County Basketball Tourney Off to Torrid Start

Reedsport Downs Yoncalla, 29 to 26

Myrtle Creek, Sutherlin Win Easily; Elkton Trounces Lookingglass in Upset.

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Sutherlin vs. Elkton, 8:45 p. m.

By MAYNARD BELL

The opening round of the annual Douglas county B league basketball tournament bristled with action, excitement and brilliant individual performances as the eight crack quintets of the county swung into action Thursday on the senior high school maple court in quest of the mythical crown, emblematic of cage supremacy in this section of the state, renounced by the absent defending champion, Drain high school.

An enthusiastic throng of rabid hoop fans witnessed the triumph of three tourney favorites—Reedsport, Myrtle Creek and Sutherlin—as they advanced in championship fashion with convincing wins over Yoncalla, Camas Valley and Glendale, in order, to the second round of the three day tourney. Contrary to pre-game prediction, one favorite, Lookingglass high school, fell by the wayside as an underdog Elkton five snowed them under with an avalanche of baskets for the only upset victory of the day.

Individual Work Noted

Hand and hand with large scores and easy wins were many exceptionally brilliant individual performances which especially featured the opening day's play. These were those of Howard Applegate and Stewart Mathis of Yoncalla, Jack Brandon and Jack Dunn of Reedsport, Nelson Rust and Dale Dyer of Myrtle Creek, Raymond Johnson of Camas Valley, Harold Brown, Lewis Allen and Everett Owens of Sutherlin, Don Jones and James Paulson of Glendale, Paul Anderson and Zane Adams of Elkton, Floyd Felt of Lookingglass which were particularly noteworthy.

Of the four contests in the opening round, the victory of Sutherlin high school over Glendale appeared to be the most impressive. The Bulldogs tallied the largest score of the day by amassing 40 points over the hapless Pirates principally through the fine efforts of Brown who rang up 20 points, or half his team's total. On the basis of their outstanding showing and considering the fact that the luck of the draw favored the Blue and White, Sutherlin should breeze into the finals and are considered to be the team to beat for the title.

Strong Rivalry Looms

However, Sutherlin faces strong opposition in their journey to the crown provided by a powerful Reedsport high school quintet and an equally potent five from Myrtle Creek, both of whom waltzed through their opening games in easy fashion. The Vikings toyed with Camas Valley, to win 35 to 19, but the people's choice from the lower Umpqua had to come from behind to down the strong Yoncalla team, 29 to 26.

The Reedsport-Myrtle Creek battle tonight at 7:30 o'clock should be the outstanding game in the second round since the winner goes into the finals against the victor of the Sutherlin-Elkton battle which follows the former contest, at 8:45 o'clock.

In the consolation bracket, four squads will be fighting just as dearly to stay in the running for the consolation championship. Judging from today's play, Yoncalla and Glendale appear to have the inside track. A defeat by either of these four teams in the second round eliminates them from further competition.

Reedsport 29, Yoncalla 26

The 1940 county tournament opened with a nip-and-tuck battle, the outcome of which was not decided until the last minute of play. Both teams started slowly checking closely. Applegate opened the scoring with a goal and Yoncalla took a first quarter lead of 7-3 as the tall forward hit two more and Mathis connected with a foul. Reedsport rallied in the second quarter, rushing the Eagles off their feet, finally tying at 7-7. Brandon gave Reedsport its first lead, 9-7, with a basket, but Mathis came back to deadlock the count at 9-9 with two fouls. The score was tied again at 11-all, but the Braves took a halftime margin of 15-11.

Reedsport fought viciously during the second half. Sometimes its lead reached six points, or eight, but Yoncalla always came back to stay within striking distance. Yoncalla rallied briefly in the closing minutes to reach a 27-24 score with three minutes to go, but it could not close the 3-point gap.

Highlights of the game were Applegate's 11 points from the floor for high point honors, Dunn and Brandon's ball handling for Reedsport and Mathis' terrible foul shooting. The big center connected with two out of 14 chances, missing six straight in the first half.

