

# Indians Play Grants Pass Wednesday

**Cavemen Will Be Out To Avenge Defeat Of Last Year By Roseburg**

When the Grants Pass Cavemen hit the maple against Roseburg Wednesday night on the senior high school court, they will be thinking about the 46-40 loss they sustained at the hands of the Indians nearly one year ago.

The Indians opened their season against the Cavemen last year and beat them in a thrilling four-quarter duel that caused both coaches to throw in their reserves in an effort either to gain or retain the lead.

If this year's action is a repeat performance of last year's show at Grants Pass, the fans are in for a real basketball treat.

Unfortunately for Coach Jack Newby, his top three players of the 1948 squad are no longer with the team, having graduated, and this year's crop of varsity players are a shorter group, by far. An interesting preliminary action between Norm West's Jayvees and Richard Strall's Yoncalla Eagles will start the Wednesday evening basketball activity.

Yoncalla is currently rated one of the top teams in the north half loop of the Douglas county B league.

The early game starts at 6:30. The main game starts at 8 o'clock.


## Don Newcombe Undergoes Minor Nose Operation

ELIZABETH, N. J., Dec. 27—(AP)—Don Newcombe, star Brooklyn Dodger pitcher, was scheduled to undergo a minor nose operation today at Elizabeth General hospital.

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**YONCALLA EAGLES OPPOSE JAYVEES WEDNESDAY**—Above are pictured the highly touted Yoncalla Eagles, headed by Coach Dick Strait. They play Norm West's Jayvees in a preliminary game, starting at 6:30, Wednesday night. Coach Jack Newby's varsity Indians oppose Grants Pass in the main game. In the above picture is, left to right, front row, Bill Gordon, Erby Wise, Bill Lasswell, Second row, Gerald Ruse, Don Curl and Jim Lloyd. Richard Walker, not pictured, is manager of the team. (Staff Photo)

## Famous Pitcher May Have Cancer

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 27—(AP)—Grover Cleveland Alexander, one of the greatest pitchers in the history of baseball, is in a hospital to learn if he is suffering from cancer.

Two years ago in St. Louis his right ear was cut off in an attempt to halt a cancer. Physicians believe an injury the great right-hander suffered in 1908 in Indianapolis when he was struck by a pitched ball is partly responsible for his condition.

Physicians say the incomplete laboratory tests indicate cancer of the ear duct. Alexander, now 62, was named to baseball's hall of fame in 1938. From 1911 to 1930 he piled up 373 wins, for an average of 18.6 triumphs per season.

He still is convinced it isn't the last of the ninth for him. "I'll be okay," he commented. "Just a little rest and I'll be back on my feet."

Jonis, N. J., said he had difficulty breathing during late innings because of an obstruction caused when he was struck by a baseball as a boy, Muggy Weather in particular made it tough for him to breathe, he said.

Newcombe is expected to remain in the hospital until Thursday.

## College Basketball

(By The Associated Press)

Long Island 52, San Francisco 48. UCLA 62, LaSalle 57. Western Kentucky 74, Canisius 61. St. Joseph (Pa.) 69, Utah 64. Santa Clara 73, Manhattan 64. Temple 66, Buffalo Univ. 48. Idaho 63, Lawrence Tech. 44.

## Cotton Bowl Set For Record Crowd

DALLAS, Dec. 27—(AP)—The largest crowd ever to see the Cotton Bowl football game will be in the cavernous stadium next Monday. And all of the 75,347 fans are advised to wait until the last gun fires before moving for the exits.

Lots of things happen in the final periods for the competing teams in this bowl game—Rice and North Carolina. Especially North Carolina. They call the Tar Heels the minute men of football.

They don't always win them in the last minutes but they probably win more at that stage of the game than any other team. Rice is a last-half outfit, too, only the Owls have had more success with it this season than the Tar Heels. The most notable garrison finish by Rice was against Texas. They were behind 15-0 until late in the game yet won 17-15 as Froggy Williams kicked a field goal with 10 seconds to go.

North Carolina beat North Carolina State in the last minutes of the game. Georgia 21-14 with two minutes to go, scored 21 points in the fourth period to beat South Carolina, stopped Virginia on the seven yard line with a minute to play and the score 14-7, edged Duke 21-20 as Art Weiner blocked a field goal try in the last minutes and otherwise added 10 points for veteran Coach Carl Shavely.

Rice had to come from behind to beat Southern Methodist, Texas and Baylor and had to stop Texas Christian down around the two-yard line as time ran out. The only time the Owls didn't have it when the chips were down

## Ring Magazine Honors NBA King

NEW YORK, Dec. 27—(AP)—Ezzard Charles continues to pick up awards for his ring work of 1948.

