

Washington Looking For Improved Season With 22 Lettermen

(Editor's note—his is the eighth in a series on the prospects of Pacific Coast Conference teams for the 1955 football season.)

Seattle, Wash. — (U.P.)—Coach Johnny Cherberg of Washington agrees he is looking for an "improved" season over last year's — which saw Huskies finish in a tie with Oregon State for last place in the conference.

"We could go as high as fourth if quarterback Sandy Lederman returns to the form he showed early last fall," Cherberg says, even though the southpaw passed currently is playing second fiddle to Steve Roake, a reformed end.

Cherberg feels there is no substitute for experience and he has 22 lettermen coming back. Quarterback Bob Cox is the only key player among the nine varsity men who departed.

Led in Passing

Lederman was leading the nation in passing last year when he broke his leg in the third game and was finished for the season. The injury still may bother him as he looked unimpressive in spring practice and was behind Roake when the seasons ended.

However, the Lederman-Roake battle is expected to re-

sume when practice starts Sept. 1. Roake's quarterbacking experience may be limited but Cherberg says it's "probematically" whether Lederman can move back into the job before his opening game against Idaho.

Cherberg figures this year's backfield will be stronger and will show more speed and better performance. Jim Sutherland, former California backfield coach, has joined the Washington staff to help work on that.

The Huskies' strong points are in the line where they are deep in experience and reserves from tackle to tackle. Week points are on the flanks and in line-backing.

Sophomore Impressive

Sophomores who have impressed Cherberg are Dick Day, a 245-pound left tackle and Jim Jones, 196-pound halfback. A three way battle for the left tackle spot may rage between Day and letterman Jerry Esser and Ed Sheron.

"We suffered injuries and mishaps last year which ruined the nucleus of a good club," Cherberg declares. "Inexperienced sophomores had to carry the load during the last half of the season. But the experience they picked up plus the return of injured men lends to an improved outlook."

Cherberg will emphasize a split T rather than the straight T which predominated last year as the Huskies won two games and lost eight.

The schedule:

Sept. 17—Idaho; Sept. 24—At Minnesota; Oct. 1—Oregon at Portland; Oct. 8—Southern California; Oct. 15—Baylor; Oct. 22—Stanford; Oct. 29—Oregon State; Nov. 5—At California; Nov. 12—At UCLA; Nov. 19—Washington State.

50 Raiders Expected at First Drill

Ashland—Al Akins, Southern Oregon College's new economy-sized mentor, announced Saturday that he is anticipating a turnout of nearly 50 pigskin aspirants for his victory-minded Red Raiders team at the first practice on September 6.

According to Coach Akins, the field is in perfect shape for the fast, slashing type of game he will employ in the opener against the Linfield Wildcats, September 17.

"Overall enthusiasm is good," Akins stated, "and with two good workouts a day we should hang hard and tough in there all the way out. We've got an eager, hustling ball club coming up and we desire to win—and that makes for good, exciting football!"

With approximately 16 returning lettermen to fight for places on the team and with a large turnout, Akins emphasized that there would be no sure berths for any player and that starting line-up slots would be filled by the men that worked and fought hardest for them.

In addition to the following scheduled games, coaches Akins and Ted Schopf, his hard-working assistant, have been angling for another game on October 5 but with nothing definite lined up thus far.

SCHEDULE: September 17—Linfield College at Ashland; September 24—Sacramento State at Ashland; October 1—Portland State at Portland; October 8—Eastern Oregon at LaGrande; October 15—Humboldt State at Arcata, Calif.; October 22—Western Washington at Bellingham, Wash.; October 29—Oregon Tech. Inst. at Klamath Falls; November 5—Open; November 12—Oregon College at Ashland.

Fish Commission Releases Fingerlings

Portland — (U.P.)—The Oregon Fish Commission released 6,000,000 salmon and steelhead fingerlings in the state's streams during June and July, Irvine French director of fish culture, reported Saturday.

French said a major portion of the fingerlings were liberated in coastal streams.



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QT-California Double Header Set for 3 p.m.

A later-than-usual starting time for today's girls' softball double header at Fairgrounds park has been set to enable fans to watch the televised football game and still be able to see the girls play, it was stated yesterday.

Three o'clock has been set for the first game of the twin bill when the Rogue Valley QTs play Durham, Calif. The QTs meet Orland, Calif., in the second game, which will get under way as soon as the field can be relined after the first contest.

