

District Mantle At Stake Here Tonight in Cavemen-Tornado Mix

Tonight's Oregon prep football feature: "Road Block for the Black Tornado" or "Battle on Lake Tornado" — or, still, "The Cavemen at the Barricade."

The plot is built around endeavor of the state's defending champions to crash the last Southern Oregon Conference obstruction in campaigning to attract again a berth in playoffs for the Oregon high school crown. This defender runs into a strong, high rated rival which wants that honor for itself.

Performers are the gridders of Medford and Grants Pass High. Drama in four acts will be portrayed at the Medford Stadium. Curtain (or kickoff) time is 8 p.m.

Note to the anticipated record crowd that will cheer the actors on both teams: This show is not rehearsed. It may not stick to a set script. The ending is not certain.

Equal Opportunity

With Medford's Black Tornado as defender in both state and conference and now rated No. 1 in Oregon and with Grants Pass's Cavemen the pre-league favorite and ranked as Nos. 2 and 3, this show has earned top billing of the week.

Two fine teams go on to the stadium's green stage faced with equal opportunity. Victor will be the league and District 5 titlist for 1963. Prize to the triumphant aggregation will be a spot in the Class A-1 state quarterfinals against the representative from the Midwestern League (District 5).

Medford and Grants Pass enter into the titular scuffle with like luge records. Each is 3-0 after wins over Klamath Union, Crater and Ashland High. Should the teams tie, as they have done in two conference finale games of recent years, total net yardage gained will determine which goes on into state eliminations. Official statistician is Virg Swanson.

This will be the 54th football meeting of the Tornado and the Cavemen in grid opposition dating from back in 1907. Medford has won on 40 occasions and Grants Pass 11 times. There have been just two ties.

Speed Versus Power

Grants Pass speed against Medford power is how the struggle has been billed. The fleet

GP backfield, with a balance of abilities, has been acclaimed as one of the best in Southern Oregon history, comparable to Medford quartets of three and four years back. Tom Sparlin, Gary Van Koen, Rich Ireland and Terry Isabell make up this flying foursome. A quick, sharp-hitting line has sprung them free for gains.

There's talent, too, in Medford corps. It's No. 1 rating will attest. It's backfield crew of Mike Barnes, Greg Gandee, Bill Enyart and Tim Murray provide elusiveness plus power. The crew up front has at times lacked consistency but against Oregon competition this fall has come through to pave the paths of triumph.

Both clubs have air arms. There could be passing operations, despite contrary weather, if either contingent finds it necessary to pull out all stops. And, this will be an all-out game.

Season indications are that tough defense will be played on both sides.

Soaked Field

Outcomes against common opposition and Medford's bit higher rating give it slight favored rating, although the Tornado

has suffered one loss, outside the state, and Grants Pass is unbeaten in the season. Past results of the fall, however, along with the prognosticators' views, will be forgotten when the two clubs take the field.

And, this statement has been attributed to a Grants Pass player: "After all, the polls are only guesses. The game will be won on the field."

With rain forecast through the day, after precipitation through the week, including 48 of an inch from midnight to 8 a.m. today, the Tornado field will be soaked. A wet field is looked upon as more advantageous to the Black Tornado as it could slow the Cavemen speed.

Seats For 9,000

Grants Pass carries a standing of seven victories and a tie. The Tornado has won six games this fall.

In anticipation of a throng of spectators, additional bleachers have been provided for tonight. It is figured that there will be seating for around 9,000 people. Medford's two huge grandstands put a total of some 8,300 under cover.

The following instructions have been given on which gates to use to facilitate entry to the stadium:

Persons with reserve tickets to section B, C, D and E in the west-side grandstand use Gate 3.

Persons with tickets to reserve sections A and B or Grants Pass people with general admission tickets use Gates 1 and 2 at the south end of the stadium.

Those with tickets to reserve section F and other general admission ticket holders enter Gates 3 and 2 at the north end of the field.

Medford high students use Gates 13 and 14 only.

Junior high and elementary school students and visiting school students use Gates 13-16.



TORNADO GRIDDER — Greg Dippel, above, is a fullback and linebacker for the Medford Black Tornado football team which plays Grants Pass here tonight in the game deciding the Southern Oregon Conference title. Dippel is a 173-pound senior.

Key Games On Oregon Grid Scene

By United Press International

Some key games, including a Southern Oregon title clash between top-ranked Medford and Grants Pass, are scheduled in Oregon High School football action tonight.

The Grants Pass - Medford game, at Medford, will draw a packed house of around 9,000. The winner of that one will go into the state A-1 quarter finals against Roseburg, Marshfield or Cottage Grove.

Roseburg plays host to Shelton, Marshfield is at home against North Bend and Cottage Grove is at Willamette tonight. If all three win as expected there will be a draw Sunday to determine the Midwest League entry in the playoffs.

