

David Douglas High Battles Black Tornado Here Friday

Medford High's Black Tornado gridders, disappointed over a setback in the opening tangle of the season, were reported "ready to go" in their effort to swing into the victory groove.

The Tornado takes on David Douglas High of Multnomah county at 8:15 p.m. Friday in the first home game of 1957 for the Medfordites. It will inaugurate A-1 school combat on the local turf and will be the first athletic rivalry between the two schools.

The usual light Thursday workout was billed for the Tornado today after a lot of work yesterday on defense. Wednesday practice session also included half-time scrimmage, punt protection and return drill and individual blocking work.

Gee Should Start

Head Coach Fred Spiegelberg has pronounced his crew in good shape except for some bumps and bruises.

Bobby Gee, fullback used only part time last week because of a pulled muscle, likely will have starting call this Friday. Otherwise, the Tornado starting gang will be much the same as it was for the opener against North Salem.

Tony Brauner, quarterback, Johnny Jones, left halfback, and Ron Reich, right half, probably will round out the backfield but Fred Funston and Larry Brown at fullback and Gerry Lyons and Skip Bennett at left half, could see a lot of service.

Ends may be Mike Russell and Tom Hamlin with Frank Albert and Tom Morris, tackles, Dick Corum and Tom Merton, guards, and Jim Funston, center. Jim Corum could see considerable guard work and Mike Murray could be in the line-up much at right tackle on offense and at right end on defense.

In the opening offensive unit, Pete Rasmussen probably will go in for Reich and will go to end with Mike Russell taking a defensive half.

Probable line-up for David Douglas is Dick Curtis and Tom Simmons, ends; John Holmes and Bill Gilbert, tackles; Ken Tallaferra and Karl Barrett, guards; Bill Payne, center; Jerry Fellows, quarterback; Tom Stewart, left half; Frank Weston,

right half, and Gayle Louden-slager, fullback.

The Scots have good line weight with 160 pounders on the ends and poundage in between ranging from 184 to 200. Louden-slager at 175 is listed as heaviest man among the regular backs. A speedy 125-pounder, Louis Day, could see quite a

bit of activity at the left half spot. However, Stewart is a good passer as well as a good runner. Offense of Dick Miller's Scots is similar to that of Spiegelberg's Black Tornado. Both clubs use the unbalanced line with single wing and T formation plays. Douglas may do more passing than Medford.

Fanfare

By DICK JEWETT
Mail Tribune Sports Editor

Mike Stearns, ex-Medford high, and Ron Harrison, ex-Crater high, were among those we saw following the Medford-North Salem high grid fray last Friday in the Capital city. Both are enrolled at Willamette uni-



TORNADO GUARD — Tom Merton, above, will be at his familiar guard position Friday when the Medford High football team plays David Douglas here. He is a three-year veteran of the Black Tornado. Game time is 8:15 p.m.

SPORTS

Jacksonville Bills Malin

Jacksonville — Jacksonville Redskins, who play Malin here at 2:30 p.m. Friday, have worked this week at tightening their pass defense and at smoothing out their attack.

A few more plays have been added and both the running and passing game have been polished. It was passing which enabled the Glendale win over Jacksonville high last week.

Tomorrow's contest will be the District 5B beginner for both clubs.

Injuries Thumb

The Redskins fullback suffered a dislocated thumb this week in practice and Pat Hubbard, who previously had been shifted from full to tackle, was returned to the backfield to bolster the spot.

Probable Jacksonville starters are Wayne Cabler and Eldon Smith, ends; Al Schoboude and Hudson Branson, tackles; Gary Smith and Dave Souza, guards; John Allen, center; Dennis Caird, quarterback; John Winningham, right halfback; Ron Davis, left half, and Hubbard or Rasmussen, fullback.

OSC Works On Defense

Corvallis, Ore. — Coach Tommy Prothro of the Oregon State Beavers spent Wednesday's practice session working on defense—even though he wasn't quite sure what the Beavers would have to defend against.

Prothro's team opens the season Saturday against Southern California, which has a new coach who reportedly uses a T offense with "variations." Prothro isn't sure just what "variations" to expect.

Ex-Trojan Coach Keeps on Going

Los Angeles — Dean Comwell, a youthful 78 years of age today, drew on his 30 years of experience as a track and field coach to ask what all the fuss was about over the Russians using shoe lifts to set high jump marks.

"This sort of thing comes up every few years," Comwell said.

"If you think back you will recall the stories about African natives jumping nearly eight feet. It sounded great until it was investigated and determined that they used an artificial means to reach such heights."

Cromwell has been in retirement from the track coaching job at University of Southern California since 1949 but he said he is busier now than when he was coaching.

"I just keep on going," he said. "I'm always attending sports events, forums and clinics."

