

From Midfield

By PAUL HAINES

Pigskin Pickin's For This Week

This will probably be the last "Midfield" we will knock out for you and our last crack at picking the nation's grid winners, as well.

Because of staff changes at The Herald and News we will leave you in the capable hands of Hale Scarborough, formerly of the marine corps and now sports editor of this newspaper.

We want you all to know, however, that we deeply appreciate the interest you have shown in this column for the past year. We have enjoyed writing about the various sport events in Klamath Falls and, although we will not cover any more of the games, our enthusiasm and support of local sports activities will not dim.

Athletic events have always been of great interest to us and will continue to be so. To our mind, there are few towns in the good old U. S. A. that can compare with Klamath Falls in the sportsmanship of its teams, the support of its townspeople, and the spirit of the players on the teams.

Up at KUHS there is as fine a group of youngsters as can be found anywhere in the country. Coaches Paul Angstead and Ed Ryan are cooperative, always ready to answer a question or explain a play, while Superintendent Arnold Grallap and Principal Stanley Woodruff have always lent assistance in every way possible when needed.

Mack Lillard, rassing promoter, Matt Finnigan, Ed Bell and Prent Puckett, to name a few, have given us valuable pointers upon many occasions, and for this we are also grateful.

After the Grants Pass game tonight, the Klamath Pelicans are scheduled to meet Medford's Black Tornado at Modoc field. The Medford eleven has received enough ballyhoo in other Oregon newspapers to make one almost believe that the Tornado is a team of super-men. Almost, but not quite. The game of football is too unpredictable, there are too many upsets, to make it in any degree a sure thing that any team will win a ball game.

Medford will be heavily favored to whip the Pelicans. Right now you can get as high as 21 points and Klamath Falls up and down the main stem. We want the Klamath boys to know that, and we also would kind of like them to know this—that we'll be at that ball game rooting them on next Friday and we wouldn't take Medford at even money!

That's the way we feel about Klamath Falls kids and Klamath Falls teams.

We'll pass over that colossal clash now and get down to the business at hand—picking the winners of this week's top games. But before we do, just this much more—we're sorry about those Chicago Cubs!

Cadets Given Margin Over Wolverines

By TED MEIER
NEW YORK, Oct. 12 (AP)—Unbeaten Army and once-beaten Michigan clash here tomorrow in the top college football game of the day and the smart-money boys have established the West Point Cadets as 27-point favorites.

Upwards of 65,000 are expected to push their way into the Yankee Stadium to get their first look at the 1945 West Pointers who have piled up 86 points in their first two games while keeping their own goal line uncrossed. It is the Cadets' first visit to the big town since they swamped Notre Dame, 59-0, a year ago.

Always a power in the Western conference and usually at their best when they come east, the Wolverines are expected to provide the first real opposition of the season for the nation's No. 1 ranking eleven. Michigan has won three of four games, losing only to Indiana. Last fall Michigan invaded the east and trounced Penn in an upset in Philadelphia.

"Grey Mask" Will Tussle Lipscomb

Klamath mat fans will be treated to a gory show tonight at the armory when Jack "Buck" Lipscomb tangles with the "Grey Mask" in the top tiff on Promoter Mack Lillard's muscle merry-go-round.

This is a bout that rabid railbirds have long been waiting for and Lipscomb may unmask Mr. Stoneface for the first time in the local ring. Whether or not the hooded hoodlum is really Cyclone Mackey of Amarillo, Tex., is still a moot question, but the wise guys on the main drag seem to think that Cyclone and the "Mask" are one and the same guy.

