

NFL Stars, Hornung, Karras Draw Indefinite Suspensions; League Officials Feel Action Warranted

Detroit Club Fined \$4,000 by Rozelle

UPI Sports Writer

New York — (UPI) — Most National Football League officials, including Vince Lombardi of the world champion Green Bay Packers, today agreed that the indefinite suspensions handed two of the pro game's greatest stars for betting on games were fully warranted.

Pete Rozelle, once labeled "a tool" of the pro league's club owners, proved to be an iron-fisted commissioner Wednesday when he barred Paul Hornung of the Packers, regarded as the most versatile player in football history, and Alex Karras, star defensive tackle of the Detroit Lions.

The 37-year-old NFL commissioner also fined five other Detroit players \$2,000 each for betting on the 1962 league championship game and the Detroit club was fined \$4,000 for failing to heed reports of its players' gambling activities.

Lombardi, coach and general manager of the Packers, was "shocked and hurt" when he learned of Hornung's suspension but he admitted Rozelle had no alternative.

"There is no evidence of criminal intent; that is, the shoving of points and so forth," Lombardi said. "However, there was a definite violation of the player contract and the constitution and by-laws of the league in regard to gambling, which is punishable by suspension."

Sees Stronger League

Art Modell, president of the Cleveland Browns, said the suspensions "mean that the NFL will be stronger than ever before because of Rozelle's decisions. It should serve as a strong deterrent in the future."

Other officials who praised the commissioner's decisions included Jack Mara, president of the New York Giants and George Halas, long-time owner-coach of the Chicago Bears.

Coach Buddy Parker of the Pittsburgh Steelers said he believed individual National Football League coaches should show more concern over the association players cultivate off the field and de-

scribed the suspensions as "unfortunate."

William Clay Ford, president of the Lions, said Rozelle's ruling "was slow in coming and rough when it got here." He added, "we feel the ruling was harsh and assume the players feel it was harsh."

Hornung, the NFL's player-of-the-year in 1961 and a three-time league scoring champion, admitted he made "a foolish mistake" and said, "I just hope and pray the suspension will be lifted after next season."

Karras wasn't quite as gracious in accepting his penalty.

"This is guilt by association and innuendo," said the 250-pound lineman who is 28, a year older than Hornung. "I'm not guilty and I've done nothing to be ashamed of."

Both suspended players said they had no plans until 1964 when their cases will be reviewed by Rozelle. They had hoped to continue playing football elsewhere, but officials of the American Football League and the Canadian leagues said they would honor the NFL suspensions.

"Maybe I'll go into wrestling for the rest of my life," said Karras, who once wrestled professionally as "Killer Karras."

Rozelle, who revealed he "did much soul searching" be-

fore handing down his sweeping suspensions and fines, said all seven players involved "admitted the betting to us."

Hornung, an All-America quarterback at Notre Dame before he joined the pro ranks, was specifically charged, with making bets on college and pro football games through a West Coast friend from 1959 through 1961. The wagers ranged from \$100 to \$500 a game. Except for one season, in which he won \$1,500, Hornung broke approximately even on his gambling, Rozelle revealed.

The facts of the Karras case are somewhat different than those which hung Hornung, Karras was not an habitual gambler but he consorted with individuals described by Detroit police as "known hoodlums." The Lions' tackle, though, did make at least six significant bets on NFL games since 1958.

One of Karras' last bets was a \$100 wager on last season's NFL title game between the Packers and the Giants. Five of his teammates — John Gordy, Gary Lowe, Joe Schmidt, Wayne Walker and Sam Williams — bet \$50 on the same contest.

They all won their bets — they bet correctly on the Packers — but they wound up paying stiff penalties.

Southern Oregon Round Robin Host

Ashland — Southern Oregon college will host its second tennis match of the season as the second of three round robin matches will be played here Friday and Saturday, Coach Alex Petersen announced.

Chico State, Seattle university and University of Oregon will participate.

On Friday SOC plays U of O and Seattle meets Chico at 2 p.m. At 9 a.m. Saturday SOC will meet Chico and U of O will oppose Seattle. At 2 p.m. final matches will have SOC against Seattle and U of O against Chico.

Booster Groups Will Convene

Crater Boosters club will meet at 7:30 o'clock this evening at the Pioneer cafe in Central Point.

Medford Linebackers Club Will Have Final Luncheon

Meeting of the school year on Friday noon at North's Chuck Wagon. Coaches of the area will be guests.

UO Ducks Slate BYU

University of Oregon, Eugene — Oregon, fresh from a 74-71 dual meet win over Stanford, tackles improved Brigham Young Saturday in a two-way test at Hayward Field.

The meet will start at 1 p.m. with competition in the field events while the running events will get underway at 1:30 p.m. Those times are one-half hour earlier than previously scheduled and have been shifted to avoid conflict with Oregon's Northern division baseball game against Oregon State at Howe field.

Coach Bill Bowerman's Ducks, on the strength of some fine efforts in the win over Stanford, continue to dominate Northern division track performances.

The Webfoots lead in seven events and share top billing in two others. A quartet of performers own leaderships in two events for the Webfoots. Dave Steen in the shot put and discus, Keith Forman in the mile and two-mile, and Mel Renfro in the broad jump and high hurdles are undisputed leaders, while Dave Blunt shares the top spot in both dashes.

