

Merrill Shows Championship Form, Beats Bonanza, 40-21



ROLLER ROLLED TO GROUND—Merrill's sticky-fingered end Ted Roller is being brought back down to earth after picking off an aerial from the southpaw arm of quarterback Dale Kurtz (not shown). He grabbed six passes during the game for 97 yards and two touchdowns. The tackler is unidentified. The other Merrill player is Jim Merrilees (33) who was near the pass on the sideline when Roller caught it. Merrill won, 40-21.

Huskies' Attack Well Balanced

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Unless something drastic happens between now and the second week in November, Merrill's mighty Huskies will again have their second straight Klamath County League football title and a trip to the state playoffs.

Coach Gene Christensen's powerhouse showed its wares to the league Friday night and trounced the team figured to be the only one with a fighting chance at them, Bonanza, 40-21. And it could have been much worse.

The Huskies, who gained the state finals last year before being beaten by Monroe, have virtually the same team back and, if anything, it looks stronger than last year's club.

The potato capital of the Basin showed running power with 237 yards and a splendid air attack with southpaw Dale Kurtz flinging strikes all over the field in completing 11 of 18 for 133 yards and four touchdowns.

Bonanza, with two starters out with broken bones and the number one quarterback Ernie Nichols injured with a bad foot, simply was no match for the Huskies although they never gave up and made the game a little closer in the second half against Merrill substitutes.

Merrill was paced by Ken Smith, a 170-pound halfback with speed and finesse. He chalked up 83 yards rushing in 12 carries for a 6.9 average, ran a punt back 72 yards for a touchdown, scored three TDs in all, and caught two passes for 29 yards.

Smith, however, had help. He got running assistance from fullback Bob Moore who had 50 yards in seven totes. Sophomore Ken Haskins had 34 yards in three lugs and freshman Russ Smith reeled

off a 32-yard run on the last play of the game and was finally run down on the eight-yard line by another freshman Bill Steber of Bonanza.

The outcome of the game was evident early. About the only shining light for the Antlers was the running of Rod Pfeiffer, a junior who could be the best running back in the league along with Smith. He was great against such odds. He had 56 yards in nine carries for a 6.2 mean, one a 31-yard touchdown run. Time and again he had to lower his head and explode into a host of Merrill defenses when there was no hole. The Merrill team keyed their defense on him.

It was a long game, marred by penalties when the game got somewhat rough. The Huskies were assessed with 153 yards in infractions while the Antlers were called for 85 yards, a total of 218 yards. Some were refused.

Merrill scored the first time it had the ball. Moore returned the kickoff to the Bonanza 47 and Smith got the final 31 yards over right tackle with 10:11 left in the period. He still-armed one would-be tackler in the secondary and went the remainder of the distance untouched. He also ran the point.

Bonanza had to punt the first time it got the ball. The Huskies took over on their own 41 and hit paydirt in seven plays with Kurtz firing a strike to Ted "Glue-Fingers" Roller for 29 yards and the six points. The pass to Larry Connor for the point was no good.

The third touchdown in the first period came when Bonanza's Ernie Nichols punted 38 yards. Moore took the punt and reversed it to Smith. He danced the sideline, got one final block at about the 40 and was on his way 72 yards untouched. The conversion failed and Merrill led 19-0 at the end of the first.

With the second period half over, the Huskies hit the scoreboard again with Kurtz culminating the 69-yard drive with a 19-yard pass to Roller. Brilliant faking by Kurtz set the play up and Roller faked the defense right out of its shoes and was standing all alone in the left flat end zone. Kurtz hit Connor for the conversion point and a 26-0 lead.

Meanwhile, the Antlers had to play away with Pfeiffer doing most of the work. He streaked through the left side of the line with 2-40 left in the half and out sped the secondary to the score from 31 yards away. He wasn't touched. He used the same play to score the point after.

The half ended that way. The Huskies scored with 5:30 left in the third when Kurtz hit Moore with a two-yard touchdown pass. He threw to Jim Merrilees for the point. The next score came on the fourth play of the fourth period when Smith took a four-yard touchdown pass from Kurtz. Kurtz, who likes to throw at any spot on the field, hit Jim Britton with the conversion pass and the 40-7 lead.

