

# Black Tornado Anticipates "Hot" Ashland Crew Friday

Medford high gridders got their final tuning today for a meeting with one of their oldest adversaries. And one big question was on the minds of Black Tornado players: "Will Ashland blow hot on Friday?"

The Tornado takes on the Grizzlies at the senior high stadium here at 8 p.m. tomorrow. It will be a Southern Oregon Conference and District 6 A-1 engagement with Medford facing need of an impressive win to keep itself in the district running.

Action this season has seen the Medford aggregation improve with every game. Ashland, on the other hand has been "hot and cold." But there was good reason to think that the Grizzlies will be "hot" for their biennial trip to Medford. Following their up and down streak, they're due. And the word is out that thoughts ahead on the Medford fracas were to some extent responsible for Ashland's loss to Crater last Friday.

Both clubs go into battle with a record of four wins. Medford however has a standing of two ties and only one loss to the Grizzlies' three setbacks. Ashland reached its peak with a victory over Yreka, Calif., two weeks ago and has wins on record over Phoenix, Lakeview and Fortuna, Calif. Losses were to Roseburg, Grants Pass and Crater.

Medford counts wins over both common foes, Roseburg and Crater, and at its best in last week's win over Eureka, Calif., and the previous week's tie with Klamath Falls. Tornado victims included Cleveland of Portland, Milwaukie was tied and the lone loss was at the hands of Gresham, Oregon's No. 2 ranked team.

Wide open action is anticipated Friday night with Ashland reportedly scrapping its double win and sticking to the T with Harry Johnson and Bob Davis its running threats. Taking a tip from Medford foes, Ashland is likely to take to the air much of the time. Passes have scored or set up several touchdowns against the Tornado this fall. Lance Locke is the air arm with Johnson and Gene Parent capable receivers.

**Well-Balanced Offense**  
Medford will send against the Grizzlies a potent, well-balanced offense and single wing offensive. It could be mainly a ground game with occasional strikes through the air. The Tornado has a number of capable runners. John Bellack and Larry Guber have blossomed in recent scuffles. Mike Hawkins, Gary Riley, John Hawley and Dave Bosworth previously have shown their mettle. Dick McLaughlin, Bellack and Riley supply the passing threat. A charging line has become more effective as the season progressed.

The Tornado sloshed through rain on Tuesday but had better weather last night. Rain and cold at Ashland has held drills pretty much to wind sprints and signal drill. Coach Al Simpson, with the weather as it is, has sort of reated his club "this week. Medford started defensive work on Tuesday and had dummy scrimmage. Just about everybody scrimmaged yesterday with the group divided into about four equal teams.

**Riley Goes Easy**  
Riley, shaken up in the Eureka mix, has been held out of contact. Tackle Mel Morgan is still out of action with a broken hand. Ashland has a reportedly bruised and battered club with Dave Athanas and Parent nursing sore ribs. Malcolm Magruder has stitches around an eye.

Medford's possible starters on offense are Dick Coppel and Mike Stearns, ends; Neil Plumley and Al Boardman, tackles; Jack Gregory and Monte Holst, guards; Gary Shaffer, center; McLaughlin, quarter; Bellack, left half; Hawkins, right half, and Guber or Bosworth, fullback. On defense, Maury Butts, end; Larry Cranston, tackle; Bob Apple, guard, and Eldon Francis, safety, may have starting assignments.

For Ashland those starting may be Parent and Roy Gray, ends; Alan Dunn and Don Gilliam, tackles; Tom Delsman and Magruder, guards; Phil Sword, center, and Locke, Johnson, Davis and Bill Beber, backs.

## Mickelson Tops Beavers in RBs

Portland — (U.P.) — Ed Mickelson, Portland's first baseman last season, topped the Beavers in runs batted in, was second in home runs and had a final 308 hitting mark, according to figures compiled by William J. Weiss, league statistician.

