Axemen Overcome Tornado With Second Half Surge

"We had to fight for our lives, man!" That remark by Coach Hank Kuchera summed up the battle Friday night after his South Eugene Axemen had slashed the Medford high basketball team 52 to 42 in a non-conference engagement here.

The comment was made to Medford mentor Frank Roelandt.

Outfought in the first half, the Axemen utilized a fast breaking offense, tough defense, which gave the Tornado few good shots, and alert ball-hawking, which capitalized on Medford miscues, over the last two quarters to avert an upset.

It was the ninth straight triumph for the Axemen who have yet to taste defeat this season.

South Eugene opened fast in the game, getting an 8 to 1 jump on the shakey starting, less experienced Tornado. But, Medford, fighting ruggedly under the backboards, caught stride to pull up even with the Axemen, 14-all, at the quarter. Black Tornado offense seemed to perk up with the entry into the line-up of Jerry Anderson midway into the opening stanza, while Eugenians lost some of their poise.

Tornado Goes Ahead

With the scoring of Anderson and Lowell Dean, the backboard play of Tom Hamlin and Dean and the ball-hawking of Bilbee Lane and Don Peek the Tornado pulled to 24 to 18 and 26 to 20 margins in the third panel. Kuchera sent a reserve crew in meanwhile in effort to cool the Medford attack. The regulars returned with 2½ minutes left in the half and closed the gap to 26 to 23 with free shots.

Misfired Medford passes proved damaging to the home team cause. The Tornado lost the ball 26 times to 11 by Eugene during the evening. Interception and misdirected throws hurt most during the second half. Medford got the ball frequently, helped by the hawing of Peek and Lane, but the Tornado would too often lose it and South's defense kept host team shooting generally to long range.

The Axemen took permanent command at 34 to 32 and led 41 to 35 at the three-quarter stop. They built up 15-point spreads of 50 to 35 and 52 to 37 in the closing chukker.

Medford picked up a five-tally lead in the third canto before Eugene got rolling. Lowell Dean put in two field goals and a free shot for the Tornado while Neil Goldschmidt got a gifter and Charles Warren a field bucket for Eugene, making it 31 to 26 for Medford.

Warren Scores

All-stater Warren, limited to nine points (two field goals) in the first half, was the scoring gun for the Axemen in their second half surge, with 15 more counters. He put in two of his eight second half fielders and Tom Jones sank a long jumper to place Eugene in front 32 to 31. Dean tied the game at the foul line. Then with 3½ minutes left in the period a Medford offensive try went awry. Warren who had slipped behind Tornado defenders took a long pass for a close in shot for permanent Eugene command.

The Tornado collected only three field goals in the second half, getting off just 14 shots. But Medford wound up with a bit better goaling average than Eugene. The mark was .363 on 12 for 33. South had .328 on 20 for 61.

In backboard retrieving the hosts also had a slim edge of 37 to 34. Warren had considerable rivalry in the fierce scrapping under the backboards but emerged as top rebounder with 12. Deen and Hamlin each had eight for Medford.

In the scoring Dean followed Warren's 24 with 16. Anderson and Jones each put in 10.

The Whites nipped the Blacks 42 to 41 in a Medford junior varsity opener.

BOX:

Eugene	FG	FT	PF	TP
Jones, f	5	0	2	10
Goldschmidt, f	1	1	3	3
Warren, c	10	4	4	24
Clerkoney, g	1	0	1	2
Polhemus, g	1	7	1	9
Willener	0	0	1	0
Senn	0	0	0	0
Wilson	2	0	4	4
Coleman	0	0	1	0
Campbell	0	0	0	0
Allen	0	0	1	0
Totals	20	12	18	52

Medford	FG	FT	PF	TP
Hamlin, f	1	0	2	2
Peery f	0	1	3	1
L. Dean, c	5	6	5	16
Peek, g	1	1	3	3
Lane, g	1	1	5	3
Anderson	3	4	4	10
Brown	0	0	0	0
Plankenhorn	1	0	0	2
Bowling	0	3	1	3
Rasmussen	0	0	0	0
Totals	12	18	23	42

Referees—Warren and Flink.

