

# PHOENIX PIRATES CAPTURE A-2 CHAMPIONSHIP WITH 13-0 WIN

## Buccaneers Down Catholic Royals

ASHLAND — Phoenix High School's mighty Pirates, an indomitable band of gridironers, completed a fall campaign of overwhelming football plunder here on Saturday by capturing their greatest prize.

They overcame a strong, previously unbeaten North Catholic Royal aggregation in the Oregon Class A-2 titular finale. And now, the rampaging Buccaneers reign as state champions in their class. They turned back the Portland parochial school contingent by a 13-0 score.

Shaking off an early jolt, which but for a penalty could have been a pathway to disaster, the Phoenixians put forth their hammering, slashing, varied ground assault and touchdown on relentless drives in the second and third quarters.

Tailback Jim Consruck climaxed a 67-yard second period promenade with a four-yard crash across the goal in the second period and slipped over also for the extra point. In the third period Quarterback Ron Williams, running from the tailback post, sliced the last two yards of a 47-yard push.

### Best All Around

This was victory No. 12 for the Pirates, the "best all-around team" in Coach Jack Woodward's long and successful tenure at the Phoenix helm. The Buccaneers finished the year unbeaten and untied. They yielded just one touchdown through the fall while running up a massive total 397 points.

## Chargers To Oppose Oiler Club

By NORMAN MILLER  
UPI Sports Writer  
The powerful San Diego Chargers take on the well-rested Houston Oilers Sunday in the first of a home-and-home series in which Coach Sid Gillman's men can help determine their likely opponent in the American Football League's championship playoff.

The Boston Patriots are at home to the Buffalo Bills in an important Eastern Division game and the New York Jets are host to the Kansas City Chiefs in two other Sunday games that were postponed for one week because of the death of President Kennedy.

Houston, which had a bye on Nov. 17 and thus has not played for three weeks, holds a precarious lead over both Boston and Buffalo in the Eastern race. The Oilers are 6-4, compared to 5-5-1 for the Patriots and Bills.

### To Play Again

The Chargers, leading the Western Division with an 8-2 record, meet the Oilers twice within the next three weeks. Sunday's game will be played at San Diego; the Dec. 15 meeting will be at Houston.

San Diego conceivably might knock Houston out of the race with two defeats and thus ease the way for either Boston or Buffalo to the playoff berth.

The Chargers also must keep winning their own playoff prospects. In the second-place Oakland Raiders refused to let up. The Raiders scored a 26-10 Thanksgiving Day victory over the Denver Broncos and boosted their record to 7-4. That left the Raiders 1 1/2 games behind San Diego with an outside chance of catching up.

The "line" for Sunday's games favors San Diego by 7 1/2 points over Houston; Boston by 4 1/2 over Buffalo, and Kansas City by 1 over New York.

Creek in 1961. This time the whole prize is theirs.

Phoenix's top offensive and defensive A-2 combine in the state this year, again were superior in those departments as they subdued the toughest team to challenge them. And, the poised Buccaneers, rated No. 1 in the polls this fall and favored in this battle, showed their fine worthiness of the experts' rankings by making their diametric official.

The Pirates stuck almost completely to the ground to prevail in the title struggle. They were stern on ground defense and sufficient in suppressing rival aerial operations, as they have been throughout the season. Three Royal passes were intercepted.

With the running talents of Fullback Jon Granby and Halfback Dennis Grennan, along with those of Consruck and Williams, and a sharp line to make them go, Phoenix dominated the rushing game 211 net yards to 95. North Catholic fought spiritedly with the running talents of Halfback Mike Hryciw and the running and passing of big, tall Quarterback Ed Gorman. The Royal general found receivers for 84 yards on six passes.

A big break which might have changed the complexion of the ball game came on the afternoon's third scrimmage play. Phoenix's Consruck fumbled and Center Ron Molony of the Royals scooped up the pigskin and lumbered 43 yards to the goal.

But, the Pirates nine-game unscored record was allowed to remain intact. Clipping by a North Catholic player on a 14-yard 25-yard line nullified a touchdown. North took the ball on the 41. Fullback Joe Kniser gained two yards but Gorman was dumped for 12-yard loss back on their own 49. A pass failed and the initial Royal threat was over.

The ball switched hands five times before Phoenix journeyed the first time to touchdown land. This was a 13-play march with Consruck, Grennan, Granby and Williams all having packing duties and Consruck ripping off nine and eight yard gains. A roughing the passer penalty picked up 15 yards for the Pirates.

