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- With this issue of *The College Football Historian*, we kick-off our sixth season of continuous monthly publishing of original college football content; statistical analysis and information.

IFRA currently has 486 members. Over the past six years, some have left us; many more have join with us...and to the ones who have been here from day one—THANK YOU! And everyone who is currently a part of IFRA/a subscriber to TCFH—all of yall are much appreciated.

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### **And the winner is...**

*By Richard Topp*

When Don Newton and I started this project in 1992, we noticed many forfeits that lousy 1-0 score stood out. We decided to clean-up the forfeits.

Many of these games were cancelled before the date scheduled. Except the college claiming the forfeit never bothered to acknowledge it. Hence the phony victory.

Loras College claimed a forfeit win over St. Viator in 1938. St. Viator closed its doors after 1937. They kept this on the books until I corrected it in the early 1990s.

Illinois had three "forfeits" that I changed.

All were the action of **The Daily Illini**, the school newspaper. One Saturday in

the 1890s, Beloit was beaten by Minnesota and Illinois was defeated by Chicago. The following Monday, the **Chicago Tribune** reported that the Saturday game between Illinois and Beloit was cancelled, both teams suffered heavy injuries from last weekend games.

When the Beloit team "didn't show" at Champaign on Saturday, **The Daily Illini** claimed a forfeit win.

Illinois was using a "scam" in the early 1890s. In a game with Northwestern, the Purple were winning with two minutes left in the game, Illinois was stalling, it was getting dark. The referee called the game and it reverted to the half-time score, a tie game! Northwestern agreed. This wasn't a rainout as in baseball where the score from the previous inning applies. There was no rule.

On November 16, 1892 Illinois tried this again, against Chicago and Mr. Stagg. at the half the score was 4-4, Chicago went ahead with ten minutes left, they took a 10-4 lead. Illinois again stalled. This time the referee called the game in favor of Chicago. Illinois also claimed a win by forfeit that was never issued.

Again it was Illinois versus Chicago, November 21, 1894. With 21 minutes left in the game, the Illinois quarterback was disabled and coach Vail wanted to take his place. Chicago's captain claimed that Vail was not part of the Varsity and refused his request.

Referee Gould of Amherst, could have counted out three minutes and gave a forfeit to Illinois if Chicago had not resumed play. He didn't. He called the game....."no game".

Vail said that Stagg played last year; Stagg said he played with permission of the school. Illinois Athletic Director Holtzman said a day later that he would not have given Vail permission to enter the game. Hence the Chicago 10-6 win, never went into the record books. Only Illinois claimed a forfeit that was never issued.

Our criterion is that when the game is in the hands of the referee, he is the

final arbiter of the game.

The NCAA says that the game must be played, unless under unusual circumstances.

For example, Grambling booked a game at Portland, Oregon in 1975. They thought it filled an open date. When Prairie View's bus pulled up on game day to an empty stadium a forfeit was awarded. (October 4, 1975).

Another game was the first for William Jewell in 1895 against Midland. The referee performed the coin toss; the game was now in his hands. Jewell protested that many Midland players were local high school players, Midland walked off the field. A forfeit was awarded without a game being played.

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## **2012 COLLEGE FOOTBALL – A PLAYOFF, OR TWO: PART II**

*By Patrick M. Premo*

In the last issue I presented my proposed playoff for 2012 based on the top 16 bowl winners. Since there were more than 16 bowls, I used my discretion as to which teams were selected. As I noted in the last issue, some of the losers of the bowls were undoubtedly better than some bowl winners, but the following teams earned their way into this playoff by winning their respective bowls.

### **ROUND ONE:**

The higher seed for each game played at home until the Championship Game which was played at a neutral site. My **FAST-ACTION COLLEGE FOOTBALL**

**GAME** was used to play these fantasy matchups. Here are the results of round one:

1 Alabama	38
16 Tulsa	17

The Crimson Tide had no problems with Tulsa even though the latter held a brief 7-0 lead.

8 Clemson	38
9 Utah St.	20

Clemson led from start to finish.

4 Stanford	14
13 San Jose St.	6

San Jose St. put up a good fight, limiting the Cardinal to two touchdowns, but the best it could do was two field goals.

5 Texas A&M 30  
12 Louisville 27

This was a tight back-and-forth game from start to finish; Louisville was driving late in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter only to have a pass dropped in the end zone as time expired.

2 Oregon 46  
15 Cincinnati 18

Oregon ran wild over Cincinnati.

7 Florida St. 30  
10 Boise St. 14

Boise St. had a 14-0 lead after the first quarter, but then Florida St. dominated to take the lead 21-14 at half-time and then coasted the rest of the game as the Boise St. offense fizzled.

3 Georgia 34  
14 Texas 28

This was another hard-fought battle with Texas taking a 28-27 lead in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, but the Bulldogs dominated time of possession in the last quarter, scoring the go-ahead touchdown late in the game; Texas could not mount a comeback.

