

# RAMSEY SWAN-SONG PRAISES KLAMATH SPIRIT

## Big Frank Talks From Heart About Community, Kids

By FRANK RAMSEY

By now those readers of The Herald and News who are interested in the high school athletic program, know that I have applied for voluntary induction into the United States Marine Corps. This was a surprise to those who have known me well, for those people know I have been anxious to become a member of this particular branch of service for some time. I have numerous reasons for being partial to this unit and these have been mentioned in earlier releases.



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At the same time I had many good reasons for staying in my present position. My salary was very low, my family was extremely poor, and I had just been elected president of the Oregon High School Coaches Association, a job which I have undertaken for all my six coaching years. Add to this, the prospect of another fine team for me to fall and for two years to come and it really was the type of thing I want in the coaching line. This fall should be as good a year as either of the two seasons just completed. There will be 16 lettermen and eight freshmen on our 1943 state championship runner-up squad as a good group from the districts and an excellent group of our fine freshman squad. We have a list of 135 boys who will turn out for Pelican and Elbert football this fall and in the group are at least 40 boys who are capable and ready to play. This list will be available in the coming week.

There are many fine athletes on our sophomore and junior teams and the gang of incoming freshmen are a stand-out group. This should make for fine teams in years to come.

**Klamath Spirit**

I have enjoyed to no great extent the fine spirit and support afforded football in this community. It is an inspiration to a coach and to all the participating players.

The cooperation of the players and student body has been gratifying. The various groups have all had a tremendous hand in helping out the school program over. No coach could ever hope for better football players than Don Mast, Bob Foster, Phil Blohm, Neil Wyfield, Arnold Selby, Dick Blencour and Marvin Watson of the '42 team and Jim Conroy, Keith Coddington, Dick Fairie, Bud Pederstein, Pat Zinke, Doug Clement, Don Klein, Vern Yank, Elwyn Silva, Hank Schortgen, Dick Eastman and Wilbur Welch on the '43 team.

Football followers in Klamath Falls will wait a long time to see a better all-around player than Mast who was also a great leader; or a breakaway runner like Foster; or defensive ends like Mayfield and Coddington; blockers like Peterstein, Selby and Robin; or a punting machine like Selby; or powerful linemen like Silva; or powerful runners like Yank, Patzke and Conroy; or many other "linemen" that perhaps I know or know only to myself. They were great kids and great to coach. I never forget them.

**Hates to Leave**

I hate to leave such fine prospects as Bill Wilson who could be great next fall, Bud Cain, Jerry Hicks, Roger Van-

derhoff, George Long, Bill Sari, Bill Abbey, Tom Besonette, Arnold Ellis, Dick Eastman, Monroe Kinsey, Jim Palmer, Ben DeVore, John Foster and Rollie Berry, plus about a 120 others who will be out. They're rough, tough, aggressive, clean-cut kids who have been taught to play for keeps and I sincerely wish them all the luck in the world for their coming campaign.

Mr. Loney and Mr. O'Conner with their music groups were excellent. Mrs. Napier and her Pep Peppers, Mr. Rowe and his paper, Mr. Vanderpool and his Klamath Knights were all great contributors to our program.

The administration is one of the best. Mr. Gralapp has been fair sighted and cooperative in helping us. He is an ex-footballer who knows how and when to help. Mr. Woodruff, as a new administrator has stepped in and lent a helping hand wherever needed. Joe Peak is a quiet guy who rounds out a swell gang of administrators.

The faculty deserves no end of appreciation. They have made extra effort to help the kids and the program. Their cooperation was of the finest.

The service clubs were exceptional in their support. Each put on extra functions and programs for the benefit of our boys. The interest of community leaders is a great inspiration to the boys concerned.

The Herald and News has been a help which it is impossible to ever estimate or signify appreciation in full return. Mac Epley has turned every hand to help. Lee Jacobs, when he was here, did wonders and Wes Guderian and his camera were swell. Mac has defended and boosted and he has talked straight from the shoulder when it was needed. His help in more ways than I can mention here have been invaluable. I can say from my heart I'll never forget it.

