

Wider Goal Post Crossbar Voted By NCAA Grid Rules Committee

By JOE ST. AMANT
Los Angeles—(UPI)—College football teams were presented today with the opportunity to use specialists for field goal kicking and other chores during the 1959 season on the basis of rule changes made by the NCAA rules committee.

The committee, at its concluding session Wednesday of a three-day meeting here, widened the goal post crossbar by 4 feet 10 inches to give field goal kickers a better target, and also loosened up the substitution rule.

The 11-member committee, headed by the University of Michigan Athletic Director H. O. (Fritz) Crisler, voted unanimously to set goal post uprights 24 feet apart outside measurement to give the kickers a better break on the angle.

"This was the first time in the history of the collegiate game that any change was made in the width of the uprights. It will give not only a better chance on field goals but will also afford the college kickers a better chance on conversions.

Conversion Rule Unchanged
The two-point conversion rule, on a run or pass, was left unchanged by the rule-makers although coaches at large voted against it at a meeting in Cincinnati, Ohio, last week.

The change in the substitution rule was somewhat more complicated than the goal post deal but it means basically that "a free substitute" may enter and reenter the game whenever the clock is stopped except during an "excess" timeout.

The committee gave greater leeway on the timeout deal by increasing the number allowed each half from four to five.

The wording of the past season's substitution rule was not changed but this paragraph was added:

"If only one eligible substitute enters the field while the game clock is stopped, he shall not be recorded as an entry except during an excess timeout. However, if more than one substitute of a team enters between downs each substitute shall be recorded."

The paragraph was drafted, as Crisler explained, to prevent any return to the double playon system.

The new rule means that a single substitute, only one man, may enter the game when the clock is dead at such opportune times as a conversion attempt, after the ball is out of bounds, and after an incomplete pass. This man may be replaced but he later may reenter the game except during an excess timeout.

Crisler said small colleges with scanty manpower would benefit by the change in the substitution rule.

Two Other Changes
Two other basic rule changes—in addition to the changes on the goal posts and the substitution rules—were made by the committee.

The committee ruled that no "distance penalty" shall be greater than one-half the distance to the goal line. For example, if a 15-yard penalty were called against a team on its own 8-yard line, the ball would be moved back to the 4-yard line rather than to the 1-yard line under the old rule.

And a change was made in the procedure in the case of a penalty called on a conversion attempt. Under the new rule, if an offensive team successfully completes a kick for 1 point, but is fouled by the defensive team, it has the option of accepting the penalty which would place the ball on the 1 1/2 yard line—for another try, possibly a 2-point attempt.

In addition to basic rule changes, the committee also changed the word but not the intent of rules on blocking and off-side penalties. Blockers must still keep their hands and forearms close to their chests to encourage "legitimate" shodder blocking.

Jerry Kalapus 2nd in Circuit
Portland—(UPI)—Linfield's Jack Riley is off and running in defense of his 1958 Northwest conference scoring crown, according to statistics released today.

In three league games Riley has amassed 61 points for a 23.7 point per game average. Jerry Kalapus of Pacific is in second place in points per game with a 19 point average in two league games.

Rounding out the top five are Max Johnson, Whitman, 18 points per game; Terry Woods, Linfield, 16.7; and Royce McDaniel of Lewis and Clark with 14.5.

Games this week end match

Tornado Shows Improvement In Preparing for Cavemen; Crater Takes Road To Bend

The Medford Black Tornado, rated high in the polls but still faced with the task this week end of proving itself a top Southern Oregon conference basketball contender, had an optimistic outlook today as it completed preparations for the Grants Pass Cavemen.

Medford tackles the Cavemen, unmarried league leaders, on Friday night at Grants Pass. It will be the only week end activity for the Tornado which has a conference bye on Saturday.

Other loop encounters will be Klamath Falls at Ashland on Friday and Klamath Falls at Grants Pass and Crater at Ashland on Saturday. Crater has a non-conference trip to Bend on Friday evening.

Experiment By Morris Influences

Eugene—(UPI)—The new NCAA rule widening college football goal post crossbars by 4 feet 10 inches got its impetus from an experiment on the University of Oregon campus involving Jack Morris, rookie defensive back of the Los Angeles Rams.

Leo Harris, Oregon athletic director, was chairman of an NCAA subcommittee which worked on the rule. Morris, place kicking star of the 1957 Oregon Pacific Coast conference co-champion football team, was on the campus last spring.

