

Pels Primed for Upset

Tornado Favored Tonight

By RED HURD

The Pelicans of 1951 go after the big one tonight on the short end of the football odds.

It's understandable that the Pels are given little more chance than a wooden duck in a shooting gallery against their traditional rivals from Medford, the lusty-blowing Black Tornado.

But the Pelicans are high for this one.

And Coach Bob Hendershott has a few secret line-up changes tucked up his sleeve. He won't reveal what they are, merely smiles and says, "It may surprise Medford."

After dropping the opener to Grant—and the 27-7 licking came as no surprise—the Pels bounced back to beat Roseburg, 28-12.

TWO LOSSES

Then came meetings with Prineville and Eugene and the Klamath eleven blew the duke in the last quarter.

The Pels admittedly have a strong line but their defense on passes has fallen short of good. They have a fair passing attack, one that perked up somewhat against Eugene, and a ground offense that on occasions clicks on all four.

If they can put together all their capabilities for this one big effort and shake their fourth-quarter lethargy, the Pels can upset the Black Tornado.

LITTLE MORE

But it would go down strictly as an upset because Lee Ragsdale's boys seem to have all the Pelicans have—and a little bit more.

Both are fundamentally running teams. From here the battle shapes up as a yardage duel between Medford's Don Spinas and Klamath's Ken Young. Both are breakaway acts who can go for the distance anytime.

TWINS

The Pels may be seeing double because Don has a twin brother, Ron, who also runs like a boy with a purpose.

Dennis Connor, Doug Crippen and Norm Hanscom can also gallop for the Tornado.

But the Pels can come back with George Hanson, Dick Lundsten and Cal Gilmore to even matters.

The Pelican line should outweigh Medford by some six pounds per man.

LOST ONE

Medford has lost just one game in four starts, a 13-0 setback to Marshfield, ranked fourth in the state.

The Tornado has blown over Eugene (34-6), Vancouver and Roseburg (both 20-0).

It's the 39th meeting of the two teams on the gridiron. The score-sheet currently reads 28 for Medford, six for Klamath Falls and four ties.

Kickoff time is 8 p.m.

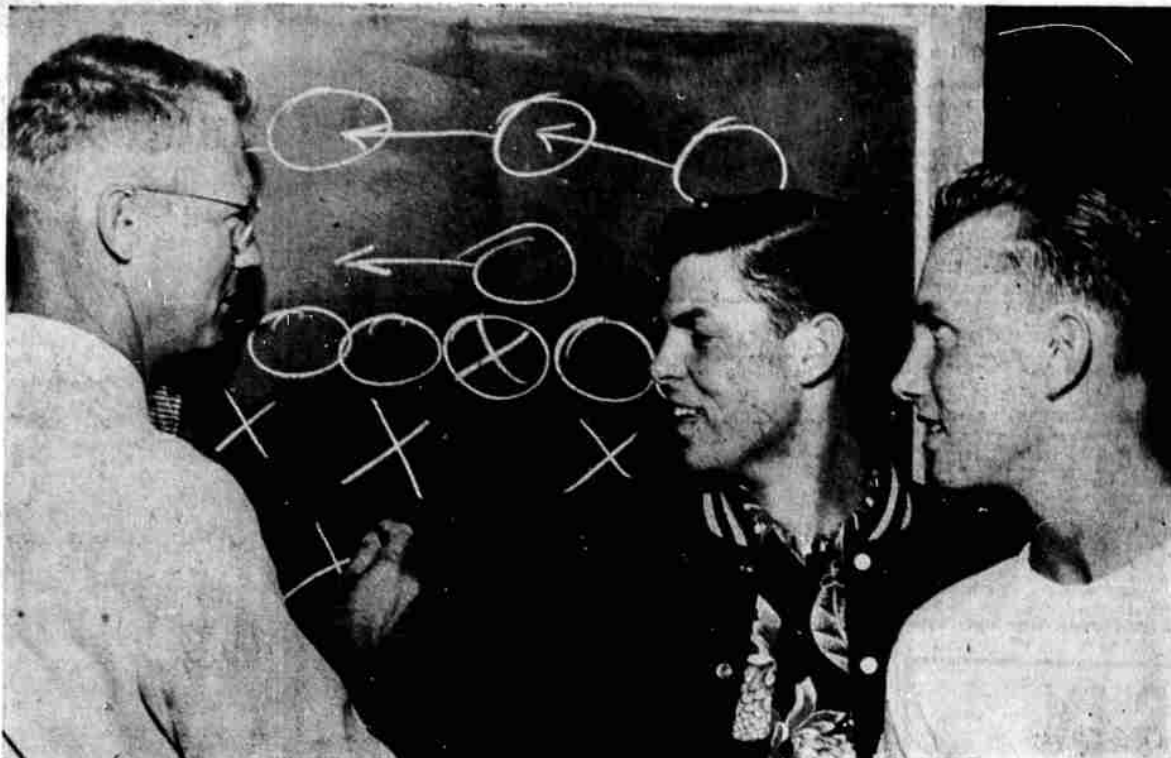
Horn Second On Broncos

NEW YORK, (AP)—Milt Simon of Limon, Colo., was clocked in 8.1 seconds last night as he won the steer wrestling contest at the Madison Square Garden rodeo.

