

Pressure Could Be Large Factor in Tornado-Jeff A-1 Title Game

Pressure. That word and quality may have an eventful role on Friday night when the Medford Black Tornado challenges the Jefferson High school Democrats for Oregon prepdom's highest football laurels, the Class A-1 championship.

Jefferson, which has cut a wide swath in the state's metropolitan area, and Medford, which has earned top recognition through a rugged season in the regions of the hinterland, collide at Multnomah stadium in Portland for the big school diadem.

Medford seeks a lofty pinnacle last attained for the local school in 1944. For the defending champion Jeffersonians, No. 1 ranked throughout the season, have been rated as Oregon's all-time best.

Both schools have put behind them impressive seasons and go into the titular conflict, a struggle between multiple offenses, with undefeated records. But, while the Portland Interscholastic league's standard bearers have rolled along a smooth and easy path of almost always overwhelming triumphs, the Black Tornado, co-champ of the Southern Oregon conference, frequently has had to overthrow strong challenges of adversity.

Apply to Utmost

That ability to survive and offset opposing stress and strain and to apply pressure to the opposing team—a resistance and pressure to which the Democrats are unaccustomed—will be applied to its utmost as the Tornado, Big Wind of southern Oregon, attempts the stunning upset of the year.

Scores of games this year depict Jefferson's easy romp to its second straight A-1 finale and show the rougher road the Medfordites have had to travel to gain the pay-off engagement for the second time in three years.

Jeff's "toughest" tussle saw it subdue Lincoln in its opener 34 to 20. That's the most one team has scored upon the Democrats this season. They have never failed to tally less than 31 counters. Seven of their foes have gone scoreless.

In other PIL combats the Jeffs pounded Roosevelt 47 to 0, Wilson 45 to 12, Washington 48 to 0, Grant 69 to 20, Madison 41 to 0, Franklin 48 to 6, Benson 54 to 0 and Cleveland 31 to 0. The Democrats went on to whip West 41 to 6 in state quarter-finals and West Linn 38 to 0 in a semi-final game.

Medford rolled up some impressive scores, 53 to 0 over Klamath Falls, 33 to 0 over Eureka, Calif., 27 to 0 over Ashland and 26 to 0 over Crater. But in the Ashland fracas the Tornado didn't score until the fourth quarter and against Crater and Klamath half-time leads were only 7 to 0.

The Pear capital aggregation felt the pressure greatest in the 3 to 0 and 7 to 0 over Marshfield, its most satisfying triumphs, in the scoreless tie with Grants Pass, in which the yardage edge gave Medford a berth in the A-1 finals, and in the 27 to 26 semi-final squeak over Pendleton. Other Medford verdicts were 21 to 7 over North Salm and 19 to 0 over David Douglas.

It was the non-league 3 to 0 win over Marshfield which brought home to the Black Tornado that it was a championship contender. Offense vs. Defense

A-1 titular contention has been billed as a battle of Jefferson offense and Medford defense. Those are qualities which have characterized the clubs through the 1958 campaign. But last week's fray with Pendleton, which disputed Tornado defensive might, also showed that Medford has an offense. And the Pear city team will have to utilize this attacking strength to fulfill its championship aspirations while trying to stop the Jeffs who have averaged 45.1 points per game.

Medford, which wants to make up for a 40 to 19 loss to Marshfield in the 1956 finale game, and Jefferson, which seeks to extend a 22-game winning skein for a second straight banner, both use combined T and single wing offenses with unbalanced lines opening up the way. Both have aerial games but the Demos have made passes a more consistent weapon. Jefferson relied more upon the T in its West Linn victory last Friday while Medford started with the T but turned to and stuck to its single wing against Pendleton's Buckaroos.

Renfro Pace The ball packing of the Renfro brothers, Ray at fullback and Mel at halfback, and the



HEADS 'CLARK'S RAIDERS' OF TORNADO—Jim Clark, above, stellar line-backer for the Medford High school football aggregation, calls the defensive signals for the Black Tornado. He'll have that role for the final time for Medford Friday night when the Tornado tackles the Jefferson Democrats, defending champs, at Multnomah stadium in Portland, for the Oregon Class A-1 title. Clark is a quarterback in his rare offensive appearances. He is one of 18 seniors appearing in grid uniform for the final time for the Tornado. Medford nipped Pendleton 27 to 26 last week end and Jeff laced West Linn 38 to 0 in the play-off semi-finals.

running and passing of Terry Baker at quarterback and half back has geared the Jeff attack this fall while Ends Vic Ellis and Herb Washburn and backs Mel and Raye, on the catching end, have helped make the air game click.