Harris worked with mathematicians and then set up the new goal posts just behind the old ones. Morris kicked 300 times from the 27-yard line over a period of two weeks and his accuracy was 30 per cent better on the new posts.

Independent Loop Clubs To Collide

Southern Oregon College junior varsity and Grants Pass come Friday evening for the lone lead in the Southern Oregon Independent basketball league.

Each is undefeated in four games. Their tussle will be on the college floor at Ashland in a 6:30 p.m. prelim to the Southern Oregon-Oregon college fray.

Hawkinson's Play
Hawkinson Tire Tread will play at Butte Falls on Friday evening and will meet SOC jayvees at Ashland at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Christie's Silver Dollar, the Grants Pass team, beat Butte Falls 78 to 48 in a game earlier this week.

Darwin Moore still held the league scoring leadership in statistics prepared for games through Jan. 9. His total through that date was 48. Bob Serak and Bill Madden of Hawkinson Tire Tread each had 41.

SCORING LEADERS:
(Through Jan. 9)
Moore, BF 19 12-10 48
Madden, BF 16 16-0 41
Serek, Ha 19 6-3 41
Reese, GP 17 8-5 39
Wootton, Ha 13 9-6 36
Irwin, BF 13 16-8 34
Cavanaugh, RI 13 9-7 33
B. Irwin, BF 14 8-4 32
Heater, GP 13 14-0 30
Bettec, RI 12 12-5 29
Jones, RI 9 14-1 29
McCay, Ha 12 7-4 28
Puhl, SO 8 14-9 25

Team Statistics: FG FT TP
Butte Falls 68 34 170
Grants Pass 73 18 172
Medford 106 40 253
Riddle 67 49 183
SOC JV 40 28 108

Ramblers Knot Russia Skaters
Philadelphia—(UPI)—The Russian hockey team begins its long trip homeward today with an undefeated record in its American invasion but somewhat chagrined over a 3-3 draw with the Philadelphia Ramblers here Wednesday night.

Willamette and Lewis and Clark, Linfield meets Pacific twice and Whitman faces College of Idaho.

Tornado hopes are up because the squad this week has looked the best it has in practices so far this season. Coach Frank Roelandt noted all-around improvement in the Medford cagers, in their hustle, drive, shooting, teamwork and general floor play.

Uncertain on Starters
"I honestly couldn't tell you whom I'll start," Roelandt stated yesterday, referring both to the improvement shown and to the Grants Pass engagement. He's had the squad going at it hard for the past two days in preparation for the Cavemen.

Particularly hitting his stride this week has been Calvin Dean, who has been playing more adeptly and has shown the knack of being in the right place at the right time. Continuing to come along, since his return to the squad following an appendectomy, is Don Peek whose driving play has been a feature of drills. And, Lowell Dean has displayed better shape and effectiveness.

Missing from the crew for a couple of practices this week with ear trouble has been reserve Dick Allen.

Over at Grants Pass the scrimmages of the Cavemen reportedly haven't gone so well this week but that's been typical of the GP gang. And, they've been plenty tough lately on Friday and Saturday nights.

Senior Club
Grants Pass likely will field mostly a senior ball club, while juniors could predominate much of the time in the Medford line-up. Coach Gordon Prehm is expected to send his regular five on to the floor for the opening tip.

BOWLING
LADY ELKS NO. 1
Standings: W L
Cassin Three 3 1
Astors 3 1
Antlers 3 1
P.C.'s 2 2
Terrible Trio 2 2
Hi Lo 2 2
Phonies 1 3
Vi Ma Ru's 1 3
Stags 0 4

Vi Ma Ru's 1 (Bernice Hazlett 450; 205; P.C.'s 3 (Irene Schroeder 449; 1222; Stags 0 (Vivian Knox 478; 1256; Cassin Three 4 (Melvina Little 503; 1349; Hi Lo 1 (Teddie Farrar 455; 1287; Astors 3 (Vivian Bateman 501; 1309; Terrible Trio 2 (Rosella Phipps 473; 1251; Jolly Three 2 (Jane Kessler 539; 1227; Antlers 3 (Claudia Lowd 453; 1291; Phonies 1 (Mable Clark 497; 1210; High Game—195, Mable Clark. Split Conversions—Roberta Travis, 57; Teddy Farrar, 3-9-10; Alice Thompson, 5-7-3-10, 5-6; Jane Kessler, 4-7-9-10; Ethel Luman, 5-4, 5-6; Polly Anderson, 5-8-10.

