

Grid Rules B Grid World

Mustangs Top Siletz To Win Championship

By CLAYTON HANNON

There's going to be a hot time in the old town of Malin tonight, and for some time to come. Their Mustangs are the Oregon State Class B High School football champions for 1955.

And the Mustangs left little doubt in the minds of the large crowd on hand yesterday afternoon at Malin High Field as to their power when they humbled the Siletz Warriors 26-12 for the B title. The triumph marked the close of an undefeated season for Coach Jim Conroy's gridgers, who have now been rewarded for their outstanding teamwork and playing throughout the season.

With a seven-man line that held like a stone wall and charged like a wild bull, and a pair of backs named Glenn Steyskal and Melvin Paris, Malin spotted their visitors touchdowns in the opening minutes of the first quarter then bounced back to score in each period of play to roll up the first state title for the Mustangs, and the first in Klamath County since Henley's Hornets turned back North Powder 19-0 in 1940.

Although playing without their star tailback Ray Johnson, Malin showed no evidence of lacking an offensive threat, because Steyskal turned into a one-man wrecking crew and Paris added his two-bit worth just to make sure of the Malin victory. Johnson didn't play at all. Conroy sent the 170-pound senior into the game during the last seconds, but before "Rambling Ray" was able to get a play underway, the final gun had sounded. But to the modest athletic standard, he was a member of the 1955 State B Championship team. He may not have played, but after the game, it was he who was called on by his teammates to accept the Champs' trophy. That in itself was a tribute to "Rambling Ray."

GRAND SUM
Steyskal, who was shifted from the fullback slot to tailback when Johnson was hurt, personally accounted for all of the Malin points by scoring three touchdowns and one conversion, and passing for the other TD and try for point. Besides all of this, Steyskal tallied

a total of 223 yards rushing and 72 more via the airline for a grand sum and total of 295 yards. Paris had 79 yards from rushing and Norm Oliva added three more to account for all of Malin's championship yardage.

But Steyskal's brilliant afternoon of running and passing would not have been possible without the line play of ends Wes Drazil and Roger Dokken, tackles Len Dobry and Allan Meyers, guards Grady Saunders and Roy Ingram and center John Pierce, who comprised one of the finest B high school lines ever witnessed in this part of the state. Through most of the afternoon, Malin linemen outnumbered the Siletz back in the Warriors' offensive backfield.

Siletz wasted no time in showing the Malin followers they meant business in their bid for the class B bunting. Taking the opening kickoff from their own 41, the Warriors marched 59 yards in 11 plays for the first score of the game. George Thompson, son of "Chief" Thompson, former Oregon State College football great, capped the downfield drive as he gathered in a 28 yard pass from teammate Art Gregory for the touchdown. Thompson's try for point was no good and Siletz led 8-0.

IMPRESSIVE
The Mustangs then got their chance to lug the pigskin, and they too traveled with impressive steps.

Starting from their own 35, Malin marched 65 yards for the tally. A 47 yard pass-play with Steyskal pitching and Dokken catching set up the Mustang touchdown as it moved the ball to the 12 yard line. Steyskal then packed the mail the remaining distance and added the extra point on a plunge to give Malin a 7-8 lead, one they never relinquished.

In the second quarter, a punt by Siletz' Thompson rolled dead on the 50 yard line and Malin was off for their second TD. Steyskal and Paris took turns in moving the ball to the 15 yard line where the Steyskal to Dokken combination clicked for six points. The extra point try failed to leave the Mustangs in front 13-8.

The Warriors kicked off to open the second half, and Malin paraded downfield 86 yards for their third play dirt surge of the day. It was Steyskal again, this time he rambled 46 yards around his own left end behind some beautiful blocking for the touchdown. Thompson finally caught the Malin back at the goal line, but he was too late as Glenn tumbled into the end zone.