Mickelson batted in 87 runs and was second to Don Eggert in homers with 12. Eggert, who has been traded, wound up with 22 four-baggers. Louis Marquez with 312 topped the hitters although not playing as much as Mickelson.

Dead line Sunday Classified is at noon Saturday, 10 a.m. Monday for Monday; other days 5:30 previous day.

# SPORTS

## Washington Favored Over Oregon Staters

By HAL WOOD  
San Francisco — (U.P.) — Just in case you've been wondering and haven't kept track of how this department has been going in the selection derby this year on games involving Pacific Coast Conference football teams, let's take a look at the record:

In strictly conference tilts, we've named the winner 10 times, had three losses and two ties in the 15 games played. In games involving PCC teams against outside opposition, we've named the victor 16 times against five losses. That's a .765 percentage in a topsy-turvy season that has come up with the PCC having its best balance— from top to bottom—in history.

Last week failed to come up with a "goodie" upset prediction for the first time this season. So, looking to the future: Southern California over Minnesota: The Gophers nearly upset Michigan, No. 1 team, last week, but they may have a hard time coming back for the Trojans. The PCC entry to make it five out of seven over the Big Ten for this year—By 13.

**UCLA over California:** The Bruins will use the Bears for cannon fodder again as Coach Pappy Waldorf's team goes down to defeat for the fifth time in seven outings this season. By 30. Washington over Oregon State:

## John Arnett Has 1-Point Scoring Lead

New York — (U.P.) — The running battle between Southern California's Jon Arnett and Texas Christian's Jimmy Swink for the major college football scoring leadership finds the versatile Arnett ahead today by just one point.

Arnett, who pounded across the goal line three times for touchdowns on Saturday against California, now boasts a total of 11 touchdowns and 10 extra points for a total of 76 points.

Swink, who tallied only one touchdown against Miami, has 12 touchdowns, one more than Arnett, but has booted only three extra points for a total of 75 points in weekly figures issued today by the NCAA.

These two free-wheeling backfield stars have been scrapping for the scoring lead ever since the season started. Arnett led the first week; Swink tied him the second week. Then Swink went ahead by 18 points. Two weeks ago Arnett cut Jimmy's lead to 11 points.

**Top Punt-Runner**  
Arnett also ranks as the nation's top punt return man, having hauled 12 boots back for a grand total of 232 yards. That gives him a husky lead over Mike Sommer of George Washington at 186 yards on nine returns and Dewey Tompkins of College of Pacific at 183 yards on 11 returns.

Arnett is an all-around threat, but if you're looking for football specialists, how about Joe Walton of Pittsburgh. He specializes in catching touchdown passes.

Hank Burnine of Missouri is the all-around leader in passing. Although the Tigers have lost all six games, Burnine has gathered in 24 passes to tie for the national lead in that department and gained 333 yards on them. Bill Barnes of Wake Forest also has caught 24 passes, but has gained only 235 yards.

**White Sox Talk With Athletics**  
Chicago — (U.P.) — Vice-President Chuck Comiskey of the Chicago White Sox is wasting little time in taking over where his old general manager, Frank Lane left off.

Comiskey and Manager Marty Marion are now dickering with the Kansas City Athletics for a pitcher and an infielder, a few hours after Comiskey sent Chico Carrasquel and Jim Busby to Cleveland for Larry Doby.

Comiskey said, "We've made them a couple of propositions and they're taking some time to think about them."

The Husky and the Oregon State defenses clash in a battle of low scores. Two touchdowns should win it and we'll take Washington by six points.

**Oregon Choice**  
Stanford over San Jose State: Now that the "invincible" myth of the Spartans has been cracked by College of Pacific, you have to string along with the Indians in this neighborhood rivalry. Stanford beat CP 33-14; COP beat San Jose State, 14-7. That makes Stanford 26 points better, doesn't it? We'll pick the Indians by half that amount.

