

Rams Chosen Over Green Bay Packers

By EARL WRIGHT

The crippled Los Angeles Rams are favored to whip the Green Bay Packers today and make Sid Gillman the second coach ever to come directly from a college campus and win a National Football League division title on the first try. Adam Walsh pulled the trick with the Cleveland Rams in 1945.

Los Angeles, leading the runner-up Chicago Bears by a half game in the Western Division, is a 6½ point choice although star pass catchers Bob Boyd and Elroy Hirsch are injured and may not play. Tom Fears, the other top Ram receiver, also is hurt but will play in the Memorial Coliseum contest which will draw at least 75,000 fans.

Bears are Favorites

The Bears, only team with a chance to catch Los Angeles, are 7½ point favorites for their regular season wind-up against the Philadelphia Eagles at Chicago.

The Rams can win the title by defeating or tying the Packers. All 12 NFL teams end their 1955 campaigns today. The Cleveland Browns, who clinched the Eastern title last Sunday, will defend the league championship in the title game at Los Angeles or Chicago Dec. 26.

Cleveland ends its regular season by entertaining the Chicago Cardinals.

In the other windups, the San Francisco Forty-Niners play host to the Baltimore Colts; the New York Giants visit the Detroit Lions and the Washington Redskins play host to the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Souchak Leads In Miama Open

Miami, Fla. — (U.P.) — Mike Souchak, Duke's football star turned pro golfer, spurted out of the pack in the \$12,500 Miami Open Saturday with a five-under-par 65 for a two-stroke lead at the end of the second round.

The burly Souchak's 133 total—seven strokes under par for 3 holes—gave him a favored front runner's role for tomorrow's final round. The tournament was cut to 54 holes when a rain cancelled the first day's play.

Arnold Palmer of Latrobe, Pa., the 1954 national amateur champion turned pro, equaled Souchak's 5, best of the tourney, to wind up in a tie with three others for the runner-up spot. Also carding 135's were E. J. (Dutch) Harrison of St. Louis with a second round 66; Jay Herbert, Woodmere, N. Y., with a 67, and Frank Stranahan, Toledo, O., 68.

Hornets Trip Comet Quint

Central Point — Hedrick junior high ninth graders of Medford poured in 23 points in the final stanza here Friday afternoon to subdue the Crater high freshmen 53 to 40.

It was a game which picked up tempo as it progressed. The count at the end of the first quarter was 4 to 2 with Crater leading. Hedrick fought to 19 to 16 half-time edge and after the third period still had a three-point advantage 30 to 27.

Bill Maurer spurred the victorious Hornets with 20 points. Wayne Allen tossed in 16 for the Comets.

Season Opened

The conflict was the season opener for the Hedrick conflict. Much of Hornet practice has been without baskets to shoot at but the Medford nine appeared to have found its shooting eye in the late stages of the game.

The Crater Frosh suffered their second setback. Ashland beat them 50 to 40 in that outing. Allen scored 14 for the Comets while Patzke got 19 and Taylor 17 for Ashland.

Compton Defeats Jones JC in Jr. Rose Bowl Game

Pasadena, Calif. — (U.P.) — Compton college, playing without the services of vaunted halfback Jim Waddell, won a hard-fought 22-13 junior rose bowl victory from Jones JC of Mississippi.

A record crowd of 57,132 fans sat in on the post season football classic among two-year colleges and were never certain until midway through the final period which team would be the victor.

Leading 20-13, Compton scored a safety with less than seven minutes to play. Deep in Jones territory, the Tartars had a pass intercepted by left halfback Ronnie Williams. On the next play, Compton's Bob Gudath piled on Williams to gain the safety which iced the game. It was the first safety in the history of the junior rose bowl game.

Compton started the scoring in the first period when left end Charlie McNeil—voted most valuable player of the game—on an end around took a handoff from quarterback Bunny Aldrich and scampered 74 yards for a touchdown. Al White's try for extra point was blocked.

Gonzales Takes Tennis Opener

New York — (U.P.) — For a guy who was "scared to death," Pancho Gonzales did a marvelous job of ruining Tony Trabert's professional tennis debut.

The swarthy, gangling Californian helped launch Jack Kramer's newest tour Friday night at Madison Square Garden with a thunderous comeback that enabled him to down Trabert, 9-11, 3-6, 6-3, 6-2, 6-2 before 10,421 fans.

