Black Tornado to Meet Grants Pass for Crown

REICH RIPS OFF YARDAGE—Ron Reich (24), Tornado halfback, sweeps for 14 yards on Medford high's second scrimmage play in its football hassle with Ashland on Friday. Steve Gray of the Grizzlies, coming up to make the stop, force Reich out of bounds right after the camera shutter clicked. Official between the two players is Referee Jake Leicht and the other is Field Judge Bill Esselstyn. Medford won 15 to 6.

SOUTHERN OREGON CONFERENCE
(District 6 A-1)

	W.	L	Pct.
Medford	3	0	1.000
Grants Pass	2	0	1.000
Ashland	1	2	.333
Crater	1	2	.250
Klamath Falls	0	2	.000

Medford high gridmen set the props this week for an all-out fight to defend their District 6 A-1 and Southern Oregon conference championships. They realize full well that they'll have a man-sized job on their hands.

Grants Pass and the Black Tornado collide on the Medford stadium turf next Friday with the outcome to determine which of the two goes on into play-off quarter-finals for the Oregon Class A-1 crown.

The Tornado overcame the upset bid of blazed up Ashland Grizzlies 15 to 6 here Friday night to knot with the Cavemen of Grants Pass in the conference and district standings. Each has three victories and unblemished in the dual circuit.

Reserve seat tickets for the Medford-Grants Pass high football game here next Friday will go on sale at 7 a.m. Monday at the senior high school office. Principal Lester Harris stated that sales will be limited to four tickets to a person.

Pressed all the way in gaining the nod over Ashland, the Medfordites were paced by the running of Halfbacks Johnny Jones and Skip Bennett and Fullback Bob Gee and by the defensive leadership of Center and Linebacker Jim Funston in overcoming the Grizzlies.

Got Tough Game

Fans expecting to see a Tornado walkaway were jolted in the early moments to acknowledge that Medford had an angry Bruin on its hands and the possibility that Ashland might calm the Big Wind lingered even after the home club had established its final margin.

The passing threat of the Simpson brothers, Pat and Don, the deceptive delayed and quickie running game spurred by Fullback Al McKinnis and the defensive stubborness of the Grizzlies, particularly Backs Wayne Collum and McKinins and Center Hank Hampton, meant a rugged night for the Black Tornado.

"We wanted a tough game and we got it," Medford Coach Fred Spiegelberg declared yesterday.

First quarter of the game was scoreless. Medford finally reached the pay zone in the second stanza in a seven-yard weakside jaunt by Halfback Gerry Lyons and Tackle Mike Murray kicked the conversion. Ashland countered seconds before the halftime horn on a 21-yard pass play, Pat Simpson to McKinnis. Halfback Jerry Stubblefield's extra point thump was wide.

Funston Blocks

Funston blocked a Grizzly punt by Halfback Bill Maurer in the end zone for two Medford points on a sifety as time faded out in the third quarter. That made the score 9 to 6. The Tornado then marched to a fourth quarter goal after the Ashland kick-off with Bennett covering the last 14 yards slanting over right tackle. Murray's boot this time was wide.

Coach Fred Spiegelberg and his staff made considerable use of reserves during the night. That in itself could be reason for no Tornado runaway. But the fired up performance of the Grizzlies couldn't be discounted and a good share of the substituting was to find a combination to restrain the ambitious Grizzlies.

Medford first capitalized on a scoring opportunity after a punt by Quarterback Tony Brauner of the Tornado gave Ashland ball on its 12 yard line. Funston spilled Pat Simpson for a four-yard loss and End Tom Hamlin and Tackle Tom Morris dumped Stubblefield for a setback to the four-yard line. Maurer punted out to the 22 and Fullback Larry Brown of Medford got back to the 18.

Funmbles Aid Ashland

Brown then rammed for gains of five and six yards to the seven and Lyons went the rest of the way.

Ashland got itself into a jam when it lost the ball on a fourth down gamble on its 27-yard line but a couple of recoveries of Medford fumbles helped the Grizzlies to their lone TD. They got the ball on their own 29 and on a muff by Brown. End Jim Matteson recovered. Ashland was forced to punt and Medford took over on the Tornado 16. Plays gained to the 20 but lost to the 14 and Jones fumbled the ball on the 116. Hampton recovered for the Grizzlies.

