



Gophers Top Final AP Football Ballot

Duke Second, Notre Dame Third In Nation's Leading Grid Poll

By BILL BONI
NEW YORK, Dec. 2 (AP)—To the Minnesota football team and to Sports Editor Ray Kelly of the New York Times go top honors today in the final Associated Press football ranking poll of the regular 1941 season.

The Golden Gophers, as had week in November, finished in position accorded them a year ago, just as they retained the Western conference championship they won in 1940. Of the 96 sports experts throughout the country who took part in this week's balloting, 84 plunked for Minnesota and one other split his vote between the Gophers and Duke.

BOWLS IN BRIEF

NEW YORK, Dec. 2 (UP)—The bowls in brief:

Rose Bowl, Pasadena, Calif., Oregon State versus Duke.

Sugar Bowl, New Orleans—Fordham versus Missouri.

Cotton Bowl, Dallas, Tex.—Texas Aggies versus Alabama.

Orange Bowl, Miami, Fla.—Georgia versus unnamed opponent.

This bid went to Texas but was declined by the Longhorn players.

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 2 (UP)—Twice-beaten and once-tied Texas Christian university, which has conquered seven major football teams this season, including Texas, will meet the University of Georgia in the Orange Bowl here on New Year's day, it was announced Monday night.

Bowl President W. G. Ward made the announcement a few hours after Texas had declined a similar bid to play here. Georgia accepted the invitation Saturday.

TCU will be making its fourth appearance in six years in a bowl game—and has yet to lose a post-season encounter. The Horned Frogs last appeared in a New Year's day game in the Sugar Bowl in 1939, when they trimmed Carnegie Tech, 15-7.

Howard Grubbs, TCU athletic director, telephoned acceptance to the Orange Bowl committee and said southwest conference officials had approved the game.

This year TCU's vaunted attack, which has clicked only spasmodically, reached its peak when it turned back the then No. 1 team of the nation, Texas, 14-7. In its last start, TCU nosed out Southern Methodist, 15-13.

The Frogs have lost to the Texas Aggies, 14-0, and Fordham, 28-14. Rice tied them 0-0.

Leading the opposing Georgia Bulldog team will be All-American Frankie Sinkwich, the broken-jawed halfback who has led his team to its best record since 1928. Georgia has lost only to Alabama, 28-14, and was tied by Mississippi, 14-14. The Bulldogs' eight victims have been Dartmouth, Columbia, Georgia Tech, Florida, Auburn, South Carolina, Mercer and Center.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 2 (UP) Minnesota's mighty Golden Gophers were placed first in national rankings by Deke Houlgate, football statistician, in his final selections Monday night.

Houlgate placed Navy second, Alabama third, Duquesne fourth, Notre Dame, fifth, Michigan, Mississippi State and Texas tied for sixth, Duke, the eastern representative to the Rose bowl, ninth and Pennsylvania, tenth.

Oregon State, the western honor-bearer at the Rose bowl, was rated in a tie for 14th with Ohio State and Temple.

for lead in high average—that sure-armed, sharp-eyed gal, Maggie (I mean) Margaret Mahoney.

The rest of his info is that Eddie's Place still holds the lead for high three-game series of the season; that Royal Crown Cola still holds high single game; that Doris Cheyne still holds high individual series and that's 572 (how's that for something to jump at?); that Marty McCollum shooed into the lead for high single game with a 215.

Who's next? Well, with things the way they are and all, Junior and the rest of us are expecting most anything, for Thursday night Cummings Fur Shop and O. K. Transfer are matched, Town Shep and Lorenz Company play their three games together, Swan Confectionery and Daggitt Insurance roll 'em out, and Eddie's Place and Royal Crown Cola spill the pins on the same two alleys.

Junior has been writing letters to Santa Claus but I guess he's keeping it a secret. What do you suppose he wants? I'll guess with you.

Just as I predicted, Junior is on deck feeling pretty chipper and has some mighty interesting dope on Thursday night's league play. Cummings Fur Shop, Town Shop, and Daggitt Insurance are in a three-way deadlock for first place each with 15 wins and 12 losses.

The O. K. Transfer, Swan Confectionery and Eddie's Place are in the same fix for second place, each with 14 wins and 13 losses.

