

# Sweet Home Rival Of Crater Comets

CENTRAL POINT—"We can't go anywhere but up," Coach Luke Fiorante of the Sweet Home Huskies told a Willamette valley newspaper recently.

That is still true as the Class A-1 Huskies prepare this week to meet the Crater Comets of Central Point in a non-league game. The game will be at 8 p.m. at Sweet Home. While the local Comets were beating Lebanon last Friday, Sweet Home took a 39 to 0 pasting from defending state A-2 champion Central of Monmouth.

In a pre-season assessment, Fiorante reported that the Husky club "looks much improved over last season, but we are still pretty thin with no depth which seems to be a familiar story."

In thin ranks there's a similarity with Crater's Comets. The Fireballs are no strangers to the problem.

Has left

One thing the Sweet Home club does appear to have is left. The front line averages around 194 pounds. And, the backfield averages at 160 with plenty of speed available when needed.

Lettermen are Jon Edwards, quarterback; Ed Seiber and Mike Crox, fullbacks; Delmer Johnson, end; Mike Easterly, Gary Gill and Jack Burrell, tackles; Lynn Jenkins, tackle switched from center; Dave Horner and Jerry White, guards; Easterly, at 219, carries the top weight on the ball club.

Other top candidates include Kerry Hoffman, quarterback; Mel Andrews, fullback; Ron Ewan, Jack Myrick and Jim Kolkka, halfbacks; Dave Anderson, tackle, and Steve Richards, center. Ewan is a transfer from Estacada.

As the Crater Comets trimmed for the Willamette Valley Jam, amount of service from quarterback Darryl Summerfield and fullback Vern Swanson was uncertain. Summerfield got his ankle banged in the Lebanon game last Friday and hasn't been in pads this week. Swanson suffered a bruised rib cage against the

Warriors and rebumped those ribs yesterday in drill.

Summerfield has been running and working to put the ankle in shape and the swelling has gone down. It's a good possibility that he can be used sparingly. Still Roger Neufeld has been running the offense from quarterback and Coach Keith Johnson figures he may pull Ray White from the line into Summerfield's linebacker spot and send Don Gail or Jack Peek into the line.

Charley Taylor has been groomed a fullback in case Swanson's doctor rules against his play.



AT COMET FLANK — Bob Turner, above, plays end for the Crater High school Comet football crew which vies at Sweet Home on Friday evening. Turner is a 175-pound senior letterman.

**WORK ON DEFENSE**

CORVALLIS (UPI)—The Oregon State football team concentrated on defense Wednesday in preparation for Saturday night's season opener against Utah at Salt Lake City.

# SPORTS

MEDFORD, OREGON, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1963

## St. Mary's To Play At Glendale Friday

Freshman quarterback Eric Jensen is expected to draw a starting assignment Friday night for the St. Mary's high Crusaders.

The Medford parochial school's football team travels for a non-league game at Glendale.

John Batzer, junior quarterback who started last week for the Crusaders against Glide,

## Nicklaus Defends

PORTLAND (UPI) — Dave Marr of New Rochelle, N.Y., won \$300 in first money in the \$3,000 pro-amateur tournament Wednesday as a prelude to the start of the \$30,000 Portland Open.

Marr shot a six under par, 66, one stroke ahead of Bob Goetz, Tulsa, Okla., and Paul Bondeson, Northbrook, Ill.

PORTLAND, Ore. (UPI) — Big Jack Nicklaus, the young Masters and PGA champion, opened defense of his Portland Open championship today in an effort to catch Arnold Palmer in the money-winning derby.

Finishing out of the money for only the fourth time in his career in the Seattle Open last week, Nicklaus polished his game on the practice tee and fairways at Columbia - Edgewater here and was the established favorite.

Winning last year with a 19-under-par 269, including a two-stroke penalty for slow play, Nicklaus estimated it would take no more than a 272 this year.

sustained a bone chip in his hand. Coach Bill McKibbin reported that, while Batzer likely will see some action, it is planned to start the freshman signal caller.

Fullback Jeff Randolph, like Batzer, has not been in pads this week. He's had an infected elbow. But, McKibbin feels he should be ready for duty against the Pirates.

This week's ailments have been compensated for a bit by the return of halfback Anthony Mete. He missed the Glide engagement because of a foot bruise.

Unit Work

McKibbin reported that there have been some personnel changes but did not elaborate. He stated that the Crusaders have been doing a lot of unit work in practice and have added to their passing game a little.

The head coach said that the Medford club is going to Glendale "cold" so far as knowledge of the Pirates is concerned. Glendale absorbed a 33 to 13 defeat at the hands of Rogue River while St. Mary's was tying Glide 12 to 12. The game should give St. Mary's some indication of how it compares with Rogue league foe Rogue River.

Probable starters for SM on offense are Dan Kosmatka, center; John Lucas and Steve Cook, guards; Mike Hutchinson and Randy Corliss, tackles; Dennis Rose and Bob Roberts, ends; Jensen, quarterback; Don Valentine and Mete, halfbacks, and Tim Sakraida, fullback.

