

Crater Comet Morale Up For Black Tornado Clash; Medford Players Injured

If the spirit the Crater high footballers have shown in the first two days of practice this week is any indication, the Medford high Black Tornado will have a real game on its hands this Friday night when it engages the Comets on the Medford field in the second grid meeting in modern history between the two schools.

Crater Coach Leonard, last night described Crater morale as the best ever this season. Spirit was really up in yesterday afternoon's workout, according to the Comet mentor. The players were "really talking it up."

Warren reported that the Comets are working at the whole thing in getting ready for the Black Tornado, even going back to fundamentals, blocking and tackling. Defense is getting much attention as Crater aims at stopping the Medford backs, particularly Rocky Stone, Lorin Jacobs and Mike Hawkins.

Physically Improved
The Comets are in the best physical shape they've been since the Yreka, Calif., ruckus a month ago, the coach said. Guard Jim Welch, out much of the season, first because of ill-

ness then because of a bad ankle, may see some action this week. Back Vern Parent is still troubled with bad ankles but is expected to see his usual amount of duty.

In the Medford camp drill this week is with the anticipation that the Tornado "probably will have a ball game on its hands." Medford work, too, has reverted to fundamentals. Players were put through tackling and blocking work Monday. The Tornado lapsed in both departments against Marshfield last Friday.

In addition to the contact work in fundamentals Monday, Medford began lining up its defense for the Comets and ran through its offense. Hard scrimmage was the order of the day yesterday with both offense and defense getting attention.

DeVore, Kastner Hurt
While it appeared that the Tornado will be "ready" so far as morale is concerned, the picture was "not so good" physically. Both Center Mike DeVore and End Bud Kastner, two-way starters, were on the sidelines yesterday. Coach Fred Spiegelberg said DeVore hurt a knee in practice last week, had the hip banged up again in the Marshfield game.

DeVore's knee is bruised and awfully sore, according to Medford's head coach. He may not be used much against the Comets. Gary Shaffer, 188-pound junior, may get the pivot job on offense with Jack Gregory, 158-pound junior, getting the call at DeVore's defensive guard post.

DeArmond Gets Post
Kastner is under doctor's orders not to work out until his hip heals. Gordon DeArmond, 155-pound senior, is expected to get the bid at Kastner's offensive flank.

Both DeVore and Kastner were looking on at the drill last night. Coach Spiegelberg indicated that his starting crew will be about the same as usual at the other positions.

Medford had its regular evening session yesterday, viewing movies of last year's Crater contest and having blackboard drill. Marshfield would not permit taking movies of the game at Coos Bay last week.

Medford will aim Friday to even the score for a 20 to 14 upset last year at the hand of Crater.

Bobo Olson Faces Panther

Richmond, Calif. — (U.P.) — World middleweight champion Carl (Bobo) Olson takes the final tune-up for his Dec. 15 title defense tonight when he trades punches with slugger Garth Panther of Salt Lake City in a 10-round bout.

The fight, nationally televised without a local blackout, is expected to attract about \$10,000 worth of customers into the new Richmond Memorial auditorium.

Olson was expected to weigh in today at around 165-five pounds over the middleweight limit, but reputed to be his best for hard-hitting. In previous tune-up fights since winning the world crown a year ago, the champion has won everything with knockouts—over Joey Rindone, Jesse Turner, and other.

Real Slugger
However, in Panther he meets a real slugger. This lad has scored 40 knockouts in 57 victories, while losing 16 in his career. He has fought Olson before, too — losing a close decision to him a couple of years ago at Butte, Mont.

He holds victories over such well-ranked stars as Pierre Langlois, Walter Cartier and Norman Hayes and definitely can be expected to punish Bobo at some time during the evening.

The bout is slated to get under way at 10 p.m. (EST) over the CBS net.

Olson's next bout will be the title defense against Joey Giardello of New York.

TO DISCUSS PAKISTAN

London — (U.P.) — Prime ministers of the British Commonwealth may meet in January to discuss Pakistan's plan to become a republic, informed sources said today. If agreement is reached, Pakistan would be the second republic within the commonwealth. Indian was the first to sever her relations with the crown and join the commonwealth as a democratic republic.

Shaw Keeps Lead in PCC In Offense

Los Angeles — (U.P.) — George Shaw of Oregon continues to lead the Pacific Coast conference in total offense with 1069 yards passing and 177 rushing for a total of 1245 to 1117 for Paul Larson of California.

Shaw is second to Larson in the number of pass completions with 73 to 93 for the Golden Bear ace.

Dick James of Oregon is tied for second in number of touchdowns with eight. Bob Davenport and Primo Villaneuva of UCLA have nine each while Jan Arnett of USC has eight.