Don Simpson hurled to Steve Gray in the end zone but a proceedure penalyt nullified a score. A Pat Simpson throw to Gray failed. On a third try Pat heaved to McKinnis who burst through a couple of Tornado defenders, snared the ball and crossed for a counter.

The Tornado pretty well dominated the third quarter but collected only the two points on an Ashland safety. A drive with 15 plays and four first downs took Medford to the Ashland six. The Grizzlies took over and McKinnis gained to the 17. A delay of game infraction put Ashland back on the 12. McKinnis got to the 113 but Gray lost to the four on an end around. The blocked punt followed.

Drive From 37

Ashland kicked off from its 20 and Gee ran the ball back to the Grizzly 37. Four tries put the ball on the 14 for the tabulating maneuver by Bennett. A run by Brauner and lateral to Halfback Dick Duante picked up 12 yards.

The Grizzlies moved from their own 36 to the Medford 32 in the fourth quarter and Medford march back to the Ashland 35. Brauner punted out of bounds to the Lithian 19. A pass attempt by Pat Simpson was smeared when Guard Heath caught the Ashlander on the 12. From there the Lithians gained to midfield where Medford got the ball on downs and held on as time ran out.

Success in the early portion of the game was a tonic to the Grizzly moral. Medford, however, came close to a touchdown fracas into a route.

Ashland had the ball on its 27. A Pat Simpson aerial was intercepted by Medford Back Jim Clark. He battled toward the goal but lost the ball in a final big effort to reach the end zone. McKinnis fell on the ball for Ashland inches from the pay-off stripe.

The Grizzlies were whistled for illegal procedure on the play. Medford accepted the penalty and the ball was put in play on the 24.

Statistics showed Collum in on some 25 stops for Ashland while McKinnis was listed for 11 and Hampton nine. Funston was in on around 20 tackles or pass bust ups for the Tornado, teaming on occasions with Morris. McKinnis was the evenings to gainer from scrimmage with 79 yard. Jones packed for 48 yards for Medford and Bennett and Gee each for 44.

Players Sidelined

Dick Corum, a starting guard for Medford, did not play Friday because of doctor's orders, He suffered a blow on the head in the Eureka game. Don Mann, another guard, was missing because of flu and Dennis Barr, a center, because of a broken nose suffered in practice.

Tornado Halfback Ron Reich was out of action in the second half because of an ankle injury in the second period. Gee was hobbled by an ankle injury from the Eureka game and Lyons by a sore back.

Threat of the Ashland passing attack through the mix indicated to the Tornado that it will have to spend much time this week girding its defense against aerials. Passing is the forte of the Grants Pass team.

Grants Pass recently licked Ashland 41 to 6.

STATISTICS:

	Med.	Ash.
First downs rushing	12	9
First downs passing	0	1
First downs penalties	0	1
Total first downs	12	11
Net yards rushing	224	82
Net yards passing	16	66
Total net yards	240	148
Passes tried	4	15
Passes completed	1	6
Yard penalized	30	30
Punts	4-29.02	7-24.8

INDIVIDUAL RUSHING:

Medford	TC	YG	Ave.
Brauner	1	1	1.0
Lyons	4	11	2.75
Jones	11	48	4.36
Reich	6	28	4.33
Durante	3	5	1.67
Bennett	10	44	4.4
Harvey	2	0	0.0
Gee	9	44	4.88
Brown	7	27	3.8
Hamlin	1	18	18.0

Ashland	TC	YG	Ave.
McKinnis	23	79	3.04
P. Simpson	3	-12	-4.0
D. Simpson	5	1	2.
South	3	6	2.0
Stubblefield	9	24	2.67
Gray	2	-10	-.5

MEDFORD ROSTER:
Ends—Hamlin, Russell, L. Dean, Johnston, Peterson, Rassmussen.
Tackles—Albert, Morris, Sorenson., Murray, Winetrout, Harrison, Fontaine.
Guards—Merton, Ice, Berg, J. Corum, Frohnmayer, Taylor, Penwell.
Centers—J. Funston, McLoughlin.
Quarterbacks — Brauner, Clark, Konopasek.
Halfbacks — Jones, Reich, Lyons, Bennett, Durante, Durkee, Harvey.
Fullbacks—Gee, Brown, F. Funston.

