



HOT POTATO—Almost downed, 49er halfback George Maderos (40) looks as if he might be getting rid of a hot potato as he laterals ball to Rex Berry (23) after intercepting a Los Angeles Ram pass in fourth quarter of game in San Francisco. Berry gained three more yards. The 49ers won, 33-30.

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SPORTS

Sickness, Injury Hit Black Tornado Squad

Medford high school's football squad was hurting today through both illness and injury. Head coach Fred Spiegelberg and his assistants, Bob Newland and Paul Evensen, sought to bolster the positions involved along with polishing and adjusting the Black Tornado on offense and defense to meet the threat of the Klamath Union High school Pelicans.

The two clubs collide here Friday night in the second District 6 A-1 and Southern Oregon conference fray for the Black Tornado and the first for the Pels.

On the sick list were tackle Larry Cranston and halfback Gary Riley with flu and guard Terry Miller with colds. End Gary Harrington has a bad strain of an ankle previously hurt.

Frank Albert, who has been right behind Cranston at the tackle spot, Pete Kershaw, a late joiner of the squad this fall, and Jim Funston, center and line-backer, who had duty last year at tackle, mostly in junior varsity play, are getting special grooming at the line position. Capable Alternates

Offensively, the Tornado has a capable alternate for Riley at left halfback in Gordon Owsley. The two have shared the position. But absence of Riley would hurt the depth at the spot and cut into Medford's first line defense since he and Owsley generally are in the line-up together at the deep backs. If Cranston or Riley are not available for action or can see just limited duty, Don Lovett may have heavy service at a halfback and Bob Gee at a linebacker slot.

Harrington is one of four ends who have seen most service for Medford this fall. His absence could mean more duty for Dennis King or Gary Sailey.

Spiegelberg reported that Lar-

ry Slessler, a top tackle candidate who suffered a foot fracture before the slate of games got underway, has the cast off and is getting daily physiotherapy. He won't be available for the Klamath conflict but could be ready for the Eureka, Calif., trip.

Tornado Choice

Medford will be the favorite over a Pelican crew that reportedly is going through a "building" year. The Black Tornado will aim to uphold its high prestige as No. 2 club in Oregon and take a second step toward a third straight district championship. Klamath on the other hand, will shoot for a stunning upset to brighten a mediocre season and continue its dominance over the Tornado in recent years.

Available information shows that the Pels and Tornado will be meeting for the 41st time. Medford has won 26 of the games over the years, Klamath has claimed eight victories and seven games have been tied. In recent years, however, the Pelicans have had the better of it. Beginning with the 1949 season they have four triumphs to Medford's one (in 1954). Two games have been tied.

In the 10 seasons prior to this there have been four Klamath and two Medford wins and four ties.

The Pelicans, who came to Medford after playing their best game of the season against Boise, Ida., last Friday, have 10 letter-men back. Of these quarterback Butch Kimpton and halfback Lee McGill are the leading backfield returnees. Joe Linman and Tom Farrell, both seniors, have helped the Pels only lately because of injuries which kept them out at the start of the campaign.

Running Game

Rest of the backfield threat lies with untested juniors. Among them are Richard Humphrey, Frank Ballard and Bill Shreeve. Ballard, transfer from Wenatchee, Wash., is out with a knee injury. McGill suffered a knee bruise against Boise but is expected to be ready to face the Tornado.

The Klamath offense this year has been mostly a running game with McGill as the workhorse. Kimpton is a good runner and may break away on keeper or optional pass-run plays. The finding of ends to hold Kimpton's passes has been a problem somewhat solved by arrival of Mike Albo, senior transfer from Colorado.

Coach John McGinnis has had difficulty finding a regular Pel end combination but Albo and Teddy West could open against Medford. Since Keith Cooper suffered a neck injury in the Reno, Nev., game about three weeks ago, Klamath tackle starters have been light by Medford standards, Paul Bilant, 187, and Dave Riley, 173. Cooper is in a cast supporting his head and neck and may be in it about two weeks more. A tackle, Fred Barmore, 212, is the heaviest listed

Eight Major Grid Games Rated Even

By JOE SARGIS

New York—(U.P.)—After baseball fans get their last chance to "hoot and holler" today, college football, which actually has been with us for the past two weeks, in case you hadn't noticed, takes over the national sports scene for the better part of the next seven weeks.

