

Hermiston Hosts Tigers In League Clash Tonight

BY NEIL ANDERSEN
La Grande travels to Hermiston tonight in search of their fourth conference win and sixth of the season. The Tigers are in third place in the Intermountain

conference and need the win to keep them there. Coach Franz Haun has some surprise changes in his lineup for tonight against the loop's biggest team. Ray Westenskow, Jim

Connell and Dave Carman will probably be pined in the starting backfield by Dale Peterson. In the line, Gregg Blackman will be at guard in place of Lawrence Smutz who is still recovering from a bruised knee suffered last week against Prineville. Smutz will make the trip to Hermiston but is listed as a doubtful player when the teams clash at 8 p. m.

Otherwise the lineup will be the same group that has led the Tigers to third place in the conference. Buck Corey and Dennis Spray will hold down the flanker posts. Ron Coleman and Don Graham will be the starting tackle. Lonnie Myers will be Blackman's running mate at guard and Gary Voruz will be at center.

Hermiston, in addition to being the hottest team, is also the tallest in the league. Several Hermiston players top 200 pounds and six feet. La Grande will rely on the fleet feet of its speedy backs to circle the ends of the Bulldogs' line.

Westenskow will probably be looking through the arms of rangy defenders when he goes back to pass. The Tigers will boast more team speed than their opposition but will be giving away weight as usual.

Once more the big task will fall on the defensive unit as they cope with the beefy Bulldogs.

Pendleton will travel to Baker in an effort to clinch at least a tie for the league title and a place in the state playoffs. Prineville will go to Redmond where an upset along with a Tiger win, would move La Grande into a second place tie.

Bend goes to The Dalles in a battle of the tail-enders.

Colts Choice To Whip Browns, SF Given Nod

United Press International
The Baltimore Colts are 7½-point choices to whip the Cleveland Browns and the New York Giants are favored over the Green Bay Packers by seven in Sunday's key National Football League games.

The San Francisco Forty-Niners, who share the Western Division lead with the Colts, are seven-point favorites to defeat the Detroit Lions.

In the other games, the Philadelphia Eagles are favored over the Washington Redskins by seven points, the Pittsburgh Steelers are favored over the Chicago Cardinals by 3½ and the Los Angeles Rams are 7½ point picks to beat the Chicago Bears.

The Colts-Browns clash at Baltimore will affect both divisions and offers many intriguing angles for pro football followers.

Ewbank vs. Brown
It matches Baltimore, the current league champion, against pro football's most successful team. It matches two coaches who should not be invited to the same party.

Weeb Ewbank, Baltimore's coach, was an assistant for five years with the Browns under Paul Brown. They did not part on the best of terms.

The Colts, tied with the Forty-Niners at 4-1, don't get many cracks at the Browns because the clubs are in different divisions. They knocked the Browns out of the Eastern race, 21-7, at Cleveland in 1956 and aim to hand them another blow Sunday before a capacity crowd of 57,537. Baltimore also wants to win because it plays four of its next six

games on the road. The Browns (2-2) need a victory to keep within range of the Giants (4-1) in the Eastern race. They trail New York by a game and would fall two behind if they lose and the Giants defeat the Packers (2-2).

In Good Condition
Both the Browns and Colts are in fairly good physical condition but the Giants will be minus one of their top stars when they meet the Packers before more than 30,000 at Yankee Stadium. Frank Gifford, New York's talented left halfback, suffered a torn rib cartilage in last week's game at Pittsburgh and figures to miss at least two games. Jim Taylor, Green Bay fullback who has been sidelined, may be able to play Sunday.

San Francisco, which scored in the final seconds to edge the Bears last Sunday, entertains a Detroit club that scored its first 1959 victory last week when it defeated the Rams, 17-7.

Eagles, Browns Tied
The Eagles (3-2) are tied with the Browns for second in the Eastern Division. They erased a 24-point deficit last week during a 29-24 victory over the Cardinals and play host to a crippled Washington team. The Redskins (2-3) asked waivers on end John Carson and halfback Bill Stits after taking a 34-7 whipping at Cleveland last Sunday.

Pittsburgh suffered a 21-16 loss to New York last Sunday and plays the Cardinals (1-4) at Chicago. Quarterbacks King Hill and M. C. Reynolds of the Cardinals were unable to play against the Eagles because of injuries but may be ready for the Steelers.

OUTDOORS: AROUND-ABOUT

Hunters Head For Mountains As State Elk Season Opens

Big game hunters can now set their sights on the elk season scheduled to open in most of the state on Oct. 31.

Hunters will have an opportunity to test their hunting skill against this smart big game animal through Nov. 11 along the coastal section and through Nov. 22 in the Cascades and eastern Oregon areas.

