

Grid Traditionals Set All Over Nation

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Four major conference football championships will be decided Saturday, but they may be overlooked by fans watching a bunch of those no-holds-barred "old rivalry" games that pack a whole season's drama into one game.

At stake are crowns in the Pacific Coast, Atlantic Coast, Missouri Valley, and Ivy League conferences.

But even in some of these, it's the game itself and not the title that will produce most of the excitement. Oregon vs. Oregon State, for instance, will settle the PCC champion and Duke will be shooting for the ACC crown in its game against North Carolina. But winning over an old foe means more than winning a league crown, especially since Oregon and Duke already have landed bowl berths.

One of the headlines, of course, is the "granddaddy" of all tradition games, Yale vs. Harvard, which once again has nothing but glory and the "Big Three" title at stake.

Another highlight is the always rugged battle between Iowa and Notre Dame. Although Ohio State dethroned Iowa as Big Ten champion last week, the Hawkeyes are seven-point favorites over Notre Dame for the men who make the odds feel the Irish must suffer a setback after their startling 7-0 upset victory over Oklahoma.

Oregon, which plays Ohio State in the Rose Bowl in five weeks, is an even-money bet against Oregon State. Duke, looking forward to its Orange Bowl clash with Oklahoma, is a seven-point favorite over North Carolina, but North Carolina State, like Duke unbeaten but tied in conference play, is a one-point choice over South Carolina and can back into the championship if Duke loses.

The Dartmouth-Princeton winner will take Ivy League honors, with Princeton a three-point choice. Houston rates a seven-point edge over Tulsa and a victory would keep the Missouri Valley Conference championship at Houston.

Rice and Tennessee, each a

strong bowl candidate (Cotton, Sugar and Gator), also are favored — Rice by three points over Texas Christian and Tennessee by seven over Kentucky.

Ohio State, ranked second behind Michigan State by the United Press Board of Coaches, is only a three-point choice over Michigan. Michigan State (which plays Kansas State) and third-ranked Auburn (which plays Florida State) are such strong favorites that the odds-makers declined to establish a line.

Oklahoma, its 47-game record winning streak now only a line in the record book, tries to start a new one against Nebraska, which has beaten only Kansas State this year. Oklahoma is favored by 28 points.

In regionally televised games: East-Yale favored by 14 points over Harvard.

Midwest—Iowa at Notre Dame. Midlands — Missouri favored by one point over Kansas.

South—North Carolina at Duke. Southwest — Baylor favored by one point over Southern Methodist.

Far West — Oregon State at Oregon.

Other Saturday favorites: Intercollegiate — Villanova over Wichita, Marquette over Arizona.

East — Pittsburgh over Penn State, West Virginia over Syracuse, Columbia over Rutgers, Boston University over Connecticut, Lehigh over Lafayette.

Midwest — Wisconsin over Minnesota, Illinois over Northwestern, Purdue over Indiana, Colorado over Iowa State, Detroit over Dayton.

South — Georgia Tech over Florida, Clemson over Wake Forest, Maryland over Virginia, Vanderbilt over The Citadel, Alabama over Mississippi Southern.

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Wrong Way Back Gets Letter From Player Who Did Same

PARAMOUNT, Calif. (UP)—Paramount High School's end Jar Banringa, who ran the wrong way for a 9-7 loss to Centennial last weekend, received a letter of consolation Thursday from a man who lost a Rose Bowl game for the University of California with the same mistake.

The letter was from Roy Riegels, who made a wrong-way run on New Year's Day of 1929 for

Kubek Slated For Hotpatch

NEW YORK (UP)—Jerry Coleman's elevation to the New York Yankees' front office today paved the way for manager Casey Stengel to go through with his "pet project"—changing Tony Kubek into a shortstop.

Such a move also will involve making the versatile Gil McDougald, who was the Yankees' regular shortstop the last year and a half, into the team's regular second baseman. A second baseman by trade, the 29-year-old McDougald has starred at every infield position except first base since joining the Yankees in 1951.

A Yankee spokesman indicated advance knowledge of what was on Stengel's mind Thursday when he said Coleman's retirement as a player put Bobby Richardson "in line to be the team's second baseman unless Stengel has some player switches in mind."

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Riegels, now a Woodland, Calif., businessman, told Banringa: "Don't let one bad run spoil your life or even your enjoyment of the football season. So you made a mistake. They make a lot of them in football. After all, you were playing to win. And you must be a pretty good player or you wouldn't be in there doing a job."

"For many years I've had to go along and laugh whenever my wrong-way run was brought up, even though I've grown tired of listening and reading about it."

"But it certainly wasn't the most serious thing in the world. I regretted doing it, even as you do, but you'll get over it."

"Let's get together in four or five years when you've won your college block and we'll have a good laugh together."

LOS ANGELES (UP)—Advance sales of tickets for the Dodgers' first season in Los Angeles may be nearing the million dollar mark the ball club's vice president, Buzz Bavasi, indicated today.

Bavasi, who returned from New York Thursday, said advance sales continued to amaze him and had already topped the high figure recorded in Brooklyn, \$750,000.

"Los Angeles fans are paying in full, too," the Dodger official said. "In Brooklyn, most fans put down just a deposit at first, then paid the rest later."

"I'm completely sold on Los Angeles as a major league city," he said.

Bavasi remarked that he and Dodger President Walter O'Malley were "pleasantly astounded" when they read that 102,000 persons had attended a recent Rams-49er game in Memorial Coliseum here.

"Of course, we don't expect to get that many for our games," he said, "but I feel sure we'll do real well here. There are more good fans here than anyone realized."

Bavasi said he planned to meet today with Bill Nicholas, manager of the Coliseum, and Jim Smith, president of the Coliseum Commission to discuss use of the giant stadium by the ball club during the 1958 season.

The Dodger vice president said several player deals are being considered and he hoped an announcement would be forthcoming after he meets with officials of other clubs at a major minor meeting at Colorado Springs next month.

LOS ANGELES (UP)—Mexico's Ricardo (Pajarito) Moreno, a reputed murderous puncher, upset the world's second ranking featherweight, New York's Ike Chestnut, Thursday night when he was awarded a knockout victory at the end of the sixth round of a scheduled 10 round bout in Olympic Auditorium.

Moreno, a 10-7 underdog, thrilled a partisan crowd of some 10,000 fans at the Olympic Auditorium when he ripped continuous left hooks and right crosses into Chestnut's body and head.

Chestnut suffered a cut on the left cheekbone in the third round and it grew worse as the fight progressed, streaming blood profusely.

After a consultation with the ring physician, Dr. Robert Roche, referee Tommy Hart signalled the contest had ended after the bell had rung ending the sixth round.

PLAN FLORIDA CAMP

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UP)—The Kansas City Athletics, who train in Florida, will also establish their minor league training center there next spring. The A's minor league players trained at Huntsville, Tex., last year, and will train at Pensacola starting about March 10, 1958.

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Oregon's Top Prep Teams Scramble For Final Berths

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The state's four top-ranked teams will be in action Friday night in the semi-finals of the Oregon class A-1 high school football playoffs.

The A-2 semi-final games will be played Friday night, too. The weekend prep schedule will be concluded with class B and six-man games Saturday.

One class A-1 game sends Springfield, ranked No. 2 in the Associated Press poll, to South Salem, the No. 1 team. The other has Jefferson, No. 3 and Portland city league champion, at Beaverton, ranked fourth in the poll.

South Salem averaged 30 points a game in a season in which it won nine games and lost only one—to Milwaukie, 14-0.

Springfield won eight games, was tied by strong Marshfield, and lost only once—to Be