

SPORTS

Fanfare

By DICK JEWETT
Mail Tribune Sports Editor

A letter written by Babe Hollingberry, who just completed his term as first president of the Class B Northwest League of professional baseball clubs, gives his idea of the value of pro ball in Medford.

The letter addressed to Bill Askwith, Central Point, states, "A franchise in an organized baseball league would mean a great deal to your community (the Medford area). It not only provides entertainment, but such activity tends to keep the people alive and money circulating. It is a great drawing power from outlying districts to provide additional business from all those in the territory, called the baseball radius."

Advertising derived from league results, throughout the state and nation, would also tend to focus interest and publicity for Medford. Having a team in organized baseball gives stimulus to business and other advantages, over a period of four months—other attractions are for a day or for a few days.

It behooves merchants, and everyone else interested in the welfare of this community, to get behind such an enterprise financially and otherwise to insure its success. What is good for the community is good for every person living in that community."

MEETING NEXT MONDAY
Possibility of formation of a Northwest League team in Medford, at the league's invitation, has been mentioned several times on the Mail Tribune sports pages in recent days. A meeting will be held at 8 p.m. Monday, November 28, at the Jackson hotel on the matter.

Those attending a meeting earlier this week are contacting various industries of the valley and urging their representation at the session next Monday.

New president of the NWL, Jim Fleishman, has said he is working for Medford entry. Help from the president's office and the offices of the various other clubs has been offered should people of this area look favorably on joining the circuit which now includes Eugene and Salem, Ore.; Lewiston, Ida.; Spokane, Wash.; and Tri-City in Washington.

Clayton Hannon, sportswriter for the Klamath Falls Herald and News has admonished businessmen of his town for letting

Bowling

Women's Classic League
Medford Feed and Seed rolled a 2370 for high team series and Jorgensen's Dairy rolled an 811 for high game this week in the Women's Classic Bowling League. Three nice splits were picked up during the evening. Sis Beck of Morning Fresh and Mable Clark of the Union Club each picked a 6-7 split and I. Forga of Elk Lbr. picked the 6-7-10 split.

Helen Culy of the Morning Fresh team turned in a 212 game, and a 533 series for high individual honors. Val Floate of Daugherty Lumber Co. rolled a 209 game and had a 513 series and Louise Sacchi of Medford Feed and Seed had a 206 game.

Standings table for Women's Classic Bowling League with columns for team name, score, and series.

Results table for Women's Classic Bowling League listing individual players and their scores.

Medford getting the jump on them in the matter of considering Northwest League entry. Truth is that Klamath Falls interests still have the opportunity to sneak in ahead of Medford and it may take some fast local action if a franchise is to be obtained.

PIRATE CO-CAPTAIN
Out at Phoenix high the football co-captains already have been elected for 1956. They are John Garner and Dan Lovett, both backs. The Phoenix players also have presented Wallace Eri with a desk set. Eri, ex-Medford player and now a Phoenix grade school teacher, has helped Coach Jack Woodward and Hap Conbruck with the grid tutoring this fall.

Steelhead on Move

In Upper Umpqua Areas
Portland—(U.P.)—The weekly report on fishing conditions prepared by the State Game Commission:

Southwest: Striped bass angling in Isthmas slough only fair. All forks of the Coquille are high and muddy. Silver are still being taken at Tenmile lake, and good steelhead fishing also reported. Steelhead angling in the lower Umpqua and Smith rivers should improve with clearing waters.

Steelhead are again on the move in the upper Umpqua areas following the flash freshet of last week end. All streams are still rather high and roily, but some fish are being taken by still fishing. Barring more rain the streams should continue to fall and clear.

GRIDDER JUMPS BACK
Hamilton, Ont.—(U.P.)—Linebacker Tom Lauderback, who played for the Hamilton Tiger-Cats in Canadian pro football this year, has jumped back to the U.S. National Football League by signing a contract with the Cleveland Browns for the 1956 season.

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE
The Commercial Bowling League is still topped by Beck's Morning Fresh Bakery which took advantage of two men absent on the White City Sales squad. Dad's Hideaway and Olsen's of Eagle Point kept pace with 4-0 series. John Compagnoni of Olsen's had a 618 series to top the individual scores for the evening. The 2773 of Olsen's was high team series for the night. High game was a 244 by Chuck Shinn and high team game was 950 by Dad's Hideaway.

Standings table for Commercial Bowling League.

Results table for Commercial Bowling League.

Standings table for Commercial Bowling League (continued).

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Sports Broadcasts

Radio Stations KYJC and KMED will broadcast the Marshfield-Gresham high state A-1 championship football game at 7:45 p.m. Friday.