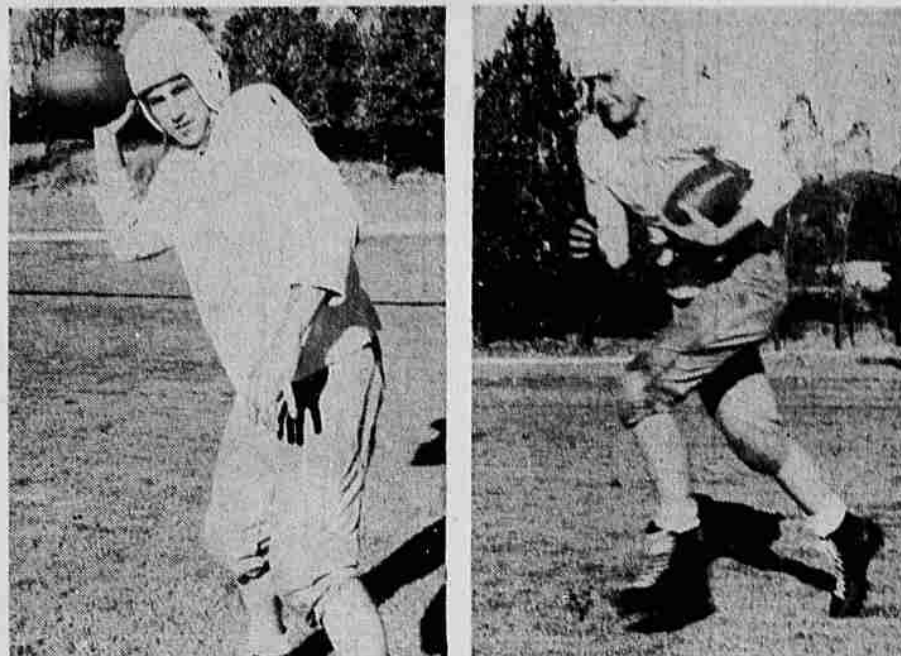
In the semi-windup fracas Angelo Martinelli will twist torsos with Gorilla Poggi and in the opener Norval Stockstill will pop beaks with Tex Porter. Wally Moss will referee the card which is due to get started at 8:30 p. m.

FALL RIVER, Mass.—Joe Blackwood, 155, New York, outpointed Al "Red" Priest, 157, Cambridge, 10. Vinnie Vazzo, 132, Revere, outpointed Gene Le Blanc, 133, Fall River, 8.



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Two Klamath Backs Ready To Go



Leroy Coleman, Pelican quarterback, cocks his arm to heave a touchdown aerial in one of the above pictures, and in the other Bob Redkey, left halfback, starts out on a goal line gallop. Both boys will be in the Klamath starting lineup when the Pelicans take the field tonight against Grants Pass there in their second Southern Oregon tussle.

Black Tornado Tackles Eureka Eleven; Grant Generals Collide With Lincoln

By A. R. BURNS
Associated Press Staff Writer
Oregon gridiron coaches will be pressing harder on the reins this weekend as the annual state prep championship race comes abreast the first month milestone.

Fan interest focuses tomorrow on a dozen squads, which emerged from the first month in the lead for district titles, and will be trying to take the next lap.

Top Contenders
Top contenders for the eastern Oregon title are undefeated Pendleton and Hood River, plus The Dalles, defeated by an out-of-state eleven but with one more victory than the other two.

The Dalles entertains Prineville tomorrow in a game drawing interest of a paper statisticians. Prineville lost, 42-12, to Hood River last week, and tomorrow's scoring will weigh relative strength of the two Columbia river forts. Hood River will undergo a test of its own, with an out-of-district trek to strong Gresham. The green but powerful Pendleton Buckaroos travel to La Grande, defending Blue Mountain titlist, to try for their third straight conference win.

Medford favorite
Obvious favorite for the southern Oregon title is defending state champion Medford, undefeated since 1943, which entertains Eureka, Calif., tomorrow. But two other squads in the Southern Oregon district still clutch unbeaten records: North

Bend, which goes to Coquille Saturday, and Roseburg, which entertains Springfield tomorrow.

Grants Pass and Klamath Falls, southerly squads with equal records of two wins, one loss, tangle at Grants Pass tomorrow. The tilt marks the Cavemen's first Southern Oregon conference game.

In the Northwestern Oregon district—which has more elevens than all the other three districts combined—the pigskin picture is more muddled. In its Northern division five squads are still unbeaten: Beaverton, Central Catholic, Columbia Prep, Hillsboro and McMinnville.

