

TLLs Trying To End All-Star Grid Game

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Dallas, Nov. 8 (AP)—We fear the Texas Intercollegiate League is butting its collective head against a brick wall in trying to stop the All-Star football game in which high school boys participate.

Recently, the Interscholastic League advocated that rules be made that no high school coach can assist in putting on such a contest, the high school facilities not be used for such purposes and that the colleges declare any boy ineligible for college athletics who engages in unsanctioned all-star contests.

The only sanctioned all-star high school football game apparently would be the one put on at the Texas coaching school each year. It is argued that this game is for demonstration purposes.

What the league is hitting at mostly is Mose Simms' national high school all-star game which saw its inception at Corpus Christi in August. The League objects to anything in which it sees a purpose of commercializing on a high school athlete's fame.

All three of the league's proposals to curb these contests are faulty. In the first place, high school coaches are not used in such an all-star game as Simms is promoting. Big name college coaches are sought. In the second place high school facilities are not necessary. College or municipal stadiums can and probably will be used in order to handle the crowd. In the third place the colleges are not games for high school boys; boys good enough to be invited to play in such games are to good for the college to turn down because they played in them.

The colleges commercialize in football, too, you know.

Let us analyze the all-star football game put on at the Texas coaching school. The reason the league approves it is because the Texas High School Coaches Association says it's to demonstrate the theories of the big name college coaches who lecture at the coaching school and tutor the all-star squads on the side. But the Texas High School Coaches Association charges admission for its game and the proceeds are used to operate the school and carry out other projects of the association. The coaches are in business and they benefit just like any promoter who might put on an all-star game. The coaching school helps expand their business.

The Interscholastic League cannot control the boys' participation in an all-star game because only the boys who have finished their high school eligibility are used. Only the colleges could stop the all-star games.

Stan Lambert, coach of Lamar College, had some funny stories to tell when he took his team to Mexico City recently to play the national University of Mexico.

He was fully prepared for the altitude change. He took along two drums of oxygen. "Every time a boy ran at least 30 yards we'd bring him out and feed him oxygen," Lambert said.

Lambert also found that the third period of the game went 45 minutes and the last period 57 minutes. He said he was informed the periods were dragged out in hopes the Mexican team could score. "If I'd known that I'd just given them the ball and got it over with," Lambert mused.

There were some other unusual incidents surrounding this game,



Julian Herring and Jim McMahon, left, finished first in a dead heat to help the Aggie Cross Country team defeat the North Texas State aggregation 15-14 in a meet held over the A&M course Thursday afternoon. Their time was 15:25 for the 2.6 miles. Watching the finish are, from left to right, the North Texas coach, George Kandra, Aggie track and field star, and Woodson Garney, the team manager.

Bowl Bids, Championships On Line In Big 7 and Big 9

New York, Nov. 7 (AP)—The battles for conference championship and glory and the bowl booty that goes with it in most cases shares the college football spotlight this week with the parade of the all-conquering powers.

Knockout affairs are scheduled for the Big Nine, Big Seven and Ivy League. Other conference races are nearing the point of decision.

The Big Nine has three important tilts, Illinois at Ohio State, Iowa at Wisconsin, and Indiana at Michigan.

Oklahoma visits Missouri for the decider in the Big Seven and Cornell journeys to Dartmouth in the Ivy loop's main contest. But more of the conference races later.

Baylor Dropped
Football's big four—Notre Dame, Army, Oklahoma and California—continued their winning ways along with five other all-winning teams, Cornell, Virginia, Boston U., Wyoming and College of the Pacific. Fordham and Baylor were beaten for the first time yesterday.

Army knocked off Fordham, 35 to 0 and Texas routed the Bears, 20 to 0.

Virginia's 26-14 upset of Pennsylvania was the main surprise of the day which featured many other upsets. It was the Cavaliers' first triumph over the Quakers in an ancient rivalry.

The big four all kept flourishing streaks alive. Notre Dame, the nation's No. 2 team, dominated tenth-ranked Michigan State, 34 to 21. Quarterback Bob Williams ran for one touchdown and passed for two others to pace the Irish through their 34th straight unbeaten game. Two late touchdowns enabled the formidable Spartans to score more points on Notre Dame than any other team since Purdue lost, 27 to 28, in the opener last year.

