



MEDFORD DEFENDERS—These are Medford high Black Tornadoes defensive platooners, who will aim to keep North Salem from scoring on Friday night at Multnomah stadium in Portland when the two teams meet for the Oregon Class A-1 football championship. Shown, from right, across the line are Bill Houston, end; Mike Mayfield, tackle; Terry Winetroun and Brian Petersen, guards; John Mee, tackle, and Roy Shaw, end. Standing are Bill Enyart, linebacker; Mike

Neathamer and Rich Knight, safeties; Gary Griffin, linebacker, and Ron Calkins, safety. (Knackstedt photo)

No.1 Rated Medford Opposes Darkhorse North Salem For Class A-1 Grid Mantle

Teams Vie At Portland On Friday

No. 1 rated team against the playoff darkhorse.

Such will be the billing Friday night in the mammoth struggle for Oregon's Class A-1 high school football championship on the final day of the 1962 prep grid season. Medford's Black Tornado, already with a tremendous year behind it, seeks to add further to the school's athletic lore when it goes against upsurging North Salem at 8 p.m. in Portland's Multnomah stadium.

Oregon mythical diadems were claimed by Medford in the late 1920s and early 1930s. Current version of the Twister bids for the school's third official title. Tornado clubs fought through playoffs to crowns in 1944 and 1959.

This season the Medfords bear the No. 1 ranking of the pollsters. North Salem was accorded No. 5 in the final polls. As the A-1 titular elimination opened, the NS Vikings were handed the darkhorse role.

Undeclared The Rogue Valley Hurricane thunders into the championship engagement undefeated and untied in 10 conflicts. North Salem, 8-3, bowled over previous unbeaten foes in its quarter and semifinal games.

Medford, the champ of the Southern Oregon conference and District 6, battled by Roseburg 14 to 7 and Oregon mentor Fred Spiegelberg's Medford's through the season. Both finalists are known for their ground offensive power.

For Medford, however, the air game, with Dan Miles and City 20 to 7 in its playoff frays while the Vikings of Oregon's Capital city stunned Pendleton 7 to 0 and Jefferson 20 to 0. Both of Salem's foes were higher rated crews.

North's success in the games which count, its size and the weather outlook give evidence that the Tornadoes will be up against a stern test in their bid to regain the Oregon diadem Medford last wore three years ago.

Medford squares off against a much heavier aggregation. The Vikings have a wealth of 200-pound players, the likes of which Medford doesn't have. This title game may require the best in speed and quickness the Tornado has to offer. And, the Twisters may have to match wits with the elements. Weather forecasts are for rain which means a wet field, an advantage to the heavier Viks.

Offense and Defense North, however, came up with a top performance of the season against Jefferson with footing fairly good at Willamette university's McCulloch stadium.

Coach Spike Hillstrom's North Salem Vikings were termed an "awesome combination of offensive and defensive balance" for their state semifinal triumph over Jeff. The same balance has helped Mike Neathamer throwing, has been effective through the fall. North has taken to the air lanes but very little. The Viks used 210-pound hard running fullback Gary Collette on pitchout-pass plays during the regular season. Not until the regular season did quarterback Phil White throw.

Collette Leads Collette has been the top gainer for North through the

fall with an estimated 1,200 yards rushing. Del Schaeffer, out in early season because of a shoulder injury, has been the No. 2 ball packer since returning to the team. But Rod Allison also is a threat. Individual figures are not available for Salem.

Jack Lowery has led the Black Tornado scoring this fall with 11 touchdowns. Lloyd Hammons has caught five touchdown passes, Miles, a mighty mite of a quarterback, has crossed the goal four times, heaved six TD passes and kicked 27 extra points in 33 attempts.

Other TDs have been three each by Mike Barnes and Greg Gande, two each by Mike Watkins, Ron Calkins and Steve Toews and one apiece by Tim Murray and Frank Van Pelt. Brian Petersen caught a La Grande runner in the end zone for a safety. Mike Neathamer and Ron Calkins each have thrown touchdown aeriels. Eleven players thereby have figured in the scoring.

Lowery also has been the Ashland 48 to 0, Grants Pass 14 to 6, Roseburg 14 to 7 and Oregon City 20 to 7.

North Salem victories were 39 to 0 over Sweet Home, 40 backfield workhorse with 628 yards for 149 carries. Among the leading packers Miles is 267 yards for 64, Barnes 266 for 68, Van Pelt 254 for 37, Watkins 239 for 54, Gande 171 for 18 and Murray 101 for 25.