PRE-GAME
Thompson lived up to his pre-game billing as top find when he took the ball on the first play of the final quarter in the day's longest individual effort. Cutting over his own left tackle, and slicing back to the right through the Malin secondary, "Little Chief" raced 68 yards for his second pointer of the game. Gregory's kick failed and Siletz' hopes faded deeper into the rain-drenched Malin turf.

Behind a forward moving line, Malin backs then marched 65 yards for their fourth and final tally. Steyskal carried for 25 yards in the longest gain of the drive to move the ball to the Siletz 15, where Paris carried to the 10. Steyskal skipped to the five and Paris colliered three more yards by advancing the ball to the Warriors' two yard strip. From here he was just a matter of time as Steyskal boomed the final yardage for the score. On the try for point, the Malin tailback started to circle his right end on what looked like a running play, then stopped and fired a strike to Dokken to keep the Malin scoring in the family, and Malin had their 26-12 margin.

Malin's line proved to be the "big factor" in their state championship triumph, with some bon-jarring blocks coming from Paris, Jim Johnson and Oliva. Steyskal's fabulous single-handed crusade was made possible through the efforts of the inter-fererence laid down by these gridgers.

After the game, A. E. Street, principal of Malin High School, acting as the OSAA's representative, presented the captains of both teams the championship and runner-up trophies and every member of the Malin team with a gold football, symbolic of their grid win.

STATISTICS:
Malin: 13 Siletz: 13
First downs rushing 3 1
First downs passing 1 0
Total first downs 4 1
Yards gained rushing 321 148
Yards lost rushing 22 45
Net yards rushing 299 103
Yards gained passing 72 45
Yards lost passing 0 0
Net yards passing 72 45
TOTAL NET YARDS 371 148
Number of punts 8 8
Passes completed 7 2
Passes intercepted by 0 2
Fumbles 1 0
Fumbles lost 0 0
Number of penalties 3 7
Yards penalized 35 45
Ball lost on downs 2 1
Punts 11 11
Avg. punt length 34.0 22.0
Touchdowns 2 2
Conversions 2 0
Points 26 12

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS
MALIN: TC Net Yds. Av.
Glenn Steyskal 24 223 9.3
Melvin Paris 13 179 13.7
Norm Oliva 3 3 1.0
Jim Johnson 0 0 0.0
SILETZ: TC Net Yds. Av.
George Thompson 15 86 5.7
Art Gregory 1 1 1.0
Dwain Thompson 1 1 1.0
Darrell Bailer 1 1 1.0
Duke Brinker 1 1 1.0

Score by quarters: 1-0 7-8 13-8 26-12
Malin: 1-0 7-8 13-8 26-12
Siletz: 0-0 0-0 0-0 0-0

Scoring for Malin: Touchdown—Steyskal (3); and Dokken, Conversions—Dokken and Steyskal. Scoring for Siletz: Touchdown—G. Thompson (2).

OSBURN HOTEL
EUGENE, ORE.
Thoroughly Modern
Mrs. J. E. Early—Joe Early Jr.
Proprietors

McINTYRE
TRAVEL SERVICE
Your Experienced Agent
WILLARD HOTEL
Phone 3088

Mel Soons, San Jose state half-back, holds a second degree black belt rank in judo.



KLAMATH COUNTY CLAIMED ITS FIRST Oregon State Class B High School football championship since 1946 Saturday when the Malin Mustangs romped to a 26-12 triumph over Siletz. Coach Jim Conroy's Mustangs are the first Klamath County team since Henley's 1946 club to win the state



At the left, Coach Jim Conroy makes an equipment check with guard Roy Ingram, while Referee Ernie Bishop looks on in background. In the center picture, a Siletz pass goes awry as end Ray Taylor and Malin's Allen Meyers give chase for the sailing pigskin. Taking time out for a breather, Siletz



Art Gregory, center, is helped off the field by coach Conrad Sproule, right, and teammate George Thompson, left, after being shaken up on a play in the third quarter of the game. Gregory later came back into action and was the Warriors' second leading ball carrier after Thompson.

