

REWARD

All That's Left Is Playing Game

The district 2 race has been sifted and the two stickest teams in the league have at it tomorrow night at Grants Pass.

There is little doubt the winner will keep on football togs for several weeks to come to appear in the elimination state play-offs, although both have two scheduled games remaining on the regular agenda. Both Grants Pass games are non-league, while the Pelicans have Bend in league play.

The picture preceding the clash between the Klamath school Pelicans Union High and the Grants Pass Cavemen adds color to tomorrow night's donnybrook.

Grants Pass, 1948 state champions, are doing what was expected of them by many pre-season crystal-ballers, to wit, win district 2.

However, in the other corner, the Pelicans are a surprise entry. The Pels were actually an unknown quantity at the opening of the season, with an admittedly strong line but a good deal of inexperience in the backfield.

However, with six games behind them and only one defeat, a king's-X slapping by Fortland's kingpin, Grant, the Klamath lads have tucked away a lot of football savvy. After a spitting start, the Pels blossomed forth as a bona fide football team against Medford to break a heralded jinx and a shoot confidence into the team.

They were still high against Longview, one of Washington's best, and put out just enough to win, coasting with poise in doing so.

Whereas Klamath coaches have trouble with over-confidence from Pelican charges as a rule, Bob Hendershott has brought the team along carefully and there's been no noticeable, or at least serious, swelling of the craniums.

It seems, though, the Grants Pass Mentor Mel Ingram, a protégé of Gonzaga university, has had trouble along this line. After puffing over Lebanon, North Bend, Redmond and Ashland with little or no trouble, the Cavemen went into the Medford game (according to reliable press reports) figuring to get "if over with" and expend the greater portion of energy at the evening's dance.

The Black Tornado had different ideas and the 7 to 6 game showed it. The tight squeak was probably the best thing that happened to the Cavemen. I doubt seriously if there will be an epidemic of over-confidence when the Cavemen tighten up shoulder pads for the Pelican tilt.

However, lest the Pelicans tend to exaggerate comparative scores (the Black Tornado was blown out 21-6 by KUHS) it can be emphasized the Cavemen showed clutch power when they came from behind and punched over for the knotting score after a determined drive downfield. The placement no doubt brought sighs of relief from backers of the champs.

The chips will be down tomorrow night. I doubt seriously if the Cavemen expect a shoe-in nor do I think the Pelicans have counted touchdowns before the opening kickoff.

You can bet Aunt Ophelia's jewels on this much—heads-up ball will win tomorrow night. There'll be no complexes, jinxes, double-whammies, or psychological edges of any kind.

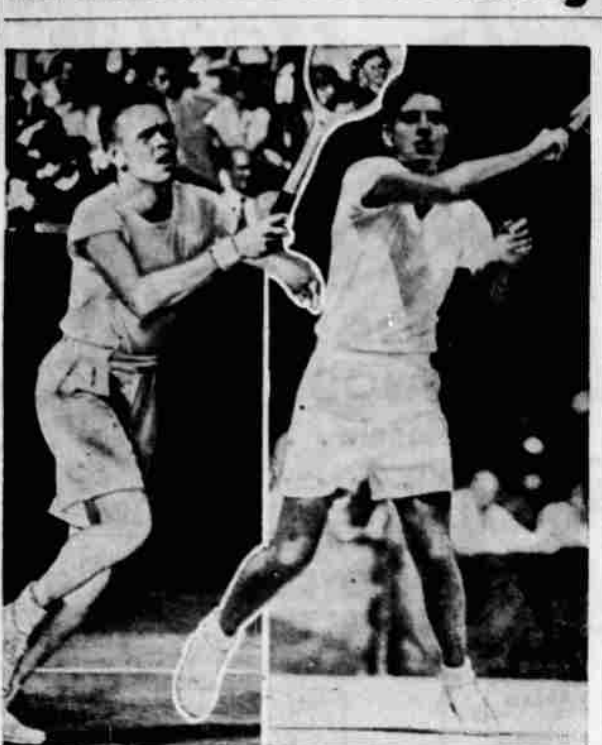
Getting down to the contest itself, at least how it looks from this corner: The line bulge goes to the Pelicans. Grants Pass' pride and joy is big, hard-running Vernon Craft. But Pelican fans will tell you they'll string with either Joe Nichols or Gene Carlson to match Craft step for step.

