

District Grid Titles Remain Big Puzzle

Order That Champs Be Chosen By Vote Overlooks Vital Points

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Gridiron floodlights hit a quartet of top prep games in Oregon this weekend, but the real spotlight is on a backstage pow-wow as to who's going to get the titles when the games are done.

Beaverton and McMinnville will lay their perfect records on the line at McMinnville in tomorrow's (Friday) most crucial clash. The only other unbeaten squad in district 3's northern division, Columbia Prep, meets strong Central Catholic.

Cottage Grove, unbeaten in the southern division of the district, will face a stiff test at Roseburg. In the Portland district, undefeated Grant must down third-place Washington to hold its league lead.

The two top eastern Oregon elevens play a couple of walk-aways against opponents who've not won a game this season. In southern Oregon, Medford and North Bend are expected to keep their slates unmarred.

What's puzzling prep leaders more than weekend results is the title choosing. The Oregon High School Activities association has ordered that titlists be chosen by vote of the district schools—votes to be cast for "team winning the most games." But the rules are severely silent on a few vital points:

1. If the team with the most victories has played only little schools, will it still get the nod over a more powerful school which has had a defeat?

This rears a puzzling head particularly in district 3's southern division, where Little Woodburn and Cottage Grove bid fair to end the season undefeated. Yet neither is reckoned as strong as beaten Corvallis.

The OHSAA and the district chairman both presume the voting schools would consider the caliber of the teams—but it's not in the rules, and if they want to vote for a little undefeated school that's strictly Hoyle.

2. Suppose two teams, which don't play each other, emerge with unbeaten, untied records? This may pop up in district 3's northern division, where Columbia prep has no games scheduled against either the other two so far unbeaten squads: McMinnville and Beaverton. And the titlist is to be elected before the end of the regular schedule.

It's almost certain to occur in southern Oregon, but that district has already arranged for the contingency by scheduling a November 16 or 17 playoff between North Bend and Medford if both continue undefeated.

3. Should the voting schools, obligated to elect the "team winning the most games" count only inter-district tilts or all games?

The OHSAA and most district chairmen—except district 3's northern division, which says definitely it will count all games—feel only games within the district should be considered.

That system would give The Dalles as good a record as Hood River in eastern Oregon. It would also solve one district 3 problem, by bringing Gresham and Corvallis on a par with Little Woodburn and Cottage Grove as undefeated in the district.

But it promptly poses a new perplexity. If a school—as many do—plays many of its games out of the district, would all those victories be discounted? Tossing out the inter-district games—if carried out to the letter—results in some startling oddities. For instance:

Bend, defeated four times, has as perfect a record as Medford. Bend's undefeated in its district—it's played only one game there.

Roseburg is also perfect in the district. It hasn't played there at all. Dallas could lose every game and still claim an undefeated record in its district. It doesn't even play in its district.

Discarding the palpable absurdities, there remain some baffling problems in the titlist selection. The OHSAA's stand on all of them is that it's up to the opinion of the voting schools.

That's what the squads with championship hopes are studying while Oregon's elevens roll onto the gridiron for this weekend's round.

Sportsmen Move To Better Oregon Field Conditions

Three points vital to hunters and sportsmen in this area came up for discussion during the meeting of the Klamath Modoc chapter of the Isaac Walton league at the Willard hotel last night.

The first was a discussion of game management in this country and the chapter moved to suggest to the state game commission that the state be divided into six or eight districts, each in charge of a competent game management man who would conduct the commission's business in his district.

With a local representative of the game commission at hand, sportsmen would be more able to air their opinions and suggestions for improvement of hunting and fishing conditions and the local man would be able to convey to the commission the needs and desires of his territory, thereby working for better relations between individual sportsmen and the state commission.

The second point brought up regards the federal government's policy in releasing ammunition. Sportsmen have expressed their displeasure in the present distribution setup, which has allowed shells to get into channels not expected to receive shipments and has left returning servicemen, eager to do a little hunting, faced with a lack of shells.

The chapter hopes that something is done in Washington within the next ten days to relieve that situation before the end of the current season.

Also, the Klamath Modoc chapter is going to try to open new public shooting grounds in this area. There is a chance that some sectors on this side of the California line may be opened up to public hunting but the lands will have to be developed and ponds created to make the spots more attractive to game birds.

