

From the mailbag

FROM THE EDITOR: Before we get into the mailbag we'd like to take a second to point out to you, in case you haven't noticed yet, that with this issue The Journal has expanded by two pages to a total of eighteen. It's a small way of saying "thanks" for your encouragement and support.

"Very much enjoyed the article on the Dixie Classic in the last issue. I have long been fascinated with the various all-star and charity post-season games. Incidentally, the third and last Dixie Classic was played on Jan. 1, 1931 and the Southwest defeated the Midwest 18-0."

- Donald E. Newton

Cupertino, Cal.

"Had a special interest in your article 'Illinois' Other Harold', which contained several mentions of Enos Rowe. I am Chairman of the Carmi High School Sports Hall of Fame. Enos Rowe played high school football here in Carmi in 1908 and is a candidate for our Hall of Fame."

- John L. Evers

Carmi, Illinois

"I saw Herman Wedemeyer play in 1945-47 and he was a great football player. Mr McCarty's article provided a lot of memories. Herman's younger brother, Charley, has been coach at Los Gatos (Cal) H.S. for many years and his son was an outstanding halfback at Los Gatos this past season."

- Herb Tiedemann

San Carlos, Cal.

"In the article 'Football's Greatest Decade', did Bernie McCarty really believe that 1951 Army might have been as good as the 1945 team without the scandal?"

- Bob Kirlin

Spokane, Washington

Mr McCarty Replies: "I certainly do."

"I have been searching for the program of the 1971 Liberty Bowl Game between Tennessee and Arkansas and would appreciate hearing from any member who knows where one might be obtained. Also, I have always been interested in the historical evolution of college football programs into their current form and would very much like to hear from any member who shares an interest in football programs."

- Dale Fulmer

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**Enjoyed Mr McCarty's article on football's greatest decade, but a big omission was Steve Lach of Duke. Wallace Wade, who coached Eric Tipton as well as Ace Parker and George McAfee, considered Lach the finest all-around back he had coached and as fine as he had seen in the collegiate ranks. Lach was an All-American in 1941, was an outstanding pass receiver and ran with fullback power from the wingback position. The great Duke team of 1941 should also rate among the best of the decade."

- Ed Pavlick

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

"The article on The Century of Progress Game really sharpened my memory. In 1933 I was passing thru Chicago via train on my way to Washington, and we had a twelve hour layover. So our gang left the train and visited the World's Fair. I didn't make it to the game to see Harry Newman because, of course, the first thing we went to see was Sally Rand and her fans."

- Jim Stewart

Camden, New Jersey

That's all for this issue. Remember, we can always use help in recruiting new members. If you have some comments to make or questions to ask, drop a line to: R Schmidt 24 Rockbluff Way Lockport, Illinois 60441

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