

Mel Counts Key To Fortune Of Bucs, Tornado's Friday Foe; NB Here on Saturday

Persons who had reserved seat tickets to last season's Medford high basketball games were reminded by the school today that they have through Friday to buy their same seats. The school office will be open through 5 p.m. Other fans who wish reserved seats for the season may buy their tickets at the school office or can get them at Marshfield and North Bend high schools with Medford on Friday and Saturday at Hedrick Junior High school.

Guard Don Peek definitely will be out of the Medford high basketball line-up this week end, Coach Frank Roelandt reported this morning. He said that Peek

has suffered an attack of appendicitis. It was not learned whether the player will have to undergo surgery.

"There's no getting around it. As Mel Counts goes, so go the basketball fortunes of the Marshfield Pirates this season and for next."

With that remark, Kenn Hess, sports editor of the Coos Bay World, leads off a story on the outlook for the Buccaneers whom Medford high will oppose in the basketball season opener for both schools. Medford's Tornado and Marshfield will collide at 8 p.m. on Friday at Hedrick Junior High school here. The Black Tornado will be host to

North Bend here on Saturday night.

Grants Pass will entertain the two Oregon coast teams on the opposite nights.

Hess goes on to say that Counts, a 6-9 junior post man, who last year scored 418 points for 18.7 per game average and collected 15 rebounds a game, will be the key to Marshfield success in the 1957-1958 hoop chase.

But the Coos Bay writer warns that opponents may find themselves in trouble with Counts' running mates if they spend all their time devising defensive measures against the giant Buccaneer. For Coach Bruce Hoffine has six lettermen back from the 1957-1958 campaign. Three of them, including Counts, were starters.

Gary Rossi, 5-11, and Walt Hunter, 6-even, guards last year, are the other regulars on hand. Hunter has been moved to forward and seems to be operating more effectively there. Karl Coke, 6-even, Bob Eddy, 6-2 1/2, and Jerry Weekly, 6 feet, are the additional monogram men. At present Coke is holding down a guard spot with Rossi.

Eddy and Weekly seem to have the inside track on the second forward spot but bidding strong for it also is Bob Burles, a 6-2 sophomore. Burles is aggressive and is one of the club's better rebound retrievers and a fair shooter. Eddy is said to be an excellent shot along with Laurence Eickworth, a 6-1 1/2 forward candidate.

Behind Rossi and Coke at guards are Dick Shanley, 5-11, and Jerry Larsen, 5-10. They are quick and fast and are good at handling the ball. After Counts at center are Jan Kelley, 6-1, and Clyde Henderickson, 6-3. Burles is another post possibility.

Others on the Pirate roster are Marvin Harris, 5-10, and Bob Burke, 6 feet, forwards, and Bill Starnes, 5-9, Dale McGriff, 6-even, and Bob Reichert, 5-9, guards.

Just how much action Counts will see is a question. Still growing, he is bothered by back pains which have hampered his practice. He has a fine shooting touch in the 10-15-foot radius, Hess reported. Counts is especially effective with a turn-jump shot and is developing a good hook shot. The tall cager is said to have more endurance and aggressiveness than he had last season.

Hess said that the set of offensive will revolve around Counts when he's in the line-up and that getting the ball to him will be an important item. Rossi is a fine feeder and is expected to assume the leadership off front. Also, Rossi is quick, a good driver, springy and an improved shooter. Coke possesses quickness, drive and out-front shooting ability.

Along with Hunter, Rossi and Coke will be factors in making a fast break click. Hunter's moves along the base line and his short set shots are expected to bolster the Bucs.

Medford and Marshfield have their first action of the season this week end. North Bend played last week end, dropping a 53 to 49 verdict to Coquille.

SERIES ANNOUNCED
Has announced a home-and-away 1963 and 1964. Pitt will play home football series with the University of Pittsburgh for 1963 and 1964. Pitt will play at Los Angeles the first year and host the West Coast squad the following season.