6 South Carolina 30  
11 Northwestern 21

This game was not as close as the scores indicated; South Carolina

had a 30-7 lead after 3 periods of play. Northwestern scored a touchdown early in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter and then scored a last minute touchdown as time expired.

There were no upsets as each of the higher seeds advanced. In some cases, playing at home did not hurt.

### **ROUND TWO:**

Here are the results for round two:

1 Alabama 34  
8 Clemson 10

Alabama had another easy win.

4 Stanford 32  
5 Texas A&M 31

This was a barn-burner right down to the wire! The Aggies held a 31-20 lead late in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter; then Stanford recovered a fumble and ran it in for a touchdown. The Cardinal went for 2 and missed. Stanford then attempted an on-side kick and recovered it. They marched down the field and scored the winning touchdown as time ran out – there was such a madhouse on the field that the game was called and no point after touchdown was even attempted!

2 Oregon 42  
7 Florida St. 14

The Seminoles never knew what hit them as Oregon dominated the game.

3 Georgia 27  
6 South Carolina 24

This was a close, well-played game right to the end. South Carolina attempted a game-tying field goal with virtually no time on the clock, but it was wide and Georgia held on for the win.

Once again, each of the higher seeds playing at home won.

#### **THE FINAL FOUR:**

The top four teams of the tournament were left; here are the results:

1 Alabama	33
4 Stanford	18

Stanford put up a game fight, but the Crimson Tide proved to be the better team.

2 Oregon	34
3 Georgia	33

This was another barn-burner right to the wire; Georgia had a chance to win the game with a field goal attempt with seconds to go, but Oregon blocked the kick and the game was over.

#### **THE CHAMPIONSHIP:**

The top two seeds were meeting for the right to be named the National Champion of 2012. This was the second hard-fought game in a row

for Oregon, but Alabama kicked the winning field goal late in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter and held on to win:

1 Alabama	27
2 Oregon	24

It is too bad that the top division of college football can't have this kind of a tournament every year – the attendance and TV money would be out of sight. At least in 2014 we will see four times vie for the top spot.

#### **EPILOG:**

Since Ohio St. was bowl ineligible in 2012, the team did not participate in a bowl game and, thus, had no chance of participating in this fantasy tournament. But Alabama, ever the good sports, decided to give the Buckeyes a chance on the field of play:

Alabama	27
Ohio St.	18

The game was quite exciting, but Alabama never seemed to be close to losing. Ohio St. missed the extra point on its first touchdown and then went for 2 on its second, but the play failed. Alabama was up 27-12 when Ohio St. scored its third touchdown in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, so the Buckeyes went for 2 again to make it a seven point game, but they missed again. Alabama was not threatened the rest of the game.

Alabama is truly the National Champ – on the field and in this fantasy exercise.

**Consecutive seasons scoring 500 or more points**

*Compiled by Tex Noel, Executive Director, IFRA*

No. of Seasons	Consecutive Seasons	Team	Division
18	1995-2012	Mount Union	NCAA III
7	2002-08	St. Francis IN	NAIA
5	2006-10	Sioux Falls	NAIA
4	2008-11	Wisconsin-Whitewater	NCAA III
4	1886-89	Yale	Major College
4	1901-04	Michigan	Major College
4	1993-96	Florida	NCAA 1-A
4	1998-2001	Georgia Southern	NCAA 1-AA
4	2002-05	Boise State	NCAA 1-A
4	2006-09	Northwest Missouri State	NCAA II

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*Bo Carter* presents members of the **College Football Hall of Fame** who born or passed away this month.

<b>February</b>	
(1908) Albie Booth, New Haven, Conn.	3 (1956) John Jefferson, Dallas, Texas
1 (1915) Gaynell "Gus" Tinsley, Ruple, La.	3 (d – 1968) Homer Hazel, Marshall, Mich.
1-(d – 1964) Clarence Spears, Jupiter, Fla.	3 (d – 1974) Bob Suffridge, Knoxville, Tenn.
1-(d – 1928) Joe Thompson, Beaver Falls, Pa.	3 (d – 2006) Johnny Vaught, Oxford, Miss.
1-(d – 1978) John Orsi, Naples, Fla.	4 (1933) Leo Lewis, Des Moines, Iowa
1-(d – 1989) Everett Bacon, Southampton, N.Y.	4 (1938) Wayne Harris, Hampton, Ark.
2 (1945) Loyd Phillips, Ft. Worth, Texas	4 (1940) Billy Neighbors, Tuscaloosa, Ala.
2 (d – 1956) Truxton Hare, Radnor, Pa.	4 (1960) Tom Deery, Oaklyn, N.J.
3 (1938) Joe Fusco, Wilkinsburg, Pa.	4 (d – 1950) Everett Strupper, Atlanta, Ga.
3 (1940) Fran Tarkenton, Richmond, Va.	4 (d – 1962) Pat O’Dea, San Francisco, Calif.
3 (1945) Bob Griese, Evansville, Ind.	4 (d – 2005) Malcolm Kutner, Tyler, Texas
	4 (d - 2010) Bill Dudley, Lynchburg, Va.

