

## Colorado Buffs May Give Oklahoma Biggest Scare

By JERE COX  
Kansas City, Mo. —(UPI)—Oklahoma, returning three starters plus all but one of its potent second unit, remains a national power but may get its biggest scare in 11 Big Eight conference season from Colorado.

The Buffs are loaded and cries of "this is the year" for a Colorado victory have been heard from both camps. Coach Dallas Ward as 19 lettermen including six starters returning at Colorado in a big push to end Oklahoma's 10-year dominance of the Big Eight. The time and place to look for one of the upsets of the season is Nov. 1 at Boulder when the Buffs entertain the Sooners.

The dark horse of Midlands football in 1959 are Missouri and Kansas, both under the guidance of new coaches whose past records sparkle with success.

**Have Sad Tales**  
Dan Devine will be hampered at Missouri by the lack of a talented quarterback to run his multiple offense and Jack Mitchell at Kansas may not yet have the speed to get the full effect of his sliding T.

Coaches Bus Mertes of Kansas State, Clay Stapleton of Iowa State and Bill Jennings of Nebraska all tell the same sad tale—too many sophomores, not enough experience and lack of depth.

Coach Cliff Speegle at Oklahoma State may field his best team in four years, but his Cowboys are not eligible to compete for the title until 1960.

The University of Houston simply has too much power for its four foes in the Missouri Valley conference and should romp to a second straight title. North Texas State likewise is rated to repeat as runner-up, closely followed by Wichita and Cincinnati with Wichita again bringing up the rear.

**Accent on Offense**  
Bud Wilkinson, the mastermind of the Sooners, put added fear into his foes this season with the announcement the Sooners will generate a more powerful offense based on more speed in the backfield and a more wide-open attack.

But Wilkinson tempered his remark somewhat by adding the Sooners will suffer on defense and in the punting department. The Sooners again will offer an All-America candidate in center Bob Harrison and will have a talented alternating quarterback duo of David Baker and Bobby Boyd.

Colorado strong points are guards John Wooten and Bill Mondt, quarterback Boyd Dowler and right half Eddie Dove. Line coach Marshall Wells names Wooten and Mondt as two of the top linemen in the conference and offers Wooten as All-America material.

Mitchell believes he has two standout performers at Kansas in tackle John Peppercorn, whom he calls one of the fastest interior linemen in the country, and half-back Bubba Floyd.

**Short on Manpower**  
But he may be forced to start sophomore Bill Crank at quarterback and all his candidates for left end and full-back have never played a down of college football.

Devine, blessed with a big, fast fullback in hammering Hank Kuhlmann and a rugged guard in Charlie Rash, is attempting to convert half-back Bob Hasso into a quarterback. This late-date change was forced when quarterbacks Phil Snowden and Skip Snyder turned up with bad shoulders.

Nebraska and Kansas State were hit by manpower problems after fall practice started. Seven Nebraskans left the squad last Tuesday. Two failed to pass physical examinations, but the others were unexplained. Kansas State lost heavily counted on guards because of scholastic and other problems.

Stapleton, the third new coach in the league, claims his 35 men at Iowa State form the nation's smallest major college squad.