The Royals, who saw a first quarter charge spoiled by a



SCORES FOR PHOENIX — Jim Consruck (44) gets by the last would-be North Catholic tackler, Vince Ripley (39), to score first Phoenix Pirate touchdown yesterday in Oregon Class A-2 high school championship football game on Southern Oregon College's Fuller Field at Ashland. Phoenix went on to win 13-0 and claim the championship, its second in three years. Behind Consruck, and blocking is Gary Smith (helmet

Greg Esp interception of a deflected pass, made their second deepest penetration of the day after the Phoenix opening score. They reached the Pirate 28. Then a Williams' interception brought a halt.

12 Plays Needed  
Phoenix tabulated in the second half on its first opportunity with the ball. The Rogue League and A-2 District 6b champs took over on the Royal 47 when Halfback Jim Keever's punt was good for only three yards.

Twelve plays were required to gain the goal. Grennan netted six yards on two plays. Consruck went for six and Grennan for two more. A pass was incomplete and Dale Sauer ran for five. Consruck ran twice for four yards each and was hurt on the second run which put the ball on the 20.

Williams showed his football versatility and his fine running skill by shifting to the tailback spot. He reeled off 11 yards on a weak side run. Granby gained two yards. Williams went for another five and finally for two more to score.

The Royals' ambitions to get on the scoreboard followed with their biggest offensive bid. They battled for their 35 to the Phoenix 17 in 10 plays but gave up the ball on downs when Gorman lost to the 19. Hryciw got away for 11 yards and Gorman

ward has been the Phoenix skipper for 15 years.

Woodward, one to credit all his players, had particular mention for Williams yesterday for his tremendous marshaling of the Buccaneer attack along with ball backing and tough defensive play.

Consruck had 76 yards for Phoenix on 21 times with the ball and made numerous saves for the Bucs against Royal runners and receivers. Williams had 52 yards on 11 carries and Grennan 49 on 11. Granby packed 29 for eight.

Hryciw, who broke away once for 20 yards, had 50 yards on 10 totes.

The Royals were held to a scrimmage net of 27 yards in the first half while Phoenix totaled 103.

North Catholic, like Phoenix had won over 11 rivals before gaining the championship encounter. No other team this fall has held Phoenix to two touchdowns, a credit to Royal defense. The Portland club carried the standard of the north fringe of the state and the coast. It was District 1 champ and won from Willamina and Siuslaw in playoffs.

Phoenix after its Rogue loop sweep downed Douglas of the Umpqua Valley League then Vale in the semifinals.

## Berry, Murphy Shine as Ducks Crush OSU, 31-14

EUGENE, Ore., (UPI)—Oregon, paced by the offensive talents of Quarterback Bob Berry and the pass interceptions of Halfback H. D. Murphy, crushed Oregon State 31-14 Saturday in the 67th renewal of the far west's oldest football rivalry.

It was the first Oregon victory in five years over its civil war rival.

## Cards Face Cleveland In Pro Loop

By GARY KALE  
UPI Sports Writer  
Charley Johnson of the St. Louis Cardinals is a quarterback who likes to chew his cabbage twice.

Johnson, having the best year of a brief career, beat Cleveland, 20-14, two weeks ago and now must duplicate the feat to keep the Cards at the top of the National Football League's Eastern Division.

The 24-year-old chemical engineer survived the earlier Browns' clash because of his ability to keep passes out of defenders' hands. Only two tosses were intercepted by Cleveland. Johnson was better against the New York Giants last Sunday when he had no interceptions as the Cards won, 24-17, to throw the conference into a three-way tie for the lead.

### Can Pad Lead

The Chicago Bears (9-1-1) can improve their lead in the Western Division against the visiting Minnesota Vikings (4-7). Green Bay's Thanksgiving Day tie with Detroit enabled the Bears to retain a half-game lead over the Packers, who now are 9-2-1.

In Sunday's other action, the Pittsburgh Steelers (6-3-2), still with an outside chance at the Eastern title, host the Philadelphia Eagles (2-8-1); the San Francisco Forty Niners (2-9) are home to the Los Angeles Rams (4-7) and the Baltimore Colts (5-6) play the Redskins (3-8) at Washington.

Berry, a junior from San Jose, Calif., passed for two touchdowns and directed the Oregon offense with the poise of a professional.

