# Spears Prepares For Battle With New York 'U'

## Touchdown Dispute Settled

**Fred Flock, Coach of All-Star Team Has Interesting Football Background**

By JOE PIGNEY

Pictures usually tell the story, and the city editor who said a picture was worth ten thousand words, set an almost indisputable rule for the newspaper trade.

But it is important to designate just what story the picture describes.

Apparently the print of Bob Laurensen's gallop over the Medford goal line last Saturday with a Tiger tackler hanging to his heels related a tale a little superfluous to the possible outcome of the contest which pushed the Pelicans out of a championship rating.

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Laurensen did get over the line, but something happened a few seconds earlier to destroy the legitimacy of the touchdown.

Fred Flock, one of the officials, dropped into the offices of the News and Herald a little steamed-up over the talk of a Klamath touchdown when there wasn't a touchdown at all. What actually happened in the disputed play was this:

Laurenson rushed the ball diagonally from the center of the field where the play started, and skirted the sidelines within the five-yard mark. Medford defenders forced the Klamath ballpacker out of bounds, but Laurensen, not realizing that he had been off the playing line, cut back and was tackled on the goal. The action picture showed Laurenson going over for a controversial score AFTER he had stepped out of bounds.

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This football official, Fred Flock, who came right out and volunteered his coaching experience for the benefit of the Klamath All-Star team in its charity game against the Chemawa Indians, on Modoc field, November 8, has a decidedly interesting gridiron background.

Flock was one of the crack linemen on Hugo Bezdek's Penn State teams of 1922, '23, and '24. And before that he played for the Penn State freshmen.

In 1925 after his playing career automatically terminated with his graduation, Flock assisted the Penn coaching staff by drilling the freshman line and aiding Bezdek with the varsity.

Old-timers will recall Bezdek's brilliant teams at the University of Oregon—he was the only coach to lead the Webfoots to an undefeated season against major competition—and anyone selected to help Bezdek must know plenty of football.

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Mercersburg military academy of Pennsylvania, that cradle of great football players, is the alma mater of Flock's prep school days. Johnny Kitzmiller, ex-Oregon halfback and captain and one of the most sensational stars ever turned out on the Pacific coast, handled his first football at Mercersburg.

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Chief of Police Guy Merrill, the inspiration of the all-star eleven, is one of the most enthusiastic sport fans in the city, and one of the most charitable, too. Chief Merrill has taken it upon himself to sponsor the benefit game in November, and nothing but success with satisfy him.

Through Merrill the milk fund has been organized, and dozens of hungry mouths will be fed this winter.

Every night at 7:30 the chief delegates a squad of police cars to carry the football players out to the Mills school gymnasium for practice.

It is a remarkably fine thing, and besides subscribing to charity, Klamath Falls will see one of the best football games of the year.

## DOC SNORTS AT POSSIBILITIES OF HEAVY LOSS

NEW YORK, Oct. 29, (AP)—Doc Spears is putting his Oregon team through some strenuous practice in preparation for their game with New York University Saturday. After taking the team to Fordham for dummy scrimmage with Fordham freshmen, the Webfoots again did some night work at Travers Island. This was devoted mainly to fast signal work. The team appeared in fine shape after their busy day.

New York University eleven rehearsed the plays it will use against Oregon. Two sets of backs were used in the drill. The Violets are not taking Oregon lightly and are preparing for a hard game.

TRAVERS ISLAND, N. Y., Oct. 29, (UP)—Being one of those souls who have no use for dilly-dallying, we had no more than introduced ourselves to Dr. Clarence W. (Fat) Spears, coach of the Oregon eleven which meets N. Y. U. in the Yankee stadium Saturday than we up and asked him how badly the New Yorkers would beat his boys.

"Oh," the good doctor replied, "so they are going to beat us, eh? Well, maybe they will. Chick Meehan has a real football team. Our scouts report that the Violets are a well-grounded outfit wtih a strong line, and a hurricane backfield, still, I wouldn't care to venture a prediction. How much do you think N. Y. U. will beat us?"

"Three or four touchdowns," we replied.

"Three or four touchdowns? Say, you must be rating my team strictly on the 53 to 0 pasting it took from U. S. C. a couple of weeks back. Listen, I don't want to make alibis, but that game found us at just about our worst. Our best ends, Fletcher and Winters were unable to work in that game. One cracked a leg bone just before the season started, and the other broke his knee soon after the start of the game against the Trojans.

