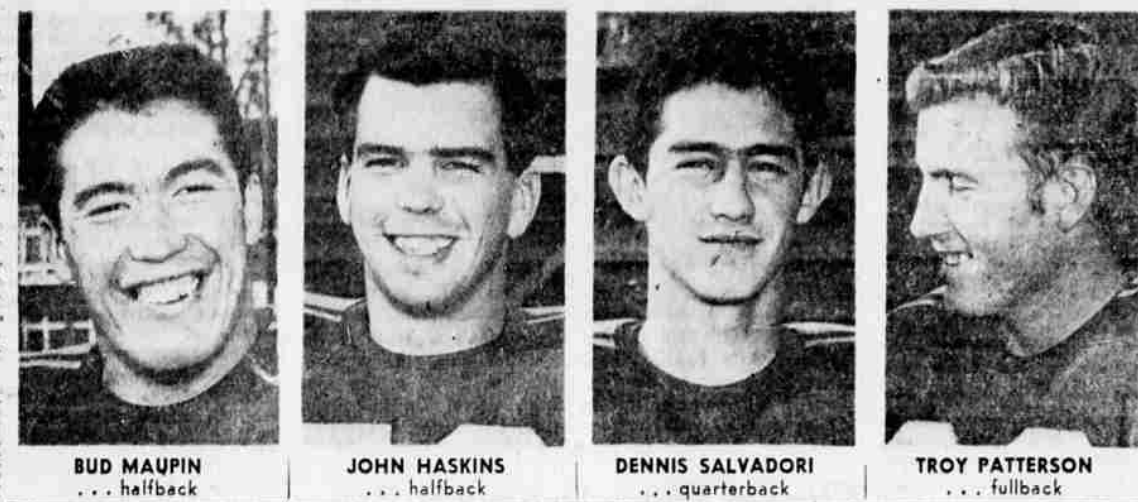


Merrill To Make Bid For Crown



BUD MAUPIN ... halfback JOHN HASKINS ... halfback DENNIS SALVADORI ... quarterback TROY PATTERSON ... fullback



The Merrill Huskies headed for Sutherlin today grimly determined to prove to the Yoncalla Eagles that the Oregon State Class B football championship trophy for 1958 belongs in the front hall case of the Merrill High School.

In addition to two busloads of rooters and innumerable private automobiles, it is safe to say that the best wishes of every sport fan in Klamath County go with them.

Other Southern Oregon hopes, perhaps only sentimental ones, ride with the Medford Black Tornado as it goes up against the highly regarded Jefferson Demons for the A1 crown in Portland tonight.

Eastern Oregon is represented by Vale, who must prove itself over Willamina at Linfield tomorrow night in order to collect the A2 title.

All six of the teams are unbeaten during the 1958 season. Something has to give.

The Black Tornado nearly blew itself right out of the title shot when the Pendleton Buckaroos came within one miserly point last Saturday. If the Medfordites weren't loading last Saturday—they really have their work cut out for them this week.

On Sunday morning Jefferson, Vale and Merrill players should be busy sewing championship emblems on their jackets.

All in all it has been a good season ... but it won't be long now.

A lot of real Klamath sport fans missed an ideal opportunity last Tuesday night when they failed to attend the coaches clinic and player preview held on Pelican Court.

Credit goes to KU cage coach Dean White, KU wrestling coach Delance Duncan and Ford Kimpson, commissioner of the Klamath Basketball Officials Association for their roles in making the evening a highly entertaining one.

It's too bad that more local fans couldn't have witnessed the program but undoubtedly the heavy press of social engagements and obligations of the day took its toll and kept a large number away.

It occurs to me that it would be more fun to see what is taking place on the local sports scene from a ringside seat, rather than being content to feed someone else's opinion. That way one could form his own opinion as to what the chances are for a successful season. This method might also impress the participants that their parents and friends had more than a passing interest in the preparations being made in an all-out try for a successful year.

Of course, the more popular method today seems to be to sort of lie back and see if the lads win; plenty of time then to climb on the bandwagon.

Be this as it may, those attending saw Kimpson and the Pelican varsity demonstrate some of the rules and interpretations ... things that serve to help one understand the game a little better.

Then they were treated to a talented and eager display by coach Delance Duncan and eight of his varsity wrestlers. It is this writer's sincere belief that those who saw the performance were deeply impressed with the ability and spirit demonstrated.

Following the wrestlers, White and his basketball team came back and showed their wares in an exhibition scrimmage ... matching various varsity combinations for nearly three quarters of hard play.

The Pels impressed some of the onlookers ... and some they didn't. And that is as it should be. The privilege of being impressed or not belongs to those who saw for themselves.