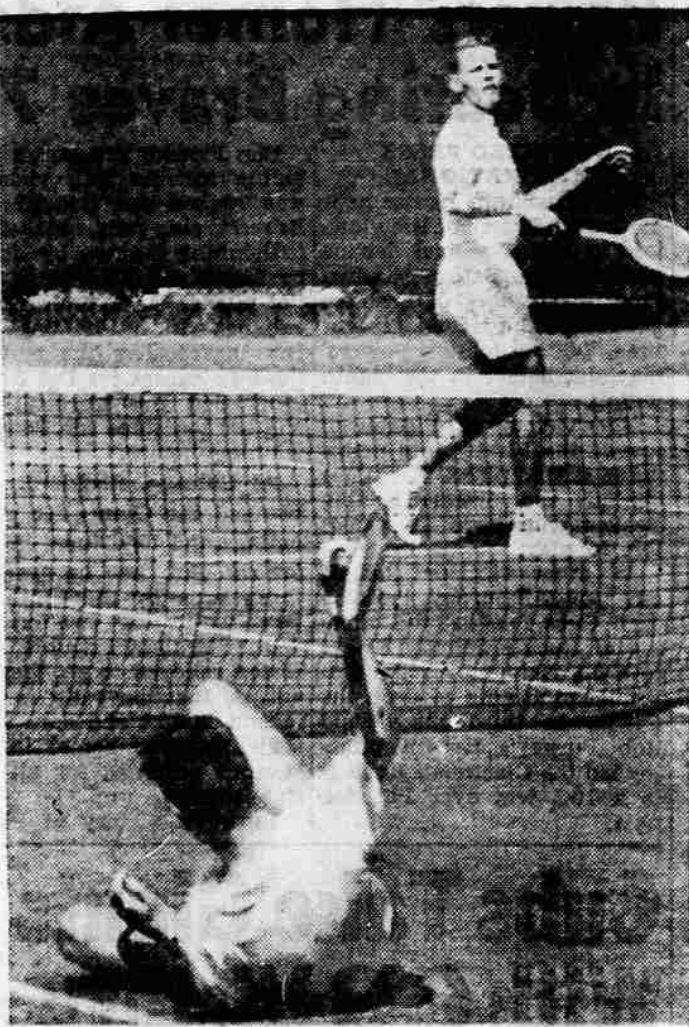
## New Yorker Leads Open in Utah

Salt Lake City —(UPI)—Tom Nieport, a Bronxville, N.Y., golfer still looking for his first big victory on the pro circuit, turned in a seven-under-par 65 Saturday to lead the \$17,000 Utah Open second round with a 132.

Four golfers, including Arnold Palmer, Latrobe, Pa., and Dow Finsterwald, Tequesta, Fla., toured the Salt Lake country club layout for second day totals of 134 to remain in contention. The others were Bo Winninger, Odessa, Tex., and Jerry Barber, Los Angeles, Calif.

Stocky Mike Souchak of Grossinger, N. Y., and Jim Turnesa of Elmsford, N. Y., ran into troubles on the hilly course and lost a tie for the lead they held after the opening round yesterday. Souchak ended up with a 136 and Turnesa a 135.

**FIFI BLOSSOMS**  
San Juan, Puerto Rico —(UPI)—Tropical storm Fifi blossomed into a full-grown hurricane in the Atlantic 450 miles east of San Juan yesterday and headed northwestward across open seas.



**HARD PLAY**—Earl Bucholtz of St. Louis, Mo., falls to the ground during the fourth round of his match with Ulf Schmidt (rear) of Sweden, in the U. S. National Tennis Championships at Forest Hills, N. Y. Schmidt won, 19 to 17, 6 to 3, 6 to 6, and 6 to 1.

## Wright Cops Stratford Golf Lead At Dallas

Dallas, Tex. —(UPI)—Long-hitting Mickey Wright turned in her best competitive round on Saturday — a 5-under-par 34-33-67 — to wrest the lead from Beverly Hanson at the half-way mark of the \$8,500 Dallas Women's Open Golf tournament.

The lanky San Diego, Calif., professional capitalized on a sizzling putter as much as her long game, however, as she leaped from a tie for fifth into the 36-hole lead.

Miss Wright's round tied the competitive course record set a year ago by Marlene Hagg of Delray Beach, Fla. Miss Hanson, meanwhile, made a brilliant stab at holding on to the lead earned with Friday's 69 but two three-putt greens kept her at bay as she posted a 35-36-71. The Indiano, Calif., veteran rimmed the cup from 12 feet on the 18th to miss a birdie that would have given her a share of the lead.

Glen Lakes country club's 6,200-yard layout took a rough beating from several of the pros with Joyce Zisko of Waterford, Wis., and Ruth Jessen of Seattle, Wash., both slashing four strokes from par for 68s.

Miss Jessen's 33-35 yanked her into third place at 141, only one stroke behind Miss Hanson, but Miss Ziske's 34-34 earned her no better than a tie for eighth with top money winner Louis Suggs of Sea Island, Ga., at 145.