He completed 18 of 26 passes for 249 yards.

Murphy, a baseball outfielder, intercepted two passes headed for Oregon State's great end, Vern Burke, late in the first half. Both led to Oregon touchdowns.

Murphy also hauled down one of Berry's scoring passes, a 29-yarder in the third period that put Oregon ahead 31-0. Berry's other touchdown aerial was a 5-yarder to end Corky Sullivan.

Fullback Lu Bain got the other two touchdowns for the Ducks on runs of 4 and 13 yards.

Sophomore Herm Meister, who had played in only one other collegiate game, kicked a 22-yard field goal to open the scoring and added four straight extra points.

Meister's father, Herm Sr., once was an assistant coach for Oregon mentor Len Casanova at Santa Clara.

Oregon State made only four first downs in the first three periods but rallied behind third string sophomore quarterback Marv Crowston to score twice in the final period against Oregon reserves.

Halfback Bob Watkins got one of them on a 6-yard run

and Crowston the other on a 3-yard run.

Oregon played without perhaps its greatest halfback ever, Mel Renfro, who cut his wrist in a freak accident at his home a week ago Friday.

Berry's two touchdowns Saturday tied him with Oregon State's Gordon Queen for national leadership at 16.

It was Oregon's 31st victory to 27 for Oregon State. There have been nine ties.

It also was one of the Duck's most impressive wins ever over the Beavers. Oregon defeated Oregon State 28-0 in 1955 but aside from that it was back in 1899 when Oregon won 38-0 that the Webfoots have won so one sided. That score was 38-0.

The decision left Oregon with a 7-3 record for the season and Oregon State with a 5-5 mark.

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SCORING  
Oregon — FG Meister 22  
Ore — Sullivan 3 pass from Berry (Meister kick)  
Ore — Bain 4 run (Meister kick)  
Ore — Bain 13 run (Meister kick)  
Ore — Murphy 29 pass from Berry (Meister kick)  
OSU — Watkins 6 run (Shaw run)  
OSU — Crowston 3 run (kick failed)

Attendance: 20,700

First Downs — Ore. OSU  
Rushing yardage — 27 14  
Passing yardage — 201 42  
Passing yardage — 249 201  
Passes — 18-26 15-23  
Passes intercepted by — 4 9  
Punts — 2-37 4-38 5  
Fumbles lost — 0 0  
Yards penalized — 62 24

## Cas Praises Berry's Play

EUGENE, Ore. (UPI) — Oregon Coach Len Casanova and Coach Tommy Prothro of Oregon State called quarterback Bob Berry the key to the Ducks' 31-14 football victory over the Beavers here Saturday.

"Berry did a tremendous job," Casanova said. "We put in four new pass patterns for this game and used two of them."

"Berry had as good a day as I've seen," Prothro said. "His execution was excellent." Berry, a junior, completed 18 of 26 passes for 249 yards and two touchdowns. He also gained

13 yards in 14 runs.

Berry's efforts enabled him to break two Oregon season records with 101 pass completions and 1,793 total yards. The old marks were 91 completions and 1,536 yards set by George Shaw in 1954.

Prothro compared Berry to Baylor's outstanding quarterback, Don Trull.

"He does more things than Trull and is a better scrambler," Prothro said. "I'd rather have the scrambler." Oregon State defeated Baylor earlier this season.

# SPORTS

## Indians Come From Behind, Down Cal 28-17 in Thriller

STANFORD, Calif. (UPI) — Kicking specialist Brady Beck hooked field goals from 36, 48 and 46 yards Saturday to give Stanford a come-from-behind victory over California in the 68th renewal of the West's "big game" of college football.

With Stanford trailing 15-17 going into the final quarter, Beck came running off the bench to split the standards with a 48-yard field goal that put the Indians in front 18-17 with 12 minutes to play remaining.

The Indians scored a touchdown immediately after on a fumble recovery and then Beck came in four minutes before the end of the game to kick another 46-yard field goal.

The six-foot-two, 192-pound junior had kept Stanford in the running during the first half. After California had taken a 3-0 lead in the first quarter on Tom Blanchfield's 37-yard field goal, Beck came in to kick a 36-yarder and the score was 3-3 at the intermission.

The victory Saturday evened the series at 28 wins each with 19 ties in a competition that goes back to 1892.

