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SPORTS

Ohio University Margin Upped

New York —UPI— Ohio university, triumphant over Bowling Green in the "battle of the little giants" last Saturday, opened a huge lead in the homestretch today in the race for the 1960 national small college football championship.

The United Press International Board of Coaches, which last week put coach Bill Hess' Bobcats on top by a single point, this week increased their margin to a whopping 106 points in listing Ohio U. first for the sixth straight week.

Bowling Green, despite its 14-7 loss to the Bobcats in Saturday's dramatic clash at Bowling Green, clung to the No. 2 spot by a narrow margin over powerful Lenoir Rhyne of North Carolina. This is also the sixth straight week that the same three clubs have been ranked 1-2-3.

Ohio received 29 first-place votes and a total of 349 points to 243 for Bowling Green.

NW Schools Considered

Portland —UPI— Al Duer, executive secretary-treasurer of the National Association of Inter-collegiate Athletics, said he and a committee of six would start next Tuesday on picking the four teams to play in the NAIA's Holiday Bowl playoffs.

Duer, here for a workshop with officials of 14 Northwest colleges, said Whitworth, Willamette and Humboldt State, all in the NAIA's top 10 and all unbeaten, were among the teams under consideration.

FUNERAL HELD

St. Matthews, S.C. —UPI— Funeral services were held today for Bertram C. (Stumpy) Bank's 62, considered one of the greatest football players produced at Clemson college. Banks, who began his football career at Clemson in 1914 and once scored five touchdowns in one game, died Tuesday.

Sport Parade



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New York —UPI— Get with that bowling ball, son, because the time is fast approaching when a pro can earn a minimum salary of \$8,000 in 26 weeks, a share of "World Series" loot and a \$100,000 first prize in a bowl-of-the-year windup.

These payoffs are all part of the plans of the new National Bowling league, a 12-city loop which will swing into action in October of next year. This isn't just talk, either, because the cities involved already have put up a \$75,000 guarantee.

And, with a determined plan in mind to cater to spectators, bowling stars soon may become as popular as other sports page celebrities.

Typical of the new league's vision was today's announcement of plans for a \$3,000,000 bowling center in New York's busy Grand Central Terminal. There will be 44 lanes in three tiers above the waiting room through which 500,000 people pass daily. But there also will be four "league" lanes surrounded by an arena seating 600 spectators.

"Bowling can be a very big spectator sport," insists Irving Fagenson, one of the masterminds of the new project which will sponsor the New York team in the National league, which also includes Los Angeles, San Antonio, Fort Worth, Dallas, Kansas City, Omaha, Minneapolis, Chicago, Detroit, Birmingham and Miami.

"It just never before has catered to spectators," he adds. "You have to give them the accommodation — plush seating and good service in the refreshment line as well as close-up seats and good competition. We're going to do all this."

Professional bowling isn't, of course, anything new. The sport started mushrooming a few years back as it erupted out of the pool room category. Now there are some 25 million competitive bowlers and it was natural the pros should found an organization and start milking such lucrative side benefits as television and tournaments.

The new league bumped head-on into the Pro Bowlers association but, refusing to give up control of its brainchild league, has gone ahead under the direction of its commissioner, tall, gray-haired Dick Charles.

"Our first year we naturally couldn't afford to pay the \$100,000 some stars like Don Carter are earning," Charles explains. "But we have signed some stars to \$20,000 contracts and have a minimum contract of \$6,000 for the 26 weeks of our season."

Drafts Star Bowlers
The league drafted 350 star bowlers and Charles asserts that it will have no difficulty filling its roster with top-notch bowlers able to attract spectators.

"There is the security," he shrugs, "plus a lot of other benefits. For instance, we intend to appropriate \$250,000 at the end of the first year. The top 128 league stars then will bowl a 13-week match play tournament. They'll start at Los Angeles and work cross-country until there are only four left for the semifinals and finals in New York. The finals will be held in Madison Square Garden the last week of August, 1962 — and the winner will take home a first prize of \$100,000."

The league's stars, he said, also will compete in a "World Series" at the end of the regular league season. It is the league's plan to pay off much in the manner of baseball's post-season classic.