At present most of the open hunting grounds are in California.

No Pheasant Tags Needed In California

No pheasant tags will be required for the coming pheasant season in California, November 20 to November 27, inclusive, the California fish and game division has announced.

In past years hunters have had to purchase a set of tags and tie one to the neck of each pheasant killed. This year, however, sportsmen can hunt on their California licenses.

The bag limit for pheasant is limited to 10 roosters during the season. Shooters may have in their possession only two on opening day and no more than four any day after the season's opener.

For quail the California limit is 10 per day, aggregate. Possession limit is 10 a day, aggregate, and the weekly limit is 20.

Quail season runs from November 20 to December 15, inclusive. Shooting times are from 10 a. m. to one-half hour after sunset for pheasant opening day and from sunrise to one-half hour after sunset on all other days. Shooting hours for quail are from 10 a. m. until one-half hour after sunset each day.

OAKLAND—Earl Turner, 150, Richmond, TKO., Irish Johnny Taylor, 148, Oakland, 5; Silent Escobar, 170, Berkeley, knocked out Booker Washington, 169, Sacramento, 6.

Mask On Tomorrow's Card



The Grey Mask, shown here apparently getting his teeth kicked in by Angelo Martinelli during their tilt last week, finally managed to extricate himself from the ropes and flop Martinelli to win their bout. Tomorrow night the Mask takes on Herbie Parks, Canadian strongman, in one tilt of a double-header main event. The other headliner pits Jack Lipscomb against Rough Rufus Jones, and Martinelli gets a crack at Joe Lynam in the opener.

Jacobs Takes No Chances With \$3,000,000 Gate

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NEW YORK, Oct. 25—Out of the army have come a couple of fighters who want to fight, only to find themselves shackled by commercialism.

Signing Joe Louis and Billy Conn to again battle for the world heavyweight championship next June, Mike Jacobs insisted on a no tune-up match agreement.

Louis, who will be 32 and out of action five years when he



again engages Conn, realizes that he desperately needs to regain the feel of competition before a crowd. He made this clear when he signed with the proviso that if Conn were allowed to engage in any tune-up bouts, the same privilege would be accorded the champion.

Johnny Ray, managing Conn, balked at the clause, held up his signing for a day, then haggled for a couple of hours before yielding to pressure and affixing his signature.

By the terms the performers are permitted to indulge in exhibitions, take on refereeing chores and make radio appearances, but real battles are taboo until they slide through the hemp together.

Jacobs will even pass on opponents in the exhibitions. Talk about a dictator!

Promoter Jacobs simply isn't taking any chance of anything happening to a prospective \$3,000,000 gate.

After having done phenomenal business throughout the war while having practically nothing to sell, the hungry Jacobs figures he can feed the dear patrons most any old pig in a poke. And at the record bucks office price of \$100 a rattle. Once the dough is in the till, the old Broadway ticket scalper won't care if Louis and Conn fight like a pair of Bummy Davises.

"What could I do?" complains manager Ray, the one-time featherweight. "Jacobs had the champion. I am confident Conn can still fight, but perhaps some of the fight public might be skeptical. It wouldn't hurt to let them see for themselves whether Conn has gone back or not. We'd like to make sure ourselves."

"You can't tell me a fighter can do his best following a long

lay-off unless he has a couple of tune-up bouts."

Conn appeared in 325 exhibition bouts in Europe, and says they didn't do him much good. It was strictly entertainment for GI's. Nobody got hurt.

Billy the Kid thinks it not only fair to the public, but to themselves that Louis and he be permitted to prove themselves to be what everybody contends is a \$3,000,000 attraction.

At that Conn considers the non-combat clause a break in his favor, for at 27 he is five years younger than Louis.

"Personally, I thought Louis was developing a bit of a bay window when I saw him in England two years ago," he beams. The bucks office-protecting clause means that there will be some pretty stiff competition in training camp rings.

Cigar Store Brave Now Grid Trophy

EVANSTON, Ill., Oct. 25 (AP)—A six and a half foot wooden Indian, after spending scores of years gracing fronts of cigar stores and more recently an antique shop display, henceforth is to be a prized possession Northwestern and Illinois football teams will fight for on the gridiron.

