

On the Gridiron

Same Old Story; SMU Is in Midst Of Building Phase

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With Kyle Rote gone and no one to step into his shoes, SMU, a fifth place finisher in both 1949 and 1950, is in the midst of a rebuilding phase.

Gone, also, are men like Neal Franklin, Charles Perry, Bobby Vann and Charles Chambers, all starters on the defensive line of the 1950 team as well as Bobby Collier and Jim Marion, starting tackles along the 1950 offensive wall.

And, too, replacements must be sought for Johnny Champion, diminutive seat back who dealt every team he faced misery and Ray Cleckler, a leading defensive stalwart.

Head Coach H. N. "Rusty" Russell, always capable of springing some sort of football wizardry, in his second year at the Hill-top school, is entering the 1951 season, quite optimistic as to capable replacements for the men lost from last year.

He names Bill Rippey, Pat Knight, Bob Hooks, Alex Litowkin and Jack Gunlock to take care of the defensive end slots with Jimmy Hawn, Ben White and Dave Powell to carry the brunt of the offensive load.

Russell has shifted Harry Dean, a letterman at end last season, to the tackle slot along with Co-Captain Herschel Forester, who devoted most of the 1950 football season to playing offensive guard. He will also have available Buddy Partee, Wayne Ligon, Jerry Clem, Lou Miller, Bob Cadwallader, Bill Crawford and Jim Landers.

H. Forester may be called on to do double duty because of his versatility at handling the offensive or defensive assignments. He and Ike Robb are tabbed for offensive guards but with Dave Riley and Darrell Laffitte around, the two of them may be able to get some needed rest.

SMU's candidate for all-American honors, Dick Hightower will again handle the heaviest load in the line. He is expected to be a 60-minute man but with one of the brightest prospects in a long time in Bill Fox, a standout of Spring training, on hand, Hightower should receive considerable aid.

Starting Defensive Backfield Set

The starting defensive backfield is more or less set for this year with Gene Roberts handling the safety position and Val Joe Walker and L. D. Russell handling the left half and fullback slots, respectively.

Bill Crisler, Bill Forester, Henry Stollenwerk and several others will be on hand and as they gain game experience, should prove capable replacements. The coaches son, H. N. "Little Rusty" Russell, Jr., handling the signal calling on offense, will be backed by Knight at starting fullback with the other two positions being filled from a group including Fred Benners, Benton Musslewhite, Stollenwerk, Walker, "Chicken" Roberts, B Forester, Jerry Norton, Don Miller, Gene Gillis, Jack Gunlock and others.

CS Netters Lose In Olympic Semis

Four College Station Tennis team players reached the semi-finals of the Southern United States Junior Olympic tennis meet held on the Municipal Courts in Houston, Tuesday.

Bubba Engelbrecht of College Station playing in the boys 13 and under singles was beaten by Bill Dixon of Baytown, 6-1, 6-0. Dixon went on to win the finals 6-3, 6-2, defeating Win Dawson of Oklahoma.

In the boys 14 to 15 doubles, Freddie Anderson and Bobby Jackson of College Station forced Tommy Roberts and Don Fuller of Baytown to go to 8-6, 8-6, before they went down. Roberts and Fuller won the finals by defeating Garth Carroll and Tommy Burke of Southwest, 6-1, 6-3.

Rita Ann Stitler of College Station was defeated in the girls 16 to 17 singles by Gayle Everett of Odessa, 6-4, 6-2. Miss Everett lost in the finals to Jeanne Norvell of Houston, 6-3, 6-4.

US Golf Champ Looks for Second

Bethlehem, Pa.—(AP)—Sam Urzetta hopes to make it two in a row when he defends his title at the 51st US Amateur Golf Championship at Saucon Valley Country Club Sept. 10.

If the East Rochester, N. Y. champ does take the crown for the second consecutive year he will be performing a feat last accomplished by Lawson Little in 1934-35.

Pirates, Giants Win Final Tilts Of CS Season

Regular season play in the second half of the College Station Summer Softball League wound up yesterday evening with the Giants and Pirates winning their respective games.

Bill Campbell pitched for the Giants with Bob Seymour toeing the rubber for the Indians. The contest went an extra inning after Albert Crain tied the score in the sixth with a homer with a mate aboard to bring the Indians up to 5-5. The seventh was scoreless and the Giants tallied a lone score in the top of the eighth to win the contest.

