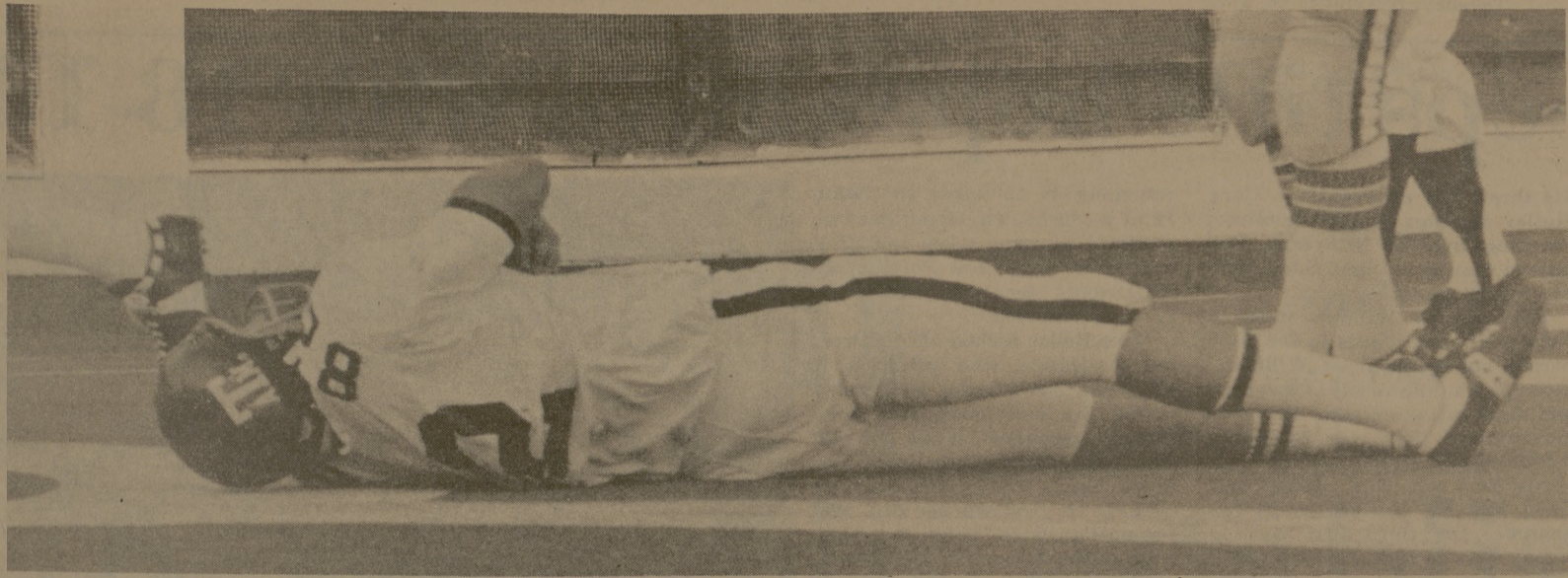


Cotton guest choices fewer; invite to be given Saturday

DALLAS (AP)—Alabama, Penn State and Nebraska were the prime targets of the Cotton Bowl Monday in the race for a guest team for New Year's Day to face the Southwest Conference Champion. Auburn, another top candidate, also is high on the Cotton Bowl list, but was believed leaning toward the Sugar Bowl in New Orleans. Georgia, although it suffered its first loss of the season to Auburn last week, also is a contender. Notre Dame also was an outside possibility. The Irish have played Texas in the Cotton Bowl the last two years. The Cotton Bowl is set to issue an invitation at 6 p.m. local time Saturday—the first day under NCAA decree such an invitation may be presented. The SWC host team is still in the air, with Texas on the inside track. The Longhorns can clinch their fourth consecutive SWC title Thanksgiving Day with a victory over Texas A&M.



THE WINNING TOUCHDOWN in Saturday's game was a seven yard pass from Joe Mac King to substitute tight end Mitch Robertson (82) in the fourth quarter. It was Robertson's first touchdown pass, as he caught the ball while falling down in the end zone. (Photo by Mike Rice)

Dr. Leslie Horvath revisited as Heisman time is here

By BOB MYERS
Associated Press Sports Writer
LOS ANGELES (AP)—Heisman Memorial Trophy time is approaching and there will be the usual hullabaloo on campus when the lucky winner is announced.

