

# Army, Notre Dame Hold Top Places In National Sports Writers' Poll

## Cadets Picked First on 104 Ballots, Irish on 61—Penn Is Ranked Third, U. C. L. A. Fourth and Georgia Eleven Fifth

The nation's sports writers have stuffed the ballot boxes for the Army and Notre Dame football teams.

Army, sporting a 19-0 decision over Duke last Saturday for its twenty-fourth straight victory, easily held first place in The Associated Press weekly poll of writers to rank the country's gridiron power houses, while Notre Dame surged into a stronger grip on second place off its 41-6 romp over Iowa. Texas and Tennessee, surprise victims of the week's outstanding upsets, sagged considerably.

With the Longhorns and the Volunteers dropping to seventh and tenth, respectively, Pennsylvania's ponderous Quaker machine moved into third place, up from sixth, and the University of California at Los Angeles, unbeaten and untied pacesetter on the Pacific Coast, climbed one notch to fourth.

Altogether, 172 sports writers cast their ballots in this fourth weekly poll—not only from coast to coast, but also from Germany, where sports editor Bill Boni of Stars and Stripes checked in with his ballot for the ten top teams, and Honolulu, where Loui Leong Hop of the Star Bulletin reported for his precinct. Of these, 104 voted for Army at the head of the parade and sixty-one—a gain of forty over last week—tabbed Notre Dame on top. The other seven first-place ballots were split up among Penn, with four, and U. C. L. A., Georgia and Harvard with one apiece.

### 1,647 Points for Cadets

Based on the usual system of ten points for a first place vote, nine for second, eight for third, and so on, Army piled up the staggering total of 1,647 points, 138 more than the Black Knights of the Hudson collected a week ago. Notre Dame, picking up 238 over last week, wound up with 1,578. Surprisingly, there were still enough points left over for two more teams to climb over the 1,000 mark—Pennsylvania skyrocketing to 1,100 as it pounded Navy 32-19, for its fourth success of the campaign, and U. C. L. A. collecting 1,018 as it clouted Santa Clara, 33-7, for its fifth triumph.

Georgia's Bulldogs, who chewed up Furman, 70-7, skipped from seventh to fifth place with 935 points. Northwestern is sixth.

Both of last week's victims of surprise packages, oddly enough, wound up in front of the teams that pulled the rabbit out of the hat on them. Texas, trounced, 18-13, by the rough running Rice Owls, rolled up 500 4/5 points for seventh place, while the Owls finished eighth with 465 4/5. Tennessee, walloped by Wake Forest, 19-6, managed to put together 191 points for tenth place among the select set, while the Deacons, with 101 4/5, were voted twelfth, back of Illinois.

North Carolina, tenth a week ago, climbed one notch as a result of its 40-19 flailing of Florida.

### Standing of Teams

Standings of the top ten teams (first place votes in parenthesis; points based on 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 system):

TEAMS.	POINTS.
1—Army (104) .....	1,647
2—Notre Dame (61)....	1,578
3—Pennsylvania (4) ...	1,100
4—U. C. L. A. (1).....	1,018
5—Georgia (1) .....	935
6—Northwestern .....	659
7—Texas .....	500 4/5
8—Rice .....	465 4/5
9—North Carolina .....	281
10—Tennessee .....	191

The Second Ten: 11 — Illinois, 126; 12 — Wake Forest, 101 4/5; 13—Michigan, 90 4/5; 14—Oklahoma, 85 4/5; 15—Alabama, 83 4/5; 16—Georgia Tech, 79 4/5; 17—Harvard (one first place vote), 66; 18—Wisconsin, 60; 19—Duke, 40; 20—Indiana, 34.

Others receiving one or more points: Oregon, 32; Louisiana State, 28; William and Mary, 19; Columbia and Tulsa, 15 each; Southern California, 14; Ohio State, Delaware and North Carolina State, 9 each; St. Mary's (California), 7; Boston College and Howard, 5 each; Iowa and Mulheberg, 4 each; Navy and Virginia, 3 each; Minnesota, Cornell, Bradley U., Mississippi State, St. Norbert's (Wisconsin) and Yale, 2 each; South Carolina, Kentucky, Potomac State and Detroit, 1 each.