

# Tornado, Comets Open Conference Play This Friday

Crater high's Comets have calmed the Medford Black Tornado only once (in 1953) in seven seasons of football competition but they've always battled all the way against formidable Medford clubs and 1960's forthcoming skirmish is foreseen as no exception.

The Tornado and the Comets go out for their eighth annual engagement at 8 p.m. on Friday at the Medford stadium. It will be the first Southern Oregon conference ruckus of the fall for each.

"I feel that we are going to have a real stiff battle from Crater," said Fred Spiegelberg, the Medford mentor. "They have a fine bunch of boys. They don't have so many players but they have some good ones."

Tornado gridders rule the big favorites for the scuffle but the underdog Comets reportedly have vowed to "do the best we can do." Stated Crater mentor Leonard Warren, "They generally get up for Medford. I think they'll give a good account of themselves."

Ready As Can Be "Our kids do not seem to be worried," the Comet coach also said. "They've been working pretty hard and I think they are as ready as they can be."

Medford gridmen have been bolstering up their defense this week because South Salem gained well against it last Friday. Drill has included lots of tackling practice. On offense the ground game has been polished.

Spiegelberg pronounced his Tornado crew in "pretty good" health. Both defensive guard Al Funston and halfback Jim Barry have been recuperating from eyebrow cuts suffered against the Salemites. Funston's injury necessitated six stitches and Barry's four. They have been avoiding contact in practice but Spiegel-

berg said they can go against Crater.

Bill Hobbs has recuperated from an ankle sprain but still a tossup between him and John Pierce at a starting guard. The head coach indicated that Jim Stever, No. 2 offensive quarterback, likely will start this week at a defensive back in place of Mike McCullough.

At Crater, also, work has been mostly defense. Mostly all of Tuesday's drill and 70 minutes on Wednesday were spent on that phase of the game. Warren said that, because of the thinness of his



Larry Ryerson, above, will be at a guard post for Crater high here Friday night when the Comet football team meets Medford in the first 1960 Southern Oregon conference game for both clubs. Ryerson was an all-conference choice for the Comets in 1959.

# New Loop Could Prove Big Boost

San Francisco (UPI)—If the college presidents go through with the plans for the formation of the Great Western Athletic Conference, western intercollegiate sports will get their biggest boost in history.

When the Big Five was formed, shutting out the so-called "small" schools, the set-up for a new conference was a natural.

Oregon, Oregon State, Utah, Washington State, Brigham Young, New Mexico, Arizona and Arizona State will put out just as good football as the Big Five—and possibly better. And the chances are strong that baseball, track and field and basketball will be better in the Great Western than in the Big Five.

Rate With Big Eight If the Big Five fancies itself as the "Big Ten" of the West, then the new Great Western conference would rate along with the Big Eight in the Midwest. Only difference would be the fact that the Big Five isn't nearly as strong as the Big Ten; and the Great Western would be stronger and better balanced than the Big Eight.

There won't be any 80,000 crowds in the Great Western—but if the schools can fill their 30,000 stadiums, then they'll have nothing to fear. A sell-out in a 30,000-seat edifice is better than 40,000 in a stadium that seats 90,000.

Stanford, California, USC and UCLA haven't drawn much better than the so-called "small" schools this year. Washington, with a winner, is doing better, of course.

INDIANS CONCENTRATING Stanford, Calif.—(UPI)—Coach Jack Curtice of Stanford complained Wednesday that he had to "do something" about the Indians' passing game. Then he put them through a two-hour workout concentrating on their aerial attack in preparation for Saturday's contest with the Washington Huskies. All squad members were reported ready to play except injured Doug Purcell, out for the season, and Dean Hinshaw, out another week.

SPARTAN OUT San Jose, Calif.—(UPI)—Fullback Ken Taylor, nursing an injured knee, was on the definitely-out-of-action list today as the San Jose State Spartans prepared to meet the University of Oregon. Taylor was injured against Brigham Young Wednesday, coach Bob Titchener put his squad through what he later termed a "poor workout." End Gene Gadgley injured a knee during the two-hour drill and may miss the trip to Oregon.

