



Sports Briefs

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NEW YORK, Dec. 1 (AP)—By next week there may be some definite information on what to expect in the way of intercollegiate athletics next year. . . . The eastern athletic directors meet then, and the assumption is that they expect word on army and navy plans for using college facilities before they start making their own plans. . . . According to well-founded rumors, the services will take over a good many colleges, either completely or in part, as training centers and they may have picked the schools already. . . . Until the services give the word, the baker's dozen of directors who talked at yesterday's football luncheon couldn't say much except that they believe in the value of football and hope to see it continue, as Am Bushnell said, "until there's no one left but the water boy—or maybe it will be the water girl, at that."

ANOTHER ANGLE

While most of the athletic directors were discussing on the colleges' responsibilities in providing competitive sports for students, Cornell's Bob Kane didn't overlook the fact that college boys still will be college boys. . . . "I'd hate to see the students in a town the size of Ithaca, N. Y., without sports to compete with the local pubs," he suggested.

ONE-MINUTE SPORTS PAGE

Charlie Grimm will be the star of the Chicago Baseball Writers' dinner tonight when he puts on his imitation of the eight National League managers battling the ump. . . . The elimination tournament that is supposed to end with a lightweight champion who will suit everybody already has started a mild ruckus between the New York and Pennsylvania boxing commissions as to where tonight's Bob Montgomery-Shapiro fight at Philadelphia fits in. . . . Jimmy Crowley claims that one of the football season's major mysteries is how his North Carolina Cloudbusters could gain all season with a mousetrail play through the line but couldn't make it work against Fordham. . . . Hockey finally has come of age: Armand "Bep" Guidolin, who played a good game for the Bruins against the Rangers here Sunday, was born just six days before the first hockey game was played in Madison Square Garden.

PROPHETIC?

The week's most significant headline, as we see it, appeared in the Boston Traveler before that Boston College-Holy Cross game: "Eagles destined to face surprise selection January 1."

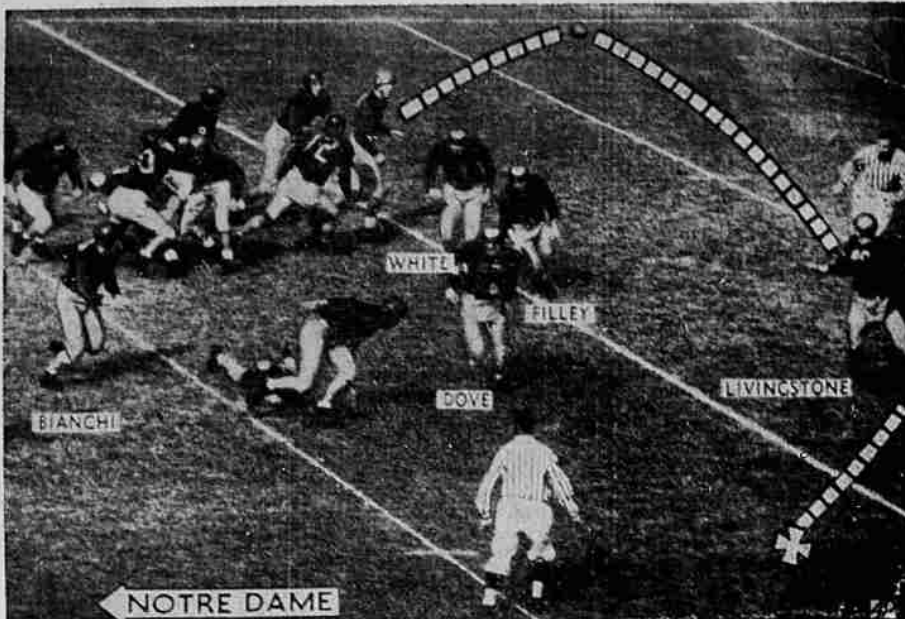
TODAY'S GUEST STAR

Roy Mumpton, Worcester (Mass.) Telegram (Saturday morning): "Holy Cross at Boston college—the fighting Crusaders have proved two years in a row now that 4-1 odds against them are ridiculous in this ancient rivalry."

BOMBERS PLAY BOWL

SPOKANE, Dec. 1 (AP)—Major Warren Williams, Fort George Wright base commander, said the 2nd air force "bombers" football team has accepted an invitation to play a college team in the Sun Bowl, El Paso, Tex., New Year's day. The team is in Tucson to meet the University of Arizona gridders this weekend. It has won eight games and been tied by Washington State college. Hardin Simmons college has been invited to be its bowl opponent.