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- 5 (1903) Morley Drury, Midland, Ontario, Canada  
5 (1915) Walter Gilbert, Fairfield, Ala.  
5 (1933) Bill Manlove, Barrington, N.J.  
5 (1942) Roger Staubach, Cincinnati, Ohio  
5 (1943) Craig Morton, Flint, Mich.  
5 (1947) Ron Sellers, Jacksonville, Fla.  
5 (1950) Terry Beasley, Montgomery, Ala.  
5 (1951) Charles Young, Fresno, Calif.  
5 (d - 1969) Dick Romney, Salt Lake City, Utah  
5 (d – 1994) George Sauer, Waco, Texas  
6 (1886) Jack Hubbard, Hatfield, Mass.  
6 (1889) Bill Alexander, Mud River, Ky.  
6 (1948) Major Harris, Pittsburgh, Pa.  
6 (1948) Dennis Onkotz, Northampton, Pa.  
6 (1950) Rich Glover, Bayonne, N.J.  
6 (d – 1979) John Baker, Sacramento, Calif.  
7 (1905) Wally Butts, Milledgeville, Ga.  
7 (1917) Banks McFadden, Ft. Lawn, S.C.  
7 (1922) Paul Cleary, North Loop, Neb.  
7 (1933) Calvin Jones, Steubenville, Ohio  
7 (1934) Ron Beagle, Hartford, Conn.  
7 (1959) Neal Lomax, Portland, Ore.  
7 (d – 1932) Forrest Geyer, Norman, Okla.  
7 (d – 1952) Wilbur Henry, Washington, Pa.  
8 (1920) Bruce Smith (Minn.), Faribault, Minn.  
8 (1925) Rod Franz, San Francisco, Calif.  
8 (1942) George Bork, Mt. Prospect, Ill.  
8 (d – 1968) Doc Fenton, Baton Rouge, La.  
8 (d – 1994) Bobby Reynolds (Stanford), San Rafael, Calif.  
8 (d – 2005) Parker Hall, Vicksburg, Miss.  
9 (1950) Rod Cason, San Angelo, Texas  
9 (1952) Danny White, Mesa, Ariz.  
9 (1957) Dan Ross, Malden, Mass.  
9 (d -1994) Bud Wilkinson, St. Louis, Mo.  
9 (d – 1998) George Cafego, Knoxville, Tenn.  
10 (1946) Dick Anderson, Midland, Mich.  
10 (d – 1992) Doyt Perry, Bowling Green, Ohio  
11 (1882) John Tigert, Nashville, Tenn.  
11 (1938) Jim Sochor, Oklahoma City, Okla.  
11 (1949) Murry Bowden, Colorado City, Texas  
11 (1949) Jim Stillwagon, Mt. Vernon, Ohio  
12 (1885) Frank Murray, Maynard, Mass.  
12 (1895) Dick Romney, Salt Lake City, Utah  
12 (1925) Lee Tressel, Ada, Ohio  
12 (1963) Brent Jones, Santa Clara, Calif.  
12 (d – 1944) Bill Warner, Portland, Ore.  
12 (d – 1959) Charlie Daly, Pacific Grove, Calif.  
12 (d – 1979) Ben Ticknor, Peterborough, N.H.  
13 (1919) Eddie Robinson, Jackson, La.  
13 (1933) Kenneth Dement, Poplar Bluff, Mo.  
13 (d - 1945) Bill Mallory, in combat in Italy  
13 (d – 1996) Charlie Conerly, Memphis, Tenn.  
13 (d – 2006) Bud McFadin, Victoria, Texas  
14 (1913) Woody Hayes, Clifton, Ohio  
14 (1919) George Kerr, Brookline, Mass.  
14 (d – 1978) Paul Governali, San Diego, Calif.  
15 (1897) Earl “Red” Blaik, Detroit, Mich.  
15 (1920) Endicott Peabody, Lawrence, Mass.  
15 (1929) Fred Martinelli, Columbus, Ohio  
15 (1931) John Michels, Philadelphia, Pa.  
15 (1940) John Hadl, Lawrence, Kan.  
15 (1957) Marc Wilson, Bremerton, Wash.  
15 (1960) Darnell Green, Houston, Texas  
15 (d – 1963) Ira Rodgers, Morgantown, W.Va.  
16 (1931) Dick Modzelewski, West Natrona, Pa.  
16 (1964) Teel Bruner, London, Ky.  
17 (1872) Pat O’Dea, Melbourne, Australia  
17 (1892) Bob Neyland, Greenville, Texas  
17 (1905) Andy Oberlander, Chelsea, Mass.  
17 (1920) Jackie Hunt, Huntington, W.Va.  
17 (1936) Jim Brown, St. Simons Island, Ga.  
17 (1938) Jim Christopherson, Wadena, Minn.  
17 (d – 2009) Brad Van Pelt, Owosso, Mich.  
18 (1895) George Gipp, Laurium, Mich.  
18 (1947) Leroy Keyes, Newport News, Va.  
18 (1962) Gary Reasons, Crowley, Texas  
18 (1963) Chuck Long, Norman, Okla.  
18 (d – 1994) Jake Gaither, Tallahassee, Fla.  
19 (1918) Forest Evashevski, Detroit, Mich.

