

19 New Year's Day Football Bowls Will Attract Half A Million Fans Tomorrow

Army-Irish Split . . . Ticket Scalping Given As Factor In Decision

NEW YORK, Dec. 31 (AP)—The menacing shadows of ticket "scalping" and gambling generally were regarded today as factors behind the football split between Army and Notre Dame. Indications are that the two schools will give the situation a chance to cool off before resuming relations, probably early in the 1950's.

It is expected to take about that long for big time football to get back to the point where it will once more "serve the interests . . . of intercollegiate athletics."

That was the stipulation for resumption of the rivalry that both Major General Maxwell D. Taylor, the military academy superintendent, and the Rev. John J. Cavanaugh, Notre Dame president, laid down yesterday when they announced the series would be suspended temporarily because it was getting out of hand. Both declared conditions surrounding the annual Army-Notre Dame tilt were "escaping the control of the two colleges."

A 1947 game will be played November 8 in Notre Dame's 56,000-seat Memorial stadium in South Bend, Ind., and then the series will be discontinued until further notice.

The current series began with an upset in 1913 and has grown through the years into the "homecoming game" for the subway alumni all over the nation.

In 1947 the get-together will be taken out of the big-time hullabaloo of New York's stadium for the first time in 15 years and returned to the comparative normalcy of a college campus where school authorities will be in direct control of ticket distribution.

Although there was no direct mention of either gambling or ticket speculation, heads of both schools remarked conditions were "not conducive to wholesome intercollegiate sports."

Skiers Stage Close Finish

(AP)—Snow burners from 25 colleges and universities shot down the side of Ruud mountain today and soared aloft as the spectacular jumping event ended the four-day fifth annual intercollegiate ski meet.

With team score compilations still trailing by almost two events it was believed that the winning schools would not be announced until tomorrow when the 125 entrants attend the annual skiers' New Year's Day dinner.

The University of Utah team, paced by 18-year-old Dick Mowitz, winner of the slalom, and Bill Beesley, top man in the downhill, was favored but the number of thirds, fourths and fifths the University of Washington piled up indicated some close figuring.

Broncs Continue Point Rampage

MOSCOW, Ida., Dec. 31 (AP)—Santa Clara continued to ride high and handsome over the Pacific Coast cage picture today following its one-point 44-43 triumph over University of Idaho last night.

The Broncos trailed by a single point at halftime, 21-20, and fell behind 38-32 midway in the second half before surging to a tie and going out in front a minute before the game's end.

Idaho had a chance to tie the contest when Johnny Evans was fouled, but failed. Evans topped the scoring with 15 points.

Good For Both

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Dec. 31 (AP)—The Rev. John J. Cavanaugh, president of the University of Notre Dame, in a statement today, said that the decision to sever football relations with Army "will be good for both institutions and for intercollegiate athletics as a whole."

Tempers Fly Over Remark

NEW YORK, Dec. 31 (AP)—Nat Holman, City college basketball coach, was scheduled to appear before the school's faculty athletic committee today to give an account of last Saturday night's flareup in Madison Square Garden over remarks uttered by a rival coach against CCNY players.

The comments of the other coach, Ev Shelton of Wyoming, enraged Holman and almost precipitated a fist fight between the two mentors while their teams were completing the game which CCNY won 57-48.

The incident was thrashed out yesterday at the weekly meeting of coaches and writers, with each participant having his say.

"I am very sorry the remark I made caused any hard feelings," Shelton said at the meeting. "It was merely descriptive and carried no venom. I did not intend to slanderize nationality or religion."

"When we play Indian teams, we call them Indians. When we play Jews, we call them Jews. . . . All I said the other night was 'the Jews are getting away with murder.'"

Local Radios Airing Games

NEW YORK, Dec. 31 (AP)—Sites of New Year's Day football bowl games with won, tied and lost records of participating teams and kickoff time. (All times Pacific Standard) (probable attendance in parentheses).

Rose Bowl at Pasadena, Calif.: Illinois (7-0-2) vs. UCLA (10-0-0), 2:00 p. m., (90,000). National Broadcasting company. Georgia (10-0-0) vs. North Carolina (8-1-1), 12 noon, (73,000). KFLW.

Orange Bowl at Miami: Tennessee (9-0-1) vs. Rice (8-0-2), 11:00 a. m. (38,000).

