

# Along Nature's Trail

By Ken McLeod

One of the strange attitudes of communities is that only a few appear to be interested in the way the natural resources about them are managed. Perhaps within the community there may be a very few individuals who do take an interest, but for the majority of the people the resources upon which their future depends are largely taken for granted. Mismanagement, over-exploitation and all the other evils that take place in the handling of those resources are looked upon in a matter of fact way as being the natural thing to expect largely because we have no real criteria by which the public can judge otherwise.

The few conservationists who have cried out in protest to wasteful use and abuse of the natural resources have been looked upon as "long-haired" theorists or just merely "crack-pots," poor benighted souls to be humored and ignored. This public attitude, however, is showing signs of awakening to the realization that after all these may be some truth in the warnings the conservationists have so consistently repeated.

We might take the history of the lumber industry in the Klamath basin as an example. Forecasts have often warned that production was far exceeding growth and that there was trouble ahead unless wise use of the forest was practiced. The warnings were ignored, brushed aside as propaganda. It was not until the sawmills actually started going out of production the warnings took on a new light in the public mind.

Just how we exceeded the producing capacity of the forest might be illustrated by looking at the 1940-1944 production record of 3,834,000,000 board feet in half a decade. In case you cannot visualize just how large a quantity this figure happens to be, let us assume we build five-room cottages with it and place them on 50-foot lots fronting on both sides of a city street. Such a street would extend from Klamath Falls to Portland and thence eastward as far as Chicago.

In order to accomplish this amazing feat of production we had to borrow upon the future. If we accept 350,000,000 board feet as the figure of annual growth within Klamath's economic forest area, then on the basis of this five-year record we would have had to use up ten years of growth; starting our timetable in 1940 by the end of 1944 we had cut into the year 1950.

This naturally imposes the question, would the Klamath community have been better off to have an industry with a capacity of only 350 million feet a year instead of a top capacity of 856 million feet? That is a question for future economists to moralize upon, but right now the community finds itself in the predicament of finding a substitute for the lost production with which we were so lavish in the past and about which we built our economy.

## Irish Reign Supreme

# College of Pacific Grabs Tenth Spot in Final Associated Press Gridiron Poll

By JACK HAND

NEW YORK, Nov. 29 (AP)—The fighting Irish of Notre Dame today reign as college football champions of 1949.

Notre Dame drew 172 of 248 first place votes and a bulging total of 2402 points in the ninth and final Associated Press poll of football writers and sports casters from the nation.

Although Notre Dame, unbeaten over a 37-game stretch, still has to play Southern Methodist Saturday, most of the other high point teams have finished their schedules.

Oklahoma, 41-0 winner over the Oklahoma Aggies, recaptured second place from idle California despite strong first place support for the Golden Bears from the Pacific coast. Oklahoma had 18 firsts to 49 for California, but the Soons piled up a point edge of 2018 to 1906. Points are figured on the basis of

10 for first, nine for second and so on down to one for tenth. Army's flashy 38-0 rout of Navy, failed to boost the Cadets' fourth-place standing. They polled 12 firsts and 1838 points.

The other firsts went to College of Pacific, which had four, and Villanova, No. 1 on two ballots. Behind the "big four" of Notre Dame, Oklahoma, California and Army, in that order, came Rice, moving from seventh to fifth on its 21-7 triumph over Baylor. That win guaranteed Rice the southwest conference crown and the job of Cotton Bowl host.

Ohio State, Michigan and Minnesota, all of whom ended their regular seasons a week ago, ran sixth, seventh and eighth, in that order. Ohio State, California's Rose Bowl opponent, and Michigan each dropped a peg in the final ratings, but Minnesota was a firm eighth.

Louisiana State, 21-0 conqueror of Tulane and Sugar Bowl foe of Oklahoma, edged into the top ten, taking ninth place with a surprising 516-point vote.

College of Pacific, with one game to play, finished 10th with the help of an 88-0 romp over California Poly. Both Baylor and Tulane dropped out of the top ten.

Notre Dame polished off Southern California, 22-0, at South Bend Saturday in its last home game to solidify its position. It was the fourth Notre Dame title in 14 years of the AP poll.