St. Helens vs. West Linn

St. Helens meets West Linn in another title tussle with the winner going up against Portland's Grant in the A-1 quarterfinals. Parkrose, which has won the Wilco League title, will play either Beaverton or Central Catholic in the first-round of the playoffs. Beaverton hosts Centennial and Central is at Sunset tonight.

Pendleton, the Intermountain King, hosts Hermiston as a tuneup for its playoff game against either North Salem or South Salem. A win or a tie for North Salem tonight would give the Vikings the berth.

Some key games also are scheduled in A-2 and class B ranks.

Phoenix, Douglas, and Woodburn are "in" class A-2, Vancिला and Merrill have nailed down class B playoff spots while Eagle Valley and Camas Valley have clinched class B-8 man berths.

Probable Offensive Lineups MEDFORD-GRANTS PASS HIGH FOOTBALL

MEDFORD			GRANTS PASS		
No.	Name	Wgt. Pos. Wgt.	No.	Name	Wgt.
89	Steve Toews	175 LE	198	Jerry McCormack	63
44	Walt Verstrate	183 RE	176	Mary Bauer	60
73	Jeff Hardrath	225 LT	185	Roger Vlach	58
80	Bob Methvin	170 RT	185	Bob Lindemann	50
67	Chip Buffington	178 LG	176	Barry Eames	41
71	Chuck Kimball	190 RG	178	Chuck Fuller	42
50	Ed Coss	185 C	157	Bill Standley	38
12	Mike Barnes	170 QB	162	Tom Sparlin	18
44	Tim Murray	194 LH	159	Gary VanKoten	22
34	Greg Gandee	167 RH	170	Rich Ireland	24
41	Bill Enyart	215 FB	173	Terry Isabell	33

SPORTS

Phoenix Opposes Henley's Hornets

PHOENIX — Oregon's No. 1 rated Class A-2 football team will finish one portion of its season this evening. Then it will look toward another.

The Pirates of Phoenix High are hosts to the Henley Hornets with kickoff planned for 8 p.m.

This game will be one of four on the weekend tucking away in the 1963 Rogue League chase. In other scraps tonight Illinois Valley will be at Rogue River and Lakeview will meet Sacred Heart at Klamath Falls. Saturday's curtain dropper will be St. Mary's against Eagle Point at Medford.

Phoenix aim this evening will be to complete an unbeaten regular season and maintain stature at the top of Oregon's prep rating polls. Objective also will be to assure the unshared championship of the conference.

Sure of Playoff

The Buccaneers already already are certain of a state quarterfinal playoff spot because they have already whipped Illinois Valley, the only aggregation which can gain a share of the Rogue diadem. Phoenix is 6-0 in the circuit and IV is 5-1. Henley's Hornets, with eyes on upset, are 4-2 and have a chance for a knot for second place.

Phoenix will have its regular lineup, except probably Fullback Jon Granby. He was sidelined in the Illinois Valley game by an ankle injury. Dale Sauer will fill the spot in the backfield, playing at right halfback while Dennis Grennan shifts from half to full. Eugene Hill has been ticketed with Granby's defensive end position.

While Phoenix is highly favored, Henley is not being underrated. The closest Henley has come to matching the Pirates was with a 55-0 win over Sacred Heart. The Pirate, using their depth, beat SH 60-6.

Next phase of the Phoenix season is the playoffs. The Pirates entertain Douglas of Winston here next Friday in a state quarter-tilt.

PROBABLE LINEUPS: Phoenix offense — Greg Esperson and Gary McGarity, tackles; Dave Westfall and Ken Tackles; Paul Dienerich, center; Ron Williams, quarterback; Jim Conbruck, left halfback; Dale Sauer, right halfback; Dennis Grennan, fullback.

Phoenix defense — Eugene Hill replaces Smith.

Henley offense — Elton Schiro and Duane Larson, ends; John Biggs and Dick Johnson, tackles; Don Terry and Dave Snyder, Dave Lindland guards; Lyle Berstrom center; Bugs Lewis, quarterback; Kim Hale, left halfback; Fred Rodriguez or Steve Rand, right halfback; Bill Fisher, fullback.

Henley defense — Rodriguez will be a linebacker; Mike Zagorsky will replace Schiro; Dave Jackson will replace Lewis.

St. Mary's Grid Dinner Tuesday

Annual dinner honoring the St. Mary's High football team will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12, at North's Chuck Wagon.

Al Akins, head coach of the Southern Oregon College football team, will be the speaker.

The dinner is open to parents and friends of the players. Tickets may be bought from any member of the St. Mary's Boosters Club or may be purchased at the door on Tuesday.