Summary:

Yoncalla (26)		(29) Reedsport
Applegate (11)	F	(4) Reeder
Cox	F	(5) Dunn
Mathis (9)	C	(2) Morris
Gross (2)	G	(7) Brandon
Main	G	(4) Mercer

Reserves: Yoncalla—M. Dodd, J. Dodd (1); Reedsport—Pinion, Willard (6).

Myrtle Creek 35, Camas Valley 19

The winners of the southern division had very little trouble with the opposition provided by Camas Valley. The Vikings presented superior ball handling, consistent shooting, tighter defensive work to completely throttle any scoring ideas that the Diggers might have had. The first quarter was close, 8-6, Myrtle Creek, with the losers staying in the running with four foul conversions, but bad luck and the Vikings strong defense held them scoreless in the second for a halftime margin of 25-6. The last half was more or less a rout, though Camas rallied briefly to avoid the end of the game.

Rust paced the winners in scoring with 12 points and D. Dyer had seven. Coach Ross Brown's big center, Johnson, was high for the losers with five.

Summary:

Myrtle Creek 35		19 Camas Valley
A. McDougal (2)	F	Lawrence
Rust (12)	F	(4) Hudson
D. Dyer (7)	C	(5) Johnson
Marcum	G	(4) McFall
G. Dyer (4)	G	(2) Ulm

Reserves: Myrtle Creek—H. Mc-Dougal (2), C. Black (4), Rodine, G. Dyer (4), M. Black; Camas Valley—Brown, Roberts, Coon, Olliyant, Dick (1).

Sutherlin 40, Glendale 19

A relentless, hard-driving, sharp-shooting, clever ball-handling Sutherlin high school team scuttled the Glendale Pirates with a barrage of baskets, 40 to 19. Coach Cliff Horner's proteges served notice that they were out for the title by taking a quick lead of 12-3 at the quarter, shot it to 26-4 at the rest period and continued pouring it on by the start of the final canto with the score reading, 31-9.

Sutherlin's brilliant victory was made possible by phenomenal shooting by Brown who connected with nine field goals and two foul conversions for 20 points, and by Allen, who tallied 11. At that, Sutherlin missed innumerable setup shots or the score would have been greater. The shorter Glendale lads could not stand up under the terrific pace launched by the winners and at the same time had an unlucky night shooting, though they did break out with 10 points in the final quarter to outscore the winners by one point.

Summary:

Sutherlin (40)		(19) Glendale
Brown (20)	F	McMullin
Pinard (4)	F	(3) Garrett
Parazoo (11)	C	(8) Paulson
Allen (4)	G	(7) D. Jones
Owens (2)	G	(1) W. Jones

Reserves: Sutherlin—Coonenberg, Trozelle (2), Smith; Glendale—Whaley, Winkleman.

