

# Defense Takes Over In Football Lineups

New York—There's a new hero on the college campus this year—the once-anonymous defensive star.

He's the fellow the coaches say is winning the football games this year and now along comes the National Collegiate Athletic Bureau with a collection of statistics to prove the point.

A survey of 108 major college teams reveals that scoring, total yardage gained and number of passes attempted are all down.

Yardage gained is down slightly from last year but scoring is the lowest since 1943 and the average number of passes attempted in each game is under 28 for only the third time in the last 20 years.

The statistics also reveal that coaches have responded to the generally tighter defenses by resurrecting an offense weapon

the colleges had ignored for years—the field goal. Thirty-two were kicked through games of Oct. 26 the halfway mark of the season indicating the year's total will top 60 for only the second time in 12 years.

Here's what the breakdown showed in the various departments:

**Scoring:** Teams are averaging 31.5 points a game compared with 33.3 points a game at same point of last season. The last time teams averaged fewer than 32 points over a full season was in 1943.

**Yardage Gained:** Teams averaging 541.3 yards per game compared to 558 per game last season.

**Passing:** Teams have averaged 27.7 per game compared with 28.2 per game last year. Only other years in which average was below 28 were 1939 and 1955.

**Plays:** Teams are getting off the same number of plays as they're just not getting as far with them. Teams have averaged 98.2 running plays a game compared to average of around 90 in past year.

The Far West shows the greatest scoring drop, from about 40 points a game last year to 28.3 this year. . . . The Big Ten, one of the lowest scoring sections with 31.2 last season, leads the nation with 36 this year.

## Medford JV Rolls Over GP JV, 27-7

Grants Pass—Medford came back in the second quarter with 20 points to roll over the JV club from Grants Pass yesterday afternoon, 27 to 7.

When the teams went to the dressing rooms at the halftime counter, the Junior Cavemen were leading the Medford JVs, 7 to 6. Medford came back with two TDs in the third quarter and added one more in the fourth to post their 27 to 7 victory.

TDs for the Medford JVs came on runs of 19 and 30 yards by Len Knight, a one yard run by Ken Durkee and a 35 yard gallop by Leonard Griggs. Conversions were accounted for by Knight and Durkee.

## Giardello, Graves Meet In 10-Rounder Tonight For TV Bout in Denver

Denver — Bushy haired Joey Giardello, a boxing veteran from Philadelphia, is a 3-1 favorite to defeat Wilf Graves, a youngster from Canada, in their scheduled 10-round middle-weight bout tonight.

Giardello, who admits he is fighting the age handicap at 27, hopes a victory over the 21-year-old Graves will win him a shot at champion Carmen Basilio. Giardello is the third ranking contender.

Graves, meantime, could improve his unrated position with an upset at Denver coliseum tonight. He has a 14-6-2 record, and fights out of Pittsburgh under the tutelage of boxing's only woman manager, Mrs. Jake Mintz.

## UCLA STRESS PASS DEFENSE

Los Angeles — UCLA continued work today on a defense against Washington State's dangerous passing attack. Junior varsity quarterback Val Keckin is playing the role of the Cougars' star passer, Bob Newman.

