

Big Ten Teams Clash With Southern Cal, Notre Dame

By ED WILKS
The Associated Press

The Big Ten conference, always a target for the ambitious and a test for the accepted giants, is smack dab in the college football spotlight again this weekend with sixth-ranked Wisconsin running against Southern California tonight and unranked Michigan State confronting fourth-ranked Notre Dame tomorrow.

Wisconsin and Notre Dame are favored by a touchdown. The Irish contest is the TV Game of the Week.

Coach Jess Hill's Trojans could give the Badgers some trouble. Still nursing an idea of taking the Pacific Coast Conference title, they could well be on the rebound after a 7-0 upset by Washington last weekend.

The Trojans are in top shape for this one. Wisconsin has two limping stars—quarterback Jim Miller and tackle Jerry Cventog.

Michigan State doesn't figure to have things as easy this week as last Saturday in its 38-14 decision over Stanford. Still, the Spartans loom as the best test yet for the Irish, who are unbeaten, untied and unscored upon.

Michigan State has one less to date — a 14-7 decision against Michigan, the No. 1 team in the nation.

With Wisconsin busy outside the conference, Michigan looks to claim a share of the Big Ten lead after dealing with winless Northwestern tomorrow. Even with end Ron Kramer, the big man, injured, the Wolverines are favored by three TDs.

In addition to tonight's West Coast battle, Duke-Ohio State and Washington-Baylor add interconference spice to the weekend.

Duke, unbeaten, untied and ranked No. 11, is judged even-up with the once-beaten Buckeyes. Ohio State only yesterday revealed all-American Howard Cassady in-

jured a leg in practice this week. But Hopalong will be on hand for tomorrow's game at Columbus, Ohio.

Washington, unbeaten in four games and the PCC surprise, has a 1954 defeat to live down at Baylor. The Bears socked 'em 34-7 last year.

Elsewhere tomorrow, Maryland's unbeaten, second-ranked Terrapins figure to upset North Carolina's homecoming plans. Oklahoma, No. 3, is expected to have a gala homecoming in its game with Kansas at Norman.

One big game looms in Dixie.

Georgia Tech, No. 5 and undefeated, bumps into one-sided Auburn in the Southeastern Conference game of the day. The winner gets a big bowl boost. Tech's the favorite by 7.

The rest of the top 10 is scheduled like this: Texas Christian, No. 7, and its pushing quarterback Jim Swink for individual honors, plays Texas A&M; Navy, No. 8, and like Notre Dame unscored upon, meets Penn State; UCLA, once-beaten and No. 9, plays Stanford; and West Virginia, No. 10, figures to take all sorts of liberties with William & Mary.



Out Of Deers With
The Sportsman

Weekend Hunting Outlook

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The State Game Commission sees the coming weekend as one holding excellent prospects for deer.

In most of the state, excluding the southwestern section, hunters who failed to get a buck in the first two weeks of the season, will have a chance for either a buck or a doe. Saturday is opening for the hunter's choice season except in part of Central Oregon where the opening is Oct. 15.

The buck deer only season continues in southwestern Oregon.

Northwest

In the south Willamette Valley hunting will be best close to agricultural lands where hunters so far have done little hunting.

Southwest

Recent rains have brought Douglas County conditions to near perfect. A rainless weekend should be ideal. The best hunting is expected at intermediate and lower elevations. Snow at higher elevations will hamper travel. The best weekend prospects are along the upper Crooked River starting at Post eastward to Paulina and Camp Creek and portions of Bear Creek; also the fringes of the Ochoco National Forest east of Prineville and portions of the forest on the north fork of the Crooked River eastward to the ranger station. Permission must be had to hunt on private lands. There have been rains in the area and conditions are excellent. Deer are well scattered and most are still in the thickets where they needed to be moved out by hunters who will beat the brush.

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Most areas above 5,000 feet now have snow cover and recent storms have caused some downward migrations. Hunters should carry chains as many roads are in bad condition. Hunting success continues good and the weekend prospects are fine in Grant County, French Butte, Morgan Creek, Dry Soda look-out and the head of Murders Creek all should be good. Jackson ranch at Inez is allowing hunting by permission and no charge. Prospects there are excellent. Deer are numerous along the John Day River bottom between Twickenham and Dayville, Cherry Creek and Kahler basin. Recent rains should improve hunting success in Morrow County. Recent storms have brought improvement in Umatilla County, but hunting pressure there has been light. The hunter's choice season should be good in all areas below snow line. Baker County prospects have improved and the weekend should be excellent. Baker and Union County prospects also are good, especially in the sagebrush areas of Baker County. The foothill country near cultivated lands near Telocast, Cove and Elgin also should be good.

Southeast

Deer hunting is good generally throughout the southeast area. Harney County has had some rain. Hunting has slackened in the Mahogany Mountain area but it is believed that Idaho's special hunt, Oct. 8-12, should cause deer to move back toward that area north of Jordan Valley. The either sex season should bring good results.

