

Sooners Move Into Top Spot In UP Poll; Michigan Is 6th

New York—(U.P.)—Oklahoma's slick Sooners, with a string of 26 victories and an almost certain berth in the Orange Bowl, replaced Michigan today as the No. 1 team in the United Press college football ratings.

For the fourth week in a row, voting was close for the top three places as Michigan State moved up behind runnerup Maryland to comprise the new member of the nation's "big three." Michigan, upset by Illinois, dropped all the way to sixth place after leading the ratings for four straight weeks.

The leading coaches who make up the United Press rating board were sharply divided this week in the voting for the top team. Oklahoma received 12 first-place ballots, Maryland 11 and Michigan State eight. The only other team to attract first-place votes was four-ranked UCLA with four.

In the matter of points distributed on a 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 basis for votes from first to 10th places, Oklahoma compiled 305, Maryland 295 and Michigan State 280.

What usually comprises the United Press "top 10" became a "top 11" this week as Ohio State and West Virginia tied for the No. 10 ranking. In addition to Ohio State, this week's other newcomer in the top 10 was Texas A&M, which jumped three spots to the No. 9 rating.

The teams which filled the fifth to eighth rankings in order following UCLA were Notre Dame, Michigan, Texas Christian and Georgia Tech. UCLA attracted 239 points; Notre Dame 223; Michigan 117; TCU 80; Georgia Tech 74, Texas A&M 68, and Ohio State and West Virginia 60 each.

Texas A&M's jump from 12th to ninth represented the biggest advance among this week's top 10 teams. Michigan State and Texas Christian each moved up two places, while Oklahoma, Maryland, Notre Dame, and Ohio State each advanced one spot from last week. West Virginia, which struggled to a 13-7

victory over weak George Washington Friday night to remain undefeated and untied, dropped two places, while Georgia Tech, held to a 7-7 tie by Tennessee, fell one.

Three Games Left

Oklahoma, which sweeps aside its outclassed opponents with ease, has only Iowa State, Nebraska, and Oklahoma A&M left on its schedule. Maryland has games remaining against Clemson and George Washington.

Both these top teams have won the national championship before, Maryland in 1953 and Oklahoma in 1950. If they remain undefeated and finish the regular season in the 1-2 spots, the Terrapins and Sooners undoubtedly will stage a showdown in the Orange Bowl.

Navy, held to a 7-7 tie by Duke, dropped out of the top 10 into the No. 11 ranking. For the third week in a row, not enough teams received votes to comprise a "second 10." Following Navy came Auburn, Mississippi, Illinois, Stanford and Duke, with Mississippi State and Yale tied for 18th place.

MEDFORD RATED NINTH IN PREP COACHES POOL

Portland — (U.P.)—Marshallfield high school remained the state's number-one ranked prep football power today in The Journal coaches' poll, again picking up all eight first place ballots.

Following Marshallfield were Gresham, Pendleton, Jefferson of Portland, McMinnville, Albany, Corvallis, Vale, Medford and Eugene.

Vale is the only class A-2 team in the top 10. Hillsboro and Central Catholic dropped off the top 10.

All the teams except one who will compete in the state A-1 playoffs were in the top 10. Left off was Washington of Portland.

The Standings:

Team	Points
1. Marshallfield	80
2. Gresham	68
3. Pendleton	61
4. Jefferson	58
5. McMinnville	39
6. Albany	38
7. Corvallis	24
8. Vale tie	24
9. Medford	19
10. Eugene	10

Others: Prineville and South Salem 6 each; Washington and Cottage Grove 3 each; Milwaukie 1.

Chuck Taylor Rates Oregon As 'Greatest Test So Far'

By SCOTT BAILLE
United Press Sports Writer
San Francisco — (U.P.)—Stanford may have stunned Southern California with a 28-20 upset last Saturday but Indian Coach Chuck Taylor rates the forthcoming game with Oregon as "our greatest test so far."

The red-headed mentor figures that this one will indicate whether the Indians might be caught dreaming over the victory in Los Angeles.

"I don't know what the USC win will do to our kids," Taylor told the Northern California Football Writers Association yesterday at DiMaggio's Restaurant.

"We're concerned about the Oregon game and that fast back-

field trio of Jim Shanley, Dick James and Jack Morris."

Taylor said that "we got a lot of good breaks against Southern Cal which always help."

Defense Praised

Lynn Waldorf of California praised the defensive work of tackle Ron Wheatcroft and guard Nick Poppin during Saturday's 20-6 beating of Washington.

"Ralph Hoffman also did a good job at quarterback, using a great choice of plays and completing passes at critical moments," Pappy continued. "Donnie Smith and Nat Brazill, our 140-pounders, also were spark-plugs at the halfback spots. They earned jobs there and are real, all-around players."

Waldorf said that Oregon State, whom the Bears face at Berkeley Saturday, are a "good, well-knit team."

Bob Bronzan of San Jose State warned that Washington State will be pointing for its second win of the year when it hosts the Spartans at Pullman.

"I don't know what we should expect in the way of weather up there, either," Bronzan said.