The Californians will bring a good season record of play in the strong Sacramento Valley league, where Durham finished second and Orland third. But the QTs are determined to make their season closure a successful one and have strengthened their club for these games.

DIMAG IN SICILY

Rome—(U.P.)—Joe DiMaggio, one-time pride of the New York Yankees, arrived Friday to begin a 15-day visit in Sicily and Italy. DiMaggio plans to write articles on Italian sports and help raise funds for an Italian "Boys Town."

BOWLING INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE

(Aug. 26, 1955)
Industrial League elected as officers Friday, for the coming year: James Asher, president; Herb Vessey, vice-president; Dave Kreeer, secretary-treasurer.

In the bowling, Vessey of IOOF took the honors for high series with a 561 and Gale Culy of Richfield turned in a 217 for high game.

Standings: W. L. Richfield Oil 4 0, City Hall 4 0, Medford Steel 4 0, Local 9208 C.W.A. 4 0, V.F.W. 4316 4 0, I.O.O.F. 3 1, American Legion 1 3, Southern Oregon Planning Mills 1 3, V.A. Engineers 0 4, Telephone Employees A. A. 0 4, Snobobs 0 4.

Results: City Appliances 4* V.A. Engineers 0, John Monroe 486 E. Morrison 483, G. Eads 470 B. Cody 483, E. Thornton 467 J. Peterson 484, J. Whitrow 390 E. Doras 429, D. Morehouse 325 M. Ament 505.

Jayvees 0 Richfield 4, E. Baker 486 G. Culy 484, M. DeHear 406 C. Heffner 503, M. Stram 405 G. Andersen 493, V. Carr 394 F. Warrloch 429, Absentee 0 D. Kreeer 445.

Y. F. W. 3 Am. Legion 1, J. O. Planing 1 I.O.O.F. 1, E. Lowan 485 E. Morrison 483, J. Wall 356 J. Lubbers 457, Joe Monroe 388 V. Simmonds 407, G. Carr 394 F. Warrloch 429, A. Harris 447 H. Vessey 561.

Seven Up 2072 2285, Medford Steel 4 T.E.A.A. 0, Rin Smith 468 J. Miller 401, D. Hawkins 315 E. Roers 431, E. Edwards 491 B. Doeschler 466, T. Tarvin 506 J. Strobel 466.

Standings: W. L. Forest Patrol 4 0, City Hall 4 0, Lorenz Co. 3 1, Andy's Jewelers 3 1, Star Body Works 1 3, Klevers Machine Shop 1 3, Pine Tree Market 1 3, Seven Up 1 3, U.S. National Bank 1 3, Darrell Miller Co. 0 4.

Results: Star Body 3 Seven Up 4, T. Mitchell 446 E. Shaw 450, E. Granger 411 D. Conates 438, C. Emery 466 H. Dungey 432, D. Graham 450 J. Morgan 398, L. Graham 457 G. Davon 463.

Pine Tree 1 Lorenz Co. 3, Gale Culy 450 C. McWhorter 531, J. Smith 406 D. McCormack 472, S. Mallon 357 W. Gottfried 432, T. Martin 488 E. Tye 488, D. Kreeer 508 J. Mathas 491.

Forest Patrol 4 Miller Co. 4, E. Van Hoy 461 D. Tromblay 448, E. Smets 452 J. Haven 383, J. Bradish 495 H. Wyatt 362, D. Stockton 488 E. Kramer 350, T. Maul 411 J. Wolgamott 342.

U.S. Nat'l. Bank 1 Andy's Jewelers 3, S. Dotv 440 D. Kline 444, S. Humphrey 383 E. Anderson 395, G. Bader 399 B. Wright 427, F. Eastwood 404 D. Johnson 453, P. Shafer 434 C. Ericson 503.

City Hall 3 Klevers 1, O. McNeel 511 G. Eberius 451, L. Dow 471 J. Isaacs 399, B. McKinstry 493 M. Jacobson 470, B. Stevens 503 L. Knapp 466, J. Compagnon 534 V. Allen 528.

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MEDFORD TRIBUNE SPORTS

Tornado Grid Squad To Work Out Monday

Medford senior high gridiron aspirants will open practice sessions Monday with only two regular starters from 1954 among 19 lettermen expected to return.

Head Coach Fred Spiegelberg, starting his fourth season at the Black Tornado football helm, said twice per day workouts will be in order most of the time until just before the opening game against Cleveland high of Portland on September 10. Listed drill times of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. may be altered according to weather and players working schedules.