The Irish were rated first in 1943, 1946 and 1947. Last year it was Michigan with Notre Dame second. The total final vote (first place votes in parentheses):

1. Notre Dame (172)	2402
2. Oklahoma (18)	2018
3. California (40)	1906
4. Army (12)	1838

5. Rice 1062  
6. Ohio State 998  
7. Michigan 848  
8. Minnesota 522  
9. Louisiana State 516  
10. College of Pacific (4) 248

The Second Ten—11. Kentucky, 222; 12. Cornell, 188; 13. Villanova, 22; 14. Maryland, 134; 15. Santa Clara, 128; 16. North Carolina, 106; 17. Tennessee, 82; 18. Princeton, 45; 19. Michigan State, 30; 20. Missouri and Baylor, each 20.

Others Receiving Votes—Virginia, 18; Duke, 14; Pennsylvania, 10; Stanford, 6; Wofford, Tulane, William and Mary and Southern Methodist, each 6; Texas, Texas Christian and North Carolina State, each 3; Dartmouth, Wyoming, Southern California, UCLA, Vanderbilt, each 2; Brown, Wake Forest and Xavier, each 1.

## Browns, 49ers Hold Statistical Bulge

NEW YORK, Nov. 29 (AP)—The Cleveland Browns and San Francisco 49ers, who finished one-two in the All-America football conference race, are favored to meet in the championship final on December 11—and statistics released today show why.

Of the eight individual departments, the two leaders dominated seven of them. Only Baltimore's Herman Wedemeyer was able to crash the monopoly. The Hawaiian halfback led the seven-team circuit in kickoff returns with 302 yards in 30 attempts.

In all others, the Browns, who entertain Buffalo Sunday afternoon, and the 49ers, who play host to New York in opening playoff round games, ruled supreme.

Otto Graham, Cleveland passer, was the leader in total offense and passing. MacSpeedie, the receiving end of the Graham-to-Speedie aerial combination, retained his pass-catching crown.

In winning the throwing championship for a fourth straight year, Graham finished with 161 completions in 28 attempts for an imposing 278 yards, a new conference record.

Speedie snatched 62 passes for 1028 yards and seven scores to retain his title for a third straight season.

Joe Perry, the 49ers' battering ram, replaced Cleveland's Marion Motley as the league's leading ground gainer. Perry carried the ball 115 times for 783 yards. He averaged 6.81 yards per crack.



THORPE IN UNIFORM — Cpl. Carl Thorpe, son of Jim Thorpe, famous athlete, star of Ft. Monmouth's team, tries helmet on Alice Luis, "Miss USO Hospital" at Ft. Devens, Mass.

## STATE GRIDIRON PREP DATES SET

PORTLAND, Nov. 29 (AP)—The three prep championship football contests in Oregon—class A, class B, and six-man football—were set today for Friday and Saturday.

The big affair between Grant of Portland and La Grande for the class A title will be played in Multnomah stadium at 2 p. m., Saturday.

The finals for the class B title were set for La Grande at 8 p. m., Friday. Banks and Union will battle for that crown.

Talent and Westport will meet for the six-man football title at Astoria at 8 p. m., Saturday.

## Klamath Cats Win, 7 to 4

REDDING, Nov. 29 (AP)—The Redding roller hockey team won a 7-4 setback by the Klamath Cats from Klamath Falls, Ore., Sunday afternoon.

A rematch between the two teams is scheduled for December 10 in Klamath Falls.

The first team of the winners was composed of Kenny Baker, right forward; Jim Reis, left forward; Roger Wilkinson, right guard; Roger Rose, left guard; Larry Wilkinson, center, and Bud Karner, goalie.

Joe Gordon 'Homesick' EUGENE, Ore., Nov. 29 (AP)—Joe Gordon, Cleveland Indians' second baseman, said today he had asked Cleveland for his outright release.

Gordon, who winters at his home here, said he preferred to play in the Coast league next season, preferably at Portland.

Gordon, once known as the "fish," went up to the majors in 1938 and starred for the New York Yankees until 1947. He was named to several American league all-star teams. He went to Cleveland in 1947. Nov. 24, his hitting slumped in the 1949 season.

He told an interviewer here that there was no ill will between him and the Cleveland management. He insisted he wanted to make the move to be closer to his home.

## A.A.U. MAY BAR FOREIGN ATHLETES

NEW YORK, Nov. 29 (AP)—The Amateur Athletic union will vote next month on an oft-defeated proposal to bar foreign athletes from its national championships.

The question is one of 53 to be considered at the AAU's 61st annual convention in San Francisco December 8 to 11.

Also up for vote is the proposal to permit athletes who are professionals in one sport to compete as amateurs in others. This also has been defeated several times.

The middle Atlantic association and the Iowa association are sponsoring the proposal to keep foreign athletes out.

