

Tech Preparing For 'Wait Game'

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ATLANTA, Ga. (UP)—Georgia Tech Coach Bobby Dodd, trying for an unprecedented fifth straight bowl championship, may take Sugar Bowl fans back to days of the old "Tennessee waiting game" when his Engineers met powerful Pittsburgh in New Orleans.

Dodd, who first won his fame as a master of razzle-dazzle, has slowly converted to the conservative style he learned as a player under Gen. Robert Neyland back in Tennessee, and fans who have watched Georgia Tech agree that Dodd can make it work just like the old master himself.

The "waiting game" has paid off to the tune of eight wins, a loss and a tie for Tech, and Coach Dodd's charges are favored to hike that mark to 9-1-1 against Pittsburgh Jan. 2.

Unexpectedly, but the fact that Tech has played the "waiting game" all season is hardly a guarantee that Pitt will

Russell, USF Top Warriors

By ED WILKS
The Associated Press

Memo to Marquette coach Jack Nagle:

If you're going to ambush somebody, pal, don't send 'em an engraved invitation.

Nagle, who jumped into national collegiate prominence last season with the Warriors, didn't leave much to the imagination as he indicated he thought his boys were in the lead.

There was an upset at the Stadium, but host DePaul pulled it off, knocking over previously unbeaten and sixth-ranked Duquesne 68-54.

The Blue Demons, who lost to Kentucky by one point at week's end, dumped in 10 of 12 free throw attempts in the final 4 minutes.

San Francisco qualified for the "title" game of the tourney against DePaul as the Dons opened their eastern tour with a second-half surge led by Russ's

Duquesne, despite St. Green's 22 points, could not push DePaul all the way, but they did catch the Demons in the second half. DePaul, now 4-2, put down the Dukes' final bid with 2 minutes remaining. Ron Sobieszczak had 22 for the Demons.

Duquesne was the fourth casualty of the week among the top 10 teams, but the only one to miss free throw night. Utah, No. 3, battered Idaho State 69-53; Dayton, No. 7, took care of 14-rated Cincinnati 66-57; and Brigham Young, No. 8, leveled Colorado — conqueror of fourth-ranked Iowa this week — by an impressive 70-53 count.

Mississippi and Texas will meet in the Blue-Gray final at Mountain View, tonight. Miss outlanded Eastern Kentucky 93-92 as Jack Adams hit 38 points. Once-beaten Texas handed Auburn its first defeat 83-76 after trailing by 14 at the half.

George Washington, now 5-0, smacked Washington & Lee 86-70 in a Southern Conference scrap. Joe Holton again topped the winners, this time with 26 points.

In a trio of upsets, Nebraska, after losing three of four, surprised UCLA 71-65; Middlebury gave Harvard its first defeat 50-46 and Connecticut beat St. Joseph's (Pa.) 71-66.

Clemson beat Virginia 75-73 — the Tigers' first Atlantic Coast Conference success since the league was organized two years ago. Cornell whipped Brown 82-63 in an Ivy League game with Chuck Hollis scoring 37 points.

Washington State topped Detroit 89-76 in a Missouri-Valley Conference game. Oklahoma A&M, won its fifth straight after an opening defeat, holding Wyoming to four first half field goals for a 68-45 decision.

Other results: Duke 88 Penn 80; Boston U. 83 Colby 60; Buffalo 82 St. Lawrence 68; Hofstra 69 Williams 49; Princeton 84 Rutgers 67; Minnesota 83 Notre Dame 75; California 70 College of Pacific 57; Montana 73 Washington State 54.

Tony Trabert Ranked No. 1

NEW YORK (AP)—Tony Trabert, who won the United States, British (Wimbledon) and French national tennis championships and virtually every other tournament he entered, Saturday was given the No. 1 men's singles ranking for 1955 by the U.S. Lawn Tennis Assn. ranking committee.

If the rankings are approved by the USLTA annual meeting in San Francisco, Jan. 21—usually a mere formality—Trabert will replace Vic Seixas of Philadelphia, to whom he was second last year.

Trabert now is a professional, having accepted Jack Kramer's \$80,000 bid to oppose Pancho Gonzales on a pro tour. The rankings are based on 1955 amateur performances.

William Quilian, Seattle, was listed in 20th place.