In the Cascades and Northeastern Oregon areas, hunters may take bull elk with antlers longer than the cars. The season will run through Nov. 22 and includes Hood River, Wasco, Santiam, Metolius, McKenzie, Deschutes, Fort Rock, Butte Falls, Columbia Basin, Walla Walla, Wenaha, Sled Springs, Chinaman, Umaticila, Chetopa Creek, Mimam, Innahna, Snake River, Starkey, Ukiah, Heppner, Desolation and Baker units.

Anyone planning to hunt the north coast area is reminded that the season in this area will not open until 12 noon on Oct. 31. The noon opening was set in an attempt to eliminate the heavy illegal kill of spike bulls occurring in this area when hunters surround and open fire on elk heads.

This area is limited to one bull elk with at least three points two inches or more in length on one antler.

Hunters may set their sights on elk of either sex in southeastern Oregon areas. Units open for either-sex elk include Wheeler, Grizzly, Ochoco, Maity, Northside, Keating, Lookout Mountain, Murderers Creek, Beulah, Malheur River and Silvies.

Rotary Screens Save Salmon
Rotary screens installed on irrigation and power diversions saved thousands of steelhead and salmon from death again this

year. Exact numbers of downstream migrants rescued from ditches and power turbines is not known. By-pass traps located on many of the diversions which hold young fish so they can be tagged give an idea of the magnitude of runs and the vital part rotary screens play.

In the John Day drainage, 49 by-pass traps returned 54,400 migrants to the river. More than 400 rotary screens are in operation in the John Day area.

In Northeastern Oregon, a total of 29 rotary screens diverted more than 50,300 downstream travelers up to mid-October. These rotary screens were on irrigation diversions in the Umatilla, Innahna, Pine Creek, Grande Ronde and Powder River drainages.

There are more than 1,500 rotary screens in operation on irrigation diversions throughout the state.

Upland Birds
Hunting pressure is light in Grant county on upland birds. Quail are abundant throughout the valley, but pheasants are scarce and chukars are scattered. Upland bird hunting has been slow in Morrow and Gilliam counties. Chukar hunting is fair along the rims of the John Day river and its tributaries near wheat fields. Pheasant hunting remains poor in Umatilla county, but hunters with dogs are getting a few birds. Best success on pheasants can be expected in areas where adult cocks were recently released: Stage Gulch, Despain Gulch, Sparks, and Spafford.

Chukar and Hungarian partridge hunting is slow in Umatilla county. Upland game prospects are poor to fair in Union and Baker counties. Upland game hunting has been slow in Walla Walla county for

hunters without dogs and good for those with dogs. Many mountain quail and valley quail are in the lower canyons of the Innahna and Chetopa areas; also quite a few chukars and hun.

Several hundred ducks are using Walla Walla lake. Many Canadian geese have also been seen on Walla Walla lake. Duck hunting has been good along the upper and lower Walla Walla river.

Waterfowl hunting is poor in Baker county and fair in Union county. Some hunters are doing well over decoys on geese off Cold Springs reservoir. Many ducks are using McKay reservoir, and Cold Springs reservoir, although hunter success has been low.

Angling
Anglers are reminded that Walla Walla lake remains open to trout angling until Nov. 30. Angling pressure is slight on Walla Walla lake. Good catches of trout to 16 inches in length can be taken by fly anglers, bait anglers, and anglers using surface lures. Steelhead angling success remains slow on the Columbia river below McNary and Boardman. A few fish have been caught by bank anglers using worms.

Steelhead success remains fair to good on the lower John Day, the lower Grande Ronde and the lower Innahna rivers. Steelhead angling has been good on the Snake river below Pine creek.



LAST YEAR'S TROPHY

Terry Flink, 2115 First St., shot this trophy rack last year in a fashion that makes elk hunters dream. Terry went elk hunting for the first time last year. He drove about 20 miles from La Grande before trying his luck. The elk wandered into his sights when Terry was only a few feet from the car and it fell so the car could be backed up to the fallen game. Oh, yes! Terry was back in town shortly after 9 a. m. opening day with his prize. (Observer Photo)

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Indian, Cuban Renew Grudge In TV Battle

By OSCAR FRALEY
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NEW YORK (UPI)—A Zapotec Indian from Mexico and the only modern Cuban without a beard were getting so mad at each other today that they will carry out their promises to knock off each other's hairline mustache.

They'll get their chance at Madison Square Garden on Friday night. And the television audience may be treated to more than the usual quota of pseudo mayhem.

These guys frankly don't like each other.

Injures Ortega's Pride
Gaspar Ortega, the party of the first part, admits that "these fellows make me mad" when they fought on Sept. 11. It seems that Florentino Fernandez, the opposition who is known as "Boey," the ex, knocked Gaspar on his jaw what on that date and in the process also injured the Ortega pride.

Ox Promises Knockout
Florentino the ox, not to be confused with Ferdinand the bull, shrugged his sloping shoulders their full ax-handle width at this evidence of premeditated hostility. The only Cuban fighter extant who is not nicknamed either "Kid" or "Chico," the ox growled.

