

1942 Bowl Hero To Be At Pasadena

By HOWARD APPELATE
Portland, Ore. — (U.P.) — The man who scored the winning touchdown for Oregon State in its only previous Rose Bowl appearance will be in Pasadena Jan. 1 cheering on his alma mater against Iowa.

But for many of the 15 years since 1942 Gene Gray must have wondered if he'd ever make it. Once he was almost given up for dead.

Now fans probably remember details of the Rose Bowl game on that bleak January day in 1942 only weeks after the Pearl Harbor attack. Oregon State had picked Duke as its Rose Bowl opponent but the game had to be shifted to Durham, N.C., because of the Japanese threat to the West Coast.

Gray was a substitute halfback. Oregon State had been picked to lose by as many as 35 points to the unbeaten Duke team, which featured halfback Steve Lach. But the Beavers made a battle of it. Late in the game, it was anybody's contest. Record Pass.

Then Gray, in the game for halfback Don Durden, sped downfield. Bob Dethman uncorked a long pass. Gray caught it on the Duke 25 and eluded the safety man to score. The pass-run play covered 69 yards, still a Rose Bowl record.

Oregon State went ahead 20-14 and finally won 20-16.

Gene Gray was hailed as a hero. Like most other young men, Gray then entered the service. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps and got his wings. Later he flew 35 missions against Germany in A-2 attack bombers. After the Germans were defeated he was to be reassigned to the Pacific but the Japanese surrendered.

So Gray was stationed in Panama. Jet planes were coming out then and Gray was assigned to fly F-60s.

Then came the accident which almost cost him his life. His F-60 did a flamethrower and crashed in the Panama jungle. For months Gray lingered between life and death.

Tragic Loss
Doctors had to remove both of his arms.

But Gray, like his Rose Bowl team of 1942, fought back. He returned to Portland, studied business at Lewis and Clark college and joined an insurance firm for whom he still works. He married, and has two fine daughters.

This year a man Gray played against in that 1942 game, Tommy Prothro, coached Oregon State to the Pacific Coast conference title, and the Rose Bowl nod. In the excitement, many had forgotten about Gene Gray. Al Gould of the Oregon Journal sports staff interviewed him. This touched off a snowballing movement to send Gray and his wife, Trudee, to the game. The drive quickly went over the top.

"I sure do want to make that trip," he says. "After all we didn't make the trip to Pasadena the last time."

McDonald Sparks Northern Team To Win Over South

Miami — (U.P.) — Jumping Tommy McDonald showed 39,181 fans in the Orange Bowl Wednesday night why he is an All-American. He led the North to a 17-7 victory over the South in the annual Shrine college all-star football classic.

McDonald set up one touchdown with a pass and led the Yankees on an 86-yard drive in the closing minutes of the game which was turned into a 13-yard field goal by Michigan quarterback Jim Maddock.

Sports writers chose McDonald as the North team's most valuable player. A similar award for Dixie honors went to Wake Forest fullback Bill Barnes.

Michigan's Mike Rotunno grabbed a fumble on the South 25 to set up the first score in the second period. Michigan State halfback Dennis (The Menace) Mendyk ran to the 19 from where Purdue quarterback Len Dawson hit Michigan State end Jim Hines in the end zone. Dawson made the first of his two conversions.

Howard Recovers
The North scored again moments later when Wisconsin end Dave Howard recovered a fumble by Barnes.

Trapped on a reverse at mid-field, McDonald leaped and threw to Mendyk on a play that covered 37 yards. From there, Oklahoma's Jimmy Harris tossed to Indiana end Bob Fee for the touchdown.

The South averted a shutout in the third period, going 22 yards in seven plays after Florida halfback Jackie Simpson intercepted a pass by Dawson. Duke's Sonny Jurgensen flipped a fourth down, four-yard pass to Mississippi halfback Ed Crawford for the score. Mississippi fullback Paige Cothren converted.

Scoring on a 10-points-a-play system, not one of the three ring officials gave veteran Norwalk of Port Chester, N.Y., a single round-off or even round in the dull bout.

KIM STOOD UP
Hollywood, Calif. — (U.P.) — The University of Iowa football team was to visit actress Kim Novak Wednesday but the players never showed up. It seems all social life for the team had been suspended until after its New Year's game with Oregon State in the Rose Bowl because the players had broken too many rules during the Christmas week end.

