

Henley's Hornets Top Scrappy Chiloquin In Opener, 26-0

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Merrill's Touted Team Rips Tulalake, 39-0

MERRILL—The Merrill Huskies put their touted talents to the full test in the opening game of the season Friday night and trounced the Tulalake Honkers, 39-0, in a revenge win for the one-point loss they suffered last season.

The Huskies, who went to the Class B state finals last season and lost to a spectacular Monroe team, returned most all of the players from that team and the word was out that they were going after that state title this season.

That championship form showed through Friday night as they laced the Honkers in stunning fashion. The Huskies rolled up a total of 467 yards while holding the Honkers total to 166 yards.

The charge was led by one of the finest all-around athletes in the Klamath County League, Ken Smith. The swift halfback, who this year has gained up to about 170 pounds, racked up three touchdowns, punched out 169 yards rushing in 12 plays for an average of 15.8 yards per carry and had the Honkers busy trying to stop him.

But he wasn't the entire offense. Quarterback Dale Kurtz turned in a dazzling passing display with his southpaw aerials and completed nine of 13 for 134 yards and three touchdowns. The Huskies completed 10 of 14 passes.

Antlers Nose Out Trojans In Close Contest, 13-6

The Bonanza Antlers gained an opening game victory Friday night at Gem Stadium when the Class B school nosed out a fighting group of Sacred Heart Academy Trojans, 13-6.

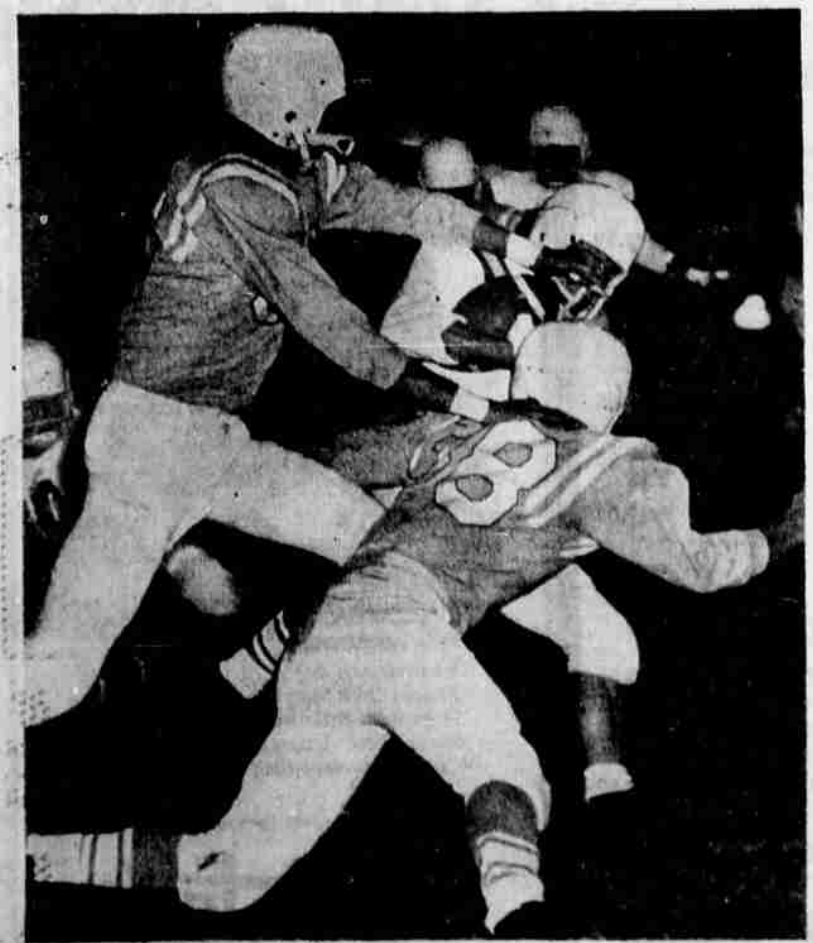
It was a heart-breaking loss for the Trojans who were looking to break a long losing streak. The Trojans didn't win a game last season but look very much improved under the guidance of Coach Carriaga, the new coach who played ball last season for Oregon State.

The bull-like rushes of halfback Rod Pfeiffer kept the Trojans off balance all night and he tallied one touchdown. But it was an intercepted pass which was returned for a touchdown by end Rick Steber which won the game.

Bonanza scored in the first quarter when Pfeiffer blasted his way into the end zone for the six points. The run for the extra point failed and the Antlers had a 6-0 lead.

The second quarter told the final story. It was then that Steber hauled down one of Marv Davis' aerials and danced back the 30 yards for the touchdown. Neil Toffel ran the point for a 13-0 lead.

The Trojans began the long fight back at this point. Their scoring payoff came on a 35-yard aerial from Davis to Little Mike



THE REFS MISSED THIS ONE — Little Freddy Rodriguez (with ball) had just intercepted a pass by Chiloquin and was running it back when he was caught by Leonard Wilder (left) and Don Taylor (38). Wilder managed to get a hand on the face mask of Rodriguez but it slipped by the officials. On ground at left is LeVoy Young (30). Henley won, 26-0.

LeVoy Young Leads Winners' Attack

The Henley Hornets, despite a stubborn but green pack of Chiloquin Panthers, won their opening football game of the season at Henley Friday night when they blanked the Class B school, 26-0.

It was the first game of the season for both clubs. Henley's experience, greater depth and size was too much for the scrappy but out-manned Panthers.

