

# Hollywood Hard on Grid Greats

Football Stars Have Trouble Crashing Movie Gates. Johnny Mack Brown Most Successful. Few All-Americans Score With Directors.

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 23.—Football stars who gain lots of ground on the gridiron are thrown for huge losses when they try to crash the party gates of movie town. There is a whole difference between side-stepping to a touchdown and whispering love to a film siren in a dramatic boudoir scene. At least that's the discovery made by most of the campus heroes who have been hollywooded to Hollywood through their gridiron names.

With the exception of romantic Johnny Mack Brown, former Alabama All-America back, and comedian Andy Devine, who starred as a guard at Santa Clara university, ex-grid stars haven't fared well in the movies. Scores of football players trek to Hollywood at the close of each grid season, obtain screen tests on their reputations, and then so right back home.

It's no secret that to become a success in Hollywood one must have a striking personality and pleasant voice, and be able to act. And it's no secret that 99.9 per cent of our college football players lack these requirements. That's why ex-touchdown manufacturers fail to kick goals in Hollywood.

Weldon Hepburn played football at George Washington university in Alabama, but as a Hollywood actor he wasn't so hot. Orv Mohler, Southern California's star quarterback, took a screen test and then went to work for an oil company.

Duke Morrison, another Trojan pig-skinner, appeared in one big picture under the name of Johnny Wayne, but didn't make the grade.

Big Jim Thorpe took a crack at the flickers and learned he wasn't suited for the game. Others, including the great "Red" Grange, tried and discovered the same thing.

Even as this is being written, Capt. Cliff Montgomery of Columbia's Rose Bowl championship team, and Bill Smith, University of Washington's All-America end, are thinking about film careers. Montgomery took a test during a visit to a Hollywood studio while he was in California, and he may forsake Gotham for movie town. Smith is all set to preserve in celluloid the physique and features of the "happiest football player in the west."

Behind the scenes in Hollywood, however, several ex-grid stars are doing right well by themselves. "Racehorse Russ" Saunders, Marshall Duffield, and "Alley Oop" Aaron Rosenberg, all former Trojan stars, are working as assistant directors and as prop men.

Alan Dwan, former All-America at Notre Dame, is a successful director, and "Jumbo" Pierce, late of Arizona, finds lucrative pay as a technical adviser. At these boys agree Hollywood is okeh, but acting is out for them.

Brown, who was All-America for two years at Alabama, attracted casting directors when his team played in Pasadena's Rose Bowl in handsomeness, romanticism and possesses a pleasant voice with a heavy southern accent. He's due for several top roles in Hollywood's 1934 production schedules.

Devine is as homely as they make 'em, but a gravel throat, personality and the ability to act have carried him to the top since his football playing days at Santa Clara U. ended in a blaze of glory. Oddly, Devine was spotted wearing his Santa Clara football sweater by an assistant director while walking along Hollywood boulevard. The a. d. thought the monogram stood for Southern California, and asked him if he wanted extra work in a football picture.

When Devine replied in that crazy voice of his, his career was made. Since then he has played hundreds of roles. His studio top honors as a prototype of George Gipp in the "Spirit of Notre Dame," released about three years ago. But his efforts have not been in football pictures only. Likewise, Brown played in pictures for five years before he made a gridiron story.

Though former football players take it on the chin in Hollywood town, other sports characters are doing right well. Johnny Weismuller, one-time swimming great, and Buster Crabbe, 1932 Olympic Games swimming star, are getting lots of work. Max Baer showed he was quite an actor in his film debut.

## Savoldi Will Meet Wildson

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 23, (P)—Two former football players, "Jumping" Joe Savoldi of Notre Dame and George Wildson, one-time University of Washington fullback, will meet in a wrestling match here tonight.

TUNNEY IN CANADA VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 23, (UP)—Gene Tunney, former heavyweight boxing champion, was here today to inspect mining properties in British Columbia. He came from San Francisco via Seattle.