Aussies Crush Yanks To Retain Davis Cup

By LEO H. PETERSEN
United Press Sports Editor
Adelaide, Australia — (U.P.) — Mighty Aussies Lew Hoad and Ken Rosewall started poorly and then crushed America's age-and-youth team of Vic Seixas and Sam Giammalva, 1-6, 6-1, 7-5, 6-4 today to retain the Davis Cup, symbol of world tennis supremacy.

The triumph in doubles while a crowd of 18,000 applauded in hot, sunny weather gave Australia an unbeatable 3-0 lead in the best-of-five series and made Friday's final two singles matches meaningless.

Immediately after the crushing defeat, U. S. team Captain Billy Talbot announced that he probably will give up that post. He said his retirement would be for "business" reasons, but admitted that America's future cup hopes are "not too rosy."

Seixas Off Form
Talbot and his game Yanks gave it all they had in today's finale, but they simply weren't good enough to handle blond Hoad and dark-haired Rosewall. The 22-year-old Giammalva of Houston, Tex., playing in a Davis Cup challenge round for the first time, played his best game ever but the 33-year-old Seixas of Philadelphia was obviously off form.

Hoad served the last game for the Aussies. Giammalva saved the first point on a brilliant save, but the Aussies took the next three and it was match point. Seixas staved off disaster for a second by taking the next point on a brilliant back hand, but then Rosewall clipped a return past the two Yanks and the cup belonged to Australia for the sixth time in the last seven years.

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SPORTS

Chamberlain Halted But Kansas Ekes By

By FRED DOWN
United Press Sports Writer
First-ranked Kansas retained its unbeaten college basketball status today because it has a good little man to go with its great big one.

The "little fellow," by modern court standards, is 6-3 Gene Elstun, who sank a 12-foot jump shot with six seconds left to give Kansas a 58-57 victory over Iowa State Wednesday night and answered the question which has haunted Coach Dick Harp all season: Can Kansas win on a night when seven-foot Wilt Chamberlain is stopped?

Elstun's "clutch goal" made the answer a ringing "yes" because big Chamberlain was stopped—but good Triple-teamed by 6-8 center Don Medsker and forwards John Crawford and Chuck Vogt. Chamberlain was limited to three field goals and made only six of 13 free throws for 12 points—23 below his average per game for Kansas' first six games.

Kansas, favored to win the Big Seven Tournament at Kansas City, Mo., led 28-27 at half-time and the lead changed hands eight times during the second half. Iowa State led, 55-54, with 3:30 to go and went ahead, 57-56, with 13 seconds remaining.

Manhattan Sinks Niagara
Guard Tom Deluca sank two free throws to put NYU ahead, 71-70, with 52 seconds left but he then was called for traveling and the Irish passed down-court to Devine for the winning basket. It was Notre Dame's 18th victory in the 22-year-old rivalry.

Manhattan shooting on 60 per cent first-half shooting spree that rocked Niagara 95-79; Ohio State fought off a late Temple rally for a 64-63 win, and Tom Steinko scored 30 points to lead Brigham Young to an 89-75 triumph over St. John's of New York.

In other games Wednesday night UCLA toppled St. Louis, 72-66. Indiana State whipped Georgetown of Kentucky, 89-80. Muskingum beat Lawrence Tech, 100-85, and Xavier, La., downed Southern, 86-67.

No fewer than 11 tournaments will be in progress tonight, featured perhaps by the Dixie Classic at Raleigh, N.C., which includes five teams which are ranked among the nation's top 20. The opening card features Wake Forest vs. DePaul, North Carolina State vs. Iowa, Duke vs. West Virginia and North Carolina vs. Utah.

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Giants, Bears Head All-Star Selections

New York — (U.P.) — The New York Giants and Chicago Bears who clash Sunday for the National Football League championship, today filled nine of the 22 positions on the 1956 United Press All-Star professional team.

New York, the Eastern Division champion, captured five berths. The Bears, who won the Western crown from the Detroit Lions in their final regular season game Dec. 16, placed four men on the mythical two platoon team.

Detroit, which was in first place until it dropped a 38-21 decision to the Bears in that bitterly-contested game, won five berths in voting by 28 sports writers who covered the campaign in the various league cities.