- 19 (d – 1962) Dick Harlow, Bethesda, Md.  
19 (d - 2011) Ollie Matson, Los Angeles, Calif.  
20 (1912) Francis Wistert, Chicago, Ill.  
21 (1921) Bob Dove, Youngstown, Ohio  
22 (1899) Matty Bell, Fort Worth, Texas  
22 (1864) George Woodruff, Dimmock, Pa.  
22 (1886) Bill Hollenbeck, Blueball, Pa.  
22 (1915) Mickey Kobrosky, Springfield, Mass.  
22 (d – 1998) Warren Woodson, Dallas, Texas  
23 (1877) Bill Edwards, Lisle, N.Y.  
23 (1934) Dick Strahm, Toledo, Ohio  
23 (1937) Tom Osborne, Hastings, Neb.  
23 (1943) Fred Biletnikoff, Erie, Pa.  
23 (1950) Jim Youngblood, Union, S.C.  
23 (d – 1914) Alex Moffat, New York City  
23 (d – 1957) George Little, Middlesex, N.J.  
24 (1903) Warren Woodson, Fort Worth, Texas  
24 (1906) Bennie Oosterbaan, Muskegon, Mich.  
24 (1910) Fred Sington, Birmingham, Ala.  
24 (1923) Bob Chappius, Toledo, Ohio  
24 (1952) Fred Dean, Arcadia, La.  
24 (d – 1953) Hunter Carpenter, Middletown, N.Y.  
24 (d – 1963) Jack Harding, Miami, Fla.  
24 (d – 1990) Lloyd Jordan, Richmond, Va.  
25 (1942) Carl Eller, Winston-Salem, N.C.  
26 (1914) Gomer Jones, Cleveland, Ohio  
26 (1930) Vic Janowicz, Elyria, Ohio  
26 (d – 1970) Bennie Owen, Houston, Texas  
26 (d – 1978) Pooley Hubert, Waynesboro, Ga.  
27 (1887) Tad Jones, Excello, Ohio  
27 (1932) Jim Ray Smith, West Columbia, Texas  
27 (d – 1996) Vic Janowicz, Columbus, Ohio  
28 (1885) Ray Morrison, Sugar Branch, Ind.  
28 (1929) Hayden Fry, Odessa, Texas  
28 (1945) Bubba Smith, Beaumont, Texas  
28 (d – 1965) Paul Hoernemann, Strongsville, Ohio  
29 (d – 1972) Tom Davies, Pittsburgh, Pa.  
29 (d – 1992) Don Heinrich, Saratoga, Calif.  
29 (d – 2008) Buddy Dial, Houston, Texas  
29 (d – 2008) Jerry Groom, Sarasota, Fla.

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## ***IFRA Remembers***

### **<Obituaries>**

**Charles Godlasy**, *Indiana University of Pennsylvania*, he was 83. **Michael R. (Mike) Shatusky**, *Michigan* (1955-57); he was 82. **Chandler Williams**, *Florida International*, he was 27. **C. Melvin "Ripper" "Mel" Brooks, Sr.** (Delaware, 1938-41), he was 92.

**Col. Jack L. Van Pool**, retired; *Oklahoma* (1951-53); he was 81. **Vic Rowen**, former San Francisco State head coach (1961-1989), he was 93; **Thomas "Peppy" Pepsin**, 81, Miami (FL), 1951-55; **Joseph C. Hockman** (aka JC, Jay, Joe), 77; a Little All American in football at *Shepherd College*.

**Doug Kenna**, *Army* (1944-45); he was 88; **William G. Volkhardt**, *Georgia*; he was 84 and **Richard Charles Lutz Sr.**, *Georgia*, 69; **Ken Staninger**, *Spokane Community College* in Washington (an All-American in 1968) and *Colorado State*; he was 63.

<Hall of Fame>

**Virginia Sports Hall Of Fame & Museum:** **Cornell Brown**, (*Virginia Tech*, 1992-95); **Lawrence Burton**, (*Purdue*, 1972-74); **Dean Ehlers**, first Director of Athletics for James Madison University and conference president during the founding of the Colonial Athletic Association; **Robert Pratt**, (*North Carolina*, 1970-72) and **Bill Roth**, 10 time *Virginia Sportscaster of the Year*, the "Voice of the Hokies" and lead play-by-play announcer for *Virginia Tech* football.