Bonanza rallied against the subs Christiansen sent in. The Antlers drove 67 yards with Neil Toleff splitting right tackle from one-yard away. He ran the same play for the point.

The final score came when Lynn Brotherton picked off a Kurtz pass in the flat and was all alone. He danced 45 yards for the final score. Toleff ran the point.

Bill Steber, a freshman, came in to fill in for the injured Nichols at quarterback and did a fine job for Bonanza.



PICTURE OF POWER — Bonanza's Rod Pfeiffer (with ball) is a picture of power here as he drives through a pair of Merrill tacklers for added yardage at Merrill Friday night. He was the big gun for the Antlers as he picked up 56 yards in nine carries for a 6.1 average. Merrill, however, won the Klamath County League game, 40-21. Pfeiffer scored the first Antler touchdown on a 31-yard run.

Mount Shasta Decisions Henley's Hornets, 20-7

MOUNT SHASTA—The Henley Hornets narrowly averted their first shut out in 39 games here Friday night, but did not avert defeat as the Mount Shasta Bruins handed the Hornets their first defeat of the year, 20-7, in a non-conference game.

It was a close game, statistically, with the Bruins having the total edge, 283-243. The Hornets

will battle Eagle Point next Friday night at Henley in the first Rogue League contest.

The first quarter was scoreless but Mount Shasta got the ball rolling in the second period. The Hornets had their chance in the first period and failed.

They kicked off to Mount Shasta and held on their own 35. They marched 64 yards to the one-

inch line and couldn't push the ball across. They had first and goal on the 10. Kim Hale went over left tackle to the six and Bill Fisher got one to the five.

LeVoy Young took it to the inch line when quarterback Steve Rand tried to pass to end Elton Schiron on fourth down and it went incomplete.

The turning point came shortly after. Henley held Shasta and Stan Owens punted deep from the end zone. Young scooped the ball up on the Shasta 35 and returned it to the 20 but the play was nullified by a personal foul and Shasta had first down on the 15.

Early in the second the Hornets had a drive going when Rand to Fisher lateral was fumbled and recovered by Shasta. The Bruins then began running the tackles on both sides with Charles Birmisa and Richard Van Dyck running. They went 73 yards in 11 plays with Van Dyck scoring from the seven. Birmisa's kick was wide.

Henley took the second half kickoff and Schiro took the ball on his own 15 and raced all the way back for a touchdown, only to have it called back when the officials said he stepped out of bounds at mid-field. An unsportsmanlike conduct penalty was added and the Hornets begged down.

The second touchdown for the Bruins came when Bob Coburn flipped a screen pass to Van Dyck who scored from 57 yards away. Birmisa kicked the point after.

The final Shasta TD came when the Bruins marched 40 yards with Birmisa going over from 11 yards out. They added the point for a 20-0 lead.

Henley's drive covered 65 yards with Fisher getting 37 yards and Young and Rand and Hale getting good gains. Rand had a 12-yard run. He sneaked over from two yards out for the score. He hit Schiro on a pass for the extra point. There was two and a half minutes left in the game.

Hildreth scored the first TD on a 10-yard dash in the second period and the point after failed. The second touchdown came in the third period when Welch clicked off four yards for the tally and kicked the point.

The third touchdown came in the third period also when quarterback Larry Blankenship flipped a four-yard aerial to Bill Duch and Welch booted the point. The Cougars talked twice more in the fourth.

Welch got the fourth score on a four-yard burst over the middle and kicked the point after for a 27-0 lead. Duch took another four-yard scoring pitch from Blankenship for the last touchdown and Blankenship kicked the point.

Anderson scored in the fourth on a 45-yard pass from Thomas to Martinez.

Blankenship hit four of seven passes for 73 yards and the Cougars ate up 212 yards rushing. Terry Linville was the outstanding offensive and defensive lineman for the Cougars.

Weed 0-6-14-14-34
Anderson 0-0-0-0-6

Malin Mustangs Fall To Eagles

BUTTE VALLEY — The Butte Valley Eagles landed the injury-riddled Malin Mustangs their first defeat of the season and evened the Malin record at 1-1 here Friday night, 14-0.