The model, reportedly 100 years old, was selected by a trophy committee at Northwestern from a field of 22 Pawnees. An all-campus contest will be held to select a suitable name and it will be on display at the Wildcats-Illini game on November 24.

The Indian thus will join the famed Minnesota-Michigan brown jug and the Purdue-In-

Pels Set For Tomorrow's Logger Scrap

Against the Eureka, Calif., Loggers tomorrow the Pelicans have prepared to supplement the T offense they've used all season with plays run from a single wing and have been scrimmaging all week to perfect an attack to get them back in the win column.

The wingback plays will add variety to their ground assault. The Loggers utilize a seven-man line on the defensive, while the Pelicans have been running up against 6-2-1 setups this year, so in this week's practice the lads have been drilling for that type of spread defense.

No starting lineup has been announced for the Logger tilt, but Coach Paul Angstead mentioned yesterday that some of the men on the squad may not make the trip to Eureka. No man was named definitely at the time as not going along.

As a whole the big squad looked good in scrimmage yesterday afternoon and later on under the lights, practicing against the Wildcats.

The practice was just as much a game preliminary for the Wildcats as for the varsity, the juniors having a game under the Modoc field lights against the Tulare Lake Honkers tomorrow night. There will be no admission to the Wildcat game, starting at 8 o'clock.

The Pelicans will be gone two days on the Eureka trip. They left this morning by bus.

Women Keglers Start League Play Tonight

The "Lady Bug" bowling league goes into its season's play at Recreation bowling alleys tonight at 8 o'clock with eight teams set to roll. The girls have been practicing strikes and spares for a week and are ready to go into league competition.

Team members, captains and sponsors are:

FLUHER'S—Eaton (c), Poppy, Peters, Wechter and Cody.

CRATER HOTEL—Green (c), Butler, Elliott, Miles and Trulove.

BLACK & WHITE—Britt (c), Owens, Clinton, Hanville and McDonald.

SAFEWAY—Geddes (c), Griggs, Finney, Ferguson and Dawes.

HOUSTON'S—Cassidy (c), Bellotti, Whiting, Koberg and Moll.

COCA COLA—Pernigotti (c), Hunsaker, Drew, McGifford and Borden.

DAGGETT INSURANCE—Backes (c), Tyler, Baxter, Pape and Hamilton.

HAZEL'S—McCollum, Foubert, Heidemann, Patty and McCollum.

These team lineups are not final and are subject to change.

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Sacred Heart Gridders To Play Dorris High

Traveling to Dorris tomorrow, Nick Ruggiero's Sacred Heart gridders will take on the Dorris high school eleven in the afternoon for their second game of the season.

The Sacred Heart boys have been beaten in their only tilt this season by Malin, 12-6, and Dorris high dropped a 28-0 decision to Malin Tuesday. Since their Malin game, however, Ruggiero has been putting his boys through some stiff workouts against the Pelicans and says his team has improved in every department.

Probable starters for Sacred Heart will be Jim Manning, LE; Clarence Hamilton, LT; Jack Nary, LG; Bob Hannan, C; Ed Willetts, RG; David Vandenberg, RT; and Donald Palmer, RE. In the backfield Jim McBride will probably get the starting

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HERALD AND NEWS—THIRTEEN

Last Game Coming For Five Uclans

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 25 (AP)—Five Bruins will play their final game for UCLA against Oregon tomorrow night.

Ace Halfback Cal Rossi, Tackle Herb Boom and Center Rocky Childers will be transferred to Harvard for navy midshipman training November 9, while End Nelson King and Back Bert West, both recently commissioned ensigns, have been assigned to duty about the same time. King will report to Harvard, West to San Francisco.

KUHS FROSH AT MALIN

The Klamath Union high school freshmen will play Malin high's second team on the Malin gridiron tomorrow at 3:15. Tomorrow afternoon on Modoc field, Altamont junior high team will meet the Klamath juniors at 3 o'clock.

Touch-Tackle Meet Starts Saturday

First round double eliminations of the upper grade school touch-tackle football competition will be played on the Mills school athletic field Saturday morning.

Mills school meets Roosevelt at 9:30, Fairview battles with Riverside at 10:30 and Fremont plays Pelican at 11:30.

The second round will be played Monday.

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