

# From Midfield

By Bob Leonard

## HERE AND THERE DEP'T.

Gene Love, captain of the 1941 Pelicans, mainstay of the three or four KUHS basketball teams, and probably one of the smartest guys ever to graduate from the hilltop school, is playing third-string quarterback on the West Point plebe team. He broke his schnozz one day not long ago but it was fixed in 30 minutes and he went back in. . . . Portly Buck Hammer, who transferred his head coaching from here to Longview, Wash., this year, last season told Quarterback clubbers prior to the Medford game that the boys just had to win. His wife had promised him a son if they did. They lost. A week ago yesterday a daughter was born to the Hammers.

. . . . In an Esquire sports poll of early summer, the general public picked Brooklyn to repeat in the National league race. Sports editors and radio-casters named St. Louis. And who did you pick? . . . The most recent poll disclosed the perhaps startling information that the nation's sport fans and experts are calling on the nation's leaders to get tough. And all along, the leaders have been calling on the public. Statistics show that 24.12 per cent of the Esquire's public want some kind of a nationwide program of physical fitness while 15.23 per cent favored leaving it up to the individual's voluntary enterprise to get himself in shape. . . .

## 1000 FOR THE JAPS

The latest issue of Outdoor Life says:

"Nearly one thousand Americans probably will be shot to death on their native soil this autumn, not by invading Japs or nazis, but by their own fellow hunters. As always the cry will go up: 'Why must such things happen, year after year? Can't most hunting accidents be prevented?' And the answer, based on the first thorough study of hunting mishaps on a nationwide scale, is almost certainly not. . . . not until every state in the union wakes to its responsibilities toward the hunters it licenses, until it investigates causes of accidents and adopts wise, sensibly strict laws to combat them.

"Mishaps in the hunting field take about 900 lives each year, according to state records and insurance-company estimates—a ratio of one in every 8900 hunters. This is all the more shocking, when it is realized that the hunter deliberately carries a deadly weapon, and is surrounded by others who carry deadly weapons, so that nine times out of 10, if he is struck down, it is by negligence—his own or somebody else's. Yet requests to fish-and-game commissions of all states for hunting-accident data uncovered two striking facts at the outset.

One was that states which have worked out good hunting laws, and enforced them, have succeeded in reducing mishaps to an amazing degree. Against the national one-in-8900 ratio of fatal hunting accidents, Pennsylvania, New York, and Michigan, three of the most heavily hunted states and three which have especially progressive hunting codes, boast ratios smaller than one in 25,000—almost a two-thirds cut. The other revelation was that many states care little for the qualifications of a hunter, other than his ability to pay a license fee, and moreover do not even keep complete records of hunting accidents.

Some states don't even require their field men to report them! "Of the 48 states, just one third could produce comprehensive accident records: Arizona, Connecticut, Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Montana, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Virginia and Wisconsin. A few others provided incomplete but valuable evidence. From a study of 770 cases in which causes of accidents were reported by these sources, it appears that 10 per cent of the victims were "mistaken for game"; careless handling or carrying of firearms accounted for 24 per cent; slipping or stumbling with loaded guns, 8 per cent; so-called stray bullets, 27 per cent; while in the final 25 per cent of cases

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## 7500 Eastern Brooks Planted In Lake County

LAKEVIEW — Seventy-five hundred Eastern brook trout were planted in Lake County this week by Edward P. Cliff, Fremont forest supervisor, and John Herbert of the local forest office staff.

The three-inch fingerlings were planted in Blue lake and were taken to the inaccessible spot by pack horses.

A large number of Rainbow fingerlings were also planted in Camas, Burnt, Willow, Dismal and Deep creeks in Lake county.

Planting in other streams of Lake county is being handled by the personnel of the state game commission.

## Thousands of Chinese Perish From Famine

CHUNGKING, Oct. 20 (AP)—Stricken by one of the worst famines of modern times, Chinese are dying by thousands in the battlefied province of Honan where 6,000,000 persons are reported officially to be on the verge of starvation.