Interesting? You bet. Junior also had on his list a new name

Washington Best Coast Team in 5-Year Average

By GAIL FOWLER
CORVALLIS, Dec. 2 (AP)—Washington, Southern California, California and Oregon State.

Those are the four top teams in the Pacific Coast conference according to a check of composite standings since the round-robin, eight-team football league was instituted in 1936.

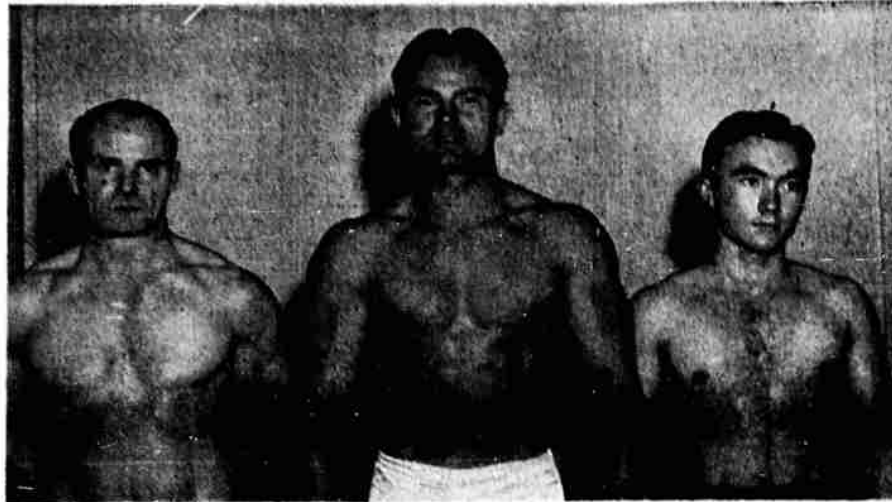
Next year Idaho and Montana will be included on a full-time basis and make it a 10-team affair.

Bud Forrester, publicity man for the 1941 conference champions at Oregon State, dug up the figures. Although USC and UCLA play this Saturday, the outcome won't affect the composite standings. Here they are:

Won Lost Tied Pct.
Washington.....25 14 3 .641
So. California.....20 13 8 .606
California.....24 17 1 .583
Oregon State.....21 15 6 .583
Stanford.....19 19 4 .500
UCLA.....14 21 6 .400
Wash. State.....13 25 5 .351
Oregon.....13 26 3 .333

Washington won the championship in 1936. California took it in 1937 and tied with USC in 1938. USC won in 1939, Stanford last year and OSC this year.

Place in State Weight Lifting



The three brawny boys above, members of the Peebler's Conditioning Service team of Klamath Falls, each took second in their divisions in the Oregon state weight lifting tourney held at the Multnomah Athletic club in Portland Saturday night. Left is Lester Powell, Weyerhaeuser Timber company employe, who lifted a total of 560 pounds in the 148-pound class. Center is Ed Parkhurst, draftsman for the Klamath Iron Works, who copped second in the 181-pound class with a total lift of 670 pounds. Right, James Hairell, Peebler employe, second in the 123-pound division with a total lift of 410 pounds.

1940 Duke Blue Devils Alter Grid Style---Stress Attack

Wade Throws Out Punt and Prayer System for Points

By JACK GUENTHER
NEW YORK, Dec. 2 (UP)—When you settle down to pick the winners of the coming bowl games, don't rate Duke of the information you've gathered from Blue Devil teams of the past—particularly the one which lost to USC in Pasadena's rose festival three years ago. For times have changed in Durham, N. C., and so have the football styles.

The authority for this news is a gentleman who should know, if anybody does. His name is Wallace Wade, he coaches the Duke team and he has played in more post-season games than almost any two other men in his business. Take it straight from Wade, Duke of 1941 is cut from a different pattern than the Dukes of 1940, 1939, 1938 and all the other years.

I buttonholed the Blue Devil coach in a dark corner of a West Side restaurant just four minutes after he had been informed that his team had officially been invited west for the second time in four years, and he explained the difference in little more than a sentence—the defense has given way to the offense at Duke, and the Blue Devils no longer punt and pray.

"In 1938 we had a fine punter in Eric Tipton and so we just kicked and kicked and waited for the breaks," Wade explained between big bites of venison.