LeVoy Young, who was one of the better backs in the Rogue League last season for the Hornets, led the touchdown parade with three tallies and 93 yards rushing. He lugged the ball 15 times for an average of 6.2.

Fisher was the second workhorse with 16 totes for 71 yards and Kim Hale, playing against his old mates as a transfer from Chiloquin, rolled up 68 yards. The Hornets had 303 rushing total, yards for a 5.7 average.

The Henley defense was a shining point, however. The defense held the Panthers to a mere 35 yards rushing and six passing for a total of 41 yards. The Panthers could make only four first downs to 18 for the Hornets.

Quarterback Steve Rand hit the only two passes he threw for the Hornets, both complete to end Elton Schiro for 84 yards which set up two touchdowns.

Henley scored the first time it got its hands on the ball. It took them 15 hard plays with the "three-yards and a cloud of dust" routine with Young and Fisher doing the damage. Young went the final two yards of the 45-yard drive for the score and Bugs Lewis booted the point for a 7-0 lead.

The Hornets kicked off to Chiloquin and slippery Donnie Taylor brought the crowd to its feet with a dazzling 57-yard return to the Henley 35-yard line before he was pulled down by the final man, little 127-pound Freddy Rodriguez who Coach Len Weber said was the best defensive man on the team for the Hornets.

The Hornets threw up a good defense after that and held the Panthers. Rand flipped his first aerial to Schiro which covered 48 yards to the three-yard line. Hale then blasted his way over on the next play. The conversion failed. It was scoreless in the

Yank Netmen Garner Cup Zone

DENVER (UPI)—Dennis Ralston and Marty Riessen swept to a straight-sets doubles victory, 7-5, 6-3, over Venezuela Saturday to clinch the Davis Cup American zone finals for the United States.

Ralston, the fiery Bakersfield, Calif., star, and Riessen, son of Northwestern University's tennis coach, defeated Ivo Pimentel and Orlando Bracamonte in the decisive match of the best 3-out-of-5 competition.

Ralston had hammered Bracamonte and Riessen had put down Pimentel in Friday's opening singles matches.

Saturday's win insured that the final singles matches Sunday on the Cherry Hills Country Club's concrete courts would be for fun only.

This opened the possibility that the tournament would see the debut of the first Negro ever to play in U.S. Davis Cup competition—Arthur Ashe Jr. of Richmond, Va. Ashe or the other alternate on the team, Eugene Scott of St. James, N. Y., will play Bracamonte in one of Sunday's matches.

Ralston will be up against Pimentel in the other match. Riessen returned home after Saturday's match.

The Americans outclassed Venezuela all the way but were below the caliber of their play in Friday's singles matches. Ralston and Riessen missed relatively easy shots several times by overshooting the base line.

Ralston had the most spectacular shot of the day in the seventh game of the final set. A ball had caught him off balance, but he jumped up, turned his back to the net and hit the ball to score a point. The retrieve drew an ovation from the 1,300 fans at Cherry Hills.

With Saturday's victory, the U.S. team qualified for further Davis Cup competition Sept. 26-28 at Bournemouth, England, again the European Zone champion.

The winner of that affair will meet India in November for the chance to take on defending champion Australia in the "World Series" of Tennis Dec. 26-28 at Adelaide, Australia.

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HENLEY SCORES FIRST TOUCHDOWN — Henley's LeVoy Young punches across the first touchdown of the season for the Hornets in the first period of the game with Chiloquin Friday night at Henley. He went three yards for the touchdown and it was only one of his three touchdowns for the night. The Chiloquin tacklers in the picture are unidentified. They were too late getting to Young. He led the Hornets to a 26-0 victory over Chiloquin.

Malin Shatters Long Losing Drouth, Decisions Henley's Jayvees, 20-18

MALIN — Malin's Mustangs broke a long losing drouth Saturday afternoon at home when they used a second half attack to down the Henley Jayvees, 20-18, in the season opener.

The Mustangs won their second game last year from Butte Valley after losing the opener. They didn't win another game all season with a very green and inexperienced team. This season those green kids are a little more experienced and feel like winning for a change.

Speed merchant Bob Bauer supplied most of the scoring punch for the fired-up Mustangs with a pair of touchdowns. The Mustangs got the first score of the game in the first period when Bauer blasted across from five yards out for the tally. The conversion failed.

Henley's JV's came roaring right back to knot the score. Mike Peacock culminated a long drive by punching across from the one-yard line to tie the score. The conversion failed.

Henley's junior Hornets jumped into the lead in the second period when quarterback Gary Barker flipped a four-yard scoring pass to Duane Larson, an end, for the go-ahead score. The extra point failed again.

Malin came storming back in the third period to go into the lead to stay. Chuck Henderson, switching from end to halfback, lugged the pigskin around end for the second score to tie the game and Bauer sped across the double stripe with the extra point for a 13-12 lead.

Bauer wrapped the game up for the Mustangs in the fourth when he gathered in a punt and twisted and darted his way back for 45 yards and the winning score. Fullback Jack Worthington ran the conversion over.

Henley got back into the scoring picture and made a very close game out of it when Scott Kadous took a pass from Gary Barker which covered 65 yards.

JETS RELEASE PLAYER — NEW YORK (UPI) — Jerry Fields, a linebacker formerly with the New York Giants of the National Football League, was released Thursday by the newly formed New York Jets of the American Football League.

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