**Oklahoma Sports Hall of Fame:** **LeRoy "Ace" Gutowsky** (*Oklahoma City*, 1928-32) and quarterback **Jimmy Harris**, (*Oklahoma*, 1954-56).

**Jewish Sports Hall of Fame of Northern California:** **Vic Rowen** , former San Francisco State head coach(1961-1989).

**Black College Football Hall of Fame:** **Elvin Bethea** (*North Carolina A&T*, 1964-67), **Charles "Choo Choo" Brackins** (*Prairie View A&M*, 1951-54), **Joe Gilliam Jr.** (*Tennessee State*, 1968-71), **Ken Houston** (*Prairie View A&M*, 1964-67) and **Charlie Joiner** (*Grambling State*, 1965-68). Also, **Ed "Too Tall" Jones** (*Tennessee State*, 1970-73), **Larry Little** (*Bethune-Cookman*, 1963-66), **Shannon Sharpe** (*Savannah State*, 1986-89) and **Jackie Slater** (offensive line, *Jackson State*, 1973-76). Former *Tennessee State* head coach **John "Big John" Merritt (1953-83)**

**Michigan Sports Hall of Fame:** **Lomas Brown** (*Miami [FL]*, 1981-84), **Tony Dungy** (*Minnesota*, 1973-76) and **Tyrone Wheatley**, *Michigan*, 1991-94).

**Tulsa Public Schools Athletics Hall of Fame's first induction class:** former Oklahoma Sooners, **Tony Casillas (1982-85)**, **Randy Hughes (1972-74)**; **Spencer Tillman (1982-85)**; **Don Chandler**, (*Florida*, 1954-55); former Oklahoma State Cowboy teammates **Brent Blackman**, (1971-73); **Reuben Gant**, ( 1971-73); **Gary Howard**, (*Central Oklahoma's* winningest coach, 1962-1977-2002).

**State of Florida Hall of Fame:** **Fred Taylor**, *University of Florida* (1994-97).

<Honored>

(*From the NFF*)...*The New York Daily News'* **Dick Weiss** as the 40th winner of the FWAA *Bert McGrane Award* for great service to the organization

**Ohio State** announced it will celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of the late legendary Hall of Fame football coach **Woody Hayes**.

**Leon “Red” Spencer**, the winningest junior college basketball coach in the state of Texas at Henderson County Junior College (which became Trinity Valley Community College in 1985); will be honored with the court in the Men’s Gym being renamed *Leon Spencer Court*. He served as head coach for 40 years (773-436)—and AD for 38. Early in his career he was also an assistant football coach at the school.

**Editor’s note:** Should any members accomplishments of those who were are currently with college football; please send an email to [ifra.tcfh@gmail.com](mailto:ifra.tcfh@gmail.com). As you noticed, the years each person was actively involved has been included—when possible. If you have such info, please include it with your email. Thank you!

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### **From The Outing Magazine...**

The Annual Meeting of the Intercollegiate Foot-Ball Association for 1886, was held at the Fifth Avenue Hotel in this city on October 16, on which occasion the college delegates were as follows:

Captain R. M. Corwin, '87, and C. L. Hare, '87, represented Yale ; Capt. W. A. Brooks, '87, and C. E. Hamlin, '84, Harvard; Capt. H. S. Savage, '87, and R. P. Bradford, '87, Princeton ; Capt. J. C. Wells, '88, and J. M. Stevens, '87, Wesleyan ; and Capt. F. W. Graham, '87, and N. B. Young, '87, the University of Pennsylvania.

Up to the date of this convention Yale may be said to have had a controlling voice at the annual meetings, and in fact has generally run the conventions the past two or three years; but this time the new element from the Pennsylvania University made itself known, and “ pooling their issues ” with Harvard and Princeton, out-voted Yale and Wesleyan on every important issue.

The main point in view for discussion was the question of the schedule of games for the champion cup campaign of 1886, and in settling the issue of the Yale and Princeton games the Princeton delegates advocated the playing of their match with Yale at Princeton.

Captain Corwin of Yale, said that such a motion was unconstitutional, as the constitution provides that “the game between the two leaders shall be played on the New York Polo grounds on Thanksgiving day.”

Princeton said that the decrees of any of the Faculties of the contesting colleges were paramount to the constitution; that her Faculty last year had forbid her forever from playing on other than the grounds of one of the contesting colleges; that this Faculty decree had set aside the constitution last year, and would have to set it aside this year and in all ensuing years; and that she had played in New Haven last year on Yale’s promise to play in Princeton this year.

This Yale denied. Harvard and Pennsylvania viewed the matter in the same light as Princeton, while Wesleyan’s idea of the subject corresponded with Yale’s. The convention set the game for Princeton. Yale threatened to leave the association, but the threat was not heeded, and the date making was gone on with, Yale having nothing to say.

