

Rams' QB Job Still Wide Open

By NORMAN MILLER
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Will all those wiseguys who said Terry Baker was just another college hot-shot who couldn't make it in the tough National Football League go soak their heads — both of them.

Baker, the 1962 Heisman trophy winner, returned to his hometown of Portland, Ore., for the first time as a pro quarterback for the Los Angeles Rams Saturday night, and he won't em.

The 195-pound left-handed slinger, whom many figured as too frail and certainly too inexperienced to handle the job for the Rams, played the entire game and led the team to a 20-17 pre-season victory over the Dallas Cowboys before 29,349 fans.

Only Exhibition
Of course, it was only an exhibition game and there will be many hard knocks before Baker wins his "R" with the Rams. But at least for one night he looked great. Here's what Baker did:

—Completed a 44-yard pass play to Pervis Atkins on the first play of the final quarter for the winning touchdown;

—Found his receivers on 12 of 20 passing attempts for 192 yards and was intercepted only once;

—Carried 16 yards on a run;

—And, according to coach Harland Svare, called "99 per cent" of the plays.

In other weekend NFL exhibition games, the Minnesota Vikings edged the New York Giants, 17-16, and the Cleveland Browns trounced the San Francisco Forty Niners, 24-7, both on Sunday. In Saturday night games, the Green Bay Packers walloped the Chicago Bears, 26-7; the Detroit Lions defeated the St. Louis Cardinals, 22-17; the Philadelphia Eagles swamped the Washington Redskins, 41-13; and the Baltimore Colts edged the Pittsburgh Steelers, 17-14.

WHITWORTH WINNER

Ogden, Utah — UPI — Confident Kathy Whitworth of Jal, N.M., tucked away her fourth tournament win of the year in the Utah Women's Open golf tournament Sunday and headed for Boise, Idaho, the next stop on the tour. The 23-year-old Miss Whitworth turned in a par 71 in the final round to win the Utah crown by five strokes over Mickey Wright of Dallas, Tex. Miss Whitworth's 54-hole total of 214 earned her first prize money of \$1,300 and boosted her earnings for the year to above \$14,000.

JOHNSON WINNER

Woodburn — UPI — J. C. Johnson of Seattle pounded out a unanimous decision over Buffalo Hernandez, also of Seattle, in a 10-round middleweight fight here Saturday night. Hernandez substituted in the bout for highly regarded Springfield middleweight Bobby Horn, who was killed in a traffic accident Tuesday night.

Baker Guides LA Rams To 20-17 Nod Over Dallas

Portland — UPI — Terry Baker may not have won the starting quarterback's job with the Los Angeles Rams Saturday night — but he didn't hurt his chances.

The rookie from Oregon State guided the Rams to a 20-17 National Football League exhibition win over the Dallas Cowboys before 29,349 persons here. It was the Rams' first victory and the Cowboys' initial defeat in three exhibition games this season.

"The starting quarterback job is wide open and always has been," Los Angeles Coach Harland Svare said after the game.

Svare, whose quarterbacks corps include sophomore Roman Gabriel and veteran Zeke Bratkowski, would not divulge who would open at quarterback against the Cleveland Browns in the Rams' fourth exhibition game next week end.

Called Most Plays
"It takes years to become a polished quarterback in this league but Terry was considerably better than a week ago in part-time effort in a 27-0 loss to Minnesota," the coach added.

"He called 99 per cent of the plays tonight."

The victory, which came before the largest crowd ever to see a professional football game in Multnomah Stadium, was the first for Los Angeles since last Oct. 28 when it defeated the San Francisco 49ers 28-14 in a league game.

It was Svare's first win as head coach of the Rams.

Five other players with Oregon backgrounds also shared the spotlight.

Bill Swain, former University of Oregon center from North Bend, played the entire game at middle linebacker for the Rams in place of the injured Marlin McKeever.

Winning Combination Still Being Sought For Forty Niners

San Francisco — UPI — It was back to the drawing board today for Coach Red Hickey of the San Francisco Forty Niners, while the Cleveland Browns celebrated their first NFL exhibition win, an easy 24-7 victory over the Forty Niners Sunday.

Still searching for his first triumph in three starts, Hickey had only four days to put together a winning combination before the Forty Niners meet Dallas Friday night at Bakersfield.

From the way it went Sunday, Hickey faces a man-sized job. The crowd of 28,335 at Kezar Stadium booed the Forty Niners in general and No. 1 quarterback John Brodie in particular, long and loud.

Brodie never was able to move San Francisco past the Browns' 45-yard line in the first half.

On the other hand, Cleveland, under new coach Blanton Collier, appeared to have jelled in the Forty Niner game with fullback Jim Brown again showing why he is one of the game's outstanding runners and Frank Ryan contributing accurate passing at the quarterback spot.