Bylines from the SIDELINES
BY CLAYTON HANNON

JUST WHAT IS HIGH SCHOOL athletics coming to? That my friends is the \$84,000 question, and only you the sports fans can answer it.

High school sports are for the students attend school first of all, and secondly, what good will the program provide to the youth of our nation if adults, who are supposed to be older and wiser, can't use common sense to strengthen the prep athletic future, instead of hindering it, as has been the case several times, and in our own mind at that.

Last weekend at Malin, we met a few adults, who as they stated, "we aren't getting a fair break from their newspaper on sport coverage." Their feelings got the best of them and your truly in turn got the worst of it. But this is far from the question at hand, we can forget about a minority of persons, who although adults can't handle themselves with the poise of a grade school youth, but the display staged by these prominent Malin townspeople didn't help their ball club in any way, shape or form.

Maybe some have forgotten another incident which occurred a season or two back when two of Klamath County's most capable basketball officials were given "the works" by parents of athletes at Merrill High School. This case was much more serious than last week's episode at Malin, but just the same, the game belongs to the kids, not the adults.

Oldsters have had their chance to perform in front of a cheering section in days gone by, either on the gridiron, baseball field or the maples of a basketball floor, so why not admit that "you're over the hill" and sit back and be a "spectator" only.

Say for instance, that something serious should have developed from last Saturday's actions at Malin, who would have paid for a few adults' actions? That's right, coach Jim Conroy and the Malin football squad. The Oregon School Activities Association, if they had been informed of the incident, could have taken several channels in which to punish the offending school, including forfeiting the championship game, which was played yesterday afternoon, to Siletz.

Do you the adults, who are so quick to take unwise action in the high school athletic picture, think this to be fair? We don't. Why make your youngsters pay for stupid mistakes on your part? This corner has closed the book on last weekend's actions by a few Maliners. Our only remark: Good luck to Jim Conroy and his team in the coming basketball season, he is a great person and has some terrific boys with which to work.

OREGON TECH BASKETBALL fans will be in for a treat when they witness the newly remodeled maple court of the Mile High Campus this Friday night as the Owls open their season against Olympic Junior College.

Coach Wally Palmberg's cagers will be playing on a completely refinished floor, which shines like a six-bit shine. But the surprising feature is that there is no more "keyhole."

The new 13-foot lane is shaped into an arch-way. We are wondering what officials and radio announcers will say when an offensive player gets called for too much time in the arch-way (that will do until another more fitting name comes about).

Another "new" addition to the Tech gymnasium is the enlarged seating capacity to give all of the basketball followers in the Basin more choice seats. Both sides of the gym are now equipped with roll-away bleachers, which will solve the problem of not enough seats, as was the case last year.

To top this, Palmberg reports the Owls will be in new dress this year. The colors? That is a surprise.

WITH BASKETBALL SEASON IN SECOND GEAR for Coast Conference schools, publicity releases have been flowing hot and free. But with the steady stream of information from the different schools comes some interesting "dope."

At Eugene, where Klamath Falls and the Basin is mentioned the most, Dave D'Olive and Craig McCarty, 1955 graduates of KUHS, Jerry Johnson, a 1952 KU grad and Sherman Seastrong, a basketball standout at Bly last season, are all listed high on the list of freshmen cage prospects.

Coch Don Kirsch of the Oregon Frosh has been working D'Olive in one "starting" quintet, while Johnson has been spotted on another five-man line in the early scrimmage sessions.

Should Johnson, D'Olive, Seastrong and McCarty stick with Kirsch's squad, then the Basin would have five jasketers playing under Oregon colors. "Radar" Ray Bell, who was a Pelican teammate of Johnson a few years back, is a leading candidate for a starting forward spot with the variety. The reason for Johnson's status of a first-year man is that he spent two years with Uncle Sam before attending school.

Len Swantic, Florida State's star junior quarterback, comes from Columbus, Ga.

Jimenez Tabbed All-State

PORTLAND (AP)—State champion Marshfield placed three men on the Oregonian's All-Star high school football team announced Saturday.