No less than eight major games on Saturday's program are rated "even" by the men who make the odds, while three other games involving the nation's top three ranked teams—Oklahoma, Michigan State and Texas Christian—are rated "out."

The games in which the odds-makers were reluctant to separate the opponents by even a single point involve Dartmouth-Brown, Southern Methodist-Duke, Rice-Florida, Georgia-North Carolina, Oklahoma A&M-Tulsa, Iowa State-Kansas, Oregon State-California and Kentucky-Auburn.

If you're among the betting gentry, you can get 3 points if you think Tulane can beat Navy and the same spread if you like Wisconsin over Iowa. In the 19 other games for which odds are listed the spread runs from Syracuse by 6 over West Virginia all the way to Michigan State by a whopping 25 over Indiana in a Big Ten game.

Listed as 7 point favorites are Princeton over Pennsylvania, Michigan over Army, Ohio State over Illinois in the Midwest's regionally telecast game, Notre Dame over Purdue, Clemson over Wake Forest, Baylor over Arkansas, Washington over Oregon, and Texas A&M over Houston.

The figure-filberts rate Mississippi a 10-point pick over Vanderbilt, Holy Cross a 12-point underdog to Penn State in the East's regionally telecast game, and Cornell by 12 over Harvard in an important Ivy League contest.

Oklahoma's Sooners, working on a 32-game winning streak and sure-fire picks to remain undefeated at least through this Saturday, get the nod by 21 over Texas, while TCU's Horned Frogs are rated 21 points better than Alabama. Both TCU and Oklahoma are undefeated in two starts this fall.

Other games for which odds were listed include: Boston College 13 over Marquette; Nebraska 13 over Kansas State; UCLA 13 over Washington State; fifth-ranked Georgia Tech 14 over LSU, and Minnesota by 13 over Northwestern.

FLOWERS ON WAIVER

Baltimore, Md.—(U.P.)—Rookie end Bernie Flowers, who according to Coach Webb Ewbank "hasn't come around as completely as expected," has been placed on waivers by the Baltimore Colts. The cutting of the former Purdue star left the Colts' roster at the legal limit of 33.

Klamathite

The Pels have some heft in Al Seigner, 198, guard, and Cal Tichenor, 200, center. Either Pete Barnhisel, 145, or Tarey Schell could operate opposite Siegner at a guard. Klamath Falls has defeated Grant of Portland 13 to 6 and Boise 14 to 12. It has lost to Eugene 25 to 12, Reno 26 to 0 and Shasta of Redding, Calif., 27 to 14.

Kiwanians Sell Football Game Programs Friday

United Medford Crusade will benefit Friday night when Medford Kiwanis club sells programs at the Klamath Falls-Medford High school football game here.

The programs will be more detailed than those sold at most games. It will include squad pictures of both teams, and individual photos of a number of the players, general information on the strength of each club and the meaning of the game and brief information on some of the top players and on the head coaches.

This program sale is an annual project of the Kiwanis club for the U.M.C. Dr. Billy Blackstone is committee chairman.

Webb Opposes Cotton Tonight

Chicago—(U.P.)—Middleweight Spiker Webb meets an old sparring partner for the "Nth" time tonight, but this one will be for prize money on television from the Chicago stadium.

Webb, a 25-year-old Army veteran aiming for his 15th straight win, was a 2½ to 1 favorite to whip Charlie Cotton, also 25, from Toledo, O., who has won 41 of 53 pro fights.

The skin of the abdomen has twice the elasticity of skin on the back.

Ken Bombardier Midwest Choice

By JACK HAGERTY
United Press Sports Writer
Minneapolis—(U.P.)—Ken Bombardier, whose slashing plunges on the football field match his name, wasn't even listed among the first 33 Minnesota players for last Saturday's game with Purdue.

He left the field as the United Press Midwest back of the week. The nominally fourth string left halfback came off the bench to spark the Gophers' first touchdown drive with two key first

downs, score the winning touchdown and intercept a Len Dawson pass which saved the 21-14 victory.

Despite the fact he sat on the bench through most of the first half, Bombardier carried the ball more often than any other Gopher. He picked up 57 yards on 14 carries, most of them when they counted most.

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