

# Whitworth, Southern Oregon Vie Thursday Noon at Central Point

Curtain descends on 1962 Southern Oregon college football with a holiday attraction. The Red Raiders, Thanksgiving day, entertain the Whitworth college Pirates. Action is billed for the Crater High school stadium at Central Point. Kickoff will be at noon.

This is a game between conference champions. Southern Oregon of the Oregon Collegiate and Whitworth of the Evergreen. The latter is an all-Washington circuit. Whitworth is located at Spokane. It will be the first college game on the Crater field.

Given a good day and good footing, a wide-open conflict can be expected between a pair of T formation teams. The Southern Oregon brand with its frequent passing is well known to Rogue valley fans. The Pirates have a multiple offense from the T.

Red Raider attack will feature the running of Al Barnes, Kern Bennett, Mike Hood and Doyle Bransom, the passing of talented Doug Olsen and the receptions of ends Howard Hartman and Dave Hughes and the backs.

Drilled on Defense Whitworth will have the field generaling and passing of Don Leebriek and the running of Charlie Reed, John (Hula) Murio and Bruce Grady. The Pirates have Randy Rice and Wendell Witt at ends. Weight advantage will be Whitworth's.

Reports from the Spokane campus said that Coach Sam Adams drilled his Pirate charges heavily last week on concentrated defense to stop the diversified Raider offense. The Bucs feel their secondary will be kept busy containing Raider passing which has ranked second in the nation.

The Whits left yesterday by chartered bus to Portland where they stayed last night. They are to arrive in Medford early Wednesday afternoon and plan a brief workout. The stay in the Rogue valley will be short. Whitworth players will head for home immediately after the Thanksgiving game.

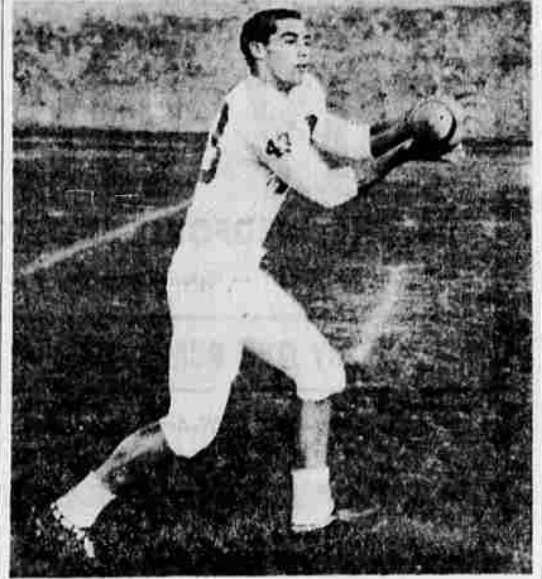
Topped Statistics The Pirates topped all Evergreen conference final team statistics except pass defense. Bue opponents averaged 152 yards total offense per game and were held to a mere 58 yards on the ground by the blitzing Whit defensive unit.

Conference individual statistics were also dominated by the Pirates with sophomore halfback Reed running with the total offense and rushing leadership as he amassed 965 yards for 120.6 yards per game. The other half of the pounding Bue running attack, Murio, averaged 90.6 yards per game in five games at halfback.

Frosh field general Don Leebriek led the conference in passing accuracy completing

## Probable Offensive Lineups SOUTHERN OREGON - WHITWORTH COLLEGE FOOTBALL

SOUTHERN OREGON				WHITWORTH			
No.	Name	Wgt.	Pos.	No.	Name	Wgt.	Pos.
87	Howard Hartman	170	RE	195	Wendell Witt	87	TE
75	Gary Reed	214	RG	250	Ken Sugarman	72	TE
65	Bud Brittan	214	RG	220	Gene Baker	64	TE
55	George Moses	195	C	210	Perry Morton	51	TE
20	Larry Ryerson	185	LG	205	LaVaughn Stephens	62	TE
45	Glen Moses	190	LT	210	Mike Edmunds	73	TE
45	Dave Hughes	165	RE	185	Randy Rice	81	TE
11	Doug Olsen	180	QB	165	Don Leebriek	10	TE
35	Kern Bennett	172	RH	195	Charlie Reed	34	TE
33	Mike Hood	185	LH	190	John Murio	43	TE
47	Allen Barnes	205	FB	190	Bruce Grady	36	TE



WHITWORTH BACK—John (Hula) Murio, above, is a right halfback, end and safety for the Whitworth college football team which opposes Southern Oregon college at Central Point at noon tomorrow, Thanksgiving day. Murio, a 6-foot, 190-pounder from San Francisco, is called one of the finest pass receivers on the Pacific coast. His swivel-hipped running makes him an elusive ball carrier. He led the NAIA in total scoring last year.