For defense Dennis O'Hara is to go in for Valentine, Ray Richter for Kosmatka and Ron Becker for Cook.

# Tornado Gridders On Road To Boise

"We hope to uphold the prestige of Oregon."

That's what the Medford high Black Tornado football contingent had in mind today as it headed eastward toward the state of Idaho.

Medford will engage Boise high at 8 p.m. Friday in Idaho's capital city. The Tornadoes carry the standard as Oregon's Class A-1 state champions. Boise, it is reported, may be on the ascendancy again after some lean years in the gridiron sport.

Actually, the battle may afford some three-state comparisons once the 1963 campaign is history. Boise last week rolled 52 to 14 over Rancho of Las Vegas, Nev., which for a number of years has been the power in the Silver state.

A busload of 36 players is making the trip. They were to arrive at Burns this afternoon and workout at 3 o'clock. They'll stay overnight there and head on for the Potato state tomorrow morning. The Tornado is due in Boise around 1 p.m.

Medford gridgers will stay Friday night in the homes of Boise players. This is the first time Tornado players have stayed in homes of rivals while under the tutelage of Head Coach Fred Spiegelberg. Medford gridgers will reciprocate when Boise comes here next fall.

The whirlwind will enter the fracas sort of in the dark on

what to expect from the Boise club. "We do not know too much about them," said Spiegelberg. The schools did exchange football films. It is known that

Boise, once a power in Idaho football, is making a determined effort to rise from the doldrums.

The Medford head man indicated that there has been nothing special or particularly stressed in drills this week. Both

## British Deflate Yankee Golfers

DALMAHOY, Scotland (UPI) — Dave Ragan and Billy Maxwell, two slightly deflated members of the United States Ryder Cup team, led five other Yanks in action today in the \$22,400 Senior Service Golf tournament.

The 72-hole event on the 6,663-yard, par-71 Dalmahoys course was expected to provide Ragan and Maxwell with a chance to regain some of the prestige they lost in Wednesday's "Little Ryder Cup" matches on the same links.

Maxwell, of Las Vegas, Nev., and Ragan, who plays out of Orlando, Fla., suffered bad beatings as a team of British pros upset a makeshift U.S. squad by a total of six holes.

Neil Coles, a chunky Englishman who already has been named to the British Ryder Cup team will meet the U.S. at Atlanta next month, overpowered Ragan, 7-up. Scotland's Eric Brown turned back Maxwell, 4-up.

pass attack and pass defense have had some attention and some new plays have been added to the Big Wind repertoire.

Spiegelberg indicated no change in starting lineups over those of a week ago. He reported, nevertheless, that Lance Casebeer is close to moving into the left halfback and safety spots. He could be called at anytime, said the Tornado coach. Casebeer is a transfer from Roseburg high.

The Medford squad was reported in real good shape physically.

Return trip to Medford will start early Saturday morning and the jaunt will be made straight through in one day with home arrival time possibly around 8 p.m.

## Junior Coffey Has Foot Cast Removed

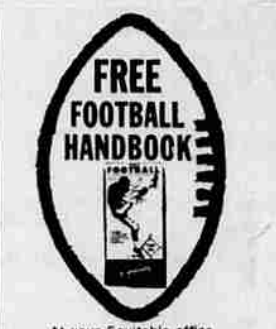
SEATTLE (UPI) — The cast was removed from the broken foot of star University of Washington fullback Junior Coffey Tuesday, but Coach Jim Owens said he was making no plans to use the highly touted back soon.

"We have no plans at all. We're just waiting for the reports from the doctors," Owens said.

Owens said the foot will be x-rayed again this week end. Until he broke his foot in practice Coffey had been touted as a potential All-American.

McLEOD TO BLADES

SEATTLE (UPI)—Goalie Jimmy McLeod has been sent to the Los Angeles Blades of the Western Hockey League, General Manager Keith Allen of the Seattle Totems announced Tuesday. McLeod was sent to the Blades from the Seattle club on a trial basis. As a result of McLeod's being sent to Los Angeles two goalies, Al Millar and Claude Dufour, will be on hand when the Totems open their training season in Seattle Saturday.



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## Danger! Fire in the woods is still a major threat

With the advent of warm fall weather, fire in the woods is still a major hazard to the safety and economic well-being of the Northwest.

Fortunately there have been no really serious fires so far this year. Foresters say people have been particularly careful while in the woods. This is no time to let down.

September and October are often the months of greatest danger. And this year conditions are worse than ever.

Columbus Day windstorms left more than 11 billion board feet of blow-down on the forest floor. Private industry and government agencies have been working hard for many months to clean it up but most of it is still there.

It is ready to explode like a month-old Christmas tree at the touch of the slightest spark. Whole communities could be wiped out.

So just because the summer is over, don't drop your guard. Wherever you go in the woods this fall, please do your part to prevent fire. Whenever possible, stay in established camping areas. Please observe fire closures. Build fires only in areas provided for them and make sure they are out when you leave.

Fire prevention is everybody's job. If you do your part, we can get through the year without a disaster.

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