Guard Dennis Prozinski, 190-pounder, Jeff's outstanding lineman, and Tackle John Thiess, 195-pound college prospect, have led the forward wall.

Medford has had the running of Gerry Lyons, Skip Bennett and Ron Reich mainly with Bob Pond and Ken Durke doing the aerial chucking in the late games this fall. Ends Lowell Dean and Pete Rasmussen and a variety of backs have been on the receiving end. And the attack has moved behind a line working as a well-balanced unit.

Chances appeared slimmer today that Medford defensive halfback would be able to play. He suffered an ankle sprain in the Pendleton game. Either Jerry Anderson or Danny Sieg will get the call at the position if Dean is unable to play.

The Tornado worked out this morning and will leave for Portland by bus at 3 p.m. today. The team will drive straight through to the metropolis.

Jackets Given to School Players were to leave garbed in new black travel jackets with red and white sleeves and collar trim. Forty-nine jackets have been presented to the school for such travel use and are school property. Donors are Crater Lake Machinery company of Medford and Klamath Falls, managed here by Crock Hunter, and Rogue Equipment Sales of Medford, owned by Wayne Chase. The two firms, across-the-road neighbors on North Pacific highway, purchased the jackets through cooperation of Mann's Department store.

Seniors predominate on the 33-man squad which will suit down from Medford for the game. Eighteen players are scheduled to don the Tornado grid gear for the last time of their prep careers. These are Jim Clark, Bob Pond, Gerry Lyons, Ron Reich, Don Peck, John Harvey, Fred Funston, Dennis Bar, Don Mann, George Ice, Gary Winetroot, Gary Heath, Mike Murray, Jim Fontaine, Monty Penwell, Don Harrison, Frank Peterson and Pete Rasmussen. The complete squad roster is:

Ends—Rasmussen, Lowe 11, Dean, Peterson, Murray, Jerry Anderson. Tackles—Penwell, Winetroot, Lynn Knight, Heath, Harrison, Fontaine. Guards—Ice, Keith Berg, Mann, John Frohmayer, Dennis Jensen, Terry Earl. Centers—Dennis Barr, Pat McLaughlin. Quarterbacks—Pond, Clark, Ray Konopasek. Left halfbacks—Lyons, Ken Durke, Calvin Dean, Peck, Dick Ragsdale. Fullbacks—Skip Bennett, Danston. Sigs. Al Funston, Fred Funston. Right halfbacks—Reich, Leonard Griggs, Harvey.

Air Force, West Point Grid Picks

New York — (UPI) — Army, which isn't interested in bowl bids, and the Air Force Academy, a strong candidate for the Cotton Bowl, are favored to close out their regular season frolicking on a victorious note this week end.

The odds-makers have installed Army as an eight-point choice over Navy in their annual service classic at Philadelphia while the Falcons are seven-point favorites to defeat Colorado at Boulder, Colo., Saturday.

Three other teams with bowl aspirations are picked to knock off "backyard" rivals. Pittsburgh is a six-point choice over Penn State for their Thanksgiving Day renewal, while Clemson is a 35-point favorite over Furman and Mississippi is a seven-point choice over Mississippi State in Saturday games.

Pittsburgh and Mississippi both are being considered for the Gator Bowl and Clemson, the Atlantic Coast Conference champion, may be invited to oppose Louisiana State in the Sugar Bowl.

Texas was a seven-point pick over Texas A&M in today's nationally-televised contest. In other holiday games, Virginia Military is a narrow one-point favorite over Virginia Tech, Pennsylvania is seven over Cornell, South Carolina is seven over Wake Forest, and Brown is 14 over Colgate.

Only one of Saturday's games was rated a toss-up. That was the annual blood-letting between Georgia and Georgia Tech at Athens, Ga. The point spreads on other Saturday games:

Rice 4 over Baylor, Auburn 7 over Alabama, Houston 7 over Texas Tech, Vanderbilt 10 over Tennessee, Notre Dame 10 over Southern California, Arizona State 14 over Marquette, Florida 14 over Miami (Fla.), Texas Christian 1 over Southern Methodist, Oklahoma 19 over Oklahoma State.

Oregon Harriers Heading South

Eugene — (UPI) — Oregon's cross-country team left today for Stanford to take part in the Pacific Coast conference championships Saturday over a four-mile course.

Oregor has Jim Grelle as the top threat for an individual title with veterans Phil Knight and Mark Robbins counted on heavily to help. Dyrrol Burlison, freshman star from Cottage Grove, along with transfer Dick Miller and sophomore George Larsen round out the Webfoot team.

HOCKEY NATIONAL LEAGUE

United Press International Maurice Richard notched his 600th goal in the National Hockey league but he was in no mood to celebrate.