Oregon over Idaho: The Webfoots appear to be improving weekly. You could figure this one out to bring the Vandals home the winner. Idaho lost to Washington, 7-14, and Washington beat Oregon, 19-7. That should make the Vandals a five-point favorite. We'll take the Webfoots by 20.

College of Pacific over Washington State: Coach Al Kircher is having troubles and the benching of his veterans doesn't appear to be the solution to the problem for the battle with the Bengals. By 14.

Utah State over Fresno State: The Aggies from the mountain country do not have a powerhouse, but they play in a slightly tougher league than do the Bulldogs. So the Fresno club may lose its first game of the season. By six.

Also: Whittier over Cal Tech, Hardin-Simmons over Arizona Tempe State, Santa Barbara over Cal Aggies, Cal Poly over Midwestern, San Francisco State over San Diego, Chico State over Nevada, Humboldt State over Sacramento State, College of Idaho over Pacific, Lewis & Clark over Willamette and Puget Sound over British Columbia.

## Reasons Differ Why Michigan, OSU Sit on Top

Chicago — (U.P.) — Michigan and Ohio State are at the top of the Big Ten standings for two completely different reasons, conference statistics revealed today.

The undefeated Wolverines rank first in defense, but eighth on offense. Defending champion Ohio State is second on offense, but 10th in defense.

Michigan's defense has been "air-tight" against passes, having allowed opponents to complete 35.7 per cent of their throws for an average gain of only 34 yards a game. Opponents have averaged only 3.21 yards per play on the ground against Bernie Oosterbaan's eleven.

Michigan State ranked second on defense, allowing the opposition a low of 118 yards per game on the ground. Purdue has given opponents the fewest yards per rushing attempt, 2.4.

**Running Game**  
The Buckeyes' offense has been built almost entirely on their running game, averaging 327.5 yards a game on the ground. If Ohio continues at its present pace, it will surpass the conference record set by Michigan of 320 yards per game in 1943.

Coach Woody Hayes' Buckeyes have thrown only 6.5 passes per game for an average of only 24.5 yards.

**Johnson, Boyd Vie in Sub Bout**  
Chicago — (U.P.) — Middleweights George Johnson and Bobby Boyd will fight in a substitute match at the Chicago Stadium Nov. 4 because of Sugar Ray Robinson's twisted ankle which forced postponement of his title bout with Bobo Olson.

The International Boxing Club postponed the Olson-Robinson fight until Dec. 9.

**AUSTIN IN LOOP**  
Austin, Tex. — (U.P.) — After an absence of 41 years, Austin was back in the Texas League family today, replacing the Beaumont Exporters. Formal transfer of the financially stricken Beaumont franchise was announced Wednesday night by League President Dick Butler.

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## Football Briefs

**STALEY GLOOMY**  
Mosco, Idaho — (U.P.) — Coach Skip Staley had a gloomy outlook today, despite the fact that his University of Idaho Vandals have had two weeks to prepare for Saturday's game against the Oregon Ducks. Staley said his team is so shallow that he can't afford to risk contact work. Four men are on the injury list and a fifth is out of school because of illness in his family.

**CASEY LEAVES BEARS**  
Berkeley, Calif. — (U.P.) — Former first-string quarterback Mike Casey of the University of California Bears has left Coach Lynn Waldorf's squad because of a long-time knee injury which has crippled him for most of the year. Casey's departure left Cal with only Hugh McGuire as a qualified field general, with fifth-stringer Jim Lorenz and converted halfback Ralph Hoffman in reserve.

**GUSTAFSON BACK**  
Stanford, Calif. — (U.P.) — Quarterback Jerry Gustafson, once sidelined by a slight case of flu, returned to action with the Stanford Indians yesterday and should be in top shape for Saturday's game with San Jose State.