Malin, which last week topped the Henley Jayvees, lost their top back in Bob Bauer with a separated clavicle and he will be out for the rest of the season. Then the top lineman, Sherm Kalina, injured a leg in practice Wednesday and had to miss the contest.

Kent Winebarger led the Eagles to the victory. The Eagle quarterback cut off left tackle for the first touchdown from one foot away. He ran the same play to gain the extra point.

The second touchdown, in the

fourth quarter, came when Winebarger used the left tackle run again for 10 yards and the final score. The same play was good again for the final 14-0 tally.

Both scores came in the last half after the depthless Mustangs had fought them to a standstill in the first half. Malin will take on Chiloquin Thursday night in the first conference game for each in the Klamath County League at Henley's field at 7:30 p.m.

Malin 0-0-0-0-0
Butte Valley 0-0-7-7-14

Tulelake Defeats Chiloquin

TULELAKE — The Tulelake Honkers broke into the winning column here Friday night when they eased past the Chiloquin Panthers, 12-9, in an evenly-matched non-conference football game.

It was the second loss in succession for the Panthers who fell last week to Class A Henley, 26-0. The Panthers got off to a 2-0 lead in the first period. They had the Honkers backed up to the wall when the Honkers tried and end sweep. He was swarmed behind the goal for the two-point safety.

Tule stormed back in the second period to take the lead to stay. Roy Kriegenbeck climaxed the long drive, almost the length of the field, with a six-yard dive for the six points. The point failed.

They came back with another touchdown in the third period when quarterback Brad Slezak pitched a 20-yard scoring pass to end Bruce Young. The conversion again failed.

Chiloquin made a close game of it in the fourth quarter when quarterback Donnie Taylor found end Leonard Wilder all alone and hit for a 50-yard scoring pass. Jim Bridge ran over the extra point for the final 12-9.

"We looked real good and dominated the second quarter. We looked fine also in the third and fourth periods," Coach Darrell La Rue commented. Slezak completed nine of 13 aerials, six to Gary Tatum and three to Young. 2-0-7-9
Tulelake 0-6-0-12

Weed Tops Anderson Eleven

WEED — The Weed Cougars won their second straight ball game here Friday night by downing Anderson, 34-6, behind the offensive fireworks of Don Welch and Omri Hildreth.

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CARDS BUY PLAYER

ST. LOUIS (UPI) — Jim Beauchamp, a 337 hitter with Tulsa of the Texas League, was purchased Friday by the St. Louis Cardinals. Beauchamp, a 24-year-old outfielder, reported to the Redbirds Friday night in Cincinnati. 0-6-0-12

Grid Scores

Prep Football Results
By United Press International

Madison 7 Lincoln 7 (tie)
Jefferson 39 Roosevelt 25
Cleveland 20 Washington 0
Grant 14 Franklin 0
Central Catholic 26 Beaverton 0
Hillsboro 14 Astoria 0
Centennial 14 David Douglas 2
Clackamas 13 Gresham 6
Sunset 6 Milwaukie 0
West Linn 26 Dallas 6
St. Helens 19 Oregon City 6
Newberg 27 Forest Grove 12
McMinnville 19 Tigard 14
Lake Oswego 21 Tillamook 13
Wyeast 18 Reynolds 6
Canby 29 Sandy 14
Molalla 32 Scappoose 0
Estacada 33 Silverton 7
Parkrose 6 Jesuit 0
Crater 26 Sweet Home 2
Albany 13 Corvallis 13 (tie)
North Salem 19 Grants Pass 19 (tie)

