

### Indians Regain Lead by Medford Win Over Ashland

#### Overtime Period Necessary to Decide Battle Between Two Jackson County Quintets.

The Roseburg Indians were a half game out in front of the district basketball race again today as the result of a Medford victory last night over the Ashland Grizzlies. Medford won 34 to 32 in an overtime period at Medford. Roseburg, defeated by Ashland last week, now has won 8 games and lost 3 while Ashland has won 7 and lost 3. Medford has won 6 and lost 4.

Medford will play at Ashland on the 28th and Ashland will play at Grants Pass on the 25th. Roseburg plays at Medford Friday of this week, the last game of the conference schedule for the Indians.

If Roseburg can beat Medford Friday the Indians are sure of at least a tie for first place and thereby will be able to play off the tie at a later date, when, in all probability the full strength of the team would be available.

#### Indians Face Final Test

Friday night's game at Medford now will be the crucial test for the Indians, who still will be lacking the services of Earl Ward, who is suffering from mumps. Jim Finlay probably will be available for the Medford game, although he is now out of scrimmage because of a severe arm bruise suffered in Saturday night's game against Ashland. The arm is badly swollen and very painful, but X-ray examination has revealed that there was no fracture. He played the en-

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tire last period of the game with his right arm practically paralyzed and helpless. Although naturally right handed, Finlay switched to his left hand and turned in a very creditable performance despite the handicap.

In preparation for the game against Medford, Coach Watts is giving the team some strenuous workouts this week. A hard scrimmage developed last night with the B squad. The showing made by the Bees speaks well for next year's team as the Indians, lacking Ward and Finlay were hard pressed.

The Bees traveled to Myrtle Creek Monday night where they downed the Vikings 38 to 22 in a game which furnished interest for a large audience.

TILLAMOOK, Feb. 19. (AP)—Astoria high defeated Tillamook, 31 to 29, last night to win the district 10 championship and qualify for the state high school basketball tournament at Salem.

### 16 Douglas Teams Ready for County Tournament Here

By "HAP" APPLIGATE  
Sixteen basketball and volleyball teams from 11 Douglas county high schools go into action tomorrow night when the annual B league tournament opens here.

Several of the contestants in the tournament are repeaters from last year with four and possibly five of last year's volleyball teams again entered. Glendale for the southern division, Wilbur of the central division, Yoncalla, defending county champions from the northern division and Reedsport of the coast division are all back this year. Either Elkton or Gardiner also will be entered from the coast section. Elkton was in the tournament last year. New teams are Days Creek from the south, Glide from the central and Drain from the north division.

Pre-tournament dope puts the favored role on the Drain girls, with Yoncalla and Reedsport not far behind. Days Creek, however, appears to be the tournament darkhorse. The volleyball games will be played at the junior high school, with the first round

scheduled to start at 4 p. m. Thursday.

#### 2 New Teams on Bill

Six of last year's basketball teams are again entered in the basketball championship race with only two new teams in the field. Drain enters from the north division after ousting the Sutherland Bulldogs, last year's champions, and Days Creek replaces Glendale from the southern division. Repeaters from last year are Myrtle Creek, first place winner in the southern division by the flip of a coin; Camas Valley and Lookingglass from the central division; Yoncalla and Drain from the north and Reedsport and Elkton from the coast.

As was the case last year, the main strength seems to be in the northern and coastal divisions. Reedsport high, always a favorite, but so far a poor tournament team, paced by two of last year's all-county stars, Brandon and Dunn, is predicted to be one of the strong contenders. Yoncalla, crippled by the loss of Glenn Cox, sophomore forward, placed first in the northern division and may be hard to beat. Drain, holding an even break in games with Yoncalla and Reedsport has been showing steady improvement and is not to be counted out. Elkton, surprise team of last year's tournament, downed Reedsport in the final game, indicating strength to be very even among the top squads of the north and coast districts. However, the south and central district teams also have shown much ability throughout the season and may surprise the more confident northerners.

The basketball tournament will open at 4 p. m. Thursday at the senior high school gymnasium and the starting game will be broadcast over station KRNR.

#### Schedule Announced

The schedule of games for the first round of the basketball and volleyball games was announced today as follows: Basketball—Yoncalla vs. Days Creek, 4 p. m.; Camas Valley vs. Elkton, 5 p. m.; Reedsport vs. Drain, 7:30 p. m.; Myrtle Creek vs. Lookingglass, 8:40 p. m. All games will be played at the senior high school. Volleyball—Days Creek vs. Central, No. 2, 4 p. m.; Reedsport vs. Yoncalla, 4:45 p. m.; Camas Valley vs. Gardiner, 5:30 p. m.; Drain vs. Glendale, 6:15 p. m. All games

### With Major Hoopie

### Drain Squad Wins Zone Hoop Title

DRAIN, Ore., Feb. 18.—The strong 8th grade basketball team from Drain won the North Douglas county championship in the tournament held for 8th grade teams in the Drain high school gymnasium Saturday.

Drain won the playoff 21 to 13 from Winchester Bay. Winchester Bay won from Oakland 20 to 17 and Drain beat Gardiner 38 to 20 in the first round. Gardiner won from Oakland 17 to 15 in the consolation match.

Drain will play the southern district championships at Roseburg Saturday night for the county 8th grade championship.

The county 8th grade all-star selections were made as follows: First team, Denham, Oakland, and Henry, Winchester Bay, forwards; Marcholor, Drain, center; Huelshoff, Gardiner and R. Simpson, Drain, guards.

### OSC Quint Again Victor Over Idaho

(By the Associated Press)  
An Oregon State victory over the Idaho Vandals last night increased the importance of the two-game engagement of the northern division, Pacific coast conference leading Washington State Cougars and the unlucky Washington Huskies in Pullman this week-end.

The Cougars, who spanked the Huskies twice in Seattle last week, can ward off the threat of the onrushing Beavers by taking 6th games of this series.

The Beavers' 41-35 victory was their second straight over the Vandals and left them a mathematical chance of winning the title.

They owed their triumph to Don Durdan, who entered the game midway through the final half to salvage the contest. The pint-size guard was credited with five timely free throws.

But principally his presence fired the faltering Beavers to a new assault.

The Beavers now rest up for their crucial game with the Oregon Webfoots in Corvallis Saturday night.

After leading 17-16 at halftime, Oregon State was trailing, 25-27, when Durdan entered the contest midway through the final session.

### Townsend, U. of O. Guard, Still Leading Scorer

By the Associated Press  
A 31-point scoring spurge in two games against Idaho last week-end kept Vic Townsend, Oregon guard, well ahead of the pack in the northern division coast conference basketball scoring race. He has tallied 136 points in 12 games, 40 of them on free throws, the most successful free tosses of any player in the conference.

Paul Lindeman, Washington State college center, was good for 22 points in two games against Washington, to retain second place with 108 points.

Ron Harris, Idaho forward, moved up to third place from sixth place last week.

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