Attention will be focused on conditioning and fundamentals in the early practices. Spiegelberg said, however, that the squad will go into some plays on the second day of workouts. An offensive scrimmage is planned for Saturday, September 3. Heavy Task

While the outlook for 1955 is not discouraging, the Black Tornado faces a heavy task in defending its District 6 A-1 and Southern Oregon Conference diadems. Klamath is rated high for this season and rumblings from Grants Pass indicate that the Cavemen have their hearts set on going all the way.

Monte Holst, guard, and Mike Hawkins, halfback, are the two returning regular starters. Both are seniors. They are also the only two-year lettermen.

Among the 17 one-year men are at least five, three seniors and two juniors who saw considerable service during 1954. The seniors are Dave Drummond and Jack Gregory, guards, and Gary Shaffer, center, and the juniors are Dick McLaughlin, back, and Neil Plumley, tackle. Availability of Plumley, however, is currently clouded by illness. He was a defensive tower of strength late in the season last year.

Bosworth Back
One of the remaining vets is a senior who earned his "M" as a sophomore but missed the entire season last year. He is Dave Bosworth who was hurt in an auto accident the night before the 1954 opening game. He flashed his ability at fullback while a sophomore.

Other senior lettermen are John Bellack, back; Al Boardman, tackle; Maury Butts, Rodney Hammer and Jerry Gatline, ends, and Darrel Ross and Jim Coleman, guards. The addition of junior lettermen are Bob Apple, guard; Larry Cranston, tackle; Dick Copple, end, and Dick Swinney, center.

The Tornado will draw from varsity reserves and jayvees to bolster the squad and a number of sophomores, from last year's strong ninth grade club, may prove varsity material.

Among the top varsity reserves from last year are Lloyd Cearley, half and fullback, considered Medford's best passing and punting prospect, and Eldon Francis, halfback and quarterback. Cearley will be a senior and Francis a junior.

Similar Offense
Spiegelberg has indicated that the Tornado offense will be similar to that of 1954. Both T and single wing formations were used with unbalanced line. Pre-season indications are that the Medford club may not pack great weight.

The headman during the first

two weeks of drill is expected to have the help of four junior high coaches in addition to Bob Newland, backfield mentor, and Paul Evensen, line tutor. The junior high men are Barney Riggs and Karl Kahle of the new Hedrick school and Mel Boldenow and Bill Shepherd of McLoughlin school.

Medford's Cleveland game will be here and the Tornado will have the advantage of playing four other schools before facing conference teams. Gresham, Roseburg, Milwaukie and Crater will be met in that order before the Tornado travels to Klamath Falls. Other games are with Eureka, Calif., Ashland and Grants Pass.

45 Expected At Oregon; 14 Lettermen

Eugene — (U.P.) — University of Oregon football coach Len Casanova said 45 football hopefuls would report next Wednesday for physicals in preparation for the "daily doubles" workouts the following day.

The Webfoot mentor expects only 14 lettermen, two of whom are returning from military service. Only four veterans were regulars on Oregon's third place squad last year.

First stringers returning are Dick James, left-half who is co-holder of the PCC scoring title last season; Phil McHugh, talented end; Capt. Lon Stiner, 1954 all-star PCC tackle, and Reanous Cochrane, guard.

Transfers and sophomores appeared to provide the key to the success or failure of this year's Duck squad. Sophomores Jack Morris at fullback and Leroy Phelps and Jim Shanley at half, and transfers Jack Brown, East Contra Costa JC, Chuck Osborne of Menlo and Fred Mikalson of Boise are expected to freshen the Oregon backfield.

Tom Crabtree and John Keller are returning lettermen who figure to fill the quarterback slot.

STEWART NET WINNER
St. Moritz, Switzerland — (U.P.)—Hugh Stewart of San Marino, Calif., and Ferrante Cavriani of Italy won the men's doubles title of the St. Moritz International Tennis tournament Friday with a 4-6, 6-0, 6-3 victory over Bob Perry of Los Angeles and exiled Polee Sigmund Zorny-Z.

ROOSEVELT VICTOR
Put-In-Bhs, Ohio — (U.P.)—James Roosevelt, great grandson of President Theodore Roosevelt, won the Raven Class Association National Championship boat race Friday with a score of 94.5 points. A total of 21 boats competed.

Phoenix Turnout Indicates More Grid Interest

Phoenix—Thirty boys checked out football equipment at Phoenix high school Friday night. The number far exceeds that of first checkouts in previous years and is interpreted as signifying growing interest in the grid sport here.

