From Midfield

By HALE SCARBROUGH

Color Problem In Chandler's Lap

A wire story yesterday from Washington reported that Sen. Happy Chandler of Kentucky, baseball's new high commissioner, would resign from the senate November 1, ostensibly to devote his full time to the job of running major league baseball. And right now Chandler is faced with the first really big controversial hunk of meat he's been called to bite into since taking over Kenesaw Mountain Landis' old job —the color problem in big-time ball.

Branch Rickey Jr., who seems to be following his old man's example in keeping the baseball commissioner up nights, has bought Jackie Robison from the Kansas City negro Monarchs and plans to use the former UCLA gridster in the infield of the Montreal Royals.

Montreal is the International league farm club of the Brooklyn Dodgers and Robison is the first negro player ever signed for organized baseball. Jackie is supposed to be only one of a couple of dozen colored players acquired by the Brooklyn chain, but the controversy is going to center around him. Rickey expects trouble and expects some players in the Dodgers' organization to quit, but he hopes the situation will be ironed out eventually.

Landis ducked baseball's race problem all through his long career as commissioner, but Chandler is getting it dumped right in his lap.

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Ferrari's Buck Leads Sweepstakes

A 287-pound four-point buck bagged by Frank Ferrari of Klamath Falls on Horsefly mountain now tops this season's entries in Ed Bell's annual mule deer sweepstakes. Ferrari made his kill with a .300 Savage. Another heavy buck entered recently was brought down by Lewis Payne, also on Horsefly mountain and also with a .300 Savage. Payne's buck weighed 271.

There have been a number of reports drifting in that the deer are on the move now, with cold weather coming to the mountains, but conditions this weekend should make for good hunting at the end of the season. The large number of hunters expected to take to the woods for their last crack at a buck will keep the deer stirred up and be a big help to shooters.

Recently a Washington news release announced that the navy was going to release some 40,000,000 rounds of ammunition, much to the gratification of a lot of local nimrods who have been scouring the town for shells.

Well, the shells came—but they were all skeet loads, number eight shot with three drams of powder, and hardly suitable for hunting migratory waterfowl. Dealers and sportsmen alike have turned thumbs down and are again looking expectantly toward the navy.

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Pelicans Up Against Another Tough One

Fans who saw Medford play Eureka a couple of weeks ago say that the Klamath boys are up against another classy outfit. One local said the Logger eleven was the slickest, cleverest, best-coached small squad he's seen in a long time, and the 38-0 score was no indication of the battle they gave the Tornado. Versatility is their strong point, plays being pulled from the T, single wing, double wing and box formations.

And I know a guy who claims never to have won a bet who has Klamath and 13 points against Eureka.

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Big Weekend For National Football

ALABAMA over Georgia . . . MISSISSIPPI over Arkansas . . . ARMY over Duke . . . GEORGIA TECH over Auburn . . . BAYLOR over Texas A&M . . . CALIFORNIA over Nevada . . . COAST GUARD over Harvard . . . HOLY CROSS over Colgate . . . COLORADO A&M over Utah . . . COLUMBIA over Brown . . . YALE over Cornell . . . DARTMOUTH over Syracuse . . . WASHINGTON STATE over Idaho . . . MICHIGAN over Illinois . . . INDIANA over Tulsa . . . NOTRE DAME over Iowa . . . OKLAHOMA over Kansas State . . . LSU over Vanderbilt . . . MICHIGAN STATE over Marquette . . . MINNESOTA over Ohio State . . . NEBRASKA over Missouri . . . PURDUE over Northwestern . . . OKLAHOMA A&M over Texas Christian . . . NAVY over Pennsylvania . . . PITT over Temple . . . PRINCETON over Rutgers . . . RICE over Texas . . . SOUTHERN CAL over Washington . . . TULANE over Southern Methodist . . . TENNESSEE over Villanova . . . and OREGON over UCLA, I hope.

Pro Cage Backer Finds Tough Sledding

By WILL LINDLEY
Associated Press Staff Writer

Over in Vancouver, Wash., they call Ralph Fisher "the dreamer."

He's the fellow who's trying to lasso enough teams for a northwest professional basketball league. And with a little more help from this side of the Columbia, the sports editor of the Vancouver Columbian thinks he can have the circuit in action this season.

Portland and Baker — a strange pair—are the two Oregon towns where sportsmen have been enthusiastic about the idea. But what about Salem, Eugene, Pendleton, Klamath Falls, and other population centers? The dreamer isn't certain.

Marshall (Dutch) Shields, former University of Oregon hoop star who coached at Vancouver high before entering the logging business, is ready to take the Portland franchise, and already has several players lined up.

