

GRAY GALLOPS FOR GRIZZLY GOAL



Steve Gray, sophomore back, circles right end for lone score against Roseburg as Grizzlies drop 14-7 decision to the Indians.

Grizzly Gossip

By Scott Peterson

Although two losses in two games does not speak too well for the Ashland High Grizzlies, there are many who think that the Grizzlies could go a long way this fall.

There are several good reasons for this opinion. Number one is the fact that the Grizzlies have a good balance of size and speed throughout the entire squad.

Number two is that there are 50 football players out there that have the desire to play hard, rough, winning football, a trait that has been missing in Ashland in the past.

Number three is the vicious hard driving tackles shown by the entire defensive unit of the Grizzlies in both games so far this season. This tackling was especially evident in the Roseburg game as the Indians fumbled five times. These fumbles were not accidents, they were the result of hard tackling.

Number four is the school spirit shown so far by the A. H. S. student body. A factor that is necessary in any team's success.

With these reasons in mind let's keep a close watch in the Ashland Grizzlies of 1957.

Coach Simpson has added something new in the form of a tackle sheet this year. A tackle sheet is a chart of how many tackles and assist tackles are made by each player on the squad throughout the year. Two points are given for a tackle and one point is given for an assist tackle. Currently Hank Hampton is leading with a total of 31 points, 7 tackles and 17 assist tackles.

Cubs Bow 18-13 To G.P. Cavekids

Jayvee coach Bud Silver was happy even though his Cubs dropped their first encounter of the season to the Grants Pass Cavekids to the tune of 18-13.

Remarker Mr. Silver, "We had good defense all the game even though we were outweighed, and we had good offense the second half."

Mr. Silver had high praises for Dickerson, R. Johnson, Pickett, and Haymes on offense; Forrest, Speirs, Tepper, Rosenbaum, and Johnson on defense.

Neeley made the first Grants Pass touchdown in the middle of the second quarter. Mann made the second towards the end of the third quarter on a quarterback sneak.

Ashland finally started rolling at the start of the fourth quarter when Wayne Pickett, sophomore, scored on an end run.

Grants Pass hit paydirt for the final time in the middle of the fourth as Dave Wilson dove up the middle.

With less than two minutes remaining, Harley Dickerson threw a long pass from the 50 yard line to Bob Rosenbaum who ran all the way for the Cub's second TD. Wayne Pickett ran the conversion to complete the game's scoring.

Jayvee schedule is as follows:

- Sept. 30 — Crater at Ash.
- Oct. 14 — Grants Pass at Grants Pass
- Oct. 28 — Medford at Ash.
- Nov. 2 — Klamath Falls at Ashland

Bears Fall In Opener

Friday the thirteenth caught up with the Ashland Grizzlies as they lost a 14 to 7 game to the Crescent City Warriors Sept. 13. The Grizzlies dominated play through the first three and one-half periods until a pass interception and a freak kick-off play spelled defeat for the Grizzly eleven.

Ashland's touchdown came in the first three minutes as the Grizzlies kicked off to Crescent City and then held the Warriors on downs. Ashland took control of the ball on the Crescent City twenty-eight yard line and pushed to the fifteen where Steve Gray ran around right end for Ashland's TD. Pat Simpson booted the extra point and the score read Ashland 7, Crescent City 0.

During the next three periods it was all Ashland with the Grizzlies penetrating inside the Crescent City twenty yard line on five occasions. The Grizzly defense which was rugged and aggressive all evening long limited the Warrior backs to little or no yardage.

With five and one-half minutes remaining in the game, Sperry of Crescent City intercepted an Ashland pass and ran the ball to the Grizzly three yard line where the Ashland defense held for two downs. Sullivan then carried for the Crescent City TD. The score then read AHS 7 Crescent City 7.

Crescent City kicked off and the ball hit an Ashland player in the face. Alkins of the Warriors fell on the ball. Sparked by the turn of events, the Warriors on a pass play went to the Grizzly 19 where a Sullivan to Markley pass connected for the second Crescent City touchdown. Markley then kicked the conversion for what proved to be the final score. Ashland 7, Crescent City 14.

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Ashland Grizzlies Upset Yreka Miners

The Ashland Grizzlies racked up their first win of the season Friday night against the Yreka Miners by a 20-12 score.