I personally haven't seen Craft in motion but I do know he'll have to be great shucks to out-yardage either Nichols or Carlson.

Little first-hand information is known from here about the comparative aerial attacks. Dutch French, scouting the Medford-Grants Pass game, said that after one Cave pass backfired, Grants Pass tucked wholesale passing away for another day.

Tomorrow may be the day. This gets me down to the time to make a prediction. I look for a high scoring second half after a nip-and-tuck first-half struggle. The Pelicans to score three times, Grants Pass twice. Final score: Pelicans 20, Cavemen 13.

Pancho the Puncho, Veteran Jack Kramer Revive Ailing Pro Tennis



THESE TWO RACQUETEERS, Jack Kramer, left, and Pancho Gonzalez, have the tennis professional world buzzing as they rock along on their tour. Opinion differs whether the Mexican kid, who set the amateur tennis circle on fire, can catch Veteran Kramer.

By HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor
NEW YORK (NEA)—Another transcontinental professional tennis tour opened at Madison Square Garden, October 25, and this time the big question is:

Will young Pancho Gonzalez catch Jack Kramer, the old pro at 27? A lot of trained observers believe he will as the show rolls along.

Gonzales, 21, six feet two and 185 pounds, has more natural talent than any other player in the memory of graybeards. The big Mexican kid from the wrong side of the Los Angeles tracks has tremendous potentialities.

Gonzales' game has to come up, and Kramer, the scientific hitter, will amplify it. Kramer, who starts as the sport's top money player, will smarten the youngster up, just as Jolting Jack learned about tactics from Bobby Riggs. Pancho the Puncho is an immitable mimic. Once he sees something new, he is able to execute it himself. Right there on the spot. Just like that.

William T. Tilden II did not win his first national singles until he was 27, which is when a tennis player should be at his best. But Ted Schroeder is Kramer's age, and his youth is certainly not giving the thoroughly relaxed Gonzalez any the worst of it in his spectacular comeback against the truck re-education executive in the record national singles final.

If Gonzalez has a weakness, it is his backhand. He misses a few, but it is not a glaring fault. Nobody serves any better, as witness his 17 service aces against Schroeder. He is a wonderful volleyer, extraordinary overhead, doesn't believe anybody can beat him.

Gonzales is not the finished machine that is the six-foot, 160-pound Kramer, but there is no telling how good he will be when he becomes match tough. He was just getting in shape when the national singles ended. He has had no training routine, has not been conscientious to the point where he believed in practice, but tackling the polished and determined Kramer in four or five hard matches a week, he'll have little time to be anything but serious.

Gonzales is guaranteed \$60,000 with a privilege of 35 per cent. Kramer gets 25 per cent, so we have the unusual spectacle of the challenger collecting more than the touring titleholder. That's how badly they needed the senior.

Although he successfully defended his professional championship in the tournament at Forest Hills, Bobby Riggs will appear only sparingly.

Frank Parker, the Mechanical Man, and Pancho Segura are going along for the ride, the former at \$500 a week. Nice work, if you can get it.

Two years ago, Kramer and Riggs, the latter taking a steady pasting once the gent with the cannon serve got wise to him, grossed \$250,000 in 89 matches. Promoter Riggs hopes to do \$300,000 in 90 this trip.

Pancho Gonzalez, as gaudy as the sunset on his native golden shore, saved professional tennis, and having done that, intends to keep it very much alive.

He certainly has a flying start.

Men from Boys

Why Not Handicap Football Powers?

By HARRY GRAYSON
NEW YORK (NEA)—College schedules simply don't make sense when teams like Notre Dame and Minnesota, in the midwest, and Army and Cornell, in the east, for example don't meet.

When cards are arranged two and three years in advance there are bound to be lopsided matches, so why not a handicapper after the first three games, by which time the men have been fairly well separated from the boys?

Harvard didn't belong in the same battle pit with Army. Yale had no business getting fresh with Cornell, so why waste the pleasant Saturday afternoon in two spots?

The situation called for softies for the Johnnies and the Elis, with the two big bullies fighting it out.

