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# Old State Foes Clash Again

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A pair of games between archrivals help the Ohio Conference football season draw to a close Saturday.

It's Ohio Wesleyan at Denison at 1:30 p.m., followed by an 8 p.m. Memorial Stadium scrap in Westerville between Capital's Crusaders and the hometown Otterbein Cardinals.

Coach Jack Fouts' Ohio Wesleyan Bishops, with their sixth Ohio Conference football title already tucked safely away, will have their sights set on a perfect 6-0 conference and 8-1 overall season when they invade Deeds Stadium to do battle with a Denison team that has four of six conference starts in a 5-3 season.

Also on the Bishops' minds will be the possibility of a bid to the NCAA Stagg Bowl Game in Chicago on Thanksgiving Day. A victory over Denison would just about lock it up.

COACH GENE Slaughter has been spending the week getting his Cap Crusaders down out of the clouds following last week's 15-14 upset of previously unbeaten Baldwin-Wallace.

Slaughter has lost only once in 10 previous shots at the Otters. The setback was by a 21-6 margin at Westerville in 1963.

A Capital victory this trip would leave both teams with 3-6 final records. The Crusaders are 1-4 in conference play and Otterbein is 2-3, including a 22-10 victory over a Marietta team that beat Capital, 27-13.

Fouts feels Denison is "an excellent football team . . . they only lost 6-0 at Witten-

missed last week's trip to Oberlin.

"It's a cartilage problem, but there's no ligament damage. We'll spot him if we can . . . his hands and range are important to us," says Fouts.

Hart has caught 21 passes for 430 yards and three touchdowns in the seven games in which he has appeared this season. Quarterback Steve Chase has produced 3,991 total offense yards during his four-year career at OWU.

DENISON, which has the conference's best rushing of offense and heads the total defense statistics, relies heavily on its two premier running backs, Ed Exler and Bill Harris.

Exler has topped the 100-yard ground gaining plateau 14 times during his three years at the Granville school and Harris has hit the century mark nine times during his freshman and sophomore campaigns.

Exler's 786 ground yards this fall run his career figure to 2,662. Harris has 1,003 rushing yards this season and 1,741 career-wise.

Ohio Wesleyan's previous OC titles came in 1922, 1925, 1951, 1953 and 1967. OWU shows a 38-22-5 series advantage, but Denison has a 9-5-3 edge during Coach Keith Piper's 18-year regime.

CAP'S SLAUGHTER labels arch rival Otterbein "a much

improved football team . . . our preparation will have to be altered to combat their multiple offenses and defenses."

Colby Byrom, the Crusaders' top running back, is still hobbling on a bum ankle and

all-conference offensive tackle Jim Jones is also hurting. The former missed last week's game and Jones saw only brief service.

Doug Thomson is Otterbein's top ground threat. He's carried 168 times for 684 yards and wide receiver Steve Traylor has caught 26 passes for 506 yards and four touchdowns.

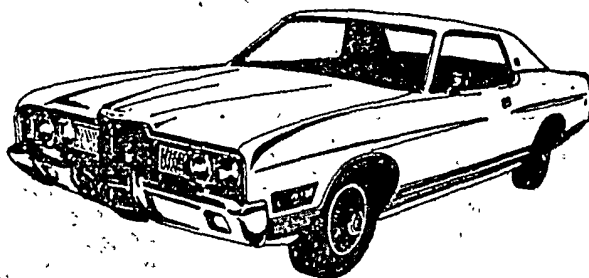
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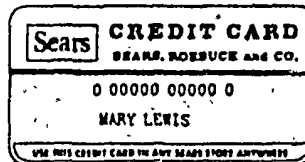
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berg and we consider Wittenberg as strong a team as we play."

THE BISHOPS have won their last five since a 7-6 loss at Clarion (Pa.) State on Oct. 2. Included is a 21-14 triumph over Wittenberg two weeks ago.

"We've told our kids to just go out and win the football game Saturday and let the chips fall where they may," said Fouts in regard to a possible Stagg Bowl invite.

Fouts reports his squad is in good shape physically with the exception of rangy 6-3 split end Jim Hart, hobbling on a bum knee since early in the Wittenberg game. He

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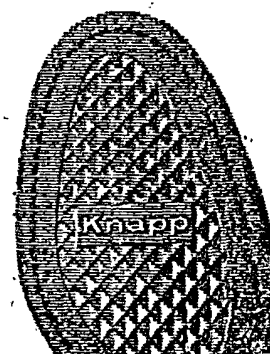
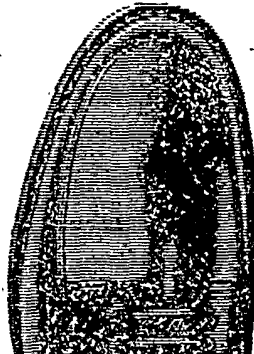
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