**Quarterback Club**

I have purposely left until last the Quarterback club and this was done for several reasons. It is a unique organization, but one I will miss probably more than any other: I liked the Quarterbackers because they were interested in the same thing I was, namely, football. They were deeply interested or else they would not have been there.

Make no mistake, they weren't always interested in football the same as I was and therein lies the fineness of the group. There were ones who thought our strategy should have been different, there were ones who thought we should run and Ken Klahn and others who wanted us to pass and again make no mistake they had plenty of arguments to sub-

stantiate their views. It was a great experience and a lot of fun. Each meeting was something new and a fellow has to always be on his toes. The group was swell to me, and to the players. Our seasons would never have been the successes they were without the Quarterbackers help and awards for the players.

The group was swell, mainly because they were a great gang of fellows personally. They are too numerous to mention but I can't close this without mentioning Lee Smith, one of the finest men I have ever known. No task was too great for Lee nor no favor too great. Lee didn't consider himself nor did he consider any personal hardships when doing something for the kids, the team, or the football program. The best thing about Lee and the things he did was that he did them because he wanted to and because he is the kind of a guy who is happiest when doing something for someone else. Nothing I could say would in any way portray the appreciation I have for the things Lee did.

The highlight of his work was when he got Jimmy Phelan of St. Mary's college, Calif., as speaker for the annual Lion's club banquet. Lee and I made several trips in the interest of football which I shall never forget. My friendship with Lee has been one of the finest experiences of my life in athletics. At the same banquet John Houston missing his train for an important trip to bring a message to the kids and one I know they will never forget. That's all for the Q-Backs except that no one could come close to the job Lee did except

## Beavers Go Back Into League Lead

Portland Dumps Seattle Twice; Piretti Stars In Opener, Padres Lick Sacs

By The Associated Press

Portland had clubbed its way back into the league leadership and four workhorse pitchers had fattened their winning averages when all the scores were in from last night's Pacific Coast loop baseball game.

The Beavers jumped from second place and dumped the erstwhile top flying Seattle Rainiers into third, sweeping a doubleheader 2 to 1 and 8 to 2. Marino Piretti, top Portland twirler taking regular mound turns, twirled a seven hitter in the opener for nine wins against four losses.

Rookie Jean Holt, southpaw from Bremerton, gave up only two hits in the two innings he worked for Seattle in the second contest but showed signs of wildness.

Tom Seals, allowed the same number of hits in leading the second-place San Francisco Seals to an 8 to 5 win over Los Angeles. Tom became the league's top regular moundman—nine winners against three losers.

Rex Cell, the league's iron man—he's worked in fifteen games out of the 58 his club has played so far this season—allowed only six hits as San Diego beat Sacramento 6 to 2. He has won 11 games.

Earl Escalante hooked in a pitching duel with an outfielder and won his eighth game against three losses as Hollywood edged Oakland 2 to 1. Escalante and Les Scarcella, who is carried on the Acorn roster as an outfielder, each allowed seven hits. It was the second game Les has pitched this year. He won the first one.

Short scores:  
First game:  
Portland 2 7 1  
Seattle 1 7 0  
Piretti and Adams; Demoran and Suene.  
Second game:  
Portland 2 9 0  
Seattle 2 7 1  
Pulford and Campbell; Turpin, McClure (5), Holt (8) and Bonarog, Holt.  
Sacramento 2 7 2  
San Diego 6 12 3  
Cell and Salkeld; Rabbitt, Kempe (8) and Ross.  
San Francisco 8 10 2  
Los Angeles 5 7 2  
Seals and Orogodowski; Osborn, Stein (3) and Sarri.  
Hollywood 2 7 3  
Oakland and Hill; Scarcella and Raimondi.

the guy they have chosen for next year, Mac Epley. I say that because I have come to know them both well and in many ways they are very similar guys. Yes, I will miss the Quarterback club.