At last she came to terms, and a new schedule was arranged to suit the majority.

On the question of the adoption of a ball it was decided to make the Lillywhite ball No. 5 the regulation ball of the association, the same to be purchased from Spalding Brothers, the American agents on Broadway.

No changes were made in the rules, save that of inserting the words “in play” in the place of “until the ball has been put in motion” in rule.

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**Source:** The Ogden *Standard-Examiner* 1933

#### **PENN LOSES TO OHIO ATHLETES**

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., (AP)--The scarlet steam-roller of Ohio State rumbled in from the Big Ten today, neatly flattened Pennsylvania for three periods as all had expected, and then limped and

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wheezed from the field at the end of a fourth period uprising that for 20 minutes had monkey wrenches bouncing all around in the conference machinery.

The Buckeyes finally got the powerhouse back into gear and rolled away with a 20 to 7 victory, but only after the flattened Quakers, rose to score one touchdown, penetrate within 10 yards of another, and had thawed out a frozen crowd of 40,000 in the windswept reaches of huge Franklin field with the unexpected excitement of the occasion.

Scored on only by Michigan, the one team that has beaten them so far this season, the Buckeyes dawdled through the first period, counted two brilliant touchdowns in the second, another in the third and apparently were in full command of the situation when the steamroller backfired for the first time.

### **COACHING SITUATION**

REVOLT against Coach Sam Wilaman, Athletic Director L. W. St. John at Ohio State since the Michigan victory has brought to light a strange situation . . . some of the players loafing on the job . . . others quitting cold turkey . . .and the campus at Columbus all agog. You may be interested in some of the following talk: Sam seems Incapable of getting the boys to go out there and play their heads off for him . . . certain football critics say he is a good coach technically...others declare he has messed up the wingback system until you wouldn't know it.

**Source:** The Ogden *Standard-Examiner* 1933

## **PICKING NATIONAL CHAMPION IS GOOFIEST OF ALL TRADES**

By FRANKLIN POWERS  
(Copyright, 1932, by Altoona Mirror)

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—One of this goofiest occupations of this goofy age is attempting to select a national intercollegiate football champion. Right now the boys are getting up lynching parties for the benefit of Professor Frank Dickinson, of the University of Illinois and W. F. Board, originator and sole proprietor of the Aziratem system.

Professor Dickinson, pioneer in the black art of selecting football champions, recently came out and made Michigan his choice for the 1932 title which caused a price to be placed on his head out yonder in California where every man, woman and child will argue that the honor belongs to Southern California.

No sooner was Professor Dickinson, reaching for his mask and chest protector than Mr. Boand asked for the floor and named Southern California his champion with Pittsburgh second and Michigan third. By tomorrow Mr. Boand will be prescribed in Michigan.

Followers of Colgate have not yet started a program against Messrs. Dickinson and Boand but it may be coming, for the team that was unbeaten, unscored on and uninvited to the Rose Bowl, has many proponents with a huge supply of adjectives and high powered verbs ready to fire. The battle may rage long and furiously and it is regretted that such a vast amount of hot air cannot be utilized to some good purpose, such as furnishing heat for the poor.

So far as roost critics are concerned the boys can claim the championship; none of them can prove anything one way or another. To all intents and purposes Southern California has a good claim. It swept through the Pacific coast and beat Notre Dame that beat the Army—the pride of the east. But Army did not play Colgate and there's no way of proving it could have beaten the Red Raiders.

If Southern California gives Pittsburgh a good bidding in the Rose bowl,(sic) it will have strengthened its claim, but the title will not be conclusive. The ties against Pitt by Ohio State and Nebraska cannot be dropped without comment, and if the Panthers should win from the Trojans they, in turn, cannot establish any deed to the mythical title.

Michigan's right to the national championships but why mention that since the Big Ten does not recognize a champion within its own circle can be questioned and also defended. The Wolverines (sic) defeated six big ten (sic) opponents, besides Michigan State and Princeton. Michigan State conquered teams that won intersectional duels from Pacific Coast representatives and that adds up in favor of the Wolverines. But it also can be pointed out that whereas Michigan only defeated Northwestern 15-6, Notre Dame beat the Purple 21 to 0, so that can be placed in the Wolverine debit column. The comparisons are endless and also valueless.

There can be no system with mathematical accuracy for determining a national football champion. The gentlemen who rank football teams consider in their systems the won and lost percentages, scores and types of competition. But can they accurately measure the physical condition a team every Saturday? Can they apply a yardstick to the mental attitude of players from week to week?

Can they determine how good Michigan would have been on any given Saturday without Newman; how much the loss of Orv Mohler affected the scoring power of Southern California, or diagnose the ailment that overtook Notre Dame against Pitt, or Pitt against Ohio State and Nebraska?

Football teams, being composed of humans, need more than a thermometer of theory and scant mathematics to prove or disprove them (sic) champions.

