

Iowa, Mississippi Will Be Pushed To Hold Top Place

By DICK JOYCE
United Press International
Iowa and Mississippi, the country's top-rated teams, will be hard-pressed to retain their rankings from 1959 national champion Syracuse when college football once again captures the spotlight on Saturday.

Iowa, present kingpin of the powerful Western Conference which boasts four of America's top 10 teams and seven of the first 16, is a nine-point favorite to down Purdue at home. The Buckeyes are undefeated in four starts and were voted the No. 1 team in the most recent balloting of the United Press International Board of Coaches.

Purdue is rated eighth and will rely on its size and power to offset Iowa's eye-dazzling speed.
Favored by Nine
Mississippi is also a nine-point choice against an equally unpredictable foe in Arkansas. The Razorbacks upset Texas by one point last week and have lost only to undefeated Baylor in five games. They also will have the advantage of their home stadium. Ole Miss has won five games without a defeat, its last conquest coming over Tulane.

Syracuse has twice come within a bad bounce of defeat, but should have no difficulty in running roughshod over winless West Virginia. It would take nothing short of a football massacre to satisfy the pride of last year's national champions.

Major contests which are rated close to even by the oddsmakers include the traditional battle for the Little Brown Jug between Michigan and Minnesota, the Southwest Conference game between

Rice and Texas and the inter-sectional meetings of Pittsburgh-Texas Christian and Illinois-Penn State.

Michigan Is Choice
Although Minnesota is ranked fifth and Michigan 16th, the Wolverines now are favored by 1 1/2 points to win this 51st contest of a bitter rivalry at Ann Arbor. Michigan was lucky in getting a 14-7 decision from Northwestern last week while Minnesota defeated Illinois, 21-10, to maintain its perfect record.

Texas, which has won three games by shutouts but was beaten the two times its defense was broken, is a one-point underdog in the night game at Houston. Rice has won three of four, including a 47-0 romp over Southern Methodist last week.

Pittsburgh, loaded with potential, finally broke a frustrating slump last Saturday with a 42-0 victory over West Virginia and is a two-point pick at Fort Worth. TCU fought to a 14-14 tie with

Texas A&M in its last outing. Illinois has split its four games and is picked by a point against a Penn State squad that came within feet of upsetting Syracuse last week.

Fourth-ranked Navy proved its class against the Air Force Academy last Saturday and is tabbed by a solid 21 points over Pennsylvania; sixth-ranked Missouri and seventh-ranked Baylor are two-touchdown picks over Iowa State and Texas A&M, respectively; ninth-ranked Washington is a prohibitive favorite over Oregon State; and tenth-ranked Ohio State is a one-touchdown choice against Wisconsin.

In other major contests, Princeton is picked over Cornell, Northwestern over Notre Dame, Duke over Clemson, Georgia Tech over Tulane, Michigan State over Indiana, Kansas over Oklahoma State, Wyoming over the Air Force Academy, and UCLA over Stanford.

West Supremacy At Stake in Tilt

Portland -UPI- A battle for West Coast football supremacy takes place before a packed house of more than 35,000 at Multnomah Stadium here Saturday when Washington clashes with Oregon State.

The weather man forecast rain. Both teams have 4-1 records and both are hopeful of post-season bowl bids.

Washington is the favorite to again represent the West Coast in the Rose Bowl. Oregon State isn't a member of the Big Five so isn't eligible for the Rose Bowl, but it is hopeful of landing another post-season game.

Lost To Navy
Washington has lost only to Navy, 15-14 in the final seconds. The Huskies have beaten College of Pacific, Idaho, Stanford and UCLA. Oregon State lost only to top-ranked Iowa, 22-12, and has won from Southern California, Houston, Indiana and Idaho.

The Huskies will be without their No. 1 quarterback, Bob Schloredt, who suffered

Houk Says NY To Go On Winning

New York -UPI- Ralph Houk stepped into his new job as manager of the New York Yankees today with the quiet assurance that "I'm the boss and the club will go on winning."