Reports brought to Chungking by officials of the government and relief workers said that 18,000,000 have become famine refugees and that the clogged roads from Honan into Shensi and Hupeh provinces are strewn with the dead and dying.

The situation was intensified by the necessity of supporting a large military force to hold the present front through the province against the Japanese. The famine extends into Japanese-held territory, but exact information on conditions there was not available.

**HOWDY CAPI**  
SALT LAKE CITY, (AP)—The Captain Gray brothers—all four of them—are awaiting calls to army service.

Elmer, Clarence, Walter and Junior received their commissions in the motor transport arm of the ordnance division the same day.

They turned their business—the Gray Motor company—to the army which is using the building as an aircraft engine repair plant.

**GELATKA IS CITED**  
WASHINGTON—Chuck Gelatka, veteran end who quit the New York professional football Giants at the end of the 1940 season to join the army air corps, was cited for extraordinary success with a fighter squadron in the Pacific.

**GOOD AS WHITE**  
PITTSBURGH—Coach Walter Kiesling calls Bill Dudley, Virginia's All-America who is the star of his Pittsburgh Steelers, as good as back as Whizzer White.

**NEW TO MIAMI**  
CORAL GABLES, Fla.—For the first time in a decade, University of Miami is playing daytime football. Dim-out restrictions is the reason.

The post-war prospects of private enterprise will not be very good unless we do far more than we have ever done before to avert a collapse of business.—William T. Foster, president, Pollak Foundation for Economic Research.

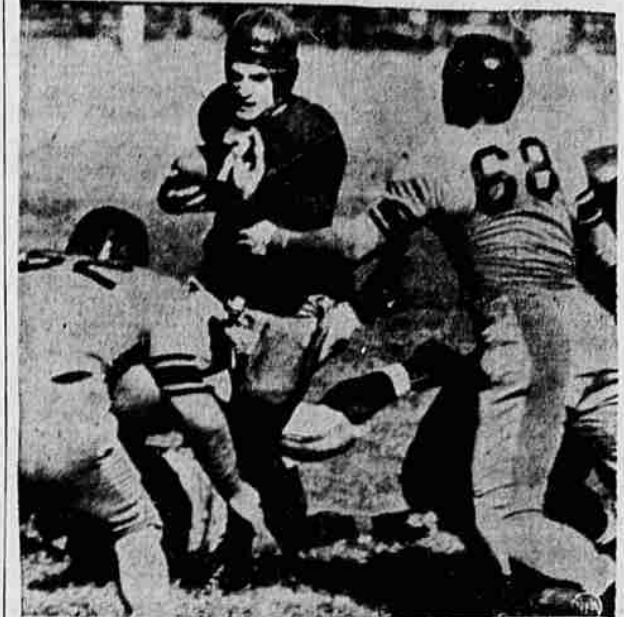
Our surveys of accident experience throughout the country during the last few months show that, while there has been a decided decrease in the amount of driving, there has been no change in the quality of driving.—National Safety Council.

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# Ohio State Still Choice Of AP Sports Writers As Nation's Ranking Team

## Santa Clara Victory Drive Over OSC



Jesse Freitas, Santa Clara halfback, registers a first down on the Oregon State 10-yard line in the drive which brought the Broncos a 7 to 0 victory over the State Beavers at Portland. Joe Day (52) and Lloyd Wickett (69) of Oregon State are coming in for the tackle. (NEA Telephoto)



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## Whatsa Matter With Kickers? — Brickley

### Famed Harvard Goal-Booter Fails to Understand Many Conversion Misses

DALLAS, Oct. 20 (AP)—The chunky fellow with the scars on his bald head was emphatic: "They should abolish the point after touchdown if the coaches are not going to teach the boys how to kick them. "And the coaches don't teach the boys how to kick them because most of them just don't know or don't care. They say: 'Whatsa matter? We can get touchdowns.'"