HULL FIRST STRING Los Angeles—(UPI)—Junior Ronnie Hull, who looked good in spring practice and UCLA's games this fall, has taken over the first string center position from Bruin captain Harry Baldwin.

# SPORTS

## Red Raider Attention On Vikings

Ashland - Portland State college comes to town Saturday night in an effort to get back into the Oregon Collegiate conference race by imposing upon Southern Oregon college at 8 on Fuller field.

For the Raiders of the Rogue, it will be their first OCC battle. The Vikings lost their opener last week to Oregon Tech 19-14 in the closing minutes.

SOC has proven it has a fine moving offense in that it averages 283.3 yards per game in the air and on the ground, but they will also be up against a good running attack in Portland State.

Most of the week has been devoted to defensive work in the Raider camp where the feeling is high on the idea that "so goes the defense, so goes the game." Coach Al Akins has been trying to bolster his defensive ends and one of the tackles.

Linebackers John Buck and Willie Garner were cited for their efforts last week in making many of the tackles. Akins pointed out that this was made possible because they got so many opportunities.

Doyle Branson, Ray Nolte, Syl Hunt, Jess Munyon, and John (Mighty Mite) Mills handle the defensive secondary in a group where Mills continues to be the standout. SOC's mighty mite weighs a mere 127 pounds, but he plays nearly the complete defensive game in addition to running on offense once or twice a game. In his limited offensive role he has been averaging over six yards per carry.

Gordon Carrigan, jack-of-all-trades, continues to head the quarterback list although fresh Doug Olsen will probably see more action this week.

With Carrigan at quarter, the rest of the backfield remains the same with Branson and Buck the slotbacks along with Al Barnes at fullback. Howard Hartman and Dave Hughes will remain the split ends, George Moses and Jess Munyon the tackles, Tony Brauner and Willie Garner the guards, and Neil Green the center.

Harold Haugen, the highly touted freshman end, again will be sidelined this week with the twisted knee, but slotback Eldon Francis may see some spot action.

Francis ran a couple of times in scrimmages this week and appeared to be recovering at a rapid rate. On one play from scrimmage he scored from 20 yards out straight up the field.

## Arizona State Favors League

Phoenix, Ariz.—(UPI)—While Arizona adopted a careful wait-and-see attitude toward a proposed new western athletic conference, Arizona State university officials have already committed themselves.

The proposed new league would include the two Arizona schools, New Mexico, Utah, Brigham Young, Oregon, Oregon State and Washington State. "I don't want to throw cold water on the proposal," said Arizona athletic director Dick Clausen, "but the only positive action which we took action was to refer the matter to the presidents of the schools involved through University of Utah president Dr. A. Ray Olpin."

Dr. G. Homer Durham, the new president of Arizona State university, is already on record as being in favor of the proposed new league.

## Norman's Arm Husky Target

Seattle—(UPI)—The aerial arm of Dick Norman, Stanford Indian ace, has become the prime target of the University of Washington Huskies in this week's workouts.

Somewhat weak in pass defense, the Huskies Wednesday were made well aware of what they will face Saturday when coach Jim Owens put them through one of their toughest workouts of the year.



NEW CHEVROLET—Going on display tomorrow at Courtesy Chevrolet, Ninth and Bartlett sts., Medford, will be the new Chevrolet for 1961. Designers have applied smooth, graceful lines to the 1961 Impala, Bel Air and Biscayne passenger car lines.

## Massacre By Huskies Anticipated

By HAL WOOD Stanford, Calif.—(UPI)—University of Washington, smarting from a 14-15 upset at the hands of Navy, goes to the mat against poor, little ol' Stanford on Saturday—and the result may be a massacre.