For my part, Southern California, Pittsburgh, Michigan, Colgate or any other team with ambition may claim the national championship. The Rose Bowl game on January 2 will be the best test tube. If the Trojans wins, his sweep through the Pacific Coast, Notre Dame and Pitt will give him the best claim and vice versa if the Panther is victor.

Even then the followers of the loser may say: "Well, it was just the best team for the day.

**Editor's Note:** 1933 Rose Bowl score: USC 35-Pittsburgh 0.

*1932 Rankings:*

1932			
Azzi-Ratem		Frank Dickinson	
1	USC	1	Michigan
2	Michigan	2	USC
3	Pittsburgh	3	Pittsburgh
4	TCU	4	Purdue
4	Purdue	5	Colgate
6	Centenary	6	Ohio State
7	Colgate	7	Notre Dame
8	Tennessee	8	Army
9	Brown	9	Tennessee
9	Auburn	10	TCU

  

Dick Dunkel		Earl Jessen	
1	USC	1	USC
2	Notre Dame	2	Michigan
3	Purdue	3	Purdue
4	Army	4	Pittsburgh
5	Michigan	5	Tennessee

6	Colgate	6	TCU
7	Ohio State	7	Colgate
8	Tennessee	8	Wisconsin
9	Wisconsin	9	Nebraska
10	Alabama	10	Notre Dame

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*Selected by Grantland Rice*

1	USC
2	Pittsburgh
3	Tulane
4	Army
5	Nebraska
6	Michigan
7	Notre Dame

**Frank Wood**

1	Colgate
2	USC
3	Michigan
4	TCU
5	Tennessee
6	Notre Dame
7	Auburn
8	Pittsburgh
9	Purdue
10	Columbia

**Deke Holugate**

1	USC
2	Michigan
3	Pittsburgh
4	California
5	Tennessee
6	Auburn

**Ray Bryne**

TCU

**Esso Gas**

USC

**Paul  
Williamson**

USC

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Source: *THE LAREDO TIMES* Dec. 1929

## **Great Chris Cagle Plays Last Game Against Stanford**

CADETS POINTED FOR WARNER'S CARDINALS

By WILLIAM BRAUCHER

(NEA Service Sports Writer)

They say Pop Warner usually wins the games he points for. That is the coast wizard's reputation anyway—when he has time to get his team in shape and teach them a few hundred assorted football decelts his team just cannot be beaten.

But we have a hunch that P op had better do some of his very best pointing for this game with the Army at Palo Alta, Dec. 28.

For an inspired Army eleven is just as likely as not to change the whole point of view on East-West football ideas that may have accrued heretofore.

The game will be the swan song of Lawrence McCheny Jones (that's Biff) and also will constitute a farewell to the piano for young Mr. Chris Cagle. These two gentlemen, along with Johnny Hertz Murrell, as fine a line cracker as you'd hope to see are anxious that their last effort be not ignominious. If the Army can win this game it is a great Army team. If Cagle can go places and do things in this combat some gentlemen who left him off their All-America selections are going to feel just a trifle inexpert. And Army is going to try to put one over!

The Army wanted to beat Notre Dame, and came within one forward pass that went awry of doing it. Rater assure victims for Rockne's Ramblers, the Army wasn't such a sucker after all, and the game went on you got the feeling that the boys from West Point were just about to bear one of the year's greatest football elevens.

Biff Jones got his name by doing the biff act personally on enemy line. He was a swell left tackle in 1914, 1915 and 1916 when Army beat Notre Dame and Navy.

He has imparted a lot of that old line ability to his men, as was seen clearly in the Notre Dame game. The Army men are at the point now where they would leap off the Brooklyn bridge (sic) for him single file.

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Warner knows this game is important. Didn't he come east himself to scout the Cadets? He gave a little talk at a banquet in which he said in part:

"It's hard to predict the outcome of any game (he was referring to Army-Stanford this year) because football is largely a mental attitude. Now we didn't have a very good season year had Stanford players come east determined to do something. They did just that.

If the Army comes out west with the same determination this year with the same determination this year, it may be rather tough in us. They haven't had a very good season and they'll try to wipe all the bad breaks off the slate, when they come to Palo Alto. I wouldn't think of forecasting the result of this game."

Well, the Army has gone west with just that determination that Pop speaks of. What Mr. Warner and his collegians are going to do about it remains to be seen.

*(Final score: Stanford 34-Army 13.)*

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Source: *THE CHARLESTON DAILY MAIL, 1928*

## TALKS ON FOOTBALL

By *JOCK SUTHERLAND*  
*Pitt Football Coach*

What kind of a fellow is the ideal football player? I am asked that question frequently and it seems to me that it is an interesting one to explain.

Coaches know from experience that there are- certain types of players who, aside from their playing ability, are invaluable to the squad

A great many football fans want to know why a player who looked promising as a freshman did not develop, and why another player who showed few possibilities as a freshman later developed a star. There are many reasons, but the most important is the matter of conscientiousness and determination.