25 of 55 Passes Miles has completed 35 of 65 passes for 607 yards and Neathamer 11 of 30 for 227. Hammons has caught 12 passes of 252 yards, Lowery nine

for 91, Barnes eight for 150 and Gibb Mitchell five for 99.

Medford has run up 232 points this season to rivals' 20. North Salem has tallied 254 and its opponents 85. The Tornado record was over a

Rogue High Plus Muddy

Portland—(UPI)—The weekly report on fishing and hunting conditions prepared by the state game commission:

Southwest: Lower Umpqua and Smith Rivers too muddy for steelhead; Rogue also high and muddy.

DARKNESS HALTS

Bradenton, Fla.—(UPI)—Six foursomes were scheduled to finish first round play early today as the \$10,000 national left-handers golf tournament entered its second day of open play. Bob Charles, a lanky southpaw pro from Christchurch, New Zealand, was apparent medalist following Wednesday's action as he carded a three-under-par 68. His nearest rival of those finishing before darkness halted play was pro Bill Flynn of Peabody, Mass., with even par 71.

UCLA JUGGLES

Los Angeles—(UPI)—Coach Bill Barnes forced juggling of his UCLA Bruin backfield continued today as unheralded John White was named to start at right halfback. The move was made in order to free Rob Smith and Carmen DiPaolo for duty at fullback where the Bruins' two top men—Warren Jackson and Mitch Dimkich—are ailing.

Red Raiders Start Hoop Slate Tonight In Tipoff Tourney

United Press International Eight of Oregon's small college basketball teams open their seasons in the first round of the NAIA Tipoff tournament at Portland and Salem tonight.

Portland State meets Pacific and Oregon Tech faces host Lewis and Clark at Portland. Linfield plays Southern Oregon and Oregon College of Education takes on host Willamette at Salem.

Two games are scheduled again at each of the two sites Friday night and four contests are set for Salem Saturday.

Ashland—Southern Oregon College will open the basketball season tonight at Willamette university in Salem. The Raiders will meet Linfield at 7 p.m. in the NAIA tipoff tourney.

There will be eight teams participating in the tourney, Southern Oregon, Oregon College, Portland State, Lewis and Clark, Oregon Tech, Linfield, Pacific university, and Willamette university.

The tournament will run over three nights, including Friday and Saturday, and will be played at the Willamette university gym in Salem, and the Lewis and Clark gym in Portland.

Good Year Seen Coach Ted Schopf of the real successful year. Schopf reports that the team does "have a lack of height," but will make up for this in speed. Raiders is looking forward "to

COACHES NAMED

Tucson, Ariz.—(UPI)—Dave Nelson of the University of Delaware will coach the small college All-Stars in their All-American Bowl football game against the major college stars here Dec. 29. He will be assisted by Cecil Coleman of Fresno State, Jim Larue of Arizona and Ray Nagel of Utah will coach the major college squad.

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Tualatin Debris Will Be Removed

Portland—(UPI)—The Corps of Engineers will remove Columbus Day storm debris from the Tualatin river and some of its tributaries in Washington county, Col. Sterling K. Eisinger, Portland district engineer, said Wednesday.

He estimated the project will keep 100 men busy for about four weeks. The crews will work on 59 miles of the main channel and 50 miles of tributaries.

Col. Eisinger said no private property will be cleared unless owners grant easements releasing the government from all claims for damages arising from the cleanup.

