

From Midfield

By PAUL HAINES

Where Should You Send Your Boy?

If you are one of the thousands of fathers in the country who would like to see your son star in football, basketball, baseball, track or swimming, you are no doubt faced with the question of what school to send him to for maximum instruction in the field of your choice.

This question has been answered for you by a nation-wide poll conducted by Esquire magazine.

If you desire to sit in a huge stadium while that boy of yours thrills thousands by his performance on the gridiron below—send him to Notre Dame. If basketball is your selection, enroll your son at Illinois. It's Holy Cross for baseball by a nose over Michigan. Southern California for track, and Yale for swimming.

The question was worded: "To best apply his athletic skill while gaining an education, what college or university would you send your boy to, or what school would you recommend to a boy who is adept at football, basketball, baseball, track or swimming?"

The Fighting Irish received 38.9 per cent of the football votes with Minnesota's Golden Gophers second and Michigan third. In basketball Illinois was first followed by Purdue. Holy Cross polled the most baseball votes with Michigan a close second. Southern Cal topped the nation in track with Michigan the runner-up. In swimming Yale took No. 1 ranking and Ohio State nosed out Michigan for second place.

So there you have the national leaders in five sports, but for an all-around guy, don't overlook Michigan's Wolverines, which placed near the top in four of them.

Two Upsets Feature Piskin Parade

Hot off the gridiron came two stunning upsets as King Football ascended to the throne over the weekend.

Indiana's Hoosiers toppled mighty Michigan by the score of 13 to 7 at Ann Arbor and St. Mary's Galloping Gaels shaded California's favored Golden Bears, 20-13. Outside of these two about-face tussles and one in the east where Villanova turned the tables on Bucknell, your piskin prognosticator wasn't too far off.

Wisconsin's Badgers battled to a 0 to 0 draw with the Great Lakes Bluejackets after we had put the finger on the Badgers to win, but all other games went according to Hoyle.

We admit that this is not an auspicious start. We picked 12 games, called the shot on eight, and the ball refused to go in the pocket in four instances.

Here on the Pacific coast it appears that Southern California is a shoo-in for Rose Bowl honors. In fact, we'll take the Trojans right now for our money.

Minnesota and Indiana showed power and deception with the Golden Gophers keeping to the ground and the Hoosiers taking to the air. Ohio State, last year's Big Ten king-pin, will open with Missouri Saturday.

Cornell's Big Red trounced Syracuse 26 to 14 in the east and Duke's Blue Devils, suh, plastered South Carolina 60 to 0 in the mint julep country.

Cecil Isbell's Purdue Boilermakers skidded by Marquette 14 to 13 and the Fighting Illini walloped the Pitt Panthers 26 to 6.

Our average for the weekend is .666 and that figure leaves plenty of room for improvement. We have washed the crystal ball to remove those spots that got in front of our eyes last week and, with cleared vision, we have hopes of boosting our average on this Saturday's games.

There is one consolation—with an average like this we won't have to buy a fortune teller's license.

Medford Pulls No Punches

Coach Al Simpson's Black Tornado is apparently trying to scare its opponents silly this year, but we don't frighten easily on this side of the Cascades.

Last year's prep school champs blasted Albany Friday 68 to 0 and a collective "ouch" emanated from every other high school in the state.

Sure they're good. Why wouldn't they be with seven men back from last year's starting lineup? We are not trying to minimize the potency of the Tornado, but that little 68 to 0 gem is Simpson's way of serving notice that Medford is out for bear in an effort to scare the pants off all future opponents.

Well, here's one safe bet. Coach Paul Angstead's Pelicans will have their pants on when they take the field against Al Simpson's gang.

Edwards Leads Piskin Toters

Tommy Edwards, Klamath's 15-year-old sophomore fullback, led the Pelicans in the ball carrying department Friday night against Grant of Portland.

Edwards, who went on a personal rampage in the third quarter with two scintillating gallops to set up the only Klamath touchdown, carried the oval 22 times for a net distance of 108 yards and an average of 4.8 yards per try.

Barker toted the apple nine times for 31 yards and an average of 3.4. Redkey ran the ball upon six occasions for a net gain of 10 yards and a 1.6 average, and Coleman lugged the pill twice for a net loss of six yards.

Cavarretta, Cuccinello Set Pace In Hit Parade

NEW YORK, Sept. 25 (AP)—Phil Cavarretta of the Cubs and Tony Cuccinello of the White Sox sat all-Chicago claims to the batting titles of the major leagues today with less than a week of the season to go but the 1945 champions may not be crowned until the final official averages are released around Christmas time.

It's so close in each major circuit with neither leader having anything comparable to a safe margin, that a displaced hit or time at bat along the way could affect the outcome.

Cavarretta is three points in front of Boston's Tommy Holmes who still remains a serious threat to regain the lead he held during most of the summer. Holmes has only four games to play, all at home against the New York Giants, while the Cubs first-sacker has seven to go in the heat of a pennant drive.