Eagles Break Into 1957 Grid Play Against Comets

Eagle Point — The Eagle Point football team ended contact work Wednesday in preparation for Friday's season opener here with Crater High, 19-7 victors over Yreka last week.

Coach Tom Van Etten announced plans to suit around 25 boys for the game, out of a turnout of 41.

Lettermen expected to be in the starting lineup at 8 p.m. on the Eagle Point High school field are backs, Doug Chamberlain, Gary Kaiser and David Huffman; linemen Wayne Christian, Jim Bunker, Bob Greb, and Dale Casey; Huffman and Casey are juniors, the others seniors. Others battling for starting spots are Gary Mendenhall, Chuck Jenks, Bill Hubbard, Steve Charters, Cliff Blain, Jim Vanderlip, Bill Turner, Mack Lemmon, Ken Jerde, and freshmen Bill Skeeters and Gary Ayres.

Junior letterman Roger Hooper has been lost to the Eagles with a broken leg and senior Duane Tresham suffered an injured knee which will sideline him for the season.

Fred Hay, junior letterman, has resumed limited practice with the team after suffering a fractured cheek in a previous drill.

MORE INTEREST HERE

Prep football seems to be a much bigger thing in Medford than in Salem, if last Friday's Medford date with the Vikings can be taken as an indication. The crowd was meager in comparison to the one which could be expected if the contest had been played here. And we gathered that a good many Salem residents did not know that a game was being played, let alone where it was being played. We understand that high school football interest for years in Salem has not been what it is here. The situation dates back well before the operation of a second high school. Could be just the general attitude or could be the nearness to big-time football.

BETTER STADIUM

Medford is much better fixed than Salem stadiumwise for presentation of high school games. While the local school can put some 3,700 fans under cover, all seats, with the exception of the press box, at the South Salem high field, shared by North Salem, are in the open. And Medford crews do a much better job of lining the field than was done for the Friday mix between the Tornado and North high. It was difficult in the season opener to keep yardage figures on the progress of the ball.

RULINGS BRING HOWLS

The penalty called against Medford which nullified Bobby Gee's touchdown run against North Salem and the two rulings which declared the ball dead before fumbles recovered by Medfordites, brought yowls of protest from a number of the Tornado partisans on hand at the conflict. This department felt that the ball certainly should have gone to Medford on at least one of the fumbles. We hesitate, however, in making any charges about home officials aiding and abetting the home team. It hasn't been unusual for us to hear similar complaint from supporters of teams Medford has defeated here.

SITUATION REVERSED

In the Rogue valley this summer, drag races have been out-drawing the hardtop programs. We're told it's the opposite in the Salem area. We noted a good crowd out even for a jalopy destruction race night.

REAL SO TEAM

Southern Oregon college's football roster this fall is virtually all southern or southwestern Oregon. Out of some 40 players listed by Bob McKenzie, athletic publicity director, in the Red Raider press book only seven are from outside the area and a couple of those are pretty close to the area.

Grider whose home town is most distant is George Rivard, 24-year-old freshman halfback from Franklin, N.H. Virgil O'Quinn, sophomore back, is from Antlers, Okla. Other out-of-staters listed are George Stavros, Cashmere, Wash., junior quarterback, and Willie Jones, Hornbrook, Calif., junior letterman halfback.

EIGHT FROM MEDFORD

The Red Raider squad roster lists eight with Medford as hometown, the best representation for some time on the Raider crew from the Pear city. Ashland is the home city of three. There are six from Klamath Falls and three from Cave Junction. Transfers include Delmer Broad, Phoenix, a halfback, and Phil Sword, Ashland, a center. Both were at Shasta Junior college last year.

Fight Results

By UNITED PRESS
New Orleans — Ralph Dupas, 142, New Orleans, outpointed Joe Miceli, 145, New York (10).

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—THIRTEEN

Wood Picks Ducks, OSC In Openers

By HAL WOOD
United Press Sports Writer
Los Angeles — "Yep, it's the silly season again! So pardon me, as I take my annual bow while I'm still batting 1.000 in the pigskin picking business."

Only time I ever hit that mark is before the season starts—or when I get some outside help. Like the time comedian Sam Levinson, who hadn't seen a football game in 20 years, did the picking for me at Las Vegas; or like last year when I had a Tahitian witch doctor gaze into the crystal ball when I stopped off there en route to the Olympic Games.

Haven't got such high-priced help this year, but here are the lid-lifters for 1957:

Oregon State over Southern California: The defending Pacific Coast Conference champions test out the new split-T stuff offered by Coach Don Clark of the Trojans and find it to their liking. By six.

More Success

California over Southern Methodist: The Golden Bears also try the split-T, but with a bit more success. Mustangs rate low-down in the Southwest Conference. By 13.

