

## Leads Kept By Graham, Alan Ameche

Philadelphia — (U.P.)—Time-tested Otto Graham and rookie Alan (The Horse) Ameche retained the No. 1 spots in passing and rushing as the National football league reached the one-third point in the season.

Graham, yanked from the luxury of retirement when the Cleveland Browns sputtered during the exhibition games, had a 99.32-yard average gain for each pass he attempted in four games to date. Automatic Otto is hitting at a 61.4 percentage with 35 completions for 531 yards.

Ameche, fresh from the Wisconsin campus, had a 476-yard total gained on the ground for the Baltimore Colts, a figure which had him 145 yards ahead of second place Howie Ferguson of Green Bay. Ameche piled up 72 yards last week.

Graham and Ameche clung to the first place spots they held one week ago, but the six games played in varying degrees of weather, caused shuffles among the runners up.

Fran Rogel of the Pittsburgh Steelers, with 90 yards ripped off against the Philadelphia Eagles, rose to third place among the rushers with 282 yards.

### Vagaries Show

The vagaries of the statistics columns were shown when Bobby Thomson of the Eagles jumped into second place in passing despite the fact the Steelers stopped the Eagles' air game cold. Thomson has an 8.95 average, with 44 completions for 697 yards and five scores. Eddie LeBaron of Washington dropped from second to third.

Billy Howton and Gary Knafelec of the surging Green Bay Packers took over the first two places in pass receptions. Howton leads with 21 for 355 yards and Knafelec is second with 18 completions. Billy Wilson of San Francisco is third with 16. Defending champion Pete Pihos of the Eagles, who had only one catch last week end, and Harlon Hill of the Bears tied for fourth with 15.

The Redskins' Vic Janowicz held first place in scoring with 40 points. Other leaders were Norm Van Brocklin of Los Angeles in punting with a 45.1-yard average; Joe Heap of the Giants in punt returns; Jerry Norton of the Eagles in kickoff returns, and Willard Sherman of the Rams in interceptions.

## Staters Gird For Cougars

Corvallis — (U.P.)—The Oregon State Beavers polished their offense today as they planned their revenge against the Washington State Cougars for last year's 34-6 defeat.

Coach Tommy Prothro said tailbacks Joe Francis and Ray Westfall were passing effectively against the reserves during a hard scrimmage yesterday.

Oregon State College, Corvallis — Washington State, a grid machine that finally has come to life after some unexpected early reversals, invades Parker stadium here next Saturday afternoon for a homecoming clash against Tommy Prothro's determined Oregon State Beavers.

An "old grade" through upwards of 15,000 is expected, which means that thousands of good seats are still available at all Beaver ticket agencies. Parker stadium can accommodate 27,000 at absolute capacity. The game will start promptly at 1:30 p.m.

### Bad Start

Al Kircher's Cougars got off to a bad start this season, losing on successive weekends to USC, Kansas and UCLA. They began to click against California, and garnered a 20-20 tie at Berkeley before whipping an inspired Idaho eleven, 9-0, at Moscow last weekend.

The Beavers, after downing Brigham Young and Stanford, lost to UCLA and College of Pacific. Local fans are confident that Oregon State will play its best football against WSC, however, with a home crowd looking on. Over the long series with WSC dating back to 1903, the Cougars have emerged victorious on 21 occasions, with Oregon State winning 19 and tying two.

Prothro's men came out of the COP game in good physical condition and could be at top strength for the first time since nine men suffered injuries in the UCLA contest. End Norm Thiel and tackle Howard Buettgenbach both failed to see action against COP, but should be ready for WSC.

## Juran, Yarnell Vie for Berth

Eugene — (U.P.)—Herb Juran of South Salem and Larry Yarnell of Klamath Falls are battling it out for starting quarterback job on the Oregon Frosh football team which meets OSC Rooks at Corvallis tomorrow.

Willard Reeve is the likely fullback starter with Gene Schutler of Oswego and Charles Tourville of Alhambra, Calif., at the halfbacks.