Cavarretta's mark is .352 to Holmes' .349 and after them come Gooby Rosen of Brooklyn at .325, Stan Hack of Chicago, .323 and Whitey Kurovski of St. Louis, .320.

Cuccinello needs only one more time at bat according to the official league figures from

K-Men Work On Aerial Defense

Pelicans Will Scrimmage Today In Preparation For Game With Vikings Friday

By PAUL HAINES

"Practice makes perfect" has become the motto of the Klamath Pelicans who worked out yesterday afternoon on Mode field in a determined effort to acquire an adequate pass defense before the coming tilt with the Salem Vikings Friday night.

It was a potent passing attack that made it possible for the Grant Generals to edge the Pelicans last week and the K-men firmly intend to see that it doesn't happen again. On the first of the two Grant touch-down heaves, Don Stamm was all by himself in the far corner of the Klamath end zone when he snagged the ball, but on the second scoring aerial Stamm was well-covered. He was simply too tall for the shorter Klamath backfield men to reach.

The Klamath secondary had trouble with flat passes and upon several occasions there wasn't a man within 10 yards of the Grant receiver when he pilfered the pill.

Coaches Paul Angstead and Ed Ryan plan to stress the covering of a pass receiver in this area in particular and aerial defense in general.

While the K-men were bowing to Grant last week, Lebanon was humiliating Salem by the slim margin of 6 to 0. With the Pelicans still smarting from their opening defeat and grimly determined to belt the Vikings out of the pasture, their attitude bodes ill for the visiting capitol city lads.

Last year the Klamath eleven stormed and took the Salem citadel 18 to 0 and will be out to run the score as high as the Empire State building Friday night at 8 o'clock when the two teams collide head-on on Mode field.

65 Attend Quarterback Club Session

Sixty-five Klamath Falls grid fans attended the meeting of the Quarterback club held at the Willard hotel Monday noon. Coaches Paul Angstead and Ed Ryan were present and gave interesting accounts of the Grant game last week.

Angstead explained mistakes the Pelicans made, especially in pass defense and down-field blocking. He stressed the lack of protection given the kicker and passer and gave a comprehensive review of the entire game.

Joe Peak, director of athletics at KUHS, told an attentive audience of the highlights of the Wildcat-Lakeview game Saturday which Lakeview won 40 to 0.

Tommy Edwards, Pelican fullback, and Chuck Thurman, end and captain of the Klamath eleven, were guests of the club. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 1, same time, same place.

Southwest Grid Teams Get Workout

By The Associated Press
Southwest conference coaches, not satisfied with their respective team's finer points in last Saturday's tussles, had their charges brush over the rougher spots in yesterday's workouts.

Most of the Southwest eleven came through Saturday's battles in good physical condition. Only Rice Institute of Houston suffered. Owl Coach Jess Neely, whose youngsters bowed before Corpus Christi Naval Air station, 26-13, said "We were pretty well bruised up after the Corpus battle, but all of us should be ready Saturday against LSU with the exception of Danny Sehuta, guard and probably Bruce Bradbeer."

In Austin, Texas University Longhorn Coach D. X. Bible, labeled steer punting last Saturday against Bergstrom Army Air Field, as "junior high school booting." The Texas lads had a tough time taking the Airmen, 13-7, but came out of the scrap with no injuries.

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CUBS, TIGERS IN LAST DRIVE

By JACK HAND
Associated Press Sports Writer
Presidents Will Harridge of the American league and Ford Frick of the National league might well devote some time today to the possibility of a pennant as the top contenders enter the final nerve-grawing six days of the regular season.

It's never happened before and probably won't this time but if Detroit loses three of its last four and the St. Louis Cardinals sweep two more from Chicago there will be confusion aplenty.

Best chance for a deadlock is in the American where Washington has finished its schedule and has nothing more to do than wait and pray for the Tigers to get knocked

over by Cleveland and St. Louis.

Tigers Need Win

Steve O'Neill has a chance to be sure of at least a tie by beating Cleveland today in the opener of a two-game set and he has nominated Al Benton, the ex-sailor, to do the job. If the big fellow wins, it will be Hal Newhouser tomorrow to apply for the clincher.

However, there is a chance the Tribe could cop one or both games and make it necessary for the Bengals to sweep their final two in St. Louis, Saturday and Sunday, to nose past the idle Senators.

At least the Tigers probably won't see any more of Bobby Feller who faced them three times since he came out of the navy. Rapid Robert

worked against Chicago Sunday and won't be ready for the two with Hank Greenberg and Co.

Cubs Face Cards

The Cub-Cardinal two-day series opening at Wrigley field today is loaded with possibilities. Beaten 15 times in 20 starts by Billy Southworth's gang, the Cubs now are only a game and a half ahead of St. Louis. Inability of the Bruins to stop the on-rushing Cardinals has cost them much prestige as well as several precious lengths in the won and lost columns.

Charley Grimm's Cubs are faced with the necessity of winning at least one of the two games or dropping out of the lead for the first time since July 8.