Stanford, a two-point pregame favorite, finished up the

## Trojans Roll Over Uclans

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — University of Southern California demonstrated its worth as a Rose Bowl bid contender Saturday by pounding out a 26-6 victory over UCLA before 82,460 fans in their traditional cross-town football encounter.

With both teams in the running for the New Year's day game, the Trojans proved too deep in manpower for the Bruins, who two weeks ago registered the top upset on the coast by dumping Washington.

Superbly guided by quarterback Pete Beathard, Southern California scored in every period. Beathard had a direct hand in the first two touchdowns, passing six yards to Hal Besole for the initial score and rushing over the second touchdown from two yards out.

The Trojans then put on marches of 61 and 80 yards in the third and fourth periods to make their triumph one-sided. Willie Brown climaxed the third-period scoring drive with a two-yard run, and Rich McMahon scored from one yard out in the final period.

Despite the one-sided margin, UCLA was in the ball game until

## Coaches Dislike Eight-Tilt Rule

PORTLAND (UPI) — A Northwest Conference rule scheduled to go into effect in 1965 which would limit each school to eight football games drew opposition from conference coaches Friday.

The coaches recommended that the rule should be modified to allow nine games if desired.

Ted Ogdahl of Willamette said a nine-game limit made it easier to arrange a five-four or four-five home and road ratio. He contended that with an eight-game limit, the schedule is more likely to show three home games and five on the road, or vice versa, than an even four-four split.

The league faculty representatives clarified a transfer rule so that non-participant in athletics at another school must play out 18 weeks before being eligible for competition.

The faculty group approved another year of eligibility for end Neil Galloway and back Gary Lappin of College of Idaho. Back Dennis Ingram of Pacific was denied another season of play.

The star end pulled in a 53-yard pass on that drive and had 167 yards in pass receptions for the game on eight catches to receive the honor of lineman of the game.

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## Bowl Pairings Set With Wins By Huskies, Auburn, Baylor

Washington won the right to be host team in the Rose Bowl, Mississippi and Alabama were paired in the Sugar Bowl and Auburn accepted a bid to the Orange Bowl Saturday on the final tradition-steeped day of the regular college football season.

The day's activity left only Texas' opponent in the Cotton Bowl open to reasonable doubt and that is expected to be settled next Saturday when Navy opposes Army in the annual inter-service classic which was postponed a week because of the death of President Kennedy.

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## North Salem, Grant Deadlock 7-7 For Oregon A-1 Co-Championship

PORTLAND (UPI) — Disappointed North Salem and Grant reigned as Oregon high school class A-1 football co-champions today after battling to a 7-7 tie here Friday night.

"It just leaves me with a hollow feeling," North Salem Coach Spike Hillstrom said after the hard-fought game. "The kids feel the same way."

"We can still say we haven't been beaten but the kids are disappointed and I am too," Grant Coach Frank Buckiewicz said. "They'll get over it quick, though, when they realize that they didn't get beaten either."

The Portland Interscholastic League championship rollers

ed up a 11-0-1 record and the Valley League champion Vikings posted a 9-1-2 mark for the season.

Vikings Score Late  
North Salem, which lost to Medford in the finals of the playoffs last year, tied the score with 29 seconds left in the game on a one-yard touchdown run by halfback Rod Allison and an extra point kick by quarterback Gib Gilmore.

The Vikings marched 63 yards in 21 plays for their touchdown.

Grant scored its points in the second quarter on a one-yard touchdown run by halfback Pete Carson and an extra point kick by Tom Summers.

The Generals moved 77 yards in 15 plays for their score.

"It sure was a game of halves," Hillstrom said. "We told the kids at the half they would have to cinch up their belts and they came back and did a great job."

"The difference was ball control by North Salem in the second half," Buckiewicz said. "North Salem got in a position where it could run the ball on fourth down against us."

Allison's touchdown came on a fourth down play after the Vikings made first downs the three previous times on fourth down plays.

"Give them credit," Buckiewicz added. "They wanted that touchdown and they came and got it."

North Salem held an edge in statistics. The Vikings were 10-8 in first downs and 162-120 in total yards, 121-11 by rush and 41-9 by passing.

In the first half, Grants held a 6-2 edge in first downs and a 79-47 edge in total yards.

North Salem — 0 0 0 7-7  
Grant — 0 7 0 0-7

Scoring:  
Grant—Carson 1, run. Summers, kick.  
North Salem—Allison 1, run. Gilmore, kick.

Attendance: 9,850.

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