

Tornado, Axemen Mix Here Friday In Series Opener

South Eugene's Axemen, who play the Medford Black Tornado here this week end, appear to be rolling this season.

The Axemen, preppers, who did not have a letterman on the squad during the 1958-1959 season and missed the state tourney, have some experience now. It's evidenced in the four

straight victories which leave the South Eugene club the only unbeaten hoopers among A-1 high school teams in Lane county.

Medford high entertains the Eugeneans at 8 p.m. both Friday and Saturday at the Hedrick Junior high court. Tornado sophomores meet the St. Mary's jayvee team in the 6:30 p.m. Friday preliminary. Medford junior varsity and Prospect varsity collide in the early game on Saturday.

The South Eugene series will start Medford high hoop activity on its home court.

Coach Hank Kuchera has five lettermen back from the Axemen squad which last year tied for second place in District 5 A-1 but which lost to North Bend in a playoff tilt for a state meet spot.

Club Has Speed
The returnees are Bo Blair, who averaged 10 points per game in league play last year, Nick Carter and Don DuShane, guards, and Sandy Nosler and John Jost, forwards.

Information on South Eugene height isn't available but Kuchera has said he doesn't have the altitude he'd like to have. The Axemen reportedly have good speed. So far, the Axemen have defeated North Salem 48 to 37 and 62 to 36 and South Salem 52 to 41 and 42-38.

As for Medford's Tornado, coach Frank Roelandt has reported "in and out" performances in practices this week. "They need quite a bit of work, I tell you," he remarked. The Tornado, short on preparation because of the late grid season, is working to get ready for the Axemen but the main goal is to get in stride by the January opening of the Southern Oregon conference schedule.

Roelandt indicated that starters will be picked from among seven men, Jerry Anderson, Booth Deakins, Lowell Dean, Ken Durkee, Jerry Shults, Dick Ragsdale and Bob Quinney.

MEDFORD TRIBUNE SPORTS



PUGILIST DUCKS — Ruddy Ellis, white trunks, ducks a punch thrown by Gene Armstrong during boxing bout at Camden, N.J., last night. Armstrong won the decision. —(UPI Telephoto)

Crater High Host To Eagle Pointers

Central Point — Class A-1 Crater high and A-2 Eagle Point will be maplecourt foes here Saturday evening.

The tangle will be the only one of the week end for either school and the last before Christmas for the Comets and Eagles.

Rose Bowl Programs Sold Through Mail

Pasadena, Calif.—Fans may purchase the official souvenir program for the Rose Bowl football game between Wisconsin and Washington on New Year's Day.

This program service, for TC viewers and radio listeners of the game, is being offered for the seventh straight year. It has become popular with fans across the nation.

Orders are now being accepted. The will be filled and programs mailed to purchasers when the 56-page books come off the press about Christmas. Charge for this service is \$1. Programs sell for 50 cents at the game, and the additional charge covers 42 cents air mail postage and handling.

Checks or money orders can be sent to official Rose Bowl Program, P.O. Box 909M, Pasadena 3, Calif.

SET DERBY DATE

Lexington, Ky. — UPI — Churchill Downs directors have voted to stage the 1960 running of the Kentucky Derby on May 7. The date is the traditional first Saturday in May and technically is subject to approval by the Kentucky state racing commission.

Gonzaga Given Darkhorse Role

Portland — UPI — Coach Hank Anderson's Gonzaga team was rated a darkhorse today for the first City of Roses basketball tournament here Friday and Saturday.

Gonzaga has brilliant Frank Burgess who scored 603 points last year to lead its attack. The Bulldogs also have 7-1 George Tronzo of Greece and 6-8 forwards Hans Albertsson of Sweden on their squad. Another Zag is Jack Gambee, brother of one-time OSC great Dave Gambee.

Gonzaga meets Manhattan of New York in the second game Friday night. Portland plays San Diego State in the opener.

Intersectional Cage Tiffs on Week End

United Press International

East, North and South collide with the West in a kaleidoscope of colorful intersectional cage contests during the next three days which should provide a true test of Pacific Coast basketball prowess this year.

Tonight, St. Mary's meets Idaho State, Washington State visits national powerhouse Utah in an interesting test, the Cal Aggies are at Valparaiso, Ind., and Los Angeles State is at Evansville, Ind.

On Friday, Colorado, a rugged quintet which handed Iowa its first loss this year, moved into Berkeley for a two-game series with California, riding high on a 19 game win streak.

Tough COP Test

Just about every major coast college except idle USC meets an out-of-state foe or two this week end. Highlights find UCLA at Purdue and Butler, Ind.; Iowa State at Washington for two games; undefeated COP facing its toughest test at Wyoming and Utah State and Colorado State and Nebraska at Oregon and Oregon State.

In contests Wednesday night, Colorado State walloped Idaho by a surprising large 62-46 margin. Chuck Newcomb had 22 for the Rams.