The first change indicated by the 41-year-old new boss of the American league champions was the possibility of some coaching switches. Houk is understood to want to hire ex-Yankee Hank Bauer as one of his coaches.

"This club isn't going to drop dead," the ruggedly handsome Houk told reporters. "How can a team with Mickey Mantle, Roger Maris and Bill Skowron drop dead? It's going to go on winning."

No Yes Man
Houk then used the words employed only 49 hours earlier by Casey Stengel, when the 70-year-old pilot who had led the Yankees to 10 pennants in 12 years was axed, to describe his position.

"For your information," he said, "I'm no yes man." Stengel had implied at Tuesday's press conference that the front office had tried to interfere with his handling of the club. Co-owner Dan Topping has said he fails to understand what Stengel was talking about.

Houk, a native of Lawrence, Kan., who has the poise of a fellow who rose from private to major in the Rangers and fought at the Bulge and Bastogne, made a strong impression at his first press conference as the "boss." He smoked placidly on a long cigar, caught and fired back a steady stream of questions and seemed completely at ease.

Expects Few Deals
"I don't think you can expect us to make a flock of deals," he said. "A club that wins a pennant rarely does."

Houk was asked if he planned to use the same tactics that Stengel used with the club. "I don't think I'll platoon as much although I will platoon some," said Houk. "I was around Casey quite a bit and I think I learned something. But I'll do my own thinking. I'll be in close touch with my coaches but I'll pick the pitchers' rotation. The decisions will be mine."

a broken collarbone in the 10-8 win over UCLA last week. Bob Hivner, the fellow Schloredt replaced last season when Hivner was hurt, will handle that job capably. He was named the Big Five back of the week last week.

Oregon State hopes to have back in action hard-running Don Kasso, the Nov. 1 tailback in the Beavers' single-wing attack. Also on hand in that spot will be Terry Baker, the sensational sophomore who set a school yardage mark of 284 running and passing against Idaho.

Stanford's Indians May Catch Fire

United Press International
Jack Curtice's bedraggled Stanford Indians have a way of catching fire when they reach the sixth game of a season and UCLA, an 18 1/2 point choice to win Saturday night's game in Los Angeles, might do well to be on guard.

In 1958, the Indians lost four out of five and then trimmed the Bruins, 21-19. Last year they had dropped another four out of five, headed for Los Angeles like babes in the wood, and made mighty Southern California battle to pull out a 30-28 decision.

Now Stanford has lost all five of its games and looks like a setup for the Bruins who lost a 10-8 tangle to Washington last week. Curtice isn't even telling jokes right now. So another nerve-buster could be in the works this Saturday night.

Other leading games pit Washington and Oregon State at Portland, Oregon at California, College of the Pacific at Washington State and San Jose State at Arizona State.

Norman or Sears
The big question at Stanford is whether Curtice will start Dick Norman, the best passer in the nation last year, or Rod Sears who has looked sharper in recent outings. The Bruins are all set with Bill Kilmer, their sharp tailback and number one tosser.

Oscar Sparks Drive by Royals

United Press International
Oscar Robertson says he's learning more with every game in the National Basketball association, but off his first two performances how much better can he get?

Robertson sparked a last-half rally that gave the Cincinnati Royals a 113-105 victory over the New York Knickerbockers at Madison Square Garden Thursday night. He scored only seven points during the first half, then cut loose with 21 in a brilliant all-around second-half performance.

As knowing an old hand as Joe Lapchick, present coach of St. John's and formerly of the Knickerbockers, feels the Big O can't help becoming one of the greatest stars in pro basketball.

"He does everything," lauded Lapchick. "It's not only his scoring but what he does on defense in blocking shots and stealing the ball."

STAR GAME SET
New York -UPI- Baseball Commissioner Ford Frick announced Wednesday that the second All-Star game in 1961 will be played in Boston, on Monday, July 31. The first game is scheduled for San Francisco on Tuesday, July 11.



ON LEAGUE ALL-STAR—First baseman can league all-star baseball team chosen by United Press International. Bill Skowron and outfielders Roger Maris and Mickey Mantle, shown from left to right, were Yankee selections to the American League All-Star team.