Not even the most optimistic of Indian rooters believe that Coach Jack Curtice and his thrice-whipped crew will come close to giving the Huskies a battle.

"I was kinda hoping that Washington would slaughter Stanford," says Curtice, "so that maybe they would go easy on us. Now I know they'll be out to murder us."

This is a national TV contest—and Curtice thinks that maybe the Huskies will pour it on in an attempt to regain some prestige.

It will be a rushing vs. a passing game, with the Stanford team taking to the air, if the quarterbacks can get the ball away before being smothered by the charging Washington defense.

The man to watch for Stanford will be Dick Norman, the country's leading passer last year—but no whiz this season. Norman already has thrown the ball 63 times in the first three games—an average of 21 attempts per tilt. He has completed 30.

Against this Washington quarterback Bob Schloredt has averaged only six pass attempts per game.

Norman doesn't have the great ends to receive he had last year—Chris Burford and Ben Robinson. So this year his favorite target is fullback Skip Face Skip, who leads the Big Five in rushing with 25 yards in 26 carries for an average of 9.4 yards per try, also is the loop's No. 1 pass receiver with 13 good for 123 yards. Face and Norman just about make up the Indian offense.

## Bowling Green Still on Top

New York—(UPI)—The second weekly United Press International small college football ratings of the 1960 season (first place votes in parentheses):

- 1. Bowling Green (Ohio) (12) 234
- 2. Ohio University (3) 157
- 3. Lehigh (4) 125
- 4. Louisiana Tech (1) 113
- 5. Chattanooga (2) 108
- 6. Lenoir Rhyne (1) 105
- 7. Southern Illinois (1) 62
- 8. Idaho State (1) 59
- 9. Miami (Ohio) 42
- 10. Fresno State 39

Second 10-11. Texas A. & L. 33; 12. Tufts, 30; 13. (tie) Western Illinois and Tennessee Tech, 29 each; 15. Pittsburgh (Kans.) St., 27; 16. Amherst, 23; 17. Northern Michigan, 21; 18. Southeastern Louisiana, 18; 19. (tie) Hillsdale (Mich.), Abilene Christian, and Tennessee A. & L. 17 each.

## Phoenix Entertains Mt. Shasta Eleven

Phoenix - Phoenix High school gridders, hosts to Mt. Shasta at 8 p.m. on Friday, have been aiming to make their offense more versatile as they tuned this week for the California foe.

Coach Jack Woodward has added more T plays to the Pirate repertoire. In effort to augment the passing threat, he's had Gary Colfax throwing from T formation quarterback and Jerry Moore from single wing tailback.

Sloper at End Last year in California, Phoenix won a lulu of an offensive tangle from Mt. Shasta 31 to 23. The Golden State club has its same fine passer, Tom McHugh on hand again. This has meant some Pirate attention to pass defense.

Woodward said that Gerald Sloper may see some quarterback service but likely will start at end where his pass catching and blocking ability will be put to use. Bob Dickinson may be at the other flank. Other possible offensive linemen are John Kerns and Harry Gay, tackles; Rick Richey and Rick Seymour, guards, and Terry Hanson, center. In the backfield the probables are Colfax, quarterback; Moore, left half; Other Richey, right half, and Mike Consruck, fullback.

On defense, starting calls may go to Jerry Johnson at an end, John Gramby at a guard, Dave Johnson at a linebacker and Monty Combs at a halfback. Also ticketed for a good amount of play are Fred Tycksen, Ralph Gysin, Dave Westball, Tim O'Mara and Albert Hennessey.

## Ashland Schedules Journey to Yreka

Ashland - Defense has been an offensive byword on Southern Oregon football practice fields this week and Ashland high is no exception.

The Grizzlies are grooming for a Friday night embroilment at Yreka, Calif. Ashland Coach Stan Smith looked back at his team's 27 to 26 nod over Crater last week and said, "I know we can do a better job on defense. We're trying to tighten up the middle of that line."