Army, No. 2 extended its chain of undefeated contests to eighteen by flattening Fordham in a savagely-fought affair marked by frequent penalties. Arnie Galiffa threw four touchdown passes for the cadets.

OU Wins
Oklahoma, No. 3, ran up a big lead over Kansas State and then called off the dogs. The Sooners won, 39 to 0, for their seventeenth consecutive triumph.

California, No. 4, thumped Washington State, 33 to 14, for its twenty-second straight triumph in regular season play. The Bears drew closer to another Rose Bowl invitation.

Cornell, No. 8, dumped Syracuse, 33 to 7, Boston U. downed Temple 28 to 7, and Wyoming massacred Colorado State, 103 to 0, College of the Pacific, the other major all-winner, didn't play.

Oklahoma, Boston U., Cornell

Big Ten—Ohio State and Michigan 3-1 each; Illinois 3-1-1, Wisconsin 2-1-1, and Iowa and Minnesota, 3-2 each. League games are Michigan, Iowa at Wisconsin. Minnesota, 55-7 winners over Iowa, meets Pittsburgh outside the league.

Big Seven—Oklahoma 4-0, Missouri 3-0. They meet Saturday. Missouri barely got by Colorado, 20 to 13, Saturday.

Missouri Valley—Detroit 2-0 Wichita 2-0-1, and Drake 2-1. Detroit meets St. Louis and Wichita opposes Drake in only two league games.

Skyline Six—Wyoming 4-0, Colorado A&M 3-1, Denver 2-1. Wyoming, already assured of tie for title, looks like a shoo-in. Wyoming plays Baylor in non-title scrap.

Pacific Coast Conference—California 5-0, UCLA 4-1, Stanford 3-1 and Southern California should breeze in. Schedule matches Oregon-California, Washington-UCLA, Idaho-Stanford, Southern California rests for engagement with Notre Dame Nov. 19.

500 Girl's Teams Expected To Play in '49 State League

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An estimated 500 teams are expected to compete for the High School Girls' Basketball League of Texas Championship this year. That would be the biggest field seeking a single title in all of Texas' vast sports setup.

L. C. McKamie, school superintendent at Gatesville and state director of the girls' league, thinks there will be 500 teams entered in the 1949-50 race by the Nov. 1 deadline.

Last year, 65 schools applied after the deadline for filing entries and had to be turned down.

Big Growth
Girls' basketball has grown tremendously since the league was organized in 1939. It's gotten so big, that the state tournament this year will be shifted from Hillsboro. The gym in the cradle of girls' basketball in Texas just isn't big enough to accommodate the crowds.

Dallas, Fort Worth or Waco stand a good chance to be the site of the 1950 tournament.

If you live in a big city, chances are you don't have a girls' basketball team in the league. But the little towns over the state take to the sport in a big way.

Texas and Iowa girls' champions have been meeting in a series the last couple of years, and this year the Iowa titlist will come to Texas to meet the Lone Star State winner.

Exciting Sport
If you think girls' basketball is a dullish sport, think again. Seagoville won the state championship last year in a "sudden death" overtime period when a little substitute, Patsy Anderson, scored a field goal that beat East Chambers, 26-24.

Most of the team that won the title for Seagoville will be back this year. Another strong entry is Bynum, Hill County.

The rule for girls' basketball in Texas are made by the schools and an advisory board enforces them.

Williamson Still Rates A&M 61st After Tie With Ponies

BY RALPH GORMAN

27-B Crown Goes to Calvert As Tigers Lose

The A&M Consolidated High School Tigers dropped their last chance at the 27-B district grid crown Friday night when they were edged 7-13 by Calvert's Trojans in Calvert. This is the second time in nine years that the Tigers have finished out of first place in district competition.

Until Friday night, the Tiger's record was marred only by a 7-7 tie with the Navasota Rattlers, a class A team.

The Tigers set the pace penetrating inside the Trojan 20, and each time but once the hosts turned back the threat handily.