The Grizzlies and the Miners engaged in a punting contest during the first period with neither team being able to get an offensive drive started. At the beginning of the second quarter Yreka punted to the AHS 42 yard line. Then the Grizzly offense got going the best it has all season long as Bob Murray and Steve Gray packed the ball to the Yreka 2 yard line, where Murray scored the AHS first TD. Steve Gray carried for the extra point and the score was Ashland 7 Yreka 0.

Doug Fitch set up the second Grizzly score when he recovered a Yreka fumble on the Miner's 10 yard line. Murray then ran over from the 4 yard line for the second Grizzly goal. Jerry Stubblefield kicked the extra point and the half ended AHS 14 Yreka 0.

During the intermission the Miners must have sharpened their picks and shovels as they dug away at the Grizzly defense for the entire third period, finally getting their first score with just 45 seconds remaining in that period. The

try for the extra point failed and the score was Ashland 14 Yreka 6. Tom Wilburn carried the ball almost every time for Yreka and was their big gun all night long.

The Grizzlies almost scored on a 25 yard pass from quarterback Pat Simpson to halfback Bill Maurer which put the ball on Yreka's 4.

But the Miners recovered a Grizzly fumble on their own 2 yard line. A pass from Wilburn to Dillen went 78 yards to the AHS 19. From there Wilburn threw again for the first Yreka score.

The Miners kicked off to Hank Hampton who returned the ball to the Grizzly 47. Murray did most of the ball carrying and scored the third Ashland touchdown in this last offensive drive of the game. The conversion was wide. The game ended with Ashland on the long end of a 20-12 score over Yreka.

Bob Murray was the standout in the backfield while Jerry Stubblefield and Mike Kearns led the line play for the Grizzlies. Wayne Colium came out ahead on the tackle sheet with 17 points followed very closely by Doug Fitch with 16 points.

Grizzlies Look Good In Loss to Roseburg

For the second time in two games the now grumbling Grizzlies went down to defeat by the score of 14 to 7. However, in the process of dishing out defeat to Ashland, the Roseburg Indians got their feathers either knocked out or badly wilted. As a matter of fact, two big Roseburg bucks were discomfited as a result of the aggressive Ashland attack.

Action during the first quarter was marked by numerous penalties, mostly against Roseburg. Ashland's defensive work was outstanding as it was most of the evening. Offensively, neither side did much with the exception of a brilliant run by Jerry Stubblefield which narrowly missed being a touchdown jaunt as he was knocked out of bounds by a lone Roseburg brave on the Roseburg 40.

In the second quarter, last-stand defense playing by Ashland twice repulsed the Indian's attack while the offense was still trying for the right combination. Finally with less than a minute remaining in the half, the Grizzlies punted to the Roseburg 40 which Rose-

burg with good broken field offensive maneuvers returned to Ashland's 28.

There, with 35 seconds left, Steele lofted a long pass to Endicott on the diagonal strips South narrowly missed making an interception on the play, however, Roseburg led by 7 points as the half-time buzzer sounded.

A hopped up Roseburg crew pushed relentlessly towards their second touchdown in the opening three minutes of the second canto, hitting paydirt with four first downs from their 45 yard line. However, one of Roseburg's bulky bucks learned a hard lesson in physics on the first play as Big Mike Vasey, center, came out of the game, mumbling incoherently about "undersized" Ashland players.

Ashland's offensive move from the 50 yard line was nullified by a Roseburg pass interception. Roseburg moved up gradually to Ashland's 39 as Grizzly offense was all thumbs.

Fourth quarter field goal attempt by Steele from Ashland's 29 was kind of puny. Ashland, off to a false start, punted from 25 to 50 yard line where Grizzly defense moved into high gear, stifling the Rose City recruits to less than 5 yards in four plays. Next, the offense took over and pushed to the Roseburg 19 on four downs where Steve Grey swung out, raced down the sidelines and scored his second TD for the Grizzlies in as many games.

A second offensive move fizzled when a mix-up on plays enabled Roseburg to pick up a fumble and race to the 10 yard line. There, Pat Simpson, who's making this sort of thing a habit, was Johnny-on-the-spot. With a minute and a half remaining, Roseburg's de-feathered Indians were content to run out the clock.

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