"For the first time in my pro tennis career, I was scared to death," Gonzales said after his thrilling victory. "I knew Trabert was good, but I didn't know he was as good as he turned out to be. I think he'll get tougher, too, as we go along on this tour."

Waltonians Meet On Monday Night

Discussion of screening advocated by the Izaak Walton League at Savage Rapids dam is planned Monday night at a meeting of the Jackson County chapter.

The meeting will be in the Pioneer room of the Jackson hotel at 7:30 p.m. Cole Rivers, fish biologist, and Charles Shepard, game biologist, of the Oregon State Game Commission will be speakers. Reports on the recent state convention at Bend also will be heard.

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Seattle Pacific Slaps Pioneered Aggregation

Seattle — (U.P.) — Seattle Pacific walloped Lewis & Clark, 72-50 in a basketball game here Friday night. It was the Seattle club's third straight win.

Loren Anderson and Bill Marston were the big factors in the Falcons' victory. Anderson scored 21 points and Marston 19.

FROMHART HONORED

St. Louis, Mo. — (U.P.) — Missouri Valley Conference coaches Saturday named Wally Fromhart, silver-thatched mentor of the University of Detroit, as "coach of the year" and named a 12-man All-Valley team.



SETTLING DOWN—As his wife beams approval, Eddie Joost tears up a roadmap in their Burlingame, Calif. home to signify limited travel from home from now on. Eddie had just accepted the job to pilot the San Francisco Seals. His baseball background was a noteworthy career with the Boston Braves, Cincinnati Redlegs, Cleveland Indians, and finally as manager of the Philadelphia Athletics.

Morris, Chapman Receive Webfoot Gridiron Letters

University of Oregon, Eugene — A pair of former Medford high school stars, Norm Chapman and Jack Morris, were both named for varsity football letters last week at University of Oregon.

Chapman and Morris, both sophomores on the Duck squad, had outstanding seasons as Coach Len Casanova's Webfoots came up with a 6-4 season mark and fourth place in the Pacific Coast conference.

Chapman, a 190-pound center, was consistently a standout on defense for the Webfoots, while speedy Morris carried a heavy load of the Duck backfield load at fullback.

Morris was named on three all-opponent teams as a sophomore and was well regarded by the Webfoot coaching staff for his fine ball carrying and blocking.

The bruising 190-pound fullback set a new Oregon scoring record of 68 points. He scored eight touchdowns and connected on 20 of 25 conversions.

This pair, along with 20 other non-graduating lettermen, will form the nucleus of the 1956 Oregon team.

Police Clarify Applegate Rule

Regulations applying to winter fishing in the Applegate river have been clarified by state police.

The Applegate season for trout not less than 12 inches in length is January 1 to February 28. Police said that all the river below the mouth of the Little Applegate will be open with the exception of tributaries and a portion between Laurelhill dam and Williams creek.

The dam area restriction results from the fact that the fish "pile up" there.

Limit is not more than three fish in any one day and not more than six fish in any seven consecutive days or in possession.

BOWLING INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE

Snobys took a firmer hold on the lead in the Industrial league Friday night by winning all four from American Legion. Telephone Employees took over second place with a four game victory over Richfield Oil Co. Darwin Morehouse just missed joining the 600 club, by turning in the high series of 599. Clay Morrison rolled high game of 234.

Standings:	W.	L.
Snobys	13	3
T.E.A.	11	5
V.F.W.	10	6
Jaycees	9	7
City Appliance	8	8
I.O.F.	8	8
Donna Timber Products	8	8
American Legion	7	9
Medford Steel Co.	7	9
Richfield Oil Co.	6	10
V. A. Engineers	4	12
Local 9208 C.W.A.	4	12

Results:	W.	L.
V. A. Engineers 0	Med. Steel	4
B. Findley	T. Tarvin	410
B. Doran	B. Chris	428
B. Cody	D. Hawkins	417
H. Pettit	R. Eastgate	414
M. Ament	R. Edwards	486
	Handicap	138
2156		2293

Local 9208	Donna Timber (4)	
E. Lenz	Joe Monroe	470
J. Martin	D. Swinney	497
T. Foster	E. Harris	401
D. Knowles	C. McBeth	481
L. Brown	B. Perdue	440
	Handicap	6
2087		2275