The Pirates begin practice Monday night in preparation for their Rogue League campaign. A number of veterans were on hand Friday night, including Don Blankenship and Ray Dahl who will lead the squad as co-captains. Lettermen who had not reported were Dennis Bradley, Ernie McLeish, Roger Carlson and Jerry Nye.

Pat Lesser Wins WNAG

Charlotte, N. C. — (U.P.)—Determined Pat Lesser of Seattle, Wash., sank her first putt nine times Saturday to crush Jane Nelson, a plucky Indiana school teacher, 7 and 6 and take her first women's national amateur golf crown in six tries.

Peering coolly through her thick spectacles, the dark-eyed new champion also had a "no-putt" green on the 20th hole, a par five, where she lofted a 60-yard seven-iron shot into the cup for an eagle.

It was the first big win for the 22-year-old girl who came out of the northwest in 1950 to take junior and intercollegiate titles and also win the last western amateur. The best she had done previously in the big national was the semi-finals in 1953.

Miss Lesser's finest shot and the finest of the tournament, was a looping 60-foot seven-iron which she holed out for an eagle three on the 446-yard 20th which put her six up. She fell back one on the 21st when both girls went into the trap and Miss Nelson came on the green in three to sink a 15-footer, her first long putt of the day.

Hamlin, Lusk Vie for Title

Ashland—Tom Hamlin and Ken Lusk will meet at 10 a.m. today for the championship of the Ashland City golf tournament at the Oak Knoll Golf club here.

Hamlin, who will be a sophomore at Medford High school this year, moved into the finals with a one-up victory over Adam Rott of Medford on the 23rd hole. Lusk defeated Bill Tallis, 3 and 2, to move into the finals.

Rott was medalist in the tournament with a 74. In first round matches Friday, Rott defeated Ted Schopf, 6 and 6; Hamlin tripped Phil Austin, 2 and 1; Tallis beat Carl Schmidt, 2 and 1; and Lusk trimmed Bill Foote, 3 and 2.

Twenty-five states have Democratic as governors, 22 have Republicans as chief executive and Minnesota has a Democratic-Farmer Labor governor.

Vic Wertz Hopes He Will Play Again This Season

(The following dispatch was dictated by the polio-stricken Vic Wertz to his wife, Lucille, from his Lakeside hospital bed.)

By VIC WERTZ
Written For The United Press
Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland (U.P.)—I've got two strikes on me but I'm still a long way from being out.

I know I have polio and I also know I'm going to lick it. They tell me this thing may end my baseball career but they'll never make me believe it. Maybe it sounds daffy but I still hope to play for the Indians before this season is over.

Thinking of baseball right now is a little rough, though, because of the pain in my back and in my legs. But that'll go away in time. A little of the pain even seemed to go away Friday night. Maybe that was because I was listening to the Indians beat the Yankees on the radio my wife, Lu, brought to the hospital for me.

Wife By Side
That's another reason I'm sure I'll be okay. As long as my wife is at my side—like she has been from the first minute they

Look at that pile of letters and wires stacked on that chair. It's mighty nice of all those people to be concerned over a lug like me. I wish I could thank them all personally. But I can't right now. I'll try when I'm okay. It won't take long. Only until I find out how they pitch left-handers in this league.

Northwest Engineers To Aid Flood Areas

Portland — Engineers and flood control specialists from the North Pacific division of the Corps of Engineers are being sent to the flood-devastated northeast states to help restore public facilities, Brig. Gen. L. H. Foote, division engineer, said Friday.

Fourteen specialized flood workers from the Portland, Walla Walla and Seattle, Wash., districts were loaned to the New England division in response to a call from the chief of engineers in Washington, D. C.

The engineers are carrying out the flood emergency work as authorized by the Federal Civil Defense administration where special tasks are beyond the state and local agencies. Gen. Foote said the corps was not performing the entire clean-up and restoration job, but was helping restore public facilities and remove debris and health and safety hazards.

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Hollywood 4, San Diego 3

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Cincinnati 4, Brooklyn 2
Milwaukee 7, New York 1
St. Louis 4, Philadelphia 1
Chicago 6, Pittsburgh 2

American League
Detroit 5, Boston 4
Kansas City 3, Baltimore 2 (night)
Cleveland 5, New York 2 (night)
Washington 10, Chicago 1 (night)

SUNDAY'S GAMES
National League
St. Louis at Brooklyn
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