In the other contest, played at College Park, Homer Adams went all the way as the Bucs shelled the Tigers 7-2. Curtis Holland started on the mound for the Bengals and was relieved in the sixth by co-manager Newt Williamson who pitched the last two frames.

Monday afternoon at College Park, the Tigers and Giants will continue their game that, Monday afternoon, ended in a 10-all deadlock, called on account of darkness. It will be completed and after that, another game will be played to make up for a contest rained out on Aug. 1.

The outcome of the final standings will not be altered as to league leaders as the Pirates clinched the banner last week but the two games will decide the third and fourth places.

Leading the league, the Pirates wound up the second half with an 8-1 record with the Indians in second with a 4-5 record. Either the Giants or Tigers could wind up in a tie with the Tribe for second spot provided it could win the continued game plus the postponed makeup game. Both the Giants and Tigers own records of 2-5.

McCahan on Way Back

Fort Worth, Tex.—(AP)—Bill McCahan is doing his utmost to get another crack at the major leagues. Back in 1947 McCahan hurled a 3-0 no-hit for the Philadelphia A's game against the Washington Senators. But soon afterwards he developed arm trouble and moved back to the minors. Now with the Fort Worth Cats, a Dodger farm in the Texas League, Bill is the team's most consistent winner. He had a 10-4 record after the first week in July.

Joe Louis Takes Unanimous Decision over Jimmy Bivins

Baltimore, Aug. 16—(AP)—Old Joe Louis left jabbed his way to a unanimous 10-round decision over back-peddaling Jimmy Bivins of Cleveland last night for the eight straight victory of his desperate comeback drive.

Always chasing his retreating foe, Louis never was able to explode the bomb he carried in the days when he held the heavyweight title.

Only in the last round when he ripped into Bivins in savage fashion, did the 37-year-old Louis appear close to scoring a knockdown. Ironically, he was penalized this tenth round by Referee Eddie Leonard for a low blow.

The referee gave Louis a 7-3 edge on his scoreboard. Both judges, Lee Halfpenny and Bill Ellis, had identical 6-3-1 scoring. The Associated Press card agreed with Leonard.

Warned several times by the referee to "keep your gloves closed" Bivins tried to pull a Jersey Joe Walcott retreat on the thin and almost gaunt ex-champ. It didn't work because Bivins did little but retreat and flick his left. Only occasionally did he bull inside or chance a hard punch. Too often he was wild.

Weighing only 203½, lightest since he knocked out Lou Nova in 1941, Louis did not have the zip he showed New York fans in June when he flattened Lee Savold. Bivins weighed 180½.

The gate was a little below expectations of the Squires Athletic Club which hoped for a \$100,000 sellout. The first available figures showed a gross gate of \$75,217 and a net of \$57,782. Louis got 42½ per cent and Bivins 17½.

Once again there was no free home television with the fight beamed to 15 theatres in eight cities outside Baltimore.

Consolidated Will Open Drills with 12 Returning

Head Coach O. V. Chafin expects to have between 25 and 30 boys on hand when the A&M Consolidated High School football team starts practice August 27. The Tiger mentor plans to hold two-a-day workouts beginning at 8:30 a. m. until September 3.

Coach Chafin will build his 1951 team around four backs and eight linemen who comprise the 12 returning lettermen from last year.

Good Crop of Juniors

Besides the returning lettermen will be a good crop of junior high graduates who are expected to take over some of the starting positions. Gayle Klipple, Jerry Leighton, David Bonnen and George Johnston are the backfield lettermen but Coach Chafin expects to use one of them at one end position where he is short.

Man-under for the Tigers will be Fred Anderson who has two years of experience in junior high ball.

William Arnold also has two years of junior high seasoning and might start in one of the halfback slots.

Returning Linemen

Returning linemen are Tom Barlow, Melvin Eree, Paul Harris, Thomas Wade, Bobby Smith, Bobby Jackson, "Pinky" Cooner and Dan Williams.

First-year hopefuls for line positions are David Carroll, Don Burchar, John Manthei, George Soares, Tom Terrell and Jimmy Bond.

Bond has a good chance of starting at a guard post. Coach Chafin said this morning. Coach Chafin would like for any boy who intends to go out for the team and hasn't contacted him to do so immediately so he can take his picture for the program.