MEDFORD JAYVEES:

42 Whites		Black 41
F 1 Manley	Konopasek	4
F 11 C. Dean	Miller	5
C 7 Koch	Shults	10
G 14 Ice	Monroe	8
G 7 Olson	Allen	5

Substitutions—For White, Durkee 2, G. Lindermann, Parsons, Kliever, Shoemaker; for Blacks, B. Lindeman 3, Cantrall 4, Friesen 2, Knight, Moore.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE
SPORTS

FIGHT FOR REBOUND — Tom Hamlin (32), Medford, and Niel Goldschmidt and Charles Warren (nearest basket), South Eugene, scrap for a rebound from the Medford backboard during Medford high's basketball brush with the strong Axemen here Friday night. Looking on are Ron Peery (11), Medford, and Rick Cerkoney (22) and Tom Jones, Eugene. Referee is Leonard Warren. The Axemen won 52 to 42.

Goalposts, Conversions Come Under Coach's Fire In Current NCAA Meeting

Fort Lauderdale, Fla. —(AP)— H. O. (Fritz) Crisler of Michigan, chairman of the NCAA Football Rules commitee, proposed Saturday that a conversion scored by rushing or passing count two points, with a place kick to remain one point as at present.

If this is adopted, it would be the first change in the rules of football scorings ince 1906. The change could not be made until 1959.

A proposal that the goal posts be shifted from their present position also was reinstated and made subject to consideration. The shifting of the goal posts back to the goal line, as they are in the pro game, is favored by the Ivy league.

Both proposals will be the subjects of intensive survey and experimentation in intra-squad and practice sessions during the 1958 season, the committee decided.

In proposing the change in the scoring rules Crisler termed the point after touchdown "the dullest play in the game."

"Right now the dullest play, the most stupid play, is the conversion attempt," Crisler said. "Under the proposed system, a team would still have a chance for a tie if it were eight points behind late in the game. It would perk up interest in the try for the point after touchdown."

It was thought that any movement of the goal posts from their customary position 10 yards behind the goal line was a dead issue after the 10-man board scratched the item from the agenda at the opening session Friday.

But George (Lefty) James of Cornell brought the subject up again today and the committee seemed willing this time to consider a frequent plea from the college coaches to "put the foot back in football."

Four suggested alterations in location of the goal posts will be studied during the year by a permanent rules change committee headed by Illinois Coach Ray Eliot.

The suggestions were:

1. Leave the posts where they are but lower the cross-bar from its current 10-foot height;
2. Widen the cross bar;
3. Both widen the cross bar and lower it;
4. Extend the cross bar five yards closer to the goal line.

Pels Down Tornado in Wrestling

Klamath Falls varsity trimmed Medford 38 to 8 Friday in a wrestling match at Klamath Falls.

Medford Tornado grapplers took two of the 12 matches and the Pels took all the others. For Medford Tom Morris took his heavyweight bout and Henry Courtney garnered the 156-pound tussle.

Some satisfaction was salvaged in the exhibitions where Medford compiled a 56 to 24 advantage, winning 17 of the 23 scraps.

The Tornado next meets Crater at Central Point on Jan. 23.

RESULTS:

97—Olson, K, pinned Don, Learn, M; 105—McFarland, K, pinned LeRoy Cox, M; 114—Bender, K, dec. Ken Johnson, M; 122—Gil Roberts, K, pinned Ray Smith, M; 129—Ron Phair, K, dec. Sam Jennings, M; 135—Michael, K, dec. Charles McKinley, M; 140—Alexander, K, dec. Dav Aos, M.

147—Harold Day, K, pinned Jack Young, M; 156—Henry Courtney, M, dec. Kirkpatrick, K; 167—Badoreck, K, dec. Fred Funston, M; 177—Baxter, K, dec. om Merton, M; Heavy—Tom Morris, M, pinned Hancock, K.

EXHIBITIONS: Medford winners—Bob Criswell, Dennis Pugmire, Dennis Owens, Leland Johnson, Jack Joyce, Don Marshall, Elgin Cook, Blake Taylor, Jim Scourery, Jim Johnson, Dennis Jensen, Don Harrison, Gary Heath, Jim Funston, Ken Nelson, Harold Friend.

ROUND TABLE WINS

Arcadia, Calif.—(AP)—Round Table with a field of four-year-olds at Santa Anita Saturday as he won the $27,300 San Fernado Stakes by better than four lengths to open ground and moved up to eighth place on the all-time money-winning list.

Sportsmen Club Meets Monday

Oregon Sportsmen Club of Jackson County will have a regular monthly meeting on Monday, Jan. 13, at the Veterans club, 42 North Front st.

There will be election of officers and discussion of the controversial proposal to combine the Oregon fish commission and the state game commission. The issue is considered of particular interest to sportsmen.

Talent Tips Butte Falls

Butte Falls — Talent high assumed safer command in Jackson County B league basketball Friday night with a 53 to 32 verdict over the Butte Falls Loggers.