Shorts On The Bowl Fronts

Bowl Briefs
By UNITED PRESS
COLLEGE PARK, Md. (UP)—

The Maryland football team marched relentlessly through 10 opponents this year but it has been supposed cold the last couple of days by the weather and Coach Jim Tatum is fretting because his Huskies can't do any scrimmaging for their Orange Bowl game with Oklahoma.

"It's like cement. We need more heavy work to get ready for Oklahoma. I can't risk any injuries," Tatum said after yesterday's cold again forced the team to limit its drill to an hour's workout in sweat-suits.

LOS ANGELES (UP)—Ronnie Knox, star UCLA passer who has been sidelined for more than six weeks with a broken ankle, has begun practicing for the team's Jan. 2 Rose Bowl date with Michigan State.

Knox had the cast removed from his leg yesterday and took a light workout, wearing a special boot to support the ankle. He jogged around the field and threw passes to end John Smith, who is nursing a shoulder injury.

NORMAN, Okla. (UP)—Center Jerry Tubbs, exercising an injured knee, ran up and down the stadium steps yesterday while his Oklahoma teammates ran into each other in the first hard scrimmage for their Jan. 2 Orange Bowl game with Maryland. Tubbs was the only Sooner who wasn't in uniform.

The first and second teams scrimmaged each other for the final 10 minutes of the hour and 45 minute session. The rest of the squad scrimmaged 20 minutes.

PITTSBURGH (UP)—Coach John Michelosen said his Pitt Panthers "had a real good workout" during an indoor weekly scrimmage yesterday in preparation for their Jan. 2 Sugar Bowl game with Georgia Tech.

"The boys were running hard and our timing was good," Michelosen said. "We had quite a few injuries to our linemen and full-back Bobby Grier hurt his leg, but none of the injuries is bad enough to start us worrying."

ATLANTA, Ga. (UP)—Georgia Tech's football players switched to trimming trees today after making Coach Bobby Dodd happy in the final pre-Christmas workout in preparation for their attempt to trip Sugar Bowl foe, the Dons.

"They were like a bunch of colts headed for pasture. Actually, they were sharper than they've been since they started practicing again," Dodd said yesterday after the final pre-holiday workout. The squad will resume practice Dec. 27.

OXFORD, Miss. (UP)—The Mississippi football team, which has a 30-0 record, will practice today for its practice for the Jan. 2 Cotton Bowl game against Texas Christian.

The players got an added chill yesterday when they watched Jimmy Swink, Texas Christian's national scoring champion, performing in game films.

LUBBOCK, Tex. (UP)—Coach DeWitt Weaver plans to put his Texas Tech team through a full-scale scrimmage today while stepping up preparations for the Sun Bowl game with Wyoming Jan. 2.

Quarterbacks Buddy Hill, Jack Kirkpatrick and Don Williams will call signals for three offensive units during the workout.

KANSAS STATE OUTLASTS WASHINGTON
MANHATTAN, Kan. (UP)—Kansas State's Wildcats won their third game of the season against two losses by outlasting the University of Washington 74-69 in an intercollegiate basketball game here Saturday night.

It was K-State's fifth straight victory over the Pacific Coast Conference Huskies.

Kansas State built up a 41-34 lead at the half but had to turn on the steam in the closing minutes to gain the decision.

Washington climbed into a tie at 57-all midway of the second half and went ahead 63-61 on a tip-in by Jim Cashow with seven and a half minutes remaining.

Larry Fischer sank a fielder to put Kansas State back into a tie at 63-63 and the Wildcats went ahead on five successive free throws and a field goal by Patrick Vicens to make it 74-65. Washington wasn't able to make up that difference.

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Wildcats Select Grid Boss

EVANSTON, Ill. (AP)—Northwestern University, reeling aimlessly in Big Ten football circles, reached into the "minor leagues" yesterday and named little Miami of Ohio's Ara Parseghian head football coach.

Athletic director Stu Holcomb, who has coached at Miami and Purdue football coach, chose the highly successful Parseghian in an attempt to bring back the Wildcats to football prominence.

Parseghian, who at 33 becomes the youngest grid coach in the Big Ten, succeeds Lou Saban, who took over last year when Bob Voight resigned because of alumni pressure.

Holcomb was hired athletic director last week, succeeding Ted Pappas, who was named an assistant business manager in charge of athletic promotions.