## Nation's Best Air Attack May Put WSC on Top PCC

(This is one of a series on the outlook of West-Coast football teams for the 1958 season).

By RUSS NIELSEN  
United Press International Pullman, Wash. —(UPI)—Football fever is running high along the banks of the Palouse as coach Jim Sutherland's Washington State Cougars prepare for what may be their best season in nearly 30 years.

Not since 1931 have the Cougars played in the Rose Bowl but Sutherland has 27

lettermen and the nation's best passing attack which may put WSC atop the heap in the Pacific coast conference last title chase.

**Newman Is Key**  
His chances for a banner season rest largely on the arm of quarterback Bob Newman, who completed 104 pass attempts last year and was the nation's total offense leader. The all-coast aerial artist will have three prime targets—all coast Don Ellingsen, Jack Fanning and Bill Steiger.

Ellingsen and Fanning finished one-two among conference pass-grabbers last season and Fanning took nine for touchdowns to make him the national leader in that department. Steiger laid out last season because of an injury but was high among All-America selections for 1956.

**Running Attack Needed**  
Sutherland has been working on the Cougar ground game to make it more effective. It was so lightly regarded last year that some opponents virtually ignored it and threw a four-man line at the WSC passing attack.

Besides Newman, the best backs are scatback Carl Ketchie and fullback Ed Stevens. Laroy Rath also is a bright prospect. There may be help both in the line and backfield from untested sophomores or transfers.

The line has plenty of veteran strength but Sutherland hopes to improve the quality of his depth. The best lettermen are tackles Ray Blier, 212 pounds, Dan Verhey, 215, Vel West, 215 and Al Williamson, 205; guards Angelo Brovelli, 215; Dick Farrar, 205; and George Sornis, 205, and center Merl Hitzel, 205.

If the Cougar defense improves, Sutherland will be a tough contender. This is his third year here and he is shooting the works after two campaigns of successful rebuilding.

**THE SCHEDULE:**  
Sept. 20—Stanford here.  
Sept. 27—Northwestern at Evanston.  
Oct. 4—California at Berkeley.  
Oct. 11—Idaho at Moscow.  
Oct. 18—Oregon at Eugene.  
Oct. 25—Southern California at Spokane.  
Nov. 2—UCLA at Los Angeles.  
Nov. 8—Oregon State here.  
Nov. 15—College of Pacific at Stockton.  
Nov. 22—Washington at Spokane.

## SPORTS

### Young Horse Takes Race At Del Mar

Del Mar, Calif. —(UPI)—Undeclared Tom Lee strengthened his position as one of the three top juveniles in America Saturday by racing to a decisive victory in the 11th running of the \$90,000 Del Mar Futurity.

The English-bred colt, although he had not raced since the Hollywood meeting two months ago, demonstrated his class by running down the pace-setting Djebah in the back-stretch and then fighting off the mild challenge of Royal Orbit in the stretch as he pulled away to victory by some three lengths for his sixth straight win since he came to the races last winter.

Bagdad, expected to give Tom Lee his toughest battle was third, and Sapatiero was fourth in the field of eight two year olds that went to the post in the richest race in the West for juveniles.

Tomy Lee's time was an excellent 1:09.1 for the six furlongs and as the 3-5 favorite, he returned \$3.40, \$2.50, \$2.30. Royal Orbit paid \$4.30, \$2.80 for place and show and Bagdad returned \$2.80 for show.

**WOLF PICKS UP**  
Milwaukee —(UPI)—Wally Wolf Saturday announced that he has joined fellow Milwaukee High school athletic Gary Albright on the University of Oregon campus. Wolf was voted outstanding lineman in the Shrine All-Star game in Portland.



**Beat This!**  
by Tip Brady  
WHICH MAJOR LEAGUERS HAVE HIT 400 HOMERUNS?  
Five major league baseball players are members of the exclusive 400 homerun club: Babe Ruth leading with 714, Jimmy Foxx with 524, Mel Ott with 511, Lou Gehrig with 493, and the latest member, Ted Williams, who pounded out his 400th circuit clout July 17, 1956.