"We didn't play very spectacularly, but we did all right. We were unbeaten, untied and unscored on until the Trojans put over a touchdown in the last 40 seconds of the Rose bowl game.

"This year we aren't operating on the same theory. The best way I can describe the present team is that it is nicely balanced and it accents the offense. Instead of waiting to capitalize on the other fellow's mistakes for our touchdowns, we go right after them now and keep the ball ourselves. You can see that in the 331 points we have scored in nine games."

"Lach has been compared with Ace Parker by coaches and newspapermen and pretty favorably, too," the Duke coach continued. "All I can say about that is Lach is a better all-around player than Parker. I don't mean that he is a better offensive threat. I mean that he is as good a blocker as he is a passer or runner."

"Lach is a natural athlete. He could probably win the starting call at every position on the team except one—the tackle spot held down by Mike Karmazin, probably our best lineman. The team in general

and coach for Duke, and he has been beaten only once—then in the last 40 seconds. And one thing he told me may be taken as a tip that in his heart he doesn't expect to be beaten again.

"The thing I admire most about the present Duke team is its poise and consistency," he said. "The boys never let down once in nine straight games although every time they were favored—a condition which makes them prone to carelessness. And don't think that just because we ran up big scores that we played a push-over schedule."

"Remember that Colgate, North Carolina State, Tennessee and those other teams all beat some pretty fair squads themselves. And remember that every time a southern team goes against Duke—it goes shooting with everything it has."

is fairly solid although the reserves aren't overly strong. I can't say what our chances against Oregon State will be, because I don't know much about Oregon State."

If you go by the record, the chances will be pretty good. Wade has gone to the Rose bowl five times before, as a player for Brown, coach for Alabama

Rich Santa Anita 'Cap Draws Horse of Year, Day

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 2 (AP)—The horse of the year... the horse of a day... the horse of 1939-40... nearly 100 horses looking for gold at the end of the hundred grand gallop have been nominated for the Santa Anita handicap.

Nominations closed last night for the mile and a quarter handicap to be run March 7. The complete list won't be announced until Friday morning to allow time for mailed entries to arrive.

However, there's no need to wait to assure racing fans that Whirlaway, Bay View, Challeon, Meissen, Midland and Porter's Cap, for instance, were nominated.

Whirlaway, Warren C. Wright's great winner of nearly everything offered a 3-year-old, is horse of the year.

Bay View, the \$118,400 to \$2 million winner of the \$100,000 Anita 'cap last March, is the horse of a day. Owner Tony Pelletieri wants to make it two days—both hundred granders.

Horse of 1939-40 was W. L. Brann's Challeon, who broke down last winter but has been working out well recently.

Meissen is prepping for his first North American start. The big Peruvian champion, imported last spring by A. T. Jergins of Long Beach, developed pneumonia but, since recovering, has been trying to learn American ways. They race clockwise in South America.

The fuel capacity of the 80-ton B-19 bomber is 11,000 gallons, approximately the capacity of the average railway tank car.

Barry, Horrell Prepping for Grid Finale

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 2 (AP)—It looks very much as if Coaches Sam Barry and Babe Horrell were pepping their charges to give Angelinos an all-out scoring spree in their 1941 football finale Saturday.

Although Southern California outgained Washington on the ground last weekend, Coach Sam Barry put his Trojans right back to work on ground plays and came up with a few new ones, for good measure.

Across town, Coach Horrell sent the University of California at Los Angeles Bears through their whole offensive repertoire... and also pitched in a couple of new potential touchdown get-ters.

For every pilot there are 10 other men in the air corps. For every man in the air, there are five on the ground.

Bowlers Ready for Final Invasion of State Meet

Klamath Falls bowling officials were resting today with two-thirds of the state bowling tourney's hurly-burly out of the way and the last big weekend coming up Saturday.

Records in all men's divisions and all but two of the girls' classifications have so far withstood assaults by teams which have thus far rolled from nearly every section of the state except Portland. The Eddie's Place team of Klamath was found to have shattered the women's Booster team mark with a 1986 total. The old record of 1907 was set by the Bruno Studio quintet of Astoria in 1940.

The 810 Booster doubles total racked by Gaines and Prouty of Astoria in 1940 fell by the wayside when Medford's Colton and Corwin blasted an 843.

