Mustangs Open State Grid Battle With Moro

REVEO HEARD by Red Hurd

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Ringfare Shows Local Upsurge

Things are looking up along Klamath Falls' Cauliflower Row — both in boxing and wrestling.

It is not financial common sense to try to stage a weekly boxing card here but a topflight card occasionally is just the medicine for fight-hungry fans.

And they'll get such a treat probably early in December.

Popular Jack Snapp, who has shaken the shackles of poor ring guidance, is ready for a comback as a full-fledged lightheavyweight.

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Promotional guns are now booming, and successfully, for Snapp's showing here either the week-end of December 2 or 9, depending on how the Pelican gridders fare in state play-offs.

Promoter Mack Lillard has outbid Tacoma in what promises to be a sell-out match for the armory.

Snapp will fight Frankie Gimbel, outstanding Spokane, Wash., battler in the main go.

The match is a natural. Last spring, in one of Snapp's last outings before a trip down the marital aisle, Gimbel stopped "Ginger" in five rounds up north.

It was a known fact that the Merrill Marauder was having considerable trouble making the middle limit.

Both Flattened

Even at that, Snapp decked Gimbel, an aggressive, hard-socking lad, in the first round.

But the Spokane Socker came back to floor Snapp three times, if my memory serves me right, cut Snapp's eye badly and came out with a fifth-round TKO.

Snapp, now attending Southern Oregon college, is majoring in physical education, is training amateur fighters and taking on all-comers at the college.

I saw the Snapper at the Malin-Phoenix football game last week and he looks hale and hearty and ready for a return to ring wars.

Lillard is to be commended for snatching the bout from Tacoma promoters. The scrap is a live-wire drawing card here. Mainly because Snapp wants to show before Klamath basin fight fans in his first comeback attempt, a homecoming affair.

Lillard is also lining up an attractive supporting card, including Johnny Bruce, sensational Medford welterweight who just recently turned professional after winning the Southern Oregon amateur titles in the welter and lightweight classes.

Dusette vs. Atlas?

The annual Thanksgiving eve police ball has caused cancellation of next Wednesday's weekly wrestling show but Lillard is working on a bout that already the fans are screaming for.

After The Great Atlas carried out his "strongest man" boast against the popular Yaqui Kid, rabid wrestling fans, thirsting for the Great One's defeat, just naturally thought of Georges Dusette, who rates tops in popularity here.

This match is in the making for the November 30 armory card and can't miss bulging the sideboards at the armory.

Another mat wrangle the fans want — and will probably get—is Buck Davidson against Jack Lipscomb. The two have staged "sideshow" bouts—with Davidson in the role of referee — on two successive shows and wrestling goers are wondering how long it would take Davidson to disassemble The Lip.

Short Memories

PALO ALTO, Calif., Nov. 18 (AP) Football oddsmakers must have very short memories. California is favored by seven points (at even money) or 3-5 to larrup Stanford's Indians in tomorrow's Rose Bowl crucial.

Cal's Bears of 1947 and 1948 were favored by topheavy margins over weaker Indian teams—but won only after getting the scare of their lives. Stanford matched the Bears touchdown for touchdown. Only Jim Cullom's toe saved Pappy Waldorf's lads—by 7-6 last year; by 21-18 two years ago.

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DeMerritt, Knighten Carry Malin, Husky Quarterfinal Hopes

By RED HURD

The Malin Mustangs charge from the Modoc field chutes Saturday afternoon at 1:30 in an attempt to throw the Moro Huskies from the saddle in the opening shot toward the class B state football championship.

It's the supreme test for the Malin eleven in its tenth start. The Mustangs wrapped up the county title two weeks ago by kicking over the Merrill team, then tucked away the district 5 bauble last saturday with a convincing win over the Phoenix Pirates.

Moro's league slate is clean, giving them the undisputed district 6 championship.

The winner of Saturday's tilt will get a shot at the Echo-Union victor next week in the semifinals. Echo and Union are districts 7 and 8 champs.

Mustang hopes hinge on the driving thrusts of Ted DeMerritt, 195-pound fullback. Moro boasts an equal to DeMerritt in Wily Knighten, 175-pound right halfback.

BACKFIELD ACE

Max Marvin, last year's Henley mentor, described Knighten as the outstanding back the Hornets bumped into all year.

Banks and St. Paul (districts 1 and 2) and Lowell and Bandon (3 and 4) are other quarterfinal B battles set for this week-end.

Season record for Moro are wins over Fossil, 19-0; The Dalles (second team), 12-8; Maupin, 19-0; Odell, 19-6; Condon, 37-6, and Arlington, 32-13. Losses were to Madras, 7-47 (class A school) and a 7-7 tie with Heppner, both non-league grid games.

Malin rode over Bly, 39-13; Sacred Heart, 19-0; KUHS Wildcats, 31-14; Bonanza, 13-12; Gilchrist, 33-7; Henley, 5-6; Chiloquin, 21-13; Merrill, 21-13; and Phoenix, 20-7. The Wildcat game was a king's-X tilt.