Cotton Bowl at Dallas, Tex.: Arkansas (6-1-3) vs. Louisiana State (9-0-1), 11:15 a. m., (45,000). KFJI.

Oil Bowl at Houston, Tex.: Georgia Tech (8-0-2) vs. St. Mary's (6-0-2), 11:30 a. m. (30,000). Shrine game at San Francisco: Eastern Collegiate All-Stars vs. Western Collegiate All-Stars, 2 p. m. (62,000). KFJI.

Hornets Clear Football Debt

The Henley Hornets cleared the debts the school went into while winning the state B football championship and made a few dollars extra Saturday night with a pie supper and auction at the school.

The Hornets, to get the semifinal game with Amity played down here, had to give the Amity team \$600 for expenses, and after the title was won at North Powder Henley was \$180 in the hole.

Saturday night's pie supper, with Rep. Henry Semon as auctioneer, brought in \$450.

Coast Quints Divide Pair

NEW YORK, Dec. 31 (AP)—Pacific coast invaders garnered an even split against New York cage aggregations in last night's Madison Square Garden basketball doubleheaders with University of Southern California knocking over Long Island university 49-40 and UCLA going down 66-49 before New York university.

USC held the Long Island five to but 12 field goals, only four in the first half.

It was the Trojans' seventh win against three losses and the second loss in nine starts for LIU.

Don Barksdale, UCLA's high-scoring center, collected 23 points in the Bruins' unsuccessful drive against NYU.

Shrine Classic Leader Honored

DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 31 (AP)—William M. Coffman, managing director of the Shrine annual East-West New Year's Day grid game, today was named football's man of the year for 1946 by the Football Writers Association of America.

Selection of Coffman, a San Francisco business executive, was announced by Bert McGrane of Des Moines, secretary of the association, following the final vote by more than 400 writers.

Coffman has been identified with the East-West in its 22 years of existence, 21 of them being spent as director of the project.

Runnerup in the voting was Bert LaBrucherie, football coach at UCLA, whose team opposes Illinois tomorrow in the Rose Bowl game at Pasadena.

VMI Head Asks For Duck Job

EUGENE, Dec. 31 (AP)—Approximately 40 invitations for applications have been sent out by the University of Oregon in its search for a successor to Football Coach Tex Oliver, Graduate Manager Anson Cornell said today.

Pooley Hubert, head mentor at Virginia military institute, was the first to respond.

Cornell said the post would be filled sometime in January.

Fifty Of Nation's Stars Clash For Cripple Fund

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31 (AP)—Fifty collegiate football stars from all parts of the nation will clash tomorrow in Kezar stadium for sectional prestige in the annual East-West game and a rich harvest for the Shrine crippled children's hospital.

The East's powerful combination ruled as a slight favorite—10 to 9—on the eve of the game, and the weather bureau promised some 62,000 ticket holders expected to jam the stadium that the sun would shine and it would be just cool enough for "perfect football."

On the basis of probable lineups the squad from east of the Mississippi will be slightly heavier both across the line and in the backfield.

Holiday Tilts Pull Curtain On 1946 Gridiron Season

NEW YORK, Dec. 31 (AP)—The New Year's Day football bowls, which at last count numbered 19, throw open their gates tomorrow to an estimated half million sports fans who will ring in the new year by saying goodbye to the grid greats of the old.

With the exception of unbeaten Army and Notre Dame, content to stand on their laurels without benefit of post-season performance, the major grid titans of 1946 will be on display tomorrow for this finale of perhaps the greatest season in the game's history.

The grand-daddy of them all, of course, is the Rose Bowl at Pasadena, which had its inception in a meeting of Michigan and Stanford back in 1902. There was a lapse between that game and the meeting of Washington State and Brown in 1916, but from there on, the string is unbroken.

Illinois, designee of the Western (Big Nine) conference, meets University of California at Los Angeles in tomorrow's classic, with some 90,000 expected.

Although shunning the "bowl" title, the Shrine game in San Francisco's Kezar stadium, rates next in post-season game longevity and tomorrow the Eastern and Western college all-stars will meet in the 22nd annual classic.

The Orange Bowl got under way at Miami in 1933 as Florida entered the act, and the south came up two years later with its own, the Sugar Bowl at New Orleans. The Sun Bowl began at El Paso, Tex., a year later, and the Cotton Bowl followed at Dallas the year after that.