ASHLAND ROSTER:
Ends — Gray, Matteson, Lombard.
Jones
Tackles—Conley, Kearns.
Guards—Glines, Troxell.
Center—Hampton.
Quarterbacks—P. Simpson, D. Simpson.
Halfbacks — South, Stubblefield, Mauer.
Fullbacks—McKinnis, Collum.

Eugene Club Victor Over North Bend

By UNITED PRESS

South Eugene, determined to stay on top of the Oregon prep football heap, Friday night downed North Bend, 42-12, to claim another victim from the Coos country.

Marshfield, whose power became almost legendary after 40 games without a defeat, chose Roseburg as a victim with which to start its comeback drive and came away with a 42-13 victory.

Beaverton, who follows South Eugene in second place in the Oregon Journal Coaches' poll, chewed Parkrose, 32-6, in a Friday night contest. Jefferson, now tied with Marshfield in third spot in the football ratings, whipped Franklin, 33-7. South Salem looked like an avalanche to the mountain town of Sweet Home and buried the hapless challengers, 65-0.

Springfield Rolls

Grant, holding down the No. 6 position, held Madison, 66-12, in a cross-town encounter at Portland and Springfield, No. 7, dropped neighboring Cottage Grove, 42-6. Milwaukie, in No. 8 spot, blanked David Douglas of Portland, 27-0, Grants Pass, No. 10, had too much power for Tillamook, dropping them 28-0.

Other top games around the state saw Crater whip Klamath Falls, 27-18. Baker 21, Pendleton 12; Hermiston 26, La Grande 21; Medford 15, Ashland 6, and Myrtle Point 20, Coquille 13.

Oregon State Beavers Rebound by Drowning WSC Cougars, 39-25

By HOWARD APPLEGATE

Corvallis, Ore. — (AP) — Halfback Joe Francis led resurgent Oregon State to a 39-25 victory over Washington State before 20,200 homecoming fans Saturday in a wild scoring football game which wrecked the visiting Cougars' Rose Bowl hopes.

Francis ran to two touchdowns and passed for another to overcome a brilliant performance by Washington State's Bob Newman who passed to three touchdowns and scored another himself. It was Washington State's second Pacific Coast conference defeat and it was the first victory for defending champion Oregon State in its last three games.

Oregon State, which has never lost a home game under Coach Tommy Prothro, never was behind but the Cougars simply wouldn't quit.

Fullback Nub Beamer, who had not been expected to play much because of a hip injury, plunged to three of the Oregon State scores. Francis intercepted a pass by the Cougars' Bunny Aldrich and ran 45 yards for one of his touchdowns and went five yards for another. With only ten seconds to play Francis shot an eight-yard pass to end Bob DeGrant for the final Beaver score.

Newman threw three touchdown passes to ends Jack Fanning and Don Ellingsen and another to sophomore halfback Carl Ketchie. Ellingsen, whose father starred in Washington's last Rose Bowl appearance in 1931, eluded the Oregon State tackers and raced 21 yards to his touchdown.

But in the end it was Francis' Sterling all-around performance that proved the difference. The senior from Honolulu also intercepted another pass on his own 41 to stop a Washington State scoring threat and completed his first four passes.

Newman hit 12 out of 18 passes in the first half for 166 yards and wound up with 17 out of 25 completions for 243 yards.

Beamer, one of the West's top rushers, rolled up 114 yards in 16 carries and Francis had 102 yards rushing.

Score By Periods:

Oregon State	6	13	6	14—39
Washington State	0	12	6	7—25

Oregon State Scoring: Touchdowns, Beamer 3 (all three 1-plunges), Francis 2 (45-yard interception, 5-run), Degrant (8-pass from Francis); conversions, Searle 2; pass, Sanchez to Fournier.

Washington State Scoring: Touchdowns, Fanning (18-pass from Newman), Ellingsen (34-pass from Newman), Ketchie (17-pass from Newman, Newman (1-plunge). Conversions, Ellingsen, pass from Newman.

	OSC	WSC
First downs	20	21
Rushing yardage	320	140
Pashing yardage	54	274
Passes	7-5	33-20
Passes intercepted	2	2
Punts	2-40	2-31.5
Fumbles lost	1	0
Yards penalized	58	45

Cleveland, SF Favored In Pro Tilts

By UNITED PRESS

The San Francisco Forty-Niners and Cleveland Browns, weak in all statistics except the won-and-lost columns, are favored to retain the National Football league's division leads Sunday by winning home games.