Hillsboro, tabbed by half a dozen coaches as a probable district titlist, will clash at McMinnville tomorrow in the top Tualatin-Yamhill valley game. Beaverton goes to Tillamook in another league tilt.

Top-Ranking Game
Central Catholic will entertain Corvallis, powerhouse of the Southern division, in another top-ranking game. Columbia prep has a cinch scheduled against cellar-sitting Parkrose.

In the Southern division of the district, filled with little schools who play easy schedules, unbeaten records don't mean much. Cottage Grove, idle this weekend, and three small schools who have played just once boast undefeated slates. But Eugene, Corvallis and Gresham, each of which have

lost once to an out-of-district team, rank as greater contenders to the title. Eugene, no-name defending titlist, entertains inexperienced Albany tomorrow.

In the fourth district—Portland public schools—undefeated Washington will take on Jefferson tomorrow. Grant, also unbeaten and untied, meets Lincoln, Roosevelt plays Commerce, and Benson fights Franklin.

Huskies Will Be In Scrapy Mood For Cougar Tilt

SEATTLE, Oct. 12 (AP)—Still smarting from their defeat last week at the hands of California, the Washington Huskies will be in fighting mood Saturday for their home game with Washington State.

Only big change for the contest is the shifting of Freshman Bob Nelson from end to left halfback. His driving speed will give the Huskies a type of breakaway runner they have lacked this season.

Gail Bruce, standout end, must miss the WSC battle because of a split hip muscle.

Ducks Reported To Be Scarce In Alaska

JUNEAU, Alaska, Oct. 12 (AP)—Ducks are scarce in western Alaska and also in the interior, Director Frank Hynes of the Alaska fish and wildlife service, said today upon his return from a survey trip.

He attributed the scarcity largely to the high water in the interior, which interfered with nesting and to droughts over large parts of northwestern Canada.

The ducks fly north during the spring.

General "Ike" Eisenhower likes to pack his own personal possessions.

UCLA Bruins Clash With Golden Bears

By BILL BECKER
LOS ANGELES, Oct. 12 (AP)—The UCLA Bruins and the California Bears collide tomorrow in a Coliseum grid skirmish that should definitely determine their Pacific coast conference championship aspirations.

The Bruins, all set to take a chewable chunk out of their big brother Bears from Berkeley, lost their only conference game, 13-6, to USC, then came back to wallop San Diego Navy, 20-14, and College of Pacific, 50-0. They must win tomorrow to stay in the running.

Likewise, Buck Shaw's Bears who, after losing to St. Mary's, 20-13, came back to split two conference tussles, dropping to USC 13-2, and whipping Washington, 27-14, in a startling form reversal.

The Bears sported an impotent offense until last week when Billy Agnew and Bud Buestad, both just out of the service, threw bulseye's against the Huskies and the new Shaw attack, compounded of T and double wing poltons, started to hit on all 16 cylinders. The expected crowd of 65,000 may see one of the season's closest tussles.

The slashing running of Cal Ross, Skip Rowland and Jack Boyd is expected to elick off much yardage—and possibly many points—for the Bruins, but there's still some doubt about their pass defense. Bert La Bruchiere's Bruins may give away as many points through the air as they take by land.

Happy Denies Rift Rumors

VERMILION, Ky., Oct. 12 (AP)—United States Senator-Baseball Commissioner A. B. (Happy) Chandler said at his home here today he "obviously" had been attacked in an organized smear campaign designed to discredit him in the new baseball office. Referring to published reports that differences of opinion existed between himself and baseball club owners and that the owners were attempting to buy off his commissioner contract, Chandler said:

"It is obvious there has been a smear campaign worked up against me which has been paid for. I don't know who was behind it and I am not interested, because it didn't get any place. My position is solid."

At the same time, Chandler said he had not mailed his resignation as senator to Gov. Simeon Willis of Kentucky, had not yet written it and was not sure just when he would mail it. "I am not going to let the governor read my resignation in the papers," he stated. "It will be announced by the governor himself."

Midget Auto Driver Killed In Accident

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 12 (AP)—Clarence (Sport) Briggs, 34, Alhambra, was injured fatally last night when his midget auto racer crashed into a retaining wall before 40,000 spectators at the coliseum. He died of head and internal injuries two hours after the accident.