## BEAVERS OFF ON ROAD TRIP

Champions Move Against Vandals, Cougars This Week.

CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 23, (P)—Better than an even break in their four consecutive games this week against University of Idaho and Washington State will be essential if the Oregon State college Beavers remain in the race for the north division basketball championship.

With this in mind, Coach Slat Gill took two full teams to Moscow where University of Idaho will be met tonight and tomorrow night. Then the Beavers swing back to Pullman and meet Washington State college the next two nights.

Huskies in Front Already defeated twice this season, two more trimmings would practically eliminate the Beavers from championship consideration. University of Washington, undefeated in six games, will be hard to catch. From Washington's early season showing, the Beavers would do well to even hold their own against the Huskies, let alone gain ground there.

Local fans are still talking about the remarkable defensive demonstration Oregon State made here last Friday in limiting University of Oregon to only nine points. The fact that the States were able to score 16 points does not depress local fans in view of the great defensive game played.

Reserves Improve With the reserves now seasoned enough to share the load in almost any game, the Beavers have hopes of bettering their percentage in spite of playing four games in as many nights.

O'Connell and Hibbard will be the starting forwards. Polen, the center and McDonald and Lentschitzky the guards. It was this starting lineup which played havoc with Oregon's budding basketball comeback, more of which will doubtless be heard later.

Another Beaver lineup, all or part of which might be used any time, consists of Taylor and Palmberg, forwards, Kidder, center, and Bergstrom and Hill, guards.

The University of Oregon team, which now has every conference team worried, is meanwhile preparing to play University of Washington at Seattle Friday and Saturday.

## Achieu Victor Over Sampson at Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 23, (P)—Using his jiu jitsu lore, Walter Thinkt Achlu, 160, Chinese grappler of Dayton, Ohio, turned Bobby Sampson's flying tackles into body presses and defeated him in last night's Labor temple headliner here.

Sampson, 157, Los Angeles, took the first fall with a leg split, but the force of his own rushes lost him the final two falls.

His favorite Indian death hold brought Mickey McGuire, 157, Salem, straight falls from Stan Crowley, 158, Boston.

After twice refusing the bout on a foul, Jack Curtis, 153, Jackson, Miss., retaliated with a right swing which flattened his opponent, "Totem Pole" Anderson, 163, Vancouver Barracks. Curtis had taken a previous fall with an octopus hold.

A well-executed Boston crab hold brought Don Sugar, 160, Salem Japanese, a fall from Jess McCann, 158, Oswego.

## Former Washington Star Now Lawyer

SEATTLE, Jan. 23, (P)—Paul Jessup, athlete and former jaller here, now tries to keep men out of jail. The holder of the world's discus throwing record has hung up his shingle as a lawyer.

## Hunk Gets Glad Hand From the Boys

Members of the 1934 football squad at North Carolina State College gave Hunk Anderson, recent Notre Dame mentor, a rousing reception when he arrived to take the head coaching job. Anderson is shown in center.

# Sporting News

## BOXING BASKETBALL HUNTING COLF FOOTBALL FISHING WRESTLING

### Goals? He Just Drops Them In



Bob Houston, center for Washington State College basketballers, doesn't have to aim high to make goals. He's 6 feet 7 1/2 inches tall in gym shoes, weighs 220, and already has won letters in football and in basketball. An admiring teammate looks on while Houston "does his stuff."

### Three 'Yips' for Brown



Three new arrivals at the Sarasota, Fla., home of Lloyd Brown, southpaw pitcher acquired by the Cleveland Indians from the Red Sox, think he's just the fellow the Indians need. They are Pekingsue pups, shown above with Brown and his wife.

### Mills Attracts Many Spectators to Exhibitions

O. J. Mills, world's champion fancy shot expert, gave two shows Monday at the Klamath billiard parlor. The crowd was so large Mills had to rope off the tables in order to play.

