



Left: Fullback, Tom Nickoloff, carries the ball for Michigan State. Co-Captain Charlie Hoag scampers for Kansas. All are halfbacks.

Dwight Likes Sports

By WILL GRIMSLEY
NEW YORK (AP) — Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, the President-elect, is perhaps the most sports-minded chief executive in our nation's history.
He was a football player at West Point, proud of the fact he once tackled the great Jim Thorpe. He took a brief fling at baseball in the Central League. Today — still at his old playing weight of 173 pounds — he shoots a bangup game of golf.
When A. B. (Happy) Chandler was dismissed as commissioner of baseball more than a year ago, Eisenhower was among those considered for the post. But his duties as NATO chief in Europe were too important.

AVI

He is an avid sports fan. Football is a tremendous spectacle, he says. "I remember I saw my first game from the sidelines with Gus Dorris (Notre Dame) throwing passes to the Rock (Knute Rockne)."
He told a group of sports figures at a New York let-a-tete recently: "I can go to a major league baseball game and come away a raving fanatic."
Golf is the President-elect's game today and he's threatened to go away and play 10 days of golf as relaxation after the strenuous campaign.

PARTNERS

One of his regular playing partners in recent weeks has been Cliff Roberts of Augusta, Ga., and New York, who hosts the famous Masters Tournament in Georgia.
"He hits a long ball off the tee," Roberts said. "He's a very good golfer, regularly in the 80s."
Eisenhower is more modest. He says his figure is 90 and up but acknowledged he fired a 79 two years ago at Blind Brook in Port Chester, N. Y., and recently had an 82.
Roberts was with him when he shot the 82. "He had a birdie on the par four 14th," Roberts said. "He had two good hits and sank a 12-foot putt."

PETER

Eisenhower carries in his bag a putter used by Jack Westland in the latter's surprising triumph in the National Amateur Golf Championship at Seattle last summer. Westland, 47, ran for Congress from Washington.
"He wasn't an outstanding player," said a friend of the Point. He played fullback, did plunging duties and backed up the line.
He recalled the game he played against Carlisle Indians. "It was a pleasure to see a guy like Thorpe running by," he said.
Eisenhower suffered a torn cartilage in his knee, cutting short his athletic career. "It took five days to straighten out the leg," he said.

SPORTS MIRROR

By The Associated Press
TODAY A YEAR AGO — Charlie Dressen was rehired as Dodger manager for the 1952 season.
FIVE YEARS AGO — Mexican Army jumpers won the team event at the International Horse Show at Madison Square Garden.
TEN YEARS AGO — Army authorities granted permission for the annual East-West football game, which was held at New Orleans because of the war emergency.
TWENTY YEARS AGO — Army trampled Harvard, 46-0, to give the Crimson its worst defeat in football history.

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MARKED MEN — Tom Nickoloff (left) picks passes off his hip as Southern California's right end. Co-Capt. Hal Miller (center) is Georgia Tech's largest operative at six feet five and 235 pounds, throws his weight around at tackle. Northwestern's durable Chuck Hren is a bulldozer type of fullback.

Lenzini Lineman Of Week

NEW YORK (AP) — A guard switched to tackle — Bob Lenzini of Illinois — won the lineman of the week award Wednesday.
Lenzini, a 198-pounder from Waukegan, took top honors in the weekly Associated Press poll for his sterling defensive work last Saturday as the Illini upset Michigan, 22-13.
Lenzini charges low and hard. He bulled his way through the Michigan line to smear Michigan fullback Dick Balzhiser without gain on the Illini nine. Coming on third down it was the play that broke up Michigan's last threat.
The 20-year-old junior was a superior defensive player all day. Lineman nominated this week included end Ed Barker, Washington State, and center Donn Moorman, UCLA.

Huskies Lead Through Air

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Washington Huskies are still tops in the Pacific Coast Conference in yardage gained through the air, thanks to the strong right arm of All-America candidate Don Heinrich.
The conference statistician said Tuesday the Huskies have made 1,396 yards via the air this season, an average of 199.7 yards per game.

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Coast Football Charged With Going Out and Buying Talent

By HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor
NEW YORK (NEA) — "No doubt about it," asserted Tom Whitley, matter-of-factly, "football players in the South-Eastern Conference are much tougher and seem to love the game more than west coast lads."

There, that should get the erstwhile Alabama lineman a lifetime badge in the Loyal Sons of Dixie Lodge. A watch charm tackle, he played in the 1945 Sugar Bowl, 46 Rose Bowl and 48 Sugar Bowl, was assistant to Red Sanders at University of California at Los Angeles in 1949-50. He is now in Alabama — out of the football business.

BOY PLAYERS

"Recruiting and scholarships are different on the west coast," he said. "Instead of giving scholarships, they simply go out and buy players."
In his days at Tusculum, we received only room, books, tuition, laundry and a small amount of spending money. How stingy. The Autumnal madness, said Whitley, is a tremendous thing for the American boy. It teaches him to work for what he wants. How true. At the pressure football schools it teaches him to work on his tackling, blocking and running for what he wants — better hours and higher wages.