**TROJANS DRILL**  
Los Angeles — (U.P.) — A light signal drill was on today for Southern California, which leaves by plane tomorrow for its inter-sectional game against Minnesota in Minneapolis. Coach Jess Hill will take a 42-man squad on the trip. The Trojans went through a lengthy defensive scrimmage yesterday against split-T Minnesota plays in their final contact work for the game. First-string right halfback Don Hickman did not participate in the contact work because of injuries.

**RUNNING FEATURE**  
Los Angeles — (U.P.) — The running of wingbacks Jim Decker and Chuck Holloway and fullback Doug Peters featured a 20-minute UCLA scrimmage yesterday as the Bruins put in their final tough drills for California. Tailbacks Sam Brown and Ronnie Knox worked on passing and the club finished the workout with a dummy drill on defense.

**HUSKIES PREP OFFENSE**  
Seattle, Wash. — (U.P.) — Coach Johnny Cherberg, well satisfied with his defense, put his University of Washington Huskies to work on offense yesterday in preparation for Saturday's game against the Oregon State Beavers. He said the offense, which has scored only one touchdown in each of its last three games, has to "get back the edge and get more scores." Frank Nelson, the left guard who collapsed in practice sessions Tuesday night, came out of the coma yesterday and is rational.

**VETERANS REPLACED**  
Pullman, Wash. — (U.P.) — Replacement of the veteran senior Washington State line with a mixture of sophomores and juniors "will stick," according to Coach Al Kircher, who added "I only hope their hustle will make up for the loss of experience." Kircher moved senior Jim Hagerty, a reserve halfback, to fullback where sophomore Ben Milam—fourth man at the start of the season—was forced to take over when the first three in the line were injured.

**Walker Applies For Pirate Post**  
Pittsburgh — (U.P.) — The Pittsburgh Pirates said today that one of a "dozen" formal applications for the job of field manager for the last place National League team was from Dixie Walker, who ended his long playing career here six years ago to become a successful minor league pilot.

The team's new general manager, Joe L. Brown, said Walker, who had his best days on the field with the Brooklyn Dodgers, had asked consideration for the post left vacant by the firing of Fred Haney on the last day of the 1955 season.

**Goes to Atlanta**  
After leaving the Pirates in 1949, Walker managed Atlanta in the Southern Association for three years with his team finishing first, fifth and second.

The former outfielder returned to the majors in 1953 as a coach with the St. Louis Cardinals. The following season he took over the Cardinals' Waco, Tex., farm team and won the Texas League playoffs.

## Eagle Point, Crater Vie For 2nd in Rogue League

Eagle Point — Eagle Point gridders, beaten by loop champion Phoenix last week, hope to shake off their discouragement and come roaring back Friday in a conflict with Crater high here.

The Eagles always have given the Comets a rugged hassle on EP soil and will be out to continue the pattern. Outcome of the scuffle will settle second place in the Rogue League and possibly the same position in the southern portion of District 6 A-2.

It will be the last game of regular play for both schools and more than likely the conclusion for the season.

Coach Stan Smith reported that Gale Friend, regular quarterback, probably will be missing because of an elbow injury. Norm Hooper, an ailing regular tackle, is back with the squad, however. Doug Chambers may fill Friend's shoes.

At Central Point, where the Comets are prepping for the scrap, Coach Leonard Warren has reported a tackle problem. Dick Davis turned his ankle last week and Bill Morse suffered a severe ankle sprain last Monday during Crater's 51 to 0 junior varsity win over Ashland. Neil Green is no longer with the team.

**Mason At Tackle**  
That leaves Dave Parker as the only top tackle. Warren said that to fill the gap Bob Mason has been shifted from the backfield into the line for offensive duties. Center Nathan Douthit probably will be tackle on defense with Mason going to linebacker where he is a veteran.

Crater will have all of its nine seniors in the starting crew. They are John Shama and Gordon Tidwell, end; Mason, tackle; Don Chitwood and Harold Lefler, guard; Douthit center, and Harsh and Duane Goyette, backs. Parker, tackle, and Don Goyette, back, are juniors scheduled to open.