Stanford over San Jose State: Still another split-T introduction to Northern California football fans, this time by Bob Titchenall of the Spartans. But this early in the season the Indians always are loaded — until injuries reduce the depth of the squad. By 19.

Washington over Colorado: Jim Owens makes his bow as head coach of the Huskies. If he can get his boys to do the proper amount of thinking, they should walk away from the Buffs. But if their think-tanks run out of fuel, as he claims has been happening in practice, it will be a rough afternoon. By one.

Oregon over Idaho: Coach Len Casanova, starting his seventh year at the helm of the Ducks, has his eye on the Rose Bowl this year and he won't be sidelined this early by the upstart Vandals. By 20.

College of Pacific over San Diego State: Even without Dick Bass, the Tigers should be the strongest among the West Coast's independents this year. And the Aztecs don't rate in this class. By 24.

UCLA over Air Force Academy: The Bruins are rebuilding, but Coach Buck Shaw of the Air Force is stepping 'way out of class for his young team. By 28.

Nebraska over Washington State: A close one which may be decided on a single call of a signal. By one.

Also: Pepperdine over Nevada, Arizona over Brigham Young, Arizona (Tempe) State over Wichita, Utah over Montana, Fresno State over Montana State, Cal Poly over Linfield, Redlands over San Dimas, Los Angeles State over Sacramento State and College of Idaho over Humboldt State.

Favorites Win In OWGA Meet

Astoria — The favorites continued to win Wednesday in the Oregon Women's Golf association championships here.

Mrs. R. L. Borst of Portland defeated Mrs. A. G. Nowels of Eugene 3 and 2 and Mrs. Francis Rowell, also of Portland, downed Mrs. Jens Lerbach of Astoria, 7 and 5.

Closest match Wednesday saw Mrs. J. D. Lawson of Astoria defeat Mrs. Frank Stenger of Portland 1-up.

Eddie Machen Stops Romero in 5th Round

Portland, Ore. — Eddie Machen, top-ranked heavyweight challenger from Redding, Calif., chopped down 253-pound Edgardo Romero Wednesday night in the fifth round of their scheduled 10-rounder at Civic Auditorium.

Machen, who came in at 196½ pounds, served up more speed and a heavier punch than Romero, but the giant-sized fighter from San Francisco, Calif., was surprisingly fast in the opening rounds.

In the fifth round, the two fighters came out and exchanged rights to the head, but fell into a clinch on the ropes. Referee Ralph Gruman separated them, and Machen dropped his opponent with a ripping left hand to the midsection. Romero was counted out in 46 seconds of the fifth.

The bout was held before a crowd of 2081.

In the preliminaries Phil Moyer won his third straight bout as a pro with a TKO over Al Lite of San Francisco in the seventh. Tommy Thomas took Howard Meredith of Albany in the third round and Leroy Flomond of Portland took two rounds to dispose of Ray Hoskins, also of Albany. The opener saw a draw between Jerry Hamilton of Portland and Bob Milne of Seattle.

Hardtopper Race Finale This Sunday

Hardtoppers of the Rogue Valley Racing association wind up the 1957 at Valley View speedway on Sunday afternoon with the Southern Oregon-Northern California invitational races.

Cars will time in starting at 1 p.m. and the first race is set for 2 p.m.

Last of this year's Saturday romps were held last week and saw Wayne Lemly with his A-57 wrap up the track championship. He was the only driver over 500 points, with 525. Crock Hunter, the 1956 winner, was second this time with 459. Ray Asher took third with 394.

Others among the top 12 were Bob Wilcox 369, Bob McGilvray 362, Elmer Sisemore 297, Wally Cannon 281, Louis Kurz 278, Bob Jenkins 241, Jack Keck 231, Johnny Jones 225 and Lee Davis 190.

The Sunday program will offer a longer main and semi-main and added money. Track leaders from both Roseburg and Klamath Falls are to be here.

Buffalo Grabs Play-Off Opener

Buffalo, N. Y. — Manager Phil Cavaretta will start either Fred Hahn or Rip Coleman tonight as his Buffalo Bisons attempt to take a two-game advantage over Miami in the International League Governors Cup finals.

The Bisons won the opening game of the best-of-seven series Wednesday night as Glenn Cox shut out Miami, 2-0, for his second straight whitewash of the playoffs.

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Single Eggs Attracting Steelhead.

Salem — The weekly report on fishing conditions prepared by the state game commission:

Southeast: Sea-run cutthroat angling in North Umpqua between the forks and Winchester fair to good; fishing good just below Winchester and in the fly area; trout angling continues to be fair to good at Lemolo and Toketee reservoirs; salmon angling good at Winchester bay.

Coots bar excellent with mostly large salmon; striped bass fishing in Coots river poor to fair; Salmon fishing in lower Coquille river up to Rocky point is fair; trout fishing good in middle and upper sections of Rogue.

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