"To make matters worse, the terrifically hot weather in Los Angeles threw my team completely out of stride. I don't know how the thing on Saturday will turn in, but I believe it will be a ball game before it's over."

We left Doctor Spears at this point and gave his men, who were posing for cameramen, the once over. Oregon has a nice looking bunch. Not a bunch of giants, by any means, but a strong, rangy, alert looking squad. As they trotted about on the greensward of the country home of the New York Athletic club, the Webfeet certainly didn't appear to be a team that would take a 53 to 6 licking from any outfit in the country.

Doctor Spears brought 33 men on this trip and save for a few cripples, the squad looks to be in sound shape. Oregon has two good passing and punting backs in Temple and Gee. The good doctor plans to use both of them, and will not decide on his kicker until he watches the boys warm up just before game time on Saturday.

## Bagdad Defeats Gorman in South

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 29, (UP)—Taking eight of the 10 rounds, Gabby Bagdad, 150½, Armenian, easily defeated Bud Gorman, Vallejo, in the main event here last night. Bagdad was so fast that Gorman could only win the fifth and eighth rounds.

Other results: Eddie McGovern decisioned Charley Risko, (6); Jack Crilley knocked out Frank Rudjenski, (2); Milton Walsh knocked out Frankie Ford, (2); Ray Actis decisioned Tommy Nunes, (4); Charley Hendricks decisioned Lester Valva, (4); Tony Gardini decisioned Ernie Dell, (4), and Billy Middleton knocked out Jimmy Cornell, (3).

## CHEMAWA INDIANS TO WORKOUT HERE

The Chemawa Indians of Salem will arrive in Klamath Falls Saturday, November 7, for a pre-game workout on Modoc field before meeting the Klamath All-Stars the following day in southern Oregon's outstanding benefit football tilt of the season.

The Indians, coached in the offensive tactics of the Southern California Trojans, this season have one of the best teams in their football history. Although the squad weighs less than 170 pounds to the man, it is one of the swiftest in the upper Willamette valley.

The Indians will bring 18 players for the game.

The All-Star eleven, coached by Fred Flock, rapidly is approaching condition for the game. Most of the players, either ex-collegians or former Klamath high school stars, have been well-grounded in fundamentals. The chief task has been to get back into playing form, and to assemble the new plays given out by the coach.

Chief of Police Merrill, manager of the team and organizer of the milk fund, has announced his intention of insuring the game against bad weather.

An all-aluminum sleeping car is being built for use on one of the country's mail railroad lines.

## DON BRADLEY, GRID CENTER, BREAKS ANKLE

The little misfortunes following Leslie Avrit's Klamath Falls football team grew into gigantic disaster Wednesday afternoon, when Don Bradley, first string center, was carried from Modoc field with a broken right ankle. The accident occurred in a light scrimmage session.

Don Bradley

Bradley, his playing career on the prep school gridirons of the Southern Oregon conference ended for the season, was taken to the Klamath Valley hospital.

Bradley's loss hit Avrit's eleven on the eve of its comeback battle with Grants Pass here Saturday afternoon. The permanent absence of the stalwart lineman has thrown the odds in favor of the invading Cavemen.

Not since the dedication game with Ashland, has the Pelican team had its full strength. Bill Elliott, plunging fullback, was out of the Medford tilt with a broken finger, and Moretz, regular tackle, was prevented from playing by a bad leg. Norton Taylor, first team guard, too, has been slowed by injuries.

Despite the loss of the center, Avrit went to work Wednesday night to re-shape his weakened eleven for the return game with Grants Pass. The Pelicans won from the Cavemen in the first game, 19 to 12.

Merton Coffman, two-year letterman, has been selected to start in Bradley's position Saturday. Coffman, a 198-pound youngster, will give weight to the line, but he lacks the experience and all-around football ability possessed by Bradley.

## Freberg Beats Bauer in Bout

LEWISTON, Ida., Oct. 29, (AP)—John Freberg, 220 of Chicago won one fall and was awarded another over Hans Bauer, 240 of New York to win the feature match of a wrestling card here last night.

Bauer was awarded the first fall when Freberg slugged him. Freberg tossed Bauer with a body slam in the third round, and was awarded the match in the fifth when Bauer slugged him.

George Wilson, Seattle 196 pound former University of Washington athlete and once named on an all-American football team, won two out of three falls from Dan MacDonald, 201 of Seattle.