San Francisco, leading the Western division with a 4-1 record, is a four-point choice to defeat the Detroit Lions (3-2) before nearly 60,000. Cleveland, first in the Eastern race with a 4-1 record, is favored over the Washington Redskins (2-3) by 6½ points with about 50,000 fans expected if the weather is good.

In Sunday's other games, the Rams (2-3) are favored over the Chicago Bears (1-4) by three points at Los Angeles; the New York Giants (3-2) are six-point choices to beat the Packers (2-3) at Green Bay; the Colts (3-2) are favored over the Pittsburgh Steelers (3-2) by 7½ at Baltimore, and the Cardinals (2-3) are favored over the Philadelphia Eagles (1-4) by 6½ at Chicago.

DECLINE CUB TIES

Des Moines, Iowa — (AP) — The directors of the Des Moines Demons have turned down another offer to continue their working agreement with the Chicago Cubs, ending an 11-year affiliation. The club has decided to seek a tie-up with another major league club for 1958.

Beaver Homecoming Queen Returns After Kidnaping

Corvallis (AP) — Oregon State College got its home coming queen back Friday night after four University of Oregon students posing as press photographers "kidnapped" her along with two princesses of the homecoming court.

Queen Pearl Friel, OSC student from Honolulu, and Princesses, Lu Ann Mullen, Albany, and Verle Pilling, Portland, were abducted, the captors said, in retaliation for alleged Oregon State theft of the university's "O" emblem from Eugene earlier in the week.

The "kidnappers" were identified as Oregon lettermen Ron Dodge, Jim Grelli, Bob Prall, and Steve Anderson. Corvallis city police reported that the three girls were released unharmed about 7:30 Friday evening, and that Miss Friel appeared at an ASC freshman bonfire and later at a campus dance with her escort, OSC fooball captain Ted Searle, also of Honolulu.

No complaints were filed, police said.

Reports from Eugene indicated the "O" had not been returned to the university.

CAL AGGIES LOSE

Los Angeles — (AP) — University of California at Santa Barbara, led by Halfback Johnny Morris who scored four touchdowns defeated the Cal Aggies from Davis, 39-0, in Memorial Coliseum Saturday in a curtain-raiser to the UCLA-California game.

Utah Passes In Skyline 55-0 Win

Salt Lake City —(AP)—Daring Utah refused to wrap up its passing game on a slippery snow-whitened gridiron Saturday and utilized the airways for a 55-0 Skyline conference victory over Colorado State university.

Utah struck for four touchdowns in the first 12 minutes of the game and the Rams never could recover. Fullback Merrill Douglas returned the opening kickoff for a touchdown to get Utah off to a fast start.

About 90 per cent of all the licorice used in the United States goes into various kinds of tobacco products.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

SPORTS

Comets Trip Pelicans In District Encounter

Central Point — Crater High fought its way out of the Southern Oregon conference football cellar by tripping Klamath Falls 27 to 18 Friday night in a torrid scramble here.

The Comets outscored the Pelicans two touchdowns to one in the final quarter to gain their only triumph in four league games. It was the third league loss for the Pels who have yet to win in the loop.

First quarter tallys favored Crater 7 to 6. Klamath then took a 12 to 7 lead but Crater was on top 13 to 12 at halftime. Third panel, of course was scoreless.

Crater scored on the second play of the game on a 63-yard pass but the mix was mainly a battle of Comet ground attack against Klamath aerial offense. The Pelicans rolled up 265 yards passing and Crater 254 yards on terra firma.

Initial touchdown play for the Comets was Allen to Kime. Kerman Bennett ran the bonus. The Pels came back, moved on three passes from their own 19 to reach the goal. Scoring play was for 21 yards, Frank Ballard to Jan Cox.

Ballard Scores

The KF club drove 55 yards for its second TD. Big gain was on a pass from the Comet 43 to the 11. Ballard went the last 10 yards after finding no receiver for a pass on fourth down. Crater then drove 78 yards off the Pel kick-off. It took 19 plays and Allen Barnes went over from the three.

Bennett scooted 24 yards on an off-tackle play for the third Crater TD. Allen passed to Bob Fowler for the bonus and the score was 20 to 12. Klamath ran the kick-off back to its 17 and lightning struck when Ballard hurled to Tom Ankeney for 83 yards and the concluding KF touchdown.

Crater added insurance with a 64-yard push to the goal. Barnes crossed from the three and Allen converted on a keeper. Bennett's 40-yard gallop to the seven set up the counter.