The newspaper selects the team annually through a vote of class A school coaches, officials and sportswriters.

The choices from Marshfield were center Bob Peterson, quarterback Sandy Fraser and half-back Denny Baker.

Two of the selections—end Dick Woolstenhulme of North Bend and tackle Arnold Slaven of Grants Pass—were repeaters from last year's first team.

Albany, which failed to make the state playoffs despite a fine record, placed two men—tackle Ken Mundi and back Bruce Ridinger.

The fourth backfield choice was Jim Silette of Corvallis.

Other first team selections were end Russ Simons of Gresham and guards Modesto Jimenez, Klamath Falls, and Bob Wallace, Pendleton.

The second team:

Ends: Gene Bates, Vale and Ron Anderson, Bend; tackles: Barry Bullard, Marshfield, and Gerald Rogers, McMinnville; Guards: Paul Bertick, Gresham, and Ted Henry, Prineville; center: John Hinds, Dallas; backs: Dave Powell, Eugene; LaMoyne, Maps, South Salem; Joel Crouch, Gresham; and Sam Haynes, Pendleton.

Third team:

Ends: Roger Johnson, Marshfield, and Greg Altshoff, Beaverton; tackles: John Wilcox, Vale, and Jim Lockman, Corvallis; guards: Monty Holst, Medford, and Keith Harris, Jefferson (Portland); center: Phil Sward, Ashland; backs: Herman McKinley, Washington (Portland); Dale Shunway, Prineville; Tater Smith, Vale; Marlin Marsh, St. Helens.

HOCKEY Scores

WESTERN HOCKEY LEAGUE
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
New Westminster 3, Victoria 2 (overtime)
Winnipeg 5, Calgary 3
Vancouver 5, Regina 2

Len Swantic, Florida State's star junior quarterback, comes from Columbus, Ga.

Ron Beagle, Navy's All-America end, is a two-year letterman on the U.S. Naval Academy lacrosse team.

Herald and News Sports

CLAYTON HANNON
SPORTS EDITOR

Marshfield Captures State 'A' Grid Crown

PORTLAND (AP)—Marshfield, with vicious line play and speedy power running, crushed Gresham, 19-0, Friday night to win the Oregon class A-1 high school football championship.

It was the 23rd game without a loss for Marshfield, the defending co-champion and No. 1 in the Associated Press football poll.

The Pirates held Gresham, the No. 2 team, to five first downs—only one in the first half—while rolling up 13 for themselves.

Quarterback Sandy Fraser and halfbacks Roger Johnson and Denny Baker, three hard-hitting speedsters, utilized sharp blocking to wreck Gresham with long gains. The Pirates took the opening kickoff on their own 33 and went 67 yards on 19 ground plays to score, with Johnson and Baker accounting for most of the yardage. Johnson plunged the final yard and Don Messerle bucked over the

extra point.

Fraser, a long-legged high-stepper, returned a punt 61 yards for a touchdown late in the second period, and Marshfield led 13-0 at the half.

Both teams were scoreless in the third quarter as the Pirates fumbled three times deep in Gresham territory. One of the fumbles occurred after Fraser had returned a Gresham punt 48 yards to the Gresham 10.

A few plays later center Bob Peterson, a Marshfield standout all night, intercepted a pass from Gresham quarterback Bob Schlorer on the Gresham 24. Seven plays later and on the opening play of the final period, Baker plunged over from the one yard line to end the scoring.

The Gophers made four first downs in the final period as they unloaded a desperation passing game. Two of these first downs came on long passes from Schlorer to end Dave Dykstra. But Gresham was unable to penetrate deeper than the Pirates' 28.

