

HEARD BY RED HURD

Post Mortems

I saw a team Friday night that I think will be the 1949 state football champions.

Before going further, my prediction is this: The Tigers will win over Marshfield handily in the semi-finals and Grant will beat Hillsboro.

That takes in HURD Medford's Jack Morris, Ashland's Jerry Langer, Grants Pass' Vern Craft, our own Gene Carlson—or any of them.

It seems that the Tigers had walked over opponents in eight straight wins with such ease that not even La Grande supporters knew the calibre of the Tiger team.

It's true that the Pels had a terrific slump. As Bob Hendershott put it during post mortems on the game in the hotel lobby, "Our boys were doing everything wrong and La Grande everything right."

Amazingly enough, the Pelicans stopped the La Grande passing attack with the exception of one touchdown—a 11-1—but Berry, Charles Brackett and Bill West were slashing the strong Pelican line to shreds and skirting ends with apparent ease.

Berry was the kind of athlete who comes along once in a decade to spark a high school team. He's completely relaxed when he runs but drives with force.

Even after being tackled his momentum carries him an extra three or four yards. His defensive work was also outstanding.

The Pelicans, after a slow start this season, started an upswing against Medford, reached the peak against Grants Pass, and then seemed to hit the downhill trend.

They hit low against La Grande. I couldn't believe that the Red-and-White team I saw Friday night was the same team that fooled the experts by clouting through to a district title.

Gene Carlson made the mistake of taking the opening kickoff behind the goal line instead of letting it go. He ran it to the seven and three plays later fumbled to set up the first Tiger score.

La Grande took full advantage of this break and the Pelicans could never seem to get in gear again. If there was any slinkback for the Pelicans at all it was Joe Nichols but he had no support. Joe received one run of 35 yards and only a shoestring effort by Quarterback Franz Haun kept Joe from going all the way.

The rest Friday night reminded Hendershott of 1946 when the Pelicans traveled to Eugene and were whitewashed, 34-0.

I see no trouble for the Tigers against Marshfield and if they can stay high and step George Shaw's aerials, I see a La Grande victory over the Generals.

The ground attack of the Generals (at least against the Pelicans in the opening game here) doesn't compare with the workmanship of the Tiger backs.

Malin Routs Moro Eleven

Mustangs Mix With Union Thursday on Modoc Field

Malin's Mustangs churned to a 26-0 football victory over the Moro Huskies on Modoc field Saturday afternoon and slid into the semi-finals of the state class B gridiron playoff—ready to meet the Union Bobcats Thanksgiving Day on Modoc field.

Saturday's victory was comparatively easy. Moro's ball carriers never got a real attack launched against the stout Malin line.

The Mustangs set something of a local record for holding onto the ball, following the initial kickoff. Driving on the ground from their session of the ball steadily for seven minutes and 25 seconds up until the time Ted DeMerritt spun over left guard for the first touchdown.

The payoff play was five yards. DeMerritt plunged for the conversion, first of four he made that way.

In the second period DeMerritt again broke away, this time over his right guard at the Moro 37. He sloped off to the left and outran the Husky defenders into the end zone.

WALKED THROUGH For that conversion he merely had to walk through over right guard, the hole opened up by Guard Charles Dobry and Tackle Dick Hawkins was that expansive.

During the first half Moro's Willy Knight and Norval Lane were held in their own territory exclusively and were forced to punt out twice.

The third time Moro had possession in the half the Huskies lost on a fumble.

In the third period Moro drove 52 yards down to the Malin 20, before losing the ball on downs. A pass from Knight to Fred Von Bostel accounted for 30 yards of the drive and Knight picked up the rest on the ground.

But the Mustangs did a little better. They drove from their 30 all the way in 10 plays. A pass from DeMerritt to Dick Drazil put the ball on the Moro 2 and Jerry Smalley skipped around left end to score.

Taking the next kickoff, Moro drove from their 30 down to the Malin 13, their deepest penetration of the game, and lost the ball on downs again.

