

PLAYING FOR BALL CONTROL



The Showdown: Packers Vs. Bears

By United Press International
The champion Green Bay Packers and Chicago Bears square off Sunday in a showdown that has generated more interest than any regular-season clash during the modern era of the National Football League.

Green Bay is a four-point pick to beat the Bears at Chicago and break the first-place deadlock in the Western Division. Both teams have 8-1 records, the Packers having won eight straight games since losing the season opener to the Bears, 10-3, in Green Bay.

A sellout crowd of nearly 50,000 will jam Wrigley Field; tickets are being scalped for as high as \$50 apiece; security guards have been posted to keep practice sessions secret, and the CBS television network for this game has been expanded to 116 stations.

Owner-coach George Halas, who has experienced remarkable success in converting his Bears to a ball-control and defensive team this season, fretfully commented that "any way you look at it, the Packers have the edge."

Commented Coach Vince Lombardi of the Packers: "It's

true the Bears haven't scored too much this year. But one thing they've done is control that ball. Frankly, we have to break up that control if we're going to win Sunday."

Only one other game on this week's NFL program has serious bearing on the championship race. That's the battle in the Eastern Division between the Cleveland Browns (7-2) and the St. Louis Cardinals (6-3). The Browns are 7½-point picks for the game at Cleveland.

In Sunday's other games: The New York Giants (7-2) will be out to retain at least a share of the Eastern lead at home against the San Francisco Forty Niners (2-7); the Pittsburgh Steelers (5-3-1), also in the race, play the Redskins (2-7) at Washington; the Detroit Lions (4-5) are at home against the Los Angeles Rams (2-7); the Minnesota Vikings (3-6) entertain the Baltimore Colts (4-5); and the Cowboys (2-7) take on the Philadelphia Eagles (2-6-1) at Dallas.

New York is favored by 17 over San Francisco; Pittsburgh is 7 over Washington; Detroit 10 over Los Angeles; Dallas 5 over Philadelphia and Baltimore 3 over Minnesota.

THE 'SPOILERS'...

OSU-Troy Resume Action

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Coach Tommy Prothro's Oregon State team of "spoilers" meets the University of Southern California tonight for the first time in three years in the renewal of an old football rivalry.

The last time the Beavers and Trojans clashed was in the opening game of the 1960 season and John McKay's debut as head coach for Southern California fell flat under a 14-0 defeat.

Since that meeting, both teams reached success peaks. The Trojans last year emerged as the national champions while Oregon State with the sensational Terry Baker guiding it climaxed the successful season with a 6-0 victory over Villanova in the Liberty Bowl.

This year, going into tonight's clash at the Coliseum, the Beavers and Trojans own identical 5-3 records. It is the next to

last game for both teams who clash with traditional rivals the following week and the success of the season hinges for both on their final two games.

Oregon State has been an independent team since the old Pacific Coast Conference folded and the Beavers would welcome rejoining their former league rivals in the Athletic Association of Western Universities if invited. The Beavers, as a result, are anxious to make a good showing tonight.

And despite Southern California being favored by two touchdowns, Oregon State has the material of which upsets are fashioned. Their chief weapon is one of the best passing attacks in the West.

Gordon Queen has been an able replacement for the graduated Terry Baker and in Vern Burke the Beavers have one of the great pass receivers in the nation who last year set numerous collegiate records as a receiver.

In addition, Prothro has a bevy of speedy backs that include Leroy Whittle, Dan Espalin, Tim Osmer and Booker Washington.

Southern California's offense stuttered last week against Stanford but exploded for 23 points in the second half to pull out the victory. The experience Craig Fertig gained going all the way on offense as a replacement for the injured Pete Beathard may be reflected

in a smoother team effort this week.

Southern California has two outstanding running backs in Mike Garrett and Willie Brown who together were responsible for the win over Stanford. Brown leads the Big Six in pass receiving as well as being an elusive runner while Garrett is one of the best sophomore running backs in the school's history and tops the conference in rushing.

There was an outside chance Beathard might be available for limited duty but Fertig will carry the bulk of the load at quarterback. Fullback Ernie Pye, who missed last week's game, also may be able to play

Thursday's Fight Results
LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Al Chabot, 141, Vancouver, B.C., outpointed Gabel Hernandez, 131½, Mexico, (8).



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Oregon's high school football playoffs get under way tonight with three games in class A-1 and A-2 competition, including the big one at Roseburg which could decide a state title.

Medford, defending state A-1 champion and top-ranked again this year, takes on the Midwestern League champions in that contest.

Metro League champion Beaverton plays Parkrose, the Wilco tilist, at Parkrose in the

other A-1 quarterfinal game tonight. Games Saturday match Grant of Portland against West Linn in Portland and North Salem-Pendleton at Pendleton.