Basketball

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION By United Press International Eastern Division

City	W	L	Pct.
Boston	6	5	.545
Cincinnati	5	6	.455
Philadelphia	2	2	.286
New York	3	8	.273

Western Division

City	W	L	Pct.
St. Louis	7	2	.778
San Francisco	5	3	.625
Los Angeles	3	3	.500
Baltimore	3	3	.500

Thursday's Results

San Francisco 110 New York 88

HOCKEY

WESTERN LEAGUE By United Press International

City	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
San Fran	6	4	2	14	37	23
Seattle	8	3	0	12	34	23
Portland	5	3	0	11	32	30
Los Angeles	5	3	0	10	34	40
Denver	4	3	1	9	38	57
Vancouver	4	7	0	8	42	47

Thursday's Results

Los Angeles 3 Portland 2

St. Mary's Engages Eagles on Saturday

Regular varsity football season at the Medford Stadium will end on Saturday night.

A pair of Class A-2 schools are opponents in this final action.

St. Mary's High's Crusaders will host the Eagle Point Eagles. It will be a Rogue league brush. Homecoming of the Medford parochial school will be observed. Kickoff is planned for 8 p.m.

This will end the season for the SM aggregation. The eagles have jayvee action of Monday at Ashland.

Just the rivalry between the two schools and final points

PROBABLE LINEUPS: Eagle Point offense — Wouter Levenburgh and Dave Blair, ends; Jerry Moore and Morgan Miller or Bill Ayres, tackles; Merle Ford and Victor Eccleston, guards; Ayres or Miller, center; Bob Colpitts, quarterback; Mike House, left halfback; Dan Colclamer, fullback; Dale Chamberlain, right halfback; Eagle Point defense — Blair and Corliss, ends; Miller and Dale Herrmann, tackles; Ayres and Eccleston, guards; House, Colclamer, Colpitts, Gary Young and Chamberlain backs.

St. Mary's offense — Ray Richter and Charles Darland or Randy Corliss, ends; Dennis Rose and Ron Becker, tackles; Steve Cook and John Lucas, guards; Dan Kosmatka, center; John Butzer, quarterback; Ron Roberts or Corliss, fullback; and Anthony Mete and Don Valentine, halfbacks.

St. Mary's defense — Eric Jensen at safety, replacing Valentine; Mike Ford replacing Kosmatka in the line and Lucas playing line-backer.

in the standings are of concern in the fracs. Both are out in the running for the crown or for a share of it. It will be the first Eagle Point - St. Mary's meeting at Medford since Bill McKibbin has been Crusader coach.

SM has a record of five wins, two losses and a tie this fall and with 4-2 in the loop has a chance yet to tie for second place. Eagle Point are 3-5 for the Rogue and could join a three way knot for third.

Randolph Out

The Eagles of Coach Vern Steward were to rest today after three days of hard work on the practice field. They went through pass defense and reviewed generally yesterday. Fundamentals got a lot of work on Wednesday. On Tuesday the agenda had review of blocking assignments and a lot of tackling drill.

For St. Mary's Fullback Jeff Randolph is definitely out of action because of a knee injury. For the same reason it is "very doubtful," according to Coach McKibbin, that Halfback Tim



SM HANDY MAN—Randy Corliss, above, 165, is called Handy Randy with the Hands by the St. Mary's Crusaders. He has played end, tackle and fullback this fall for the Medford club. Last Saturday he caught five passes for 119 yards against Henley. Corliss will be at end or fullback Saturday night when the Crusaders meet Eagle Point at the Medford field.

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PROSPECT — Clown basketball comes to Prospect on Friday night.

Bringing it will be the Harlem Stars, a team of talented Negro players who tour the world with the objective of making people laugh.

The "game" will be at 8 p.m. at the high school gym. A group of faculty members and alumni will provide the opposition.

Fans are to see game exhibitions, razzle dazzle ball handling, intricate routines, planned and impromptu comedy and all sorts of shenanigans.

On the crew are such players as "Loud Mouth" Billingsley, ex-Compton Junior College; "Big Daddy" Batiste, "Henry" Brit Johnson, ex-University of San Francisco, and Lindsey Petties.

Billingsley reportedly heads the comedy. But, he's much more than a clown. He's fast and aggressive and is termed one of the great drivers and jump shot artists in the game. His bag of tricks is expected to keep residents of this community in stitches. Nothing reportedly is set to routine.

Batiste is among the best corner men in the business and has a deadly jump shot. Johnson was proclaimed the player of the year while in high school in Los Angeles. Petties overcomes shortness of stature with deception, speed and accurate shooting.

It is a policy of the clowns to keep games close and devote much time to comedy.

"Go Man, Go" describes the team on the court.

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Mary's receives. Wayne Cook may be at center, in this case, rather than Dan Kosmatka. Mike Hutchinson could be at tackle instead of Rose and Steve Erb at end rather than Charles Darland.

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LODMOUTH AT PROSPECT — Taylor (Loud Mouth) Billingsley, above, termed one of those perfect combinations of crack comedian and topnotch player will be with the Harlem Stars traveling basketball team on Friday night when it plays at Prospect. The game against a club of faculty members and alumni is set for 8 p.m. at the high school gym. He is slated to present an array of new maprocket tricks.

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