Columbia going to Army, October 22, had only one point of attraction. It was to see whether the Cadets would run up a score getting even for the Lion snapping their victory string two years ago or humiliate the Light Blue by indifference.

The only excuse for the Army-VMI game at West Point, October 29, is that both are military academies. There is none for the date with Fordham.

Notre Dame resting the weekend prior to the meeting with Navy would be like Joe Louis taking a six-months vacation before popping Lou Nova. Meanwhile, the weary Midshipmen were to serve as sparring partners for Pennsylvania.

A handicapper, or commissioner, by now would have a good line on the varsities, and would immediately separate the wheat from the chaff. Army would be sent against Cornell, Minnesota matched with Notre Dame, with the winners knowing what was coming the following week.

An amusing touch to such an arrangement would be Army's Red Blaik, Minnesota's Bernie Bierman and other coaches involved making Calumet Farms Ben Jones constant wall about weight sound like a whisper.

Speaking of handicaps, a football secretary like John Banks Campbell of the New York tracks really would load it on Notre Dame.

After what happened to Tulane, the Flower of the South, a football handicapper like Racing's Jack Campbell would make the Irish play with 10 men, limit them to three downs instead of four, make them gain 20 yards for a first down, put hobbles on them, lead in their shoes and make the backs and ends carry a man on their backs.

By this time it is crystal clear that Notre Dame should carry top weight.

Professional

CHICAGO, Oct. 27 (AP)—Babe Didrikson Zaharias has signed to become a fulltime professional at the Sky Crest country club, first of her sex to hold such a post.

Mr. Basketball Drops in 31

CHICAGO, Oct. 27 (AP)—As far as the college all-stars are concerned sky-scraping George Mikan of the Minneapolis Lakers still is "Mr. Basketball."

Mikan peppered in a record-breaking 31 points last night as the Lakers outlasted a stubborn college squad, 94-86, in the 10th annual charity game classic witnessed by 16,721 at Chicago stadium.

That gave Mikan a new individual scoring mark in the all-star series and the Lakers a second straight triumph over the cream of the collegiate crop.

Howell Sings Injury Blues

MOSCOW, Idaho, Oct. 27 (AP)—Dixie Howell sang the injury blues today as his Vandals neared Saturday's scheduled tilt with Portland university at Boise.

The Idaho mentor said three backs and a starting guard, Wilbur Rulaman, are nursing hurts and may not be able to play in the week-end contest.

The ailing backs are Glenn Christian, Jim Chadband and Al Schierman.

Gluttony Doesn't Pay

SEATTLE, Oct. 27 (AP)—The state game department was blinking today over the "case of the fugitive cutthroat."

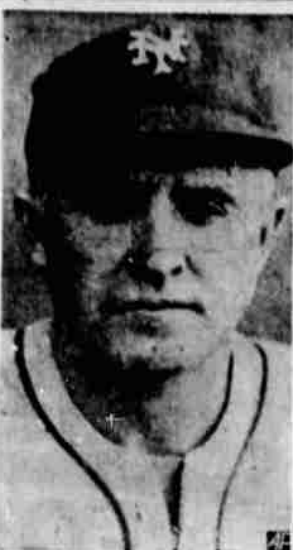
The trout, 7½ inches long, was planted in Forks creek, a tributary of the Willapa river near Raymond.

Evidently realizing it was a marked fish, the cutthroat took off immediately for the Pacific ocean, then swung around and headed up the Alsea river in Oregon.

It ate heartily all the way but picked the wrong meal and was hooked 3½ months after planting. It had more than doubled its size, measuring 15½ inches.

WHIZ KID—Paddy Hine, 18, won the Brabazon Trophy at Stoneham, near Southampton, England. The youngster's 287 for 72 holes outdistanced his nearest rival by four strokes.

WEEK-END SPECIAL For Friday and Saturday HALF SOLES & HEELS WHILE-U-WAIT 1.75 PAIR National Shoe Repair Service Downstairs Penney's



SOLON HEAD—Ralph (Red) Kress, for the last four years head coach of the New York Giants, was signed as manager by the Sacramento Solons of the Pacific Coast league. He succeeds Del Baker, who piloted the Solons to third place during the 1949 season. Kress, a veteran of two decades in the majors, is 42.