When Team Points, It Asks Trouble

By EARL WRIGHT
United Press Sports Writer
Jim Trimble of the Philadelphia Eagles and Jim Lee Howell of the New York Giants are two National Football League coaches who believe a team is asking for trouble if it points for any particular opponent.

Trimble and Howell are particularly aware of this problem because the Eagles and Giants have been chasing the Cleveland Browns for the past five years in the Eastern Division.

Beating the Browns has become almost an obsession with other Eastern Division clubs. As a result, they frequently play poorly before or after brilliant efforts against Cleveland.

The Eagles pulled one of the top rallies in league history to beat the Browns two weeks ago, 33-17, and then played poorly while losing to New York last Sunday, 31-17.

Ledown After Browns
"The only way I can explain our poor showing against the Giants was that our boys had a ledown after beating the Browns," Trimble said. "But that's no excuse."

The Giants have taken delight in defeating Cleveland and boast the only shutout ever scored against the midwestern team. But while New York has made some good showings against the Browns it also has been whipped regularly by the Pittsburgh Steelers in recent years.

The Detroit Lions and Green Bay Packers, who meet in their traditional Thanksgiving Day game today, had less time to prepare for their game than the other teams have this week.

The Lions (2-7) are picked to defeat the Packers (5-4) at Detroit.

Sunday's selections with won-lost-tied records in parentheses: Bears (6-3) over Cardinals (3-5-1) at Chicago; Browns (7-2) over Giants (4-5) at New York; Rams (5-3-1) over Eagles (3-5-1) at Philadelphia; Forty-Niners (3-6) over Colts (4-4-1) at Baltimore; Steelers (4-5) over Redskins (6-3) at Pittsburgh.

Jim Swink Out To Cinch Score Toga

New York—(U.P.)—High-stepping Jimmy Swink of Texas Christian hopes to tune up for the Cotton Bowl this Saturday by clinching the national football scoring championship with a top-notch performance against Southern Methodist.

Latest official NCAA statistics released today showed that Swink holds a three-touchdown lead over his nearest rival and thus is likely to become the first Southern Conference player to lead the nation in scoring since Joel Hunt of Texas A and M who scored 128 points in 1927.

Swink, the nation's third leading individual ground gainer, has tallied at least one touchdown per game this season and has a total of 113 points on 18 touchdowns and five extra points.

Big Ed Vereb of Maryland stands second with 98 points, Tommy McDonald of Oklahoma and Howard Hopalong Cassidy of Ohio State tied for third at 90 points each and Art Lupino of Arizona fifth at 89 points. But of this group, only McDonald and Lupino still have another game to play.

Swing and Vereb are tied in what the NCAA calls "touchdowns accounted for," that is, either running or passing. Texas Christian has another national leader in Harold Pollard, who is tops in kicking the most extra points, 23 of 29. Gerry Plunatic of Michigan State has tried the most, 31, and is second in total with 22. But Jim Nelson of Duke has the best accuracy record for 17-more-tries—21 out of 24. And Tom Priest of Tennessee has booted all 13 of his tries.

Paige Cothren of Mississippi is the top field goal artist with five, only one short of the modern record which he could tie or break this Saturday against Mississippi State.

Hank Burnine of Missouri

Sports Writer Thankful He's Not in Coaching Game

By HAL WOOD
United Press Sports Writer
San Francisco—(U.P.)—One of the things I have to be thankful for this Thanksgiving is that I'm not a football coach.

It's true that being a sports writer isn't exactly Utopia—in fact, it's closer to the other end of the line. But compared to coaching in major intercollegiate football circles, it's at least a step upward.

Shucks, I haven't been hung in effigy once all year. And, as far as I know, my contract will be renewed for 1956 without any complaints from the clients. This despite the fact I had my worst pigskin picking season in history.

Now, take the case of the football coach, Al Kircher, just fired as head coach at Washington State, for instance.

"The trouble with Al," said a fellow coach who shall be nameless, "is that he is too nice a guy."

So what's wrong with being a nice guy these days? Obviously, it is considered unethical to be a swell fellow. Kircher, of course, proved once again that Leo Duracher's crack about "Nice guys finish last" wasn't just wishful thinking.

Waldorf's Record
Or you can take the case of Lynn (Pappy) Waldorf at California. Pappy took three teams to the Rose Bowl in the first

again is the nation's top pass catcher, having gathered in 41 to 35 for John Bredece of Boston University.

