

From Midfield

By WES GUDERIAN

With Frank Ramsey in Portland fighting with "Goose Bay" Orville Bailey for the honor and state title of the Klamath Pelican gridders, it behooves this column to come forth with the latest inside dope on the Marshfield-Newberg-Klamath struggle for a mythical state championship before the board of high school activities.

Latest information has it that Newberg is definitely out of the running on a technicality. They didn't pay dues to the association; so, even if they had the best team on the Pacific coast, they couldn't be considered for title honors. Even if Newberg pays up, the board says, it will take a special meeting and a vote by the association to reinstate them and make them eligible for the title. That places the goose on the table before Bailey of Marshfield and Ramsey.

Ramsey is unafraid. The Pelicans will play anyone the state says for the title, provided the challengers take the financial responsibility of the game, giving us at least seven full days of practice under the same conditions as the opponents.

Bailey points to the Goose Bay team's record—seven wins, one tie. He neglects the fact that three of the teams they defeated narrowly, Klamath drubbed so soundly that by subtraction of scores the Pelicans would have a 20 point margin over Marshfield in every game. He ignores the tie with Grants Pass, who the Pelicans defeated 31-0. We think, if Marshfield is a contender for the title, Grants Pass—by virtue of its tie with Marshfield—is also in the battle, and that takes us around to the Pelicans again, and their 31-0 defeat of G. P. Kinda tough, isn't it, Orville?

Phil Blodgett—a short time Oregon resident, but an ardent football fan—writes:

That the Pelicans are state champs seems obvious to me—claims of Newberg and Marshfield notwithstanding—but the old argument comes up this year as it does all years. . . . I would suggest an annual post-season round robin of games for state title claimants. This would probably involve four or five teams—the champion of Portland and other leaders in the state. Games and sites to be chosen by the commission. Such a program this year would put Marshfield vs. Newberg with the winner to meet Klamath Falls for the title.

We think Mr. Blodgett's suggestion is worthy of note, however, it must be remembered that Klamath cannot play many post-season games 'cause the weather hampers practice sessions. Because of this the Pelicans cannot play good football 'til Christmas as other valley teams can.

Mr. Blodgett makes another statement which is probably indicative of public opinion after the snowy Vancouver debacle. He says:

Persons: I think the Pelicans have had enough football this year, even though I would like to see them play again.

We agree! Unless the state board decides differently, the title belongs to the Pelicans. Let's leave well enough alone.

Art Perry of the Medford M-T writes almost daily in his Smudge Pot column about the state championship football ruckus, poking a smudgy finger in the direction of Marshfield as his favorite. Marshfield defeated Medford 14 to 0. Klamath Falls defeated Medford 34 to 0. Maybe Brother Perry should get the smudge cut of his eyes, where he rubbed the night of October 16.

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Sure Way to Gain By Air



Halback Crabtree has his own idea of the aerial game. He dives over the heads of two Swarthmore players as Haverford wins, 14-13, in Philadelphia.

Bivins Gets Nod Over Lee Savold In Garden Bout

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 (AP)—Jimmy Bivins of Cleveland, a light heavyweight scrapper who prefers to fight the heavyweights, added another one to his list of victims today—Lee Savold of Paterson, N. J.

Making his first appearance in the east, the Cleveland negro captured a close 10-round decision over the veteran Savold at Madison Square garden last night. The lack of action brought frequent boos from the crowd of 11,854 which paid \$25,453 to sit in.

The Associated Press score card gave five rounds to Bivins, who weighed 175 to Savold's 195, four to Savold and called one even.

WALLING WALL SELECTS

CHICAGO, Nov. 28 (AP)—Bill Hillenbrand, Indiana halfback, has been selected player of the year by football fans attending the weekly luncheon meetings of the "wailing wall."

At Wistert, Michigan left tackle, was named lineman of the year. The selections were made in recognition of their football performances during the 1942 season.

They will be given awards at the final "wailing wall" meeting Monday.

Sugar Bowl Date Given To Tulsa U

Today's Finals Determine Opponent for Ninth Annual New Year's Day Classic

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 28 (AP)—Sugar bowl officials announced today that Tulsa university, unbeaten and untied this season, would play in the ninth annual Sugar bowl football game January 1 against an opponent to be selected after today's final contest.

Mentioned as probable for the other selection were Boston college, favorite among those close to Sugar bowl circles, Georgia Tech, Georgia, Tennessee and Alabama, all of which have games scheduled for today.

Boston college, which defeated Tennessee in the Sugar bowl in 1941, plays its traditional rival Holy Cross today and Sugar bowl officials pointed out that it was their policy not to announce a selection before the completion of schedule.

Joe David, president of the Sugar bowl, announced that Tulsa, which completed its perfect 10-game schedule with a smashing 40-7 defeat of Arkansas Thanksgiving day, had accepted an invitation to play here and that "several teams" were under consideration for its opponent.

David declined comment on reports that Boston college had been agreed upon for the other half of the New Year's attraction.