Malin, Henley, Merrill All Picked to Win

Bonanza Wins

Using varsity players for only 10 minutes of the game, the Bonanza eleven walloped Bly on the winner's field yesterday, 50 to 0. The Antler win brought its record to a 3-3 in league play.

Malin, joint leader with Merrill for the loop top, both boasting 5-9 records, tangles with Chilouin Saturday afternoon on the Mustang field.

The Merrill Huskies are battling the ornery Sacred Heart Trojans this afternoon at Merrill.

Both the Mustangs and the Huskies hope to "coast" as they point for the crucial November 5 clash that should decide the county championship.

Samuel Goes Under Knife

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 27 (AP)—Halfback Don Samuel of the professional Pittsburgh Steelers was scheduled for an operation today in the McKeesport hospital to tie up knee ligaments torn in last Sunday's game.

Seattle Rinkers Win, 7-6

By The Associated Press
The Fresno Falcons, last year's champions, snapped a five-game losing streak last night by defeating San Francisco, the Pacific Coast Hockey league, southern division, leaders 6-2.

Coast Hockey

Fresno 6, San Francisco 2. Seattle 7, Portland 6. New Westminster 8, Los Angeles 3.

"Pels Ready", Vows Coach Hendershott

John Witte On Mend as Klamaths Taper Off for Friday Night's Cave Crucial

"They'll be ready." That's the optimistic report from Coach Bob Hendershott as the Pelicans taper off drills for the crucial conference set-to with Grants Pass tomorrow night on the Cavemen's turf.

Hendershott indicated the Pels will be at full strength with John Witte's hip on the mend. The 190-pound tackle was having some trouble moving around this week due to an injury received in the Longview tilt but he'll be ready for the Grants Pass fight.

The Pelicans held the last scrimmage of the week last night and will go through a light signal drill tonight with a chalk talk scheduled to round out the program.

The Red-and-White gridlers will board a Greyhound bus about noon Friday for the trip over the Green-springs.

Grants Pass, 1948 state champion, will be zealously protecting its gridiron reputation on Friday night before an expected capacity throng. Both teams will go into the fray unscathed in league competition, although the Pels have suffered one loss, a 7-0 defeat by the king's-X team of Grant high in the season's curtain-hoister.

GRANTS PASS RECORD
The Cavemen have drubbed Lebanon 25-0, North Bend 26-7, Redmond 47-0, Ashland 46-14 and Medford 7-6. The Cavers had to come from behind with a last-quarter touchdown blast to nip the Black Tornado in a game in which statistics favored the Peepickers.

It is generally agreed the strong, veteran Pelican forward wall will outcharge the Grants Passers. On the other side of the ledger, the Cavemen will hang hopes on the clutch running of big Vernon Craft, stickout player for GP in five straight wins to date.

However, Klamath fans are confident that Joe Nichols and Gene Carlson can match Craft for yard-gobbling thrusts. Steady Joe Demetras is being counted on for precious yards when the need is urgent for first downs.

Don Hedgepeth, GP end, won't be at full power, recovering from a limp ankle. Seaback Bobby Davis' arm is allegedly in poor shape and sub Tackie Giff Brumbeole is favoring a weak wrist.

COCK IN REPORT
Graveyard reports have it that the Cavemen were cocky and overconfident for the Medford debacle and, as a consequence, Mel Ingram's team came close to a waxing.

Contrariwise, the Cavemen should be high and determined for the Pelican game. They'll have to be.

The Friday game is strictly a district 2 crucial. Barring some unforeseen trick of gridiron fate, the winner will represent the district in the state showdown play-offs.

Sport Shorts

Carpenter Will Play Saturday

CORVALLIS, Oct. 27 (AP)—The Oregon State Beavers, whose fortunes seem to ride with the injuries of hard-running Ken Carpenter, were on the upgrade today. The star halfback will be on hand Saturday against Washington State college.

Dr. Waldo Ball said last night that Carpenter's bruised hip will have healed nicely by the time the Beavers take the field for their final home game of the year.

EUGENE, Oct. 27 (AP)—Oregon's 37-man traveling squad was to leave by chartered plane today for Saturday's inter-sectional gridiron clash with the Iowa Hawkeyes.