"It was just a goal like all the rest," said the 37-year-old Montreal star. "Just a number."

The reason for his lack of enthusiasm was obvious. Even with his goal, the New York Rangers beat the Canadiens, 5-3, Wednesday night and the loss enabled Detroit to move into a first-place tie with Montreal when the Red Wings licked the Maple Leafs, 5-2.

"The only goals I ever remember," Richard said, "are the ones that win games."

American League The Hershey Bears begin the second leg of a rugged six-game road trip when they meet the Providence Reds in tonight's only American Hockey league action at Providence.

In Wednesday night's only AHL game, the front-running Buffalo Bisons opened a six-point bulge over the second-place Bears by trouncing the Rochester Americans, 4-1, at Buffalo.

Continues Comeback Hoyoke, Mass. — (UPI) — Middleweight Jimmy Beau of New Canaan, Conn., continues his comeback when he meets Milton Ebbs of Newark, N.J., next Tuesday night. Beau was recently discharged from the Air Force after a three and one-half year hitch.

Badger Captains Forest Grove — (UPI) — Chuck Peterson, junior guard from Sherwood, and Jim Ferguson, junior center from La Grande, were named Wednesday as co-captains of the 1959 Pacific university football team.

Turkey Day Menu Has Grid Tiffs

By TIM MORIARTY United Press International Pittsburgh, South Carolina, Mississippi Southern and Cincinnati hoped to score impressive victories against ancient rivals today and thereby remain "alive" in the chase for bowl berths.

Pittsburgh, considered a leading candidate either for the Gator or Blue Grass Bowl, was a five-point choice against Penn State in their 58th meeting on the Panthers' home grounds.

South Carolina, another Gator Bowl hopeful, met Wake Forest for the 30th time at Columbia, S.C. The Gamecocks were favored by 6½ points to win their seventh game in 10 outings this year and clinch second place in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Mississippi Southern, the No. 1 team in the UPI small college ratings, also was shooting for a Gator Bowl berth in its season closer against Chattanooga while Cincinnati played Miami of Ohio with a possible Blue Grass Bowl invitation hanging on the outcome.

Have Identical Records Pitt and Penn State squared off for their latest renewal with identical 5-3-1 records. They have met five mutual opponents this season. Both beat Holy Cross and both lost to Nebraska and Syracuse.

In other Eastern traditional, Penn met Cornell for the 65th time while Brown squared off against Colgate in their 39th renewal. Penn, shooting for its first winning season since 1952, was a seven-point favorite over the Red Raiders.

Telecast Texas Game The holiday's nationally-televised game, pitted Texas against Texas A&M. The Longhorns have enjoyed remarkable success in this long series, winning 42 of 64 previous meetings with the Aggies, and were seven-point favorites for today's renewal.

An all-star team from the Midwest, led by several Big Ten conference players, battled a squad of Eastern collegians in the first Gem City Bowl game at Erie, Pa. Coach Frank Reagan of Villanova directed the Easterners and Ara Parseghian of Northwestern handled the Midwest group.

Other holiday games pitted Virginia Military against Virginia Tech, Richmond vs. William and Mary, Tulsa vs. Wichita, Utah vs. Utah State, Colorado State U. vs. Denver, and College of Pacific vs. Fresno State.

Boston Celtics Bid for First In Pro League

United Press International The Boston Celtics are beginning to tinker with the lock on first place in the Eastern division of the National Basketball association.

Scoring their fifth straight victory at Boston Garden, the surging Celtics cut the New York Knickerbockers' lead to two games by defeating them, 121-109, Wednesday night.

A pair of "old pros," Bill Sharman and Bob Cousey spearheaded Boston's offensive, Sharman netting 22 points and Cousey 20. Carl Braun and Willie Naulls scored 28 points apiece for the Knicks.

Bob Pettit's 16-point spree in the fourth quarter paced the St. Louis Hawks to a 112-107 triumph over the Syracuse Nationals. Pettit scored 31 points in all and the Hawks trailed 92-87 before he went on his last-quarter rampage. The loss dropped Syracuse into the Eastern division cellar.

Detroit ran up a 20-point lead in the first half and then coasted to a 112-95 victory over Cincinnati.

Governors Ask Uranium Market

Honolulu — (UPI) — The Western Governors Conference has asked the federal government to help the West's uranium ore industry by providing a "stable, steady and continuing market."

The governors took action Wednesday in a resolution adopted at the final day of a three-day conference. They said the industry was dying from a lack of marketing support and at the same time was being smothered by excessive controls.