Brown, a six-year veteran, had a hand in all three of Cleveland's touchdowns.

John Pott Champion In Classic

By LEO H. PETERSEN
UPI Sports Editor
Akron, Ohio — UPI — There are two things that Johnny Pott, the new champion of the American Golf classic, likes to do:

Win money and beat Arnold Palmer.

He did both Sunday.

Pott won the \$9,000 first-place money in the Classic by beating Palmer by four strokes. He shot an even par 35-35-70 in the final round Sunday over what the touring pros label the toughest golf course they have to play — the 7,165-yard Firestone Country club layout.

For Pott, it was only the fourth tournament victory in his seven years on the tour.

"But it was by far my greatest," said the 27-year-old Pott. "When you beat Palmer, you beat the greatest."

Pott, before Sunday, hadn't won a tournament since the Waco Turner in May of 1962. Before that he had won at Dallas and West Palm Beach, Denver Next Stop.

Now he has set his sights on this week's Denver Open.

Pott, who tied for the first-round lead and then led the field alone going into the third and fourth rounds — picking up \$2,333 in bonus money for doing it — figured when he teed off Sunday that "I had to shoot a 68 or 69 to win."

His total of 276 for the four rounds tied the tournament record set by Palmer when he won the Classic last year.

Palmer's final round 37-36-73, three over par, gave him a total of 280 — exact par for the course and increased his money-winnings to \$101,555.

U. S. Open champion Julius Boros, with a final round 71, finished third with 281, that boosted his money winnings for 1963 to \$73,956. That is only behind Palmer and Jack Nicklaus, the Masters and PGA champion, who picked up \$2,200 by finishing in a tie for fifth place to increase his official earnings to \$83,465.

Young Dave Hill finished fourth with a 69 for 282. Then came Nicklaus and British Open champion Bob Charles at 283, followed by Paul Bondeson at 284 and Bobby Nichols at 285.

MAC Takes AAU Swim

The Dalles — UPI — The Multnomah Athletic club of Portland rolled up 218½ points to capture the 18th annual Oregon open invitational AAU swimming and diving age group meet Sunday.

The Aero club of Portland finished in second place with 212½ points in the two-day competition. Rounding out the top five teams were Boise, Idaho, YMCA with 163½; Parkrose Swim Club with 158½; and Tacoma, Wash., Swim Club with 99½.

Golfing Exhibition Benefits Children

Portland — UPI — James Garner and Buddy Rogers defeated Bob Hope and Helen Detweiler 2 and 1 in an 18-hole benefit exhibition best ball golf match at the Columbia-Edgewater Country Club Sunday afternoon.

About 2,000 persons watched the celebrities in the charity match for the Oregon Association for Retarded Children.

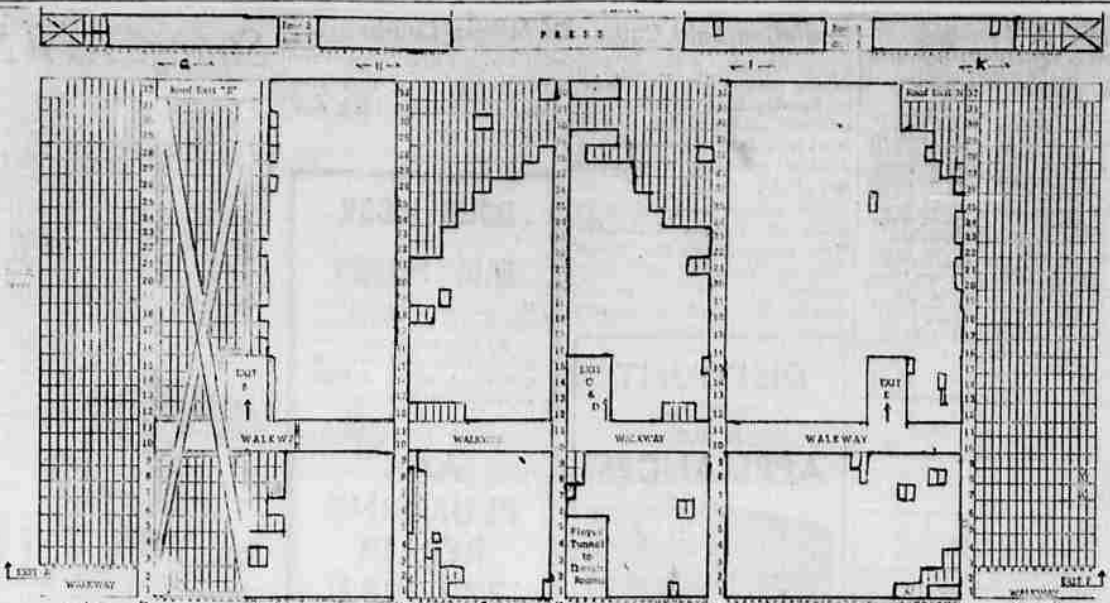
Individually, Garner topped the players with a one-over-par 73. Miss Detweiler had 78 and Rogers and Hope shot 80s.