A few minutes later Malin gained some 20 yards on an exchange of punts and took possession on the Moro 45. Smalley picked up five yards and DeMerritt bulled and hurdled through to the 2 on a run that was nullified by a penalty.

But on the next play Ottomann rifled a 40-yard pass to Micka back to the Moro 2 and Len Weber skirted end to score.

Statistics heavily favored the Mustangs 346 total yards to 163 and 15 first downs to 8. The Mustangs completed five of eight passes for 107 yards, and had 90 yards taken away on penalties. Moro lost five that way.

About 2000 persons—almost solidly Malin rooters—saw the game.

College Grid Scores

- Washington 34, Washington State 21. California 33, Stanford 14. Oregon State 20, Oregon 10. Oklahoma 28, Santa Clara 21. Southern California 21, UCLA 7. Montana 25, Brigham Young 6. Portland Univ. 35, Lewis and Clark 20. Whitman 48, Eastern Oregon 20. Eastern Washington 37, St. Martin's 20. Oregon college 54, Humboldt State 0. North Idaho 30, South Idaho 19. Michigan State 15, Arizona 0. San Ross 40, St. Michaels (NM) 8. Louisiana Tech 45, Oklahoma City 0. Eastern New Mexico 32, New Mexico Military 14. San Diego State 7, California Poly 0. Whittier 40, Redlands 13. Pomona 25, Occidental 21.

ALL-AMERICA FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

- Yesterday's Results Cleveland 31, New York Yankees 0. Buffalo 10, Chicago 0. Los Angeles 21, Baltimore 10. NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE Yesterday's Results Chicago Bears 31, Washington 21. Detroit 45, New York Giants 21. Los Angeles Rams 28, Chicago Cardinals 28 (tie). Philadelphia 42, New York Bulldogs 0. Pittsburgh 30, Green Bay 7.

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Nod Expected For Buckeyes, Bears Today

Other Bowl Foes Still Uncertain As Sponsors Shop

By WILL GRIMSLEY NEW YORK, Nov. 21 (AP)—California and Ohio State are expected to be tapped formally today for the Rose Bowl—but sponsors of the other big post-season football shows still are shopping around.

Pickings are mighty slim for the Sugar, Cotton and Orange extravaganzas, which, like the Pasadena game, will be showed up to January 2 to avoid conflict with the Sabbath.

From long range, the major bowls appear to stack up approximately this way (records in parenthesis): Rose Bowl—California 10-0 vs. Ohio State (6-1-2).

Sugar Bowl—Oklahoma (9-0) vs. Tulane (7-1-1). Cotton Bowl—Rice (8-1) or Baylor (8-1) vs. Villanova (8-1).

Orange Bowl—The Rice-Baylor leftover vs. Maryland (6-1) or Tennessee (6-2-1).

Others in the picture are Virginia (8-1), Santa Clara (8-2-1) and Kentucky (8-2). Some of these teams must dispose of formidable rivals this week to keep their hopes throbbing.

Officials of both the Pacific coast and western conferences said they would announce the Rose Bowl representatives today.

BEARS CINCH Lynn Waldorf's California Bears, who closed out their second straight perfect season with a 33-14 victory over Stanford, Saturday are a cinch for the host role, but the identity of their opponent is a bit less certain.

Ohio State finished in a tie for the Big Ten championship by playing defending titlist Michigan, a bowl ineligible, to a 7-7 tie Saturday.

Conference faculty members, who pick the representative by vote, are not bound to choose the leader and could, on a whim, give the nod to twice-beaten Minnesota.

The Gophers, who closed their year with a 14-6 triumph over Wisconsin, trounced Ohio State earlier, 27-0.

The Sugar Bowl committee is scheduled to meet tonight in New Orleans and a member promised, "we may have something definite."

FAVORS SOONERS F. V. Schaub, president of the Mid-winter Sports association, said he favored the return of Oklahoma's Sooners, who whipped North Carolina last year, 14-6.

College Basketball

- Huntington 71, Indiana Tech 47. St. Johns 69, Alumnj 62. Buffalo Tech 46, Genesee JC 44 (overtime). Manhattan 66, Alumnj 64.