In closing, let me say I have tried to give the boys something besides training in football technique.

I have tried to teach them to conduct themselves properly on trips and I presume most everyone read the favorable comments we had from hotels, etc., last year.

I have tried to teach them to play with everything they have, as hard and clean as they could, and to play for keeps at all times. The boys will remember I have always said when the going is toughest is when you find out what kind of a fellow you are.

I have tried to get them into very fine physical condition. I have tried to teach them loyalty. Loyalty to their team, their school, their coach, their community and their country. I have tried to teach them to fight to the end for any principle in which they firmly believe.

I have tried to teach them to win and lose gracefully but that there are certain cases when a person must be a winner and certain contests one cannot lose regardless of the price particularly the conflict we are in today.

I have tried to teach them the value of athletics and thru athletics the opportunities for them to be better members of society and to be better able to get along with their fellowmen.

I have tried to teach them the meaning of sportsmanship and all that it truly means.

Yes, I have tried to teach them all this and more. You mothers, fathers and football boosters will have to decide how closely I came to doing the job.

In the past year I have received an average of 25 to 30 letters per month from over 200 boys all over the country and world whom I have coached and it would be a great thrill to run across any one of them "out there" as a fellow service man or to serve under one of them.

I hope I can, by going into service, demonstrate some of the principles I have preached to "my boys" for I know I believe in the same things they do.

To the members of the 1943 squad, who sat in the dressing room in the Multnomah Athletic club, in Portland, December 4, 1943, prior to the state championship game. "Yes, I am going to stop on December 4, 1944 and look back on that day and remember each one of you. You were a fine team win, lose or draw."

So long to a swell gang of kids, a swell school, a swell football community.

Very sincerely,  
Your Coach,  
FRANK RAMSEY.

**Skiff Fined For Abusive Language**

LOS ANGELES, June 3 (AP)—Bill Skiff, manager of the Seattle Rainiers has been fined \$50 for abusive language toward umpire George Andrievich during the Portland-Seattle game May 30, Pacific Coast Baseball League President Clarence Rowland announced.

Skiff disputed Andrievich's decision holding that Frank Shone, Portland pitcher, scored before Marvin Owen was run down at second for the third out.

Seattle won the game 2-1.

**Crowley to Coach Boston Yankees**

NEW YORK, June 3 (AP)—Lt. Commander Jim Crowley, former head football coach at Fordham university, yesterday formally signed a contract to coach the Boston Yankees of the National Football league. Crowley, now stationed at the Sampson, N. Y., naval station, will take over after the war. Until then Herb Kopf will act as Boston head coach.

**Conn After Bout With Joe Louis**

PITTSBURGH, June 3 (AP)—Billy Conn has been persistently approaching army service officers to arrange an overseas bout with Joe Louis, his manager, Johnny Ray, disclosed.

## Identical Twins—Dead Heat



Ross, left, and Bob Hume, Michigan's identical twins, again lock arms to break tape in dead heat in Big Ten meet mile at Champaign, duplicating show put on as they captured indoor crown.

## Katonen Roughed Up, Licked By Gorgeous G. Wagner as Large Crowd Sees Matches

By JOHN FOSTER

Paavo Katonen, light heavyweight champ, was roughed up and beaten again last night by Gorgeous George Wagner in a wild and swingy main event at the local armory.

Last week when George took the nod Katonen stated that if he could do it again he'd put up his belt. Well, he dood it so maybe next week will see a Pacific coast championship bout take place.

Paavo was again victim of rope tying. Some of the spectators say this time it was even worse. After a wild melee of swats by both sides Wagner managed to move his opponent to the ropes and by a couple of quick maneuvers he tangled Paavo's arms, both of 'em, between the middle and top rope. There he swung helpless with the arbitrator trying to pry him loose but while this was going on George strolled clear across the ring, turned around and came charging like a wild bull at Katonen's mid-section. He repeated this butting about four

times and when the referee finally untangled Paavo he was an easy victim for the body press and George came out the winner.