Quarterback Jake Magee pulled an excellent passing attack out of the bag, and attack the Tigers have used sparingly all year with the thought in mind of using it on the Trojans.

Ends Dick Dowell and Billy Richards and Boeks Roland Jones and Bob-Williams were to be on the receiving end, and only Dowell had been catching many aerials.

Even the runner-up slot should not be considered bad for the Bengals. At the beginning of the year only five lettermen returned to the fold, and only two of these saw consistent service last year: Not one of the backs returning had played on last year's starting eleven.

Only 18 boys reported out for practice at the beginning of the year, not even enough to stage an intra-squad scrimmage. Of the 22 men on the team, eight are seniors, seven are juniors, and eight are sophomores.

Of the 11 starters, four are seniors, four are juniors, and three are sophomores.

Boys who played their last game with the Tigers are Quarterback Jake Magee, Center Bill Cooner, Tackle Eddie Guthrie and End Dick Dowell. Dowell will be a four-year letterman, and the last of seven at Consolidated. A junior high school year has been added, and freshman will play with junior high team from now on.

A paradox to top all paradoxes: The Aggies remained in the No. 61 spot that they held last week while the Mustangs of SMU, who very nearly didn't even tie the "sixty-firsters", actually attained a higher rating than their previous one. Doak, Rote, and Company, according to the one-time famed gridiron prognosticator Paul S. Williamson, are now rated as seventh instead of a former eighth place among the top ten of the nation's grid teams.

85% Correct
Williamson boasts, with a little exaggeration, I think, that he batted about 85 per cent correct on last week's predictions—and he goes even farther to do a little rationalizing and says, "although surprisingly tied by Texas A&M Southern Methodist moved up to seventh place, in order to rank consistently over the teams the Mustangs have beaten."

Why, do a group of Aggies who played so hard to take over the No. 5 spot, and a group of Mustangs who moved up to take over the No. 5 spot as Baylor lost to Texas and at the same time lost the foothold that they had as a fifth place team. Baylor is now rated as the twentieth team in a rating of 90.

Virginia Over Penn
Virginia dumbfounded a mighty Penn State, 36-14, and broke into the first ten at sixth place with a rating of 94.6. SMU is mentioned before as holder of seventh place and they are followed by Michigan U. Michigan dropped a point by not beating Purdue more than 20-12.

Following even closer behind Michigan is Texas University as the ninth team with a rating of 93.9. Santa Clara is a newcomer to the ranks of the first ten and all they did was tie Stanford, 7-7, while Stanford is a 34-13 winner of a week ago over Southern California.

TCU has fallen to a spot three points below its thirty-eighth place of last Saturday's Arkansas, by virtue of their old win over the Horned Frogs, are listed in the No. 27 place above TCU.

In the games coming up next Saturday's agenda, Williamson picks Baylor to beat undefeated and untied Wyoming. He goes farther to say that it will be by three or four TD's. Texas playing again in Memorial Stadium, should be on easy ground over Lindy Berry and TCU.

SMU, playing an even better brand of ball than the conference champs displayed on Kyle Field, should take the Hogs of Arkansas without any apparent trouble.

Browns Pace AAC; Eagles, Rams Top NFL

New York, Nov. 8 (AP)—The Philadelphia Eagles overpowered the Los Angeles Rams in a "pre-view" of the National Football League's championship playoff Sunday while the Cleveland Browns seized the undisputed lead in the All-America Conference.

In a day of important decisions for both of the big pro circuits, Greasy Neale's Eagles, defending NFL titlists, won the feature battle by mauling the hitherto unbeaten Rams, 38-14, before 38,200 at Philadelphia.

The game matched the pace-setters and title favorites of the Eastern and Western Divisions and left the Eagles and Rams with similar records—six victories and one defeat.

Yank Deadlock Broken
Meanwhile, over in the rival (See BROWNS, Page 4)

Team	Average
1. Notre Dame	99.9
2. Army	99.0
3. Oklahoma	98.6
4. California	97.1
5. Rice	94.9
6. Virginia	94.6
7. SMU	94.1
8. Michigan U.	94.0
9. Texas	93.9
10. Santa Clara	93.8

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