Results included: Saddle bronc riding: 1-Frank Frense, Ft. Madison, Iowa; 2-Shorty Horn, Klamath Falls, Ore.

PREP TEAMMATES

CORVALLIS, (AP)—A high school teammate of Dave Mann, Oregon State's star halfback, will see action against Southern California tomorrow. Coach Kip Taylor said yesterday Bill Anderson, right half from Oakland, Calif., will alternate in the backfield with Ralph Carr.



QUARTERBACK BILL PICKETT (far right) and blocking back Chick Quinowski lend attentive ears while Coach Bob Hendershott gives out with a last-minute rehearsal on things to remember when the Pels go against a favored Medford team tonight, 8 o'clock, on Modoc field. The Black Tornado is heavily favored to notch its 29th victory in this, the 39th meeting, between the traditional Southern Oregon football rivals.

OTI in Boise For Clash With Broncos

Talk of a Little Rose Bowl trip for the Oregon Tech football Owls has subsided to a whisper on the OTI campus, but the frisky Tech eleven is in Boise tonight determined to beat a team that smelled the Pasadena roses last year.

The Owls' opponents are the Boise JC Broncos, who met, and lost, to Long Beach JC in the annual Little Rose Bowl classic last season.

The Broncos, moving fast in the wake of a 34-game win streak last year, dumped the 1950 Owls, 63-6.

INTACT

That win string was kept intact until the Long Beach meeting.

And this year, although winning a couple of games, Boise lost to Olympic JC of Bremerton, Wash.

The 1951 edition of the Broncos by no means equals the 1950 powerhouse.

And the Owls, going into the game with a 2-2 record, are admittedly stronger than last year. They have a big-hard-socking line and a batch of backs who can skip off the yards.

FORGET

A win over Boise would make local fans forget last week's 19-6 lacing the Oregon College Wolves dealt the Owls—when OCE punched across two touchdowns in the fourth quarter of a savage donnybrook.

Coach Rex Hunsaker said before the 30-man OTI squad left for Boise that the Owls will play a "wait and watch" game.

"I feel our defense is up to snuff—and we can stop the Broncos," Hunsaker said.

"We'll play a defensive game and wait for the breaks. We'll go all out when we get that break."

And Hunsaker has the horses with which to go "all out."

There's high-stepping Don Foreman, piston-legged Larry Jeter and elusive Len Genettin, to name just three boys who like to scamper.

But the Broncos can call Oretch's hand with halfbacks Mer-

lin Howard and Gus Pastos and fullback Dwight Winslow.

The Owls remember Howard and Winslow. They stretched out lots of yards in last year's rout.

BAD MANNERS

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Grant, Roosevelt In State's Top Contest

By The Associated Press

The state's longest current football winning streak — 26 straight victories—goes on the line tonight in the top high school game in Oregon.

It's the game Portland has been waiting for this season, the clash between Grant, defending state champion, unbeaten since 1948, and Roosevelt, Grant currently in rated the No. 2 team in the Associated Press poll, Roosevelt No. 3.

There will be standout games throughout the state. Astoria, No. 6 in the state, could all but sew up the Dist. 3 title in Class A-1 by winning at Gresham.

CHALLENGE

In Eastern Oregon Milton-Freewater, No. 7 in the state, under- goes its biggest challenge of the season, playing at La Grande, the principal challenger for the Eastern Oregon title.

Marshfield, the state's No. 4 team, will be at home, facing Roseburg in a Dist. 5 encounter in Class A-1.

The Tualatin-Yamhill Valley league will see two important games: Hillsboro, the state's No. 5 team, playing at McMinnville, and Oregon City, No. 10 in the state, meeting Beaverton.

Corvallis, the No. 8 team and unbeaten in four straight games, will get a stern challenge from Eugene in a non-district contest.

Prineville, the No. 9 team and also unbeaten in four games, will take on Burns in a Dist. 8 clash in Class A-2.

The Southern Oregon conference, after weeks of preliminaries, at last will get down to business, Medford playing at Klamath Falls.

CAVEMEN RALLY

Grant defeated Shasta Union high at Redding last night after overcoming a 13-7 halftime deficit.

Other top district games will see Bend and Albany fighting it out for the right to challenge Corvallis for the District 8 title in Class A-1, and North Marion playing Oswego in a meaningful game in Dist. 3 of Class A-2.

HORSE SHOW

LOS ANGELES, (AP)—Featuring riders from Mexico and Germany, the first Los Angeles International horse show gets underway tonight for a 14-day run at Pan Pacific auditorium.

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