coast	W.	L.	Pct.
Portland	37	29	.561
San Francisco	36	30	.545
Seattle	36	31	.537
San Diego	36	33	.522
Hollywood	35	32	.522
Los Angeles	31	35	.470
Oakland	29	37	.439
Sacramento	25	38	.397

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OTT REFUSES TO PUT ON SHOW TO SPUR GIANT CLUB

New York, June 14—(U.P.)—Mild Mel Ott won't play Jekyll-Hyde to spur his New York Giants to greater heights, he said today in response to suggestions that he "get tough" with his hired help.

"I am tough," he insisted. "I can be as tough as I have to be. Just ask my ball players. But I'm not going to put on a show. I'm not the fiery type, maybe, but neither is Joe McCarthy and I understand he's a pretty good manager."

Everybody has always liked the chunky little fellow who came to John McGraw as a catcher, 18 years old, in 1925, and became one of the best outfielders and power hitters in baseball.

As manager of the last year's cellar inhabitants, Ott lost weight, fell off in his batting, was confined to bed with stomach disturbances.

"Nerves," he explained. "The doctor told me I'd just have to stop worrying so much, that's all. Do I worry? Sure, how can a man help it?"

Somewhere in the off-season, Ott acquired new philosophy, although he can't put his finger on it.

"I decided that a manager could be either an asset or a liability to his club," he explained. "If you strain nervously so much that you lost baseball values—jerk a pitcher too soon, or hold off too long; or hesitate to shove the infield back for a double play, or to try a 'squeeze' yourself—then the team senses it instinctively, and you're done for the day."

A manager's toughest job, marvelous Mel said, is to take ball games "as they come, and dismiss them when the last put-out is registered. Frankly, I can't do it, yet. I wish I could. But no manager ever thinks that the other team won; he conjures up scenes where his team lost."

The payoff in baseball is in common sense, plus a hunch, plus the nerve to carry through, Ott said, "and the rest is up to the boys."

OAKS WHITEWASH PORTLAND, 12-0

By United Press

The league leading Portland Beavers were walloped 12-0 on their home grounds by the sixth-place Oakland A's Tuesday night as the San Francisco Seals put on the heaviest run-spre in the Pacific Coast league, beating the San Diego Padres down 19-6 to climb back into second place.

The runner-up Seattle Rainiers moved back into third-spot when their guests, the Los Angeles Angels took a hard-fought tussle 5-3; and the cellar champions, the Sacramento Solons, made the same 5-3 score in a win over their hosts, the Hollywood Stars.

The Beavers were expecting trouble from Dolf Camilli's unpredictable club, and they got it when the A's soaked them hit-crazy from the fourth inning on, spreading their 15 hits through the remaining chapter of the game. Score: Oakland 12 5 0; Portland 0 5 1.

Salvo and B. Raimondi; Cohen, Federmeier, Mosser, Campbell and Norager.

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RIISING RED SOX WHIP ATHLETICS TO REACH SECOND

Joe Cronin's Club Cops Sixth Straight to Become Cinderella Team of Loop

By Glen Perkins United Press Staff Correspondent

New York, June 14—(U.P.)—The Boston Red Sox, given a bare chance at an upper second division berth in pre-season reckonings, today were termed the American league's "Cinderella team" as they rested in second place, only a game and a half behind the leading St. Louis Browns.

The Red Sox, who gave such players as Ted Williams, John Pesky and Dom DiMaggio to the armed services before the start of last season, have suffered as heavily as any team in the major from service calls and as a result, dropped from second to seventh place in the standings last year. Yet, with little talk and considerable work, Manager Joe Cronin has put together an outfit which now rides the crest of a six-game winning streak and may threaten throughout the season.

Joe Bowman, either castoff or waived on by every club in the National league, returned Boston's latest victory, his fourth of the season, yesterday by holding the Philadelphia Athletics to seven hits while coasting to a 7-2 triumph.

Yanks Lose Again

The slumping New York Yankees reached a new low of seventh place at Washington as knuckleballer Dutch Leonard shut them out on seven hits for a 3-0 triumph. The loss extended the Yankees' losing skein to seven games and was their thirteenth setback in their last 15 games.

In the only other junior circuit contest played, Detroit at Cleveland having been rained out, the St. Louis Browns beat the Chicago White Sox, 5-3. Mark Christman's single with the bases loaded in the last frame returned Jack Kramer's eighth victory.