Elkton 38, Lookingglass 18

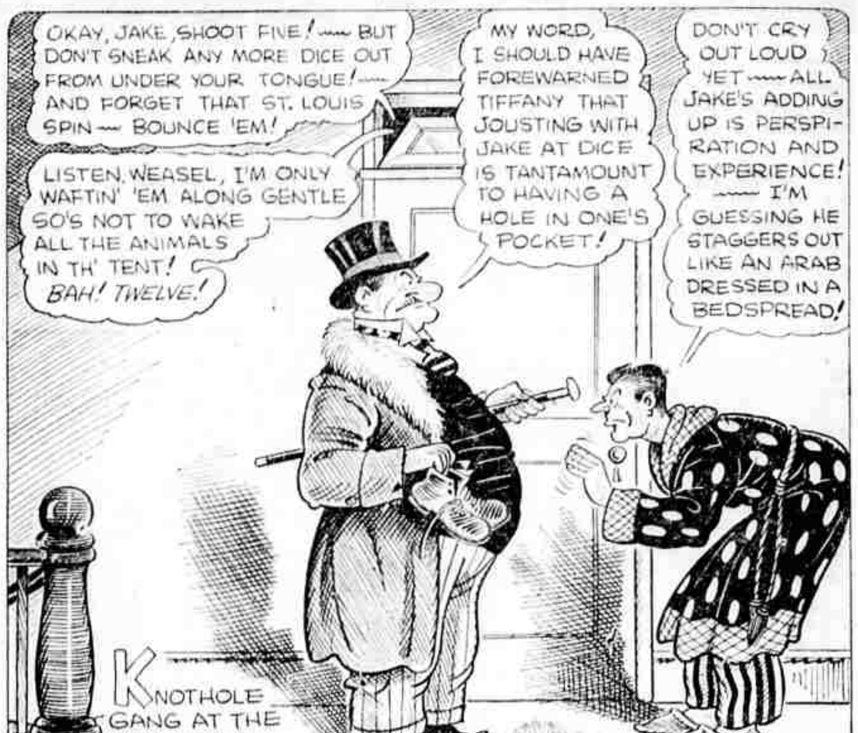
The final contest of the evening was a slow and ragged affair from start to finish as the favored Yellow Jackets, having lost their shooting eyes, were never in the contest. The tragic was enlivened by a brilliant individual exhibition staged by a tiny Elkton forward, Anderson, who shot long ones and short ones from all angles to amass 18 points. A teammate, Z. Adams, holed out 12 to assist in the easy victory. Lookingglass was only bad on the free throw line, hitting but four out of 17. Elkton led all the way, 6-1, 16-4 and 28-8 at the three quarter marks.

Summary:

Lookingglass (18)		(38) Elkton
Buell (6)	F	(18) Anderson
Davidson (1)	F	(3) J. Stauel
Ward (6)	C	(12) Z. Adams
Mathews	G	(4) R. Stauel
Felt (3)	G	Griffith

Reserves: Lookingglass—Coats, Green (2); Elkton—A. Adams (1), Weatherly.

Officials for all games: Al Dietz, Eugene; H. H. Turner, Roseburg.



Volleyball Games Series of Upsets

Favored Teams Fall Before Under-Rated Foes; Riddle Colleens Appear Best.

VOLLEYBALL
Results Thursday
Riddle 47, Lookingglass 14
Yoncalla 22, Elkton 17
Reedsport 42, Wilbur 13
Glendale 24, Oakland 23
Games Friday
Lookingglass vs. Elkton, 4:00 p. m.
Yoncalla vs. Riddle, 4:45 p. m.
Wilbur vs. Oakland, 5:30 p. m.
Reedsport vs. Glendale, 6:15 p. m.

The results of the opening round of the Douglas county B league volleyball tournament, played at the junior high school, Thursday, were nothing but a series of startling upsets, contrary to all predictions, as favorite after favorite fell before under-rated teams.

The strong Riddle high school aggregation, winners of the southern division crown, was the only team to post a victory which could be tabbed as according to "Hoyle." The Irish colleens displayed championship form in overwhelming Lookingglass high, 47 to 14, to advance to the second round in the championship bracket.

The first upset of the day was staged by Yoncalla high, defending champions for the last three years, but, seeded in second place to Oakland in their division this season, pulled out with a hard-fought 22-to-17 victory over Elkton, winners of the coastal division. Reedsport turned in the next surprise game by routing Wilbur high school, central division winners, 42 to 13, to keep pace with Riddle and Yoncalla. Glendale, not to be outdone, nosed out Oakland, northern division titleholder, 24 to 23, in a game that ended in a dispute as the scoreboard showed a tie game at 23-all, but official scorekeeper had tallied a one-point victory for the Pirates. The victory was protested but later disallowed by the judges of the tournament.