It was the sixth league victory for the Bulldogs against no losses. The loss was the second for Butte Falls in six outings. Talent has been responsible for both.

Bulldog intermission leads were 9 to 6, 23 to 14 and 37 to 26. Phil Combs had 22 points for Talent while Ray Abbott, sophomore who is just getting into stride, had 13 for Butte Falls in his best game of the season.

Injuries to two veterans hampered the Loggers in their desire to make a closer game of it. Mike Conley has been hobbled by a bad ankle and Jim Irwin smashed a thumb in shop class.

LINE-UPS:

53 Talent		Butte Falls 32
F 4 Gingerich	Smith	2
F 10 Welburn	Conley	2
C 22 Combs	Abbott	13
G 2 Heard	Cavin	7
G 9 Baer	Irwin	8

Substitutions—For Talent, Walls 6, Conner; for Butte Falls, Fergus.

Bearcats Score 2nd Loop Win

Salem (AP)—Willamette university scored its second Northwest conference basketball victory of the season Friday night with an 83-59 win over Whitman.

Bearcat forward Vic Backlund poured in 24 points, and guard Eddie Grossenbacher contributed 18. Willamette's six-foot-five inch freshman center, Buzz Wilfert, sunk 14 points and collected 11 rebounds, although playing only half the game.

Willamette led the Missionaries at halftime, 47-32.

North Makes Use of South Kicking to Post Upset Win

Mobile, Ala. —(AP)— An underdog Northern squad, paced by the running of Mike Sommer and Jim Shanley, hung on for a bitter 15-13 victory over the South in the ninth annual Senior bowl game Saturday when a Dixie field goal attempt misfired in the last 23 seconds.

Billy Atkins of Auburn, whose punt had been blocked earlier for a safety to give the Yanks their actual victory margin, kicked his placement wide after the Rebels marched 70 yards to the North two in the closing minutes. A largely Rebel crowd of 35,000 was disappointed.

Atkins, fullback mainstay of Auburn's undefeated and untied 1957 team, also contributed to the Yankees' winning touchdown with his erratic kicking. He kicked off three times out of bounds after the second Southern score and the North wound up with the ball on its own 45.

Michigan State quarterback Jim Ninowski piloted the North to a score with two minutes and 30 seconds gone in the final period.

The passing whiz from the Big Ten tossed 14 to Iowa's all-America end Jim Gibbons for a first down on the South 21. Oregon halfback Shanley shot off tackle to the five and Larry Krutko, bruising fullback from West Virginia, plunged twice for the score. Jerry Kramer, Idaho guard, converted.

A Yankee drive that died out on the South three was turned into the winning margin when Rod Hanson a rangy Illinois end, blocked an Atkins punt out of the end zone for a safety.

Sommer, George Washington university halfback and future property of North Coach Joe Kuharich and the Washington Redskins, set up the game's first score by streaking 47 yards with an Atkins punt to the South 11 in the first period.

Southern Oregon Bounces Oregon Collegians 57-41

Monmouth — Southern Oregon college, displaying little of the polish it had in the pre-loop slate, dumped Oregon college 57 to 41 here Friday night in a ragged Oregon Collegiate conference hoop engagement.

The Wolves' defense ganged up on Southern Oregon's high scoring Bill Hollingsworth and held him to four field buckets. But the Raider hit 10 for 14 from the free throw mark and was top point man of the night with 18.

After a tottery start the Raiders broke from an 11 to 9 standing and ran to 25 to 9 before the OCE club hit again. The Raiders of Ashland were in front 29 to 19 at the half.

OCE narrowed its deficit to two points with 8½ minutes to play on a seven-counter spurt by Bon Williams. The Wolves, nevertheless couldn't keep up the pace and the SOC quint pulled away again.

Southern Oregon had backboard control 62 to 35 with Dave D'Olivo making 15 retrieves.

BOX:

SOC	FG	FT	PF	TP
D'Olivo, f	4	3	1	11
Oliva, f	4	0	2	8
Hollingsworth, c	4	10	3	18
McAbee, g	4	0	1	8
Maurer, g	2	1	4	5
Sutherland	1	0	0	2
Crandall	1	2	0	4
Foust	0	0	1	0
Love	0	0	0	0
Tenney	0	1	2	1
Totals	20	17	14	57

OCE	FG	FT	PF	TP
Adams, f	4	2	2	10
Young, f	2	1	1	5
Hoy, c	0	0	2	0
Goodman, g	1	0	0	2
Buss, g	1	1	4	3
Detzel	0	0	0	0
Milton	6	2	4	14
Williams	2	3	0	7
Sherk	0	0	0	0
Totals	16	9	14	41

Crater Frosh Nip Cavekids

Central Point—Loyal Higinbotham scored his only Comet field goal just as the final buzzer sounded Friday as the Crater high freshmen nudged Grants Pass 28 to 26 in a cage hassle at Grants Pass.