Paavo took the first fall by using arm butts and kneeing Wagner to the face after about nine minutes of the fracas had lapsed.

Eleven minutes after the second bell had rung and both parties had had their share of slugging, George came through with some rat-tat-tat belts to the head and a couple of hard body slams and eked through with a body press for the three count.

Buck Lipscomb, the Indiana manie, took the one and only fall in the middle event. He knocked his opponent Billy Konke, out in the third round. Looking back he really didn't knock him out but Konke did himself, with Lipscomb's help, naturally. Maybe some explanation would help.

All through the three rounds it was a wild rattle party with Konke using his strong legs to his advantage in the pinches but come to think of it, those holds were easy to break... ever bite a big juicy leg? When things got a little bad for Lipscomb he came up with his own specialty, the self strangle. He twisted Billy's own arm around his throat, slugged merrily at his Adams apple and applied the pressure... result: No air, no breath, no more match for the tubby Konke.

Buck Davidson tried using the ropes a little too much to his advantage after another slugfested opened and after three rounds had gone by the referee awarded the fall to Herb Parks after Davidson had almost twisted his leg off with the help of the hemp.

Big news is in the offing it was stated at the armory last night. The one and only Bulldog Jackson, a man with an enchanted past, will be on hand next Friday. Many exploits have been told of the Bulldog and he's always been a one-man show.

Referee was Wally Moss, a guy who is beginning to know how to take it. After he worked over Konke for a while after he had been knocked out and was helping the rasser up to his feet, but the rasser being half dizzy, thought he was his opponent and tossed him clear across the ring. A hand shake finished the bout after Konke realized what he had done.

**FIGHTS LAST NIGHT**  
CHICAGO—Willie Joyce, 139, Gary, Ind., outpointed Henry Armstrong, 140 1/2, Los Angeles, 10.  
NEW YORK—Tippy Larkin, 141 1/2, Garfield, N. J., stopped Freddy Archer, 148 1/2, Newark, N. J., 8.  
OKLAHOMA CITY—Lou Nova, 204, Van Nuys, Calif., outpointed Buddy Scott, 180, Tampa, Fla., 10.

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## Local Golf Notables Left Off of List

Oh-oh! When Johnny West brought the pairings for Sunday's Weyerhaeuser-Reames golf tourney into the newspaper office, he had several names on the back of one sheet.

Johnny didn't realize that newspaper folks never look on the back of paper, and the result was that several names, illustrious in local golf circles, were left out.

Here are the additional pairings, with Weyerhaeuser players named first: E. Mullis vs. John Houston, Earl Urquhart vs. Ted Reeves, Karl Disher vs. Doc Cox, Lt. Archer vs. Lt. Babcock. Play starts at 9 a. m.

## THE STANDINGS

By The Associated Press

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

W.	L.	Pct.
St. Louis	25	19 .568
New York	21	16 .568
Detroit	23	20 .535
Washington	20	21 .488
Philadelphia	19	20 .487
Boston	19	22 .463
Chicago	17	21 .447
Cleveland	19	24 .442

**Games Friday**  
St. Louis 3, Philadelphia 0.  
New York 5, Boston 1.  
Chicago 5, Washington 2.

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**

W.	L.	Pct.
St. Louis	27	13 .675
Cincinnati	22	17 .564
Pittsburgh	20	16 .558
New York	20	20 .500
Boston	20	23 .465
Brooklyn	18	22 .450
Philadelphia	18	20 .444
Chicago	12	24 .333

**Games Friday**  
St. Louis 9, Philadelphia 3.  
Boston 4, Cincinnati 0.  
New York 6, Pittsburgh 4.  
Chicago 2, Brooklyn 1.