Today's games will feature a Riddle-Yoncalla battle for one of the two places in the championship contest, with Reedsport and Glendale battling it out for the other. Advance dope indicates the probable finalists to be Riddle and Reedsport, thus crowning a new champion. The consolation flight will be a battle-royal with Lookingglass, Elkton, Wilbur and Oakland fighting to stay in the running. The likely results appear too close for prediction.

O. S. C. and U. of O. Face Crucial Game

(By the Associated Press)

Tomorrow night's crucial clash between the Oregon State Beavers and the Oregon Webfoots at Eugene holds the spotlight in this week's northern division, Pacific coast conference basketball.

Oregon's two one-sided victories over Washington state early this week have placed the Webfoots in a dangerous position for this important game against the league leaders.

O. S. C., however, remains in the favored spot as after tomorrow's game the Beavers have only two more games to be played while the Webfoots must take a road trip to Pullman and Moscow. One of the Beavers' remaining games is with the Webfoots, the other with the Washington Huskies.

The tail-end Huskies and Idaho Vandals open a two-game series in Moscow tonight.

The standings:

	W.	L.	Pct.
O. S. C.	10	2	.833
Oregon	7	3	.700
W. S. C.	6	5	.545
Washington	3	7	.300
Idaho	1	11	.091

Indian Basketeers Go to Coos Bay for Two Games

Coach Jim Watts' Indian basketball squad left today for Coos Bay, where they will play two district No. 5 conference games over the week-end. The first contest will be against Marshfield high school tonight and on Saturday North Bend high school will provide the competition. The Bulldog battle is a make-up contest for the one postponed early in January.

The league-leading Indians will return to the local court next Friday evening when they meet Myrtle Point high school in the final home game of the season.

The traveling squad was composed of Earl Ward, Jim Finlay, Virgil Sanders, Lovell Baker, Ray Puckett, Lowell Attebury, Ed Hughes, Billy Goodlow, Billy Woodruff and the manager, Paul Ernst.

Attends to Business—Clarence Frock, of Brockway, was in town yesterday attending to business.

How Dare You?

OKLAHOMA CITY.—A man circulating petitions to repeal Oklahoma's dry law idly walked into an office.

"I need only a few more names," he began.

The gray haired man behind the desk—said "no"—frigidly.

Only then did the visitor notice the lettering on the door:

"Anti-Saloon League of Oklahoma. W. J. Lesinger, Supt."

end with four. Several players were tabbed as the "bad boys" of the league, amassing four personals. This list included Dunn and Morin of Reedsport, Shirtcliff of Myrtle Creek, Ward and Davidson of Lookingglass.

Summary:

Name, School	games	fg	ft	pf	tp
Brown, Sutherlin	1	9	2	3	20
Anderson, Elkton	1	8	2	2	18
Applegate, Yoncalla	1	6	2	1	14
Rust, Myrtle Creek	1	5	2	1	12
Z. Adams, Elkton	1	6	0	2	12
Allen, Sutherlin	1	4	3	3	11
Mathis, Yoncalla	1	2	5	2	9
Paulson, Glendale	1	2	4	2	8
Brandon, Reedsport	1	3	1	1	7
D. Dyer, Myrtle Ck.	1	3	1	0	7
D. Jones, Glendale	1	2	3	3	7
Willard, Reedsport	1	3	0	2	6
Buell, Lookingglass	1	3	0	0	6
Ward, Lookingglass	1	2	2	4	6
Dunn, Reedsport	1	2	1	4	5
Johnson, Camas V.	1	2	1	3	5

Two upsets marked the Women's City Bowling league round last night when the third place Betty's Annex girls won two out of three from the first place Northwest Poultry bowlers and the team from Horn's Super Cream won from the second place Copco Girls two out of three. Rose Barr of the Northwest Poultry team held high individual and high series scores, 171 and 461.