The money involved, of course, is the league's answer to the Pro Bowlers association. Very few of even the hottest names in bowling can afford to pass up this kind of action and the new league, admitting that "we must have the best bowling available," is ready to pay top dollar.

"The 12 groups involved in this league are all businessmen," Charles explains. "We're not philanthropists. We've got an idea and we're going to pay to make it go."

The gold rush figures to be a dilly.

Hockey Scores

NATIONAL LEAGUE
United Press International
How does a hockey player feel when he scores the winning goal with only one second to play?

That's what Dean Prentice did Wednesday night for the New York Rangers in a 4-3 victory over the Boston Bruins and it left him "all shook up."

The Detroit Red Wings moved to within one point of league-leading Montreal by tying the Toronto Maple Leafs, 3-3.

AMERICAN LEAGUE
The Hershey Bears, who failed to make the American Hockey league playoffs last spring after winning the Calder Cup for two years running, are looking more and more like solid contenders in this season's AHL race.

The Bears climbed into undisputed possession of third place when they turned back the Quebec Aces, 4-2, at Hershey in Wednesday night's only league action.

WESTERN LEAGUE
Portland —UPI— Edmonton scored twice in the final period to defeat the Portland Buckaroos 3-2 in a Western Hockey league game Wednesday night.

CLOSING ARGUMENTS
Gainesville, Fla. —UPI— A six-man jury heard closing arguments today in the trial of Aaron Wagman, 27, New York, accused of bribing University of Florida fullback Jon Mackbeth to influence the outcome of a football game.

FIGHTS

United Press International
Mia M. Beach —UPI— Manuel Rodriguez, 177½, Los Angeles, outpointed Yama Bahama, 150½, Bimini, (10).

Fresno, Calif. —UPI— Benny (Bandit) Medina, 130½, Fresno, knocked out Ramponi, 138, Oakland, (3).

IRON CURTAIN TOUR

Chicago —UPI— The Harlem Globetrotters will engage in a summer tour behind the Iron Curtain, according to Abe Saperstein, owner-coach of the basketball team. He said negotiations for games in Czechoslovakia, Poland, Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria had reached an advanced state.

Hunter Safety Class Starts

Oregon Sportsmen Club of Jackson County, Medford chapter, has started its second junior hunter safety instruction course and is accepting enrollment for a third such class.

The current group of eight youths began instruction last Friday evening at the home of Joe Bartley, 3428 Chicory lane, which is off Beall lane. They will meet on four other Fridays.

A new class will be started in December.

Willamette 4th In NAIA Offense

Kansas City —UPI— Willamette university of Salem, Ore., ranks fourth in the nation among NAIA-member schools in total offense and rushing offense, statistics showed today.

Willamette has averaged 413 yards per game in total offense and 305.4 yards rushing.

Florida A & M is the total offense leader with 452.9 yards a game and Huron, S.D., is the rushing leader with 325 yards a game.

Pacific University is seventh in passing offense with 181.4 yards while Whitworth is the national leader with 213.5 yards.

Individually, Stan Solomon of Willamette is fifth in individual rushing with 119.8 yards per game and tied for 10th in scoring with 84 points.

Bob Light of Pacific is fourth in individual passing with 170.3 yards a game while Denny Spurlock of Whitworth is the leader with 210.2 yards. Bob Wendel, Pacific end, is 5th in pass receiving with 95.3 yards a game.

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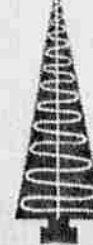
Go Kart Club Meets Tonight

Medford Go-Kart club will convene at 7:30 o'clock this evening at the Stephenson lumber yard office. All persons interested are invited, club officials said.

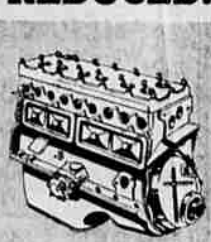
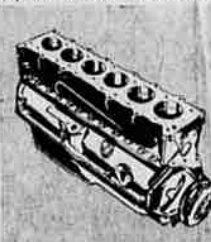
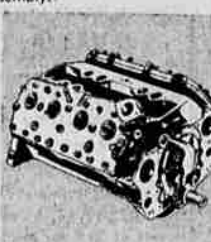
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