Withdraw Tops Punters

Jim Withrow of Oregon State continues to top the punters with a 41.7 average on 21 boots.

James is fourth in total number of pass catches with 21 and Phil McHugh of Oregon is fifth with 16. Jim Hanifan of Cal leads this department with 30. James is second in punt return yardage with 132, while Sam Brown of UCLA has 235.

In team statistics, Oregon leads in passing offense with 1293 yards and is fourth in rushing and punt returns, fields led by UCLA. Oregon is second to the Bruins in total defense, giving up 220.1 yards a game to 210.1 for UCLA.

Joe Ziegler Appointed By Beavers

Portland — (U.P.) — Joe Ziegler, who last year was general manager of the Buffalo entry in the International League, last night was named general manager of the Portland Pacific Coast League baseball team.

Clay Brown, president of the club's new board of directors, said Ziegler had been signed for one year. He did not disclose the salary.

Brown said Ziegler was chosen from among 20 applicants, "many of whom were from the east. He comes highly recommended and we feel fortunate in landing a man with his broad baseball experience."

Ziegler said his plans for the team were still "a little sketchy." However, he said it would appear that the "crying need" of the Beavers was player personnel. He said he expected to "have the groundwork laid for the deals that will help the team" by the time the Major-Minor meeting starts in December.

Nagurski's Son Shows Promise As Footballer

International Falls, Minn. — (U.P.) — The most rugged competitor football ever has known admitted today on his birthday he hasn't seen a college game in "four or five years" but indicated he'll be paying more attention next fall.

It was Bronko Nagurski who was "glad you reminded me" of his 46th birthday, but somewhat at a loss when asked to compare modern day ball with the powerhouse game of the old days.

"I'm afraid you've got the wrong guy," Nagurski said. "It must be four or five years since I've seen a college game except on television."

When you've played in as many games and seen as many as I have, you just don't feel like driving 400 miles to Minneapolis to see a game, the Bronk admitted.

Make Difference
But next fall another Nagurski — Bronko Jr. — will start college, which "probably will make a difference" to his dad.

Young Bronko, a strapping 215-pounder only 17 years of age, already has given plenty of promise of living up to his name.

Like his dad, he won Iron Range conference high school All-Star honors for two years. The junior edition was the mainstay at tackle in International Falls high school's undefeated season this year and he made the All-Conference team last year as guard.

But whether young Bronk will follow his Dad to Minnesota where the elder Nagurski won All-American honors in 1928-29 playing offensive fullback and defensive tackle, still isn't decided.

Silver Salmon Released In Willamette Branches

Portland — (U.P.) — Some 120,500 silver salmon fingerlings have been released in three Willamette River tributaries during the past two weeks by the Oregon fish commission, according to Irvine French, director of fish culture.

French said 50,000 of the four-inch fish were released in the Yamhill river, 45,500 in the Tualatin and 25,000 in the Molalla river. The fingerlings are the offspring of 225 adults salvaged at Oswego creek last winter.



END ZONE SWIPE—University of Washington quarterback Bob Cox (right) leaps high to intercept pass in the end zone intended for Oregon's left halfback Dick James (left). Cox ran it back to his own 20 yard line in the game at Seattle. Oregon won, 26-7.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS

Larson on Shaw's Heels In Total Offense Battle

New York — (U.P.) — Oregon's George Shaw and California's Paul Larson, a pair of senior T-quarterbacks, head in to the final three games of the season far ahead of the field in the individual total offense race, with defending champion Larson streaking desperately to overtake Shaw.

NCAA Service Bureau major-league statistics showed today that Shaw is still well ahead with 1,245 passing-plus running yards to Larson's 1,117, but that Larson cut 62 yards from Shaw's lead last week. The California star, who is the country's top passer by a wide margin, did it the hard way, piling up 259 yards against unbeaten UCLA.

Sanders Chosen Coach of Week

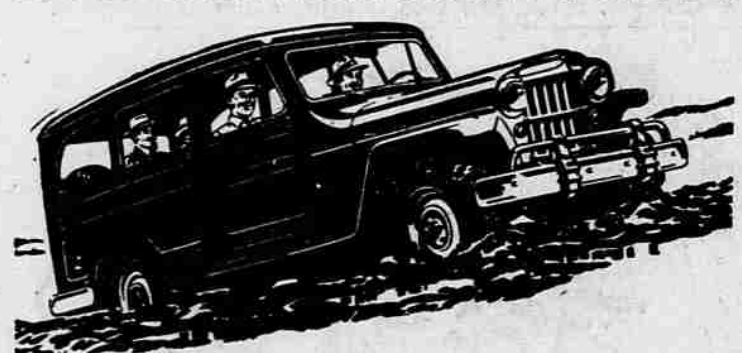
By CARL LUNDQUIST
New York — (U.P.) — When he described his team's offense as "a horse and buggy with a television set in the dash board," his boys didn't exactly like it.