PACIFIC LEAGUE
(End of First Half)
Standings: W L
Fyre-Pytars 47 35
Johnston Store 46 28
Taylor-Salade Ins. 44 28
Moore Steel 43 29
Hiway Cafe 40 32
Western Hot Coffee 39 33
Gates Furniture 38 35 1/2
Harry and David 29 43 1/2
Gassers 23 49
Whiteleaf Candy 15 57

CRATER STATISTICS:
Anderson, 104-54 68-27 64 135
Deakins, 42-24 18-12 25 17 60
Higginbotham, 91-28 43-27 21 28 83
Koch, 45-20 25-15 33 29 59
Dean, 54-22 15-5 33 25 49
Harvey, 57-18 17-11 18 23 48
Duke, 44-17 23-12 7 13 48
C. Dean, 9-3 10-9 16 17 33
Lee, 8-4 3-2 3 7 15
F. Frymeyer, 5-2 2-2 5 5 6
Kononasek, 0-0 0-0 0 0 0
Olson, 1-0 0-0 1 2 3
Rasmussen, 0-0 0-0 0 0 0
Kornasek, 0-0 0-0 0 0 0
P. Allen, 3-1 3-1 1 0 5
Manley, 1-0 0-0 0 0 0

CRATER STATISTICS:
B. White, 75-26 53-31 59 33 83
Higginbotham, 91-28 43-27 21 28 83
W. Allen, 88-30 21-16 25 21 76
Turner, 36-14 13-7 59 26 35
Sharp, 29-11 23-12 45 19 34
T. White, 13-6 18-11 11 13 23
Plaff, 15-4 20-11 9 22 19
Bennett, 18-5 11-6 2 7 16
Eldred, 7-4 8-3 1 4 11
King, 12-4 2-2 10 1 10
Jim Wood, 2-1 1-0 0 1 2
LaCasse, 2-0 0-0 2 7 0
Woods, 1-0 0-0 0 0 0

GUTTER GANG
Standings: W L
Clave Construction 24 11
Cove Motors 22 12
Powder Puff Beauty Sal. 18 18
Cove Variety 14 22
Vanderlip Log Co. 12 24
Lady Lions 12 24

Results:
Powder Puff Salon 2 (Ellen Callaghan 311; 1184; Cove Variety 1 (Suzi Chubb 209; 1138; 211; 1082; Cove Motors 2 (Phyllis Taylor-Salade 0 (O. Stone 503; 2742; Harry and David 4 (L. Thompson 505; 2822; Moore 1 (M. Hull 500; 2887; Hiway 3 (C. McWhorter 545; 2904; Hot Coffee 2 (F. Fisher 529; 2841; Gates 2 (W. Fisher 543; 2829.

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE
Standings: W L
Cubby's Drive In 20 4
Mail Tribune 17 7
Morning Fresh Bread 17 7
Al Sordario Agency 16 8
Bates Candy Co. 14 10
Alex & Brown, Ins. 12 12
Quality Market 11 13
Kim's Restaurant 9 15
Medford Paint Store 9 13
Davis Transf. & Storage 9 13
Paterson's Bakery 7 17
Clave Construction Co. 3 21

Results:
Bates 3 (Walt Daigle 639; 2705; Kim's 1 (Harry Goode 568; 2644; 2632; Quality 2 (Ray Wise 588; 2816; Med. Paint 0 (Travis Mitchell 533; 2325; Tribune 4 (Jim Farrar 545; 2568; A&B 0 (Frank Chapman 538; 2407; Clave 1 (Al Sacchi 528; 2537; Paterson's 3 (Dick Westfield 581; 2553; Davis 3 (George Bronson 497; 2268; Cubby's 4 (Art Brooks 619; 2816.

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BASKETBALL

WEDNESDAY COLLEGE GAMES (United Press International)

East: Army 74, Yale 57; Pennsylvania 87, Columbia 74; Seattle 79, Syracuse 77; Holy Cross 80, Assumption 47; Temple 64, Delaware 48
South: Navy 82, Brandeis 39; Virginia Tech 91, Davidson 70; Wake Forest 88, South Carolina 58
Maryland 61, Georgetown DC 53; Carolina 72, N. Car. St. 68; Mercer 66, Georgia 62
Midwest: Dayton 60, Xavier (Ohio) 56; Creighton 59, Omaha 48
West: Portland 71, Portland St. 60; Seattle 71, Hawaii 67

Wray Car Entered in Autorama

A car entered by Monty Wray, Ashland, past president of Southern Oregon Timing association, reportedly will be among top contenders this week end in the Southern Oregon Autorama at the Medford Armory.