In the National league the St. Louis Cardinals, paced by Danny Litwiler's three doubles and a single, unleashed a 16-hit attack against the Chicago Cubs to win, 8-3.

Boston and Philadelphia split, the Braves taking the opener of two games, 2-1 behind the eight-hit pitching of Jim Tobin. The Phillies snapped their five-game losing streak in the after-piece by outslugging the Braves to win, 8-7.

Ray Starr, making his first start as a Pittsburgh Pirate, defeated his old mates, the Cincinnati Reds, 3-2.

The Brooklyn Dodgers, making use of the New York Giants' favorite blow, the home run, beat their borough rivals, 9-4. Dixie Walker, Frenchy Bordagaray and Howie Schultz all hit for the circuit to assure Ed Head of his second straight triumph. Joe Medwick homered for the New Yorkers but it was a case of too little and too late.

HAPPY TWILIGHT

Bangor, Me.—(U.P.)—Despite her 98 years, Mrs. Sarah H. Bigelow of Bangor, granddaughter of a Bunker Hill drummer, is an accomplished pianist, needle worker and taxidermist.

Ex-Pro Gridders Lead Way For French Invasion Troops

By Bob Meyer United Press Staff Correspondent

Chicago, June 14—(U.P.)—Three former professional football players ran interference for Allied troops during campaigns in Africa, Sicily, Italy and France, it was revealed today.

They are Lt. Robert Halperin, former blocking back for the Brooklyn Dodgers; Ens. John Tripson, ex-tackle for the Detroit Lions, and Lt. Phil Bucklew, former Cleveland Ram end. All are navy scouts and raiders—the naval equivalent of the commandos.

This destructive trio has collected a total of six decorations for going ashore ahead of Allied troops to set landing signals and direct traffic on the beachheads, according to information compiled by the National Football league.

Halperin first saw action in the African invasion, when he landed at Port Lyautey, Morocco, to mark landing sites for assault infantry. He received the Navy Cross for that action and later was given a presidential citation for doing the same job at Gela in Sicily. He repeated this task on the Normandy beachhead June 6.

In the same type of action, Bucklew received the Navy Cross twice—once during the African invasion and once in Italy—and also was awarded the Silver Star. He had been in England six months preparing for D-day when the invasion of France was launched, and friends believed that he also set signals on Normandy shores.

Various reports have described Bucklew as a "one man invasion force." A soldier who witnessed the former grid star in action said that Bucklew and stood in a small boat off the Italian shore directing L.S.T. landings while "every gun in Europe" was trained on the spot.

Tripson received the Navy Cross in the African invasion after his landing boat had been shot out from under him at night. Their weapons lost, his gang pushed ashore to battle hand to hand and set signals for the Allied landing.

Other former pro league property now on the nation's hero list include: Lt. Whizzer White, who gathered information while alone on a Japanese island; Capt. Maury Britt, Detroit end, who received the 88th Congressional Medal of Honor after losing an arm in an Italian battle and killed five Germans who had demanded his surrender; Motts Tonelli, former Chicago Cardinal back, who was captured on Bataan.

Ex-Umpire's Wife Plunged to Death

Detroit, June 14—(U.P.)—Mrs. Mary Patricia Moriarty, 33, whose divorce suit from former American league umpire George Moriarty was to come up for final decision Thursday, died yesterday after jumping from the Belle Isle bridge into the Detroit river here.

She had filed suit for divorce from the 60-year-old former umpire in November, 1942, charging him with beating her and "treating me like a servant."

THE GRANGE

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In the one-hour main event of the weekly grapple program in the Medford armory.

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As a matter of fact, many observers believe the big Oriental will prove too much for Wagner to handle. Achiu is one of the ring's most powerful gents, and the all-around athletic training he received at the University of Dayton makes him one of the most capable wrestlers in the game.

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SEGURA AND BETZ LEAD IN TOURNNEY

Detroit, June 14—(U.P.)—Francisco (Pancho) Segura of Ecuador, and Pauline Betz of Los Angeles, led their respective divisions into the third round of the national clay courts tennis championships here today after comparatively easy victories in their opening rounds yesterday.

Segura, two-handed playing South American who, is ranked third nationally and seeded number one in this tourney, advanced at the expense of Mack Taylor of Detroit. Segura battled Taylor with hard cross-court shots and tricky two-handed lobs to win 6-0, 6-2. The Detroit player's easy service allowed Segura to take command immediately and he set the pace throughout, chasing his tall opponent back and forth across the court.