Who Calls Your Plays?, All-American Gridster Moomaw Asks at Dinner

"Who's calling your plays beyond the gridiron in this game of life?" That concluding and forceful question was asked by Donn Moomaw, one-time All-American football player, in a talk last night at the Medford High school cafeteria.

"God is calling you to be on the team and leave the knocks to him," Moomaw said. "Get on his team," he urged.

Moomaw, minister of new life and evangelism at the First Presbyterian church of Berkeley, Calif., who gained his gridiron honors at University of California at Los Angeles, addressed a dinner attended by Medford and Crater High school athletes, by Medford school faculty members, including coaches, and by others interested. The dinner and talk were sponsored by the United Presbyterian Youth fellowship and members of the Presbyterian Men's association served as hosts.

Personal Relationship
"Remember," Moomaw said, "the only way you'll ever be a champion in the game of football or game of life is when you take sincerely your personal relationship with God."

Not every guy determined to be a champion is going to be an All-American, Moomaw pointed out. He stated that a champion in the eyes of the coaches is "one giving 1,000 per cent all of the time no matter how poor it is." And, he advised, "Don't ever be content to be third string; don't be content to be next best."

Speaking of his summer experiences at Estes Park, Colo., where some of the greatest athletes in the country gather for a time "inspiration and perspiration," Moomaw developed the question of "what makes these men champions - what goes into these men... to make them excel?" Said the minister, "I think you'll find that somewhere along the line there's been a handicap - they've overcome something." He mentioned his own struggle to gain coordination, which he lacked because he grew too fast.

Always Determined
Every one of these men at Estes park are determined to be champions every time they go for the ball, the speaker brought out.

"I never saw a champion who was not always determined to be the very best he could be," Moomaw declared. Relating his experiences in playing pro football in Canada, Moomaw told the group that all his life he had wanted to play American pro ball and he had wanted to play for the Los Angeles Rams.

However, in his junior year "something happened to alter my entire life. I did not want anything to come into my life that would interfere with worshipping the King." He pointed out that, while American professional football is played mainly on Sundays, games in Canada are contested on Saturdays and on Wednesdays.

Morally Responsible
"Since I gave my life to Jesus Christ," said Moomaw, "I have had a desire to share that life with others." He said he was "morally responsible" to share it.

Moomaw told of an incident in which he was asked to express his religious views to a group of players. He said that as he walked away, he heard someone laugh and this laughter "crushed" him. Later, this player who laughed asked Moomaw to lead the squad in prayer before a game.

"Something happens between the laughter and the crowd," declared Moomaw. "You can see how shallow our laughter really is."

Dick Ragsdale was student chairman of the dinner. The invocation was by Dr. D. K.

San Francisco Keeps Interest In Leo Durocher

Tokyo -UPI- The San Francisco Giants still are interested in Leo Durocher, Giants' owner Horace Stoneham said Thursday that the former manager was "definitely not out of the picture, but our first considerations are two men still in baseball."

Most San Francisco sports-writers had discounted the Lip's chances when the Giants' front office said it was thinking in terms of two men under contract to other clubs.

Stoneham said he was not at liberty to identify the prospects without permission of their clubs. He said no decisions would be made until the Giants finish their barnstorming tour of Japan.

The Giants arrived here Thursday for a post-season tour.

Stoneham said Stengel's dismissal by the Yankee's "surprised me."

"But once we've chosen our man, the decision will be made public quickly," he said.

The guessing game has included Durocher, ex-Yankee manager Casey Stengel, Yogi Berra, Bob Scheffing, Paul Richards, Alvin Dark, Lefty O'Doul, Red Davis and Tommy Heath.

Eagles Face Big Test at Cleveland

By NORMAN MILLER
United Press International
The free-wheeling Philadelphia Eagles face a make-or-break game at the early stage of the National Football league season Sunday when they play the unbeaten Browns in Cleveland.