Coach Jim Aiken said only one of his regular starting lineup will not be on hand for the kickoff. George Bell, right halfback, has been nursing an injury all week but is expected to see action.

SEATTLE, Oct. 27 (AP)—Fleet-footed Ernie Steele, former University of Washington quarterback, isn't going to retire from pro football.

He will head east next week to take over once again as the ace safetyman for the Philadelphia Eagles, national pro football league titlist. Steele quit this fall when his car broke down en route to training camp and Coach Greasy Neale slapped daily fines on him for being late.

He said yesterday Neale had sent a hurry-up call for him to show up.

SEATTLE, Oct. 27 (AP)—Seattle's Rainiers signed their fourth south-paw pitcher yesterday, but turned down a chance to get a new catcher.

The new wrong-hander is Steve Kujala, who veered semi-pro ball for Bellingham last season. Club officials said the catcher deal was an offer from Oakland to trade Frank Kerr for Mickey Grasso. Both are catchers and Kerr came to Oakland in a trade with Sacramento for Billy Raimondo.

75 Grand? Too Much!

SALEM, Oct. 26 (AP)—Home-town fans aren't interested in buying the Salem Western International League Baseball club—not, at least, for \$75,000.

The fans' committee turned down the second offer of the parent Portland Beavers this week. Earlier, they had rejected a \$95,000 price tag, but had indicated they would go along for \$60,000.

After yesterday's session, however, a committee spokesman said the organization now considered the issue closed.

Ducks Drill On Pass Game

EUGENE, Oct. 27 (AP)—Coach Jim Aiken turned his attention to Oregon's aerial game—offensive and defensive phases—as he prep'd his Duck footballers for this Saturday's invasion of Iowa City against powerful Iowa.

Pass defense got the most attention with Aiken attributing part of Southern California's six tallies to poor coverage by the Oregon defenders. Five interceptions by the Trojans of Oregon passes also indicated work would be forthcoming in the pitching department.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

By Hugh Fullerton
NEW YORK, Oct. 27 (AP)—One reason why Branch Rickey is the acknowledged No. 1 man in baseball trading is that nearly every time he peddles some surplus Brooklyn talent to another major league club, the deal calls for a "messenger" to bring the money back.

Recent dickers have brought such players as Johnny Simmons, Bobby Thaw, Jack Dempsey Cassini, Don Thompson and Bill McCahan into the Dodger organization. . . and if you want to know what becomes of the messengers, look at this: In 1948 Rickey sold Monte Basgall to Pittsburgh for \$60,000 and Jimmy Bloodworth to Cincinnati for \$40,000 and Money was shipped to the Athletics for \$25,000 and Bill McCahan. . . Bill was a right good pitcher for the A's a couple of years ago, and if he gets over his arm trouble, Rickey certainly will get some dough for him.

An unconfirmed story from the south is that one southeastern conference school sent movies of the Tulane game to Frank Leahy before Notre Dame took on the Greenies. . . such precautions apparently weren't necessary. . . Australia, which is experiencing a harness racing boom, will stage a "Hambledonian Championship" in February. . . Andy Gustafson is earning a reputation as a "spolier" at the U. of Miami, knocking off Detroit last season and Georgia this year just after they had earned from Lynn Lansing, Mich. says watch Lynn Chandrois against Notre Dame.

Nine of ten players picked for the international league all-star team this summer are advancing to the majors. The tenth, Jersey City's Pete Pavlic, may be drafted. . . Victory (Buddy) Brown, Newark, N. Y., roller rink operator, opens his rink free each afternoon for polio victims. . . in a boxing bout at New Britain, Conn., the other night Danny Carabella belted Aron Joshua with a left hook. Aron's artificial locks flew right off his head, and Joshua lost the fight trying to adjust his wig with gloved hands. . . naturally fans said it was the most hair-raising scrap of the season.

Turner Quits After 35 Years

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 27 (AP) Tom Turner is through with baseball after 35 years.

The long-time scout of the Philadelphia Athletics and former president of the Portland, Ore., club of the Pacific Coast league, announced his retirement yesterday.

Turner was a specialist on left-handed pitchers. It was he who advised the Athletics to purchase Alie Kellner, the Athletic southpaw, who won 20 games as a rookie last season.



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