Earl Morrall of Michigan State is the top punter, averaging 42.9 yards per boot for a narrow edge over Ted Rohde of Kansas at 42.3. Bill Schmitt of Pittsburgh at 42.3, and Kelvin Kleber of Minnesota at 42.1.

Sam Wesley of Oregon State leads in pass interceptions with seven. Mike Sommers of George Washington is tops in punt returns with 330 yards on 24 trips.

four years he was at Cal. And he has been in the first division every year since in the Pacific Coast Conference race—except 1955.

So what happens? He gets hung in effigy! Probably by some of the same guys who a few seasons back hailed him as the wonder coach of the ages.

I won't say that the nine coaches in the Pacific Coast Conference are the best in history—but I would make a guess that you could shuffle them around to different schools and the effect wouldn't be much different on the record.

The one soothing effect of the coaching business is the major salaries that run from \$12,500 to approximately \$18,000 in PCC.

If a fellow can be lucky enough to get through about five seasons at a salary of \$15,000 per year, he won't have too much to worry about. Why, just the interest on what he saves each year should keep him in cigarettes for at least six weeks out of the year.

Life of Riley
Some of the former PCC coaches are living the life of Riley these days, laughing up their sleeves and wondering whatever made them go into the business of molding men, anyway. Marchie Schwartz, ex-Stanford; Jim Phelan, ex-Washington, and Slip Madigan, ex-St. Mary's are in the housing business and all are making more money than they ever could have in coaching. Howie Odell of a later vintage at Washington, is reported to be teaching dancing in Seattle—and having a ball.

The late Jeff Cravath left coaching to go into farming and never was happier; others are in solid sales or recreation jobs—with tenure like a university professor.

Come to think of it, what's keeping me in the sports writing business?

One Regular Back For IV Hoop Quintet

Cave Junction—Only one regular from last season is on the 14-man basketball squad Coach Wes Peters is riling at Illinois Valley high school for the Rogue League District 6 A-2 race.

The Cougars, however, have a couple of the old campaign's varsity reserves bidding for berths as they aim to improve on their last place finish in the

loop last winter. Boys who played jayvee ball in the previous season make up the bulk of the squad which is considerably short on height.

Howard Pickle, a 5-foot, 11-inch forward, is the squad's lone regular holdover. He's listed as a fair scorer and good rebounder. The two former varsity reservists are Don Camp, 5-11 forward, and Don King, 5-10 guard. Camp was a fair rebounder but lacked scoring punch while King was a good ball handler and fair scorer. The three vets are seniors.

Up from the jayvee team are Darrell Smith and Lee Carothers, seniors, and Pat Simington, Dennis Kennedy, Mike Piller, Larry Preston and Ron Spencer, juniors.

Preston was the top scorer for the junior varsity last season but needs defensive and rebounding polish, according to Peters.

Spencer is listed as the best scrapper on the squad. Smith is regarded as a good rebounder while Simington was the top play maker for last season's jayvees. Kennedy is fastest man on the squad and a good scorer.

Rounding out the crew are George Plumlee and Richard Clayton, seniors, and Andy McLow, junior, who didn't play last year, and Fred Bliss, a sophomore. Plumlee is a hard driver, fair shot and good rebounder. Clayton is fast and aggressive. McLow is a fair defensive man and Bliss is a good driver, fair scorer and heads-up player.

Plumlee and Carothers, listed at 6 feet even, are shown as tallest players on the squad.

The Cougars open their season on December 2 by playing St. Mary's at Medford. They meet the same club the following night at Cave Junction.

Wife of Cach Hanged in Effigy

By UNITED PRESS
Football "fans" apparently have run out of unsuccessful coaches to hang in effigy today. They turned their wrath on a sportscaster, a cheerleader, and the wife of a coach.

At San Jose, Calif., a figure representing the wife of San Jose State Coach Bob Ronzan was found hanging from a telephone pole. A placard said "13-19. Mrs. Bronzan. Back seariver gone."

At Taft, Calif., Taft College students hanged in effigy CBS sportscaster Gil Iratton, who incurred their wrath by saying Compton Collegenad a better chance to get Junior Rose Bowl bid than Tt.

San Francisco state college students apparently were satisfied with their own coach despite a 3-2 shellacking by Cal Poly last Friday. Instead they hanged in effigy head cheerleader Jack Pease. Coach Joe Verducci, who directed his team to a 5-5 season record, is extremely popular on the campus.

BRUNIS DATE RILLS
Los Angeles—(U.P.)—UCLA will open its practice sessions for the Rose Bowl game against Michigan State on Dec. 10. Coach Henry Re Sanders announced today. Ech team is allowed 16 days of organized practice, and Sanders plans to have five days of drills per week.

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