### Canadian Runners To Race Feb. 3

NEW YORK, Jan. 23, (UP)—Canada will send two of its champion runners to the Millrose A. A. games at Madison Square Garden, Feb. 3.

### Wrestling Results

By The Associated Press New York—Ed Don George, 215, North Java, N. Y., threw Jim McMillan, 222, Chicago, 1 hour, 2 minutes, 24 seconds.

### COLLEGE FIVES TO CLASH HERE

#### Southern Oregon Elephants Prepares for Multnomah.

A basketball precedent will be set in Klamath Falls Friday and Saturday nights when the Multnomah club of Portland travels south to oppose the Southern Oregon Elephants of Ashland at Klamath high gymnasium.

It will be the first time in basketball history two major, out-of-town combinations have played here. The Elephants have scheduled other opponents for Klamath Falls, but each time it was with a local five.

Elephants Strong Howard Hobson's fast team, victor over the Klamath Waldorf outfit here ten days ago, completed two successful games over Humboldt teachers at Ashland Friday and Saturday.

The club team, always a sturdy opponent for Oregon and Oregon State and the colleges of the Northwest conference, will present a colorful lineup. Players who performed for the Webfoots and the Beavers last season have been injected into the combination and will give the team a coast conference character.

Friday night the Elephants and the club will have the spotlight to themselves, but on Saturday they will share a doubleheader with Klamath and Ashland high schools.

### Sporting Briefs

CLOVIS, Calif., Jan. 23, (UP)—Gary Cooper, film actor, left Clovis after a week and visit, and took Yankee Doodle, three-year-old show horse, back to Hollywood with him. Cooper and his bride, the former Veronica Bayle, were given the horse by Mrs. Cooper's grandfather, Harry Balfe, at whose ranch they visited.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 23 (UP)—Al Norgard, former Stanford football star, whose ineptly prevented him from playing in the Pasadena Rose Bowl game against Columbia, today joined the undefeated Olympic club basketball quintet. Norgard was also a basketball star while an undergraduate at Stanford.

Norgard will make his debut when the Olympians, only undefeated team in Northern California, oppose Stanford.

### Adolpho Luque Signs Contract

NEW YORK, Jan. 23, (UP)—Adolpho Luque, 43 year old Cuban pitcher of the New York Giants, sent in his signed contract to the world champions today for his 23d season of professional baseball.

### Ross, Petrolle End Training

NEW YORK, Jan. 23, (UP)—Barney Ross, lightweight champion, and Billy Petrolle, veteran Duluth welterweight, concluded training today for their return non-title 10 round bout at the Coliseum Wednesday night.

### Whitman Trims Idaho Quintet

ONTARIO, Ore., Jan. 23, (P)—Superior passing and accurate long range shooting, coupled with close guarding, enabled Whitman college to defeat College of Idaho 54 to 23 in a Northwest conference game here last night.

The Missionaries were led by Mott Irving, veteran guard, who scored 13 points. His team mate Tompkins followed closely with 10. Swan scored eight points for the Coyotes.

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### WOLFE PREPARES FOR ROUGH BOUT WITH CANADIAN



Rocky Brooks of Victoria. Les Wolfe of Klamath Falls and Texas was building himself up this week to enter what he considered might turn into a wrestling brawl with Rocky Brooks of Victoria, B. C., at the Legion hall Friday night. Brooks, a notorious ruffian, will meet the popular southwestern athlete in a one-hour main event.

Four other matmen will compete on the same card. Frank Clemens, Cherokee Indian, will tackle Bill Newman of Seattle in the semi-windup and Heine Olson will meet Sailor Frans in the preliminary.

### CHICAGO BEARS DUE FOR ANOTHER GAME ON SUNDAY

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 23 (UP)—Ray Flaherty, coach of a team of western all-stars that will meet the Chicago Bears, national professional football champions, at Los Angeles next Sunday, will take south with him many of the men who were defeated 21 to 7 by the Bears in the Knights of Columbus charity game here yesterday.