Detorre, Dey Accept Grid Date

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Nov. 21 (AP)—Two more northern stars, Don Detorre of Pennsylvania and Billy Dey of Dartmouth, have accepted bids to play in the annual Blue-Gray game here December 31.

Detorre, a 235-pound tackle, has been a bulwark in the Penn line.



Sports Mirror

Today a year ago—California and Northwestern were picked to play in the Rose Bowl.

Three years ago—Stan Musial, St. Louis Cardinals' slugging star, was voted the National league's most valuable player.

Five years ago—Clark Shaughnessy, Pittsburgh football coach, said he intended to remain as the Panther leader.

Ten years ago—William and Mary handed Richmond its first football defeat, 7 to 0, in Thanksgiving Day gridiron highlight.

Malin-Union, Banks-Bandon In 'B' Semis

By The Associated Press The semi-final opponents of the class "B" high school football championship series were lined up today after week-end games.

Malin thumped Moro, 28 to 0, and Bandon defeated Lowell, 18 to 0, to complete the picture. They lined up with Banks and Union.

The games will pit Banks against Bandon and Malin against Union.

9 Teams Finish Unbeaten

NEW YORK, (AP)—Nine college football teams have completed perfect seasons and seven others are nearing that feat.

The country's list of unbeaten and untied colleges was whittled to 16 during the past week-end, four being blasted from the ranks.

The most important casualty was Virginia, whose skein of seven triumphs was rudely ended by Tulane's Big Green, 28-14.

Muskingum (Ohio) bowed to Washington and Jefferson, 26-7, after having marched through seven straight opponents. The Westchester (Pa.) Teachers were stopped in their ninth start by Delaware, 27-14.

The nine teams whose regular season has been completed are: California and Emory and Henry (Va.), each with 10 triumphs; Wayne (Neb.) Teachers, Hillsdale (Mich.) and St. Vincent (Pa.) with nine, and Trinity (Conn.), Ball State (Ind.), Hanover (Ind.) and St. Ambrose (Iowa) with eight.

Most of the seven teams still gaining for unbeaten, untied seasons appear in a very good position to turn the trick.

Oklahoma (9) has only Oklahoma A&M left to beat. College of Pacific (9) will play California Poly and Hawaii. Oregon College of Education (9) has San Francisco State to hurdle.

Army (8) finishes in tradition style against Navy, Notre Dame (8) has two games left, with Southern California and Southern Methodist. College of Pacific remains the high scorer of the perfect-record powerhouses with 412 points to its opponents' 66. It is the only team among the 16 to have reached the 400-mark.

Browns Cinch A AFC Crown

NEW YORK, Nov. 21 (AP)—The Cleveland Browns clinched the All-America Football conference regular season championship by defeating the New York Yankees, 31-0 yesterday.

FANCY FIGURE

Finland's Leena Pietila cuts a pretty figure bidding for the Richmond Cup in the Open International competition for Ladies, organized by the Richmond Amateur Ice Skating Club, London.

Carpeting Eyes Pro Grid Ranks

EUGENE, Ore., Nov. 21 (AP)—Ken Carpenter, ace halfback of the Oregon State college Beavers, wants to play professional football. He made the statement yesterday but would not indicate whether he had received any offers.

Carpenter closed out his collegiate career, except for a probable bid to join the West squad for the annual East-West Shrine tilt, against Oregon Saturday.

Tigers, Broncos May Vie on Grid

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 21 (AP)—Unbeaten and untied College of the Pacific and All-America Candidate Quarterback Eddie Lebaron may get a test against the University of Santa Clara.

The San Francisco Press club announced it is negotiating with the two schools for a post season game in San Francisco's Kezar stadium, December 10.

Both schools indicated, however, that they wouldn't be ready to commit themselves until the Orange, Cotton, Sugar and Gator Bowls have made their choices.

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Pacific Coast League Standings

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VEECK SELLS INDIANS

CLEVELAND, Nov. 21 (AP)—Dynamic Bill Veeck sold the Cleveland Indians baseball club to a group of local business men today for a reported \$2,200,000.