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Middies Place Hope In 'Operation Upset'

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—"Operation Upset," Navy's plan to wreck an unbeaten football season for Army, hinges on the work of sophomores Saturday. The Cadets can find no solace in the fact that yearlings annually have played a vital role in the service classic since 1953.

Halfback Joe Bellino of Winchester, Mass., and fullback Joe Matalavage from Mahanoy City, Pa., spearhead the Middies' sophomores primed for an assault on the veteran Cadet squad.

From Coach Eddie Erdelatz down, the word at Navy is that quarterback Joe Tranchini must click on his passes if the Middies are to pull their biggest surprise since their 1950 shocker which snapped a 28-game Cadet unbeaten string.

But without Bellino's breakaway threat and speed as a pass receiver and without the rugged Matalavage to share the line-busting chores with Ray Wellborn, Army could strangle the Navy aerial game by concentrating on it.

Army is a one touchdown favorite for this 59th meeting which will unfold before the usual capacity crowd of 102,000 plus a national television audience.

The Cadets have perhaps the finest halfback tandem in the nation in Capt. Pete Dawkins and Bob Anderson, their celebrated duo.

Next year's All-Stars are with us awfully quick.

Even on the high school level, locally, one has his choice of two All-Star teams. Yours truly and the Southern Oregon Conference coaches collaborated on one and the Medford Mall Trib asked the SOC coaches and players to help with another. The upshot of the thing is that the 38 Pelicans placed only one man on the All-Star first or second teams although a number were cited honorable mention.

Gary Kranenburg, co-captain

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Durrelle 'Ready' For Moore Test
MONCTON, N. B. (AP)—Yvon Durrelle, fighting fisherman from Baie Ste. Anne, N. B., headed for Montreal today, ready to fight veteran Archie Moore for the world light heavyweight championship Dec. 10.

"I'm as ready as I'll ever be," the Canadian and British Empire titleholder said after completing workouts here. "I'm in the best shape of my career."

Huskies To Face Yoncalla

Coach Al Keck and his Merrill Huskies left home today on the last lap of their chase for the Oregon State B football championship. Either accompanying the Huskies or planning to follow them tomorrow morning is the largest part of the population of Merrill. The Huskies meet the Yoncalla Eagles at Sutherlin tomorrow at 1:30 p.m. for the crown.

The contest pits two of the strongest Class B teams in the state. Merrill is noted for a powerful offense while the Eagles are acclaimed the toughest defensively. Merrill has counted 303 points while allowing their opponents 105; Yoncalla has scored 257 and given up only 39 over a 10 game season.

At latest reports both squads enter action at full strength; minor injuries and illnesses having been overcome during the week.

The Yoncalla '11' has a six pound average weight advantage although the Huskies have the heavier backfield. The Eagles average 171 and Merrill registers 165.

Each club utilizes a T-offense and both depend primarily on their quarterbacks for the passing attack. Running assignments for both sides are divided between the halfbacks and fullbacks.

Halfback Bud Maupin tops the Husky scorers while fullback Orland Willey is the high-point Eagle.

Awarded starting roles by coach Al Keck are Huskies, Bill Artery, left end, Dick Marks, left tackle, Bill Beasley, left guard, center, Larry Bell, right guard, David Andrieu, right tackle, Dean Haskins and right end, Charles Roller. In the backfield Maupin will join forces with quarterback Dennis Salvadori, halfback John Haskins and fullback Troy Patterson.

Making up the Eagle forward wall will be at left end, Jim Booth, left tackle, Bill Sewell, left guard, Howard Lloyd, at center, Bill Snider, right guard, Phil Edin, right tackle, Ron Cortright, and at right end, Cliff Emery. The Eagle backfield contains Ron Revelle, quarterback, halfbacks, Doug Hollamon and Ken Bowman and fullback Willey.

1955—Army sophomore guard Stan Slater recovered a fumble on his 29 to halt a 63 yard Middle March that threatened a slim 7-6 Cadet lead. Army upset Navy 14-6.

1956—Navy sophomore Dick Dagampat carried on five of seven plays for a touchdown after sophomore end John Kanich recovered a fumble on the Army 27 as Navy rallied for a 7-7 tie.

1957—Bob Anderson, Army sophomore halfback and leading ground gainer, entered the game with a concealed thigh injury and received a leg injury in the first period. The loss of his effectiveness helped Navy to a 14-0 verdict.

SIGNS REDBIRD PACT
ST. LOUIS (UPI)—Hank Kuhlmann, a rangy catcher from the University of Missouri, signed a \$30,000 contract Thursday with the St. Louis Cardinals. He was assigned to Rochester of the International League.