Crater headed 8 to 6 at the quarter and 15 to 15 at the half but the Cavekids had 21 to 19 third quarter advantage. The Comets controlled the backboards in the fray with Bryson LaCasse leading.

LINE-UPS:

28 Crater		Grants Pass 26
F 1 Foote	Harris	5
F 3 Edwards	Hathaway	2
C 5 Nielson	Hamilton	7
G 8 Romine	Meek	6
G 3 Hinginbotham	Walker	6

Substitutions—For Crater, White 2, LaCasse 6; for Grants Pass, Orr, Nix.

UCLA TO MEET OSU

Los Angeles — (AP)— UCLA Saturday announced signing of its first intersectional football game of the 1961 season with Ohio State university. UCLA Athletic Director Wilbur Jones said the game will be played on Saturday, Oct. 7, at Columbus, O. It will be the first meeting between the two schools.

Mickey Wright Leads In Seas Island Open

Sea Island, Ga. —(AP)— Defending champion Mickey Wright shattered a 36-hole record and took a healthy lead with a six-under-par 70 Saturday in the second round of the Sea Island Women's Open Invitational golf tournament.

The lanky 22-year-old blonde, third highest money winner in the Ladies Professional Golf association last year, appeared likely to become the first two-time winner of the $5,000, 54-hole event which ends tomorrow.

Tentative Angling Regulations Call for Later Rogue Opening

Tentative angling regulations adopted by the Oregon state game commission following a Friday hearing in Portland call for the opening of general trout season for the Rogue and Umpqua rivers and their tributaries one month later than usual.

Under the proposal, trout season for the two river systems would run from May 24 to Oct. 31. This plan is subject to further consideration at a commission hearing on Friday, Jan. 24, after which final regulations will be drawn up.

The May 24 opening applies to coastal streams in Zone 1 of the state. Rogue and Umpqua rivers empty into the Pacific ocean in that zone. General trout season elsewhere would open on April 26 except in many high Cascade lakes inside national forest boundaries. These lakes would open May 24 and close Oct. 5.

Late opening of the coastal streams was recommended by game department staff members to permit a larger escapement to the ocean of downstream migrating yearling salmon and steelhead. The staff brought out that studies show that the steady increase in anglers and decreasing resource necessitates more protection for the downstream migrating fish.

Four Lakes Open Early

To compensate for the late stream opening in this area, the commission, in the tentative regulations, set opening for four lakes at the same time as the general season, April 26. These are Lake of the Woods, and Fish, Willow and Squaw lakes. Also, it is planned to hold legal-sized hatchery-raised fish for stream release a month later than usual, providing larger, better fish for the anglers.

It was pointed out that fish caught during spring angling in the Rogue are mostly small steelhead and counts showed the summer run of steelhead to be in grave danger. It is felt that the screening Savage Rapids dam will help but it is not certain that screening will help entirely in preventing the decrease in the resource.

La Mola lake in the Umpqua area is another lake planned for early opening.

Hornet 9th Trips MJH

Hedrick Junior high ninth grade, outhustling the Bulldogs and taking advantage of its more numerous free toss chances, spilled McLoughlin 41 to 32 in basketball action at McLoughlin on Friday.

Bulldog players, however, won the other two games, the eighth chalking up a 51 to 19 final count and the seventh outscoring its Hornet foe 28 to 16.

The Hornet ninth shot 21 of 31 tries from free line while McLoughlin dropped in six of nine opportunities. Hedrick had a first intermission spread of 7 to 4. Tally was tied at 17-each at halftime and the Hornets commanded 26 to 2 in the third quarter.

The bigger McLoughlin eighth had to overcome a first quarter edge of 9 to 6 held by Hedrick. George Clearwater had 21 points for the Bulldogs.

On Thursday McLoughlin seventh grade junior varsity beat Howard 16 to 9.

LINE-UPS:

(Ninth Grade)

41 Hedrick		McLoughlin 32
F 10 Bray	Hammack	5
F 4 Sieg	Berry	3
C 1 Gastineau	Hood	4
G 9 Monroe	Quinney	8
G 15 Miller	Ragsdale	10

Substitutions — For Hedrick, House, Burnum, Dawson, McIntyre, Brown 2; for McLoughlin, McKinley, Humphreys 2, Winetrout, Adams.