PRICE CHAMPION

Longview, Wash. — UPI — Dick Price of Longview fired a 72 Sunday for 145 to win the two-day, 36-hole Lower Columbia golf tournament. Don Taylor of Seattle was second with 147 and Kent Myers of Lake Oswego finished third with 148.

KOENIG ILL

Milwaukee — UPI — Ron Koenig, all-Metro league halfback for Milwaukee last season, has been ordered to bed for about six weeks with mononucleosis. Koenig had planned to enroll at the University of Oregon this fall.



FOUR-YEAR TICKETS BEING SOLD—The chart, above, shows the seating plan for the west side reserved seat grandstand at the Medford high school stadium. Sale of some 300 four-year season reserve tickets is now under way. They can be obtained from the high school office for \$80. The blank areas in sections C and D in the middle of the stand represent the five-year ticket seats which were sold a year ago. The cross-line area in the same two center sections shows the seats to be sold under the four-year arrangement. All seats have backs. Included in the four-year plan also are a few seats in sections G and K on the roof.

Buffalo Has Potential To Make Serious Run for Eastern Diadem in AFL

By MARTIN GLEASON
Buffalo, N.Y. — UPI — Lou Saban sidesteps all references to an American Football league title being just over the horizon, but he concedes his Buffalo Bills have the potential to make a serious run for the Eastern division sweepstakes in 1963.

The 41-year-old Saban, starting his second season at the Buffalo reins, had the most feared team in the league during the stretch drive a year ago. Led by former San Diego quarterback Jack Kemp and the record rushes of 243-pound fullback Cookie Gilchrist, the Thundering Herd reeled off seven victories and a tie over the last nine games after absorbing five straight losses.

Saban refused to stand pat for 1963 because "the league is getting stronger every year." He was productively active in the trading mart and corraled a host of promising rookies from the draft.

The yearlings, described by Saban as the "best crop of rookies I have seen in four years," are headed by center-tackle Dave Behrman of Michigan State, the top draft choice, and 265-pound defense tackle Jim Dunaway of Mississippi, the No. 2 pick.

Others Also Impress
All-American fullback George Saines of Michigan State and "darkhorse" Ed Rutkowski of Notre Dame have impressed in training and Saban rates both as versatile enough for double duty. Saines will be relief man for Gilchrist as well as a defensive safety. Rutkowski is a defense corner back and a running back.

Another Irish star, quarterback Daryl Lamonica, has made such a strong showing that he has cost veteran Warren Rabb his job as Kemp's understudy.

"Daryl learns fast and is a real hard thrower," says Saban. "We think he will make a great one."

The Bills obtained 254-pound offensive guard tackle Dick Hudson from the Chargers in exchange for the rights to the nomadic Tobin Rote. Saban bought proven line-backer Harry Jacobs from Boston and signed three-year National Football league veteran Jim Leo for defensive end work.

"These fellows will give us depth," Saban said.

May Prove Vital
Three other moves may prove vital this year. The Bills acquired second-year end Bill Miller from the Kansas City Chiefs, and the former Miami (Fla.) ace immediately took over the tough split end position from Glenn Bass.

Saban has switched Baylor's Tim Minter, a rookie defender last year, to flanker back on offense "and the experiment has been a tremendous surprise. Minter has made a speedy transition."

Ken Rice, who sat out the 1962 season with a left knee injury after showing great promise as an offensive tackle two years ago, has stepped in as a defensive end.

Saban has coaxed onetime Georgia halfback Fred Brown out of retirement and the speedster will fight rookie Roger Kochman of Penn State for the outside running slot that has been a debit in past campaigns.

Saban feels the league is gaining in stature. "This is due to the better caliber of players. It is no longer a cakewalk. We will have to earn every win."

Daylight To Dark Play At Rogue Valley Links

A week of daylight to dark golf activity at Medford's Rogue Valley Country club got under way this morning.

The occasion is the 35th annual Southern Oregon Golf championships.

Qualifying play was in full stride today and practice rounds increased traffic on the course.

This was the last day for qualification tours by local linksters not trying for championship flight berths. Local divoters aiming for title spots play their rounds on Thursday with rounds on Friday and Saturday.

Monday, Labor day.