The Autorama will be open to the public from 1 to 11 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 17 and 18. SOTA is local sponsor of this event.

Wray's auto has a 1927 Model T body on a 1932 Ford chassis. It has a titan red body. The vehicle has been clocked at 103.44 miles per hour.

In Magazine
The car was featured in Rod and Custom magazine January issue. It was outstanding car at the Klamath Falls show in October and has won 19 trophies in drags and shows.

The Autorama will have entries of custom car owners and exhibit show car builders from Medford, Klamath Falls and Portland and from Sacramento, Oakland and San Jose, Calif., along with cars from a number of other points in southern Oregon and northern California.

There will be a variety of classes, custom, speedway competition, dragsters, pickups, antiques and motorcycles. A number of trophies will be given and there will be an award or plaque for every entrant.

Green Light For Cronin

Chicago—(UPI)—Joe Cronin, general manager of the Boston Red Sox, today had the green light as the heir apparent to the office of the American league presidency.

Only one obstacle remained in Cronin's path to succeed Will Harridge as league president—approval of American league owners at a Jan. 31 meeting in New York.

But even that was considered only a technicality for the owners are expected to approve of Cronin's selection without opposition.

An American league screening committee Wednesday agreed to recommend Cronin as the successor of Harridge, who resigned last month after more than a quarter of a century at the job.

The committee also recommended that Harridge be named chairman of the league board of directors, a new post,

Shasta Bowl To Be Ready For Skiers This Week, At Last

Mt. Shasta—The new \$2,000,000 Mt. Shasta Ski Bowl—last long last—will be ready for skiers this week end.

Plagued with a series of misfortunes—first they had no snow, and then they had too much (the road was blocked for a full week), Shasta has had more than its share of problems trying to introduce itself to the winter sports public.

"All of that is behind us now," says lodge manager Bill Di Cristina, "and we are ready for a full-scale operation this weekend. We have nine feet of snow, and

the skiing should be excellent throughout the entire bowl.

WORTH WAITING
"It took us quite a while to get the 'show on the road,' but we think all skiers will agree that 'it was worth waiting for.'"

Di Cristina, who was marooned at the lodge for all of last week, also said that the road's tow had to be dug out from under five feet of snow.

A full lodge crew has been spending all week getting the lodge in shape for skiers this weekend.

Score Biggest Tribe Question For 1959

(This is the second of 16 dispatches by the major league managers giving mid-winter appraisals of their teams.)

By JOE GORDON
Manager, Cleveland Indians (Written for UPI)
Sacramento, Calif.—(UPI)—The Cleveland Indians' pennant hopes this season hinge on the recovery from operations of two established stars and the development of several boys who are long on potential but short on experience.

Of course, our biggest question mark is Herb Score. If that left-handed fireballer recovers from the injury which almost cost him his eye, he will be hard to stop. Score could be the best pitcher in the American league this season. . . or he could be just another has-been.

And don't be too surprised if Mike Garcia makes a comeback this year. Mike had a disc operation last summer and it might have cured his

back. He worked out with us near the end of the season and seemed to be OK. I'm convinced he can still throw.

High On Colavito
The man with the best potential on the club is outfielder Rocky Colavito. He came into his own for the first time near the end of last season and if he improves at the same rate this year he can become one of the greatest hitters in baseball.

We are also looking for good seasons from Minnie Minoso and Larry Doby. If these boys come through, we'll be tough to beat.

There was some talk last season that the Indians might be moved away from Cleveland because the fans were no longer supporting the club. I think we have the kind of team this year that will lure the citizens of Cleveland back to Municipal Stadium.

We are going to have a fast, hustling club with a lot of young players. It should be interesting to watch all season. We've got a lot of fellows who like to win and they are going to play that way.

General Manager Frank Lane obtained Billy Martin for second base. Everyone knows he's a hustler.

Martin Best Available
As an old second baseman myself, I think Martin is the best man available. There may be better second sackers in the majors, but they were not for sale this winter.

We had to give up Don Mossi and Ray Narleski to get Martin and Lane was criticized in some quarters for the move. But I think we'll have good pitching even without Don and Ray, and I think Martin will be of great help to the ball club.

Another hustler is Jim Piersall, who we obtained this winter from Boston. He'll get a try at the center field position along with Doby, Woodie Held and former San Francisco Forty Niner football star Carroll Hardy.

Players Are Versatile
One thing I like about this ball club is the versatility of the players. Almost everyone on the team can play more than one position with equal ability.