Scores:

Betty's Annex				
Black	97	79	91	267
Day	60	115	138	313
Parazoo	96	88	110	294
Croucher	115	146	143	404
Ferguson	129	113	116	358
Handicap	133	133	133	399
Totals	630	674	731	2035
Northwest Poultry				
E. Fies	97	138	122	357
R. Houser	142	118	114	374
M. Wellman	98	91	80	269
R. Barr	171	142	151	464
F. Morris	151	133	145	429
Handicap	25	25	25	75
Totals	684	647	637	1968
Copco Girls				
L. Lenox	110	150	114	374
B. Ridenhour	95	106	87	288
O. Robertson	114	143	131	388
M. Olmsted	126	126	101	353
E. Taylor	108	135	95	388
Handicap	50	50	50	150
Totals	603	710	578	1891
Horn's Super Cream				
A. Young	138	136	149	423
R. Radigan	91	86	93	270
B. Elliot	46	91	91	228
W. Vrooman	130	125	126	381
L. Miller	120	120	124	364
Handicap	89	88	88	265
Totals	614	646	671	1931

Leaves for Newport—Charles A. Bickford left yesterday for his home at Newport, Ore., following a month's visit here with his uncle, Grant Smith.

Eat barbecue sandwiches and live forever! Brand's, on highway. (Adv.)

Sutherlin Cager Leads in Scoring

The first unofficial scoring statistics released after the completion of the first round of play in the annual Douglas county B league basketball tournament reveal a number of outstanding performances. The results of the first games disclose the fact that the emphasis has been decidedly upon the offensive instead of the defensive side as various players have rolled up impressive totals to pace their respective teams to victory.

Leading the stellar array is Harold Brown, Sutherlin forward, who caged nine field goals and two charity tosses for 20 points to score half his team's total for the day. Closely pressing him is Paul Anderson, diminutive Elkton forward, who hit eight from the floor and two from the gift line for a total of 18. Howard Applegate, Yoncalla's scoring threat, was third in this department with 14.

Leading foul converter was Stewart Mathis, Yoncalla center, with five, though he missed nine others. Jim Paulson of Glendale was sec-

Japan Third Best Customer of U. S.

Interruption of Trade Pact Between Two Countries Would be Severe Blow.

By LLOYD LEHRBAS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—(AP)—The United States sells more goods each year to Japan than to any other country except Canada and the United Kingdom. During the first 11 months of 1939 American exports to Japan were valued at $203,769,000, or more than one-third of Japan's total imports.

The United States is also the greatest buyer of Japanese products, purchasing raw silks and other goods valued at $142,280,000 or nearly 20 per cent of Japan's total sales to the world, during the same 11-month period.

Trade between the two countries, on a day-to-day basis, has continued without interruption and without change in tariffs since January 26 when the Japanese-American commercial treaty ended as a result of action taken by the United States.

If congress, as proposed in bills before the senate, places an embargo on the raw materials or other products Japan needs to carry on its undeclared war against China, what will happen to that trade?

Any restrictions will be detrimental to American producers, exporters and transporters of materials banned, and retaliatory measures by Japan probably would have a detrimental effect on all trade.

War May Be Affected

Since the United States is Japan's major source of war materials any embargo on any of those products might cripple the Japanese war machine which has been fighting in China since July, 1937.

The United States supplies approximately 56 per cent of Japan's essential requirements for its heavy industry—according to commerce department figures—and an embargo might have a serious effect on Japanese industry, especially since it is now impossible for Japan to secure the products it normally purchased from Germany.

Japan's dependence on the United States is shown by its purchases here of 40 per cent of its raw cotton imports, 10 per cent of its metals, 70 per cent of its scrap iron, 50 per cent of its oil and petroleum products, and 40 per cent of its wood pulp.

While there are other sources of supply for some of those products the European war has cut off some of them which Japan otherwise might have been able to utilize.

Japan lives—and secures its foreign exchange—by exporting manufactured goods and without the necessary raw materials, especially cotton, much of that trade would dry up.

PORTLAND, Feb. 15.—(AP)—An unidentified pedestrian, injured by an automobile Sunday, died at the county hospital last night. The victim, about 65, suffered fractured legs and a severe head injury.

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