The Eagle starters may be Ron Nelsen and Gary Kaiser, ends; Hooper and Dick Wallace, tackles; Dean Tibbets and Jim Bunker, guards; Larry Doderhoff, center, and Doug Chambers, Adrian Elrod, Errol Tresham and Jack Greb, backs.

**Morris Rambles For Long Gains**  
Eugene, Ore. — (U.P.) — Fullbacks Jack Morris and Fred Miklancic reeled off long gains in scrimmage yesterday as the University of Oregon's strong running attack gained power for Saturday's game against the University of Idaho Vandals.

Coach Len Casanova said Idaho's quarterback, Howard Willis, was one of the best passers in the conference, and he regarded Oregon's passing defenses weak, despite five interceptions against Arizona last week.

**Lambeau Picked Star Tutor Again**  
Chicago — (U.P.) — Curly Lambeau, who directed the 1955 College All-Stars to a 30-7 victory over the Cleveland Browns, has been signed to coach the Stars again in 1956.

The Chicago Tribune, which sponsors the All-Star game, said Lambeau's assistants would also return for the '56 classic. They are Hank Anderson, Steve Owen, Hampton Poole, Tony Canadeo and Charles Hafren.

The defending champion Browns, who always have depended strongly on their defensive platoon, also have allowed the few points, 71.

**Pass a Moral Victory**  
"It was a moral victory when Eddie Lebaron and Ralph Guglielmi got a pass away against the Browns' defensive platoon," LaVelle said after watching Cleveland beat Washington.

So Sunday's game at Chicago between the Cardinals (2-2-1) and the Browns (4-1) will involve defensive platoons that have proved hardest to score against so far this season. The Browns are picked to win.

This week's other selections with records in parentheses: Saturday night: Colts (3-2) over Packers (3-2) at Baltimore. Sunday: Bears (2-3) over Rams (4-1) Los Angeles; Eagles (1-3-1) over Steelers (4-1) at Philadelphia; Lions (0-5) over Forty-Niners (2-3) at San Francisco; Giants (1-4) over Redskins (3-2) at New York.

**Oregon Hunters Forest Conscious**  
Salem — (U.P.) — State Forester Dwight Phipps said today Oregon's deer hunters this year were probably the most forest-conscious group in the state's history.

He said there were only nine hunter-caused fires during the season and that none were serious. Most of these were in eastern Oregon.

In 1954, there were 27 hunter-caused fires on the opening day alone.

## Phoenix Eyes Unchallenged Claim To District Mantle

Phoenix — Determined to win its District 6 A-2 division football crown without any sort of question, Phoenix high plays Glendale here on Friday night.

The Pirates have swept through three Rogue League tussles to capture one championship. A victory over Glendale will complete subdistrict play with a loss in four contests.

Coach Jack Woodward has reported a number of measures to strengthen the Phoenix squad. Three men, Walt Hurlbut, Dave Seitsinger and Gary Simmonds, have been getting work to give more depth in the backfield as insurance against injury.

There has been practice on blocking against varied defenses

**Rogue River, Talent Have Loop Finale**  
Talent — With both clubs ready for a close, spirited encounter, Talent and Rogue River high school football contingents clash here at 2:30 p.m. Friday for second place in the Jackson County B League.

It will be the final contest of the season in the circuit. St. Mary's of Medford already has wrapped up its second straight championship. Rogue River and Talent are knotted in No. 2 place with two victories and one defeat each.

Coach George Bray of Talent said that the Bulldogs should be in their best physical shape of the season for the battle and Mentor Tinker Hatfield expects Rogue River to be better off than it was a week ago.

At Talent, Back Phil Combs, hurt recently, began workouts again Monday. All other Bulldogs were reported in top condition.