Cleveland (3-0), with the only perfect record in the league, was a 10-point favorite to beat the Eagles (3-1) for a second time this season and seriously hurt chances of winning the Eastern Division championship. The Browns won their first meeting, 41-24, in Philadelphia.

The Baltimore Colts and Chicago Bears, who share the Western Division lead, are on the road this weekend against teams that have not yet won a game. Baltimore was picked by 14 over the Detroit Lions and the Bears by 6 over the Los Angeles Rams.

The Green Bay Packers, idle last week, resume play as 9 1/2-point favorites at Milwaukee against the San Francisco Forty-Niners; the St. Louis Cardinals were 10 at home over the winless Dallas Cowboys; and the Pittsburgh Steelers were rated even against the Redskins at Washington. The New York Giants have an off-day.

In the American Football league, the New York Titans (4-2) were slim favorites at home to beat the Houston Oilers (4-1) in a key game for the Eastern Division lead; the Denver Broncos (3-2) were picked over the Boston Patriots (2-3) at Denver; and the Oakland Raiders (3-3) were slight favorites over the Bills (1-4) at Buffalo.

Cleveland has been described by coach Jim Lee Howell of the Giants as "far and away the best team in the league." With halfback Bobby Mitchell outdoing Jimmy Brown in ground-gaining, the Browns have rolled up more points, 117 in three games, than other clubs have in four.

Scoreless Tie In Grade Game

Jacksonville and Oak Grove fought to a scoreless tie yesterday in a Medford district elementary school football game.

Griffin Creek beat Lone Pine 20 to 0. Hard tackling contributed to the defensive aspect of the pointless fray. Charles Sanders passed twice to Denzil Carney for Griffin Creek touchdowns and Jim Bryan scored one TD and ran the extra points.

BOWL NAMES ELLIOTT
Phoenix, Ariz. -UPI- Pete Elliott, head football coach at the University of Illinois, has been named coach of the National All-Stars in the third annual Copper Bowl game to be played at the University of Arizona stadium in Tempe, Ariz., Dec. 31.

Yankees, Orioles Place Three Apiece on Loop All-Star Team

By FRED DOWN
United Press International
New York -UPI- Bill Skowron, Mickey Mantle and Roger Maris, the musclemen who led the New York Yankees to a new league mark of 193 homers, were named today to the United Press International's 1960 American league all-star team.

The Baltimore Orioles, who challenged the Yankees for the pennant until the final two weeks of the season, were also honored with three selections, shortstop Ron Han-

sen, third baseman Brooks Robinson and pitcher Chuck Estrada.

Also named to the team of eight regulars and two pitchers by the UPI's 24-man board of AL experts were catcher Earl Battey of the Washington Senators, second baseman Nelson Fox and outfielder Minnie Minoso of the Chicago White Sox and pitcher Jim Perry of the Cleveland Indians.

Draws Biggest Vote
The closest to a unanimous vote was achieved by Robinson, who outpitched Harmon Killebrew of the Senators, 23 to 1, at third base. Robinson, 23, was a brilliant performer all season for the Orioles and hit .294 in 152 games.

Skowron, Mantle and Maris combined this year to hit 105 homers and drive in 297 runs. Skowron batted .309, hit 26 homers and drove in 91 runs; Mantle hit .276 with 40 homers and 94 runs batted in, and Maris batted .283, hit 39 homers and knocked in 112 runs.

Hansen and Estrada were two of the sensational rookies who enabled the Orioles to make a spectacular bid for the AL pennant. Both were with Vancouver of the Pacific Coast league in 1959 but handled themselves like veterans in the heat of the AL pennant battle.

Fine Fielder
Hansen, a gangling shortstop, fielded magnificently and wound up hitting .255 with 22 homers and 86 runs batted in. Estrada, a right-handed fastball pitcher, had an 18-11 record and a 3.57 earned run average.

Battey appeared in 137 games, batted .270 and drove in 60 runs for the Senators; Fox hit .289 and knocked in

59 runs and Minoso hit a consistent .311 with 20 homers and 105 runs batted in for the White Sox and Perry posted an 18-10 record and 3.62 earned run average for the Indians.



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