Flaherty said he was sure of taking Pressnell, the ex-Nebraska ball carrier, who starred for the coast team and scored its only points; Caddell, Ebbing, Krause, Irvin, Field, Hein and Franklin. Additionally, he said, he may recruit Pinkert, Musick, Rosenberg, Saunders, Apais, Moses, Griffiths, Eliba, Heiser and possibly "Dutch" Clark and Bo Maleda, both of the New York Giants.

### SONS OF ITALY BEAT BONANZA, SCORE, 43 TO 34

The Bonanza Townies lost to the Klamath Falls Sons of Italy, 43 to 34 Monday night. The first quarter ended in a deadlock, with each team only able to score one free throw.

Last Saturday the Sons dropped a 30 to 22 contest to Chilquin. Monday's summary: Sons Bonanza Duracha, 12 F L. Hanks, 10 Sharp, 15 F G. Gettman, 6 Gilman, 7 C C. Nichols, 10 McAninch, 4 G D. Hanks, 14 Barrow, 2 G Kilgore, 4 Bray, 6

### PELICANS FACE ASHLAND FIVE

First Away From Home Game Set for Friday Night. The Klamath Pelicans, still undefeated after a satisfactory triumph over Medford here Friday night, wander to foreign fields this week to engage the rugged Grizzlies of Ashland high school. The first of two-game series with the Grizzlies will be played in the valley Friday.

The Pelicans will return to Klamath Falls Saturday to meet the Grizzlies in the second game. The contest will be part of a doubleheader shared with the Multnomah club of Portland and the Southern Oregon Elephants from Ashland.

Ashland Seeks Title This season Ashland has set out earnestly upon the quest of a championship in its own district. The Grizzlies have become one of the best known intercollegiate teams in the state and have met and defeated high school fives as far north as Portland.

Dwight French, Pelican coach, was hopeful early this week his team would be back at full strength. The return of Howard Serogin, out with tonsillitis since the two-game series with Bend, was expected to fill the gaps for the Ashland contests.

Wayne Perry, letterman who aided the Pelicans in their march over Medford, will not be in the lineup this week. Perry completed his allotted time as a high school athlete when the first semester of the school was brought to a close.

### DE VORA ACCEPTS POSITION WITH TULSA OIL FIRM

Dr. Nap DeVora, co-holder of Klamath heavyweight wrestling honors, will leave this week for Tulsa, Okla., to join the physical education staff of the Mid-Continental Oil company. DeVora, a trained gymnast, will become instructor for approximately 700 employes of the firm.

He expects to wrestle in the midwest on the side. DeVora has been exceedingly popular here, and Klamath Falls wrestling spectators regret his leaving. Since he takes up his duties immediately, he was unable to remain for another match this week.

### DUCK MANAGER SIGNS YOUNG DIAMOND STARS

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 23, (P)—Walter McCredie, returning manager of the Portland Pacific Coast baseball club, has announced signing three young baseball players well known in state bush league and collegiate circles.

The most experienced is Andy Peterson of McMinnville, ex-Williamette university hurler, who was with New York Yankee affiliates as a pitcher, outfielder and pinch hitter last year. Peterson had the alternative of signing on the coast or returning to the Yankee farm at Binghamton in the New York-Penn league.

"Chuck" Hoag, University of Oregon catcher, who has also been prominent on a number of independent teams in the state, is a hard-hitting hard-throwing youngster signed. He was with Eugene in the state league part of last season. Hob Garretson, first baseman last year for Mountvill, and the preceding summer for the West Side Indians, is another Oregon-developed baseball player. McCredie has signed for a tryout.

Shotton Named Coach of Reds CINCINNATI, O., Jan. 23, (UP)—Burt Shotton, who was ousted as manager of the Phillies two weeks ago, today was named head coach of the Cincinnati Reds for the coming season. Shotton wired his acceptance of terms from Winter Haven, Fla. He will report to Manager Bob O'Farrell at the Reds' training camp at Tampa, Feb. 26.

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