Passage would affect mainly track and field.

Last February Willy Slykhuus of The Netherlands won the mile and Gaston Reiff of Belgium the three-mile run in the AAU championships.

"Then, in August Japanese swimmers dominated the outdoor swimming championships in Los Angeles.

troit Red Wings, are the American-born trio in the major loop. Brimsek was born at Eveleth, Minn., Dussault at Springfield, Mass., and Babando at Braeburn, Pa.

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"I already knew my trade when I came in, but if you're inexperienced, you can learn most any skill you want in an Army school—mechanics, carpentry, radio operation, welding—just name it."

Jim is enthusiastic in recommending the Army to young fellows who want to get a head start on a real career. Full information is available at every U. S. Army and U. S. Air Force Recruiting Office. In Klamath Falls go to Room 309, Federal Bldg.

## Kip Goes on Speaking Tour

CORVALLIS, Nov. 29 (AP)—Oregon State Gridiron Coach Kip Taylor was ready today to hit the "mashed potato circuit"—the annual speaking tour.

Taylor appeared in Portland yesterday at an alumni luncheon and then headed for Bend to speak last night. His schedule is full, the college reported, until Christmas.

## Big Leaguer Aids

NEW YORK (AP)—Dick Kryzhok, member of the World Champion New York Yankees, recently helped in the construction of a coin-collecting "Wishing Well" on the campus of New Jersey's Bergen Junior college, where he is a student during the off-season. Money collected in the well will be turned over to the National Council to Combat Blindness for its "Fight for Sight" program for medical research in the field of eye diseases leading to blindness.

## Three Americans

NEW YORK (AP)—There are three United States-born players in the National Hockey league this season. Frankie Brimsek, Chicago Black Hawks goaltender; Norm Dussault, Montreal Canadiens left winger; and Pete Babando, left wing for the De-

## Stelle Gets 'Iron Man' Tab

EUGENE, Nov. 29 (AP)—Only two players — Quarterback Earl Stelle and Halfback Woodley Lewis—spent more than 400 minutes on the field during Oregon's 10 football games this fall.

Statistics released by the Duck athletic department showed today that Stelle earned the team's "iron man" tab with 488 of the possible 600 minutes of play. Lewis played 421 minutes.

## Duck Cagers Drill for Utes

EUGENE, Nov. 29 (AP)—A rough scrimmage, topped off by action against the frosh, prepped the University of Oregon basketball team for Friday's pre-season opener against Utah at Salt Lake City.

Coch John Warren said he would take 12 men on the Utah trip, but didn't name them.

Forward Mel Strecker and Guard John Neely practiced yesterday's drill.

Generators on the latest sleeping cars deliver enough current for 10 homes.

# SPORTS ROUNDUP

By Hugh Fullerton

NEW YORK, Nov. 29 (AP)—Just figuring things out... Wilbur Evans, U. of Texas tub thumper, comes up with a new set of statistics for comparing football teams.

And naturally, they don't make Texas look bad... Wilbur figures how far "in the red" a team finishes—that is, by how many points it is defeated. . . Notre Dame, Oklahoma, Army and California, among the major teams, have no deficit points since they haven't been beaten. . . Villanova comes next, losing one game by a two-point margin. . . Then you have Rice and Maryland, one-game losers by seven points; Cornell, loser by nine, and Texas, which has lost four games by a total of ten points. . . The Longhorns lost by a touchdown to mighty Oklahoma, but to Southern Methodist and one each to North Carolina State and Texas Christian. . . If you figure it out by averages, the Texas defeats have been by 2 1/2 points apiece—which sounds more like betting odds than results of games.

Joe Bedenk, Penn State grid coach, figures an unidentified alum, has the last word on the two-platoon system in this communication: "Either put in the two-platoon system or don't schedule teams which use such an unfair system."

One of the principal figures in the syndicate which just bought the Indiana is the president of a nut manufacturing company. . . Probably he saw that Bill Veck was manufacturing nuts faster than all the machines in Cleveland. . . Johnny Mauer, coach of varsity basketball and freshman football at West Point, hopes writers will remember he was a darn good piebe coach when he's getting his brains beat out next winter. . . Mauer had Al Pollard and Gilbert Reich, a couple of backs who should make the varsity with something to spare, on this year's unbeaten piebe team. . . The Richmond Rebels, who have been feuding with Washington's George Marshall over a stolen center, have issued a challenge to the Redskins to bring 22 men to Richmond for a game, with a \$10,000 guarantee. . . Western Michigan college footballers elected two left ends, Pat Clisby (offensive) and Bill Zabolnick (defensive) as co-captains for 1950. They figure they'll get a captain in the end.