**Ross, Towse Out**  
The Chieftains have Dick Ross and Loy Towse, backs, still sidelined by injuries. Jon Bigman, freshman safety, and Gary Phillips, guard, have missed practices because of colds. Gary Stinchcomb, back, has a leg injury but is expected to play and Bill Weaver, back, is expected to be going better than last week when slowed by flu.

Possible starters for Talent are John Walker and Frank Long, ends; Ray Weinhold and Bob Messenger, tackles; Frank Tycksen and Tony Kenyon or Eldon McGarity, guards; Terry Hazelton, center; and Jack Barrett, Mel Wallace, Phil Combs and Jim Walker backs. Fred Helm could be in the line-up in place of Barrett and Jerry Rice in place of Combs.

For Rogue River, possibles are Bob Wilson and Harold Moore, ends; Don Hoffman and Bill Dixon, tackles; Gary Phillips and Gray Stewart, guards; Richard Twiest, center, and Stinchcomb, Weaver, Fred Bond and Bilbee Lane, backs.

and more T plays have been polished to add variety to the attack. Phoenix is regularly a single wing team. Delmar Brood, placekicker and fine runner, has been worked as a passer, making him an added threat.

**Hurlbut Ready**  
An injury has kept Hurlbut from doing his best at fullback but he is now expected to be ready at that spot. Seitsinger is a player who has been coming along. Simmonds, while possibly seeing halfback service, likely will start at end. Jim Korth's running from quarterback has given more versatility to the Pirate offense.

In the line continued improvement by Delford Dean and Don Wallace have helped the club. Jim Goldpenny and Dale Haggard have bolstered the reserve strength.

Those who may be in the opening line-up are Simmonds and Perry Bohm, ends; Dean and Pete Sneed, tackles; Don Blankenship and Wallace or Dennis Bradley, guards; Jim Hobbs, center, and Korth, John Garner, Brood and Dan Lovett, backs.

**4 Leading Teams Keep Places in Prep Grid Poll**  
The top four teams in the Associated Press rating poll for Oregon prep football kept their places this week.

Marshfield continued its unannounced command of first spot. Grasham, Corvallis and Pendleton continued to follow in that order.

Jefferson of Portland moved into fifth position, capturing the championship of its metro circuit while South Salem, fifth last week, dropped to ninth as the result of its loss to Milwaukie.

Hillsboro moved up the line to sixth and Vale to seventh. Prineville moved from 10th to eighth. Cottage Grove was back in the top select group in 10th position. Eugene dropped into the also rans.

Medford and McMinnville each got eight votes to tie for 14th.

The Voting:

Team	Points
1. Marshfield, 6-0	160
2. Gresham, 7-0	159
3. Corvallis, 6-1	108
4. Pendleton, 7-0	101
5. Jefferson, 6-0-1	93
6. Hillsboro, 7-0	79
7. Prineville, 6-1	72
8. South Salem, 5-2	32
9. Cottage Grove, 6-1	15
10. McMinnville, 5-2	15

Others: Central Catholic 12, Junction City 10, Ontario 9, McMinnville and Medford 8, Washington 7, Milwaukie and Beaverton 6, Eugene and Albany 5, Klamath Falls and Dallas 2, Astoria and Roseburg 1.

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Largest—\$100 in Cash	BERTHA GRAFTON	231 lbs.
Second Largest—\$50	RILEY BEAN	195 lbs.
Second Largest—\$50	ALICE SCHULER	215 1/2 lbs.
Smallest—\$25	LOREN GEYER	65 lbs.
Smallest—\$25	SHIRLEY PARSON	65 lbs.

**BLACKTAIL**  
● Largest—\$100 in Cash VICTOR TAYLOR 121 W. 10th, Medford 198 lbs.  
● Second Largest—\$50 RILEY BEAN 411 Church, Phoenix 195 lbs.  
● Smallest—\$25 LOREN GEYER Rt. 1, Box 108A, Central Point, 65 lbs.

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