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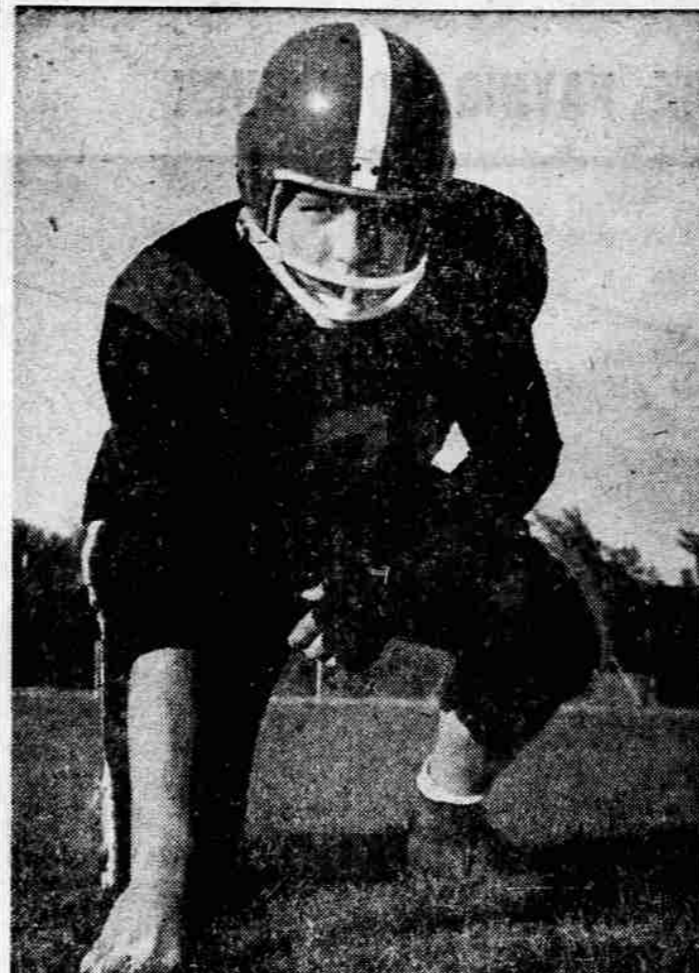
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Gill Shakes Up Line-Up

Corvallis - (UPI) - Coach Slat Gill today had some changes in his Oregon State basketball lineup.

Oregon State, which has lost three games in a row, meets Hawaii here Friday night and Wichita Saturday night.

Steve Flynn and Ernie Johnson moved into the starting combination Tuesday replacing Ted Miller and sophomore Karl Anderson.



OUTSTANDING LINEMAN - Gary Winetrou, above, was one of two players named as outstanding linemen for the Medford High football team this fall. Winetrou, a senior, was a defensive stalwart, whose play earned him a berth on the Oregon Journal's state all-star second team.

MEDFORD TRIBUNE SPORTS

Ashlanders To Encounter Redding in Home Series

Ashland-Coach Earl Iba has had his Ashland High basketball team working on basic fundamentals this week

as it prep for its third and fourth games of the season. The Grizzlies will entertain the strong Shasta High team of Redding, Calif., with tangles both Friday and Saturday evenings. These scraps will open the home slate for the Ashlanders.

Last week end the Grizzlies were in California where they dropped a close decision to Fortuna and fell by a wider score to Eureka. Need for fundamental drills showed up on the trip and Iba has paid particular attention to rebounding and passing in work-outs since.

The mentor has indicated that Bob Johnson, Jim Bjork and Don Taylor may be on the starting five for the Friday game with the other two positions yet to be settled between Bob Hardy and Clark Smith and Steve Gray and Paul Alley.

St. Mary's High Host Of Prospect

St. Mary's gym in Medford and the Talent high floor will be scenes of Jackson County B league basketball games on Friday evening.

Prospect will vie at St. Mary's and Jacksonville at Talent.

Fifth member of the league, Butte Falls, will entertain a non-league rival, Class A-2 Rogue River.

St. Mary's, winner over Jacksonville last Monday, will appear in its second league scrap. Prospect tries for its first loop win in three games.

Talent has its second league game and Jacksonville its third.

Official ruling on Talent's game last Thursday at Butte Falls is yet to be heard but the rule book supports the Loggers as victors with a one point edge after a second overtime. A third overtime was played, however, with the score in favor of Talent when action halted.

Jacksonville has won a game and lost one.

Grizzlies Victors in Mat Bouts

Eagle Point - Ashland High defeated Eagle Point 36 to 16 Tuesday night in a wrestling match at Ashland.