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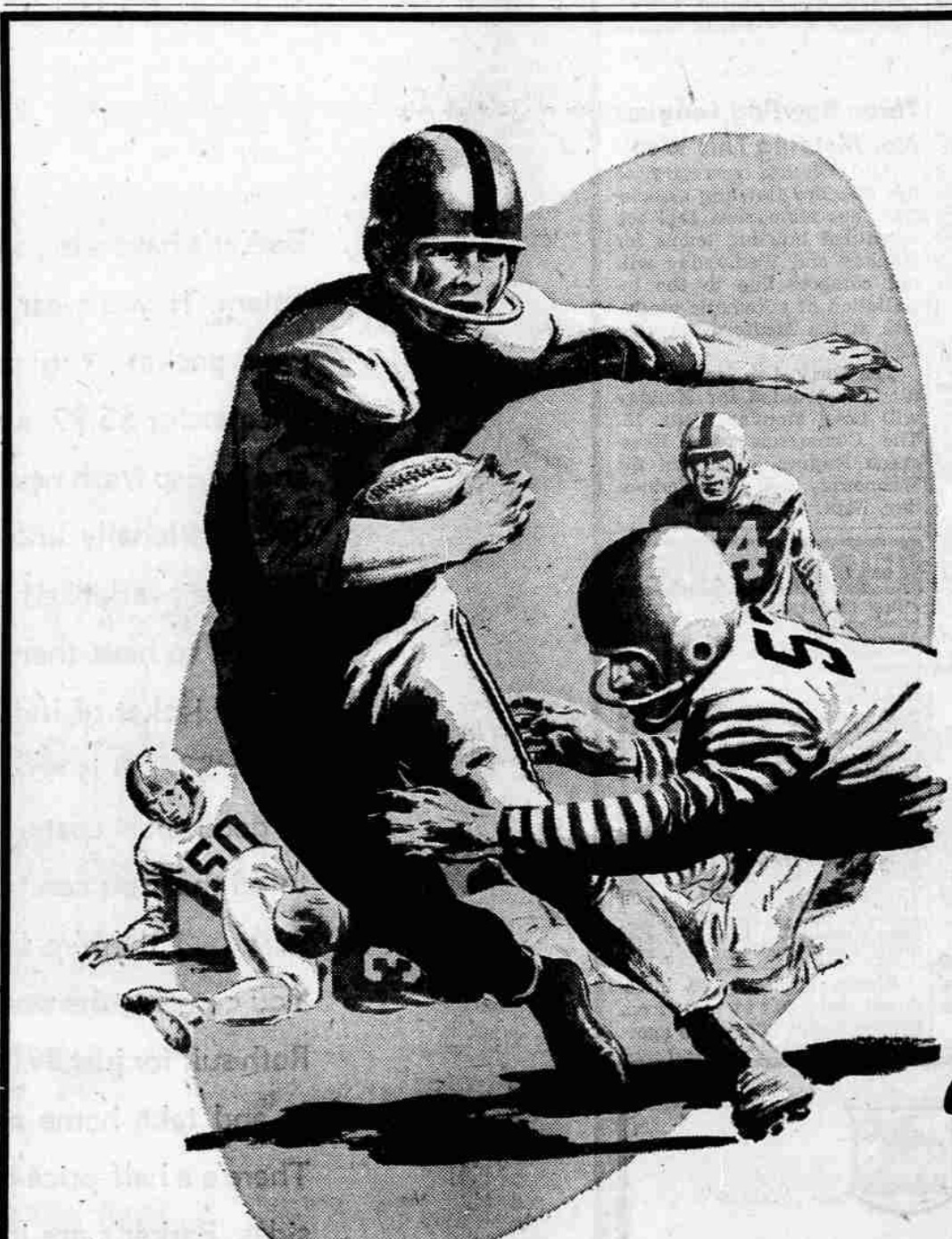
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OCT. 10—Crater*	NOV. 7—Grants Pass

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