Coach Leonard Warren of the Comets said it had trouble with the Klamath aerial ofense but added that his gridders "played like they wanted to win." He praised them for their good tackling and downfield blocking.

STATISTICS:

	Cr	KF
First downs rushing	11	6
First downs passing	2	4
First downs penalties	1	0
Total first downs	14	10
Passes tried	9	21
Passes completed	5	11
Passes intercepted by	2	0
Yards rushing	256	106
Yards lost rushing	2	53
Net yards rushing	254	53
Yards passing	96	265
Total net yards	350	318
Penalties	25	20
Fumbles lost	0	1

Spider Webb Bout Winner

New York—(AP)—Middleweight contender Spider Webb, victor over Willie Vaughn in a five-alarm blazer of a fight, said today "after that one, I know I'm ready to take on any 160-pounder in the world—particularly the champion."

Webb of Chicago, the sixth ranking aspirant, explained, "that was the fastest 10-rounder I ever fought; seemed like we were going all-out every second. And I don't know what kept him on his feet—under the pace and punches he took."

The Spider, weighing 158½ pounds to 160½ for the California state champion, wound up with a unanimous decision at Madison Square Garden Friday night, despite Vaughn's desperate, floundering rally in the last two rounds.

Eagle Point Clips Rogue Chiefs 45-6

Eagle Point — Eagle Point high romped over the Rogue River gridmen 45 to 6 Friday in a Rogue league brush.

A first quarter bulge of 20 to 0 was run up by the Eagles who made it 33 to 0 in the third quarter.

Gary Kaiser tabulated three times for the Eagles, on 30 and 15-yard jaunts in the first panel and on a 34-yard dash in the fourth. Gary Mendenhall had two runs to the end zone, 12 yards in the first quarter and 21 yards in the third.

Dave Huffman raced 65 yards to the goal on the first scrimmage play of the second half and Bob Greb, playing linebacker, scampered 35 yards to the pay zone on a pass interception. Doug Chamberlain ran two extra points and Wayne Christian kicked one.

Ed Johnson went seven yards on a reverse for the Rogue River Chieftain score.

EP's second unit played about half the game but only the first unit got touchdowns. Packing for the second unit were Chuck Jenks, Paul McLean, Bill McClure and Bill Turner.

Line standouts included Jim Bunker, Dale Casey and Mack Lammon. Bunker saw some duty at fullback in the last quarter.

The Eagles will play Illinois Valley at Cave Junction next Friday in a make up fray.

GP Defeats Tillamook

Grants Pass—Jim Smith threw three touchdown passes here Friday in a 28 to 0 grid victory over Tillamoo. Mike Sparlin, Paul Lindquist and Mike Rose were the targets for the TD aerials. Smith has thrown 16 passes for scores this fall.

Blacks Anenx 7th Grade Toga

Three football games yesterday wrapped up the football slate for Medford junior high schools.

Hedrick tipped McLoughlin 14 to 12 in the eighth grade match.

McLoughlin Blacks won the seventh grade intramural title 13 to 6 over the Hedrick Blues.

McLoughlin Whites won 28 to 0 from Hedrick Reds.

Cavemen Runners Win Meet Here

Medford High's cross country runners will wind up their season Saturday by entry in the state meet at Lewis and Clark college in Portland.

Coach Vern Wolthoff said that he plans to enter a full team in the A-1 class varsity event and two men in the junior varsity run.

Grants Pass won a three way meet here Thursday, scoring 28 points to 31 by Medford and 72 by Crater.

The race was a good one. Among the first four men to finish, Steven Anderson of GP was first a step ahead of Medford's Mark Norton. Anderson was clocked in 8:43 for the distance of about 1¾ miles.

Other Medford places were Roger Johnson, third, Elwin Simmons, fifth, John Root, running his best race, 10th, and Glen Kaye, 11th. Walt Morrison was fourth and Joe Turley sixth for Grants Pass. Black was seventh for Crater.

SACRAMENTO NIPS NEVADA

Sacramento — (AP) — Sacramento State drove to a touchdown with three minutes gone in the game Saturday, then tightened its defenses to score a 7-0 football victory over the University of Nevada.

Los Angeles — (AP) — The University of California water polo team defeated UCLA Saturday, 17-4, in a Pacific Coast conference game in the Bruins' pool.

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