Highlight of the evening for the Eagles was the victory by Dale Casey in the heavy-weight match. The 178-pounder won by pin from 220-pound Don Woods in 1 1/4 minutes of the first round. Coach Gayle Schoppert of EP said that, despite the loss, he was pleased with the showing of his team in its first competition of the season.

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150 Field In Mayfair Golf Open

Sanford, Fla. - (UPI) - A field of 150, including many of golf-dom's top money-winners, teed off today in the opening round of the \$15,000 Mayfair Inn Open tournament.

On hand for the 72-hole event, now in its fourth year, will be the winner of America's three biggest tournaments - the PGA, U.S. Open, and the Masters.

Heading the star-studded lineup are Dow Finsterwald, Tequesta, Fla., the PGA titlist; Tommy Bolt, Paradise, Fla., U.S. Open champion; and Arnold Palmer, Latrobe, Pa., the Masters winner.

All three previous Mayfair winners also are entered. They are Al Balding, Markham, Ont., 1955 winner; Wally Burkemo, Franklin Hill, Mich., who won in 1956, and defending champion Mike Fetchik of Yonkers, N. Y.

Among the other top pros entered are Bill Casper Jr., Apple Valley, Calif.; Art Wall Jr., Fococo Manor, Pa.; Julius Boros, Mid Pines, N. C.; Doug Ford, Paradise, Fla., and touring pro for the host Mayfair Course, Jay Hebert.

Few Steelhead In Illinois

Portland - (UPI) - The weekly hunting-fishing report prepared by the State Game Commission:

Southwest: Waterfowl hunting prospects declined in Douglas county; duck hunting fair to good in Coquille valley and Coos Bay area; stormy weather will improve hunting; prospects only fair in Jackson and Josephine counties.

Steelhead angling in Forks and Cleveland Rapids should be fair to good if waters not too high or muddy in Umpqua; South Umpqua poor to fair; Coquille river fair to good for steelhead near Cedar Point; Coos river poor to fair; few isolated steelhead appearing in lower Illinois.

Archie Moore Hangs On To Title With Record Breaking Knockout

By JACK CUDDY
United Press International
Montreal - (UPI) - Promoter Eddie Quinn said today a return performance of the great Archie Moore-Yvon Durelle ring classic is a "must" for Montreal next July.

And Truman Gibson, president of the International Boxing club, agreed with him. A classic it was—one of the ring's greatest—as Moore, perhaps, the oldest active champion in boxing annals—climbed off the canvas four times Wednesday night (once from a slip) and became the sport's all-time kayo king by blasting the Canadian champion with four knockdowns on an 11th-round knockout. Talked To Himself
It was with good reason

that Durelle, the fighting fisherman from New Brunswick, burst into tears in his dressing room from heart-breaking frustration; for he had been almost as close to becoming champion as a man could—in the first round and again in the fifth session of their blood-and-thunder battle.

Archie weighed 173 3/4—the lightest in four years—to 172 for the champion of Canada and the British Empire.

Hawkinson's Meets Butte Falls Team

Independent basketball league play gets underway in Medford this evening when Hawkinson Tire Tread Service of Medford and Butte Falls have their first game in the new southern Oregon circuit.

Johnson, Willard Lilly, Ron Peery and Bob Plankenhorn from Medford high. McLaughlin was a prep all-stater in 1958.

The two clubs vie at the St. Mary's school gymnasium.

Others Listed
Also on the club are Don Harris, all-stater at Jacksonville in 1948, Dale McCay, Medford and Jacksonville high with Oregon Tech freshman experience, Bob Serak, Ex-Chicagoan; Doug Witte, Rogue league all-star from Phoenix high, and Darrell Johnson, school ball player in Iowa.

Several members of the club have previous independent ball experience.

The team is sponsored by Carl Bismark of the Hawkinson firm. Fred Johnson is manager.

The Tiremen roster is made up mainly of players who were athletes in high schools of this area. Among them are Dick McLaughlin, Derald Wooton, Dick Niles, Fred

Billy Stacy Will Lead Rebel Crew

Mobile, Ala. - (UPI) - Mississippi State quarterback Billy Stacy, a ball-handling wizard grabbed as first draft choice by the Chicago Cardinals, will lead the revenge-seeking South team in the 10th annual Senior Bowl game here, Jan. 3.

Stacy gave up a promising career in baseball, at least at the college level, when he agreed to compete in the post-season play-for-pay debut of some of the nation's top college seniors.

