

SPORTS

CAVEMEN, BLACK TORNADO TEAMS ON EVEN TERMS

According to figures, the coming Medford-Grants Pass southern Oregon conference football game, scheduled for the Medford turf Friday night, should be an even battle. The Cavemen defeated Ashland by three touchdowns last week while the Black Tornado was dropping Klamath Falls by a like margin. Ashland and the Pelicans fought to a 12-12 tie which puts Grants Pass and Medford on an even keel.

Jerry Clark, Tornado backfield ace, will be out of the game because of a bursted blood vessel in his thigh, causing a bad charley-horse. Bessonette is nursing a sprained ankle and it is doubtful if he will start against the Cavemen. If not, Bill Plaskett will be moved to the tackle spot with Kircher filling in at end.

Tornado Coach Al Simpson is debating some changes in the backfield and may send either Stelle or Lindley, who made good showings against the Pelicans, into the starting lineup at quarterback, Bob Watson, who has been handling the ball from the T-formation, may go to right half.

There will be practically no average weight difference between these two teams, the Cavemen line coming close to Medford's 188-pound average and their backfield about the same as the Tornado's 164 average.

HEAD-CRACKERS CLASH THURSDAY

The wrestling match for which Southern Oregon fans have long awaited will be offered as the main event at Medford armory tomorrow night when Paavo Katonen meets the Gray Mask in a one-hour two out three fall clash.

Armory customers have been asking Lillard to put these two head-butting specialists together for several weeks but it was not until Katonen personally made a request for such a match that the promoter agreed to do so.

Tactics of the Mask have nearly started several riots at the arena and last week an irate fan cracked him with a chair as he was leaving the ring. The hooded mystery man has been accused of having something in his mask and if some wrestler doesn't remove the hood soon, the fans are liable to undertake the task themselves.

A match expected to contain all the thrills of clean and scientific grappling will pit Ernie Pliussu with Herb Parks, Canadian champion, in the four round middle bout.

Tony Ross reported that he has sufficiently recovered from a touch of influenza to meet Rowdy O'Douy, in the three round opener. This match will go to the mat promptly at 8:30.

BEARS PROMPTLY TIMING FOR WASHINGTON GAME

Berkeley, Calif., Oct. 25—(U.P.)—University of California Bears have continued to show improvement in timing and are right on top for their game with the University of Washington Huskies here Saturday afternoon.

Coach Stub Allison explained that the boys were somewhat rusty in their contest with the Fleet City Bluejackets last week since semester examinations had kept them from the practice field all week before that game.

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OSC BASKETBALL SQUAD DISPLAYS SCORING PUNCH

Oregon State College, Corvallis, Oct. 25—A lengthy scrimmage session with the Corvallis Marine Air Base team here Monday night gave Oregon State's 1944-45 basketball squad its first taste of outside competition. Although no official score was kept, the young Orangemen showed considerable scoring punch.

Coach A. T. (Slats) Gill started Hal Puddy and George Sertic at forwards; Ted Henningsen, center, and Bernie McGrath and Jack Simms, guards. Henningsen was the only non-letterman in the starting combination and he saw lots of action as a sophomore reserve on the 1942 northern division champion Orange club.

Every member of the Beaver squad had plenty of opportunity to show his ability under actual game conditions before the evening was over. Gill hopes to arrange several more scrimmage sessions with nearby teams before the Beavers open their pre-season slate against Willamette November 24 and 25.

Irish - Illinois Game Expected To Draw 60,000 Fans

Champaign, Ill., Oct. 25—(U.P.)—More than 50,000 football fans will invade Champaign Saturday to see the Midwest's top football attraction, undefeated Notre Dame vs. Illinois.

The ticket sale has climbed to more than 50,000 and university officials said the attendance might exceed 60,000. The heralded duel between Buddy Young, Illinois' left halfback and national sprint champion, and Bob Kelly, Notre Dame's All-American halfback candidate, has brought requests for newspaper accommodations equal to the record total in 1925 when Red Grange was playing his last year.