# MEDFORD TRIBUNE SPORTS

## Cock Pheasants Released In Jackson County Areas

Portland — (U.P.)—The weekly report on hunting conditions prepared by the Oregon State Game Commission:

**SOUTHWEST:** Prospects for waterfowl hunting in Coos and Curry counties are fair to poor for opening of the season October 22 as not too many birds are in the area yet.

Native bird populations in Jackson county are high, and hunters should find birds anywhere in the valley. Cock pheasants have been released in Sams valley and on Camp White lands.

Prospects in Douglas are very good for opening of the pheasant season.

**NORTHWEST:** Prospects for pheasant hunters appear excellent in all counties in the north Willamette valley. More than 1500 adult pheasant cocks have been liberated in Clackamas, Marion, Washington and Yamhill counties within the past two weeks. Wild birds are numerous in all of the better habitats. Hunting is good in the hunter's choice area of Tillamook burn. Deer now in heavy cover areas. Chances best north of Wilson river in that area open to hunters' choice season. Waterfowl hunting should be fairly good on coastal bays with good numbers of pintails and baldpate ducks present and some geese migrating through.

Pheasant and quail hunting in the south Willamette valley should be fair to good on opening week end. Waterfowl hunting is expected to be slow except on a few of the better ponds.

**CENTRAL:** Pheasant hunting should be fair to good in Wasco, Sherman and Jefferson counties. Quail hunting will be fair in Wasco county, good in Sherman county, and excellent in Jefferson county. Waterfowl hunting will be poor. The big flights of ducks and geese have not arrived. Hunters' choice hunting success has been best in the upper Crooked river area and around the fringes of the forest and on the ranches on the north and south sides of the Maury mountains. Hunting should be good in the Metolius river area and on Green ridge. The fringe areas between Bend and Sisters should produce some good deer.

There are a lot of deer in the lodgepole areas around Lapine if the hunters can get them out of the thickets.

**NORTHEAST:** Either sex deer season has been good in most counties of northeast Oregon. Best success was in sagebrush areas and near cultivated lands. Deer hunting should continue good for the balance of the season. Best success for pheasant hunting will be in Umatilla county. Pheasants will be found mostly along the creek bottoms and lower areas, but after that they will move up to wheat fields and brushy draws in the foothills.

## Smith Keeps Lightweight Mitt Mantle

By JACK CUDDY

Cincinnati, Ohio — (U.P.)—Wallace (Bud) Smith, elated at ending Jimmy Carter's fantastic "on again, off again," romance with the lightweight championship, said today, "I guess everybody will realize I'm really the 'champeen' now."

Although Smith was champion when he entered the ring at the Cincinnati Garden before 6,693 hometown fans for his first defense Wednesday night, Carter of New York was favored at 8-5 to win back the 135-pound crown.

But Bud's aggressive, left-hooking attack prevented the 31-year-old Carter from winning the title for the fourth time, although Bud was nearly knocked out in the 13th round of the thrilling, bruising 15-round fight.

Smith wound up with a unanimous decision, after more than a half-hour of calculating and correcting the addition of one of the judges.

### A 'Rubber' Match

It was the third and "rubber" match between the two Negroes—the best combination boxer-punchers in the 135-pound division. Carter had won a decision over Bud on May 28, 1950—before Jimmy first became champion.

Smith took the title from Carter on a split decision at Boston last June 29. And he made it definite with the unanimous verdict on Wednesday night.

Smith won by improving on the tactics which gave him his upset June victory over Shufflin' Jimmy. He went after the hard-hitting ex-champion with an aggressive left-hooking attack that prevented Carter from forcing the fight. Carter wanted Bud to back pedal and become a long-range target for his booming right.

**Gash Over Eye**  
Bud's left hooks opened a gash on the ex-champ's right brow. By the close of the ninth, the eye had swollen shut and Jimmy was running with only one headlight.