Cards Place Two
The Chicago Cardinals, Washington Redskins and Green Bay Packers each placed two men

Hoop Tilts In Spotlight

Corvallis — (U.P.) — Oregon State followers turn their attention briefly from their Rose Bowl football team to their basketball quintet this week end as the first annual Far West Classic is held here.

San Francisco, Washington and Southern California, along with the Beavers, make up the entries for the early-season tournament. Oregon State meets San Francisco and Washington plays USC Friday night with the winners playing for the crown Saturday night.

Oregon State is rolling out the welcome mat for the visiting teams with transportation provided in private cars for visiting players, coaches and officials by an alumni booster club. Each player competing in the tourney will receive a trophy or memento and the winning team will get a two-foot high trophy.

Slats Gill, Oregon State hoop coach, said representative teams from various sections of the country will be invited each year, including the national champions.

Brother Herman Rites Conducted

Baltimore, Md. — (U.P.) — A solemn high requiem mass was scheduled today for Brother Herman, the man who gave Babe Ruth his first baseball coaching and his middle name.

Brother Herman, 75, a member of the Catholic Xaverian Order for 60 years, died Christmas Eve after a lengthy illness. He was then acquainted with Ruth when the future baseball star, then 13, entered St. Mary's Industrial school in Baltimore.

Duilio Loi Keeps European Mantle

Milan, Italy — (U.P.) — Duilio Loi of Italy, the European lightweight champion, successfully defended his title against Spanish challenger Joe Hernandez in a dull 15-round bout Wednesday night. Loi scaled 135 pounds, while Hernandez weighed 134½.

Ray Brooks Recovering In Portland Hospital

Portland — (U.P.) — Ray Brooks, well known in state semi-pro baseball circles and once state baseball commissioner, is recovering in Providence hospital here from injuries suffered when struck by a car while crossing a street at North Bend. Brooks suffered a leg fracture, a broken pelvis and head lacerations.

ORANGE BOWL REGATTA

Miami — (U.P.) — Forty top-notch racing boat drivers shot for world speed records today in the one-mile trials of the annual Orange Bowl regatta. The speedy craft will not be competing against one another but will run the trials over the inland waterway near Hollywood, north of here, in an attempt for new world records.

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on the team while the Pittsburgh Steelers and Philadelphia Eagles each won one berth.

The Los Angeles Rams, Cleveland Browns, Baltimore Colts and San Francisco Forty-Niners failed to land a man on the first team.

The Giants placed halfback Frank Gifford and tackle Roosevelt Brown on the offensive platoon and end Andy Robustelli, tackle Roosevelt Grier and halfback Emlien Tunnell on the defensive unit.

Hill Makes Team
End Harlon Hill, guard Stan Jones and fullback Rick Casares on offense and middle guard Bill George on defense were the Bears who won berths on the first team.

Detroit placed quarterback Bobby Layne, tackle Lou Creekmur and center Charlie Ane on the offensive unit and linebacker Joe Schmidt and safetyman Jack Christiansen on the defensive platoon.

Halfback Ollie Matson of the Cardinals, end Bill Howton of Green Bay and guard Dick Stanfel of Washington rounded out the offensive eleven. The others who won places on the defensive unit were end Gene Brito of Washington, tackle Ernie Stautner of Pittsburgh, linebacker Chuck Bednarik of Philadelphia, halfback Dick Layne of the Cardinals and safetyman Bobby Dillon of Green Bay.

New York — (U.P.) — The 1956 United Press All-National Football League team with first team votes in parentheses:

First Team
(Offensive)
E. Hill, Bears (20); E. Howton, Packers (12); T. Creekmur, Lions (11); T. Brown, Giants (11); G. Jones, Bears (10); G. Stanfel, Redskins (10); C. Ane, Lions (7); QB Layne, Lions (14); RB Gifford, Giants (19); HB Matson, Cards (20); FB Casares, Bears (23).
(Defensive)
E. Robustelli, Giants (15); E. Brito, Redskins (12); T. Grier, Giants (9); T. Stautner, Steelers (8); MG George, Bears (7); LB Schmidt, Lions (13); LB Bednarik, Eagles (8); HB Tunnell, Giants (12); HB Layne, Cards (8); S. Christiansen, Lions (18); S. Dillon, Packers (7).