Latest honor for the NBA-recognized world heavyweight champion is to be named fighter of the year by Editor Nat Fleischer of Ring magazine. The award is announced in a copyrighted article in the February issue.

Charles, the Cincinnati negro who earned NBA title recognition as successor to Joe Louis by beating Jersey Joe Walcott, recently was voted the Edward J. Neil memorial plaque by the New York Boxing Writers association. He will accept both awards at the writers' annual dinner, Jan. 12.

Mills Rated Low  
Fleischer may have stirred up an international situation in his boxing ratings by placing England's Freddie Mills, world light heavyweight champion third in his division. Nat put Joey Maxim of Cleveland and Archie Moore of St. Louis ahead of the champ.

Mills and Maxim meet in London, Jan. 24 in a title bout that should straighten out that situation.

Ray Robinson, welterweight king, is ranked No. 2, right behind champ Jake La Motta, in the middleweight division. In fact, Fleischer names six middleweights all in the same group. In addition to La Motta and Robinson, he gives high rating to Dave Sands of Australia, Steve Belisle of New York, Robert Villemain of France and Tiberio Mitri of Italy. Rocky Graziano, ex-champ, is the 11th man in the division.

Refuses Recognition  
Fleischer still refuses to recognize Charles as world champ, pointing out that Bruce Woodcock of England and Lee Savold of Paterson, N. J., have legitimate claims.

Walcott, Lee Oms of Detroit, Woodcock and Savold are named in the same group 2 but Charles is rated all by himself.

The line was against Louisiana State, to whom they lost their only game of the season.

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# Yankees Whip Rebels 20-14 In Shrine Tilt

**Northerners Display Strength in Downing Southern All-Stars**

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 27—(AP)—A squad of hand-picked northern college football players overpowered a select group of Southern Collegians in the second annual shrine charity game in the Orange Bowl last night, 20-14.

The Yankees evened the score for last year's 24-24 southern triumph and did it convincingly before 37,378 rain-soaked fans.

Yale Coach Herman Hickman's hetties came charging back to erase a 0-7 half-time deficit with two quick touchdowns in the third quarter and another in the fourth.

The speedy halfback took a handoff from Miami's Whitey Campbell and, behind perfect blocking, raced down the sideline to put the South ahead. Forrest Griffith of Kansas added the extra point, his first of two for the evening.

With the third period only five minutes old, the Yankees struck for their first touchdown with Notre Dame's Walter Grothaus recovering a South fumble on the South's 24.

Two plays later Villanova's Steve Romanik passed to Harry Wettlaufer of Pennsylvania to the eight. Larry Coutre of Notre Dame rammed through to the four and then squirmed to the one foot line.

Romanik sneaked over for the touchdown. Ralph Pasqueriello of Villanova missed the extra point.

The South still led, but not for long. Pennsylvania's Ray Dooney took a pounce around right end and went eight yards to score with two rebel tacklers still hanging on. Billy Bye of Minnesota kicked the extra point and the Yankees went ahead, 15-7.

The North hiked its lead in the fourth quarter after Dooney recovered a South fumble on the rebel 10. On the next play Pasqueriello scored on a pounce around right end. Bye again added the extra point.

Rupe Wright of Baylor recovered Dooney's fumble on the North's 43 and the rebels took it from there, Griffith traveling the final 15 yards for the touchdown.

The Yankees racked up 22 first downs to the South's seven and gained 350 net yards rushing to the Rebels' 73.

**GRANTS PASS WINS**  
GRANTS PASS, Dec. 27—(AP)—The Grants Pass Jayvees defeated the Tillamook Cheesemakers, 59-32, last night in a high school basketball game.

In Group 1  
The Ring editor goes on record as believing it likely that Joe Louis will re-enter the heavyweight sweepstakes. He is not alone in that viewpoint as Joe continues to tour the nation in his 10-round exhibitions.

Robinson missed being named fighter of the year, according to Fleischer, because of a record-marring draw against Henry Brimm at Buffalo, Feb. also hurt. Sugar Ray won 12 other starts including a title defense against Kid Gavilan and a sensational knockout win over Belisle, ranking middleweight.

Willie Pep, featherweight titlist, was the other contender for the year's top award by Ring. Pep was brilliant last February in regaining his title from Sandy Saddler but failure to give Saddler another chance cost him the big prize.

Lester Felton of Detroit, upset winner over Gavilan, was singled out as the fighter showing the most progress during the year.

# SPORTS

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## EACH HAVE LOST ONE

### Western Kentucky, UCLA Show Prowess in College Hoop Ranks

NEW YORK, Dec. 27—(AP)—UCLA and Western Kentucky demonstrated last night they must be ranked among the nation's leading college basketball teams.