Millette Has 70
Rogue Valley Pro Ron Caperna anticipated that 350 men and women will be on the course on Tuesday, using all 27 of the competition holes for qualifying and practice play. The tourney will have a full field of 432 men and women.

Yesterday's practice saw Harry Millette, Rogue Valley member who lives at Yreka, Calif., shoot a two under par 70. Dr. Ralph Odell of the home club had a pair of even par 72s for 36 holes and Clayton Lewis of RVCC had a 73.

Ron Mitchell, Chico, Calif., a past finalist, carded a 72. Lynn Creason, Tahoe, Calif., 1958 champ, shot a 67 once last week and has been close to par in other practices.

Tim Berg of Rogue Valley, figured as one of the top contenders this year was in Portland today for qualifying play for the National Amateur. Also, involved in that play was Bob Smith, a Portlander who is a Southern Oregon entrant. Smith was runner-up to champion Tom Shaw last year.

The tourney has men's, senior men's and women's divisions.

Ferguson Celebrates Birthday

United Press International
Vince Ferguson celebrated his 24th birthday by doubling in the winning run in the 12th inning to give Yakima a 5 to 4 win over the Salem Dodgers in Northwest league play Sunday night.

The win sent the Bears two games in front of Salem with only about a week of baseball left to play.

Dave Eilers scored the win for Yakima, his 15th against three defeats.

At Lewiston, the Eugene Emeralds handed the Broncos an 8-2 loss, and dropped third place Idaho 2½ games behind the league leaders in third place.

The big blows for Eugene were a three-run double by Dennis Lundgren and a three-run homer by Bill Barraclough.

Golfers Join Pitch, Putt Court Play at Domiciliary

White City — Senior and junior golfers from the Rogue Valley Country club have highlighted the pitch and putt course play at the Veterans Administration domiciliary here in recent days.

First came the men along with Al Williams, former golf professional at the Rogue Valley Country club, who brought along his successor, Ron Caperna, at the club. Carl Schmidt, Jim Seldon, Allan Holmes, Max Pierce and John Nuich completed the group which played and held a golf clinic with domiciliary members.

Seven juniors accompanied Williams the next week including Jimmy Woods, Tom Clark, Mike Miller, Greg Miller, Doug Olson, Mike Nuich and Kent Clark. Doug Olson, prominent local junior along with his group, all topflight golfer, is the 1963 junior state champion.

Mrs. Rose Bunch, who along with Williams represents the United Voluntary services in southern Oregon and northern California, has also brought some 15 women players from the Rogue Valley club to participate and aid the golfing activities here, according to Paul C. Bethel, recreation chief, and Al Birman, sports head here.

Mrs. Bunch and Mrs. Al Williams have been assisted throughout the season by Mrs. Toni Six, Mrs. Phyllis Wood, Mrs. Andrew W. Foley, wife of Dr. A. W. Foley of the domiciliary staff, Mrs. Jean Douglas, Mrs. Freda Peters, Mrs. Dorothy Downson, Mrs. Ruth Notting, Mrs. Jo Williams, Mrs. Jean Lear, Mrs. H. S. Covington, and Mrs. Gayle Cowing. Also the Misses Gail Williams and Christy Lear accompanied the women golfers.

The pitch and putt golf course at the domiciliary has proven to be one of the most active programs here from both a local and community program. The interest, time and enthusiasm extended by the men and women country club golfers, has increased the participation here among disabled veterans. This interest extends further into the galleries watching the Wednesday afternoon and evening matches between members and the Medford participants, according to the domiciliary officials.

The donation of an appropriate trophy by Mrs. Ruby Schneider, ardent booster and golfer here with the United Voluntary services, with the name inscription of the member who shows the most improvement during the year.

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Happy Camp Club To Hold Kart Races

Happy Camp, Calif. — Clubs of Redding and Yreka, Calif., Medford and Grants Pass will be participants in the annual Labor day holiday Kart meet of Klamath Kart Klub on Sunday and Monday, Sept. 1 and 2, at the club's new black-topped track.

Time trials are set for noon on Sunday with the main event immediately following. Monday races are set for 1 p.m.

The meet is open to all karters. There are camping facilities next to the track and Happy Camp has several motels.

Information may be obtained from Ted Jensen, club president, by addressing a letter to PO Box 511 here or by telephoning GYpsy 3-2656.

NBA To Televis 11 Regular Games

New York — UPI — The National Basketball association (NBA) will televise 11 regular season games and its annual All-Star game on a special coast-to-coast network next season.

The announcement of the planned "Game of the Week" television series was made today at the conclusion of the NBA's annual summer meeting.

The games will be telecast on 11 consecutive Thursday nights starting Jan. 2, 1964. They will be televised into all nine league cities, with the local site blacked out, and will be made available to television stations in other areas.

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