WHEATON, Ill. (AP) — A young minister is making the punt, pass and prayer work for Wheaton College's unbeaten football team.

The Rev. David Burnham, 21, is one of Wheaton's all-time triple threat greats.

The senior co-captain of the crusaders, a 6-2, 180-pounder, has gained 374 yards in 18 carries for a 15.1 average in his team's three straight victories.

Burnham, who has totaled nearly 3,600 yards and scored 26 touchdowns while at Wheaton, last summer was ordained to the independent Baptist ministry and voted associate pastor of his father's undenominational church in Akron, Ohio.

He also married a Wheaton College cheerleader, Sue Huffman, of South Bend, Ind.

"The football squad meets every Friday night before a game," says Burnham. "We pray for our team as well as for our opponents—we pray for good sportsmanship to prevail, and it does."

"Every time before a kickoff I bow my head for a brief prayer that the Lord will help me. Once the game starts, I haven't much time for a real prayer."

Burnham gives these reasons for his ability as a triple-threat halfback: "My friends and teammates, without whom I would never get beyond the line of scrimmage, and my Heavenly Father, without whom I would not have the strength."

Burnham said he is playing football despite a hernia.

"I've had it a long time," he adds. "Some doctors say I can't play football. Some say I can. But I want to play, the Lord willing—and I think he is."

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News of the signing ceremony was reported by the Associated Press.

BALTIMORE—Eddie Lopat, who pitched 12 years in the major leagues including five with the New York Yankees, was given his unconditional release by the Baltimore Orioles.

MEXICO CITY (UP)—A 16-year-old Mary Ann Mitchell, San Leandro, Calif., upset top-ranked Darlene Hard, Montebello, Calif. 6-3, 3-6, 6-2 in quarter finals of Pan American Tournament.

NEW YORK (UP)—Neil (\$6,300) out ran Rhythm in a stretch duel to take the \$28,250 Grand National Steeplechase Handicap at Belmont Park.

San Mateo, Calif.—Myrtlemood (\$60) scored by a neck in top event at Bay Meadows.

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Wolverines Eye Triumph, Big Ten Lead

By ED SAINSBURY
United Press Sports Writer

CHICAGO (UP)—Michigan, the nation's top-ranked football team, plays Northwestern Saturday with a victory needed to tie Wisconsin for first place in the Big Ten title chase.

The Wolverines were 23-point favorites in the showdown game of a three-game Big Ten schedule. Other conference contests match Minnesota at Illinois and Purdue at Iowa. Michigan won its first conference game over Michigan State.

Wisconsin, with two Big Ten wins, over Iowa and Purdue, plays non-conference Southern California at Los Angeles Friday night and was a six-point favorite to win. The Badgers are undefeated after three games.

Other non-league battles will be Villanova at Indiana, Duke at Ohio State and Notre Dame at Michigan State, the latter the national television spectacle and one of the top scraps in the country.

Michigan will be without its top star, end Ron Kramer, for its meeting with Northwestern, but the Wildcats too will be below peak strength with sophomore guard Al Viola sidelined by injuries.

Still Coach Lou Saban of the club predicted that his club could win because "We think we can beat them, no matter what their rating is, and we're not going there to lose."

Illinois, winner over California and Iowa State before a beating by Ohio State Saturday, was a touchdown choice to down the Gophers, who look to Washington and Purdue before tripping Northwestern last week.

Iowa, beaten only by the Badgers in three games, was a seven-point favorite over the Boiler-makers, whose only defeat also was at the hands of Wisconsin. The Badgers beat Iowa, 37-14, and Purdue, 9-0.

The Duke-Ohio State battle was rated even while Notre Dame, also undefeated in three matches, was a seven-point choice over the Spartans, Indiana, without a victory in three contests, was a 20-point favorite over Villanova, also winless in three starts.

Towne Gets Chance In Return To Boxing

By JACK HAND

NEW YORK (UP)—The man said he had lunch with Artie Towne. "Who's in town?" his companion asked. That's the way it has been for Artie Towne ever since he started fighting in 1944. Nobody recognized the name.

In Artie's home town of New York, they recall him vaguely as a fellow called Ray Robinson's "policeman." When Sugar Ray wanted to get rid of somebody, he'd say, "Okay, fight Towne first." After that, they didn't seem to bother Ray any more.

By and large, Towne was a stranger in New York rings. He fought in the preliminaries when Robinson was fighting for the welterweight title or he picked up a small purse—say \$250—as a headliner in places like Scranton, Pa., or Binghamton, N.Y.

Things got so tough, Artie finally threw in the sponge in 1952. "The fights came too few," he explained. "I had a wife and I couldn't make enough fighting. So I quit and went to work."

"Robinson was too big then," he said. "They didn't have any time for me."

Last winter, an old schoolmate, Ross Harvey, talked him into giving boxing one more try. Harvey had a connection with Dick Begala, an importer, who would back Towne. Begala became the manager and Harvey the business agent.

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