

RIDIN' HERD

HOW MANY, I wonder, would like to see Sunday afternoon football here?

I would, and it's my guess there's a flock of grid fans who would, enough to make Oregon Tech football a paying proposition.

Despite the Owl's most successful season last year, they didn't get rich from football. Unfortunately, too, it was the type of football designed for fan-appeal.

But fall night weather here isn't designed for fan-appeal, thus this pitch although somewhat belated inasmuch as schedules have been drawn up.

BUT MAYBE it isn't too late. The Owls have five home dates, four of them scheduled for Saturday night. Moving back the dates less than 24 hours — from Saturday night to Sunday afternoon — may not be too much of a chore.

And it seems to me the visitors would go for it if they felt they would be playing before a larger crowd.

The other home game is a Friday tilt.

There are several reasons I think Sunday afternoon football would be successful — in addition to the warmer weather.

THERE ARE two instances this season where both Klamath Union High School and Oregon Tech are home — the Pels Friday night, the Owls Saturday night.

Sitting in sub-freezing weather two nights in a row is too much for even the rabid pigskin fans. It's Oregon Tech that would be hurt, holding down the Saturday night date.

There's nothing so dead as a Sunday afternoon in a town of this size. The fall nights are usually cold, but there's a good chance that at least the sun would be shining Sunday afternoon. Nippy, perhaps, but not uncomfortable as most of the nights are at Modoc Field.

A Sunday afternoon football game would give Mom and Dad and the kids something to do.

SATURDAY NIGHT interference is a big obstacle.

There are always three or four dances going on. Traditionally, it's the "night to bowl", not to watch football on a frost-covered field.

Although Klamath Falls custom supported Oregon Tech's football more last year than in previous years — because of the Owl's fielding a high-stepping team that dished out the thrills — the turnstiles didn't click like they should for GOOD COLLEGE FOOTBALL.

And supporters of Oretch will testify to the fact that they saw a good brand of football when the Owls took the field.

It seems certain the Owls will have an even better team this year — with all but three or four of last year's freshmen back with another year of experience plus a flock of highly-raised newcomers.

It's my guess the mile-high school will at least triple gate receipts of last year IF SUNDAY AFTERNOON games are arranged.

IT'S MY understanding Dick Maguire, KPJ manager, conferred with Oretch Director Winston Purvine on this matter before the schedule was completed.

Maguire was interested, of course, in broadcasting the home games and Sunday afternoon would have been an advantageous time for the radio station.

Purvine naturally turned the matter over to the athletic department. It apparently died there, was pigeon-holed for "future consideration."

It's too bad.

This year has all the early earmarks of being Oregon Tech's BIG YEAR in football. It's too bad the Sunday afternoon suggestion wasn't given more consideration.

MAYBE IT'S not too late yet too contact schools that are scheduled for Klamath Falls appearances this season and feel them out on the subject.

It's worth more than just a half-hearted try.

That is, if Oretch officials are interested in making the grid sport a financial success rather than a financial drain.

WOLFE, TURNER READY



IN THE LAST meeting between Dick Wolfe and Earl Turner, Wolfe (right) misses a right but mauls Turner with a left hook as the Richmond boxing veteran bores in. In this fight, Wolfe won Turners Northwest middleweight crown. Tomorrow night at the Armory, Turner will try to regain the title.

Ring Foes Clash Saturday To Settle Seething Controversy

By RED HURD
Newly-crowned Dick Wolfe and Challenger Earl Turner tapered off today to await the bell tomorrow night at the Klamath Armory that will see them settle with stinging leather whether Wolfe has been sitting in the Pacific Northwest middleweight throne room on borrowed time.

It was just three weeks ago tonight that Wolfe, a hard-hitting Indian lad who calls Alturas home but got his fistic start in Klamath Falls, placed the middleweight crown in his trophy room alongside the welterweight diadem in a toe-to-toe slug-fest with then-champion Turner.

The split decision that made Wolfe a double champion touched off a fistic argument that has never before been equalled on the local fight front.

BOILING
Rather than simmer down, the controversy reached the boiling point and stayed there, forcing Matchmaker Mack Lillard to give the Earl of Richmond another crack at the title virtually all of the fight customers that jammed the Armory claim he never really lost.

Fan-clamor was so insistent that Lillard decided to bring in new ring officials. Earl Yankley of Medford will referee the title squabble, Bob Ross Sr. and another yet to be named will act as judges.

The Richmond Negro is a veteran who has mingled with the elite, including a meeting with Sugar Ray Robinson, and wants to get back in the charmed circle but needs the title back to do it. He's 32.

WOLF UP
Wolfe, a comparative youngster at 25, is on his way up but will need a decisive win tomorrow night to prove it.

Adding even more spice to the most-highly ballyhooed bout here in many years is the "rubber tag" attached.

Turner and Wolfe have met three times.

In the first meeting in Portland, Turner won a close decision in the semi-windup to the Joe Kahut-Ezzard Charles bout. The brawl was voted the most action-

filled of the evening.

The second meeting, in Klamath Falls, ended in a draw, a verdict that generally proved popular with the fans.

Then came the recent (June 20) title soiree when the referee and one judge lit a fuse by voting for Wolfe.

