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A week from today we'll know whether the Black Tornado jinx is still holding against the Pelicans. Although, from advance press notices and comparative scores, the Medford team needs no jinx to chalk up their 20th victory over the Pelicans in the last 27 years.

The Medford record this year (this is written Friday afternoon) after three contests reads like the national war debt. The Black Tornado knocked over Roseburg 42 to 0 (not 35 to 0 as AP reported). Tillamook 47 to 0 and Redding 40 to 12.

Forty-three points a game average indicates some offensive spunk. French scouted the Medford-Redding game and came back with high praise for Jack Morris, high-stepping fullback for the Peapickers.

He does most of the passing, kicks, runs with power and picks plays for the Medford team. Hank Green, sports editor of the Medford Mail-Tribune writes, "Don't think that Jack Morris is the whole team this year."

But listen to his qualifications. "Cause Bill Buckingham, a Korean named Mercer King and two or three others in the backfield can produce yardage."

The one bright ray and one that could prove to be a Klamath victory is the fact that Medford has an inexperienced—although not weak—line.

If the Pelicans turn Joe Nichols loose after a strong Pelican line has weakened the Medford forward wall, the game could turn out to be a touchdown-trading affair.

The Medfords play Eureka this week-end and are hoped to come close to their 43-points-a-game average.

They use a single-wing attack with an unbalanced line. Grid Blues Gone

The Medford team has amazed the "experts" who were putting crying towels to full saturation use at the opening of the season.

Frankly, I'm waiting with tongue-in-cheek before I score in the Medford-Klamath donnybrook. It was high on the Pel's ability when they held a strong Grant team—rated as Portland's power team—to a 6-7 score and at times outplayed the Generals.

But the Pelican play generally has been marked by only brief flashes of sustained power. If the Pelicans can stay "up" for a whole game, Medford may go home wondering what happened to their vaunted power.

PELS BLAST MILLERS, 45-6

Klamath Chalks Up Three Touchdowns In First Nine Minutes

The Klamath Pelicans got touchdown torrid in sub-freezing weather last night to wallop the Springfield Millers with seven scoring thrusts, a 45 to 6 victory on Modoc field.

The win was the third straight for the Pelis, their second non-conference victory.

Klamath found its scoring punch against a ridiculously outclassed Miller squad and before the game was nine minutes old had posted a 20 to 0 lead.

There was only seven-and-a-half minutes to go when Springfield finally burst loose for a score with the Pelis holding a 45 to 0 bulge. Pullback Ken Erickson broke through the line and galloped 45 yards for the lone Miller score.

The chilly crowd of 1500 had barely settled in their seats when the Pelicans had a touchdown. Derald Jenkins, Miller left half, fumbled the opening kickoff and Gene Carlson recovered on the Springfield 14-yard marker.

Four plays later Joe Demetrakos crashed over from the one-yard line but a back-in-motion penalty nullified the score. On the very next play Halfback Joe Nichols took a pitch-out and whirled over for the opening TD on a short left end scamper. After Dale Carr made his placement good, the game was only two minutes gone.

This sudden burst seemed to demoralize the Millers. Soon after the kickoff, Jenkins booted an anemic 7-yard punt and the Pelis started on the Miller 38-yard line. Carlson hit for five, Demetrakos for six and Carlson swept over from the 27-yard line on a wide right end sweep. Again Carr's kick was good. The score read 14 to 0 with but four minutes, 25 seconds gone.

After Jenkins fumbled again after the kickoff and the Millers held for downs on the three-yard marker, the Klamath team struck for its third score. Dorin Van Lee intercepted Jenkins' pass on the 13 and went all the way for the third score.

Carr's third kick was good but a P penalty nullified the point. On the second attempt a Carr-to-Nichols pass missed fire. With only 8 minutes, 27 seconds gone the Pelis held a 29 to 0 lead.

After another short Miller punt, Klamath scored on 10 plays after a determined 55-yard drive. Carlson rounded right end on a pitch-out for the final stripe. Carr missed the uprights. At this point a complete team of Pelican reserves poured on the field.

Another down field drive, good for 49 yards, culminated in the fifth score. Carr rifled a pass to End John Elliott for a 22-yard scoring play, the twelfth play of the drive. Carr missed the placement and the half saw Klamath leading, 45 to 6.

The Millers penetrated to one yard short of midfield late in the second quarter for its deepest thrust of the first half.

In the third quarter, Coach Bob Hendershot started the regulars again. After a punt, the Pelis banged through for a 63-yard touchdown drive, aided by a 19-yard Miller penalty.