Holcomb's first act was to fire Saban and his assistants, a crew under which Northwestern failed to win a single football game for the first time in modern NU football history.

Holcomb, who coached at Miami in 1941, said "we are obtaining the services of one of the finest young coaches in football today."

Parseghian, who signed a three-year contract, had a 29-6-1 record at Miami in five years, including victories over Northwestern this season and Indiana in 1954.

Miami was undefeated in nine games this year.

A product of Akron, Ohio, Parseghian played Navy football under Paul Brown and then went to Miami where he participated in football, basketball and baseball.

He led the Cleveland Browns in 1943 and two years later returned to Miami as an assistant to Woody Hayes. Hayes moved on to coach Ohio State in 1951 and Parseghian was named head coach.

The twin events at Northwestern the past two weeks in a complete about face. A couple of months ago there was some question as to how long Northwestern would remain a member of the Big Ten.

Northwestern has won only one Big Ten game in the last three years and has been a second-rater since finishing second in 1945 and beating California in the Rose Bowl, 20-14.

Good Defense Best Offense Reports Brown

CLEVELAND (UP)—"A good defense is the best offense" may be a worn-out football saying, but for Paul Brown of the Cleveland Browns it's the strategy he'll use to lead the team to the National Football League's championship game Dec. 26.

"When I talk about championships for the Cleveland Browns, I have to credit our defensive team," he commented. "They won the crown for us last year, and if we are lucky enough to repeat next week, they'll be responsible."

Brown never slights his point-getting stars, but for him a game is just about won when the other team's offense is stopped cold.

"Almost every team in the league is capable of exploding in any game," he said. "And the team with the defense that can consistently stop the opponents' scoring ends on top."

Brown's title-winning philosophy has carried him and Cleveland through 10 straight victory championships and two N. F. L. titles. This year's is no exception.

Final statistics put Cleveland on top in defense, but the Browns ranked only third in offense. They also had the best pass defending record in the league.

"We're not planning anything special for Los Angeles," he revealed. "It's another football game, admittedly for higher stakes, but we play everyone the same way."

The Cleveland coach said he would not take his team to the West Coast until the Friday before the game.

"We can't chance our boys being worn out in the California heat. They'll train in Cleveland until Friday, and then go through light workouts in Los Angeles."

Fort Ord Whips Pensacola Navy

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (UP)—The Fort Ord Warriors pushed over two quick first period touchdowns and went on to a 35-13 victory over the lighter Pensacola Naval Air Station in the fourth annual Pointsettia Bowl football game Saturday.

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Frankley's Facts, Figures

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NEW YORK (UP)—Fearless Frankley's facts and figures: Rocky Marciano's opponent for the heavyweight title next June will be Floyd Patterson and, if they can't convince his manager, then it will be a repeat of the Archie Moore affair.

Patterson's manager, Gus D'Amato, is a reluctant man. He doesn't honestly believe that the former Olympic champion is "ready" despite a record of 18 knockouts in 28 professional bouts. Patterson lost only one, to Joey Maxim.

It is interesting to note that the 11 boxing writers present at that fight at the Rose Bowl a year ago. He said he was interested, but heck, everybody is interested in a ballplayer.

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That is, if the United States Air Force or professional baseball doesn't interfere. The Air Force could postpone or interrupt for three years Hopalong Cassidy's career as a pro ball player.

Cassidy graduated in June as a lieutenant in the Reserve Officers' Training Corps.

Cassidy indicates that he doesn't lean to baseball as much as some people have said.

"I've spoken to some baseball men," he says. "I talked to Casey Stengel at the Rose Bowl a year ago. He said he was interested, but heck, everybody is interested in a ballplayer."

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Pins and Strikes

By FRANKIE FOULINE

Walt Turner's name appeared the past week in Pacific Coast bowling news as results of the Elk's tournament at McMinnville were published. Walt placed third in both the singles division and all-events in this state-wide contest. His singles score was 388-93-81 and his all-events tally was a fine 1912.

The Pelican Motors quintet, sparked by Charlie Booth's 686 scratch series, topped sixth place in the team event with a 2981 total.