COMPLETE CARD TOLD FOR SATURDAY BOXING MATCHES AT HEDRICK

Complete card of 16 bouts was announced today for the Medford Junior Chamber of Commerce, Police Athletic league boxing show at the Hedrick Junior high school gymnasium here on Saturday, Dec. 29.

Co-chairmen Alan Holmes and Hugh Jennings say that they feel that at least 10 of the contests each are worth main event billing. The show will bring mittmen here from Coos Bay, Portland, Vancouver, Wash., Roseburg and Ashland. Representatives of Medford PAL also will be on the card.

Proceeds will go to the United Medford Crusade.

Curtain-raiser of the show is set for 8 p.m.

Tickets can be bought at the city police station from the Bohemian and Union clubs, from Lamport's Sporting Goods store and from Jaycees.

U.M.C. BENEFIT BOXING CARD
Hedrick Junior High Gym
Saturday 8 p.m.
DOUBLE MAIN EVENT
Denny Meyer, 149, Portland, vs. John Green, 150, Roseburg.
LARRY LEWIS, 120, Medford, vs. Freddy Smith, 121, Vancouver, Wash.

SEMI-WIND-UP
John Massey, 190, Portland, vs. Eddie Kaiser, 192, Coos Bay.
Dick Renzfield, 175, Ashland, vs. Bernard Dooley, 174, Coos Bay.

FEATURED PRELIMINARY
Roy Marshall, 125, Roseburg, vs. Eddie Richey, 124, Portland.

SPECIAL EVENT
Bob Apple, 163, Medford, vs. Rex McGregor, 165, Coos Bay.

Herb Lesner, 150, Portland, vs. Dick Barrett, 149, Coos Bay.
Tom Washington, 147, Portland, vs.

Louis Schilt Named To Ring Commission
Portland — (U.P.) — Louis I. Schilt, Portland novelty store owner, yesterday was named by Mayor Fred L. Peterson to the Portland Boxing commission.

Schilt will replace Tom Stoddard who resigned when he moved outside the city.

Thursday, December 27, 1956

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BUSY GETTING INTO CONDITION, Oregon State's Beavers practice at Santa Monica City College field. From left: Joe Francis, tailback; Earnel Durden, right half; Tom Berry, fullback, and Gerry Laird, blocking back. They meet Iowa Jan. 1. (International)

Norm Oliva Heads Red Raiders In Scoremaking for 10 Tussles

Norm Oliva with 151 points is the scoring leader of the Southern Oregon college basketball team after 10 games this season. Don Reese is runner-up with 133 tallies.

However, Bill Hollingsworth has tallied 41 counters in the two games he's played and has top average with 20.5 per game.

SOUTHERN OREGON COLLEGE HOOP STATISTICS:

	G	FGM	FTG	Pct.	FTM	FTT	Pct.	PF	Pls.	Ave.
Bill Hollingsworth	2	13	27	.481	15	26	.576	8	41	20.5
Norman Oliva	10	47	115	.409	37	92	.619	26	151	15.1
Don Reese	10	55	128	.429	23	51	.451	30	133	13.3
Don Jacobson	10	32	67	.477	9	18	.500	25	73	7.3
Chuck Crandall	9	12	24	.500	1	2	.500	8	45	5.0
Al Christensen	9	18	36	.500	14	24	.583	7	50	5.5
Dale Bates	10	13	36	.361	30	40	.750	19	66	6.6
Don Lowrance	8	5	20	.250	7	12	.583	11	17	2.1
Steve Ganong	7	3	19	.157	6	14	.428	14	19	2.7
Ted Tenney	8	5	18	.277	6	12	.500	11	16	2.0
Bruce Penny	7	1	14	.071	5	11	.454	10	19	2.7
Don Owens	2	1	7	.143	6	7	.857	4	8	4.0
John Fouts	2	2	9	.222	3	4	.750	5	7	3.5
Team Totals	10	213	550	.387	202	337	.599	179	628	62.8
Opponents Totals	10	222	682	.325	168	280	.600	208	612	61.2

REBOUNDS: G Off. Def.

	G	Off.	Def.
Norman Oliva	10	82	132
Bill Hollingsworth	2	14	27
Don Reese	10	17	44
Don Jacobson	10	11	25
Dale Bates	10	7	22
Chuck Crandall	9	4	12
Others		34	63
		169	325

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