Not just a rabid football fan who had lost ten bucks on a game because his team didn't add the vital point.

But a man qualified to speak on the subject because his name happened to be Brickley—Charlie Brickley—and back in football's yesterday's he didn't miss.

Present day fans look on Charlie Brickley as something of a myth—if they ever heard of him. But the record books bulge with stories of his kicking prowess when he played for Harvard before the twenties. That's when he got those scars on his head.

"I've checked the records for years and watched the amazingly large number of misses after touchdowns," says Brickley. "If the coaches have time to develop fellows who can pass for touchdowns like Sammy Baugh—the greatest passer I ever saw—surely they have time to practice their boys at kicking goals. Whatsa matter if missing five touchdowns if missing a point after one loses the game?"

A writer says an extravagant girl usually makes a poor mother. First, however, she makes a poor husband.

## Dead-Eye Duck



Chief Needsabeh of Penobscot, Me., downs black duck with arrow at Merrymeeting Bay. Fast-flying birds are tough targets for shotgun experts. Feathers will be sent to Ducks, Inc. of Seattle, which uses them to make cold-resistant clothing for flyers.

## Santa Clara Ninth in Weekly Football Poll

### Notre Dame Climbs from 22nd to Eighth; Washington State Falls from First Ten

NEW YORK, Oct. 20 (AP)—Ohio State, with a record of four straight victories this season, remains the choice of the football experts as the country's No. 1 team in the second of the Associated Press' weekly polls.

Fifty-eight of the 119 sports writers gave the Buckeyes, who blanked Purdue while getting 26 points for themselves in their latest outing, first place on their ballots but 38 others decided the honor belonged to Georgia, a 40 to 0 winner over Tulane last Saturday.

The Dixie Bulldogs, second a week ago, held onto the runner-up position, 1,030 votes to 973, but Alabama, which stopped Tennessee, 8 to 0, exchanged places with Michigan and occupied third place while the Wolverines skidded to fourth despite their 34 to 16 win over Northwestern.

That was the only change among the first seven of a week ago with Illinois, Georgia Tech and Wisconsin keeping the fifth, sixth and seventh rungs.

The remaining three places in the top 10, however, went to newcomers with Notre Dame climbing from twenty-second to eighth on the strength of the 28 to 0 shellacking administered the Iowa Pre-Flight Cadets; Santa Clara moving up from a tie from fifteenth to ninth by beating California, and Boston College nudging up from eleventh to tenth following the Eagles' 7 to 6 win over the North Carolina Pre-Flights.

Pennsylvania, tied by Princeton; Colgate, drubbed by Duke; and Washington State, loser to Southern California, were eighth, ninth and tenth a week ago.

Army and Texas Christian, neither defeated this season, failed to make the first 10 by 21 and 23 votes, respectively. They are in the second group along with Minnesota, UCLA, Texas, Mississippi State, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, North Carolina and Syracuse.

The service teams, which have been outstandingly successful against college elevens, are not eligible for consideration in the poll.

The standings of the teams (first place votes in parentheses, points figured on 10-9-8-7 etc. basis):

Team	Points
Ohio State (58)	1030
Georgia (38)	973
Alabama (8)	822
Michigan (2)	608
Illinois (1)	518
Georgia Tech (1)	487
Wisconsin (2)	450
Notre Dame (3)	387
Santa Clara (2)	282
Boston College (4)	248

**FRIENDS IN THE BLACKOUT**  
ILWACO, Wash., (AP)—Strange sights are to be seen these nights —if your eyes function in a dim-out.

Deer graze on front yards and the high school lawn. Night Marshal U. C. Lucas met—(and left) a bear in front of the hospital the other night; they've been stealing apples. A skunk slipped in the back door of a theatre but couldn't keep his secret.