Driving down to the Miller 16-yard line, featured by a 30-yard gallop by Demetrakos, Springfield was penalized to the one-yard mark and on the next play Demetrakos boomed over for the sixth score. Bob McPherson split the uprights on a placement.

The Red and White reserves took over again and a pass interception by Al Herrera paved the way for the seventh Pelican tally. Springfield's George Bilderback rifled a pass and Herrera gathered it in and was dropped on the Miller 36. A penalty set the Pelis back to the 46 but eight plays later Klamath had a 45 to 0 lead.

The reserves roared down to the one-yard line with a Carr-to-Dick Doege pass accounting for 23 yards of the thrust. Jim DeChaineau went over standing up and McPherson missed the placement.

Jenkins came to life in the fourth quarter, whirling away for several substantial ground gains but the Millers, with the exception of the scoring play, could get no sustained drive underway.

Wash. Yearlings Beat Idaho Frosh

MOSCOW, Idaho, Oct. 8 (AP)—Washington's Yearlings, outdone 16 to 9, took to the air to set up two touchdowns and got a third on a blocked punt in defeating the Idaho Frosh here yesterday, 20-7.

Passes by Quarterback Sam Mitchell to Halfback Bill Early sent the Husky Pups deep into Idaho territory twice in the first half. Each time Early went over moments later on ground plays. Dick Pangello gathered in the ball in the zone in the third quarter after he and Jim Mangan blocked an Idaho punt.

The Vandal Frosh got their lone

Game Yardstick

Table with 3 columns: Yards from scrimmage, Yards on passes, Total yardage (net), etc. Rows for Pelicans and Springfield.

MIZE, YANKS AGREE

Branca Says Pitch 'Where I Wanted It'

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Oct. 8 (AP)—Ralph Branca said the disastrous ball he pitched to Johnny Mize "went just where I wanted it to go."

The Dodgers would like to have ninth innings eliminated from this world series. The Yankees won both their games in the final stanza.

Maybe a weakened DiMaggio will be a week-end DiMaggio. The Clipper smacked four "home runs" in batting practice yesterday but in three actual games he has collected one puny single and fanned four times.

DiMagg doesn't relish all this talk about the pitching. "Every day they ask me about the pitching," he said. "The hell with the pitching. I'm interested in the hitting—and I'm not doing any."

Carl Furillo blamed his groin injury for failing to get Cliff Mages at the plate in the third inning on Phil Rizzuto's fly to right. Carl's

Tommy Byrne, who pitched well for the Yanks yesterday before his old bugaboo—wildness—caught up with him in the fourth inning, finds little consolation in the fact that he and Mize are the only 1,000 hitters in the series. Only three others are batting 300—another pitcher, Allie Reynolds, with .567; Woodling and Olmo (the only Dodger), each with .333.

Peewee Reese, whose homer couldn't save Brooklyn yesterday, thinks "Page Mr. Page" is a vastly better pitcher now than the one he faced in the 1947 series. "Sure, he was good then," said Reese, "but what improvement! I thought he was a lot wilder. Did you notice he now throws curves?" Peewee attributes Page's success to those curves and a blazing fast ball.

Individual honors went to Martha McCollum and Kitty Hanville, both Shoop and Schulze bowlers. Martha and Kitty put together three games for a high 469 series.

Top team total went to Anhauser-Busch, both game and series with 881 and 2338.

LADY BUG STANDINGS table with columns for Team, W, L.

Jo-Jo May Guide Solons

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Oct. 8 (AP)—Joyner (JoJo) White, who quit under fire last season as manager of the Seattle Rainiers, may guide the destinies of the Sacramento Solons as business manager.

The Sacramento Bee said yesterday it had learned from reliable sources that White will take over the Sacramento business manager.

Whitworth Cops 14-13 Victory

ELLENSBURG, Wash., Oct. 8 (AP)—Spokane's Whitworth college was at the top of the Evergreen conference football ladder today after coming from behind to win its second straight league game last night. Central Washington was the victim, 14-13.

Two touchdown passes tossed by the Sacramento business manager, Fullback Ed Kretz in the final quarter and conversions by Bob Cruzen pulled the game out of the fire for the Pirates. Central lost its chance for a tie when Don Doran failed to convert after showing over for a touchdown in the last minute of play.

WILDCATS WIN

The KUHS Wildcats trounced the team that trounced the champions.

FLYERS BEAT STAMPEDERS

Villanova Nips Gaels 28 to 20

NEW YORK, Oct. 8 (AP)—The season still is in its infancy but one of the best games of the campaign is on tap today—Army against Michigan.

