

By LINES from the SIDELINES

by CLAYTON HANNON

"I wish the sports fans of Klamath Falls who turned out for our game Saturday night could realize how much the boys and myself appreciated the enthusiasm and support we received."

That was Oregon Tech football coach Rex Hunsaker talking earlier this week as he reviewed Tech's 34-0 home-opener defeat at the hands of Hamilton Air Base. The loss was probably the worst in OTI's history for a home opener, but in turn it was probably the best received OTI victory on the gridiron.

"It's not every coach that gets patted on the back when his team is beaten by five touchdowns," Hunsaker remarked. "But those fans seemed to enjoy themselves and what's more important, they seemed to like the spirit the boys put forth while getting the h-kicked out of them." The Owl mentor added.

The crowd at the OTI-Hamilton game was the second largest paying football crowd in the history of the school. And it would have been a record breaker if a mistake hadn't been made in posting admission prices. But Oregon Tech's mistake was much to the benefit of the fans.

The regular general admission price for OTI football games is \$1.50. But Saturday night, the seats were sold for \$1. The added 50 cents per person would have established a new all-time paying attendance record for the school. But despite the loss in revenue, Hunsaker was the happiest man in Klamath Falls Saturday night with the reception given his club by the townspeople.

"They were great," Hunsaker added in speaking of the fans, "and you can bet your last dollar that the kids will give them the best football ever with that kind of support. You can guarantee it." The Owl athletic director and head football coach chipped in.

While Hunsaker was so willing to credit the local sports fans for their interest in OTI football, we think the Oregon Tech student body should receive a large bouquet.

Saturday night's student section was by far the greatest show of spirit in the history of the school, bar none. Considering the fact that school wasn't officially open and pre-game planning was short, the Mile High Campus students did themselves proud.

With a minute or so to go, Hamilton leading 34-0 and the chances of their ball club doing anything slim, the large gathering of students were still hanging on, hoping for a score. With this student backing, plus the support from the townspeople, this could be a "spirited" year for the Owls.

Some of the prize remarks we heard coming out of the Modoc Field stands following Saturday night's game:



TOMMY PROTHRO
... having leader troubles

"I thought the Los Angeles Rams were home waiting for the Cleveland Browns."

"Too bad that boy didn't get his foot into the ball." Speaking of Bob Heydenfeldt after a 79-yard punt.

"Three guys named Joe could coach that team (Hamilton) in the Pacific Coast Conference and not worry about what they are going to do New Year's Day when they played Michigan State or Michigan in the Rose Bowl."

Little boy to his father: "Daddy, what makes those guys so big?"

For those of you who didn't hear, Bob Heydenfeldt, the pass-catching end for Hamilton, who punts as a sideline job, has quite a football background.

We had a real nice visit with the former UCLA all-American end and found him to be a real gentleman. Bob, a two-year starter for

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Joe Kapp Tops PCC Rush-Pass

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Stanford's sophomore quarterback Dick Norman and Washington State's Bob Newman share the lead in Pacific Coast Conference passing statistics, while California's Joe Kapp continues as top man in rushing and total offense. PCC figures released following the second weekend of play show Norman and Newman with 24 completions each. Newman has tossed for 287 yards and four touchdowns and Norman for 182 yards and one score. Kapp is third with 14 completions.

Kapp has gained 139 yards rushing in two games while Rex Johnston, Southern California, has only one yard less, with Nub Bearer, Oregon State, third with 124. Kapp has 272 yards total offense to lead Newman, who has 247, the latter having a net loss of 40 yards on rushing plays. Norman is third with 177 yards.

Gail Cogdill, Washington State, leads in pass receptions with 11 catches good for 359 and four touchdowns. Bob DeHlinger, Idaho; Hank Otgun, California; and Don Ellingsen, WSC, have seven each. Jim Norton, Idaho; George Fleming, Washington; and Bill Steiger, WSC, lead in interceptions with two each.

Bob Hivner, Washington quarterback, is top scorer, having tallied 18 points to 15 for Johnston, and 14 for Cogdill. Top punter is Washington's Bob Schlorer, with an average of 41.8 yards to 41.3 for Marlin McKeever, Southern California, and 41.0 for Ken Hall, Idaho.

The Washington State Cougars lead in both team passing and total offense, with an average of 258.5 yards per game passing and a 419-yard average in total offense. California tops team rushing with an average of 230.5 yards. Oregon leads in defensive averages. The Ducks have a rushing defense average of 30 yards to 121 for second-place Washington, and top total defense with 115 yards to 248 for Washington State. Washington leads in interceptions, punting and kickoff returns, with six interceptions, a punting average of 42.3 yards and a kickoff return figure of 24.4 yards.

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Gomez Says World Series Play Tougher

MILWAUKEE (AP) — A World Series game is different. The strategy may be the same, the baseball may look like that played during the regular season, but the tension is on a different level altogether.

The authority for this opinion is Vernon (Lefty) Gomez, one of baseball's greatest pitchers. He is the only man to have won six World Series games without any losses.

"The Series gave me the greatest thrill I ever got out of baseball," he said. "I was just as nervous in my last game as I was in my first."