Five members on the roster of the New York football Giants live in Texas.

Indians Making Dash Toward American Flag

By Associated Press

Nothing and nobody is halting the Cleveland Indians' mad dash to the pennant these days.

Yesterday seemed the ideal day for it. It looked like the right time to stop the runaway Redskins. All signs pointed to it.

Gunning for 13th—Got It

The Indians were gunning for their thirteenth straight victory. Opposing them were the pesky St. Louis Browns who knocked them out of the 1950 flag race about a year ago this time with four straight licks. On the hill was Ned Garver, who already had whipped them twice without a setback this season. And by Manager Al Lopez' own admission, the Indians were "tired and worried."

But the fighting first placers overcame all these obstacles—in a mighty seven-run first inning—to batter Garver like he was a second rater, blast the Browns, 9-4, win their thirteenth straight and protect their two and one half game margin over the New York Yankees.

Al Rosen's fourth grand slammer of the season, which equaled a major league mark, featured the first-inning attack on Garver. It was Rosen's twenty-first homer.

The runner-up Yankees took an 8-5 decision in Washington; Boston's third place Red Sox remained five and a half games out by beating the Athletics, 4-2, in Philadelphia, and Chicago's fourth place White Sox shut out the Tigers in Detroit, 2-0.

Giants Trip Bums

New York's second place Giants took their second straight from Brooklyn, 3-1, to whittle the National League leaders' margin to

10½ games. Boston's Braves handed the Philadelphia Phillies their fifth straight loss with a 9-0 victory. Cincinnati and Pittsburgh also scored shutout wins, the Pirates blanking the St. Louis Cards, 7-0 and the Reds shading the Chicago Cubs, 1-0.

The Indians wrapped up the victory before Garver could retire a batter. They had five runs in when Harry Simpson fanned for the first out. Early Wynn gained his thirteenth triumph although Steve Gromek came to his rescue when the Browns threatened in the sixth.

Ties Winning Skein

The win tied Cleveland's longest winning streak set in 1942. Since August 2, the Tribe has beaten Washington, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Chicago, Detroit and St. Louis again without a defeat. After today's clash with the Browns, the Indians move to Chicago for a five-game series in three days.

"The boys are tired and they are worried about that series with the White Sox," said Lopez after last night's victory. "If we get by those games in good shape, we'll be tough to stop. We open an 18-game home stand then."

Yogi Berra and Joe Collins each slammed out four hits to lead the Yankees' 15-hit attack against five Washington pitchers. Berra drove in four runs with his eighteenth homer, a triple and two singles. Ed Lopat gained his sixteenth win

Ten organizations sponsoring the development of sandlot baseball in and around New York City received checks totaling \$45,649.16. These checks, presented by Mayor Vincent Impellitteri, were the Yankee-half of the Yankee-Dodgers charity game held recently.

but needed help from Bob Kuzava in the eighth.

DiMaggio Aids Parnell

Dom DiMaggio singled twice, scored once and drove in another run to help Mel Parnell register his thirteenth victory, as the Red Sox defeated the A's for the seventh straight time.

Saul Rogovin, traded away by the Tigers last May, handcuffed his former mates with five hits as Nelson Fox and Ray Coleman batted in both Chicago runs. Virgil Trucks lost a four-hitter.

Westrum, Mays Team Up

Wes Westrum and Willie Mays teamed up offensively and defensively to give the Giants their victory over Brooklyn. Westrum's sixteenth homer followed a single by Mays in the eighth inning to snap a 1-1 tie and give Jim Hearn his eleventh victory and first over the Dodgers as a Giant. A fine running catch and a spectacular throw from centerfielder Mays to catcher Westrum doubled up Billy Cox at home in the first half of the inning.

Ted Kluszewski's fourth inning homer gave Cincy's Ken Raffensberger the nod in his pitching duel with the Cubs' Cal McLish. Ralph Kiner blasted his thirty-second homer as Rookie Bob Friend shut out the Cards with two hits. Warren Spahn gained his fourteenth win and sixth shutout success, blanking the Phils with eight safeties.

Joeky Albert Johnson, who won the Kentucky Derby in 1922 aboard Morvich, is now a clocker and trainer at Hollywood Park. Morvich, incidentally, was the only California-bred horse to win the Derby.

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