But Smith took plenty of punishment before he wound up with the verdict—his 32nd in 49 fights. Carter, suffering his 20th defeat in 100 bouts, nicked Bud's right brow in the sixth round also, and he hurt the champ badly with three right smashes to the head and one left hook to the same target in the seventh. Smith's knees were buckled by a right in the ninth. He was shaken twice by uppercuts in the 12th and he was on the verge of a kayo in the 13th when staggered by a left hook and almost flogged three times by the bombardment that followed.

## Champs Vie For Olympic Games Fund

New York — (U.P.)—Wes Santee, Paul Anderson, Hayes Alan Jenkins, Tenley Albright and a bevy of other world and national champions will compete in six sports during tonight's Olympic Festival at Madison Square Garden.

The program will open a nation-wide fund-raising drive to raise the estimated one million dollars needed to send the nation's top amateur athletes to the winter Olympics next January at Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy, and to the summer competition the following November at Melbourne, Australia.

Santee, the lanky ex-Kansas star who ranks as the nation's top miler will get an early warm-up for his 1956 indoor campaign when he runs in the featured mile.

Anderson, the 332-pound Toccoa, Ga., lad who has been thrilling Europeans with his strength, heads a weight-lifting trio fresh from triumphs in the world championships at Munich, Germany.

Jenkins and the slender Miss Albright, two of the country's best bets for gold medals at the coming winter games, will demonstrate some of the talent that enabled them to win world and U.S. figure skating championships.

### SAUER SIGNS

Chicago — (U.P.)—Hank Sauer, power-house slugger of former seasons who batted only .211 in 79 games this past season, became the first player to sign

## Irish Given Slim Odds Over Purdue

By JOHN GRIFFIN

United Press Sports Writer  
Notre Dame's still - aching Irish collide Saturday with a fellow who whipped them pretty soundly last year — pass pitchin' Lenny Dawson of Purdue — and that's why the odds-makers figure Notre Dame will be the only team in the nation's top 10 to have trouble on the gridiron this week.

Dawson, the nation's top touchdown passer of 1954, tossed four scoring passes last year as Purdue upset Notre Dame, 27-14. The Irish went on an unbeaten streak after that game that ended only last week when they were upset by Michigan State, 21-7.

Now the "wizards of odds" make Notre Dame a seven-point favorite over Purdue. Every other team in the "top 10" is favored by at least 13 points.

The contrast to the problems facing the 10th-ranked Irish, Michigan's top ranked Wolverines are expected to beat Minnesota this Saturday by 13 points in the annual "Little Brown jug" classic at Minneapolis, a game that will be regionally televised in the Midwest.

### Maryland Strong Favorite

Second-ranked Maryland and third - ranked Oklahoma are even stronger favorites at 15 points. Maryland will face Syracuse, the team that upset Army by 13-0 last week. Oklahoma will meet Colorado in perhaps its most important game of the Big Seven conference season.

Fourth - ranked Navy, boasting the nation's top ground-gainer in passing ace George Welsh, is picked by a thundering 32 points over Pennsylvania.

Fifth-ranked UCLA is a 13-point favorite over Iowa in a big intersectional game that highlights the Friday night program. Sixth-ranked Michigan State is favored by 13 over Illinois in a Big Ten clash. Seventh-ranked Duke is picked by the odd sum of eight points over Pittsburgh.

Eighth-ranked Auburn, riding high after a win over Georgia Tech., is such a prohibitive choice over Furman that no points are quoted. Ninth-ranked Southern California is favored by 20 points in its Pacific Coast conference clash with California.

### Television

The Southern Cal - California clash will be regionally -televised in the Midwest. In games that will be televised in the East, Princeton and Cornell are rated down even money and Harvard is a six-point choice over Dartmouth.

The college football "week end" gets an early start Thursday with the annual "Big Thursday" clash of Clemson and South Carolina at Columbia, S.C. Clemson is favored by six. On Friday night, in addition to the UCLA-Iowa struggle, Miami (Fla.), is picked by four over Texas Christian and Oklahoma A&M by one over Detroit.