The boy who makes the varsity team starts out with that idea in mind. He is willing to sacrifice much, to work long and hard, determination never falters. He goes about his work with a willingness and he is quick to understand.

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He must have ability to think and must never fail to do so. He is dependable.

In selecting players for my squad I put alertness and ability to think before any other requisites. If they are without these they are poor students and are usually ineligible when most needed. Players are usually no more intelligent on the field than they are 'in the class room.

I have known cases where boys, because of the love for football, have gone to school and had no other reason for going, and I have seen them develop into good students and good players, but I could say in the same breath that these cases are unusual and that there are many more that go to school because, of football who never get out of the freshman class.

At the beginning of every season I make it a point to impress the squad of the necessity of doing his very best in the class room. I make it clear to the players that I do not want them on the squad unless they are in school with a serious purpose in mind.

Players who fall down in their class work are a detriment to the squad. If this point is impressed upon them at the start and they have any ability at all, few of them flunk.

The lad with a serious purpose in mind who comes to school for an education and wants that more than anything else, all things being equal, will make the best player.

In the first place, he is satisfied that he is getting somewhere. He is developing mentally. He soon comes to have a high regard for his school. He is willing to work hard and to make sacrifices.

A good student is usually a smart player. He is easy to coach and he goes on the field better prepared to take advantage of conditions as they present themselves. Brains are more important than weight or speed, although a reasonable amount of each is to be preferred.

I like the boy who reports early for practice, who knows his own weaknesses, whether that be throwing passes, receiving them, kicking, tackling, blocking, charging, or something else, and is constantly trying to improve.

I don't like the player who always makes excuses for the things he doesn't do right. The boy who is continually complaining to the doctor and trainer about his injuries, imagined or otherwise, is another source of annoyance. A third species is the boy who feels that the world is against him that there is never enough being done for him.

I like the boy who has a fair but not an inflated sense of his own responsibility.

Summed up, I like boys who come to school for an education and not for football. I want them to have determination, courage, mental alertness and self-confidence. I want boys who can take the knocks without whimpering who feel that football is doing as much for them as they are doing for football

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Source: **The Salt Lake City Tribune, 1926**

## Conference Winners in All Sections Are Announced

Winners of sectional and conference college football championships for 1926, together with 1925 leaders:

Championship	1926 Winner	1925 Winner
East (best record)	Lafayette	Dartmouth
Western conference	Mich. N'western	Michigan
Southern conference	Alabama	Alabama
Pacific Coast conference.	Stanford	U of Wash.
Rocky Mountain conference	Utah university	Colo. Aggies
Missouri Valley conference	Oklahoma Aggies	Missouri
Southwestern conference	Southern Methodist	Texas A & M Wash. & Oregon Aggies
Pacific Northwest conference	College of Idaho	(tie)
Far Western conference	St. Mary's, college	
South California conference	Pomona	Occidental
Southern I. A. A.	Centenary	Oglethorpe
Eastern "Big Three"	Princeton	Princeton
Eastern "Little Three"	Amherst	Amherst
Tri-State Conference	Geneva (Pa.)	Geneva
Service	Army-Navy (tie)	Army

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Source: **The Salt Lake City Tribune, 1926**

## EAST HAS EDGE IN GRID RIVALRY

*Tabulation Shows Eastern Supremacy for Season in Grid Sport*

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press) — The pendulum of intersectional gridiron supremacy which has swung sharply toward the east since 1924 shows the colleges of the Atlantic seaboard enjoying a decisive margin over all other sectors in this feature of competition.

With Carnegie's defeat of Notre Dame supplying an unexpected climax, the east's record for the regular playing season shows twenty-nine victories, fourteen defeats and two ties.

Sixty-one frames, a record inter-sectional total, figure in the following table of results:

	<b>E</b>	<b>Fw</b>	<b>Mw</b>	<b>Sw</b>	<b>So</b>	<b>Tot.</b>	<b>Pct.</b>
East	x	0	15	0	14	29	0.674
Far West	0	x	2	0	0	2	0.667
Midwest	11	1	x	0	5	17	0.469
Southwest	0	0	0	x	1	1	0.333
South	3	0	3	2	x	8	0.286
<i>Total lost</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>20</i>		
Ties--South and midwest, south and east, southwest and midwest, east and midwest, one each. [Ties were not figured into the winning percentage.]							

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### **Harvard- Michigan Game Will Supply Some Fine Kicks**

By WALTER TRUMBULL

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There is likely to be a bit of good kicking in the Harvard-Michigan game today. Gembls is a first-class place-kicker and there is no cooler drop-kicker than young Barry Wood.

This Wood boy appears to do everything well. He threatens to graduate close to the head of his class, if he keeps on running through his studies as he has been doing for a couple of years.