Booth boosted his Major Classic league average two pins Wednesday night to 187 as he poured in a fat 628 series count. Harry Bray posted a 602 for Haley Herdords and Al Hakenwerth had an even 590 for Bill Davis Associated Service. In the Wednesday night doubles Hakenwerth scorched the lanes with a 659 and Clayton Swesty held up his partner with a 636. Ten games over 220 were scored in the Major — Minor Classic last Wednesday.

A lot of unusual pin leaves are seen at a bowling alley during the course of a year. One of the oddest occurred the other night as Homer "Fuzz" Garlich found the 7-8-9 combo looking at him as a result of a first ball strike, his nicked the 6 pin. Fuzz bowled for the Under-

wood Camera Shop team in the City loop.

Joe Sellars couldn't get his strike ball working in the Transportation league for Kalpine B. But was consistent on his spare shooting and came up with an all-spare 181.

LaRayne Harris boosted her average another notch to 178 in the Ladybug as she posted a 547. Dottie B Owen scored a 530, Clara Beard 521, Beth Griggs 505 and Elora Bagley 503.

An effort is being made to acquaint all local men bowlers with the city association substitution rules which were recently published. These rules were formulated to put an end to the confusion that existed because of varying rules among the various leagues.

Feminine keglers are looking forward to the city championships which will be held January 23-29. Entries close January 1 and no entries will be accepted after that date. A revision in the tournament rules this year to allow bowlers to choose their own partners for the doubles is expected to substantially increase the entries and interest in that division.

Ted Bingham had a big smile on his face as he left Lucky Lane's the other night after throwing a few practice lines. Bing racked up a whopping 270 game as he started with a spare, strike, spare, then came in with nine strikes in a row.

Pete Susick, Brad Ecklund Shrine Chiefs

PORTLAND (AP)—Pete Susick of Marshfield and Brad Ecklund of Gresham agree they will be coaching rivals in the 1956 Oregon Shrine All-Star high school football game.

Susick, whose Marshfield team defeated Ecklund's for the state class A-1 championship last month, will coach the State All-Stars. Ecklund will coach the Metropolitan All-Stars from the Portland area. The teams will be made up of graduated senior players.

Susick will be assisted by Dutch Kawasoe, who has coached Vale to two consecutive class A-2 titles, and Spike Leslie, whose Coquille team went to the class A-2 quarterfinals this year.

Ecklund's assistants will be Tom DeSylvia, who coached Jefferson to the 1955 Portland league championship, and Doug Vickery, coach of Portland's Washington High. Jefferson and Washington were A-1 semi-finalists this year.

It will be Susick's third time as head coach of a State All-Star team. His teams won in 1951 and 1953.

The coaches will meet here Jan. 7 to select players.

Bill Dellinger Top X Trackster

VANCOUVER, B.C. (UP)—The University of Oregon's undefeated cross-country runner, Bill Dellinger, was named Friday to the No. 1 position in the fourth annual Northwest cross-country all star list.

The selections were announced by Lloyd Swindells of Vancouver and Ralph Beymer of Seattle.

Filling out the list were: 2. John Mitho, Washington State. 3. Dennis Meyer, University of Washington. 4. Bill Colwell, Washington State freshman. 5. Don Hume, University of Idaho.

6. Max Rader, Washington State. 7. Jim Bailey, Oregon. 8. Pete McCarl, Oregon. 9. Tie between Mark Robbins, Oregon, and Frank Lucci, Washington.

Porky Oliver, Al Balding Golf Leaders

SANFORD, Fla. (AP)—Ed (Porky) Oliver, the LeMont, Ill., veteran, and Al Balding, young Canadian PGA champion, shattered par Saturday and grabbed the lead after three rounds in the \$15,000 Sanford Open Golf Tournament with nine-under-par 201.

But Don Fairfield, a little known pro from Casey, Ill., shot the day's best golf, a brilliant seven-under-par 31-32-63. He set a new course record and climbed one stroke behind the leaders.

Sam Snead, the White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., slammer who led the first two rounds, shot a one-under-par 69 but slipped to a three-way tie for fourth. He was deadlocked at 203 with Leo Biagetti of Willoughby, Ohio, and Dow Finsterwald of Bedford Heights, Ohio.

Oliver, with a 32-32-64 tied the course record set by Snead Thursday over the 6,205-yard par 36-34-70 Mayfair Inn Country Club layout. Long putts accounted for most of Porky's birdies.

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