

Please Pinch — PCC Title For OSC

CORVALLIS, Ore. (AP) — Oregon State, an inexperienced and seemingly innocent entrant in the Pacific Coast Conference football race this year, has a chance to make off with the conference championship Saturday.

But almost no one expects the Rose Bowl to result. The title alone would be enough of a surprise.

What the States need to get the title is a victory over arch-rival Oregon at nearby Eugene while Southern California co-operates by spilling mighty UCLA.

That would close conference play, giving Oregon State a 6-1 record and a percentage point advantage over UCLA and its 5-1 record. Then the nine conference schools will vote on which team to send to the Rose Bowl. Usually that is the champion. But it does not have to be. The schools can be expected to vote for the strongest team, and looming large is the 33-0 defeat UCLA handed Oregon State earlier in the year.

In addition UCLA has a more impressive season record of 8-1 with 268 points to opponents' 50. Oregon State has a 6-2 season record, with 126 points to opponents' 93.

Even that record is a surprise. For the States last year lost eight

of nine games and looked particularly inept as UCLA walloped them, 61-0. The pre-season talk was of maybe two wins for Oregon State.

Among the reasons for the upsurge is a man who watched from the UCLA bench as Oregon State went under last year. He is Tommy Prothro, 34, backfield coach at UCLA from 1949 until he accepted the head coaching job at Oregon State this year.

Once at Oregon State, Prothro changed the team to a UCLA-type single-wing, and did it with more dispatch than opponents thought possible.

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Francis is a triple-threat, 190-pound tailback from Honolulu, who has done everything well.

Wesley at 145 pounds appears too tiny to be allowed on the field, but the speed of this Dallas, Texas, wingback has left opponents gasping.

Also gasping are the State fans, for they never expected to be up in this heady atmosphere. Nor will they be too disappointed if they miss the title Saturday, for already they are dreaming of next season with Prothro, Witte and the host of sophomores returning.

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Sports World Shorts

MOSCOW (UP)—Galina Zybina of Russia bettered her own world shot put record Tuesday with a toss of 54 feet, eight inches.

OSLO, Norway (UP)—The United States speed skating team will prepare for the 1956 Winter Olympics by competing in two meets in southern Norway early in January, it was announced today.

Princeton Grid Boss 8 Grabs Week's Honors

By STEVE SNIDER
United Press Sports Writer

PRINCETON, N.J. (UP)—He was sure he could make it as a big league ball player that day in 1925 when he walked into the dugout of the New York Yankees.

But to his great disillusionment, the veteran players, even Babe Ruth, laughed at him. In those days, he said, they didn't think much of college players. So he gave up the idea of being a ball player and turned to coaching football. Baseball's loss was football's gain for he has brought his Alma Mater some of its greatest teams.

He's the United Press Coach of the Week, cheerful Charlie Caldwell, of Princeton's Tigers who scored one of Saturday's most resounding upsets, 13-0 over Yale in one of those long-standing and bitter traditional battles.

NEW YORK (UP)—Former welterweight champion Kid Gavilan will invade France early next year and is being considered for a fight in Paris, Jan. 21, Lew Burston of the International Boxing Club stated Tuesday upon his return from Europe. "Gavilan will meet the winner of a bout between Claude Millazzo and another French middleweight," Burston said.

CHICAGO (UP)—The late Leo Diegel, who won the PGA championship in 1928 and 1929, today was elected to the "Golf Hall of Fame." Diegel, who died in 1951, also won the Canadian Open four times and was a four-time member of the U.S. Ryder Cup team.

Fraley Favors Michigan

By OSCAR FRALEY
United Press Sports Writer

NEW YORK (UP)—Fraley's Folies and the weekend football "winners" — a real testimonial to the "Do It Yourself" clan.

Game of the Week
Michigan over Ohio State—This is one of those anything can happen ball games but Michigan has two items in its favor. One is that it is playing at home. The other, that it has the incentive because victory here takes it to the Rose Bowl. It makes for a two touch-down difference.

The East
Yale over Harvard — Booby Booby.

Pitt over Penn State — And watch 'em next year.

Princeton over Dartmouth — A new club with flippin.

West Virginia over Syracuse — The big bounce back.

Also: Columbia over Rutgers, Delaware over Bucknell, Lehigh over Lafayette, Albright over Scranton, Boston U. over Temple, Holy Cross over Connecticut, Gettysburg over F. & M., and Houston over Villanova.

The Midwest
Notre Dame over Iowa — Traditionally tough, or not.

Wisconsin over Minnesota — They had their upset.

Purdue over Indiana — One of those things.

Illinois over Northwestern — A gallop.

Also: Michigan State over Marquette, Oklahoma over Nebraska, Missouri over Kansas, Colorado over Iowa State and Kansas State over Oklahoma Aggies.