Jerry Faska, U. of Iowa back: "Notre Dame's Bob Wulk I have ever seen. With the kind of protection he's got, he has to be great."

Charley Keller, who isn't likely to play for the Yankees again, is reported as a possible buyer of the Hagerstown, Md. interstate league franchise—if the price is made reasonable. . . Ohio State vs. California in the Rose Bowl—right back where all this new year's nonsense started 29 years ago.

Black Wins Run Grind EAST LANSING, Mich., Nov. 29 (AP)—Lanky Bob Black, the collegiate world's No. 1 cross country runner, has squared his accounts. Rhode Island state's star raced to a 30-yard victory in retaining his NCAA championship over a snowy four-mile course yesterday.

It was full redemption for Black's 24th place finish in the IC4A meet last week when cramps wrecked his chances.

## Basketball

St. John's University (Brooklyn) 84, Virginia Tech 52.  
DePaul 73, St. Norbert 43.  
Tulane 81, Keesler Field 43.  
New York University 76, Kings Point 44.  
Portland 53, Pacific Lutheran 48.

Classified Ads bring results

# Bowls Before Your Eyes! There's 28

NEW YORK, Nov. 29 (AP)—Bowls, bowls, bowls. And more bowls. Where's the end? Every year we lose some and gain some but still wind up with a little bit more.

Today, at last count, there are 27—no, wait a minute. Here comes another. Make that 28. Last year there were 20.

Some are the Delta in Memphis, the Dixie and Vulcan Bowls in Birmingham. Whatever became of the Oil Bowl? The Camelia? But others have popped up in their stead, like the Gold Dust Bowl at Vallejo, Calif., and the Senior Bowl at Jacksonville, Fla.

They're named for almost everything under the sun—even for the sun. That one's in El Paso, Tex. They're named for flowers, like

the Rose in Pasadena and Orange Blossom in Miami, and for things '99 eat—the Orange, Sugar, Raisin, Tangerine and Salad but no steak yet.

When things get tough there's a Bowl game dedicated to your favorite stogie—the Cigar Bowl at Tampa, Fla.—or your ice box—the Refrigerator football game at Evansville, Ind.

Now newsmen on the west coast are talking about a Press Bowl in San Francisco to match the stepchildren of the post season pickings—unbeaten college of the Pacific and once-whipped Villanova.

East plays West at San Francisco. North meets South at Miami and Blues oppose Grays at Montgomery in a throwback to the Civil war.

The granddaddy of them all is the Rose Bowl at Pasadena. It's officially dated from 1916, but fielding H. Yost, the old Michigan coach, took a team out there in 1902 to beat Stanford, 49-6.

The Orange started in 1933 and the Sugar in 1935. The cotton came along in 1937. These are the steady fixtures.

Others pursued in some disorder, coming and going. Every year some new names pop up.

The real test of 1949 is the Spindletop Bowl of Houston, Tex. Why Spindletop?

## Van Buren Leads in Yardage

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 29 (AP)—Steve Van Buren, the Philadelphia Eagles power runner, is back in his familiar place as leader of the National Football league's ground gainers.

When Joelin' Steve picked up 205 yards Sunday against the Pittsburgh Steelers for his greatest performance in six years of pro football he supplanted Tony Canadeo of Green Bay, according to league statistics released today.

The Eagles joined Pittsburgh 34-17 to win their third straight eastern division crown.

The one-time Louisiana State star has carried the ball 225 times and gained 997 yards for an average of 4.4. He is within 11 yards of his own league record and already has eclipsed his record of attempts, 217, made in 1947.

Canadeo is not far behind. He has rolled up 953 yards, 122 of them last Sunday, in 176 attempts. Elmer Angstrom of the Chicago Cardinals trails far behind in third place with 651 yards.

Charles Conerly, New York Giant, continued to set the pace for the passers. Under the inverse grading system he is eight and one-half points ahead of Sammy Baugh of Washington and Johnny Lujack of the Chicago Bears, who are tied for second place.

## Asia Net Battle

CALCUTTA, India (AP)—An international lawn tennis championship of Asia will be staged here late in December. T. S. Kakko, secretary of the All-India lawn tennis association, says nine foreign countries will send players. They are Great Britain, France, Italy, Belgium, Spain, Yugoslavia, the Philippines, Indonesia and Iran.

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