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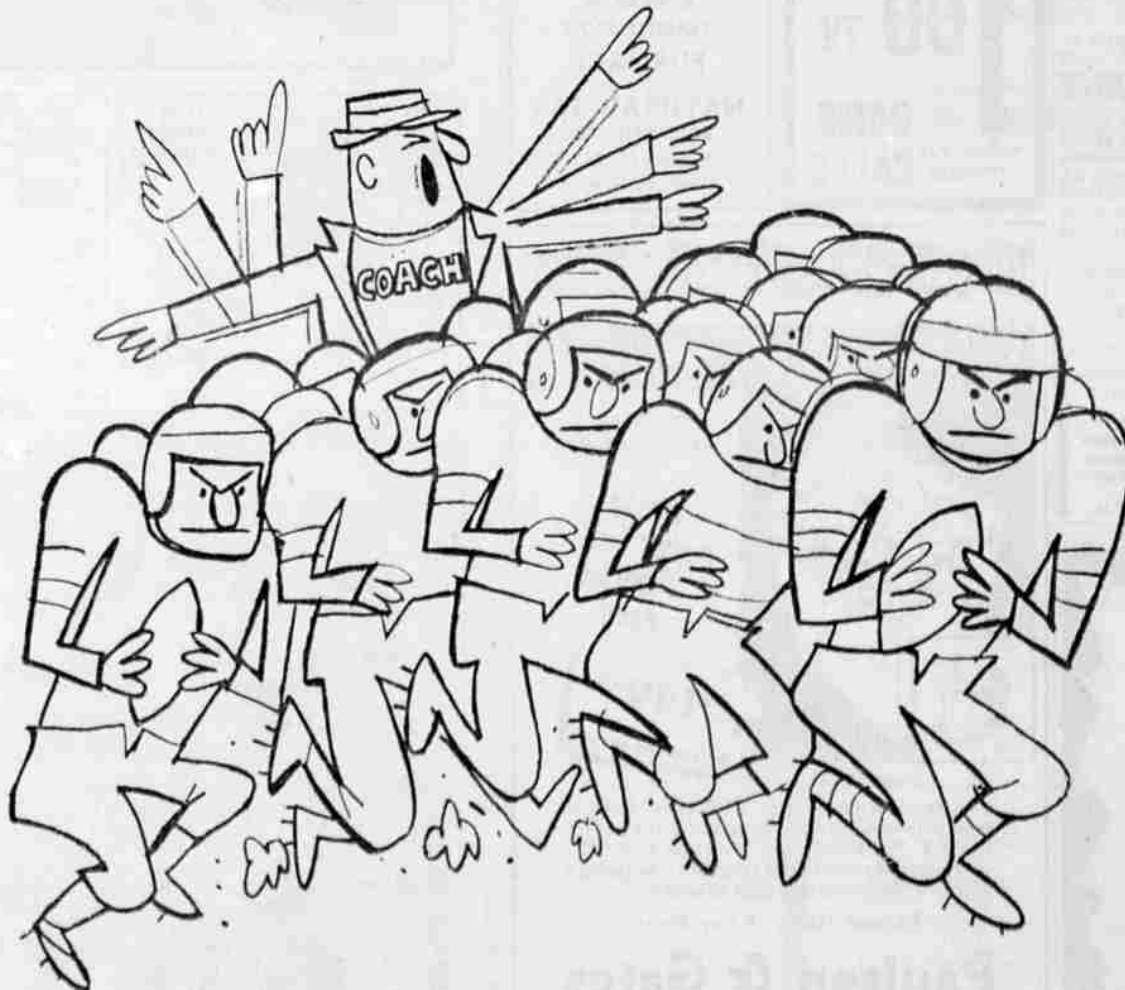
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SPORTS

Small College Title Goes To Southern Mississippi

New York—(UPI)—Southern Mississippi, the leader for the final three weeks of the season, today was named the 1962 national small college football champion by the United Press International board of coaches.

The Southerners, aspiring to major college ranking, received 19 first place votes in the final poll conducted by the 35 coaches who make up the UPI board.

Florida A&M, ranked first most of the campaign, finished a close second with seven first-place votes.

New York—(UPI)—The final United Press International small college football ratings for 1962 with first-place votes and winning records in parentheses:

TEAM	POINTS
1. Southern Miss. 16 (9-1)	226
2. Florida A&M 7 (9-0)	213
3. Central Oklahoma 3 (9-0)	213
4. Lehigh-Rhine 10 (9-0)	204
5. Wittenberg 2 (9-0)	129
6. Northern Illinois 18 (1-8)	105
7. Fresno State 17 (1-8)	104

NICKLAUS RETURNS

West Palm Beach, Fla.—(UPI)—U.S. Open champion Jack Nicklaus returned to the professional golf tour today, teeing off as the leading favorite in the first round of the \$20,000 West Palm Beach Open. Nicklaus, who hasn't played in a tournament since September when he won two in a row, and the 149 others in the big field expected a rough time from the weather, at least for the first day of the 72-hole tournament which runs through Sunday.

Snidow Named Most Valuable

Eugene, Ore.—(UPI)—Recently fired Stanford football coach Jack Curtice says he has been coaching for 32 years and "wouldn't trade a minute of it."

He told the University of Oregon football awards banquet Wednesday night that coaching is hazardous, "but everything in life is hazardous. I have no regrets."

Senior tackle Ron Snidow was voted by teammates as the Ducks' most valuable player for the past year. Oregon finished with a 6-3-1 record. Junior halfback Larry Hill was picked as the most improved player.