"This time he not get up," Fernandez is not much given to talking, particularly English of which he knows less than enough to graduate from sixth grade. But his interpreters eyeballs twirled when the ox rattled off a string of Spanish which didn't need translating as to combative content.

"He says," the interpreter allowed after a considerable time spent mentally scrubbing up the conversation, "that he knock him out."

SEDGMAN LEADS
VIENNA (UPI)—Frank Sedgman of Australia held a slim one-point lead today in the European professional Grand Prix tennis championships.

Sedgman defeated countryman Lew Hoad in straight sets Thursday, 6-1, 6-3, for his 16th victory in the tournament. Ken Rosewall of Australia, with a 3-6, 6-0, 6-2, win over Tony Trabert of the U.S., is in second place with 15 victories. The Grand Prix winner receives top prize money of \$20,000.

Tigers Get Nod In Dixie Tilt

NEW YORK (UPI)—Louisiana State, the nation's top-ranked college football team, is a slim one-point favorite over third-ranked Mississippi for their "bottle of Dixie" at Baton Rouge, La., Saturday night.

The odds-makers also anticipate a close battle between fourth-ranked Texas and Southern Methodist, listing the unbeaten Longhorns as three-point favorites.

Second-ranked Northwestern is picked to defeat Indiana by at least 13 points in a regionally-televised game and fifth-ranked Syracuse is a 14-point choice over Pittsburgh.

In another major clash, Army is a six-point favorite over the Air Force Academy for their first meeting at Yankee Stadium which will be televised throughout New England and the Middle Atlantic States.

Here are the point spreads on Saturday's games:
LSU 1 over Mississippi
Michigan State 1 over Ohio State
Tennessee 1 over North Carolina
Texas 3 over Southern Methodist
Washington 2 over UCLA
Oregon St. 6 over Washington St.
Purdue 6 over Illinois
Army 8 over Air Force
Minnesota 6 over Vanderbilt
South Carolina 7 over Maryland
Yale 8 over Dartmouth
Kansas 8 over Iowa State
Missouri 8 over Colorado
Wisconsin 10 over Michigan
Notre Dame 13 over Navy
Southern Cal. 13 over California
Auburn 13 over Florida
Oklahoma St. 13 over Marquette
Northwestern 13 over Indiana
Cornell 14 over Columbia
Penn St. 14 over Harvard
Penn St. 14 over West Virginia
Syracuse 14 over Pittsburgh
Oklahoma 16 over Nebraska
Oregon 21 over Idaho
Iowa 32 over Kansas State

Tech Dominates Loop Stats; EOC Second In Team Rushing

Oregon Tech continues to dominate the Oregon Collegiate conference statistical picture as the 1959 grid season heads into its final phase. Southern Oregon college began flexing its football muscles to move up in team rushing and to move ahead of Eastern Oregon in total offense.

The Red Raiders moved into third spot in rushing behind the Mountaineers. While the Mountaineers were whipping Portland State, SOC moved into second place in total offense. SOC also maintained its position as the top passing team in the loop with an average of 103.0 yards per game.

Tech has averaged 161.1 yards rushing and 244.1 in total offense. Arch Dunsmuir's crew has managed 147.3 yards per game to hang on firmly to second spot. Its total EOC trails second place SOC 179.0 yards to 216.8 for the Red Raiders.

The only major individual change was in punting. Ron Jalma of Oregon College boomed into the lead as he averaged 41.3 yards on seven kicks. EOC's John Willmarth, with a 37.7 average on seven kicks last week, remained in second. Tech's Allen Leach, leader last week, dropped to fourth place.

Leach took a five point lead over Willmarth in the scoring department after being deadlocked with 24 points last week. Leach added a touchdown, his fifth, for 29 points while Willmarth picked up

one point on a conversion for 25. Jerry Williams remains in sixth place in individual rushing stats following two weeks of inactivity. George Aliverti is in seventh place on 21 yards behind Williams. Williams gained 242 in four games while Aliverti has picked up 221 in six.

Sam Clark moved up to 12th spot with his 73 yards against PSC for a total of 129. Deaa Whiteley and Willmarth are 15th and 16th with 110 and 90 yards respectively.

Jon Hook remains in fifth place among passers with 16 completions in 35 attempts for a 47.1 percentage. Hook has passed for 141 yards and three touchdowns.

Al Barnes of SOC, Eastern's opponent tomorrow, is second in rushing with 225 yards. Jack Brown, the Red Raiders' passer, also ranks second in conference figures with SOC end, Gordy Carrigan, leading the loop in pass receptions.

Oregon Tech can sew up the title with a victory over OCE at Klamath Falls before a night homecoming crowd. Southern Oregon and Eastern, the only other two teams with a chance for the title, meet in the Myrtle Bowl game at North Bend. Portland State has completed its conference slate and travels to Forest Grove for a non-conference test with the Badgers of Pacific U.

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