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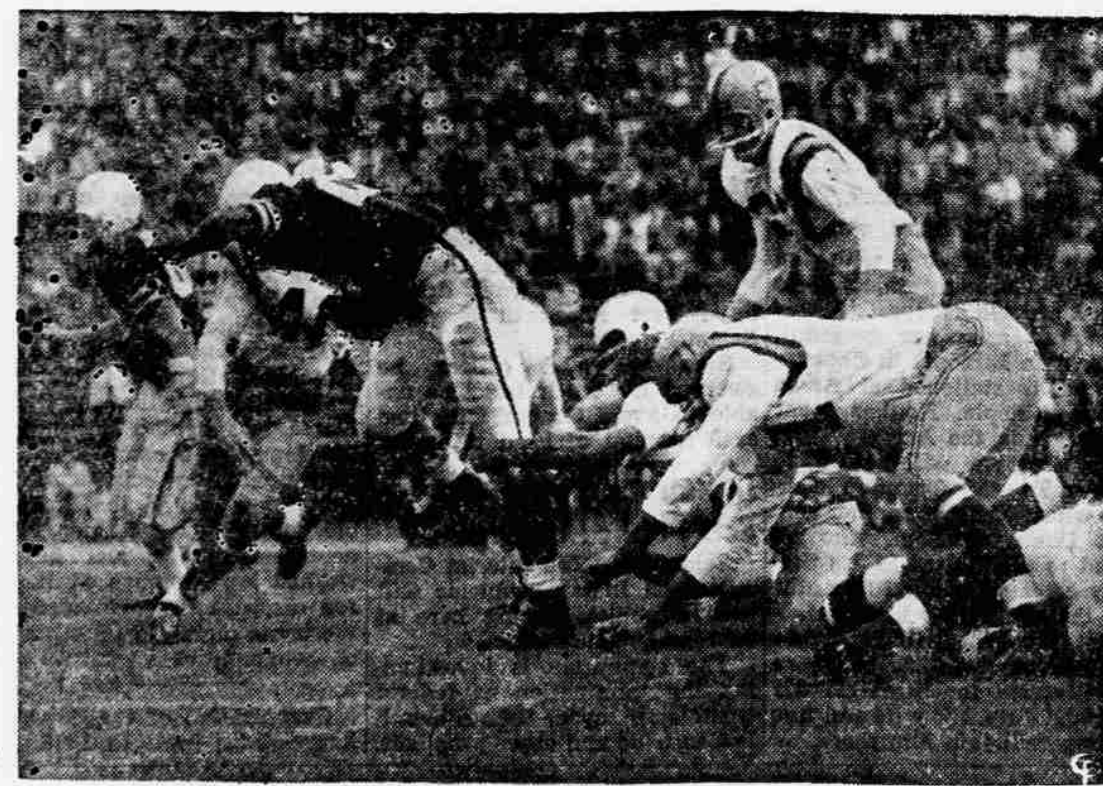
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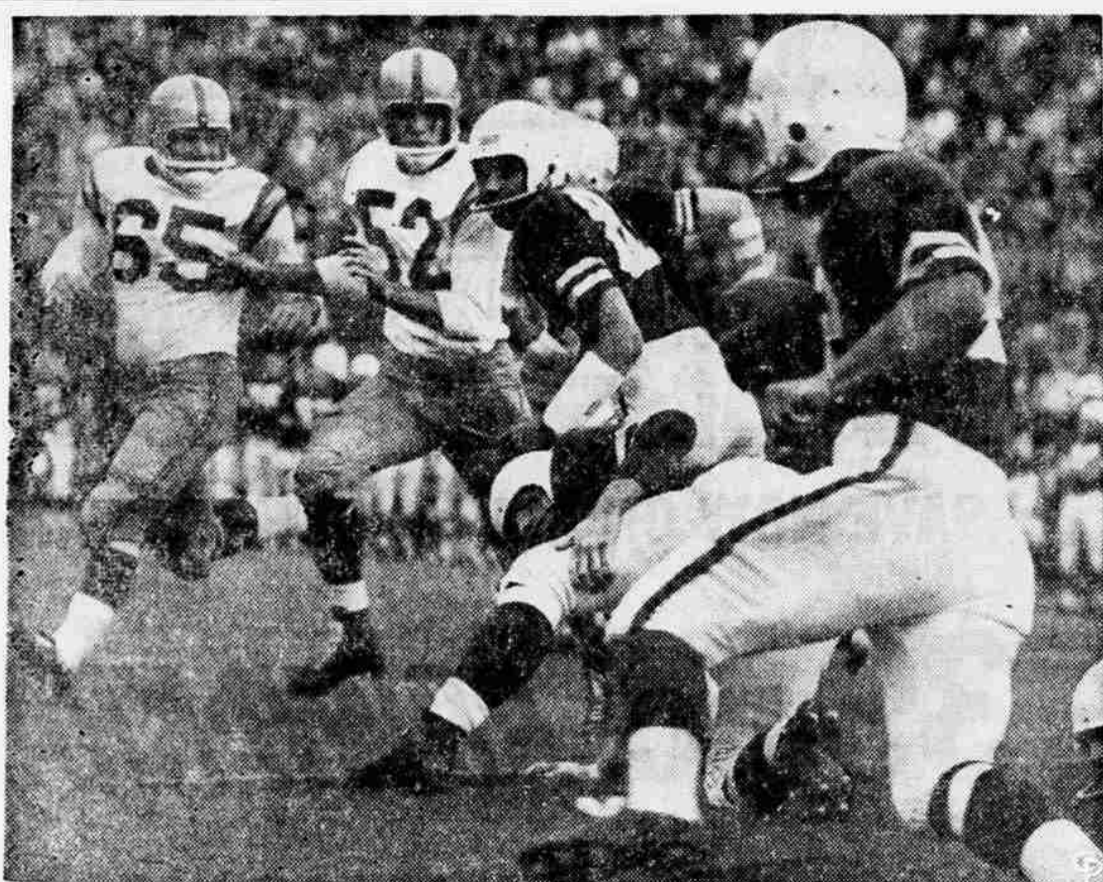
## CARDS SIGN TAYLOR

