

St. Mary's Tussles Phoenix In Saturday Rogue Loop Mix

Rays of the Rogue league football spotlight split three ways today and tonight. On Saturday all will focus on the Medford High school stadium.

Phoenix and St. Mary's of Medford are Saturday night's gridiron foes. Each seeks its second victory in the Class A-2 school circuit. The Pirates of Phoenix enter battle as league and state titular defenders and St. Mary's as a top contender in the loop.

Kickoff is set for 8 p.m. Both aggregations are crowd pleasers — Phoenix with a brand of power football that carried it to an Oregon Class A2 crown in 1961 and St. Mary's with a wide open style of ball with much reliance placed on speed.

Bucs Favored

The Buccaneers rate as favorites on the strength of experience, size and opinion in the polls. With big men who move well, they have good speed and they are capable of long gain lightning strikes. Against Rogue River last week Phoenix showed it can utilize a diversified attack.

St. Mary's is expected to place more dependence than its rival on its air offense. For the Crusaders have a top thrower in three-year veteran quarterback Jim Calhoun. His main targets could be ends Pete Naumes and Ron Roberts. The Medford parochials will have the running, too, of Calhoun, Tom and Tim Darland, Jim Webb and Marv McGee with McGee expected to see his first offensive duty of the season.

Phoenix has the ground assaults of Jim Consbuck, Dave Johnson and Dennis Grennan with Ron Williams a capable quarterback in the single wing and T. Consbuck, 160, and Dave Johnson, a 202-pounder, are the breakaway runners of the Bucs. Williams and Consbuck are the passing threats.

Each Win Two

Comparisons of probable offensive starting crews show this comparison. Veteran Phoenix has a 185.1 pound line average to St. Mary's 159.6 and a 173.7 backfield average to the Crusaders' 153. The Medford parochials enter the skirmish after victories of 38 to 31 (non-conference) and 26 to 7 over Lakeview (league). Phoenix whipped Oakland 33 to 7 in a non-conference and Rogue River 55 to 0 in the circuit.

Last year Phoenix nosed St. Mary's 25 to 21 in the Rogue loop spellbinder of the season. It was a see-saw game. It was the only Crusader setback of the season. Phoenix went on through an 11-win one-tie season, knotting with Myrtle Point for the Oregon A-2 banner.

The three games tonight are Sacred Heart at Rogue River and Illinois Valley at Henley. Eagle Point was at Lakeview this afternoon.

Marshfield Host to GP

United Press International Grants Pass is at Marshfield tonight and South Salem is at Bend Saturday in the week end's top Oregon high school football games.

Grants Pass, undefeated in two starts this season including an opening season victory over defending state champion Roseburg, hasn't beaten Marshfield since 1951.

Medford, which rolled up an impressive win against Marshfield last week end, is idle.

In other top games tonight, Washington is at Jefferson, Beaverton is at David Douglas, Milwaukie plays host to Central Catholic. The Dalles is at Pendleton. Parkrose is at Jesuit. Klamath Falls is at home against Corvallis. North Eugene is at Roseburg and Cottage Grove is at South Eugene.



Ashlanders Contend at Redmond

Ashland — A flanker back moved up from the junior varsity may get starting call tonight when the Ashland high varsity football team opposes Crook County at Prineville.

He is Roger Atherton whose running and pass catching abilities caught the attention of varsity mentor Marsh Jones in the jayvee game with Medford. Atherton caught passes for both Ashland TDs.

Jones said this morning, however, that he was undecided on whether to start Atherton or Mike Torreson.

Ashland drills this week have emphasized defense and Jones reported that the Grizzlies were "shaping up pretty good."

Bruin scouts have reported that Crook County appears a bit stronger than the Redmond club which beat Ashland last week. There are older boys who are aggressive.

Jones reported that Jo In Rhodes may get the call at one starting end in place of Gale Tepper. Tepper pulled a muscle in the Redmond mix and the coach feels he is not quite ready for action.

Other possible starters are Mike Cotton, end; Don Sorenson and Bill Jury, tackles; Jack Gruber and Jim Conklin, guard; Jim Smith, center; Howard Johnson, quarterback; Ron Boyce, left halfback; and Don Scholer, right half.

Dick Ragsdale Injures Ankle

Dick Ragsdale, sophomore quarterback from Medford, will miss Stanford university's home football opener against Michigan State this Saturday.

Ragsdale, who started on defense for the Indians when they defeated Tulane 6 to 3 last Friday night, suffered an ankle sprain.

The injury came on about the 10th play of the game.

He is expected to be out for the week. The tackle spot will be filled by Bob Stiehl. He turned out late but has been coming along. He is tough and is looking good in drills. Stiehl has seen defensive service this season.

Quarterback is a question spot this week. Frank Palmer, a senior, has the experience at the spot but has a bad ankle. Misener may call on sophomore Jim LeRoy.

Elsewhere in the offensive lineup tonight it may be Don Salter and Gust Schefstrom, ends; Bill Cooper, tackle; Vic Low and Bob Pentecost, guards; Bob Clark, center; Jack Salters, left half; and Alan Gates, right half. On defense Larry Craig will replace Clark and go to a tackle post.

Still out of action is Tom Wright, left halfback who hurt his knee in practice before the opening game.