Fresh from a 65-53 victory over Illinois the touring UCLA quintet knocked LaSalle out of the unbeaten ranks 62-37 in the feature of a twin bill at Philadelphia.

Western Kentucky, opening its annual eastern tour, put on a second half spurt that downed Canisius, 74-61, in the top attraction of a doubleheader at Buffalo.

UCLA and Western Kentucky each have lost only once, UCLA to San Francisco and Western to Cincinnati.

San Francisco, the national invitation tournament champion, took it on the chin again in Madison Square Garden, this time a 56-48 licking from Long Island.

Utah, from the Skyline Six conference, fell before St. Joseph of Philadelphia in the other game at Philly, 69-68. A free throw by Phil Brady in the last 24 seconds got the Utes off to a poor start on their eastern invasion.

UCLA trailed LaSalle at one time in the second half by 11 points, but rallied to win on field goals by George Stanich last 40 seconds.

In the garden first game Santa Clara spurted in the closing minutes to whip Manhattan, 73-44. In the first game at Buffalo Temple broke a three-game losing streak by trimming Buffalo University, 66-48.

A total of 32,290 saw the three doubleheaders; 16,000 at the garden, 10,801 at Buffalo and 5,399 at Philadelphia.

**East All Stars Warm Up, 114-0**  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27—(AP)—The eastern all stars ran wild over the Santa Cruz Seahawks in a game-length scrimmage yesterday in preparation for the East-West football game here January 2.

The star-studded East squad, permitted the ball just half of the scrimmage period, ran up a score of 114 to 0 against the Seahawks, supposedly a moderately tough semi-pro outfit.

The process was to give the offensive team the ball on its own goal line and let it go to work. The East all-stars hit pay dirt 19 times.

The efforts of the Seahawks got them exactly nothing.

Art Murakowski of Northwestern twice broke through the Seahawks for scoring sprints from his own goal line. Passes from Pete Dorset of Cornell to Tom Rowe of Dartmouth, and from Army's Arnold Gallifa to Gordon Soltan of Minnesota likewise scored over the hundred yard distance. Outstanding in the touchdown parade was the play of Notre Dame's giant Leon Hart.

The West squad, with Eddie LeBaron out of the hospital, worked on play polishing and aerial offense which it apparently will need plenty of if it stays inside Kezar stadium next week.

Lindy Berry of Texas Christian and LeBaron, College of Pacific, handled the passing assignments.

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# Oregon Faces Loyola; OSC Eyes Gophers

**Bears To Entertain Minnesota Tonight; Webfoots At Chicago**

By The Associated Press  
Action—lots of it—is in store for northern Division members of the Pacific Coast conference tonight as all but Washington take to the courts in kings-X play.

Idaho lone ND club to see action last night, tackles Duquesne at Pittsburgh, with a chance to break even in its eight-game road trip. In dumping Lawrence Tech at Detroit last night, 63-44, the Vandals scored their third win in seven seven-county starts.

Other games tonight find Oregon's Ducks opening a three-game midwest jaunt at Chicago against Loyola; Washington State takes a four-game losing streak against tough road foes to Cheney for a mex with Central Washington; and Oregon State entertains Minnesota in an effort to reverse an earlier 60-44 loss to the Gophers in Minneapolis.

Washington is idle until Friday night when it takes on Columbia in the first of two games. Idaho was red-hot against the Blue Devils of Lawrence Tech, hitting with 26 of 59 attempts and taking a 35-18 halftime margin. A tight zone defense held the Blue Devils to a poor 15 goals in 75 shots. Jerry Irons, Idaho forward, bucketed 21 points.

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## Sought Miners Walk To Town

EVERETT, (AP)—The three Sultan Basin miners who were the objects of a week long rescue effort, walked out from the snow chocked mountains Friday and Saturday, arriving at the town of Sultan. The three, James Stonehouse, Maple Valley, Tom Heins, Renton, and R. H. Iverson, Hobar, said the walking was difficult but they had little trouble.

Their arrival from the hills near a Navy helicopter rescue attempt, the craft being recalled to the Whidbey island naval air station by radio after it departed to pick the miners off the mountainside.

Stonehouse said they were unaware of any concern felt for their safety as their radio was not functioning. They said they had not come out earlier because they had work to do at the mine.

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WASHINGTON—(AP)—Judge George D. Neilson just got fed up. You people who come in here on charges of carrying guns always claim you just found the gun a few minutes before," he told a defendant in municipal court. Don't you know this habit of carrying guns is just what leads to serious crimes?

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