At first base we could use Doby, Vic Power or Mickey Vernon. At second it could be Martin or Power. The possible shortstops are Held, Bill Hunter, Bill Harrell and Bill Moran.

The third baseman could be Held, Power, Harrell, Earl Averill or Randy Jackson. Catching we'll have Russ Nixon and Dick Brown backed up by Hal Naragon.

The most versatile performers are Power and Held. We can use them almost any place we need them. This will give us added depth without additional players.

Red Raiders Slate Wolves This Week

Ashland—Oregon College of Education is the next hurdle in the path of the Southern Oregon Red Raiders this week end. The two teams square off against each other Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. in the SOC gym.

The Raiders are currently tied for the Oregon Collegiate conference lead with Portland State. Both teams sport 2-0 records.

Oregon College's Wolves last week end drew a bye in the conference. They played

George Fox of Portland and won by three points.

Dave D'Olivo continues to dominate the Raider statistics with 162 points for a 14.3 average per game in addition to pulling down 127 rebounds.

Punk Biddington, one of the starting forwards, has been on a scoring spree with better than an 18.5 point average in his last four games to give the Raiders a more dominant scoring attack.

Crater High Victor in Matt Tiffs

Central Point—Crater high defeated Eagle Point 43 to 2 last night in a wrestling match here.

The Comets won 11 of the 12 matches and drew in the other.

The Eagles gave Crater grapplers tough contention in several matches. They lost just four matches by pins where they had dropped 10 by the same means in an earlier tussle.

The draw was in the 140-pound class where Bob Bibey, Crater, scored an escape with 10 seconds left to break even at 10-all with Ray Moore, Eagle Point. Dhawe White, Crater, 115, trailed Duke Wild, Eagle Point, and Dick Conway, Crater, 129, lagged behind Dave Shepherd, Eagle Point, before rallying to 3-2 decisions.

Crater had a 25 to 5 margin in exhibitions.

The Eagles have a match at Illinois Valley on Friday.

RESULTS:
97—Gary Mead, C. pinned Dale Vaughan, E. 1st.
105—Burt Barber, C. dec. Dick Hertager, E. 4-0.
115—Dave White, C. dec. Duke Wild, E. 3-2.
122—Charles Warren, C. pinned Tom Muse, E. 1st.
129—Dick Conway, C. dec. Dave Shepherd, E. 3-2.
135—John Taberna, C. dec. Ben Norb, E. 3-0.
140—Bob Bibey, C. drew with Ray Moore, E. 10-10.
147—Dean Lamp, C. dec. Jim Vanderlip, E. 7-2.
156—Al Lamp, C. dec. Bill Mackay, E. 4-0.
167—Rick Burns, C. pinned Bill Pfeifer, E. second.
177—Ken Mainwaring, C. dec. Fred Jolly, E. 9-4.
Unlimited—Dwain Boles, C. pinned Delbert Simmons, second.

Exhibitions—Crater winners: Tom Richardson, Mike Nola, Gay D. Jones, David McGee, Bill Allen; Eagle Point winners: Don Collette; draw: Ed Kenworthy, E. and Terry Payne, C.

Vannice Starting
Don Vannice will again be the second starting forward and Gordie Carrigan and Jim McAbee will be the guards.

The two wins over Eastern Oregon last week end brought the Raiders season record to 5-6. They have won their last four out of five games.

For reserves the Raiders will have third guard Laval Meunier from St. Mary's of Medford and the third forward, Dick Smith.

Dick Puhl and Dave Love round out the guards while the front line sports Phil Sword, Glen Peterson, and Jerry Flakus.

Each varsity game will be preceded by a Jayvee contest in the Southern Oregon Independent league with the Friday game against Grants Pass at 6:30 p.m. and the Saturday mix against Hawkinsville of Medford.

Steelheading On Applegate Starts Today

Portland—(UPI)—The weekly report on fishing conditions prepared by the state game commission: There was no hunting report this week.

Southwest: Waters were high and murky but steelheading on North Umpqua should be fair if water drops; South Smpqua outlook poor; Tenmile creek fair and may improve; Coquille and Coos high.

Rogue below mouth of the Applegate and Applegate up to the mouth of Little Applegate opened today, Jan. 15; fresh run fish available; waters high.

Palo Alto, Calif.—(UPI)— Joe Kapp, California quarterback who led the Pacific Coast conference in total offense last season, will receive the Pop Warner Memorial Award here next Tuesday night.

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