Running with Knighten for the Huskies are Robert Martin, quarterback; Norval Lane, halfback, and David Moore, fullback.

Len Weber and Jerry Smalley, both halfbacks, will supply the speed for Malin in the backfield to open Moro's defense for DeMerritt's crashing plunges. Norm Herringshaw operates at the quarterback spot.

LONG WAIT

Malin has waited for ten years for a whack at state football glory. Coach Jim Conroy has moulded a winning team in his first coaching assignment since graduation from Oregon State college.

The Moro coach is Ted Merydith.

Moro will field a veteran team, the majority of them seniors. Last year the Henley Hornets were pushed to beat virtually the same crew, then juniors, in the state play-offs.

Probable starting line-ups:

MALIN	Pos.	MORO
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Freitag	LT	Schilling
West	LG	Fritts
Hershfelt	C	May, R.
Dobry	RG	May, C.
Hawkins	RT	Kock
Micka	RE	Justesen
Herringshaw	Q	Martin
Weber	LH	Lane
Smalley	RH	Knighten
DeMerritt	F	Moore

10,000 Added

EUGENE, Ore., Nov. 18 (AP)—Work will start Monday to add 10,000 seats to the University of Oregon's Hayward football stadium.

Low Scores Get Bird

If you're "on" your golf game and a member of Reames golf and country club, you have a fair chance of bringing home that Thanksgiving turkey.

Reames will be the scene Saturday afternoon and Sunday for the turkey shoot.

Competition will be medal play with full handicap. It is figured about one out of every seven golfers will win the birds with low net scores.

Entry fee is $1 per player and ladies can compete at Sunday's play.

AP Sees Pelican Victory

By The Associated Press

The big race for Oregon's three prep gridiron championships starts tonight, with only one defending champion back in the running for a second straight crown.

Mohawk of Marcola, the six-man football champion last year, is the only contestant with a chance to retain its title.

But the school which has taken more titles than anybody else will be out for still another one—and favored to hurdle at least the quarter-finalmark.

That is Grant High of Portland, three-time class A titlist, which will meet Central Catholic of Portland in Mulnomah stadium tonight.

Marshfield, Hillsboro and Klamath Falls are favored to win tonight's other class A quarter-finals and move into semi-final berths.

REPEATS

Both Marshfield and Hillsboro will be playing repeat performances. Marshfield, pitted against Eugene in the quarter-final, beat the Eugene Axemen, 19-6, only two weeks ago.

Hillsboro, undefeated and untied this year, opened the gridiron season by stopping Milwaukie, 20-7, and is the odds-on favorite to down Milwaukie again tonight.

The odds are slightly in favor of Klamath Falls over La Grande in the remaining big school playoff. The Klamath Pelicans have one loss to La Grande's unbeaten, untied record—but they've also met tougher opponents.

BEES PLAY

The smaller class B schools also open action tonight and tomorrow in quarter-final playoffs. The slate: Banks vs. St. Paul; Lowell vs. Bandon; Malin vs. Moro; Echo vs. Union.

The week-end playoffs among still smaller schools will bring three six-man contests: Marcola vs. Coos River, Weston vs Eagle Valley of Richland, and Westport vs. Falls City. Talent has already downed Dufur, 46-6, in the first six-man playoff.

VFW Stage Turkey Shoot

CHILOQUIN—The VFW will stage its second annual turkey shoot Sunday afternoon, 2 o'clock, at the government dam a mile from Chiloquin.

Eight birds will be given to winners in the matches. Targets will be set up at 200 yards. One special match is planned for ladies.

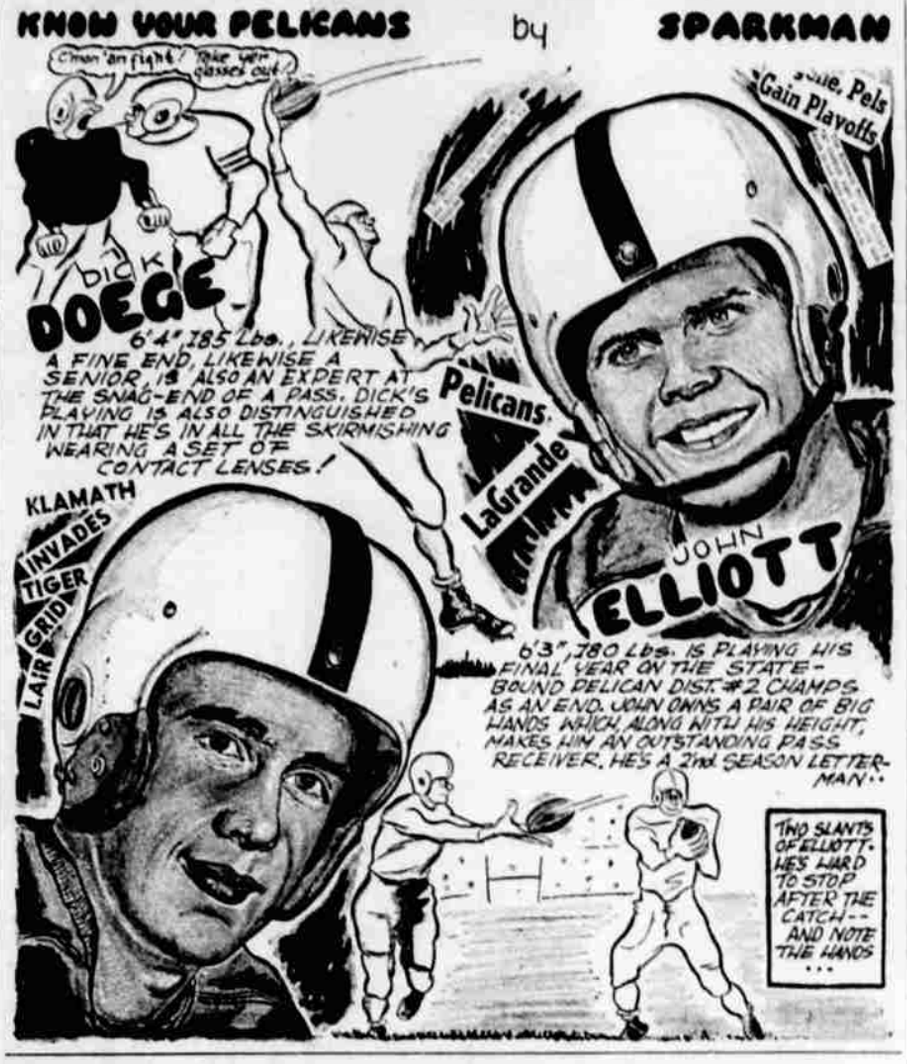
The public is invited to participate or watch.