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By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Four major bowl berths will be filled and Philadelphia's Municipal Stadium will be packed for the Army-Navy game Saturday as college football fires its last blast of the season.

Army, shunning bowls, takes a 7-0-1 record against Navy, shunned by bowls in light of a so-so 6-2 mark. It was Pitt, knocked out of the major bowl picture by Penn State's 25-21 upset Thursday, that married the Cadets' record with a 14-14 tie. Tulane and Notre Dame beat Navy.

Notre Dame, which closes at Southern California Saturday, was the only common foe on the Army and Navy schedules, and the Cadets beat the Irish 14-2.

Half a dozen or so games will decide bowl bids. Only two of the five major bowls are filled. Iowa and California will play in the Rose Bowl, and Oklahoma and Syracuse fill 'the Orange Bowl.

The Cotton Bowl needs a team to face Texas Christian, the Sugar Bowl needs an opponent for Louisiana State and the Gator Bowl has two berths to fill.

Iowa, California, Syracuse and LSU have completed their regular seasons. Oklahoma shuts down shop Saturday against Oklahoma State. TCU calls it quits against Southern Methodist.

Of the top 10 teams in the latest Associated Press poll, five already have been picked for bowls (LSU, No. 1; Oklahoma, No. 3; Iowa, No. 4; TCU, No. 7; and Syracuse, No. 10). Three are ineligible (Auburn, No. 2; Wisconsin, No. 6; and Ohio State, No. 9) and one (Army, No. 5) turns its back on such doings.

That leaves Air Force (No. 8) as the only top 10 team still to be had. And the Cotton Bowl likely will get the Falcons (8-0-1) if they whip Colorado Saturday.

The Sugar Bowl reportedly is set to tap Clemson (7-2) to face unbeaten, untied LSU New Year's Day if the Atlantic Coast Conference champion beats Furman Saturday.

That leaves SMU, Mississippi, Georgia Tech, Florida, South Carolina, Vanderbilt and Rice on the prowl for the Gator Bowl bid—or the Sugar and Cotton berths should Air Force and—or Clemson slip up.

SMU needs an upset over TCU to make it. Mississippi plays Florida State in addition to the clubs already listed by the major bowl groups. Alabama (5-3-1) closes Saturday against Auburn (8-0-1), which is looking for its second straight unbeaten season but is banned from bowl play by NCAA probation.

Tulsa (7-3) finished with a 25-6 victory over Wichita Thursday. Virginia Tech eliminated Virginia Military from the postseason hopefuls 21-16. Cincinnati defeated Miami (Ohio) 18-7 in a battle of minor bowl prospects.

Texas (7-3) took itself out of possible bowl consideration after rapping Texas A&M 27-0. Rutgers (8-1), which finished last week-end, got tired of waiting and also withdrew from the list of postseason prospects although under serious consideration by the Blue Grass bowl committee.

The Blue Grass, with Alabama a top choice, will name its pairing Monday. Pitt's still alive for this one, along with Tulsa and Florida State in addition to the clubs already listed by the major bowl groups.

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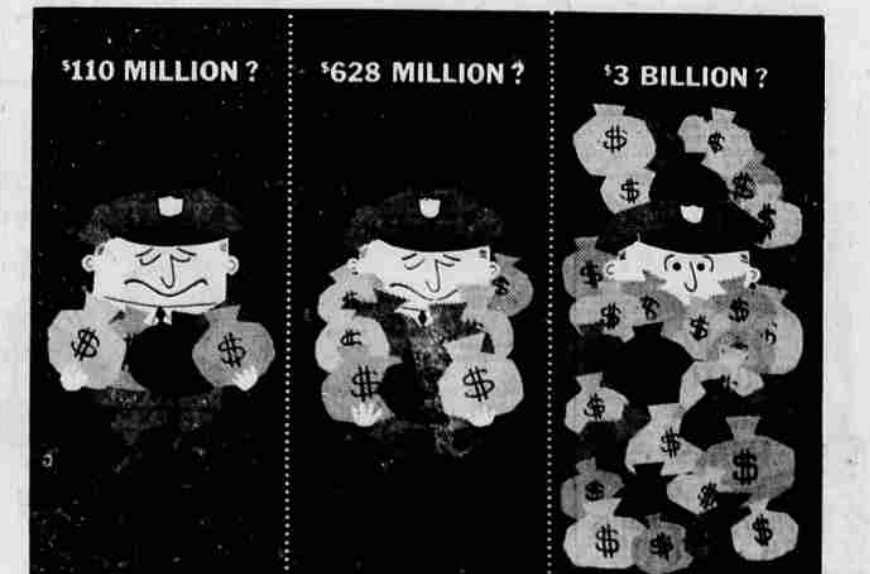
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