The 185-pound Winona, Miss., athlete won honorable mention in the UPI All-America listing, in spite of performing with a disappointing team.

A pair of UPI second All-America team linemen will anchor the line for the 25-man Southern team that was announced today.

The North team, which will be announced later, won last year's contest, 15-13, when a last-minute Rebel field goal attempt missed from short yardage.

Vel Heckman, 229-pound Florida tackle and guard George Deiderich of Vanderbilt, both on the second UPI squad, were chosen for coach Paul Brown of the National Football League's Cleveland Browns.

The South has eight UPI All-America choices and eight players already tabbed in the NFL draft.

Both fighters must win this one if they expect any ensuing bouts against "name" opponents at a later date.

Moyer was expected to weigh in at about 181 and Dupas at about 150.

Two four round and two six round matches round out the card.

Gene Brito Day Billed

Washington - (UPI) - Professional football will be a little poorer next Sunday about 4:20 p.m., e.s.t.

That is when Gene Brito will have played his last game for the Washington Redskins.

Sunday's finale against the Philadelphia Eagles is "Gene Brito Day" on which the black-haired bullet from Loyola, Calif., will be honored with a new car and other gifts.

Brito retires after that game, climaxing seven brilliant years as one of the greatest "defensive ends" ever to play football. The record is remarkable in more ways than one.

He has never missed a game, playing in 83 consecutive National Football League games (he played in Canada during 1954).

He has drawn only one penalty in seven years—for offense.

In the 1958 pro bowl game, he made 60 per cent of his team's tackles.

"He is one of the greatest defensive players I've ever coached," said Redskin Coach Joe Kuharich.



STANDOUT FOR MEDFORD - Don Harrison, above, was chosen by his Medford High gridiron teammates for outstanding lineman designation. He tied for the honor with Gary Winetrou. Harrison, a senior, played mostly on offense and handled some of the kick-off and placekick chores for the Black Tornado which was runner-up for the Oregon Class A-1 championship this fall.

Oklahoma's Bob Harrison UPI's Lineman of Year

New York - (UPI) - Bob Harrison, a Texas farm boy who became an All-America star at the University of Oklahoma, today was voted college football's "Lineman of 1958" in a nation-wide United Press International poll.

Harrison, a 211-pound center and linebacker who was drafted last week by the San Francisco Forty Niners of the National Football league, received 46 votes in balloting by 287 sports writers and broadcasters.

John Guzik, Pittsburgh's All-America guard, was second in the poll with 29 votes. Max Fugler, center for unbeaten-untied Louisiana State, was next with 24.

The remaining 188 votes were scattered among 38 linemen with Jim Houston, Ohio State end, and Ted Bates, Oregon State tackle, tied for fourth with 19 apiece. Zeke Smith, Auburn guard, was sixth with 13. Jackie Burnett,

Pioneers Beat Hawaii Quint

Portland - (UPI) - University of Hawaii's traveling Rainbows dropped their second game on a 10-game tour here Wednesday night, losing to Lewis and Clark, 76-61.

After the teams changed leads in the opening minutes of the game the Pioneers grabbed the lead at 13-11 with 12:36 to play and never trailed after that. At one time in the second half Lewis and Clark led by 19 points.

Pilots Defeat Lutheran Club

Portland - (UPI) - University of Portland, taking advantage of a cold first half by Pacific Lutheran, won its third game in a row here Wednesday night 64-42. The Pilots held a 35-16 halftime lead.

Portland was led by guards Jim Armstrong and Wally Panel who had 14 and 12 points respectively.

Bright Future For Portland Baseball Seen

Portland - (UPI) - Officials of the Portland baseball team foresaw a bright future for the 1959 Pacific Coast league season Wednesday night.

Game hours were taken, however, by PLC's sharp-shooting guard Roger Iverson. He had 16 points.

Pacific Lutheran shot a dismal .254 for the game hitting 18 shots in 71 attempts. Portland hit 28 of 71 for a .394 mark.

General Manager Tommy Heath said Kansas City of the American league had promised at least 10 players with major league or triple-A background, including six pitchers.

Clyde Perkins, vice president of the team, said the players would join in a drive to boost attendance by frequent personal appearances.

"We're going to shake everyone up and we'll show the big leaguers that the coast is anything but small peanuts," Perkins said.