Phoenix, the top-ranked class A-2 team in the state, plays Douglas tonight at Southern Oregon College in Ashland. Games Saturday send Woodburn to Vale and Junction City against Siuslaw at Florence. North Catholic plays Willamina in Portland Saturday night.

One class B game is scheduled, with Mt. Vernon at Eagle Valley of Richland.

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IT'S DIFFERENT, BUT...

Ducks Don't Need Water

PORTLAND (UPI) — Northwest football teams usually consider the rain an ally when playing inter-sectional contests, but Saturday's Oregon-Indiana game is an exception.

The Weather Bureau's prediction of showers over the weekend is about as popular as an outbreak of measles in the Oregon camp, where hopes for a victory rest largely on Bob Berry, the nation's ninth leading passer.

Berry, despite a knee injury which caused him to miss parts of two games, has completed 70 of 125 passes for 1,212 yards and 11 touchdowns so far this season.

Two of Oregon's three losses came in the games in which

Berry was hurt. He still won't be able to run well Saturday, but his arm is the important thing.

Adding to the Ducks' hopes for an aerial victory is the fact that 13 of the 18 touchdowns Indiana has given up this year have come through the air.

Renfro To Play
A dry field also would help Oregon's speedy backs, including All-American Mel Renfro, another injury victim. He suffered a cracked rib against Washington three weeks ago, but showed rapid improvement in workouts this week.

Oregon also was cheered Thursday by the news that Larry Hill, the other regular halfback, will be available for

limited offensive duty. He suffered a partial shoulder dislocation two weeks ago and was thought to be out for the season.

Indiana, rated a slight underdog by the oddsmakers, rests its hopes for a fourth consecutive victory on fullback Tom Nowatzke, a 220-pound blaster who demolished Oregon State 29-15 last week with a touchdown, two field goals and a pass interception.

Oregon has a 5-3 mark for the season, but has never beaten a Big 10 team in seven previous tries.

About 20,000 are expected at Multnomah Stadium, but good weather and the lure of Renfro, Berry and Nowatzke could raise that to 25,000. Game time is 2 p.m.

NEW JOB

MILWAUKEE (UPI) — The Milwaukee Braves announced Thursday that Jack Tighe will have a different job next season. He managed the Braves' Denver farm team this past year.

Tighe, the former manager of the Detroit Tigers, will scout both major leagues and do special assignment work.

49ers Set New York Workout

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — The San Francisco Forty Niners take off today for New York and their Sunday battle in the Polo Grounds with the New York Giants.

The departure was originally scheduled for Saturday, but the Prospector management agreed to move it up a day at a cost of about \$1,000 in order to guarantee the team a Saturday workout in the Polo Grounds.

The Giants, defending kings of the Eastern Division and co-leaders this year, are 17-point favorites in Sunday's battle.

The Forty Niners ran through a relaxed rainy day workout Thursday at Redwood City.

Coach Jack Christiansen of the Forty Niners, who says that the Giants should rate as 25 point favorites, learned that offensive back Alex Webster and tackle Roosevelt Brown might miss the action for New York. He was not impressed.

"They've been out before and it hasn't made too much difference. All they do is call on somebody just about as good," he said.

Light Heavyweight Title Shot Wanted

NEW YORK (UPI)—Gregorio Peralta of Argentina and Wayne Thornton of Fresno, Calif., fight tonight at Madison Square Garden for a possible shot at the world light heavyweight crown.

On the basis of their respective non-title showings against champion Willie Pastrano this year, Peralta is favored at 11-5 to beat Thornton in their nationally televised 10-rounder for his 26th straight victory.

Handsome, black-haired Peralta, 28, is heavyweight champion of Argentina and ranked 10th among world heavyweight contenders; but both he and his handlers claim he can pare down to the light heavyweight, 175-pound limit with ease for a title shot.

Gregorio gave champion Pastrano perhaps the worst beating of his career on Sept. 29 in a non-title 10-rounder at Miami Beach, where the South American made his United States debut.

In Peralta's second United

States fight tonight, he seeks his 40th victory and 12th knockout in 41 bouts. He says he lost only his first bout—on a knockout by Mauro Mina of Peru.

Thornton's 29-3-1 record includes 18 knockouts. He, too, was stopped once.

NAIA Rates L&C Eighth

KANSAS CITY (UPI)—Lewis and Clark of Portland, Ore., ranked eighth this week in the NAIA football ratings.

Central Washington was listed in ninth place and Linfield 12th. Northern Illinois topped the list, followed by St. John's of Minnesota, Emporia of Kansas, Kearney State of Nebraska, Prairie View of Texas, North-east Oklahoma State and Southwest Texas. Florida A&M was 10th.

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