In other Saturday games:  
Intersectional: Tulsa seven over Cincinnati; Missouri seven over Arkansas; West Virginia 12 over Penn State; Boston College 13 over Marquette, SMU 14 over Kansas.  
East: Yale seven over Colgate, Army 27 over Columbia.  
South: North Carolina State and Wake Forest even; Kentucky seven over Florida; Georgia seven over Tulane, Mississippi State 13 over Alabama.  
Midwest: Iowa State three over Kansas State; Missouri three over Nebraska; Indiana six over Northwestern; Wisconsin seven over Ohio State.  
Southwest: Rice three over Texas; Texas Tech six over Houston; Texas A&M six over Baylor.  
Far West: Oregon State six over Washington State; Utah seven over Wyoming; Washington seven over Stanford.

## Stocking of Fish Near Completion

Portland — Only the excess brood stock and holdover steelhead and salmon remain to be planted for the 1955 year it was announced today by Reino Koski, liberation chief, Oregon Game commission.

During the period January 1 to September 1, 1955, a total of 11,738,520 fish weighing 530,084 pounds were released from game commission hatcheries.

Approximately 3,000,000 of these fish were of legal size which became available to the angler immediately upon release. All fish of legal size were planted by the Labor Day week end, with the heaviest stocking taking place in waters where the fishing pressure was the greatest.

## Durocher To Complete Broadcasting Contract

Hollywood — (U.P.)—Leo Durocher made clear today that he would not consider any baseball managerial offer before he completes a one-year contract with the National Broadcasting Co.

"Nobody has made me an offer and even if they did, I would not accept it, even if it were for eight million dollars a year," Durocher told NBC sportscaster Cleve Hermann in an interview last night.

"I have a contract with NBC and I honor my contracts. If I didn't I would have retired last year when I wanted to. But I had a contract with Horace Stoneham, owner of the New York Giants for one more year and I kept my end of it. I intend to do the same thing with the contract I have with NBC."