Tremendous Game

Jack Myers of College of Pacific said that his line played a "tremendous game" against powerful UCLA. "Nevan Husley, Gene Cronin and John Nisby can go against anybody and all probably will become pros," Myers said.

Myers dismissed claims voiced in a Los Angeles newspaper that his team engaged in unnecessary roughness against UCLA with the assertion, "Maybe some people disagree with what I call hard football."

Giovanelli Beats Perez

New York — (U.P.)—Welterweight Danny Giovanelli of Brooklyn, fresh from his second TV victory in eight days, said today he would be ready to fight 10th-ranking Chico Vejar at St. Nicholas arena on Nov. 21 "if Chico will take the match."

Lanky Giovanelli substituted for Vejar Monday night at St. Nick's and again beat Danny Jo Perez of New York. This time it was by a unanimous 10-round decision by Danny Jo, whom he had stopped in the sixth round on March 2, 1953.

Vejar Slated

Vejar, of Stamford, Conn., had been slated to fight Perez Monday night but he suffered a split lip in training. Promoter Tex Sullivan was trying today to match Chico and Giovanelli for the 21st.

Giovanelli had but a week's rest since he outpointed Paolo Melis of Montreal at St. Nick's on Oct. 31.

Giovanelli threatened to duplicate his 1953 technical knockout over Perez Monday night. In the early rounds he inflicted four cuts about Danny Jo's left eye. They bled persistently, but Dr. Alexander Schiff examined them twice and permitted the bout to continue.

Giovanelli, scaling 150½ pounds to Perez 151, was favored at 9-5. He won the lively bout with long left jabs and straight rights against his speedier opponent. The vote was 7-3, 7-3, 6-3-1. The United Press agreed, 6-4.

Corvallis Gets Berth

Salem — (U.P.)—Coaches of district 8 Monday picked Corvallis to enter the state high school football playoffs.

Two ballots were taken. In the first, Albany tied with Corvallis but the Benton county school won on the second ballot. Corvallis, Albany and South Salem had tied for the district crown.

Corvallis will play Jefferson of Portland Nov. 12.

Red Sox, Senators In Nine Player Trade

Boston — (U.P.)—The Boston Red Sox today acquired first baseman Mickey Vernon, pitcher Bob Porterfield and two other players in a big nine-man trade with the Washington Senators.

The Red Sox also acquired lefty pitcher Johnny Schmitz and outfielder Tommy Umphlett — a former Red Sox player — in exchange for pitchers Dick Brokowski, Truman Cleveland and Al Curtis and outfielders Karl Olson and Neil Chrisley.

Football Game To Last Minute, 49 Seconds

Middleton, Wis. — (U.P.)—Middleton High school meets Fort Atkinson High school today in a football game that will last one minute and 49 seconds.

A night game between the two schools was called with less than two minutes to play when a power failure plunged the field into darkness on Oct. 28. Fort Atkinson takes over on the Middleton six-yard line, trailing, 13-7.

US WINS, 6-4

Stockholm, Sweden — (U.P.)—A United States amateur boxing team defeated a Swedish-Finnish squad Monday night, 6-4, for its first victory on a European tour.

Football Briefs

Moscow, Ida. — (U.P.)—The injury-plagued Idaho Vandals ran through another long workout today but avoided any contact work as they prepared for the Brigham Young game Friday at Provo, Utah.

Halfback Mel Schmidt and quarterback Howard Willis were still sidelined with injuries and were doubtful starters for the BYU game.

OFFENSIVE DRILLS

Pullman, Wash. — (U.P.)—Washington's battered Huskies concentrated on offense maneuvers today in the hope they can get their attack going when they meet the powerful UCLA Bruins Saturday.

The team went through light workouts yesterday, but Coach Johnny Cherberg promised his jobbers hard work during the rest of the week.

GOOD PHYSICALLY

Corvallis, Ore. — (U.P.)—The Oregon State football squad came out of the Idaho contest in the best physical condition in weeks, but tailback Joe Francis was the "maybe" list for the Bears' tilt against California Saturday.

Tackle John Witte, who suffered a hip injury in the Washington game, was still sore, but trainer Bill Robertson said he should be ready for the Cal game.

SHARPEN PASSING

Eugene, Ore. — (U.P.)—The Oregon Ducks worked today to sharpen their passing attack after hearing a scouting report on the Stanford squad.

The Webfoots, who meet the Indians at Stanford Saturday have won their last four games and Coach Len Casanova said the team "played about its best defensive game of the season" in shelling Washington State 35-0.

READY FOR OS

Berkeley, Calif. — (U.P.)—Captain John Carmichael and quarterback Ralph Hoffman were expected to be ready for the Oregon State contest Saturday despite shoulder injuries that kept them benched during practice today.

The Bears ran through a rugged session of punt protection yesterday to counteract Oregon State's effective punt blocking and punt returning.

GREAT TEST

Stanford, Calif. — (U.P.)—The Stanford Indians ran through a long workout today for Saturday's game against the University of Oregon, which Coach Chuck Taylor describes as "our greatest test so far."

The team watched movies of Saturday's upset victory over Southern California and heard a scouting report on Oregon after a light workout yesterday. No major injuries were reported on the squad.