Using his old-fashioned single wing with a balanced line, they went out and ran up slaughterhouse victories of 67-0, 72-0 and 61-0. Against sterner opposition they met the challenge again and proved their right to the No. 1 national ranking. Then they asked him, "How do you like our horse and buggy now?"

He's the United Press Coach of the Week, Henry (Red) Sanders of those unbeaten, untied, unmerciful UCLA Bruins.

Using his "conservative" offense with a little dash of modern technique to streamline it, UCLA has piled up 292 points in seven games while yielding only 40 to lead the nation in scoring. Saturday's triumph over a fired-up California eleven, in a traditional rivalry by a sizeable 27-6 margin, convinced all the skeptics that Sanders had a truly great outfit.

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California Fans Can't Be Pleased

By HAL WOOD
San Francisco — (U.P.) — Time changeth all things!

The complaints now pour in that Coach Lynn (Pappy) Waldorf is using "too much passing" and that he is attempting to be too spectacular.

Well, sir, it was only a year or so ago that some of the men connected with the football world were charging that Waldorf's offense was so stereotyped that everybody knew what was going to happen next.

In fact, after Waldorf lost three Rose Bowl tilts in a row to the Big Ten teams the reason was given that "Waldorf didn't use any imagination" in his offensive plays.

Now I see where he is being charged with not building a running attack and using too much of an aerial circus.

No Alibi
Without attempting to alibi for Pappy, it seems to me that the man once known as "The Wise Walrus of Strawberry Canyon" is being second-guessed more than somewhat.

When Waldorf had such fine running backs as Jackie Jensen, Jack Swann, Pete Schamaram and Jim Monachino and winning 80 per cent of his games, he was accused of sticking too close to the ground when he was losing one or two games a season.

Now, with one of the greatest passers in the history of the Pacific Coast Conference in the person of Paul Larson, there is the complaint that he never thinks about running.

I can remember, too, when Waldorf was first hired: one of the "musts" the alumni demanded was that a T-formation coach be hired to succeed Frank Wickhorst after his disastrous 1945 season. Wickhorst coached the wing system.

Made The Change
So Pappy, an old single-wing coach himself, converted to the "T."

Then the complaint was that, with his fine running attack Waldorf should be using the single-wing, because the T-formation primarily was for a passing attack.

Along about the time Bob Celler, the "mad engineer" was playing quarterback, Waldorf had a pretty well balanced combination passing and running attack — and still the club lost on occasions.

Coach Jess Hill of unbeaten UCLA praises Waldorf for having the finest T-formation attack in intercollegiate football today.

Now some of the same pundits who charged "stereotyped offense" claim there is too much dippy-do.

Which proves, of course, that the guy who said "you can't please all of the people all the time" was more than right.

FIGHTS

Washington, D.C.: Willie Troy, 164, Washington, stopped Tommy Thompson, 169, Quantico, Va. 6.

Miami Beach, Fla.: Paul Andrews, 184, Buffalo, N.Y., stopped Bo Willis, 187, Miami, Fla., 2.

Crusaders Stress Conditioning In Practices for Chiloquin Fray

Conditioning is something Coach Ed Hummel has stressed all season for the St. Mary's football team and the Crusaders were getting more of it this week as they girded for the District 5B championship play-off.

The Crusaders, Jackson county champs, oppose Chiloquin at Merrill this Saturday afternoon for the pennant and the right to enter the state B championship quarter-finals.

Coach Ed Hummel said today that he has been running his crew a lot to get it in better shape for playing at the higher altitude of Klamath county.

The coach reported the Crusader squad in "pretty good shape" physically. A doctor last night banished fears that a knee injury suffered by Halfback Stan Read might deter the SM club in the district titular scrap. Read got the knee bruised a bit in the Crater jayvee game Saturday night. It bothered him some in practice Monday and he laid off yesterday to see the doctor.

The Crusaders may leave Friday for Klamath county, have a workout there and stay overnight at Klamath Falls in order to get accustomed to the higher elevation.

COMPLACENCY FEARED

Los Angeles — (U.P.) — Southern California Coach Jess Hill cracked down on his Trojan charges today as he said he feared his players might be getting complacent about meeting Stanford.

His uneasiness prompted him to put his team through its hardest Tuesday workout of the season yesterday — a rough half hour of scrimmage and then 90 minutes of blocking.

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