Red-Hot Feud Between Suds And Bevos Renewed Tonight

By PAUL WELLS

Associated Press Sports Writer
A red-hot feud that produced some of the most bitterly fought games of the Pacific coast league season will be renewed tonight when the champion Portland Beavers tackle the runner-up Seattle Rainiers in the opening clash of the Governors' cup playoff semi-finals.

Battle It Out
For three nights the two northwest clubs will battle it out at Portland's Vaughn street park, and then switch to Seattle for the remaining contests of the seven-game series.

Sacramento and San Francisco, the other two first division teams in the playoff, will start their semi-finals Wednesday night on the Solons' home field. The Bay City Seals are going after the cup for the third straight year and a tie with Seattle's 1940-41-42 record string of consecutive victories.

San Francisco copped the trophy in 1943 and then repeated last year.
"Civil War"
The Portland-Seattle "civil war" is a rivalry that has existed nearly as long as the circuit has been in operation. Almost any season is considered a success by the skipper of the Northwest club which finishes ahead of the other.

This year the Beavers, who won their first league crown since 1938, have paced the pack since the third week of the season, and during those initial weeks were out of first place only three playing days. Hot on their heels all year have been the Rainiers, who several times came within half a game of the top but were never quite able to

make the grade. Seattle's last spurt in the final weeks of August closed the gap to a game and a half, but Portland snapped out of a slump and wound up the schedule Sunday eighth and a half games in front. During the 29 games played by the two clubs Portland won 15, Seattle 14.

The Rainiers failed to make the playoffs last year while the Beavers were eliminated 4-2 by the Angels in the semi-finals.

Most of Portland's success this year can be attributed to a steady, consistent pitching staff, as evidenced by the fact that six Beavers hurlers ended the season in the first 15 while no other club had more than two on the list.

Minor League Pro Football Plans Boom

By GUS HAM

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25 (AP)—Professional football, like organized baseball, plans a smashing comeback in minor leagues in 1946.

Harry Howren, president of the Norfolk team in the Dixie league, and George Preston Marshall, owner of the Washington Redskins of the National league, today disclosed part of the minor league program after a conference.

The Dixie, American association and Pacific coast league intend to hold a meeting preliminary to the National league's annual session in December.

"We'll map out our plans and present them to the big boys at that time," Howren said. "We want full recognition by the National league and its assistance in the protection of players."

Talbert Will Not Play In Tourney

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 25 (AP)—The field of top tennis stars en route here for the 56th annual Pacific coast championships will not include Billy Talbert of Wilmington, Del., runner-up for the men's national singles crown this year, or Alejo Russell, Argentine men's singles titlist.

Both have given up tournament competition temporarily because of leg injuries, it was learned here today. They competed in the Pacific Southwest Tennis championships just finished at Los Angeles, but will not swing north with other big name players.

Yesterday's early round competition in the coast meet saw John Murio, veteran San Francisco net campaigner, eliminate Ben Chu, fellow townsman and Pacific coast Chinese singles champion, 6-1.

BOSTON — Freddy Gabral, 1501, Cambridge, Mass., knocked out Baudella Valencia, 158, Mexico City, (1).

Star Golfers Not Expected To Burn Up Portland Links

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 25 (Special)—The nation's super-swingers—Nelson, Snead, Hogan, Ghezzi, et al—are not expected to burn up the Portland Golf club's rolling course during the four-day Portland Open tournament, September 27 to 30.

As a matter of fact, there are even those fairway fibers who believe that Old Man Par will be able to withstand any of the big boys' onslaughts. And they back their beliefs by pointing to what happened when 98 of the Portland area's top amateurs qualified at Portland recently.

The cream of the area's amateurs failed to take the measure of the course's par 72. Bill Langley of the Portland club, was the only one who came close. He chalked up a one-over-par 73, which was three strokes in front of his nearest competitors.

However, there are still plenty of fellows willing to wager that par takes an unmerciful sheik-lacking when Sam Snead, the defending Portland Open champion, Byron Nelson, the Toledo, O., umbrella man; Ben Hogan, the nation's leading money in



1942-43; Sgt. Jim Ferrier, former Australian Open champion; Craig Wood, duration National Open titlist, and many of the other leading lights of golfdom set out after the \$14,333

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Joe Lyman Will Appear On Mat Card

In the opening tussle on Promoter Mack Lillard's rassing bill of fare Friday night at the armory, Joe Lyman is scheduled to take on Gorilla Poggi.

A word about Lyman is certainly in order. T/Sgt. Joe Lyman developed into the top rasser of the entire Pacific area during his service in the armed forces. He has now been discharged but had 34 professional matches overseas and won all but two—both were against full heavyweights whom he later whipped.

Joe is 27 years old and is returning to the professional mat game with a fine opportunity of going a long way. He will appear here Friday and Gorilla Poggi will in all likelihood go out feet first.

Along with this great bout, Lillard has booked another double main event bringing to the armory Rufus Jones and Georges Dussette in a rematch and Buck Davidson and Jack Lipscomb will collide in the other top tilt.

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