Such was the case here when the University of California's Mike Garrett won the Heisman in 1965, O. J. Simpson in 1968 and Gary Beban of UCLA in 1967. The victory calls from the downtown Athletic Club of New York in the instance of O. J. and Garrett were made to Chancellor Norman Topping and for Beban, then-chancellor Franklin D. Murphy took the call.

The athletes were quickly notified, hurried and enthusiastic press conferences were held, presided over in each instance by the university chancellors. Students cheered and forsook classrooms.

In contrast, consider the year 1944 when Leslie Horvath, Ohio State University's exciting halfback, captured the Heisman. Dr. Horvath, long since established as a successful dentist here, remembers:

"I was in chemistry class when the dean called to announce the award. I must say the professor was something less than impressed. In fact, he was pretty upset because the class had been interrupted."

Horvath said he was about as upset as the professor, but in an opposite manner.

"Honestly," he recalled, "I didn't know I was even in the running for the trophy."

"The students were enthusiastic and so was the dean and most of the professors," said Horvath. "They shut the school for a 'Les Horvath Day,' the band turned out and the players chipped in a buck apiece to buy me a set of luggage—and a topcoat—for my trip to New York for the Heisman presentation."

The trophy—a rather awkward-looking, squat statuette—occupies a prominent place in Les and Shirley Horvath's split-level home in the hills above suburban Glendale.

Also in evidence is a veritable gallery of other awards, All-America scrolls, a framed citation from the Football Writers of America and the trophy he received when he was inducted into the National Football Hall of Fame at New Brunswick, N. J., Jan. 28, 1969.

There is also the game ball he received in one of Ohio State's still cherished victories, 18-14 over mighty Michigan in 1944, and another after the Buckeyes defeated Southern California 28-12.

The Horvath dental office also has a few awards in view. But there is a suspicion that where none was displayed for years, they suddenly appeared—thanks to the wifely admiration and interior-decorating finesse of his pretty brunette wife.

Oh yes, back home in the den there is an autographed picture from an avid sports fan in Washington, D. C.: Richard M. Nixon. Les keeps close tab on the fortunes of his old friend, Woody Hayes, and the Buckeyes, as well as the Los Angeles Rams, for whom he played in 1947-48 after his release from active duty as an officer in the U.S. Navy.

He starred at Ohio State after gaining high school honors in Cleveland. His college years were 1940-41-42-44, skipping a year because of military duty. The 1942 Buckeyes captured the national championship.

Horvath is a past president of Ye Ole Rams, an alumni group. His teammates included Bob Waterfield, Kenny Washington, Don Paul, ex-Buckeye teammate Bob Shaw, Jim Hardy, Tom Fears, Red Hickey, Jack Banta, Freddie Naumetz, Gil Bouley, Larry Brink, Gerry Cowhig, Dick Hoerner, Jack Zilly . . . the list could go on . . . and Les keeps in contact with most of them.

Buster has slim chance of winning tomorrow when he fights Muhammed Ali in the Dome

By ED SCHUYLER JR.
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HOUSTON (AP)—Buster Mathis, who quit boxing almost 32 months ago because he lost the desire to fight, returns to the ring Wednesday night against Muhammad Ali in a bout Mathis generally is given little chance of winning.

"You can't just disregard him," Ali said of Mathis.

But Las Vegas bookmakers didn't expect to issue a line because Ali is a prohibitive favorite. The scheduled 12-rounder at the Astrodome will be Mathis' first fight since he lost a decision to Jerry Quarry in New York March 24, 1969, and Ali's fifth since the former world heavyweight champion returned from a 3½-year

boxing exile because of his trouble with the military draft.

"I've had two and a half years of inactivity to think things out," said the 27-year-old Mathis who is the father of an 11-month-old son. "I know I've been wrong in my thinking. I listened to a lot of people and got so much advice and teaching that it made a mental wreck out of me."

"I truly lost my desire to fight. I'm hungry now. I need the money but more than the money I want to prove I also have dignity. There's only one place I can do that and that's in the ring."

The fight is scheduled to begin at 10:50 p.m., EST, and follow a heavyweight 10-rounder between Cleveland Williams of Houston

and George Chuvalo of Canada.

Both fights will be shown on closed-circuit television in the United States and Canada and beamed to other countries via satellite. Top Rank, Inc., and Astrodome Championship Enterprises, Inc., will promote the live fights in the Dome and Top Rank will handle all ancillary rights.

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