Quakers Point To Upset Victory In Clash With Navy

New York, Oct. 25—(U.P.)—Pennsylvania's boy-powered Quakers, the surprise team of the eastern football season, will try to come home against Navy Saturday on a "single wing and a prayer" and Coach George Munger is optimistic enough to think it may get there.

"Bound-to-be-boiling" Navy middie probably is the least enviable of the day, but Munger and his headless boys are taking it in stride, much in the same manner that they approached their other upset victories in their unbeaten and united record to date.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

Los Angeles—Roy Miller, 164, Kansas City, Mo., TKO'D Sgt. Gaston Miller, 169, Washington (2); Ike Blair, 149, Los Angeles, drew with Joe Keyes, 150, Dallas, Tex., (10).

Hartford, Conn.—Jerry Malonie, 157 1/2, Springfield, Mass., decisioned Wilfrid Shanks, 156 1/2, Montreal, (10).

White Plains, N. Y.—Freddie Russo, 127, Rahway, N. J., decisioned Johnny Juliano, 123 1/2, Paterson, N. J., (8).

New Bedford, Mass.—Pat Demers, 130, Brockton, Mass., drew with Jean Barriere, 131 1/2, Montreal, (10).

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Gordon Gray, University of Southern California's right halfback candidate for All-American honors, packs the piskin one-handed back into enemy territory after taking a Huskie punt on his own 35-yard line. The Trojans humiliated the proud Washington Huskies 38 to 7 before 10,000 fans in night game at Los Angeles' Memorial Coliseum.

Salem Cop Kicking Giants Toward Pro Football Title

By Walt Byers
United Press Staff Correspondent
Chicago, Oct. 25—(U.P.)—The heavy foot of a Salem, Ore., policeman has kicked the mothballs off of one of the oldest defensive plays in football and as a result is booting the New York Giants towards the eastern division championship of the National Football league.

Len Younce, the Giants' kicking guard, has made the punt a major play in New York Coach Steve Owen's game-winning defensive tactics, and National league statistics showed today that the 210-pound, blond-haired Giant is on his way towards replacing Sammy Baugh as the No. 1 professional punter.

Younce, who is a Salem peace officer during the off-season, was an all-coast performer and the outstanding lineman of the year while an Oregon State player in 1941. He currently is leading professional kickers with a 42.9 average while his longest kick was for 72 yards as the Giants defeated Brooklyn, 14-7, two weeks ago.

Shady Cove

Shady Cove, Oct. 25—Pharmacist I/c Dale Daves arrived October 15 to visit his sister, Mrs. Gene Weltman. Dale took part in two of the major campaigns, at Tarawa, and at Saipan, with the marine division. He departed for Los Angeles on Thursday to spend the remainder of his leave with his parents, after which he will be stationed on the west coast.

The Graves family left Saturday for Los Angeles where they will make their home. Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Torrance and daughter have returned from San Carlos, Calif., and have begun building on their tract of land recently purchased from T. J. Johnson. Their daughter will attend Prospect high school.

Mrs. S. R. Smith of Portland is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Judy Baker. Kenneth Baker who is attending Whitman college at Walla, Wash., for naval training, arrived Friday to spend his leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Bendure.

Shady Cove Sunday school enjoyed a rally day program put on by the primary classes, Oct. 22.

Sunday school is held each Sunday at 10:30 at the school house. The public is cordially invited.

Mrs. Kitty Smith left Sunday for Medford after spending the summer at her home in Edgewood Park.

Mr. Littlefield was injured in a logging accident at the Reese Creek mill Monday. He got caught between two logs, which bruised his legs. He was able to return home after being taken to Medford for treatment.

Casualties arriving at ports and requiring group transportation by rail in pullman cars have been numbering about 9,000 a month in addition to 3,000 moved by air.