(Seventh Grade)

28 McLoughlin		Hedrick 16
F 2 Neathamer	Mitchell	5
F Bowman	Gilbertson	3
C 10 Van Pelt	Bandy	
G 3 Defley	Miles	4
G 8 Steiger	Callan	

Substitutions—For McLoughlin, Reid, Farnsworth 4, Calkins, Watkins, Glines 1, Couch; for Hedrick, Taylor, Anderson 4, Barker, Stratton.

Howard Grade School Beat Gold Hill Fives

Howard Grade school basketball players won two games from Gold Hill on Friday.

Varsity score was 37 to 20. Junior varsity victory was 19 to 11.

Eaton with 16 points and Bradford with 14 topped Mustang scoring. Ron Beman had eight for Gold Hill.

Howard junior varsity had quarterly gaps of 10 to 5, 13 to 5 and 19 to 11. Fourth quarter was scoreless. D. Morris had eight for Gold Hill and Rosenberger had six for Howard.

Bowling

EMPIRE LEAGUE

Standings:	W.	L.
Winnie's Style Salon	47½	20½
Nu Way Cleaners	41	27
Hillyer Ill Co.	40	28
Western Thrift Drug	37	31
Virginia's Big Y Beauty	35	33
Skinner's Buick	32	36
The Village Dairy Smith	31	37
West Main Rent All	30½	37½
Jewel House	25½	42½
Hoppe's Florist	21½	46½

Results:

Western Thrift 0 (Helen Paulson 138-402) 1111; Skinners 4 (Maxine Janzer 155-468) 1332.

Virginia's 3 (Ann Rodgers 146-416) 1209; West Main 1 (Norma Larson 163-447) 1179.

Hoope's 1½ (Ruby Edmonds 141-423) 1242; Winnie's 2½ (Bea Mathews 162-455) 1281.

Jewel House 1 (Judy Barnum 159-432) 1223; Nu Way 3 (Virginia Wilson 214-544) 1288.

Dairy Smith 1 (Helen Frye 189-420) 1191; Hillyer Oil 3 (Dorothy Edwards 190-461) 1268.

High game 214—high series 544—Virginia Wilson

Ruby Edmonds Triplicate 141

Bonnie Wilson Stiar step 120-121-122.

Helen Paulson Split conversion 5-9-7.

ROGUE ROLLERS

Standings	W.	L.
Henry's Broiler	3	1
21 Club	3	1
Hideaway	3	1
Skeeters	3	1
Trowbridge & Flynn	2	2
Kachina Rm.	2	2
Timber Room	1	3
Chucks Mkt.	1	3
Economy Mkt.	1	3
Ralphs	1	3
Liningers	0	4

Results:

OK Market 4 (V. Findley 418) 2061; Liningers 0 (A. Bohannan 404) 1741.

Henry's Broiler 3 (V. Knox 496) 2217; Timber Room 1 (C. Pratt 454) 2121.

Kachina Room 2 (J. Lovett 422) 1879; Trowbridge & Flynn 2 (G. Russell 431) 1967.

Hideaway 3 (D. Christianson 532) 2094; Ralph's 1 (G. Riggs 505) 2039.

21 Club 3 (E. Baker 464) 2095; Chucks Mkt. 1 (S. Coulter 442) 2050.

Skeeters 3 (A. Swoope 487) 2055; Economy Mkt. 1 (P. McCracken 439) 2029.

High game—A. Swoope 195

Split conversions—E. Harrison 6-7—A. Mitcheltree 5-7.

THURSDAY HOUSEWIVES

Standings:	W.	L.
The Jokers	34	10
Four Marks	30	14
Three Hits	28	16
Goof Balls	26	18
Alley Kats	26	18
Nine Pins	19	25
Spare Pickers	13	31
Team Eight	0	44

Results:

Jokers 1 (L. Morton 421) 17462; Goof Balls 3 (N. Peek 447) 16330.

Four Marks 1 (L. Redding 403) 16522; Spare Pickers 0 (C. Young 378) 13062.

Three Hits 1 (E. Lisenbee 392) 156823; Nine Pins 3 (V. Haas 403) 14891.

Alley Kats 4 (P. Travis 395) 14794; Team Eight (forfeited).

Split conversions, V. Browns 8-10 Doris Harris 5-7-10.

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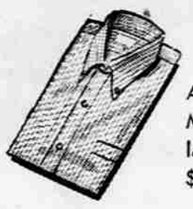
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