Pitching for the New York Yankees Sept. 29, 1932, he beat the Chicago Cubs 5-2 with Lon Warnecke on the mound. Gomez wound up his major league career with the Braves, then in Boston.

Now a salesman for a sporting goods company, he is trim but looks more like a professor than an ex-big leaguer.

"I feel the Series gets you in a different frame of mind than a regular season game," he said. "I don't suppose you are any more careful in the Series than you are in a regular season game, but you don't have the whole season to make up a mistake—it's just seven games at the most. You have to be extra careful because it's short."

"Bad breaks aren't any more a factor in the Series than normally."

"Players may act as if it is just another ball game, but a Series game isn't just that. It's a most important one. Not only financially for everyone concerned, but in the matter of pride."

Time Out



"Hope you don't mind, Mr. Berra! I must have a world series souvenir!"

Celts Lose Fine Rookie

BOSTON (AP) — Dom Flora, one of five rookies battling for jobs with the Boston Celtics of the National Basketball Assn., today appeared lost for three weeks because of a chipped bone in his right ankle.

Flora, a 6-2 backcourt candidate from Washington and Lee, was injured in rugged practice drills.

NAMED TOP GOLF DIGEST

CHICAGO (UPI) — Golf Digest magazine has named Bob Goalby of Belleville, Ill., its "golf rookie of 1958." Goalby, 27, won one tournament and was in the top five in three others to earn more than \$10,000 in his first year on the tour.

NBA Wants Bout Between Top Heavies

MILWAUKEE (AP) — The National Boxing Assn. today suggested a bout between Ingemar Johansson of Sweden and Zora Folley of Chandler, Ariz., to pick a "rightful and undisputed challenger" for the world heavyweight title.

Johansson, who recently knocked out another leading heavyweight contender, Eddie Machen, in one round, was proclaimed by the NBA as the No. 2 challenger behind Folley for Floyd Patterson's crown. The unbeaten Swedish puncher, rated 6th last month, also was designated as the NBA's fighter-of-the-month.

New leading contenders were picked by the NBA in two divisions as a result of upsets in September.

Vince Martinez was ranked as the new No. 1 welterweight behind champion Virgil Akins as the result of Gaspar Ortega's surprising defeat at the hands of lightweight Don Jordan. Kenny Lane was installed as No. 1 contender for Joe Brown's lightweight title after Duilio Loi of Italy was held to a 15-round draw by Mario Vecchiato, a virtual unknown.

The NBA tabbed the following young boxers as outstanding prospects in the respective divisions: Billy Hester, 175, San Diego, Calif.; Stephen Redl, 147, Passaic, N. J.; Len Matthews, 135, Philadelphia; Guy Sumlin, 147, Mobile, Ala.; George Chuvalo, heavyweight, Canada; Ernest Terrell, heavyweights, Chicago; and Gerald Grey, 147, Jamaica.

KU Pelicans Travel For Springfield Tilt

With only two games remaining before the start of Southern Oregon Conference competition the Klamath Union Pelicans are working overtime in order to get ready for the weekend and the trip to Springfield where they will meet the Millers Friday night on Silke Field. On the week following the Springfield clash the Pelicans are off to the sunny southland and a battle with little known Orland, California.

"We are doing considerable shifting around and changing things to try to correct the miserable showing we made against the Redding club last week. We have to get our offense moving — and the line has to be tightened up," stated coach Andy Knudsen, as he watched his crew run play after play, and then do it all over again.

Added to the task of "tightening the line" is a streak of misery, in that the tough Pelican tackle, Nick Insley, a 180 pound junior, may be out of the picture because of a possible cracked shoulder. Insley is currently under observation of physicians and a definite answer on his playing status will probably not be available until late this evening.

The Pelicans lost a 33-6 encounter with the Redding Shasta Wolves Friday night on Modoc Field to run their win-loss mark to 1-2. In the season opener the Pels were the victim of the Marshfield Pirates, only to bounce back the next week and host the Eugene Axemen.

The Springfield Millers, under the direction of coach Hal Whitbeck, also stand on a 1-win, 2-loss mark, having defeated the Astoria Fishermen in their opener, then being stopped twice in a row, once by powerful North Bend, 14-6, then by the Beaverton Beavers, 13-6.

Whitbeck, like coach Knudsen, is moving his men around, trying to find and maintain a winning combination.

Pelican players awarded starting jobs for the Springfield test, were not to be named until the conclusion of the hard practices slated

through Thursday evening, according to Knudsen.

The Millers posted a starting crew that compares, in weight, very closely to that of the previous Pelican first line; 182 on the forward wall and slightly heavier in the backfield at 168. The KU squad has weighed in at 181 in the line and 161 in the back positions.

From an experience standpoint the Millers have the edge, fielding a club composed of nine lettermen, six of which are seniors. The balance are juniors. The first four replacements are also seniors and lettermen.

The Pelican squad spirit, considerably dampened by the manhandling handed them by the Wolf Pack, seemed obviously on the way back up during early week workouts.

Both coaches, Knudsen and Whitbeck, are entering the coming game with apprehension. The Pelicans and the Millers have a like faculty of being able to come off a defeat and play a different brand of ball.

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