Townpeople blame it on the dimout which prohibits them from switching on lights indiscriminately to chase the nocturnal marauders.

## Slick Nick



Nick Susoeff, 6-foot 4-inch, 204-pound end, is Washington State's pulitzerizing candidate for All-America.

## O DOE HOLD?

SPOKANE, (AP)—Sam McVey picked up a few holds by being guinea pig for the jiu jitsu expert who taught the cops some new wrestling tricks. It paid.

A deer Sam thought he'd shot dead jumped up just as he leaned over it. The critter, Sam reported as he stored his venison in a locker, didn't know a thing about jiu jitsu.

**FIGHTS**  
By The Associated Press  
PHILADELPHIA—Ray Robinson, 145½, New York, outpointed Izzy Jannazzo, 117, New York (10).

NEW YORK—Tippy Larkin, 155½, Garfield, N. J., stopped Charley Davis, 132, New York (7).

BALTIMORE—Lou Brooks, 151, Wilmington, Del., outpointed Tony Musto, 195½, Chicago (10).

COLUMBUS, O.—Buddy Walker, 129, Columbus, outpointed Johnny Flynn, 195, New York (10).

HOLYOKE, Mass.—Tommy Jessup, 142, Springfield, Mass., knocked out Ernie King, 142, Fort Jay, N. Y. (6).

CHICAGO—Al Gomez, 125½, Chicago, knocked out Chuck Taylor, 125½, Pittsburgh, Pa. (6).

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## Nome Finds Echo of Gold Rush in Soldier Onrush

By WILLIAM L. WORDEN

NOME, Alaska, Oct. 20 (Wide World)—Over in the Catholic church, a weary priest is putting in a new floor for a tiny office, doing the carpentry personally and without much hope that the empty church building will soon be filled.

But down on Main street, concourse of the ghosts of a thousand vanished prospectors, Monte, the restaurant chef, is doing a land office business with men who never before tasted reindeer steak and are not familiar with seal liver as a delicacy.

That's what war in the Bering sea has done to Nome.

After 40 years of gold rushes, fires, floods, famines and periodic sieges of pneumonia, nothing surprises Nome very much, and nothing bothers its people very long. Up until June 3, Nome hardly knew a war was going on. A few of the mines which normally had, had not opened this year and some of the young people were going into the army or the navy. It was a little difficult to get building materials, but Nome long since had become used to such difficulties.

The attack on Dutch Harbor by Japanese airplanes changed all that. In two days, Nome woke up.

Women and children battled for places on airplanes. Others scurried to summer cabins in the hills. Reserve food supplies were reinforced. Many a malamute dog was turned loose to find food for himself on the in-castrew beach.

Even now, no civilian here will deny that it was a panic. Families arose in the middle of the night, packed their bags and left for retreats from which they

could not possibly have escaped had an attack come. But it didn't. And the families of Nome, some still jittery, others shame-faced, wandered back—just in time for a crisis which was more real than the first.

That was the failure of the Nome ship to arrive from Seattle on schedule. The first ship of the year always has been in a race on its way here, and no one has been able to guess very accurately whether the town would run out of the winter's food supply before the first ship came.

This year, the food gave out first. There being still no method of traveling to Nome overland, airplanes were used to keep the town from starving until a ship could be conveyed past the danger zone in the Aleutian islands. Nome did not go hungry, but it was close enough so that smart mothers sent their children outside and people who had no business in the town found nearly everyone in favor of their departure.

Meanwhile, of course, the armed forces were making hasty preparations against an attack which still might come. That work kept most civilian men here and brought in hundreds of new workers, both Eskimos and whites. But the ordinary, everyday business of the town and the surrounding mining country came to a virtual stop and is still topped. Most mines are closed, most non-essential stores have shut their doors.

**WOMEN'S BOWLING**  
KANSAS CITY—Women's International Bowling Congress selected Kansas City as the site of its 1943 national tournament. It starts May 6.

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