

Capital, Otters Renew Grid Rivalry Saturday

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The annual backyard battle between Capital and Otterbein unfolds at Westerville Saturday on the last full-scale weekend of the Ohio College football season.

While the two area antagonists settle their personal rivalry for another season, three other Ohio Conference teams make a final bid for the mythical league championship.

Muskingum (6-0 in the league and 7-0 for the season) can resolve the big hassle by beating Mt. Union (1-4-1 and 1-4-1) Saturday afternoon at Alliance.

Should the Muskies stumble, Heidelberg (4-0 and 8-0) will play for a big chunk of the glory against Akron Saturday night at Tiffin. The Zips (6-1, all in the league) need a win of their own and a Muskingum loss to earn a title tie.

WITTENBERG HOPES for its first win over Ohio Wesleyan since 1928 in an afternoon match at Delaware. There's more than dim hope for the Tigers, who rose to a 4-3-1 record

by clipping Capital last week. Weleyan is having one of its more dismal years, losing four out of seven so far. Both are out of contention in the conference.

Ohio Betting Up 12 Million

Twelve million dollars more was bet at Ohio race tracks this year than in 1954. The bigger handle came partly from increased racing days from 558 in 1954 to 575 this year.

The State Racing Commission gave these figures for the two years, showing grand totals first, then the breakdown for running and harness races:

FOR 1955
Attendance, 2,392,978; at running races, 1,788,601; at harness races including county fairs, 682,819.
Handle, \$117,520,808; at running races, \$100,798,400; harness races including county fairs, \$16,722,408.
State revenue, \$6,311,023.51; from running races, \$5,626,418.78; from harness races, \$684,604.73.

FOR 1954
Attendance, 2,205,968; at running races, 1,543,561; at harness races including county fairs, 662,407.
Handle, \$105,278,756; at running races, \$90,676,318; at harness races including county fairs, \$14,602,438.
State revenue, \$5,254,098.22; from running races, \$4,652,520.69; from harness races in-

Denison invades Oberlin in a hoped-for tuneup before the "big game" with Wesleyan next week and resurgent Bowling Green goes to Ohio U in a Mid-American Conference game.

Further afield, attention is on the Dayton-Miami duel at Dayton. The Flyers upset Miami last year, only loss for the Redskins who right now are ranked 15th in the nation. Only last Sunday, Dayton fumbled away a chance at least to tie highly rated Holy Cross. Miami's seventh straight victim was Bowling Green, 7-0, in last Saturday's standout game.

After this week, more than half of Ohio's 35 teams will call it a season and turn their attention to basketball which is less than a month ahead for most.

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