The tribe president announced the long-awaited action at a news conference in his Cleveland stadium offices.

Ellis Ryan, insurance executive, is head of the new group that has been dickering with Veeck for weeks to buy the American league baseball club and its holdings.

Coast Hockey

Last Night's Results Seattle 3, San Diego 3 (tie). Saturday's Results Portland 3, San Diego 3 (tie). San Francisco 6, Fresno 4. Los Angeles 6, Oakland 2. Vancouver 5, Tacoma 4. Seattle 3, New Westminster 1.

Rose Bowl-Bound Bears Rated Stronger Than 1948 Team That Lost to Wildcats

By RUSS NEWLAND SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 21 (AP)—Coast conference football saluted California as its champion and Rose Bowl representative today.

Jubilant California supporters, meanwhile, continued to celebrate the Bears 33-14 victory Saturday over Stanford, the game that put them into the country's post season classic at Pasadena for the second time in succession.

The formal notification from the conference commissioner's office was expected momentarily. California earned the bid by seven league wins and neither defeat nor tie.

This California squad is regarded as stronger than last year's which lost to Northwestern, 20-14, in the Rose Bowl. Its line charges harder and the backfield is more explosive. The team has the material to come up with the long gainers necessary to break up a contest.

While California was clinching the Rose Bowl invitation, the conference schedule was being concluded on other fronts also.

Washington, after earlier defeats and disappointments, finished up in fine fashion with a 34-21 victory over Washington State. Washington overcame a seven-point lead by scoring two touchdowns in the opening quarter; built up a 27-7 margin in the third quarter and held off the fighting WSC Cougars to the end.

Oregon State, another slow starter, racked up a successful season for New Coach Kip Taylor by defeating favored Oregon, 20-10. Oregon scored a field goal to lead 3-0 at the half. Oregon State surged back with powerful drives to score two touchdowns in the third quarter and another in the fourth. Left Half Ken Carpenter, candidate for all coast laurels, was the prime factor in the yard gaining.

Pre-season favorite Southern California concluded an unsatisfactory conference schedule by defeating the University of California at Los Angeles 21-7. The Trojans had to come from behind but accomplished the feat convincingly with two touchdowns in the final quarter. The teams were tied 7-7 with four minutes to go.

Southern California meets Notre Dame at South Bend next Saturday. Montana closed out its schedule with a non-conference win over Brigham Young, 25-6.

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Frank Clayton Tonnemaker, who with Leo Nomellini, another giant, backs up the Gophers' line, is expected to correct the situation. Co-captain and senior Tommy Tonnemaker, at six feet three and 266 pounds, has an appropriate nickname, but is very active for one of such bulk.

Always neatly dressed and well groomed with close cropped hair, the popular leader makes an excellent impression, is very sharp mentally and quick on the uptake in repartee.

Home-grown, 21-year-old Tonnemaker graduated from Minneapolis' Edison High in 1946.

He worked in a brewery the past summer, wrestling kegs of beer to bet his arms and shoulders in the best possible shape.

Majoring in Physical Education, Tonnemaker shows his basketball, too. The four-year Golden Gopher letterman was all-city in the cage sport as well as football during his high school days.

Possessed with good football savvy, it is not uncommon for Tonnemaker to take a bead on a fast halfback running wide, match him step for step until they crash at or behind the line of scrimmage. It is quite a sight to see the big boy rumbling along at such a gait.

Bernie Bierman's boys bounced back to trample Iowa after unexpected losses to Michigan and Purdue, finally got their leaky pass defense straightened out so the vaunted line could operate at its best.

Bob Voigt had reason to remember Tonnemaker after Northwestern's 21-7 defeat.

"Tonnemaker wrecked us," moaned the Wildcats' coach. "We just couldn't get him out of there. Every time we denied the line he was there waiting for the ballcarrier."

Ohio State players complained to Wes Fesler after a 27-0 shellacking: "We hit that big Tonnemaker and bounced right off him. We couldn't even knock him off balance."

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