## SCHEDULE FIXED BY TENNIS CLUB

Announcement of the schedule to be used when the three new tennis courts are opened on Modoc field this week-end was made at a meeting of the Klamath Union high school tennis club Wednesday, L. G. Thomas, coach, states.

The matter of whether block "K's" six inches high with a white tennis racquet imbedded in them shall be given to members of the high school's tennis teams, became a vital issue when members of the "K" club were invited to the tennis club meeting and entered the discussion.

An enthusiastic debate was held. The question will be decided by vote of the student body next Thursday.

Six class singles tournaments, between the A, B and C classes of both boys and girls will start next week, Thomas states.

The opening schedule is announced as follows:

Monday, 4 to 5:30 p. m., K. U. H. S. student body.

Tuesday, 4 to 5:30 p. m., class A, tennis club.

Wednesday, 4 to 5:30 p. m., K. U. H. S. student body.

Thursday, 4 to 5:30 p. m., class B and C, boys' tennis club.

Friday, 4 to 5:30 p. m., class B and C, girl's tennis club.

Saturday morning, K. U. H. S. student body.

Saturday afternoon, K. U. H. S. tennis club.

Sunday, general public.

The privileges of playing as defined by this schedule shall not exclude others from playing if the courts are not in use, but in all such cases other players must yield the courts immediately upon the arrival of players scheduled for that day.

## Ketchell Wins Over Ratzlaff With Knockout

SEATTLE, Oct. 29, (UP)—Two southpaw middleweights, Herman "The German" Ratzlaff, and Wesley "K. O" Ketchell, fought a grudge fight here last night which ended with Ketchell being awarded a technical knockout victory.

Ratzlaff was badly outclassed and was hardly a match for Ketchell.

The German was knocked down three times in the first round. He remained on the defensive throughout the remainder of the bout.

Tony Portillo took a fast six-round decision from Leonard Bennett in the semi-final. The semi-finalists furnished plenty of fast action and aggressiveness. They kept the largest crowd ever seen in the Crystal Pool in an uproar.

## HUSKIES POINT FOR CAL BATTLE

SEATTLE, Oct. 28. — Coach "Irish" Jimmy Phelan of Washington's Golden Tornado, is "pointing" his Huskies for their annual battle with the California Golden Bears at Berkeley on November 7. Phelan's Huskies pulled one of the biggest upsets of the conference season here Saturday when they fought a heavily-favored Stanford Cardinal off its feet in a scoreless deadlock.

Not since the beginning of football at Washington in 1892 has a Husky team been so ably coached as the team Phelan trotted out before 18,000 amazed fans Saturday as he used only 13 men against the mighty power of Stanford and Glenn Warner. The team sparkled of condition.

"We've got a conference season still ahead of us," Phelan declared Monday as he called his men together to start working on California offense and defence. "In meeting California at Berkeley on November 7, I realize we are catching "Barnacle Bill" Ingram's men on the upgrade. Then, of course, without any rest we've got to come back to our home orchard and take on Washington State, one of the finest passing teams in the conference this season."


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## *Colorado Team Off For Army Contest*

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Oct. 29, (UP)—The Colorado Tigers departed today for West Point, and their game with Army, determined that the fray should be settled on the field. "Maybe we won't win, but they will have to beat us before we lie down and admit it," was the general attitude.


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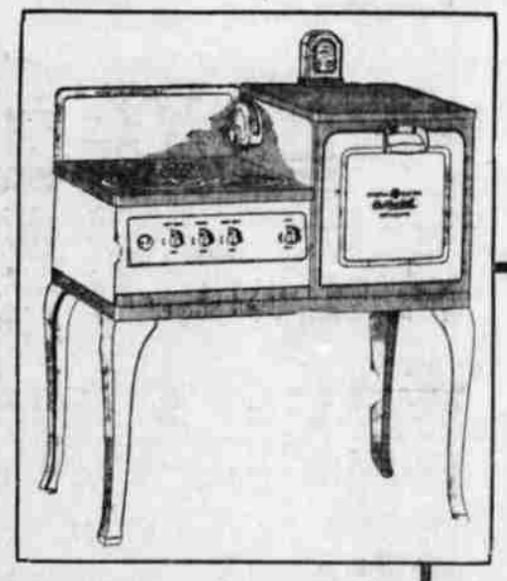

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