At Baker, Gerald Markee has some good men in mind, including Hank Anderson, former University of Oregon star, and Ernie Rostock, who ranked high in the nation's scoring lists when he played for Eastern Oregon College of Education at La Grande just before the war.

Fisher says his pro teams do not intend to raid high schools and colleges for their players, but will wait a full year after a player had graduated from high school before they sign him. Or if he wants to go to college they will wait until he has graduated before offering him a play-for-pay deal.

Other Washington teams are in the making at Vancouver, Fort Lewis and Spokane, and there is a possibility Longview, Tacoma and Seattle may come in, Fisher said.

As for Oregon:

Klamath Falls sportsmen don't think the idea would take there.

Medford men are interested, but wouldn't want to start organizing a team until next year.

No one in the Salem area appears willing to back such a venture.

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Jake Leicht, Cal Rossi Duel Billed

Star Halfbacks Of Ducks And Uclans Should Provide Plenty Of Sparks Tonight

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 26 (AP)—Two of the Pacific coast's three great backs of the season match tricks tonight as Jake Leicht leads the Oregon Webfoots into the coliseum against Cal Rossi and the UCLA Bruins.

Leicht and Rossi rate as perhaps the top runners of the far west, with St. Mary's Herman Wedemeyer the region's most sensational passer and also a fine ball-carrier.

But Herman can weight. The Leicht-Rossi duel should furnish thrills aplenty for the anticipated crowd of 45,000. When Jumpin' Jake and Gallopin' Cal start swinging those ends, the men with the yardage chains are going to be on the move.

Leight can make the pigskin do everything but squeal. He runs, kicks and passes, and is a truly great defensive back. He tackles with deadly accuracy.

The finest ball-carrier to come out of Stockton, Calif., high school, where he ran the 100 in 9.6 seconds, Leicht has added finesse to blinding speed in subsequent stops at Pasadena J. C., Oregon, Randolph field and the fourth air force.

Playing nothing but conference games, Oregon has won two and lost two. Aside from negro Quarterback Bob Reynolds, Oregon has only inexperienced beef to go with their guiding Leicht, but witth him the Webfoots may yet go a long way.

Rossi will be making his 1945 grid swan song tonight, as he has been ordered, along with three other Bruins, to report to Harvard before UCLA's next game. He will be ineligible to play at Harvard.

Netting more than 100 yards from scrimmage per game, the rugged and speedy (10.1) Bruin southpaw has established himself as one of the best runners to the left the conference has seen in many moons. He is sturdy defensively, a good blocker and a fair passer and punter, although seldom called on for the last two duties.

Rossi is fortunate in having a better-balanced, if lighter, supporting cast and the UCLAns rule a six-point favorite. As usual, the feather-footed bruins will be outweighed—this time 15 pounds per man. UCLA's conference record reads one win, one loss.

Probable starting lineups for the 8:30 kickoff:

Oregon	Pos.	UCLA
Hathaway	LE	Hansen
Gillis	LT	Boom
Kauffman	LG	Woelfle
W. Anderson	C	Childers
Reiton	RG	Sparlis
Deskins	RT	Asher
R. Anderson	RE	Tausheck
Reynolds	QB	Case
Leight	LH	Boyd
Donovan	RH	Rossi
Bond	FB	Porter

Light-Heavy Title At Stake In Portland Go

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 26 (AP) Joe Kahut, Woodburn, Ore., will battle Gus Lesnevich of New Jersey, titleholder, for the world's light heavyweight championship here on January 24, Matchmaker Joe Waterman said today.

He reported the match "signed, sealed and delivered" after a telephone conversation last night with Tex Salkeld and Jack Capri in New York. The New York State Boxing commission has approved, listing Kahut a logical contender because of his recent decision over Hilton (Fitzy) Fitzpatrick of Los Angeles, Waterman reported.

Lesnevich has been guaranteed $30,000 for the bout.

Quarterback Leaves OSC Campus

CORVALLIS, Ore., Oct. 26 (AP) Bob Hamlin, Oregon State first string quarterback, got the call to report to Cal. Tech Nov. 1, leaving only two regular quarterbacks, Murl Anderson and Jack Heaton in the lineup for the Idaho game set for Nov. 3, here.

The gap was partly offset by the return of Sid Sythe, promising frosh right guard, whose draft board gave him permission to finish his fall term. Letterman Bob Stevens is again working out and expected to be on hand for the Nov. 3 show.

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Gory Trio To Appear At Armory

Tonight's rassling bill-of-fare contains three of the goriest crunchers on the Northwest circuit in Brutal Jack Lipscomb, Rough Rufus Jones and our old veiled buddy, the Grey Mask.

Along with this gruesome trio are three more able-bodied musclemen who have the same penchant, if not the same record, for bloodshed as the aforementioned triumvirate, Herbie Parks, Angelo Martinelli and Joe Lynam.