NEW ROMAN MAYOR

Rome, June 13—(U.P.)—Prince Filippo Andrea Doria Pamphili, who is known as the Prince of Doria, was appointed mayor of Rome today, succeeding Gen. Roberto Benicvenga, who was appointed by Premier Pietro Badoglio.

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Medford, William Gates and Henry Zacharisen, were present, and Mr. Gates gave a short talk on the 8th loan drive.

Sunday, June 18, will be clean-up day at Grange. A pot-luck supper will be served in the evening.

Grange will furnish ice cream. A holiday dance will be given the evening of July 4. There will be good music and everybody is assured a good time.

Gold Hill Grange

Gold Hill Grange met June 1 for a pot-luck dinner in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gray and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis McGuire and JoAnn. The Grays recently moved near Grants Pass and the McGuire family are moving to Tillamook.

The gas situation prevented the Grays from attending and business in the northern part of the state called the McGuire family.

Brother Long resigned from the executive committee due to inability to attend regularly. Sister Marie Christensen was voted to finish his unexpired term.

Worthy Master Howes turned the meeting over to the overseer, Brother Wigle during the lecture hour, so he and Mrs. Howes could attend another Grange.

Lecture hour was in honor of Flag Day and Father's Day. Beverly Christensen and Orpha Martin gave each one attending a small corsage. The flowers were donated by Mrs. Ethel Martin.

Due to State Grange the next regular meeting will be June 22 instead of the regular date, June 18.

Toads Provide Pregnancy Test Quickly, Cheaply

Chicago, June 14—(U.P.)—A rapid, inexpensive pregnancy test which is 99 per cent effective within less than 12 hours after conception was on display today at the 84th convention of the American Medical association.

South African clawed toads, introduced in the United States in 1930, react to the injection of the urine of a pregnant woman in five to 18 hours, producing a positive reaction.

The female toads used in the test, which cost as much as \$50 when first brought to the United States, have been made available to doctors and clinics for \$10, and a toad can be used for more than two years.

The test utilizes hormone concentrations which react in the toad. The hormones are present shortly after conception, but do not react effectively until several hours have elapsed.

Poor Peaches May Provide Alcohol

San Francisco, June 14—(U.P.)—Representatives of peach growers whose crops were severely damaged by storms and restricted by manpower shortages met with War Food Administration officials today to discuss emergency utilization of the crop which would justify harvesting.

Don E. Wilcox, acting chief of WFA's fruit and vegetable division of the Office of Distribution, said there was a possibility the growers may be able to sell the fruit for conversion to alcohol.

Ren Smith, former golf pro, and brother of Lieut. Horton Smith, now in at Sheppard Field, Tex., assigned to the 303rd Training Group. Ren'll be 38 soon.

Confusion in Meat Due to OPA Rulings Says Retail Leader

St. Louis, June 14—(U.P.)—A charge that OPA regulations have thrown the meat industry into a "state of hopeless confusion" was made today by John A. Kotal, Chicago, secretary of the National Association of Retail Meat Dealers.

Kotal, in an address to the annual convention of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America (AFL), asserted he had "never seen such arrogance as was exhibited by the men who drew up the OPA regulations for the meat industry."

Charging OPA officials had ignored the advice of experienced meat industry leaders, Kotal declared that OPA rules, rather than aiding solution of the industry's wartime problems, had resulted in unjustifiable hardship.

Oiling of Invasion Is Gigantic Task

Houston, Tex., June 14—(U.P.)—It requires 1,250,000 barrels of oil daily to keep "oiling the invasion," Robert E. Allen, director of the American petroleum institute information department, revealed today.

Allen, addressing the annual

spring meeting of the institute's southwestern division, added that expanding operations of the allies might send the demand soaring to the two-million-barrel mark. He based his estimates on war department figures.

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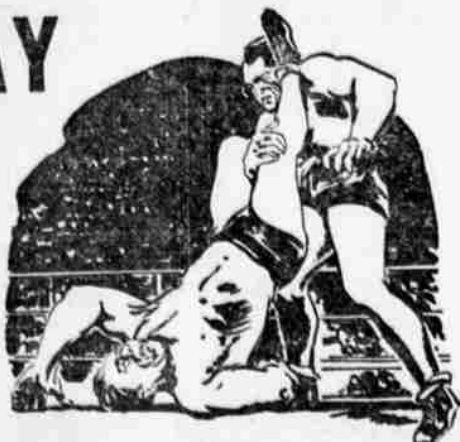
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