

Sideline Chatter



Your editor has finally arrived in California and settled in to some extent, and I want to thank everyone for their patience in waiting for this August issue of the CFHS Journal. You will notice that it is our annual "oversize" issue of 24 pages. The expectation at this time is that the November issue will be in the mails by the second week of December, and thereafter we will hopefully be back on schedule. All correspondence and articles should now be directed to:

Ray Schmidt P.O. Box 6460 Ventura, Cal. 93006

"I am working on a project dealing with the greatest individual player game performances of the 20th century. MY definition of a football player does NOT include the legion of quarterbacks who stand in the backfield and throw 150-200 passes a game (or so it seems), and then expect to be praised for passing over 200 yards in the game. So except for the occasional great performance by a pass receiver like Bill Swiacki of Columbia against Army in 1947, the eligible players for my great performances are all running backs (sort of like the Heisman Trophy). I am in desperate need of help in identifying some great individual player game performances for the period from 1960-1979. Any suggestions or leads would be greatly appreciated.

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CFHS member Herb Tiedemann writes to update his list of the college teams that have scored 700 points or more in a single season, after Georgia Southern compiled a record of 13-2 in the 1999 season, which included tallying 747 points. The current list is as follows: Harvard (1886)-765 pts; Mount Union (1997)-752; Georgia Southern (1999)-747; Georgetown, Ky (1991)-744; Minnesota (1904)-725; Saint John's (Minn)-702. He concludes by saying: "Again, I reiterate I can not say I have reviewed all the college teams every year since 1869 so my list may not be complete."

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"I am a football coach at Missouri Western State College, and have coached at the high school and college level. I research offensive formations that have been used throughout the history of college football, and have uncovered many fascinating facts and myths. I am particularly interested in corresponding with other Society members about the history of offensive football techniques and the evolution of formations and plays during the period of the 1890s to the 1950s."

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"I am currently in the research stage of a project that will deal with the game and the events surrounding the famous 1921 Centre College versus Harvard meeting that produced the 6-0 upset win by Centre. I am interested in corresponding with any Society members who might be able to direct me toward any information dealing with this game, along with stories on its periphery, in addition to any suggestions for researching it in other than the usual newspapers"

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"I had to smile when you stated that you were not happy with Big Ten developments such as the admission of Penn State and the invitation to Notre Dame. I attended Illinois so the Big Ten has long been my conference. My career was 34 years of teaching at Penn State, and I was surprised when the school was invited to join the Big Ten. I guess it was mostly about money.

Roger Saylor Hobe Sound, Florida.