**COAST LEAGUE**

W.	L.	Pct.
Portland	32	23 .582
San Francisco	31	25 .554
Seattle	31	25 .554
Hollywood	29	26 .527
San Diego	29	29 .500
Los Angeles	28	29 .473
Oakland	24	30 .444
Sacramento	18	34 .346

**Friday Night's Games**  
Portland 2-8, Seattle 1-2.  
San Francisco 8, Los Angeles 5.

San Diego 6, Sacramento 2.  
Hollywood 2, Oakland 1.

## Tackle Scarce; Don't Let Fish Take It Away

CHICAGO, June 3 (AP)—Don't let the fish steal your line this season—they're on the hard to get list—say members of the Association of Fishing Tackle Manufacturers.

Everyone in the industry, members said at their meeting here, is making war goods. Whereas before the war 18 million dollars worth of sporting fishing tackle was put on the market annually.

A few fishing kits are being made, given to servicemen and Uncle Sam equips lifeboats and planes with fishing tackle for emergencies.

## Paul Robeson Jr. Stars At Track

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., June 3 (AP)—Paul Robeson Jr., 17, may never equal his famous father as a singer but he has made a good start towards being a great athlete like widely known Paul Sr., an all-American end at Rutgers.

All young Paul did yesterday in leading his Tech high mates to first place in the 11th annual scholastic meet was: high jump six feet three inches for a new record; win the shotput and finish second in the broad jump.

The youngster, whose father currently is starring in Othello, will compete in the national junior AAU championships next week at Randall's Island.

## Browns Still Head League

Edge is .0006 of a Percentage Point, But October Is Still Long Way Off

By JACK HAND  
Associated Press Sports Writer

In the baseball season ended today the St. Louis Browns would win their first pennant by .0006 of a percentage point over the New York Yankees, but October with its world series cash is still far away.

Detroit continued to scorch the heels of the front runners in the Harridge loop with its seventh straight yesterday, while Mel Ott's surprising Giants ripped along the same win path to No. 7 at the expense of Pittsburgh. The Tigers are only a game and a half behind the Browns, and the Giants have sprinted from the shadows of the cellar to within two games of third place since last Sunday.

Ott was the big individual story for the second time this week as the Giant pipped out home runs Nos. 11 and 12 in a 6-4 nod over the Pirates. Master Melvin has hit 8 in the last 10 games and the Giants club 12 in its last six starts.

The St. Louis Cardinals pulled in front by four and a half lengths as Mort Cooper came up with another brilliant eighth-inning effort in trimming the Phillies, 9-3. The Majors broke out with a rash of five night games attraction 70,339 fans, with a Philadelphia turnout of 20,339 to see the Cards the largest and the average over 14,000.

Jim Tobin grabbed his third shutout on a three-hit performance against Cincinnati and drove home two of the Boston runs in the 4-0 edge.

Chicago ended its six-game losing streak behind Claude Passeau but Leo Durocher put on his biggest storm act of the year before the Dodgers bowed, 2-1. Lippy Leo was ejected from the game after Umpire Jocko Conlan disallowed a Brooklyn run by Bob Bragan because Googie Rosen had been caught going in to third for the third out before the run crossed the plate.

It took five percentage points to separate the Browns from the Yankees after both had won night games but St. Louis had the edge by a mathematical whisker, .581 to .575. Bob Muncie blanked the Athletics, 3-0 as his mates won on four safe blows. Hank Borowy stopped the New York slump with an eighth-inning performance against Cleveland.

Thurman Tucker upped his average to .415 with three singles in Chicago's 5-2 edge over Washington, helping Thornton Lee finally make the victory grade after six defeats.

Detroit's seven straight triumph was a 4-1 nod over Boston on first-inning homers by Rudy York and Pinky Higgins.

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## RODEO CONCESSION

The Klamath Buckaroo Days will receive bids at the City Hall, June 7, 1944, for the concession at the Fairgrounds on July 1-2-3-4. ALSO, separate bids for the concession Sunday, June 18, 1944, at the Queen's Tryout.

## Meeting-- Thursday, June 8

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