These powerhouses of the gridiron—Michigan shows a winning skein of 25 straight while Army's streak stands at 13 without a loss—clash at Ann Arbor before a capacity crowd of 97,000.

The mighty Wolverines, who got off to a squeaky start with a couple of relatively close triumphs over Michigan State and Stanford are mindful of the last time they met Army. That was in 1946, and the Cadets triumphed 20-13 with Glenn Davis and Doc Blanchard carrying the ball.

This year's Wolverines, rated tops in the country in this week's Associated Press poll, will rule slight favorite over Army.

There are some other good games on today's calendar. Oklahoma and Texas, a couple of high scoring outfits, clash in a traditional rivalry at Dallas before 75,000. This is a tossup but Oklahoma probably will have a slight edge among the experts at game time.

Notre Dame is more worried about the Tulane game next week than Purdue, while Southern Cal., which already has whipped Navy and Washington State, probably will beat Ohio State. Baylor and Arkansas are two rough-tough teams that play for keeps with the former rated one touchdown from the better. Kentucky, which has surprised one and all, has been installed as the choice over Georgia.

Some other top games of the day include UCLA-Stanford, Yale-Columbia, Iowa-Illinois, Texas-Christiana, Washington-Oregon State and Iowa State-Colo. State.

Villanova was handed a scare last night in Philadelphia. The Wildcats eked out a bare 28-20 triumph over banged and battered St. Mary's of California. The California team's three touchdowns were the by-products of second period fumbles.

In another intersectional fray at Tuscaloosa, Alabama overwhelmed Duquesne 48 to 8.

San Francisco upset a favored Detroit university, 38-14, and Temple whipped Syracuse 27-14.

TWINKS SQUARE SERIES

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 8 (AP)—The rallying Hollywood Stars, hoping to heap extra honors atop their Pacific Coast league pennant grab, host the San Diego Padres tonight in the fifth game of the final Governor's cup series.

The Stars squared the series at two games apiece with a 7-4 win last night. They will send Gordy Maltzberger (18-11) against the Padres' Kewpie Dick Barrett (14-6) tonight.

Hollywood settled last night's contest with four runs off Red Adams in the first inning. Jack Salveson, Star reliever, picked up the win, twirling five frames after starter Glenn Moulder was touched for three runs in the opening inning.

Split Finger Shelves 'Brock'

CHICAGO, Oct. 8 (AP)—Norm Van Brocklin, rookie passing sensation of the Los Angeles Rams and former University of Oregon star, will be out of action for two weeks.

He split the index finger of his throwing hand to the bone yesterday as the Rams were drilling for Sunday's National Football league game with the Chicago Bears.

The two teams are tied for first in the league's western division.



GORGEOUS GEORGE — The wavy hair and handsome face of George Wagner will be the target for popular George Dusette next Wednesday night at the armory. Wagner was last seen in action here in 1946 and since has climbed the ladder to national wrestling fame.

Prodigal Son Returns

Gardella Withdraws Last Damage Suit

NEW YORK, Oct. 8 (AP)—Organized baseball welcomed back the last of its exiles, Danny Gardella, today and heaved a tremendous sigh of relief over removal of its only remaining legal nightmare.

With dramatic suddenness, Gardella announced last night that he was withdrawing his \$300,000 damage suit and would try a baseball comeback with the St. Louis Cardinals.

This involved a bit of back room maneuvering because when the little outfielder jumped to the Mexican league in 1946 he was the property of the New York Giants, without a contract.

The matter was worked out to everybody's satisfaction, baseball officials disclosed, and all are happy.

"Danny has asked for and received his unconditional release by the Giants and will sign a 1950 contract with the St. Louis Cardinals," the statement issued by Gardella's attorneys said in part.

It left a lot of questions unanswered, the chief of which was what influenced Danny to change his mind in such a hurry.

A few weeks ago the 29-year-old New Yorker was insisting that nothing could deter him in his fight to show up baseball's contract abuses and have them rectified by law.

The main complaint of his suit was that baseball's reserve clause resulted in virtual peonage in the sport, binding a player to one club for life or until that club is ready to dispose of him.

Gardella contended that this is in violation of the federal anti-trust laws. He asked \$300,000 damages, contending he was deprived of a means of earning a livelihood by the five-year ban imposed on him in 1946 for jumping to Mexico.

There were many who felt that baseball's reserve clause would not stand up in court. An adverse ruling would have thrown players on the open market after each expiration of contract and would have enabled rich clubs to corner the stars. It might have resulted in widespread confusion.

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