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PLAYING IT SAFE, Post Office Department releases design of new Alaska stamp 7-cent commemorative air mail stamp complete except for last digit at lower right. Alaska will not become state until President Eisenhower issues official proclamation either late this year or early next year. Stamp will be issued at Juneau.

SPORTS

Crater Hoopmen Prepping For Openers at Roseburg

Central Point — Defense is the current problem as the Crater High school basketball squad girds for its season openers.

Coach Don Aniela, at the Comet helm for the second year, reported that offense is doing all right but that the club is a long way from being ready defensively. He indicated that the Comets are going to be "trading buckets" in their games on Dec. 5 and 6 at Roseburg.

Aniela has nine players back from his 1957-1958 varsity squad. These are Wayne Allen, Bryson LaCasse, Kerman Bennett, John Burns, Loyal Higinbotham, Dennis Pfaff, Dave Sharp, Chuck Turner and Bill White. Also on the 12 man varsity crew are Jim Wood, a transfer from Washington, Jerry Michael, who played junior varsity ball last year, and Tom White, up from the freshman squad.

Wood, a 6-foot junior, who'll give the crew a boost, turned off his ankle on the second day of practice, and may be missing from the squad at least another week.

Battle for Spots Aniela reported that, as the situation stands, Allen at forward and Higinbotham at guard appear to have starting assignments nailed down. At the post 6-3½ Bill White seems to have the edge on 6-4 LaCasse on the basis of experience, shooting and passing.

Bennett and Pfaff are battlers for one guard spot and Burns and Turner for the other forward. LaCasse and Bill White are the tallest players. Burns and Michael are 6-1 and Turner and Tom White 6 feet.

The week end after its openers Crater goes to Coquille for a game and on the following week end has tussles with Eagle Point. Southern Oregon conference play, as usual opens in January. The Comets go to Bend for a Jan. 16 non-league tangle and return to the valley to play at Ashland in the conference on the following night.

IRS Ruling Helps Public Accountants

Washington — (UPI) — Public accountants will be able to tackle their turkey with a fraction more thanksgiving today as a result of a new Internal Revenue Service ruling.

The IRS was forced to retreat one-eighth of an inch when a public accountant in California protested the width of schedules attached to income tax Form 1040.

The new ruling, revealed Wednesday by Deputy Internal Revenue Commissioner O. Gordon Delk, will permit accountants to file forms with an eight and one-half inch width on any accompanying papers.

The accountant, Elmer L. Hall of Long Beach, Calif., had complained that the photocopy paper used in recording client's records were one-eighth of an inch too long and some accountants were trying to reach the filing deadlines by snipping off the excess paper.

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Bowl Pick Hinges on SM-TC Tilt

By SHELBY SCATES New Orleans — (UPI) — Clemson may wait at the threshold of a Sugar Bowl invitation today that may or may not materialize depending on the outcome of a traditional game in Texas Saturday.

The field of possible opponents for unbeaten and untied Louisiana State in the Jan. 1 post season game was narrowed to two teams—Southern Methodist and Clemson—Wednesday with the announcement that Washington State's bid for a post season game was vetoed by the Pacific Coast conference.

The key to the hard-pressed Sugar Bowl selection committee's decision will be the outcome of the Southern Methodist-Texas Christian game in Dallas.

Southern Methodist although already beaten four times this season, will be the heavy favorite for the bid if it wins over Southwest conference champs TCU.

Tiger Preference Claude (Monk) Simons, president of the Mid-Winter Sports association which sponsors the post-season game, has already expressed a preference for the Tigers—those from LSU and the Clemson breed.

But he qualifies his personal position with the observation that he is only one man on the Sugar Bowl's 17-man selection committee.

The Washington State Cougars were eliminated from contention for the bid Wednesday when Pacific Coast conference members voted down WSC's request for a waiver which would have permitted the Cougars to accept an outside bowl bid.

Clemson lost three games this season, which on the surface appears more impressive than the SMU showing. But while Clemson bowed to South Carolina, SMU got its jumps from the likes of Ohio State, Notre Dame and Rice.

Odds-makers say the point spread between the Mustangs and LSU would be less than the spread between the Bayou Tigers and Clemson.

The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis was created in 1938.

Fisher Welcome To Visit Children

Hollywood — (UPI) — Actress Debbie Reynolds, 26, says her estranged husband Eddie Fisher is "very welcome" to visit their two children during today's Thanksgiving holiday.

"And he's welcome to visit them at Christmas too," Miss Reynolds said.

The couple separated in September after the 30-year-old singer publicly squired three-times wed actress Elizabeth Taylor around New York nightspots.

Miss Reynolds said attorneys were working on a property settlement preparatory to the filing of a divorce. She said she did not know when the divorce would be filed.

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