Chicago — Jim Taylor, a 235-pound linebacker who played with the Pittsburgh Steelers last season, has been signed by the Chicago Cardinals. Taylor, who played collegiate ball at Baylor, was cut loose when Buddy Parker was named coach of the Steelers. His signing brings the Cards roster to 36, one over the limit.

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**RUNNING BACK KICKOFF** in first play of the game is Stanford's Jim McMillin (42). Making the stop are Oregon's Mondale (65) and Peterson (52). (International)



**LUNGING FOR A 7 YARD GAIN** is Stanford's Al Harrington (29), in first period of crucial game against Oregon. Webfoot Jack Morris (40) brings Harrington down.

## Coaching Ranks Might Have Jobs Open Soon

BY HARRY WISMER  
New York — Look for more upheavals in the coaching ranks in pro football after the close of this season, than we've had in quite a few years.

There'll be demerits from every corner but there'll be a switch in the field boss at Los Angeles, where Sid Gillman now holds sway. At Green Bay, Lisle Blackburn, a native of high school and college coaching in the Badger State, is due to be let go. Hugs Devore is serving his last season with the Philadelphia Eagles.

There's anything but satisfaction in the ranks of the Chicago Bears and the Detroit Lions. Rumbblings are continuous in Chicago about the fate of Paddy Driscoll. Detroit, named a co-favorite in the Western Confer-

ence has taken a pounding, and their 3-3 record is anything but impressive. And Webb Ewbank of the Colts is also in trouble.

Right now the San Francisco 49'ers, behind the sensational play of Y. A. Tittle, are leading the league in points and have the best scoring punch in the NFL. In the east, the leading Browns are easily the defensive leaders. They've only had 65 points scored against them in six games, 31 less than the Giants who are in second place defensively.

## WSC Plans UCLA Clash

Pullman, Wash. — Coach Jim Sutherland planned a full-scale practice for his Washington State Cougars today in preparation for Saturday's game with UCLA at Spokane.

## Brenner to Gain TV Fight Soon

New York — Promoter Teddy Brenner has promised unbeaten Gene Ace Armstrong a TV fight with "some ranking middleweight contender" at St. Nicholas Arena, Dec. 9 or 16, because of Monday night's upset triumph over Randy Sandy.

Armstrong, who stacks cases in an Elizabeth N. J. gin distillery, won a lopsided 10-round decision over Sandy of New York at St. Nick's Monday night for his 12th straight professional victory.

It was Sandy's fourth straight defeat this year. He had been outpointed by Joey Giardello, Spider Webb and Franz Szuzina before the Armstrong catastrophe. He now has lost eight of 28 starts.

## Southern Cal Mexican Colony Awaits Mecias Encounter Wednesday

Los Angeles — Mass hysteria gripped the Mexican colony of Southern California today as their national idol, little Raul Raton Mecias awaited the bell Wednesday night to battle Alphonse Halami of France for the world's bantamweight championship.

Thousands upon thousands of Mexican Nationals joined the 750,000 Mexicans in Southern California to root for The Mouse as he goes after the most important boxing title ever held by one of his race.

Both the fighters were spirited away to secret lodgings while awaiting the bell for the 10 p.m. p.s.t. nationally televised battle. However, there will be no local radio or television.

## SPORTS

### OSC Victory Comes Hard, By Injuries

Corvallis — Oregon State's bruising 39-25 victory over Washington State last weekend was a costly one that may send the Beavers shorthanded against California Saturday, according to Coach Tommy Prothro.

Fullback John Horrolo suffered a knee injury and is out "indefinitely," and halfback Earnel Durden is on the doubtful list with a knee injury.

Durden, Joe Francis and Nub Beamer gained 289 yards and accounted for five of six OSC touchdowns against the Cougars.

### Red Sox Appoint Thomas Manager

Minneapolis — The Boston Red Sox night appointed a 40-year baseball veteran to the post of Minneapolis Miller general manager.