STATISTICS
Marsh. Gresh.
First downs 12 5
Rushing yardage 167 60
Passing yardage 40 67
Passes attempted 10 15
Passes completed 4 4
Passes intercepted by 2 1
Punts 3 3
Punting average 26.7 31.3
Fumbles lost 4 3
Yards penalized 50 25

Here are the Oregon A-1 high school football champions, and the team they beat in the finals:
1943—Grant beat Klamath Falls
1944—Medford beat La Grande
1945—Grant beat Hood River
1946—Grant beat Hood River
1947—The Dalles beat Hillsboro
1948—Grants Pass beat Jefferson
1949—Grant beat La Grande
1950—Grant beat Marshfield
1951—Grants Pass beat Grant
1952—Central Catholic beat Benson
1953—Central Catholic beat Grants Pass
1954—Marshfield and South Salem tied
1955—Marshfield beat Gresham

Smith provided the longest scoring plays of the day. He broke through the line and raced 54 yards for one touchdown, and later caught a screen pass from Gene Bates and rambled 57 yards to a score.

The field was dry and fast as Vale equaled Prineville's record of winning two consecutive A-2 titles. Prineville did it in 1952 and 1953. The Vale string of wins now is just one behind the all-time A-2 record of 23 set by Prineville.

This gives Kawasoe a perfect record as a coach here. The former College of Idaho guard became the coach a year ago.

Vale '11' Cops A-2 Turf Flag

VALE, Ore. (AP)—Vale crushed Dallas, 45-0, Saturday for its 22d consecutive victory and a second consecutive championship in class A-2 ranks of Oregon high school football.

A heavy, hard-charging Vale line overpowered Dallas, and Kay "Tater" Smith, 165-pound half-back, raced to two touchdowns and passed to three others. His passes went to the tall Bates cousins, Gene and Larry, who started at end, but shifted into the backfield.

Gene snagged two touchdown passes and accounted for a third touchdown with a 37-yard runback of an intercepted pass. Larry caught one touchdown pass from Smith and provided another score on a five-yard plunge.

The game was only six minutes old when Vale scored first. There were two touchdowns in that period, two more in the second quarter and three in the third. Then Coach Dutch Kawasoe sent in his reserves, who played evenly with Dallas the rest of the way.

Dallas managed only 56 yards from rushing against the big Vale line and only 6 more in the air, as Vale defenders allowed only one pass completion in 12 tries.

Vale meanwhile piled up 256 yards on the ground and 165 in the air.

Smith provided the longest scoring plays of the day. He broke through the line and raced 54 yards for one touchdown, and later caught a screen pass from Gene Bates and rambled 57 yards to a score.

The field was dry and fast as Vale equaled Prineville's record of winning two consecutive A-2 titles. Prineville did it in 1952 and 1953. The Vale string of wins now is just one behind the all-time A-2 record of 23 set by Prineville.

This gives Kawasoe a perfect record as a coach here. The former College of Idaho guard became the coach a year ago.

Dallas got across the midfield just four times, and made only one deep penetration of Vale territory.

GET SET FOR MUD, SLUSH, SNOW! WITH GOODYEAR NEW-TREADS STUDDED SURE-GRIP

Order Now - Before the Rush!

GOODYEAR SERVICE STORE
11th and Klamath Phone 8141

2-AMAZING PRODUCTS
Sold By **Buck Davidson**
Sales-Service-Demonstration

325 So. 5th
Phone 8736

Handyman Jack
Lifts-Pulls-Pushes 6000 lbs.
1 Year Factory Guarantee

Hydraulic Door Check
Saves you heat, broken glass, banging doors etc.
3 year factory guarantee.
30-day money back guarantee.

1150 Installed

OSBURN HOTEL
EUGENE, ORE.
Thoroughly Modern
Mrs. J. E. Early—Joe Early Jr.
Proprietors

McINTYRE
TRAVEL SERVICE
Your Experienced Agent
WILLARD HOTEL
Phone 3088

This is the spot for reliable service!
HARVEY'S RICHFIELD SERVICE
HARVEY HOSELTON
Shasta Way and Alameda Ph. 2-2401
EXPERT LUBRICATION
Richfield Products Goodyear Tires & Batteries