Parks and the Mask have the floor for one-half of the scheduled double main event and Lipscomb and Jones will occupy the soft lights for the other. Martinelli and Lynam get together in the curtain-raiser.

Referee Wally Moss, who has spent a part of the last two armory grapple sessions on the deck looking up, is scheduled to be the third man in the ring and his past experiences with Messrs Jones, Lipscomb and Mask should be fair warning against leading with his chin.

Jones lost his first tiff on the local canvas last week, disqualified for slugging Moss, and that's how Clouting Canuck Herbie got his shot at the seemingly invincible Hood. Lipscomb has been absent from the local wars for several weeks and the fans will be looking for him to hand Jones just the trouncing he's been asking for.

The fact that Brutal Jack is the west coast junior heavyweight champ forbids him to fight anything less than top bouts and the Dusky Detroiter has signifed his utter contempt for anything less than first money, so the idea of a double main event—two bouts of six tne-minute cantos—was dreamed up to pacify them.

The Hooded Hoodlum, who may or may not be one Cyclone Mackay, described as "an aging wrestler from San Antonio," should have no difficulty in guzzling Parks in much the same manner as he's guzzled everyone else he's been introduced to on the local mat.

Show starts at 8:30.

FOOTBALL SCORES

By The Associated Press
Jefferson 14, Lincoln 0.
Commerce 14, Benson 13.
Roosevelt 12, Franklin 6.

SCORES RODEO TRIPLE

NEW YORK, Oct. 26 (AP) — Jimmy Schumacher, of Phoenix, Ariz., scored a triple in the rodeo at Madison Square Garden yesterday. He won the bareback bronc riding and bull riding contests at the matinee performance and at night again won the bull riding competition.

3546 DUCK STAMPS

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Buckeye-Gopher, Alabama-Georgia And Army-Duke Other Headliners

By HAROLD CLAASSEN

NEW YORK, Oct. 26 (AP)—There's nothing like an upset to thrill the football spectator and some 73,000 fans will jam Philadelphia's Franklin field tomorrow for Pennsylvania's clash with Navy in hopes of viewing a twist in form similar to the ones which sent Ohio State and Georgia down to defeat a week ago.

Both the Quakers and Middies are undefeated and each holds a berth among the country's top 10 teams as determined by the weekly Associated Press poll. The only Penn casualty is Coach George Munger, suffering from influenza.

Navy's hospital roll is longer than a child's Christmas list but the Middies get this corner's very hesitant vote to triumph.

Other selections:

Ohio State-Minnesota: The pressure of their winning streak is off the Buckeyes and they may rebound and halt Minnesota's hope of gaining the Big Ten crown. But the Gopher's all-around attack is too much. Minnesota.

Duke—Army: A year ago Duke led Army at the half, 7 to 6, and may repeat that experience this year but by the end of the game the Cadets definitely will be out in front. Army.

Georgia - Alabama: Charlie Trippi has had another week to work his talents into the Georgia setup. The Bulldogs will need more than that to stop the tosses of hurling Harry Gilmer. Alabama.

Purdue - Northwestern: Purdue's reaction to its triumph over Ohio State a week ago may make this close. Purdue.

Southern California-Washington: The Trojans haven't been beaten by a college club this year—and don't intend to ruin that record this week. Southern California.

Holy Cross-Colgate: Stan Koslwski, Holy Cross's great back, may not play because of a knee injury. His absence would make it a tight affair. Holy Cross.

Iowa-Notre Dame: This contest ends the Hawkeyes' record of never having lost a football game to Notre Dame. Notre Dame.

Cornell-Yale: Naval transfers and returnees have altered both clubs beyond recognition but Cornell still has the passing of Allan Dekdebrun. Cornell.

Oklahoma A. & M. - Texas Christian: Bob Fenimore, the nation's top ground gainer, spells the difference. Oklahoma A. & M.

Tulsa-Indiana: The Oklahomans aren't making the trip north just to look at the scenery. Indiana's porous pass defense to decide. Tulsa.

Vanderbilt - Louisiana State: The Bengals are clicking. LSU.

Finishing the rest in a hurry:

Friday: UCLA over Oregon; William and Mary over North Carolina State; Miami, Fla., over Miami, Ohio; Detroit over Drake.

And on Saturday:

Farwest: Utah over Colorado A. & M., California over Nevada, Washington State over Idaho.

Midwest: Michigan over Illinois; Michigan State over Marquette; Great Lakes over Western Michigan, Missouri over Nebraska, Kansas over Wichita, Oklahoma over Kansas State.

South: Georgia Tech over Auburn, Florida over Southwest Louisiana Institute, Southern Methodist over Tulane, Tennessee over Villanova.

Southwest: Texas over Rice; Texas A. & M. over Baylor.

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