Irish Fail to Gain on Lateral Pass



A lateral on this first quarter play to Halfback Bob Livingstone (40) of Notre Dame gained exactly no yards against Southern California before 85,000 football fans at Los Angeles. Livingstone was tackled on the Notre Dame 42-yard line, the spot from which the play began. Notre Dame won, 13 to 0.

League Meet Spiked With Travel Joy

Baseball Men Cheered by ODT Outlook on 1943 Trips As Major Leagues Meet

By CHARLES CHAMBERLAIN
CHICAGO, Dec. 1 (AP)—Major league baseball executives, encouraged by a message from Joseph B. Eastman, defense transportation director, today formally opened their most important meeting in history.

A statement by Eastman that he felt other types of travel by individuals and groups "have possibly a lesser justification than baseball team travel," reacted like a tonic. Magnates were quick to term it "splendid recognition."

Although the ODT director emphasized that his letter could not be taken as a guarantee of the future, the mere fact that a government official had given first intimation that there would be a 1943 season spiked the meetings with cheer.

With some of the gloom thus dispelled, the major leagues met in separate sessions today to study suggestions by Eastman for curtailing travel.

Presidents William Harridge and Ford Frick of the American and National leagues, respectively, and club owners agreed that "it's good to know the government has given an indication that so far as can be seen at this time the game will be continued."

Eastman suggested among other things that travel to spring training be minimized, that long duplicate trips during the regular season be avoided, and that schedules provide for ample traveling time between cities to avoid possible game cancellations in case of delays.

Harridge and Frick said that next season's schedules had been arranged to cut travel nearly 23,000 miles in each league. There will be more four-game series instead of the two and three games, three intersectional swings rather than four, and possible elimination of other trips by shifting more week-day games into Sunday double-headers.

IDAHO OPENS SEASON

MOSCOW, Ida., Dec. 1 (AP)—The University of Idaho will open its basketball season Friday night against Whitman college, and will play Lewiston Normal school at Lewiston a week from today.

Wrong Number



This ball was intended for player number 14, but the wrong 14 got it and ran it back 48 yards as New York Giants tied Green Bay Packers, 21-21, at Polo grounds. Ward Cuff, right, of the Giants leaps in front of Don Hutson to make interception.

Terry--Baseball's Grouch--Now Happy, But Out of Job

By JUDSON BAILEY

CHICAGO, Dec. 1 (AP)—William Harold Terry, who became famous as a baseball grouch, was a happy man today and out of a job.

This didn't make sense to anybody and it was widely believed by all the baseball clan gathered here for the major-league meetings that Terry had a new connection tentatively arranged when he announced yesterday that he was quitting as farm director of the New York Giants, with whom he had been associated for 20 years as player, manager and executive.

Although other possibilities were suggested, most observers believed the 42-year-old Memphis oil man, baseball brain and one-time star first baseman was ready to take control of the Philadelphia franchise of the National league, possibly financed by the league itself if no purchaser is located for the dis-

tressed property before the season opens.

Terry, beaming broadly and telling his friends "I'm out of baseball and haven't a care in the world," said such an arrangement would suit him perfectly, and that he hoped that he might accomplish a new connection with a major league club before the meetings end this week.

Ted Norbert Named Coast Batting Champ

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1 (AP)—Big Ted Norbert of the Portland Beavers was the 1941 Pacific Coast league batting champion with a mark of .378, official averages compiled by William M. McGee disclosed today.

The veteran right handed hitter also led the circuit in home runs with 28, one more than Buster Adams of Sacramento, and was sixth in runs batted in, with 99.

Norbert's feats were unusual in that he played with a last place baseball club. Portland finished with a percentage standing of .379. Norbert played in 149 games.

Johnny Moore, left handed hitting outfielder of Los Angeles, finished second in batting with .347 for 134 games.

Bernard Olsen, Los Angeles, led the base stealers with 33. Sacramento's pennant winning club led in team hitting with .283 for 178 games.

FIGHTS LAST
By The Associated Press
BALTIMORE—Billy White, 195, Baltimore, Del., (9).
CHICAGO—Joe Muscat, 194, Buffalo, N. Y., knocked out Frank Greene, 184, Chicago, (11).
NEW YORK—George (Sonny) Horne, 156, Niles, O., outpointed Pete Genov, 151, New York, (6).
PROVIDENCE, R. I.—Sal Bartolo, 125, Boston, outpointed Larry Bolvin, 127, Providence, (10).
HOUSTON, Texas—Ritchie Lenox, 137, New York, outpointed Kelly Jessup, 136, Springfield, Mass., (10).