"The committee has several teams under consideration but expects to be in a position to make a definite announcement of Tulsa's opponent soon after today's games are completed," David said. "Until then anything anyone says relative to the other team is simply speculation. Tulsa authorities are agreeable to any opponent we select."

Sun Names Boston's Mike Holovak As "Star of the Year"

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 (AP)—The New York Sun announced its All-America football selections for 1942 today, placing five players from the Big Ten conference on its first team. The newspaper named Mike Holovak of Boston College its "star of the year" because of his "equal brilliance on offense and defense." Suseoff, WSC end was named on the Sun's second team. He was the only Pacific coast man to place.

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NEW YORK, Nov. 28 (AP)—Even though the armed forces move into the colleges to an even greater extent than they already have—and from all we hear, there must be something cooking along that line—it doesn't necessarily mean the end of football for the duration. . . . Big-time football will have tough sledding, anyway, but after soaking up some of the enthusiasm for the game shown by officers at the navy pre-flight schools, we're convinced that football will be played somehow as long as the navy is training fliers. . . . Incidentally, there's a drive on to sign up physical instructors for an expanded pre-flight program that soon will be put into effect. . . . And when you read about Col. "Blondy" Saunders, former player and coach at West Point, landing a flaming bomber after the pilot had been killed, it seems pretty good proof that they know what they're talking about when they say footballers make good fliers.

TALKING TURKEY

The annual "Turkey bowl football classic" wasn't played in New Orleans Thursday and an explanation has just arrived in a letter from Co-Promoters Allen La Combe and Charley Glass (otherwise known as the Irish Channel Sports association). . . . Writing from a troop train somewhere in the United States, La Combe and Glass explain that 41 of the 50 players who took part in the 1941 game now are in the armed services and the promoters, who had hoped to draw a crowd of 40,000 for this year's contest, only say: "We are glad to be on our way to do our part so we may have bigger and better Turkey bowl games in the future." . . . Wonder if any other bowl can come up with a record like that?

TODAY'S GUEST STAR

Pvt. Meg Wissman, Fort Sheridan (Ill.) Tower, "Golf readies civilians for army training, says John B. Kelly, physical fitness director. We agree. We even wish the army would issue niblicks instead of entrenching tools. Then we could drop a golf ball and dig a fox hole in record time."

TOOT, TOO

George (Old Man Yale) Trevor of the New York Sun tells this one on an official who worked in last week's Harvard-Yale game last week. Seems the whistle-tooter's two sons were in the stands and when the horn blew to nullify Don Richards' 64-yard touchdown run, the nine-year-old asked: "Which of those darned officials robbed Harvard of that touchdown?" . . . "I think it was daddy," their mother whispered. . . . "They were plenty peeved," the official explained. "They shrilled in unison, 'We hate daddy.'"

SE'VICE DEPT.

Ken Beehner, the "reversed" center at Syracuse last year, never fired a gun in his life until about two weeks ago. Now as a newly-commissioned second lieutenant in the marines, he claims to have fired nearly every make of rifle. . . . Fort Knox, Ky., grid fans claim that Corp. John "Big Train" Moody, former Morris Brown college star, is one member of the armored force who really hits like a tank when he carries the ball. . . . Look out for a high-powered basketball team at the Corpus Christi, Tex., naval air station this winter. Seaman Bob Kinney, Ensign Billy Dewell and Cadet Johnny Sebeck will head Lieut. Jack Gray's squad.

PLAYING FOR EAST

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 (AP)—Tackle Dick Wildung, Guard John Billman and Halfback Bill Daley of the University of Minnesota football team have accepted invitations to play on the east team in the January Shrine contest, the Shrine's eastern representatives announced today.

FIRST FOOTBALL DEATH

SEATTLE, Nov. 28 (AP)—Robert King, 18-year-old West Seattle high school halfback, died last night of injuries suffered in a Thanksgiving day football game. His death was the first in the sport here this season.

Scott Starts Hoop Season For Pelicans

With only three weeks of practice before the Grants Pass struggle on December 18, the Klamath Pelican basketball squad started workouts Friday under the coaching of Wayne Scott.

Four lettermen, Bocchi, Foster, Bellotti and Cox, returned to the team with several Wildcats who had served last year under Scott when he coached the Wildcats.

Scott is replacing Dwight (Dutch) French as coach of the Klamath high school Pelicans. French retired from basketball coaching this year after 15 years' service.

Other games have not been scheduled for the season, though several schools have been contacted. Decision as to what teams the Pelicans must play for conference title before competing in the state basketball tourney is being made by the state board of athletic activities which meets today in Portland.

In view of the transportation difficulties, Scott is trying to arrange double-header games with all teams this season. The Grants Pass game is scheduled as a single contest thus far, but negotiations are in progress to change it to a two-day stand.

Northwest Plays Ball Next Year, Says Conference

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 28 (AP)—The Northwest conference will be in operation again next year, barring unforeseen war complications.