Appointment of Tommy Thomas, 58, was announced by Red Sox Farm Director John Murphy.

### USC BACKS INJURED

Los Angeles — Guard Frank Fiorentino and star halfback Rex Johnson both may not be able to play for Southern Cal. against Stanford Saturday. They both suffered ankle injuries in the Washington game and it will not be known until late this week if they can meet Stanford.

### COP READY TO PLAY

Stockton, Calif. — The College of Pacific Tigers will be at their best physical shape of the season for Saturday's game against San Jose State, according to Coach Jack Myers.

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## American Association Plans Drive For Pension Program

New York — J. Norman Lewis revealed today he has been retained by the American Association of players to explore the possibility of forming a pension fund similar to the major league plan.

Lewis, who also is attorney for the major league players, said he also has been informed the International League's players "will organize on the same basis." He said he met with rep-

representatives of the American Association on Oct. 14 and later wrote to Ed Doherty, president of the A.A.; Baseball Commissioner Ford Frick and George Trautman, president of the National Association, asking to schedule a conference.

According to Lewis, the players' principal aims are to obtain a pension fund similar to the majors' and to establish a minimum monthly salary—probably about \$500 a month.

In addition the players want to "talk about" hospitalization coverage, adequate protection for the many flights required to meet the far-flung league's schedule, relaxation of various restrictions on playing winter ball, uniform meal and travel money and various other minor compensations.

The American Association is composed of Charleston, W.Va., Denver, Colo., Indianapolis, Ind., Louisville, Ky., Minneapolis, Minn., Omaha, Neb., St. Paul, Minn., and Wichita, Kan.

## Large Horse Show Opens In New York

New York — The 69th annual National Horse Show, the nation's most social sports event, opens tonight at Madison Square Garden with more than \$30,000 in prize money and hundreds of blue ribbons at stake.

The feature attraction, as usual, will be the international jumping competition, which attracted a record seven teams from seven nations. Argentina will be represented for the first time while Great Britain is appearing for the first time since 1953.

Other countries entered in the 13 international events are the United States, Canada, Chile, Ireland and Mexico.

## Idaho Preps For Utah St.

Moscow, Idaho — The University of Idaho Vandals, heartened by their weekend 31-13 victory over Montana State, held a rugged workout Monday in preparation for Saturday's game against Utah State at Logan.

Coach Skip Stahley said he was encouraged by news that star end Larry Aldrich may be ready to suit up against Utah State. He suffered a shoulder separation a week ago.

## Local Basketball Teams To Open Season Nov. 25

The Independent Basketball league is slated to open action about Nov. 25, according to officials on Tuesday morning.

Six teams have been signed and a meeting is set on Wednesday, Nov. 6, at the YMCA for scheduling an election of new officials. Games will be played on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, officials said. No site has been picked for the games, they said.

League officials said they would like to have at least two more teams enter the league. Interested teams should contact officials at the Nov. 6 meeting, they said.

### PACIFIC JV POSTS WIN

McMinnville — Pacific's junior varsity football team edged the Linfield JV's 20-18 Tuesday on the strength of two conversions by Bob Wendell.

## Duck Centers Add to List Of Injuries

Eugene — Dave Fish, reserve center on the Oregon football team, suffered a broken hand last Saturday against Stanford and will be out of the Washington game in Portland this week, Coach Len Casanova said today.

Fish had moved up to the second-string center slot after Bob Peterson replaced Norm Chapman, out for the season with an ankle injury.

Casanova said Larry Newsom, a sophomore guard from Salem, would be switched to fill the gap left by Fish's injury. "We may do some more shuffling before the end of the week," the Oregon mentor said.

## Huskies Plan Basic Drills

Seattle, Wash. — University of Washington Huskies spent two full hours going over fundamentals Monday, because Coach Jim Owens said they "botched up every possible way" in losing to Southern California last weekend.

Owens said he hoped to have Don Armstrong, a starting guard who has been out of action two weeks, ready to go against the University of Oregon Ducks Saturday.

## Moore to Meet Cotton in Seattle

Seattle — Light weight champion Archie Moore meets unranked Eddie Cotton of Seattle in a 10-round non-title match here Wednesday night.

Moore, who won a fifth round TKO victory over Bob Mitchell in Vancouver, B.C., Thursday, is expected to weigh about 191 for the over-the-weight bout. Cotton will probably come in at 178.

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