VERBAL POKE

While Whitley takes a verbal poke at the Pacific coast, a Penn State alumnus, whose son, a junior, is a member of the midwest campus, lamented bitterly about the more modern's dearth of enthusiasm.
"Penn State students simply lack spirit," he griped, shaking his head sadly.
This reminded Bill Gaskill, who taught English at State College, a story about Barney Ewell, the Lions' remarkable Olympic runner.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

By The Associated Press
Los Angeles — Jesus Fuentes, 158 1/2, Los Angeles, outpointed Willie Vaughn, 158 1/2, Los Angeles, 10.
White Plains, N.Y. — Miguel Berrios, 127 1/2, Puerto Rico, outpointed Earl Hilton, 129, Philadelphia, 8.

"On Friday, before Penn State was to play Cornell," recalled Professor Gaskill, "I asked Barney how he thought we would do."

AMUSED
"Why, Mr. Gaskill," he said, "I think State will win by seven points." After class I noticed Barney charting a football formation. He was amused to see he had selected Cornell to win. I challenged his inconsistency.

"But you don't understand," he said. "This one is for money."
The football poll people have been ranking Michigan State and Maryland one-two regularly this year. It figures. After the Spartans wiped up Texas A. and M., 48-6, Coach Ray George observed: "It's not their first team that gets you. It's their second, third and fourth."

And at College Park, after Maryland crushed Navy, 38-7, a Tar-pan fan turned to his companion and beamed. "How about our big band? Uniforms and all."

"Yeah," the other said, "I think Jim Tatum has improved the band

even more than the football team."

The Southeastern Conference has a new rule this year which forbids the announcement of game officials over the public address system before or during a contest. Perhaps it's just as well. Such as: Vanderbilt had put the ball in motion on a running play from the 35-yard line against Florida, gained three yards. Florida was charged with a 15-yard holding penalty from the point of the infraction.

The officials finally put the ball on the Commodore 43, after placing it down in three different spots — an advance of only five yards actually. Obviously the whistle tooters were confused, later admitted their 10-yard error in favor of the Gators.

"No wonder you guys don't want your names mentioned in the program," heckled somebody.
One Nashville writer swore that one of the two officials involved in the boney flunked math twice while in college.

Gayle Talbot

Aussie Netmen Don't Worry Alrick Man Jr.

By GAYLE TALBOT
NEW YORK (AP) — Alrick Man Jr., of New York, who takes off for Australia today to act as business manager of the American Davis Cup team, refuses to concede that the cause is hopeless, and is downright short-tempered with the suggestion we might lose to Italy in the Interzone final.

"I honestly think we will have a good chance against Australia in the challenge round at Adelaide, especially if Tony Trabert gets his leave of absence from the Navy," Man said before his departure.
"What some of our critics overlook is that Vic Seixas defeated Frank Sedgman in straight sets in the Pacific Southwest tournament. He feels he's learned how to beat Frank — by going to the net consistently."

"Who can say whether Ken McGregor will be back at his top form for the Aussies? After all, he wasn't able to play in our nationals because of a pulled stomach muscle. If he doesn't play, I'll guarantee they can't beat us with their younger fellows."
"As for our losing to Italy, that's absurd. Straight Clark, who's already over there with Seixas, has proved he can beat any of the Italians in straight sets."

The story out of Washington telling of Mickey Mantle's dejection because of a knee injury said the young Yankee centerfielder hit a "sensational" 311 the past season, his second in the big leagues.

At first blush it looked like a pretty strong word. But we got to thinking. Few players in the two leagues hit higher than the Mick, and they didn't hit for the distance he did. The mark of a real good hitter today must be close to 20 points lower than it was when Mantle was born.

The oldtimers insist they just don't turn out great hitters any more, and those who might develop into great hitters don't work and sweat at improving themselves.

Our own theory is that today's hitters are looking at better pitching, day after day, than the oldsters did.

Maybe Mickey as sensational, at that.

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Football Formations Mixed Up This Season

By WILL GRIMSLEY
NEW YORK (AP) — Which of the various football formations is most successful this year? You can't tell by looking at the Associated Press latest top ten, which shows little to choose among the single wing, straight-T and split-T.

The No. 1 eleven, Michigan State, uses a conglomeration of formations — starting with the T and unbalanced line, then shifting to single wing, double wing and split-T.

Split-T adherents have the second-ranking team, Maryland, and the fourth, Oklahoma, with Georgia Tech, No. 3, a straight-T combine which uses all features of the split-T except the "quarterback keep" play.

The fifth and sixth teams, UCLA and Southern California, are exponents of the old-fashioned single wing, as is Tennessee, No. 8. The straight-T boys can claim the other members of the first ten — Kansas, No. 7; Purdue, No. 6.

Seven other first string players also were nursing injuries.

Wagner Big For Fight

CLEVELAND (AP) — Dick Wagner, Toppensish, Wash. fighter, will be at the top weight of his fighting career — 160 pounds Wednesday night, 10-rounder at the arena against Earl (Lulu) Sabotini of Warren, O.

But the 26-year-old Wagner, who fought middleweights for four years, doesn't expect the extra pounds to handicap him.

"I've laid off to build myself up," said Wagner, who hasn't fought since May 6. "For the past two months I've trained harder than I ever did in my life. I feel great. My sparring partners say I hit hard, and I know I move faster."

Despite his confidence, Wagner is an underdog in the betting which has installed Sabotini as a 9-5 favorite.

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