Conference officials voted last night, however, to reduce travel for the six college members, especially for the three Oregon schools, Willamette, Pacific and Linfield.

The football schedule was left for later arrangement, but the track meet was set for May 14 in Portland, the baseball playoff between eastern and western division titlists for May 14 and 15 in Portland and the tennis tournament May 15 at Salem.

Members elected Harry Dillon, Linfield, president, and L. J. Sparks, Willamette, secretary-treasurer. R. V. "Nig" Borleske, Whitman, was reelected president of the Coaches and Managers Association. G. W. Willcutt, College of Idaho, was named secretary-treasurer.

In basketball the three Oregon members will make trips no farther than 30 miles from home. Whitman, College of Idaho and College of Puget Sound will make longer journeys.

College of Idaho and Puget Sound have not yet arranged all games.

College All-Stars Defeat Pro Champs For Third Time

CHICAGO, Nov. 28 (AP)—For the third straight year, the College All Star basketball team, have defeated the professional champions of the National Basketball league.

The All Stars, geared to Bob Davies of Seton Hall and Don Smith of Minnesota, scored a 61 to 55 decision over the Oshkosh, Wis., champions last night before a crowd of 15,000 in Chicago stadium.

With nine minutes remaining, Kirk Gebert of Washington State sank a free throw to snap a 41-41 deadlock and the All Stars were never headed.

Oregon Basketeers Swamp Bruno Studio In Opener, 66-35

EUGENE, Nov. 28 (AP)—The University of Oregon basketball squad swamped the independent Bruno Studio team of Portland, 66-35, last night in the season's opening game here.

Play was ragged and Coach Howard Hobson of Oregon substituted freely in trying to find a winning combination. The Webfoots were tied, 9-9, halfway through the first period, but seized a 28-15 halftime lead.

Sophomore Sammy Crowell of Oregon paced the Webfoots with 14 points.

No Coast Players On 1942 NEA All-American Team



NOT FAR BEHIND

- | SECOND TEAM | THIRD TEAM |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| George Poschner, Georgia | L.E. James E. Kelloher, Army |
| Lou Rymkus, Notre Dame | L.T. Albert A. Wistert, Michigan |
| Chuck Taylor, Stanford | G.C. Alex Agase, Illinois |
| Walt Harrison, Washington | R.G. Buddy Gatewood, Baylor |
| Julius Franks, Michigan | C. Lindell Houston, Ohio State |
| Frank Merritt, Army | R.T. Gil Bouley, Boston College |
| Al Hust, Tennessee | R.E. D. Curriuan, Boston Col. |
| Clint Castleberry, Ga. Tech. | O. Paul Governall, Columbia |
| Bob Steuber, Missouri | L.H. Blondy Black, Miss. St. |
| Pat Harder, Wisconsin | R.H. Bill Daley, Minnesota |
| Roy McKay, Texas | F. Joe Muha, Vir. Military In. |

Guards: Harvey Hardy of Georgia Tech and Mervin Pregulman of Michigan.

Center: Spencer D. Moseley, the Yale captain. Hillenbrand, who also quarterbacks, is the best back in the Big Ten.

Sinkwich is the nation's leading ground-gainer and an amazing forward passer. The Youngstown Flyer does everything so well that Wally Butts shifted his key man to fullback when Dick McPhee suffered a knee injury.

Statistics compiled on Dobbs, 6-foot 4-inch, 190-pound triple threat of Tulsa, knock you out into the aisle, and I speak conservatively. When the phenomenal Boston college team needs a few yards, the stands shout: "Give it to Mike!" Holovak is a terror in all departments.

So versatile is Dove that Frank Leahy started the All-America end of a year ago at guard this autumn, but had to switch him back to his original position in a hurry.

Schreiner has been the slickest end in the Western conference for two seasons.

Wildmire is 220 pounds of trouble in the Alabama line. Wildung gets the call at the other tackle on the strength of three seasons of outstanding performances.

Hitting his stride late last season, Hardy this year was a 60-minute man against Auburn, Notre Dame, Navy, Duke and Alabama. He runs devastating interference and is considered the smartest defensive guard in the south. He has more variety to his charge than any man many competent observers have seen in years.

MOSELEY WOULD INSPIRE ANY TEAM

Pregulman played center before being converted to guard to be the most formidable hand at the position in the Big Ten last year. The 6-foot, 3-inch, 207-pounder is back at center this year and on top, but is stationed at guard on this All-America.

This is to make room for Captain Spencer Moseley of Yale, who makes up in a fight what he lacks in weight. The son of a football-playing father—his dad was a famous Eli end in 1916—Moseley, who doesn't weigh 180 pounds, would inspire any team. He played all last season with a brace protecting a broken jaw. Few back up the line with such mobility and viciousness. He did a full share in restoring New Haven football to respectability. Well, there it is. There will be dissenting voices, of course, but you don't have to apologize for this outfit, so—

Hail the All-America of 1942!

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