One Injured

FOREST GROVE, Nov. 18 (AP) Pacific university, gunning for at least a tie in the Northwest conference, had only one injured player today as it prepared for Saturday's football game against Willamette at Salem.

He is Halfback Crumpacker, defensive guard, returned to drills yesterday.

A win over Willamette would put Pacific at the top of the league heap with Lewis and Clark and College of Idaho.



Robinson Voted Most Valuable 1949 National League Player

NEW YORK, Nov. 18 (AP)—Jackie Robinson of the Brooklyn Dodgers, batting champion and second base spark of a pennant winner, has been elected most valuable player of 1949 in the National league.

First member of the Negro race to play in modern big league ball, the 30-year-old former UCLA collegian from Cairo, Ga., drew a total of 264 points to 226 for Stan Musial of the St. Louis Cardinals. Robinson said he was "very happy" over his selection.

Twenty-four members of the Baseball Writers association, three from each city in the circuit, acted as a committee. Each listed 10 players in order of their value and 12 of the 24 put Robinson on top.

Musial, who almost caught Robinson in the final stages of the batting race, drew five firsts. Enos Slaughter of the Cards and two of Robinson's Brooklyn teammates, Pee Wee Reese and Carl Furillo, each received two first place ballots. The other one went to Lefty Ken Heintzelman, the Phillies' 17-game winning pitcher. Only Robinson and Musial were on every ballot.

On a point basis, with 14 for first, nine for second and so on down to one for tenth, Robinson led by 38 with a final total of 264 to 226 for Musial. Slaughter with 181 was third and Pittsburgh's Ralph Kiner, the home run king and runs batted in leader, was fourth with 133. Reese, Dodger captain and shortstop partner of Robinson's in a fine double play combination drew a fifth place total of 118 points.

Others among the top 110 in order were Outfielder Furillo, a .322 Brooklyn batter; Warren Spahn, Boston's 21-game winning southpaw; Don Newcombe, who notched a 17-8 record for Brooklyn; Heintzelman and Second Baseman Red Schoendienst of St. Louis.

Robinson, whose signing by Branch Rickey in the winter of 1945-46 surprised the baseball world, completed his third year in the big league by topping the hitters with a .342 average.

In addition to winning the batting crown, Robinson led the base stealers with 36. Included in his 203 hits were 38 doubles, 12 triples and 16 home runs. He drove in 124 runs, barely losing the division lead to Kiner when the Pirate slugger staged his home run rampage in the final month.

It was Robinson's take-a-chance daring on the base paths, his extra base hits and his fine fielding that helped Brooklyn in its second flag in three years.

Robinson did not sparkle in the world series but, as usual, the most valuable voting was completed in the final week of the regular season.

Richie Ashburn, Philadelphia, picked up six votes in the balloting while Earl Torgeson, Boston first baseman, nabbed two.

JACKIE ROBINSON
. . . most valuable

Greene Stays

HAVANA, Nov. 18 (AP)—Abe J. Greene of Paterson, N. J., a top figure in organized boxing for years, is still top man in the National Boxing association today.

The NBA gave him a thunderous vote of praise yesterday and re-elected him its commissioner. Greene had asked that he not be re-elected, but was shouted down.

Pittsburgh—Ossie "Bulldog" Harris, 156, Pittsburgh, stopped Marion Klingensmith, 163, Brownsville, Pa. (7).

Brooklyn (Broadway Arena) — Georgia Kapian, 187½, Brooklyn, stopped Johnny Bassett, 174, Burlington, Vt. (2).

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