No Halfway Support Of SF Forty-Niners

By HAL WOOD
United Press International
San Francisco - (UPI) - More than 60,000 loyal fans will jam Kezar Stadium on Sunday to see the once-proud San Francisco Forty Niners attempt to get a break-even (6-6) season by beating off the champion Baltimore Colts.

No matter what happens, the "I told you so's" are going to be flying thick and fast around the Golden Gate. There is no halfway support here in the camp of the Forty Niner followers. You either are with them all the way, or you think the whole organization stinks.

Detroit can take a winner or a loser with aplomb. Washington seems, in content with baseball and football losers every year. New York sneers at anything less than a champion.

But this city has become nearly hysterical over the fate of the Forty Niners. The partisanship has ruined old friendships, split marriages and sent strong men to drink.

When the club hit the depths this year as it took the big shellacks from the Los Angeles Rams, Detroit Lions and Chicago Bears, the two warring factions immediately chose up sides.

Supporters of Frankie Albert immediately jumped into the fray and said that Arenas' piece was sour grapes, because Joe had been released from the squad before the regular season started.

When the slump was at its depth, some considered the catastrophe the worst thing to hit the city since the fire and quake of 1906.

Albert, one of the nicer and more intelligent guys in the coaching business, helped the fire along by blasting some of his own players after the Chicago beating.

During that time, the local newspapers daily headlined doings of the team - either for or against. One ran a series of "letters to the editor" which were for or against Albert.

Nothing But Money
Even with the comeback, some still think that Albert is the worst coach, the club ever had; others believe he's just the guy to lead the boys out of the wilderness. Bar-room fights over the merits or demerits of certain players still are the order of the day.

All this, of course, swells the turnstile count and makes club president Vic Morabito and the half-dozen other stockholders happy. As one of the few middle-of-the-road team supporters puts it:

"If I was Morabito, I would root for a second-place finish every year. That way the fans will keep up their interest. If you win a pennant, all the excitement will be over - especially if the next year the team skids down the ladder."

Only twice in the 13 years since the club has been organized has it been out of contention before the final few games of the year.

So Morabito & Co., should be happy.

HOCKEY
NATIONAL LEAGUE
United Press International
The Detroit Red Wings' phenomenal success against the New York Rangers is keeping them in the thick of the National Hockey League pennant race.

Sid Abel's skaters pulled to within two points of the pace-setting Montreal Canadiens Wednesday night by edging the Ranger, 2-1, on a third period goal by Alex Delvecchio.

It was the Red Wing's fifth victory in five meetings with New York this season.

In Wednesday night's only other contest, the Toronto Maple Leafs tied the Chicago Black Hawks, 2-2, to remain unbeaten in their last five games. The Leafs went ahead, 2-1, early in the third period on a goal by Dick Duff but Chicago gained the deadlock on a power play goal by Tod Sloan.

AMERICAN LEAGUE
United Press International
The Springfield Indians won their first American Hockey league game in three weeks Wednesday night, but the single victory moved them up two places in the standing.

The Indians edged the Hershey Bears, 4-3, at Hershey to vacate the AHL cellar and move into undisputed possession of fourth place.

In Wednesday night's other AHL game, veteran Ed Kachur fired home two first-period goals to lead the Buffalo bison to a 3-0 triumph over the Providence Reds at Buffalo.

The Bisons' victory coupled with Hershey's setback; gave pace-setting Buffalo a three point bulge over the second place bears.

Beat This!
by Tip Brady
WHAT GRIDDER THREW ONLY ONE PASS IN HIS CAREER AND WON GAME?
Tolma "Tut" Inlay threw a pass to famed all-time All American Brick Muller that gave the West a 6 to 0 victory over the East in the first San Francisco Shrine game in 1926. It was the only pass Inlay ever threw as a high-school and college player.

TOP THIS! - To any reader submitting contrary proof, Tip Brady will send a signed, wallet-sized diploma. Write to: BEAT THIS, c/o this paper, Box 575, Sausalito, Calif. Enclose self-addressed, stamped envelope.

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Moyer Opposes Dupas Tonight

Portland - (UPI) - Portland's Denny Moyer goes after his 19th consecutive ring victory here tonight against Tony Dupas of New Orleans.

The two will meet in a 10-round scrap in the Auditorium.

Both fighters must win this one if they expect any ensuing bouts against "name" opponents at a later date.

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