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Probable Offensive Lineups					
ST. MARY'S-PHOENIX HIGH FOOTBALL			PHOENIX		
No.	Name	Pos.	No.	Name	Pos.
84	Pete Naumes	159 E	195	Jon Granby	55
83	Ron Roberts	164 E	161	Greg Esp	48
75	Dan Taylor	174 T	220	John Kerns	38
76	Mike Hutchinson	160 T	192	Rick Richey	36
69	Joe Smith	137 G	153	Ken Tycksen	32
64	John Lucas	155 C	182	Dave Westfall	34
54	Mike Stinson	168 C	193	Tim O'Mara	30
28	Jim Calhoun	143 QB	173	Ron Williams	42
40	Jim Webb	153 LH	160	Jim Consbuck	44
20	Tom Darland	133 RH	202	Dave Johnson	53
42	Marv McGee	180 FB	160	Dennis Grennan	29

SPORTS

MSU Faces Stanford Saturday

By United Press International Southern California and Stanford, which got off to impressive starts last Saturday against intersectional foes, try out the cross country opposition again Saturday with the Trojans invading Southern Methodist while Stanford Michigan State.

USC upset a highly-regarded Duke team, 14-7, last week and has been pegged an 11 point choice over the Mustangs. But Stanford faces a much tougher row. The Indians downed Tulane, 6-3, in the New Orleans heat and now faces a Michigan State squad that could be Rose Bowl bound.

Coach Duffy Daugherty's Spartans have been made 13½ point selections for their season opener that brings together two massive lines.

UCLA is idle

UCLA still has a week to go before it launches its campaign. But there are plenty of other key games on tap. They include Illinois at Washington, Washington State at Wyoming, Utah at Oregon, Oregon State at Iowa and San Jose State at California.

Daugherty has labeled his Michigan State team as "peppy and in good shape" for the Indians who may have found a good running back at last in J. D. Lodato. The latter got off a 30-yard touchdown run to beat Tulane.

Southern California used "red," "green" and "gold" squads while knocking off Duke and Coach John McKay, after viewing the game films, will stay with them. He also will be going with Willie Brown, his first halfback, who showed well against the Blue Devils.

Halfback Charlie Mitchell, an established star at Washington, may not start when the favored Huskies meet the Illinois. Coach Jim Owens moved Nat Whitmeyer up ahead of the veteran Mitchell as a result of the former's play against Purdue.

Washington State, which bombed San Jose State 49-8 last Saturday, takes on a Wyoming team that lost to New Mexico by four points last week. The Cougars' passing battery of Dave Mathieson and Hugh Campbell might have a little too much for the Cowboys to handle.

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SPORTSCASTS

Radio station KYJC will carry broadcasts of the Marshfield-Grants Pass high school game tonight at 7:50 p.m., the Oregon State-Lakeview game at 11:15 a.m. Saturday and the Oregon-Utah tussle after the OSU-Iowa fray.

Radio station KMED will broadcast the Southern Oregon college-Lewis and Clark football game at 1:30 p.m. Saturday and the St. Mary's-Phoenix game from 8 to 10 p.m., Saturday.

Canyonville Defeats BF

Butte Falls — A big, rangy Canyonville high aggregation, deep in talent, defeated Butte Falls at Canyonville Thursday in an eight-man football game.

Score was 64 to 13. Canyonville was leader by 56 to 13 at the half.

Butte Falls touchdowns on a Neal Ellis to Jim McConchie pass and on an Ellis roll-out run. An Ellis to Dan Edmondson pass converted once.

Butte Falls has an open date next week. The Loggers play at Camas Valley on Oct. 12.

Spaur Goes 52

On the third scrimmage effort after the second Comet bootoff the Hornets produced a score. Hedrick moved out from its 23 yard line as Tropp made 16 yards and Schwinder four. Then Spaur was busted through the middle at the Hedrick 48 and went all the way to score.

Schwinder's conversion run put Hedrick ahead for keeps.

Crater moved the ball out to its 45 where a Schwab punt was blocked by Hedrick's Leonard Howe. Hedrick moved to the Comet 13 helped by a couple of penalties then, itself, was assessed a five-yarder and put back on the 18. Tropp went around end to the Crater two but fumbled and Gerald Branch recovered for the visitors.

The Comets fought out to the 11 and Schwab punted and Hedrick took over on Crater's 46. Tropp went 36 yards around end to the 10. Spaur gained to the nine then rounded end to the goal.

Dorsey Recovers

Crater threw back the next Hornet bid but Terry Dorsey recovered for the Medfords on Charles Grady's fumble. That gave Hedrick possession on the Comet 16. Bertrand, trying to pass, was tossed for a three-yard setback. Collins gained back two. Then Bertrand pitched to Tropp for marker No. 3.

Hedrick scored in the second half on its first time with the ball. The Hornets got the pigskin in their hands on their 38 after a punt by Schwab. Tropp cracked to the 41. Spaur took the ball on a reverse, popped through the right side of the line and was on his way, managing to elude the Comets, although it seemed almost certain he would be caught.

The Hornets got the ball in

Hedrick Rebounds To Subdue Crater 9th in Football 29-6

Hedrick Junior High school ninth grade spotted the Crater freshmen a touchdown at the outset of the game then came back to dominate the Comets 29 to 6 in football action here yesterday afternoon.

Randy Spaur touchdowns three times for the Hornets, rambling more than half the length of the field for two scores.

Halftime favored the Medford club 21 to 6.

Spaur's touchdown jaunts were for 52, 9 and 59-yard jaunts. A Bruce Bertrand to Ken Tropp aerial gained 17 yards and a score. Ron Schwinder, Spaur and Bill Collins ran for extra points. A safety rounded out the score. Joe Thomas tabulated for the Comets.

Crater tallied on the second scrimmage play of the game. The Comets had kicked off to Hedrick. On the Hornets' first play, Schwinder fumbled and Gary Schwab recovered for the Central Point crew on the 11-yard line. Thomas bombed through on the next play to score.

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