Touring Cal Poly of San Luis Obispo fell before Adelphi, N.Y., 77-73; Willamette downed Northwest Nazarene,

74-68 with Larry Lynn tallying 25 points; and the Broncos of Cal Poly of Pomona scared Chico State before losing, 67-62. Pomona College defeated Cal Western, 78-68, and Creighton outrebounded Arizona State of Flagstaff by almost a two-to-one margin on the way to a 91-64 margin.

John Jones Race Group President

Johnny Jones is the new president of the Rogue Valley Racing association.

He succeeds Vern Fraysher. Bob Wilcox is the new vice-president and Jack Keck Jr., is secretary-treasurer.

Members of the association indicated at a Monday meeting that a strong effort will be made to revive auto racing in the valley. No hardship or stock car races were held in this vicinity during the 1959 season.

Open Class Planned

In a measure aimed at revival, members at a Monday meeting voted to change engine specifications to an open class. All engines, regardless of year, model or type, can be modified in any way. However, the autos must burn gasoline and safety regulations will be revised and strictly enforced.

Association officials are looking into the possible lease of a track which the RVRA, itself, would operate.

Next meeting of the racing group is planned for Monday evening, Jan. 4, at the Medford YMCA. All persons interested in auto racing are invited. From 30 to 40 persons were on hand for this week's session.

Fair Waterfowl Luck Forecast In Rogue Valley

Portland — UPI — The weekly hunting and fishing report prepared by the State Game commission.

Southwest: Waterfowl hunting poor to fair in Umpqua valley; Coos Bay area fair and waterfowl hunting should be fair in Rogue valley; Rogue fishing season ends Dec. 20.

Steelheading should be fair to good in North Umpqua; Scottsburg to Sawyers Rapids good on lower Umpqua; striped bass fishing poor in Coos area but steelheading should be good if streams clear; south coastal streams muddy.

Central: Water areas mostly frozen in Klamath area and most geese have left; duck shooting fair to poor.

Awards Go To Tornado Grid Dad

Kiwanian Lou McLaughlin was recognized as "Medford football dad of the 1950s" at a Medford Kiwanis club luncheon yesterday.

McLaughlin, who has had sons on Medford high football teams for nine straight years, was presented a trophy by Black Tornado head coach Fred Spiegelberg on behalf of the players, coaching staff and school. Paul Selby, past Kiwanis president, presented McLaughlin a white sweater with a block M on the front and nine red and black stripes on a sleeve.

Two of McLaughlin's sons, Pat, who has just finished his Tornado grid career, and Dick, were at the luncheon. Ahead of them in school was Don.

Guests at the luncheon at Rogue Valley Country club were Medford football lettermen.

Came Through

Spiegelberg introduced the players and reviewed the season, saying, "It all came through." He declared that, after the first Marshfield game "we knew we had a football team." He designated the second Marshfield game as the toughest and referred to the Coos Bay club as "the second best team in the state." Second South Salem fracas of the season, according to Spiegelberg, was Medford's best offensively. He called the first Marshfield mix one of the sharpest games.

The mentor spoke of the Jefferson tussle, the finale for the state crown, as a "rugged, brutal game." He stated that Medford defense came through tremendously in the title battle but remarked that Tornado offense "never got out of low gear."

Spiegelberg said that the halftime of the Eureka, Calif., game is the only time he has pleaded with his players to "take it easy" on a rival. The Tornado still went on to beat the Loggers 53 to 0. Eureka has crossed itself off the Medford schedule.

The coach cited the intelligence of members of the Black Tornado squad, mentioning the high grade point average. At the same time he pointed to their humility. "They just went out there and played football," he declared. "A whole lot of these kids" can go on and play college football, Spiegelberg said.

BASKETBALL

WEDNESDAY COLLEGE GAMES

Army 71, Long Island U. 64
Iona 56, Siena 41
Marshall 93, Miami (Ohio) 77
Cornell 74, Columbia 70
Yale 81, Brown 63
Furman 62, Davidson 69
George Washington 75, Wake Forest 55
Villanova 68, North Carolina St. 56
St. Louis 65, Providence 61
Bradley 74, Fordham 54
Williamette 74, NW Nazarene 68
Chico St. 87, Cal Poly (Pomona) 62
Pomona Coll. 79, Cal. Western 68
Creighton 91, Arizona St. 64
Centralia 79, Portland Frosh 54

Among the many beautiful waterfalls in British Guiana the King George VI Falls has a drop of 1,600 feet.

OSC Faces Nebraska

Corvallis — UPI — Oregon State expects its toughest tests of this season Saturday and Monday nights against Nebraska.

Nebraska is led by Herschell Turner, a 6-3, 200 - pound guard, a Helms Foundation all American squad member last year. Jim Woodland with 62 points and Karl Anderson with 51 lead the Beavers in scoring so far.

The two teams meet here Saturday night and in Portland Monday night.

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