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War Smacks Grid Season Box Office

Football Attendance Drop Laid At the Door of War

By AUSTIN BEALMEAR
NEW YORK, Dec. 1 (AP)—The war, which drew the blame for player shortages, travel difficulties and other unpleasanties endured by college football this year, also hit most of the nation's major gridiron schools where it hurt the most—at the box office.

Some of the teams played before more fans than the previous season, but grid attendance as a whole suffered its first sizable decline in recent years, with every section of the country falling below the figures for 1941.

An Associated Press survey of 82 of the leading football schools across the nation today reflected a drop of nearly 19 per cent in home attendance from last season, which had enjoyed a boost of four per cent over 1940.

The survey included a total of 419 games with an aggregate attendance of 7,025,560 compared with last year's 8,637,890 for 402 contests.

While bad weather came in for its share of the blame, along with various other things, all sections placed most of the responsibility for the decline of the war.

The largest sectional drop was on the Pacific coast, the only region to show a decline last year. Attendance was off 30 per cent from 1941, with 1,542,451 customers attending 50 games last year and 1,090,686 attending 49 this season. The only far western teams to show an increase were Oregon State and St. Mary's.

The smallest decrease came in the midwest, where a wealth of strong teams kept the fans clicking the turnstiles. Midwestern teams played 107 games before 2,146,826 persons, while the same club operated in 91 games in 1941, witnessed by 2,319,088, making a decrease this year of seven and a half per cent.

Individual increases were chalked up by Ohio State, Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois and Purdue of the Big Ten and such other midwestern teams as Tulsa, Marquette and Notre Dame.

In the east, 21 major teams noted a decline of 23 per cent, playing before home crowds totaling 1,960,367 in 115 games this year and 2,515,803 in 111 contests in 1941. All teams showed declines except Boston college, Pennsylvania, Penn State, Syracuse, Georgetown and Holy Cross.

Utah was the only Rocky mountain team with an attendance boost and the area as a whole slumped from 166,902 in 1941 to 141,798 in 1942, a decrease of 15 per cent.

Cougars in Good Shape for Meeting With Texas A & M

PULLMAN, Dec. 1 (AP)—One minor injury—a twisted knee for Quarterback Dick Renfro—was all the physical handicap the Washington State college Cougars carried south with them today for their Saturday football meeting with Texas A. & M. at San Antonio.

Renfro, who shares the first string berth with Fred Baker, was among the 27 players Coach Babe Hollingbery bundled aboard the train last night and the coach said the injury was expected to clear up before the team reached Texas.

The Cougars will hold a workout in Denver tomorrow afternoon and plan another drill upon their arrival in San Antonio Friday.

DETROIT—Young Kid McCoy, 155½, Detroit, knocked out Wild Bill McDowell, 156, Dallas, Tex., (1).

Alabama to See Orange Bowl for Seventh Time

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 1 (AP)—Alabama will send its football team into a New Year's day game—against Boston college in the Orange Bowl—for the seventh time, January 1, thus approaching Stanford's mark of eight post-season appearances.

The feeling here after Orange Bowl President Oscar E. Dooley, Jr., announced the signing of the teams last night, was that the crimson tide will have to raise above its regular season level to maintain Alabama's record of having lost only one bowl game.

Boston's high-flying Eagles, losers only to Holy Cross in one of the season's greatest upsets, immediately were established as slight favorites.

Players and coaches at Boston college greeted the post season game as an opportunity to square themselves with followers who were disappointed by the Eagles' 55-12 defeat by Holy Cross.

Oregon Sport Notes

By FRED HAMPSON
Associated Press Staff Writer

Friday's fight show in Portland brings together a couple of the biggest names ever matched in an Oregon ring and the boys who keep their fingers on the box office pulse say it will draw a crowd in keeping with the magnitude of the Gladiators.

Although Henry Armstrong, the perpetual motionist, and his adversary, Lew Jenkins, the stringy and unusual Texas fighter, appear to be a little on the shady side of spectacular ring careers, the Portland customers are buying tickets in job lots at prices up to \$5 a copy without tax.

Portland has had bigger fight names on previous programs but always before the principals were more or less on solo flights, being in there against opposition which didn't assay very high and caused the stars no great exertions. They include Lou Nova, who stopped over in the Rose city recently long enough to belt out one Ernie Nordman; Jack Dempsey during the early 1930s when old John was restoring his fortunes on a two-and three-a-week fight program.