Jaycees	City Appliance (3)	
E. Foster	J. Monroe	421
B. Bernardi	G. Eads	504
M. DeHeart	B. Thornton	372
J. Asher	H. Carr	471
J. Walsh	D. Morehouse	599
	Handicap	195
2193		2277

I. O. F.	V.F.W.	
J. D. Lubbers	Christianson	429
B. Simmonds	A. Bohannon	552
C. Morrison	L. Carr	471
H. Vessey Jr.	H. Baker	482
B. Porter	L. Graham	562
	Handicap	42
2226		2478

Richfield	T.E.A.A. (4)	
G. Culy	John Martin	446
G. Andersen	B. Doeschner	363
E. Kennedy	H. Rickman	468
W. Nelson	M. Walker	579
D. Kreer	J. Strobel	483
	Handicap	195
2136		2316

Am. Legion	Snobys (4)	
G. Stewart	G. Russell	520
C. Epps	V. Lowe	378
H. Fuller	J. MacInnes	325
P. Patterson	E. Dwight	483
C. Tennant	T. Couch	518
	Handicap	3
2115		2220

BYU Cagers Turn Back Oregon 72-61

Provo, Utah — (U.P.) — Terry Tebbs scored 23 points to lead Brigham Young to a 72-61 inter-sectional basketball victory over Oregon here Friday night.

The Webfoots set up a tight defense against Tebbs and kept the Cougar ace pretty much in check for most of the first half. But the BYU deadeye broke loose for a 12-point scoring spree to put the Utah five ahead, 35-31, at halftime.

From then on, Brigham Young had the game under control. When Oregon put its blanket defense on Tebbs in the third quarter, Ed Pinegar took over the scoring chores to keep BYU in front.

Pinegar scored 19 points for runnerup honors. Jerry Ross led the Webfoots with 13.

Crater Falls To Oakridge

Oakridge — Oakridge high defeated the Crater basketball quint 42 to 25 here Friday night. The home club led at intermissions 12 to 5, 20 to 15 and 30 to 21.

The visiting Comets missed a high percentage of their shots.

MORRAL LEADS PUNTERS

East Lansing, Mich. — (U.P.) — All-American quarterback Earl Morral of Michigan State, led all collegiate punters during the recently completed football season with an average of 42.9 yards per boot.

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MEDFORD TRIBUNE SPORTS

Outstanding Grid Players Honored At Hedrick JH

The first annual father and son football banquet of the Hedrick junior high parent-teacher association was held December 6 in the school cafeteria.

About 170 fathers and sons attended.

The newly-formed PTA was in charge, with a committee of mothers making all arrangements. Mrs. Lee Mellish was chairman.

Dr. Mellish, president of the PTA, was in charge of the program. He introduced Vincent Bevis, principal, Leonard Mayfield, superintendent of Medford schools, and Lee Ragsdale, director of physical education for Medford schools.

Coaches Introduced

All coaches of the schools also were introduced. They included Bruce Nelson, 7th grade, Blue squad; Bob Work, 7th grade, Red squad; Kerl Kahle, 8th grade; Bernie Averill, 8th and 9th grade assistant; and Barney Riggs, head football coach and 9th grade coach.

Riggs presented awards to the outstanding player on each team, Danny Sieg, fullback, 7th; John Frohmayer, guard, 8th; and Pete Rasmussen, fullback, 9th.

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TURPIN TO RESUME CAREER

New York — (U.P.) — Former middleweight champion Randy Turpin of England sailed for home Friday to resume his boxing career. Turpin came to the United States four weeks ago to defend in a \$100,000 civil damages suit by a New York secretary. The case was settled out of court for \$3,500.

HOAD WINS VICTORIAN

Milbourne, Australia — (U.P.) — Lew Hoad, Australia's Davis tennis star, was extended to the limit today before defeating young Ashley Cooper in the singles final of the Victorian Tennis Tournament, 1-6, 6-4, 6-4, 5-7, 6-4.

CONFUSION IN UTAH

Salt Lake City — (U.P.) — Utah, as most people know, was founded by a pioneer named Brigham Young. And Utah Governor J. Bracken Lee is noted as something of a pioneer himself, since he recently said he won't pay his income tax because the federal government is spending too much of it on foreign aid. An eastern letter writer apparently has confused the two. Lee has received a letter addressed to Gov. J. Bracken Young.

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