

National Grid Conference Falters Without Hamilton

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NORFOLK, Va. (AP)—The proposed "jet age" national conference of major football-player colleges, which has been slowly gaining headway for some five years, has lost most of the speed it needs to become airborne.

Tom Hamilton's switch from the athletic director's job at Pittsburgh to the post of commissioner of the West Coast's Big Five and changes in the athletic administration at Army and Navy have temporarily, at least, halted the proceedings.

The conference was to have included all three service academies—Army, Navy and Air Force—Pitt, Syracuse, Penn State, Notre Dame and Southern California.

Syracuse Athletic Director Lew Andreas, one of the prime movers in organizing the conference, revealed Sunday that plans had gone ahead far enough so that a meeting of the college presidents had been called this summer.

"But after Hamilton went west he called it off again," Andreas said. "I guess he's just been too busy to do anything more."

"I hope he doesn't let it drop entirely. I think it's the salvation of the independent colleges and a great weapon against pro-football. When the new pro league gets started, they will command more attention than ever and it may hurt college football."

The athletic directors chose Hamilton as the No. 1 organizer last winter when their plans were

shaped up for presentation to the presidents.

Since then Army and Navy have gone through sweeping changes, bringing in new athletic directors and head football coaches and the newcomers haven't shown much interest in the Jet Conference.

"We (Syracuse) want it very badly. Notre Dame wants to come in but only if Army does," Andreas said. "I don't know just how Pitt stands now. They have a new administration there, too."

At various stages, several other colleges have been mentioned as possible members of the proposed conference, but Andreas indicated the list had dwindled to eight which were really interested.

If one—especially the service academies—fails to go along with the plan, there's little chance that it ever will get under way.

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Lion statue. That's when somebody said the team had dispersed.

"But actually they hadn't. They were just waiting for someone to organize things on the Rec Hall steps. That was the whole trouble there Saturday night, there was no organization and because of that the mixup resulted."

Jackson Retires

ATHENS, Ga. (AP)—Ransom Jackson, third baseman for the Chicago Cubs, announced yesterday he is retiring from baseball.

Blaik Says He Differed On Program

NEW YORK (AP)—Col. Earl H. (Red) Blaik acknowledged yesterday that he and the superintendent differed on West Point's football program but said he resigned as coach mainly because of a business offer.

Blaik stepped down last Jan. 13 at 61 after 25 years as head coach, 18 of them at the U.S. Military Academy and seven at Dartmouth. He now is a vice president of Avco Corp., and writes two football columns a week for The Associated Press.

Blaik, whose last Army team with his revolutionary lonely end formation, was undefeated, explained his decision to quit in an article in the current issue of Look Magazine.

The superintendent with whom he differed was Lt. Gen. Garrison H. Davidson, a former Army coach.

The difference, Blaik wrote, was over the number of appointments to the academy to be apportioned to football men out of the number given to all athletes. The superintendent's policy was "equality for all sports," said Blaik.

"I argued," Blaik continued, "that this would be fine—in fact, ideal—if there were enough such appointments to go around. But since there were not, football must be first established on a solid footing, if for no other reason than self-preservation."

Tight Defensive Play Cuts IM Scores

By DEAN BILLICK and ROWDY McDOWELL

Tight defensive play along with chilled fingers held down scoring last night in nine IM football games. The cold weather took its toll on passing and receiving alike as Sigma Alpha Epsilon scored the most points with a 13-0 verdict over Kappa Delta Rho.

In other games Delta Upsilon, Dedta Chi, Acacia, Locust, Maple, Studs, Labache, and Stump Jumpers were victorious.

SAE scored their first TD on a 10 yard pass from Pete Moran to Vance Rea. In the second half the same twosome clicked again with the play covering 50 yards. KDR moved the ball well but was hurt by penalties at crucial moments.

Led by the short passes of John Black, Acacia edged Sigma Pi, winning the battle of first downs, 5-4. Neither team was able to score as defense dominated action throughout the game. Four of Acacia's first downs came in the second half as Black's short passes proved to be the deciding margin of victory.

Delta Upsilon scored in the first minute of play on a pass from Jack Melchoir to Tom Moran to nail down a 7-0 win over Phi Sigma Kappa. The TD play was set up by Dick Hammond's pass interception. From then it was a defensive stalemate.

In independent action the Studs squeaked over Hickory, 7-6. Ray Radomski did all the scoring for the Studs as he ran 20 yards with an intercepted pass and then added the extra point for Studs' seven points. Hickory scored on a 30 yard

pass play from Allan Newhart to Raymond Bell.

Bob Janosky's extra point was the margin of victory as Maple topped Birch 7-6. The winning tally came with four minutes remaining on a pass from Bill Jones to Frank DeLillo.

In a battle of single wings Locust edged Larch 2-0 on a first half safety. After the score it was a case of icy fingers and tight defenses.

While engaging in a 6-6 duel the Stump Jumpers piled up a 9-1 margin in first downs for their victory over the Coal Crackers.

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The Nittany Lion freshman soccer team makes a second attempt to break into the win column today when they meet the Bucknell yealines on the Bisons' field.

Coach Ron Black's booters dropped a hard-fought 1-0 decision to Navy last week in their first outing of the young season.

"We played a good game but tired a little toward the end. When we get a little more conditioning, we'll be a real tough team," said Black.

The starting lineup will have Frank Carpenter in the goal, and Roy Johnston and Harry Kottcamp at fullbacks, and James Kuo, Jay Stormer and Roger Pelton at the halves.


Argentine Edward Hinojosa will head the line at the center (Continued on page eight)



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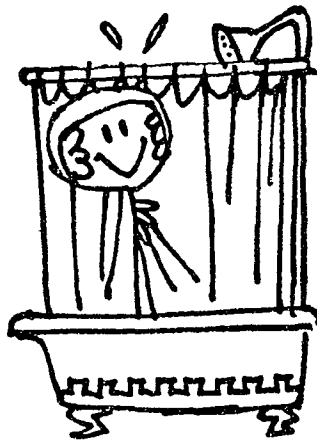
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