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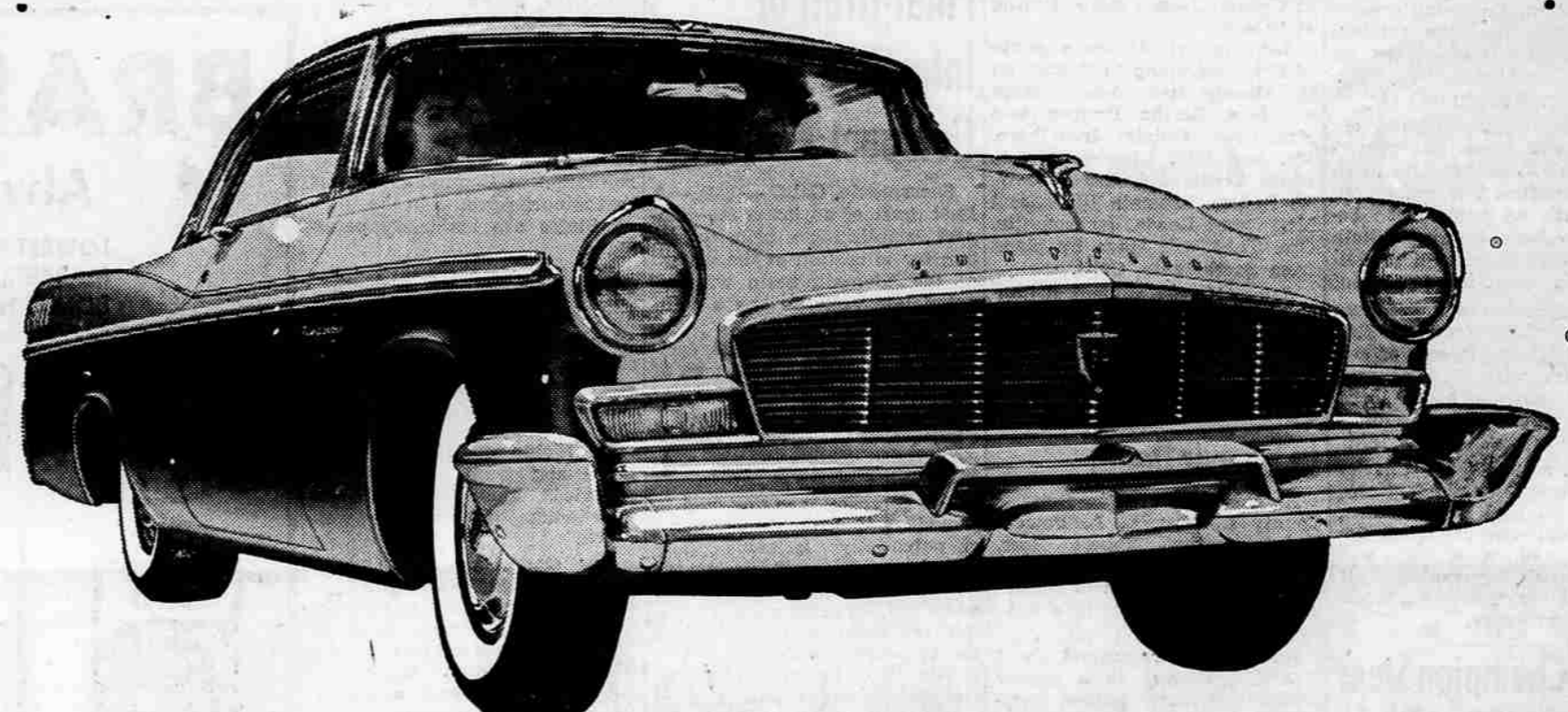
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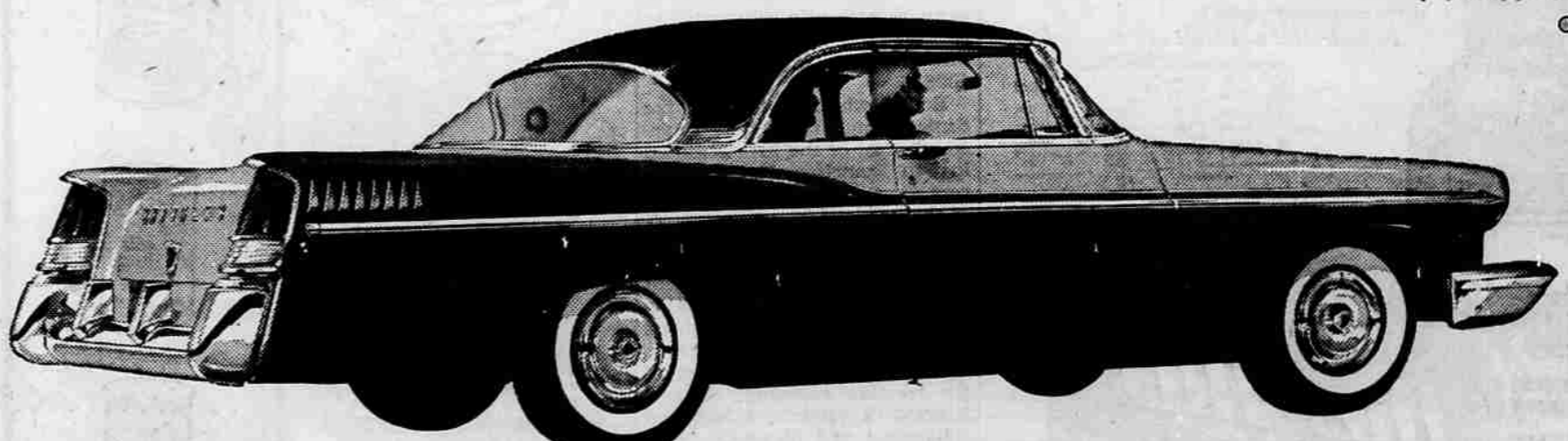


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