59 per cent of his attempts which included seven TD aerials. Leebriek ranked third in total yardage via the air lanes completing 39-66 for 491 yards. Senior end Wendell Witt grabbed the pigskin 22 times for 130 yards to rank him second in the conference in that department. He led the league in touch down catches with six. Witt, Murio and Reed led league scorers with 37, 36, and 36 points each respectively. Halfback Ed Matthews also ranked in the top ten with 21 points.

In Home Community A feature of the game will have Southern Oregon backs Al Barnes, Kern Bennett and Doyle Bransom performing in their final collegiate football game in their home community. Barnes and Bennett are ex-Crater and Bransom ex-Jacksonville. Guard Larry Ryerson is another ex-Crater high player who'll appear before a hometown crowd.

Southern Oregon goes into

its final game with a 7-1 record and Whitworth is 6-2. Each team is unbeaten in its last six games and ambitious to stretch its streak to seven. Muste at the game will be provided by some 25 members of the Ashland High school band under the direction of Raoul Maddox. There will be a trampoline act from Southern Oregon college at half-time.

Medford Kiwanis club is assisting SOC with sponsorship of the game. Reserve tickets have been on sale at Central Point pharmacy, at the college in Ashland and at Mann's department store in Medford.

Crater's covered grandstand seats about 2,000 persons. About half of these seats will be reserved and half general admission. Tickets will be on sale Thursday at the gate. There are special student prices. Student cards admit Southern Oregon college students.

## Koch Drills On Portland Hoop Squad

Portland—With the opening Pilot hoop date less than two weeks off, University of Portland's head basketball coach Al Negratti has expressed satisfaction with his team in drills to date, particularly impressed with its fine competitive attitude.

The Pilots open a 26-game schedule Friday, Nov. 30, against San Jose State, West Coast Athletic conference member, in Portland's Memorial Coliseum.

This year's Pilot squad, composed of five returning lettermen, five junior college transfers and two other returnees, has shown a willingness to work together and Negratti feels that the club will round into shape sooner than anticipated.

Returning lettermen Steve Anstett, 6-8, junior; Jim Dortch, 6-4, junior; George Koch (ex-Medford), 6-3, senior; Roland Carpenter, 6-5, senior, and Joe Minnehan, 6-4, senior, have been working well with the "jaycee" transfers so Negratti feels that the group could knit more rapidly than he had at first expected.

Newcomers Ranie Smith, 6-8; Tom Nichols, 6-3; Dave Cooper, 6-4; Dennis Channing, 6-4, and Kent Soldan, 6-2, have impressed to date. Smith and Nichols are from Diablo Valley JC, Channing and Soldan from Santa Ana JC, and Cooper from Orange Coast College, all in California. Sophomore Channing is the lone transfer not a junior.

Non-lettermen returnees, Dan Yeager, 6-3 sophomore, and Mickey Reardon, 6-0 junior, round out the squad.

Heated competition for starting berths have been the order of the day since practice began, a feature that will result in a fine bench, believes Negratti. However, last year's starters—Anstett, Dortch and Koch—should compose part of the UP lineup against the Sparts.

## Longhorns Picked Over Texas A-M

New York—UPI—The odds-makers have established Texas as a 13-point favorite to knock off Texas A&M Thursday and wrap up the host berth in the Cotton Bowl.

The Longhorns will enter the nationally televised game at Austin, Tex., as the Southwest Conference pacemakers with a 3-0-1 record. Their record against all comers is 8-0-1. Texas A&M is 3-3 in the conference and 3-6 overall.

In other holiday features, Virginia Tech is favored by 6 points over VMI and North Carolina State is a 12-point choice over Wake Forest.

Wisconsin's Rose Bowl-bound Badgers are 6-point favorites over Minnesota in Saturday's battle for the Big Ten Conference championship and Southern California, the nation's No. 1 team, is a 14-point choice to defeat UCLA and clinch the Big Six title.

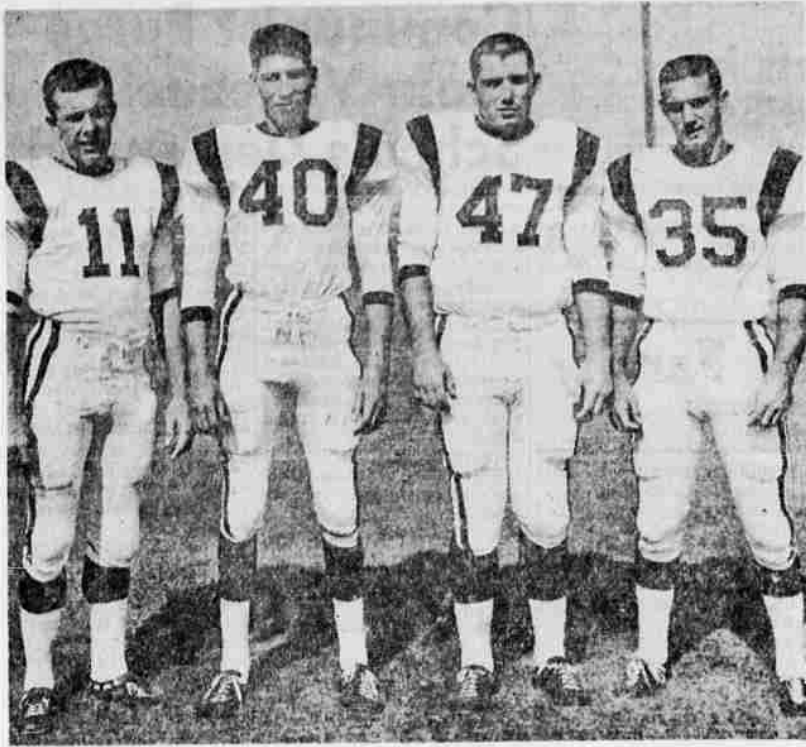
Oklahoma, needing a victory or a tie to clinch an Orange Bowl berth, is favored by 11 over Nebraska in the Big Eight. Duke, the Atlantic Coast Conference leader, is a 13-point pick to beat North Carolina and clinch its third straight league title.