Top Northern Division Track Marks:

100—Dave Blunt, UO, and Tom Boswell, OSU, 9.6; Rusty Brown, OSU, 9.7.
220—Blunt, UO, and Boswell, OSU, 21.7; Brown, OSU, and Jerry Ploeman, W, 21.9.
440—Norm Hoffman, OSU, and Lynn Eves, OSU, 48.2; Ray Van Asten, UO, 48.4.
880—Hoffman, OSU, 1:49.5; Keith Forman, UO, 1:51; Iain Colpitts, OSU, 1:51.7.
1,760—Forman, UO, 4:00.1; Archie San Romani, UO, and Morgan Groth, OSU, 4:04.7.
2-mile—Forman, UO, 8:56.8; San Romani, UO, 9:01.1; Groth, OSU, 9:11.9.
3-mile—Dick Douglas, I, 14:14; Paul Henden, I, 14:17; Jib Colpitts, WSU, 14:20.
High hurdles—Mel Renfro, UO, 1:11; Tom Wyatt, OSU, 1:14; Mike Thrall, W, 1:13.
Intermediate hurdles—Wyatt, OSU, 38.0; Thrall, W, 38.4; Renfro, O, Brown, OSU, and Frank Marsh, OSU, 38.8.
Broad jump—Renfro, UO, and Phil Shinnick, W, 24-6 1/2; Wartbuka West, W, 24-1 1/2.
Pole vault—Brian Sternberg, W, 13-1 1/2; Mart Frank, UO, 12-5 1/2; Ted at 14-8.
Shot put—Dave Steen, UO, 61-8 1/2; Dick Brown, UO, 54-4; Don Roberts, OSU, 53-11.
Discus—Steen, UO, 134-7; Lou Faano, OSU, 163-2; Harvey Hayden, W, 156-8.
Javelin—Gary Stenlund, OSU, 284-5 1/2; Les Tipton, UO, 237-10 1/2; John Burns, UO, 232-3.
Trip jump—West, W, 48-3 1/2; Vern Fox, UO, 46-3 1/2; Bob Ruby, I, 46-1 1/2.

SPORTS

Crater High Trips Ashland Nine 10-3

Central Point — Crater high, doing the bulk of its damage in the second and third innings, whipped Ashland here yesterday in a non-league baseball encounter.

It was the second win this season for the Comets over the Grizzlies. The teams split a Southern Oregon conference twinbill.

Crater collected four runs in the second panel when Mike Glines doubled home two markers. Larry Mason and Dave Twedell singled in the stanza and there were a base on balls, a groundout and an error.

MH Tennis Crew Wins

A tennis match between Crater and Medford high boys, started Tuesday and completed Wednesday, was won by Medford 5 to 2.

The Comets of Central Point took one of the singles matches when Cliff Pickham downed Nick Rasmussen and one of the doubles when Pinkham and Joe McCalvey tripped Dean Hansen and Jim Rowan. And, they came close to taking a couple of singles tussles.

The Southern Oregon conference engagement was considered a home one for Crater although it was contested on the Medford courts.

Crater plays at Klamath Falls on Friday and Ashland at Medford. On Saturday it will be Klamath Falls at Medford and North Bend at Crater.

Chico Stops Raider Undeclared Streak

Ashland — Southern Oregon college's undeclared status in 1963 baseball play was brought to a halt yesterday.

The Chico State Wildcats tripped the Red Raiders of the Rogue 6 to 2 and 4 to 3 in non-conference play at Chico, Calif.

Chico picked up enough runs in the first inning of the seven inning starter to win. They scored three on two hits, an error and a stolen base.

LA Lakers Top Celts

Los Angeles — (UPI) — The Los Angeles Lakers trailed the Boston Celtics by one game today as the teams took a breather in the best-of-seven National Basketball Association (NBA) championship series.

The Lakers scored a 119-99 victory in the third game Wednesday night, leaving the Celtics ahead in the series by two games to one. Boston won the first two games on its home court Sunday and Tuesday.

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United Press International

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Wednesday's Result

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Ashland Grizzlies Down SM in Track

Ashland — Ashland high won eight of the 14 events here yesterday afternoon in posting a 65 1/2 to 56 1/2 victory over the St. Mary's of Medford track team.

Each school had a pair of double winners. Gerald Brown won the mile and half mile for the Grizzlies and Jim Lamb the high hurdles and high jump. For St. Mary's Jim Webb took the 100 and 220-yard sprints and Tom Darland the 440 and broad jump.

Other Ashland winners were Don Sorenson in the shot put, Dennis Ekwall in the low hurdles, Tom Huff in the javelin and Bill Jury in the pole vault. Pete Naumes took the discus for the Crusaders and the SM team of Tim Sakraida, Jim Calhoun, Webb and Darland won the relay.

Ashland is slated to go to Klamath Falls this Saturday for a meet with KF and Bend but the meet could turn into a dual with Klamath at Ashland. Snow now covers the Klamath track.

Martell Re-elected By Ski Club

Wayne Martell has been re-elected president of the Rogue Snowmen ski club.

The Snowmen named Dave Keiser vice president and Mrs. Arthur Ekerson secretary-treasurer.

A total of 135 Snowmen members have signed up for the free day Sunday, April 21, at Mt. Shasta Ski bowl. They will get free use of the lift and of equipment as long as it lasts. Beginners will receive free lessons.

TEAMS DIVIDE

Forest Grove — (UPI) — Pacific and Portland State split a non-conference baseball doubleheader Wednesday, with PSC winning the opener 8-2 and Pacific the second game 4-3. A wild pitch by Gordon Riese in the seventh inning sent Gary Lee home with Pacific's winning run in the nightcap.

NO HIT PITCHING

Monmouth — (UPI) — No-hit pitching by Rick Read and John Gooding gave Oregon College of Education a 5-0 baseball victory over Lower Columbia Junior college in the first game of a doubleheader Wednesday. The second game was called because of darkness after the fifth inning with the score tied.

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