Armstrong and Jenkins, both trying to regain their former glory—and earning capacities, are not exhibiting in this fight and the Oregon fans promise to support the show handsomely, says Matchmaker Joe Waterman. Harry Leeding of the Oregon Journal thinks they will draw a modern record house for a fight in Portland indoor boxing history. There's no chance to equal the terrific draw of Dempsey because Jack fought outdoors and at prices that even the war boom hasn't as yet restored. But Leeding believes they'll top the almost-5000 house which witnessed Nova's quick disposal of Nordman.

L. H. Gregory of the Oregonian sums up OSC Fullback Joe Day's superlative ground-gaining record for the year in a dispatch from Chicago.

"Against Michigan State. . . Day, in his final game as an Oregon State fullback, on 21 totes of the football ran 94 yards; and adding his previously credited 536 yards on 102 totes that's 1630 yards on 123 totes, or 5.12 yards per try. . . Joe already ranked No. 18 nationally, so what won't this bring him? . . . Against Michigan State Joe continued his marvelous record of not yet this season having lost a yard. As much as three weeks ago this had made him a marked man as the only prominent ball carrier nationally without lost yardage to be charged up—when he also came through the

Georgia Second to Big Ten Team; Boston Third

Ohio Won Nine Games, Big Ten Title; Beat Only by Third Place Wisconsin

By HAROLD CLAASSEN
NEW YORK, Dec. 1 (AP)—Ohio State, Big Ten champion and winner in nine of 10 games, is the best college football team 1942, in the opinion of 158 sports experts polled by the Associated Press.

The Buckeyes, ranked No. 1 in the first three tabulations of the season, skidded to tenth in the middle of the campaign but were third a week ago following their defeat of Michigan. This week, on the strength of their 41-12 victory over Iowa Pre-Flight, Coach Paul Brown's athletes returned to the throne.

Georgia, which took over the front position when Ohio State abdicated late in October, finished 93 points behind the midwesterners in the final compilation.

Boston college, victim of Holy Cross' gridiron after being on top for only one week, slumped to eighth place in the finale.

Wisconsin, only team to conquer the Buckeyes, grabbed third place just ahead of Tulsa, unbeaten champion of the Missouri valley circuit and a Sugar Bowl participant.

In making their final selections the experts also gave a thumping approval to the various New Year's day bowl line-ups. Of the ten clubs, every eleven not held back by a school or conference rule against post-season contests has been chosen for a bowl game.

Second-place Georgia will compete in the Tournay of Roses struggle against the still-to-be-determined Pacific coast king; fourth-place Tulsa and seventh-place Tennessee will enliven things at New Orleans; Georgia Tech, in fifth place, goes against Texas, No. 11, in the Cotton Bowl while Boston college, in eighth place, furnishes the opposition for tenth-place Alabama in Miami's Orange festival.

Ohio State, which finished thirteenth a year ago in Brown's first season as head coach, collected 337 points during the season while limiting its opponents to 114.

Although neither Brown nor any of his aides has mentioned it, it has become known that 21 of the Buckeye players were taken ill en route to Madison, Wis., for the crucial game with the powerful Badgers and were not at their strongest in the 17 to 7 setback.

The Buckeyes' victims in the Big Ten were Indiana, Purdue, Northwestern, Illinois and Michigan. Outside the circuit they triumphed over Fort Knox, Southern California, Pittsburgh and the Iowa Seahawks.

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

First Ten

Ohio State (84), 1432.
Georgia (62), 1339.
Wisconsin (4), 983.
Tulsa (4), 938.
Georgia Tech, 705.
Notre Dame, 590.
Tennessee, 533.
Boston College, 485.
Michigan, 467.
Alabama, 234.

Second Ten

11—Texas 137; 12—Stanford 72; 13—University of California at Los Angeles 54; William and Mary (1) 39; 15—Santa Clara 32; 16—Auburn 25; 17—Washington State 24; 18—Mississippi State 22; tie for 19 and 20—Minnesota, Holy Cross (1) and Penn State 19 points each.

Also ran: Illinois 18; Indiana 12; Penn 9; California 8; Hardin Simmons 5; Rice 5; Navy 4; Louisiana State 3; Army 3; Amherst 2; Iowa 2; North Carolina 1; Fordham 1; Missouri 1.

Michigan game with none, his record became one of the most unusual of an unusual season. . . . Once in this game Joe saved himself by the skin of his teeth, but the way he did it showed the kind of player he is. He fumbled the center's pass three yards back, but recovering, threw himself forward like lightning, to just exactly reach the scrimmage line and make up the three minus yards before he could be stopped."