The West
UCLA over Southern Cal — With Michigan next.

Oregon over Oregon State — A squeaker.

Washington over Washington State — Not a squeaker.

Stanford over California — Ho, hum.

Also: Arizona over New Mexico, Colorado Aggies over Brigham Young, Denver over Wyoming and Idaho over Montana.

The South
Miami over Alabama — Remember the good old days?

Maryland over George Washington — Orange Juice.

Tennessee over Kentucky — White lightning over bourbon.

Auburn over Clemson — Not too easy.

Also: Duke over Wake Forest, North Carolina over Virginia, Vanderbilt over Florida, and North Carolina State over William and Mary.

The Southwest
Arkansas over LSU — With the right bounce.

Baylor over SMU — Can go either way.

TCU over Rice — Bowling along.

Texas Tech over COB — Tough trip makes a difference.

Detroit over Tulsa — Waddaya mean, why?

In Brief

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FOOTBALL
GREENSBORO, N.C. — Maryland accepted an invitation to represent the Atlantic Coast Conference in the Orange Bowl game against Oklahoma Jan. 2 at Miami, Fla.

NEW YORK — Oklahoma, Maryland and Michigan State still are running 1-2-3 in the weekly Associated Press college poll.

GOLF
CHICAGO — Leo Diegel, a former PGA champion, was elected to the "Golf Hall of Fame."

RACING
NEW YORK — War Command (\$17.50) led all the way to win the \$29,450 Display Handicap as the New York racing season closed at Jamaica.

SAN BRUNO, Calif. — Disco (\$10.10) took the feature at Tarrifon.

TENNIS
LOS ANGELES — Professional promoter Jack Kramer signed Richard (Pancho) Gonzales as the singles opponent for newly turned pro Tony Trabert.

Engineers, Pitt Seek Bowl Fray

NEW ORLEANS (UP)—Pittsburgh and Georgia Tech today moved to the forefront as the teams most likely to meet in the Sugar Bowl football classic here Jan. 1.

But both selections hinged on a number of "ifs."

Sugar Bowl officials, who saw Pittsburgh spill West Virginia from the bowl road last Saturday, came away with glowing praise for the Panthers, a team that blossomed this year after several mediocre seasons.

Although beaten by Oklahoma, Navy and Miami this season, Pittsburgh seems to be climbing back towards the pinnacle of the 1937 team that spilled Washington in the Rose Bowl.

The big "if" for Sugar Bowlers will be the Panthers' performance this Saturday against Penn State. A Sugar Bowl bid for Pitt could well ride on the outcome.

Georgia Tech of the Southeastern Conference seems headed for its third appearance in the Sugar Bowl. Mississippi could take the SEC crown, but the rebels, beaten here last year by Navy, 21-0, appear to be eyeing the Cotton Bowl with favor, especially if Texas Christian is the host team.

However, Tech, which has lost to Auburn and has a tie with Tennessee, could be ousted under the right conditions by surprising Vanderbilt or Tennessee.

Dark horse competition for Pittsburgh arose in the shape of Miami of Ohio which may get a once-over from Sugar Bowl officials in its game against Penn State. Navy isn't expected back in the Sugar Bowl this year even if the Middles take Army. Although Navy isn't definitely ruled out, most sources believe the Middles will go to the Cotton Bowl, if any.

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BASEBALL

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NEW YORK — Al Kaline, young outfielder of the Detroit Tigers who led the American League in batting last year, was voted the Sophomore of the Year.

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BOULDER CITY, Nev. (UP)—England's Donald M. Campbell of England broke his own world speedboat record Wednesday when he sent his jet-powered Bluebird 216.2 miles an hour over the waters of Lake Mead.



FISH STORY ON GOLF
Gladys Hadley heard that large-mouth bass were striking at balls sailing into a water hazard on the way to the ninth hole of the Ida Cason Callaway Gardens course at Chipley, Ga. Miss Hadley took her rod along and the big one was found to have been on a golf-ball diet.

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Cub Shortstop Named Top Soph

NEW YORK (UP)—Ernie Banks, who hit more home runs in one season than any other shortstop in the history of baseball, was named the National League's Sophomore of the Year Wednesday in a virtually unanimous vote by members of the Baseball Writers' Assn. of America.

The lean, wiry infielder of the Chicago Cubs received all but three of the votes of the 99 writers who participated in the annual Associated Press poll. Henry Axton, Milwaukee's young outfield star, attracted two votes and Sam (Toothpick) Jones, fireball pitcher of the Cubs, got one. Banks thus joins Al Kaline, the spectacular outfielder of the Detroit Tigers, who won the sophomore honors in the American League.

Apprentice jockey Ken Bonin, 18, will be among the riders at Florida tracks this winter. He won his first race at Sunshine Park near Tampa last Jan. 25.

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