Smith indicated that the offensive battle against the Comets was "another Roseburg" for his team with something of a let up after the Grizzlies had taken a 13 to 0 lead.

The Ashland tutor reported that guard Galen Roberson broke his hand in an out-of-school accident. "I think Roberson is lost for the rest of the year," he said. Dan Fowler is to take over at the spot.

Yreka holds wins over Eagle Point and Shasta high of Redding, Calif., after dropping a game to Weed, Calif. Ashland has beaten Crater, Klamath Falls and Phoenix and bowed to Roseburg.

## Southwest Reserves Have Most of Oil

Tulsa, Okla.—(Science Service)—The southwestern states of Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana have proven oil reserves estimated at 69 per cent of the total U.S. reserves and 82 per cent of the total U.S. natural gas reserves.

John M. Dale of the Southwest Research Institute, San Antonio, Tex., reported to the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, meeting here that these states have approximately three-fourths of the nation's petroleum reserves and 40 per cent of the refining capacity of the nation. He predicts that the cost of producing petroleum will continue to rise. The only way that this cost can be reduced is by adapting newer techniques to offshore drilling on the Louisiana-Texas continental shelf.

## Margaret, Husband Go Nightclubbing

London—(UPI)—Princess Margaret and her husband Antony Armstrong-Jones were out on the town nightclubbing until the early hours today. But they merely sat and watched, and did not dance.

They centered their activities at the Pigeon night club in Piccadilly, where they asked the band to play "Happy Birthday" for Margaret's detective who was sitting alone at a table near theirs.

The couple threw the club into a frenzy of activity when they walked in unannounced after seeing the play "Amorous Pawn."

A waiter got so excited he almost fell as he carried away Margaret's mink coat. The male clockwork attendant was seen frantically using an electric razor on his stubble of beard.

# High Scorers' Names in Merit Scholarship Plan Distributed

The National Merit Scholarship Corporation today will begin distributing the names of thousands of high scoring participants in the 1960-61 Merit competition to other sources of scholarships and financial aid.

The organization's president, John M. Stalnaker, estimates that partly as a result of this effort to bring wider recognition to these students, about 17,000 of them will receive financial assistance from sources other than the Merit program.

Every college in the nation, more than 1,300 institutions, will receive a 102-page booklet listing the 10,000 Merit semifinalists, whose names were announced last week.

Five students from this area were named semifinalists in the National Merit Scholarship competition. They are Harold W. Bailey and Karen G. Christensen, both Medford High school; Peter Jon Kreisman and Linda Ray Neal, both Ashland High school; and Larry F. Janssen, Grants Pass High school.

About 70 other sources of financial aid for undergraduates also will receive the booklet. These sources are in addition to the 115 corporations which currently sponsor Merit Scholarships.

Further, the names and test scores of the semifinalists and the 25,000 commended students will be sent on individual cards to their first and second choice colleges. This means a total of 70,000 test score reports will be distributed among almost 1,300 colleges, since practically every college is "preferred" by at least one student in the group of 35,000 semifinalists and commended students.

The order of a student's college preferences will not be shown on his cards. Students participating in the Merit program indicated their college preferences when they took the qualifying test last March. Commended students are

those whose scores were just below the level necessary to attain semifinalist status. The semifinalists will take a second test to qualify as finalists. The recipients of four-year Merit Scholarships will be selected from the finalist group. About 1,000 awards were offered last year.

"The 35,000 semifinalists and commended students constitute less than 3 per cent of the nation's high school graduating class," Stalnaker said.

"Students of this quality are sought by colleges and by other scholarship sponsors. We will distribute their names as widely as possible to increase their opportunities of obtain-

ing financial aid if they require it.

"Our studies indicate that about half of these students will share millions of dollars in financial aid from sources other than the National Merit program."

Stalnaker stated that the booklet of semifinalists will be sent to any recognized scholarship or financial aid source which requests it. He said such sources are likely to be business firms, civic organizations, and fraternal and professional associations.

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