South Salem 53 Klamath Falls 0
Lebanon 13 Ashland 7
Marshfield 20 Sheldon 7
North Bend 7 South Eugene 0
Cottage Grove 26 Thurston 7
North Eugene 8 Willamette 6
Roseburg 25 Springfield 7
Boise (Idaho) 25 Medford 0
Hermiston 6 Redmond 0
Bend 19 Milton-Freewater 18
Baker 6 Madras 0
Pendleton 31 The Dalles 14
Prineville 6 La Grande 6 (tie)
Hood River 21 Vernonia 0
Rainier 24 Banks 0
Seaside 40 Clatskanie 0
Philomath 12 Dayton 6
Yamhill-Carlton 38 Sherwood 6
Nestucca 13 Sheridan 6
Willamina 19 Amity 6
Newport 20 Reedsport 7
Siuslaw 25 Taft 7
Mapleton 13 Waldport 0
Mt. Angel 20 Gervais 6
Burns 29 Santiam 0
Cascade 20 Chewnich 0
Serra Catholic 12 Central 0
Salem Academy 13 Scio 0
Woodburn 21 Sherman 0
Central Linn 26 Oakridge 13
Junction City 20 McKenzie 0
Drain 55 Harrisburg 7
Pacific 7 Sutherlin 0
St. Mary's 39 Glendale 14
Brookings 46 Riddle 13
Douglas 14 Gold Beach 7
Klamath Falls JV 6 Sacred Heart 0
Illinois Valley 34 Rogue River 0
Mt. Shasta (Calif.) 20 Henley 7
Phoenix 26 Coquille 0
Umatilla 12 Pilot Rock 6
Enterprise 25 Union 0
Nyssa 13 Payette (Idaho) 7
Vale 20 Emmett (Idaho) 7
Caldwell (Idaho) 20 Ontario 7
Sisters 41 Fossil 12
Merrill 40 Bonanza 21
Alsea 34 St. Paul 14
Dufer 20 Culver 7
MacLaren 20 Lowell 0
McEwen 13 Joseph 6
Weston 34 Prescott (Wash.) 25
Riverside 33. Cascade Locks 7
June 45 Arlington 7

First Downs
Rushing
Passing
Penalties
Yards Gained Rushing
Yards Lost Rushing
Net Yards Rushing
Passes Attempted
Passes Completed
Passes Intercepted By
Yards Gained Passing
Total Yards Gained
Punts - Average
Yards Punt Returned
Fumbles - Lost
Penalties - Yards

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing
Player TC YG Net Avg
Young 14 34 34 2.4
Hale 4 49 49 7.4
Fisher 4 21 21 5.3
Rand 4 18 18 4.5
Pfeiffer 1 2 2 2
Schiro 1 3 3 3
Totals 38 204 204 5.3

Passing
Player PA PC YG Avg
Rand 10 7 28 2.8
Young 7 0 0 0
Totals 17 7 28 3.4

Receiving
Player PC YG Avg
Schiro 1 15 15.0
Rodriguez 2 19 9.5
Totals 3 34 11.3

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing
Player TC YG Net Avg
Van Dyck 15 40 40 2.7
Birmisa 4 109 109 27.3
Coburn 4 21 21 5.3
Duch 2 3 3 1.5
Aquila 2 21 21 10.5
Jennings 2 8 8 4
Totals 40 232 232 5.8

Passing
Player PA PC YG Avg
Coburn 4 2 20 5.0
Totals 4 2 20 5.0

Receiving
Player PC YG Avg
Birmisa 1 8 8
Van Dyck 2 20 10
Totals 3 28 9.3

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing
Player TC YG Net Avg
Totals 8 35 35 4.4
B. Shaber 4 19 19 4.8
Barnhart 4 8 8 2.0
Nichols 4 13 13 3.3
Totals 16 40 40 2.5

Passing
Player PA PC YG Avg
Nichols 9 3 23 2.6
C. Shaber 7 0 0 0
Totals 16 3 23 1.4

Receiving
Player PC YG Avg
B. Shaber 1 10 10.0
Pfeiffer 1 5 5.0
Totals 2 15 7.5

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Rushing
Player TC YG Net Avg
Totals 9 54 54 6.0
B. Shaber 4 35 35 8.8
Barnhart 4 19 19 4.8
Nichols 4 13 13 3.3
Totals 16 67 67 4.2

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Totals 16 3 23 1.4

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B. Shaber 1 10 10.0
Pfeiffer 1 5 5.0
Totals 2 15 7.5

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