Briggs was driving a trial warm-up for events which marked the first resumption of midget auto racing here since 1941.

Oregon Will Battle OSC For State Grid Honors

Each Team Expected To Put Up Stiff Fight In Traditional Clash Saturday

By WILL LINDLEY
Associated Press Staff Writer
Now is the time for a couple of Oregon football coaches to put on their dark glasses and moan about their weak football teams.

Such antics are expected by followers of the annual Oregon-Oregon State game, as they fool no one. It's all part of the warm-up for the state's roughest gridiron battle.

The University of Oregon can beat OSC by four touchdowns

—on paper, according to one method of calculating. Washington State beat OSC by 33 points (33-0), but WSC trimmed Idaho by 31 points (43-12). That would mean Idaho is two points tougher than OSC. Since the University of Oregon whipped Idaho by 20 points (33-7), that would make (26 minus two) the Webfoots 24 points stronger than OSC.

Both Teams Fight

Then, arriving at this conclusion, the mathematician throws his paper work away and refuses to make a prediction. He can't be blamed, because comparative scores mean little or nothing when the two teams meet. It's a battle for supremacy in the state, and each team fights every minute of the game at its peak of power.

Supposed potentialities that don't develop during an Oregon-OSC game aren't there.

From the Staters' standpoint, they took six out of the last seven civil wars. But another war—World War II—has ensued since the last game, and reputations are as of the present—not the past. Oregon has won 25 of 47 games, the Beavers 15. Saturday afternoon's game at Corvallis will find a sadly battered Beaver line trying to hold against Oregon's offensive sparkplugs—Bob Reynolds and Jake Leicht, plus Walt Donovan, leading ground gainer against Idaho. Earlier this week, Leicht and Reynolds were reported limping from leg injuries which could keep them benched Saturday or limit their playing time.

Similar Reports
Reports from Corvallis were surprisingly similar. Seven of the first-string Beaver eleven suffered injuries from the Washington State dynamo last Saturday. Coach Lon Stiner continued shifting men from one position to another—trying to attain balance and put predominated green men where they will do the most good.

Such is the gloomy pre-game propaganda. It should make all Oregonians happy to know that Coaches Oliver and Stiner are back at their old tricks again—each pretending he can't win.

That nearby is impossible. No prognosticators are foolish enough to predict the Feuds don't end that way.

Lutz Paces Grants Pass To Two Wins

GRANTS PASS, Oct. 12 (AP)—The Grants Pass Cavemen open their bid for the Southern Oregon conference title here Friday night meeting the Klamath Falls Pelicans.

Coach Johnson is working his charges hard this week, stressing defense as well as power plays on offense. The team is in good shape, according to Johnson, and will be at full strength against the strong Pelicans, last week's victors over Ashland.

In three games, all against Coos county teams, the Cavemen have scored 47 points in winning two and losing one. They lost to North Bend in the first game, 28 to 7, then beat Coquille 20 to 0, and downed Marshfield 20 to 0. Jack Lutz, fleet-footed back, leads the Grants Pass squad with 18 points.

Texas-Oklahoma Tilt To Draw Huge Crowd

DALLAS, Oct. 12 (AP)—The largest football crowd in the southwest this season is expected tomorrow when Texas meets Oklahoma here in the 39th game of an ancient series, with more than 40,000 due to jam into the Cotton Bowl.

This will further boost Southwest conference attendance that already is materially ahead of last year.

Merchant Marine Plans Football Team

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (AP)—This is to let the Army and Navy know they may soon have to share their top-ranking service football honors with a third team, the Merchant Marines. Representatives of the Marines were in town yesterday to pay their respect to Vice Admiral Emory S. Land, chairman of the maritime commission, and they left no doubt about their football ambitions.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT
By The Associated Press
AKRON—Vinnie Jones, 154, New York, knocked out Oscar Suggs, 152, Newport, R. I., 9. Charley Roth, 184, Detroit, knocked out Henry Johnson, 200, Buffalo, 2.

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