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Mills Speedball Team Wins City Championship

The Mills grade school speedball team defeated Fairview school in final tournament play at Mills school field to win the city championship by a score of 9-7, and capture the physical education trophy, Joe Peak, city director of athletics and physical education announced Friday.

Half-time score in the championship game was 3-3, and at no time during the game did two points separate Coach Gerald Clemens' winning squad from the Fairview team.

Consolation title was won earlier in the week by Riverside when they defeated Fremont—last year champions—by a score of 9-3.

Scores of other games played in the tournament:
Roosevelt 7, Fremont 2.
Fairview 11, Pelican 5.
Conger 12, Riverside 4.
Fremont 4, Pelican 2.
Fairview 11, Roosevelt 1.
Mills 13, Conger 10.

The title holding Mills squad is composed of ends: Bill Mosby, Harold Gillette, Gene Carlson, Phillip Greenwood, James Griggs, Mervin Gleason, Forward: Rolfe Allen, Verle Fagers, Don Kasper, Tom Kasper, Don Bowdoin, John Finley, Centers: James Crissman, Rover: Kasper, James Demetrios, End: John Tracy, Clarence Peterson, John Stone, Fullbacks: Allen Klus, Don Dial, Don Stiles, Halfbacks: Don Roquemore, Ron Woods, Wayne Carothers, Wallace Eck, James Gleason, Guards: Gary Dawes, Billy Lebetter, Billy Evans, Wallace Badorek, William Skoog. Goal guards: Roy Larson, James Mosby, James Beckham.

The city grade school physical education program is now being devoted to volleyball in preparation for a tournament to be held during December.

AIR BASE BEAT, 49-34

CHENEY, Dec. 1 (AP)—Eastern Washington college last night defeated the Pendleton (Ore.) Air Base basketball team 49-34. The college led 22-15 at the half. J. Thomas, guard for the soldiers, tallied nine points to lead his team. John Lothspheh, center, was high scorer for the victors with 14.

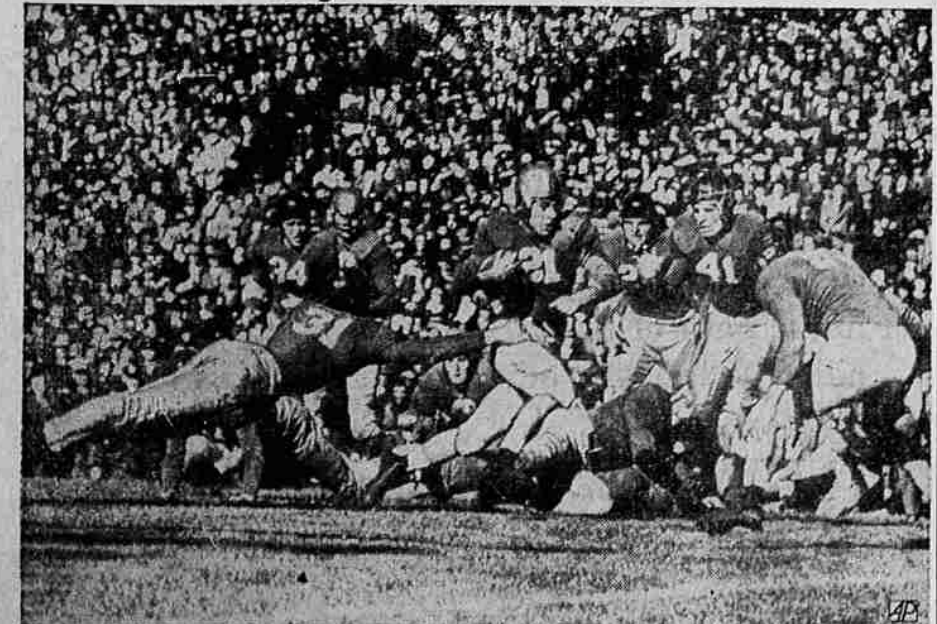
TEMPLE HOOP SCHEDULE

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 1 (AP)—Washington State college here December 26 and Brigham university, here December 15 are new rivals on Temple university's 1942-43 basketball schedule.

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When Georgia Started for the Rose Bowl



Georgia defeated Georgia Tech, 34 to 0 at Athens, Ga., and then accepted an invitation to play in the Rose Bowl at Pasadena, Calif., next Jan. 1. Here Georgia's Frank Sinkwich crashes through to a first down on Georgia Tech's 20-yard line to pave the way for Georgia's initial touchdown in the first quarter. Jack Marshall (31) Tech end is making a flying tackle.

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