WILL PLAY HARD

Los Angeles — (U.P.)—Coach Henry (Red) Sanders said today his fourth-ranked UCLA Bruins will "play as hard as we can" against the Washington Huskies, four-touchdown underdogs for their Pacific Coast conference game here Saturday.

The Bruin reserves scrimmaged yesterday while players who started or saw much action against College of Pacific went through a one-hour passing drill. Team doctors said it was doubtful that fullback Bob Davenport would be able to play Saturday because of his injured knee.

DAY OFF

Los Angeles — (U.P.)—The Southern California varsity, which does not have a game scheduled this week end, yesterday was given the day off from practice by Coach Jess Hill.

The SC Spartans ineligible drilled on UCLA plays to work against the varsity in drills later this week.

HARKEY TO 49ers

San Francisco — (U.P.)—Halfback Lem Harkey, released earlier this season by the Pittsburgh Steelers, today was signed by the San Francisco Forty-Niners as a replacement for injured John Henry Johnson.

Oklahoma Given Go Ahead To Arrange Orange Bowl Plans

By UNITED PRESS

The streak-riding Oklahoma Sooners are "in" as far as the Orange Bowl is concerned, but it looks like the Texas Aggies may be "out" of the Cotton Bowl.

Reaves Peters, commissioner of the Big Seven conference, confirmed Monday he has told Oklahoma to "go ahead and make plans to compete in the Orange Bowl" as the Big Seven representative. Maryland, current

Flink Victor In Handicap Golf Tourney

Lee Flink, last man to enter the fall golf handicap at Rogue Valley Country club, was crowned champion in the tournament Sunday.

No. 48 on the entry list, Flink didn't play the first of his three rounds in the 54-hole tourney until last Thursday. He made the other 18-hole laps on Friday and Sunday and collected net scores of 69, 70 and 69 for a 208 total. Playing with an 11-stroke per round handicap, Flink had gross counts of 80, 81 and 80.

The champ led the field by three strokes. Dick Travis, a darkhorse, with 211 was second. Leader in midweek last week was Ivan Harrington with 215. Frank Allen and Bob Johnson were rated a good chance to beat him out for the toga. They did beat him but took third and fourth, respectively, while Harrington was fifth. Allen, who had a 139 for two rounds, carded a net 73 the third time for a 212 figure. Johnson, with 138 for two tries, had a 75 on his last round for 213.

Travis had 143 after 36 holes and got a net 68 on the final 18. Larry Butler and Ward Samuelson trailed Harrington with 215 scores.

Southern Oregon To Meet OCE In Homecoming Sat.

Monmouth — The Oregon College of Education Wolves wind up their 1955 football campaign Saturday, Nov. 12, when they meet Southern Oregon Red Raiders in an Oregon collegiate conference game at Ashland.

The 2 p.m. contest will be part of the SOCE's Homecoming festivities.

The championship of the OCC hinges on the outcome of the game for both teams. OCE is unbeaten in conference play and SOCE has lost one, as has Eastern Oregon. If the Red Raiders win, the conference title would be shared by OCE, EOCE and SOCE, all with 3-1 won-loss records.

A win for the Wolves would give OCE the championship. Coach John Chamberlain's gridgers shared the title with OTI last year and won it four previous years.

HARTACK LEADING

Laurel, Md. — (U.P.)—Willie Hartack has ridden 10 winners during the last two racing days at Laurel and now has 372 to his credit this year. Willie Shoemaker, the defending national champion, who resumed riding Monday at Laurel, has 293.

THIRD WIN

McMinnville — (U.P.)—Linfield's junior varsity football team blanked Willamette's JV's 14-0 yesterday for its third victory in four starts.

IN OLYMPICS

Cortino d'Ampezzo, Italy — (U.P.) The United States will compete in all but two events in next year's winter Olympics, it was announced today.

Medford JVs Beat GP 8-6

A 70-yard touchdown run by Gordon Owsley just before the half gave the Medford Junior varsity an 8 to 6 victory over Grants Pass JV's last night at Grants Pass.

The victory closed an undefeated season for the Medford JV's, who have won four games and tied one.

Owsley's touchdown run came on a kickoff returned after Medford got its safety late in the second quarter. The initial period was scoreless. An attempt to run the extra point failed, and Medford was leading 8-0 at halftime.

Grants Pass tallied its touchdown in the third period after recovering a fumble on Medford's 10-yard line. On fourth down, Grants Pass scored on a pass play, but the kick for the extra point was no good.

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Maderos Out of 49ers Lineup On 3-Game East Trip

San Francisco — (U.P.)—The San Francisco Forty-Niners will have to make their three-game tour of the east without the services of rookie left-linebacker George Maderos, who injured a leg against the Los Angeles Rams Sunday.

It was not known whether the sensational former Chico State college star would be in condition for the Forty-Niners' final two games at Kezar stadium.

Maderos was injured on a play that proved very costly to the San Francisco professional team. He was hurt while throwing a block for John Henry Johnson, who had just intercepted a pass.

On the same play Johnson, a workhorse on both offense and defense, suffered a shoulder separation and will be out of action for the rest of the season.

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