In other leading games Saturday: East: Dartmouth, Ivy league champion, 12 over Princeton; Syracuse 13 over West Virginia; Penn State 8 over Pittsburgh.

South: Auburn 4 over Florida State; Clemson 5 over South Carolina; Tennessee 6 over Kentucky; Northwestern 1 over Miami, Fla.

Midwest: Iowa 1 over Notre Dame; Missouri 6 over Kansas; Purdue 11 over Indiana; Ohio State 18 over Michigan in a nationally televised game; Michigan State 11 over Illinois.

Southwest: SMU and Baylor, even; Rice 3 over Texas



RAIDERS PLAY THURSDAY—Four backfield men of the Southern Oregon college football team, which plays at Crater high school stadium in Central Point at noon on Thursday, are shown here. Whitworth college will provide the Thanksgiving day opposition for the Red Raiders. The Raiders are Doug Olsen (11), quarterback, Doyle Bransom (40), right halfback and safety; Al Barnes (47), fullback, and Kern Bennett (35), left half. Bransom, Barnes and Bennett close out their college grid careers in their home community.

## All Tickets Sold for OSU-UO Tilt

Oregon State University, Corvallis—All tickets, both general admission and reserved, have been sold for the Oregon State-Oregon college football game here next Saturday, it was announced Monday by Athletic Director R. S. (Spec) Keene.

The reserved ducks were gone nearly two weeks ago, but last Saturday Beaver officials placed 1,600 additional general admission tickets on sale following the Colorado State game. They were snapped up in a hurry, Keene said, and no more tickets will be on sale.

This means that the largest crowd ever to see a "Civil War" clash in either Corvallis or Eugene likely will be on hand. The Beavers drew 27,574 at Parker stadium for the 1958 game, and in 1960 some 27,000 were on hand. Special bleacher sections have been added for this game, with capacity at about 28,000, Keene said.

Meanwhile, Coach Tommy Prothro and his Beavers went right to work getting ready for the most important game of the season, insofar as OSU is concerned. A victory over the Ducks might bring the Beavers a post-season Bowl bid, for their present record of 7-2 is one of the best in the nation.

## Rival Elevens Receive Praise Of Assistants

Portland—UPI—Assistant coaches Jerry Long of Oregon State and Phil McHugh of Oregon gave sportswriters and sportscasters a rundown on their two teams here Tuesday, and each praised the opposition.

McHugh said Oregon has about forgotten about possibilities of a bowl game after losing 26-7 to Ohio State Saturday. He added "We feel it will take our best effort of the year to win."

Great Team Long said Oregon was a "great football team and we've got a real challenge on our hands."

McHugh said Terry Baker will be "by far" the best back Oregon has faced this season. McHugh added he felt a wet field would work to the advantage of Oregon State. Long disagreed.

"We want a dry field and think a wet field would hurt our chances," he said.

Long said tension was high in Corvallis. "The coaches are even irritable with each other."

Long also declined to talk about bowl chances. "We're thinking only of the Benton county bowl," he said.

Christian: Arkansas 20 over Texas Tech

West: California and Stanford, even; Oregon 2 over Oregon State; Washington 3 over Washington State

## Baker, Burke Set NCAA Pace

New York—UPI—All-American candidate Terry Baker of Oregon State is the nation's total offense leader, NCAA statistics showed today. Baker has gained 2,159 yards in nine games. He took over the lead from Eldon Fortie of Brigham Young, who has 1,963 yards. Baker is third in forward passing with 104 out of 186 for 1,648 yards. Vern Burke of Oregon State is first in pass receiving with 66 catches for 987 yards. Baker needs 241 yards against Oregon Saturday to tie the all-time one-season record of 2,400 set by Johnny Bright of Drake.

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Ticket sales at Crater Stadium begin at 10 A.M. for reserved seats and 10:30 A.M. for general admission on game day.

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