Even Wolfe's acting manager, Harry Eagles, labeled the decision "a gift for my boy." Fans stormed the ring in protest and the echoes of complaint still haven't completely died.

One silt-tongued fan called it "the biggest, unarmed robbery since the Klamath Billiards episode"—when a character knocked over the establishment with just a badge and an authoritative "this is it, boys."

NO KNOCKDOWNS
In the three meetings, although all were rousing donnybrooks, neither fighter has hit the deck.

But it's generally agreed that one would likely have dusted the canvas with his trunks if there had been more than 10 rounds.

The Klamath Falls Boxing Commission has made tomorrow's scrap a 12-round affair.

Many ring experts look for a knockdown in the late chapters, maybe a knockout.

BOTH HIT
Both can punch. Wolfe possibly hits harder—particularly with a murderous left hook, his best weapon—but Turner makes up for it in a rattling rally of blows that carry oomph.

Wolfe has the youth and the harder punch.

Turner has the ring savvy and superior boxing skill.

It's a bout that carries potential dynamite—made even more attractive by the underlying stigma of the weird verdict June 20.

It has gate appeal. So much so that Lillard is making seating arrangements for an overflow crowd.

The semi-windup is one that takes a back seat to the main event only because a boxing crown is at stake in the Wolfe-Turner bout.

It brings back Blackie Vanderveer, Seattle Slesher, against Ralph Weiser, Beatty Bomber, in the second meeting between the two, a six-rounder.

Vanderveer, cocky but clever, gave Weiser a boxing lesson the first time out and since has stopped Monty Montgomery here with a neat right to the tummy.

INSISTENT
But Weiser has insisted on another meeting and could upend Vanderveer if he lands with his shattering bombs that have added up so many ice jobs here.

Last time he couldn't find Vanderveer.

The rest of the prelims pair Jerry Renaud, Portland, against Rudy Carlson, Klamath Falls, in the six-heat special event; Porky Jimenez against Phil Jackson and Danny Rios against Zane Mingo in two four-rounders.

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Those Cardinals Mean Business

By The Associated Press
The rival St. Louis Clubs, under the Browns, skippered by mild-mannered Marty Marion, their second manager of the campaign, are opposite directions.

The Cardinals, led by firebrand in the throes of a nine-game losing streak, are riding on their straits, that threatens to drop crest of a 10-game winning streak them into the American League and are making rapid strides in cellar.

Their effort to overtake the National League leading Brooklyn National Leaguer to register a dozen victories when he pitched the Cardinals to a 10-3 triumph over the Philadelphia Phillies Thursday night.



Bevos Nudge Acorns; Pads Win, Stars Lose

By The Associated Press
It's very cramped around first place in the Pacific Coast League. There is only a half-game difference between Oakland, in the top spot, and San Diego and Hollywood, tied for second.

San Diego, with Grumpy Guy Fletcher allowing five hits, beat the hapless San Francisco Seals, 8 to 2, Thursday night, while Hollywood was bowing to Sacramento by a 2 to 2 score and Portland was whipping Oakland, 4 to 3. Seattle downed Los Angeles in the other game, 3 to 1.

Lyman Linde worked 8 2-3 innings against Oakland and allowed only four hits but he had to call on reliever Harry Ward to choke off a ninth inning rally and preserve Portland's victory.

Linde had a three-hitter going into the ninth, but a walk and Tookie Gilbert's double got him in trouble. Ward forced Sam Chapman to ground out to end the contest.

A crowd of 12,142 saw Seattle's great young pitcher, Vernon Kindsfather, handuff Los Angeles.

Kindsfather, a Chicago White Sox prospect, held the hard-hitting Angels to only four hits, while his teammate, K Chorlton, on whom the New York Giants have a buying option, socked a sixth-inning homer that ignited a three-run rally which won the contest.

Heatons Pace Junior Loop

Heatons jumped into the lead of the Junior Baseball League last night with an 8-1 win over Pelican City.

The victory gave the Heatons a 3-0 record. The Chuck Wagon is unbeaten also but have won just two games.

Last night's Heilbronners-Chlorquin game was called in the second inning because of a light failure at Conger Field. The game will be made up at a later date.

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CLEVELAND (AP)—In the first 32 games with the Cleveland Indians this season, third baseman Al Rosen hit .325. In his next 32 games he batted .338.

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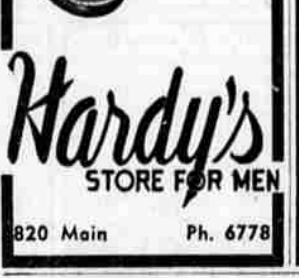
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Locke Wins British Open

ST. ANNE'S ON SEA, England (AP)—Big Bobby Locke of South Africa burst from behind in the final round to win his third British Open Golf Championship Friday.

Locke, who had been seen-sawing within range of the lead throughout the past two days of play, turned in a trim 73 in the payoff round of 18 holes.

This gave him an aggregate score of 287 for the crucial 72 holes, two strokes better than for Irishman Fred Daly.

Harness driver Harry Miller scored five victories in one night recently at Lebanon Raceway, Lebanon, O. He is the first driver to accomplish that feat this year.

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