Final firing this weekend brings 11 Portland men's and four women's teams in addition to squads from Eugene, Coquille, Redmond, Marshfield, Reedsport, Astoria, Salem and Seaside. Among the visiting keggers will be Don Poulin of Salem, 1940 open all-events champion and record-holder. Also rolling will be Eugene's Ollie Mercer, 1940 open singles titlist.

Among the girls, Portland's Central Alleys 1940 class A team champs will be back as will Finegan Auto Parts, last year's class C team winner, and Scherer Bulcks, Eugene's 1940 class B squad champion.

Meanwhile Al Backes, impresario of Klamath Recreation alleys, site of male kegging, announced the men's prize list for the 1941 congress.

The list follows:

TEAMS
Place Open Comm'l. Boost.
1. 60 60 65
2. 49 49 53
3. 51 51 55
4. 13 13 13

SINGLES
Place Open Comm'l. Boost.
1. 621 621 621
2. 22 22 22
3. 30 30 30
4. 17 17 17
5. 12 12 12
6. 12 12 12
7. 10 10 10
8. 9 9 9
9. 7 7 7
10. 6 6 6
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DOUBLES
Place Open Comm'l. Boost.
1. 855 855 855
2. 30 30 30
3. 25 25 25
4. 18 18 18
5. 14 14 14
6. 14 14 14
7. 12 12 12
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Duke Cops Honors on All-South

By BARTON PATTIE
RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 2 (AP) Duke university's Rose bowl bound football squad carried off top honors in the 1941 all-South conference team poll conducted by The Associated Press, the participating sports writers and coaches placing a quartet of Blue Devils on the first team and two more in reserve on the second eleven.

Twice-beaten Clemson, 1940 leader which yielded the loop championship this season to Duke, was awarded three first team berths; William and Mary two, and South Carolina and Wake Forest one each.

Heading the all-star lineup is repeater Steve Lach, Duke's senior wingback from Altoona, Pa. Only one of the 81 ballots received from the Carolinas, Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia failed to list the 190-pound Lach, regarded as one of the best backs ever produced at a school which has turned out such players as Ace Parker, George McAfee and Eric Tipton.

The heaviest vote to Joe Blalock, 180-pound Clemson end from Charleston, S. C., who has held the all-star post for three seasons.

East Stars Accept Bid From Shrine

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2 (UP) The East-West Shrine committee Monday night announced 11 more eastern and midwestern stars had accepted invitations to play in the annual Shrine charity football game here New Year's day.

The new acceptances brought the East team total to 19, leaving only three more players to be chosen. The West team will be announced later.

The acceptances came from Bill DeCorreont, Northwestern halfback; Krause, Penn State, back; Wood, Columbia, back; Coupe, Iowa, back; Daniell, Penn State, tackle; Odson, Minnesota, tackle; Peabody and McKinney, Harvard, guards; Fife, Pitt, guard; Gervais, Pitt, end; and Ringer, Illinois.

Players who accepted previously were Bob Westfall, Michigan, fullback; Geyer, Colgate, back; Bruce Smith, Minnesota, back; Bill Smaltz, Penn State, back; Steve Juzwik, Notre Dame, back; Bob Ingalls, Michigan, center; B. A. M. Northwestern, tackle; and Blandin, Tulane, tackle.

Sports Briefs

By Hugh Fullerton, Jr.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2 (Wide World)—Looks as if Bob Feller doesn't intend to wait for the draft to get him. Latest report, following his visit to Washington last week, is that Bob may get a second lieutenant's rating in the army air corps and will be assigned to Wright field at Dayton, Ohio... Unable to get Chuck Dressen away from his dad, Larry MacPhail Jr., is considering Billy Grimes as manager for his Toronto ball club. He's looking for a playing pilot first... Did you notice that five field goals were kicked in the Canadian football championship final Saturday?... Star of the winning Winnipeg team was Fritz Hanson, who has played seven seasons with the Blue Bombers after finishing at South Dakota State University... Philadelphia's Schuykill navy held a cross-country run the other day. Water must have been very low...

TODAY'S GUEST STAR
Jay Simon, Coffeyville (Kas.) Journal: "Minnesota finished its season with a record of 17 straight victories. Coffeyville Junior college's Ravens wound up with an unbroken string of 18 triumphs. Up around Minneapolis the fans are Raven about the Gophers; down here they really Gopher the Ravens."

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