While Notre Dame and Army still rate as the two best in the nation, four of the bowls present some unusual class in the way of sectional champions.

The Rose Bowl has the champions of the Pacific coast and the Big Nine, the Sugar Bowl the champion of the southeastern conference, Georgia and North Carolina. The Orange Bowl presents the co-holders of the southeastern and southwestern conferences, Tennessee and Rice. Arkansas, co-champion of the southwest, and Louisiana State, near the top in the southeast, meet in the Cotton Bowl.

Altogether, these four major bowl games will have seven sectional or conference champions or co-champions.

The Oil Bowl at Houston pits Georgia Tech against St. Mary's while the Sun Bowl's attractions are Virginia Tech and Cincinnati. In the Alamo Bowl at San Antonio are Hardin-Simmons and Denver, while the Cigar Bowl at Tampa, Fla., pairs Delaware and Rollins.

And so it goes on down the list, with each bidding for its segment of fandom. Next to the 90,000 expected at Pasadena, the Sugar Bowl probably will pack in the most, 73,000. The Shriners expect 62,000 for the East-West game. Another 38,000 is expected at the Orange Bowl, while Texas' Cotton and Oil Bowls will divide some 75,000 between them.

Weather Enters Houston Match

HOUSTON, Tex., Dec. 31 (AP) Rain has entered the battle of predictions here over the outcome of the third annual Oil Bowl football classic which tomorrow matches two twice-beaten teams, Georgia Tech and St. Mary's of California.

Bobby Dodd and Jim Phelan, coaches of the Georgians and Californians, yesterday branded the tilt as a high scoring affair which Phelan said would require a winning score of 21 points or more.

'T' Pioneer Said Quitting

COLLEGE PARK, Md., Dec. 31 (AP)—Another report that Clark Shaughnessy was quitting as University of Maryland football coach was left hanging unanswered today while the veteran mentor remained unavailable for comment.

The latest resignation rumor was reported by the Richmond (Va.) News Leader in a story saying the T-formation pioneer was leaving Maryland to succeed Turk Edwards as coach of the Washington Redskins.

Crowley Out As A-A Chief

CHICAGO, Dec. 31 (AP)—"Sleepy" Jim Crowley—having forsaken the post as commissioner of the all-America football conference to assume the title of (1) head coach, (2) general manager and (3) executive vice president of the Chicago Rockets—today said he and his associates were ready to pump \$250,000 into the outfit to get a winning combination.

The Rockets, one of the less fortunate all-America conference clubs last season, both in attendance at their huge Soldier Field home and in victories, were taken over lock, stock and barrel yesterday by Crowley and two of his wealthy old-time cronies who chummed with him since grammar school days in Green Bay, Wis. The financial backers are William S. Toohy, Chicago syrup magnate, and John Brogan, a Green Bay shipbuilding executive.

Officials of the all-America conference said there were no immediate plans to name a new commissioner to succeed Crowley, who had signed a five-year contract at an annual salary of \$25,000 and left four years of his term unexpired.

Birthday For 35,000 Horses

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 31 (AP) Tomorrow is the universal birthday of thoroughbred horses, and every member of the country's thoroughbred population of approximately 35,000 will become officially a year older.

A notable birthday in the blue grass will be that of Man o'War, who will become 30 years old. He remains in complete retirement at Faraway farm. His actual birthday anniversary will be in March.

Seven Seek Idaho Post

MOSCOW, Ida., Dec. 31 (AP) University of Idaho officials today announced names of seven candidates for the school's football coaching job, but did not comment as to whether any of the applicants had an inside track.

The applicants include: Dixie Howell, assistant coach at Alabama university; Peter Cawthon, assistant coach of professional Detroit Lions; R. H. (Doc) Erskine, line mentor at Marquette; John Eubank, former Washington State college player; Willis Smith, former Vandal back and Fort Warren, Wyo., coach; Al Simpson, Southern Oregon coach, and Mel Ingram, former Gonzaga player.

WEBFOOTS WIN
EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 31 (AP)—University of Oregon cagers completed their pre-season contests with a 73-33 triumph over Fee's Rollerdom here last night. Halftime score was 36-15. Roger Wiley paced the winners with 13 points.