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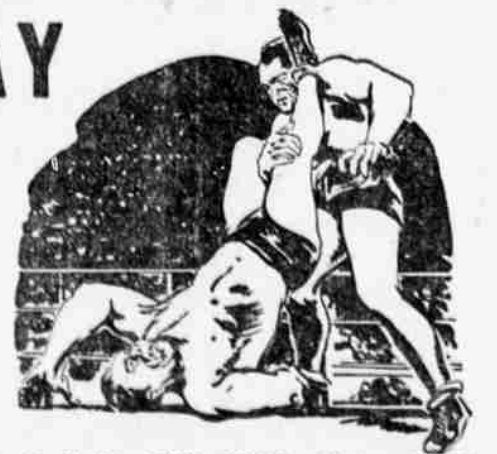
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FLIERS TELL OF CLOSE ESCAPES OVER BULGARIA

Long Training in Safety Precautions Aid Yankee Airmen to Save Own Lives

By Samyr Souki
United Press Staff Correspondent

Cairo—(U.P.)—American army fliers who arrived in Egypt after months of imprisonment at Shumen, Bulgaria, tell tales of miraculous escapes that arouse attention even in this land of the impossible.

First Lt. Thomas M. Judd, 24, Washington, D. C., told me how his long training in safety precautions saved his life while he was unconscious.

Judd's plane was knocked out by a Messerschmitt sneak attack. A shell-burst in his cockpit slammed Judd's head against the instrument panel knocking him out. Somehow he got out of the plane and pulled his ripcord, although when he came to, floating downward, he could remember nothing after the explosion.

Explosion Opened 'Chute
Judd told me the story of Sgt. Robert Renner of Weeping Water, Neb., tail gunner of a Liberator which was rammed in mid-air by a Bulgarian fighter. The Bugiar who did the trick became—post-humously—a national hero. Americans who witnessed the crash take the edge off his heroism—they say his controls jammed and he had no choice.

Anyhow, Renner saw the enemy fighter bearing down on his Lib. and realized the crash was inevitable. The next thing he knew, he was drifting to earth alone. His plane and flying mates . . . Renner was the sole survivor of the Lib—saved by a freak of the explosion that blew him clear of the wreckage and ripped open his parachute.

From other fliers I learned of the escape of the unidentified pilot of a Lightning fighter after a 20 mm. shell exploded in his cockpit. The P-33 went out of control and the pilot wrenched at the cockpit cover only to find that it was jammed and would not move.

Crawls Out Shell Hole
So, with his plane streaking toward earth, the pilot proceeded to crawl through the hole torn in the fuselage by the shell. It was a tight squeeze and before he could get his feet clear, the plane had dived 10,000 feet and he had a bare margin of safety left. But he made it.

Judd matched that with the tale of a sergeant whose clothing caught fire from burning gasoline as he baled out of a stricken bomber. Floating down, the sergeant could feel the agony of flames creeping up his back toward his parachute straps. Just as the straps burned

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(Acme Telephoto)
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through he clutched upward and grasped the harness itself. He hung on for the rest of the downward trip, but was badly burned

and still is under treatment. Judd said life in Bulgarian prison camps was "none too pleasant." Food was short and while the Bulgarian army was rough enough, was betide any American who fell into peasant hands.

Ashland Minister Will Be Chaplain

Ashland, Oct. 25—The Rev. Howard Rees of the Congregational church of this city tendered his resignation Sunday as minister of the church where he has served for the past eight months.

He has accepted a commission as chaplain in the United States army, and will leave Monday, October 30, to report at Fort Devens, Mass., for six weeks' training.

Mrs. Rees and children will return to Marietta, Ohio, their former home, during Mr. Rees' service.

SMOKE STACKS FALL AT G. PASS SAWMILL

Grants Pass, Oct. 25—A defective guy wire was blamed for an accident at the Swede Basin Lumber company about 5 p. m. Monday, when three 40-foot smoke stacks fell into the mill pond. No one was injured when the smoke stacks fell. However, if they had fallen in any of the other three directions, they would have fallen on the sorting shed, the burner, or the mill, which would have resulted in a great deal more damage and

possible serious injury to employees of the lumber company. The mill will be closed down for at least ten days while repairs are being made, according to Henri Croissant, manager of the company.

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