

Indian Squad Out To Avenge Coquille Loss

The Roseburg Indian basketball squad gets a chance to revenge one of those ranking small-margin losses Friday when it hosts Coquille.

The last time the two teams met, Dec. 28, the Red Devils took the first game of the home-and-home series, 42-40. That was the high point of the Coquille season. Since then, the Red Devils have generally settled back into mediocrity in the basketball picture.

Their record of six wins and nine losses is comparable to Roseburg's seven and nine. This record was scored in spite of the fact the squad is loaded with experience. Beside Ed Howe and Len Scolari, the Devils have six other lettermen. Howe and Scolari, however, top the pack with three years of experience. Together, they pace the scoring attack which is more than potent at any given time. Scolari has averaged about 15 points a game and his smaller teammate is crowding 12. In one game against Marshfield, book-shooting Scolari potted 24 points.

Even with this talent, however, the Red Devils have only been able to get by Roseburg among the big ones. Besides the Indians, they have defeated Eagle Point, Ashland, Florence and Myrtle Point twice. Reedsport, North Bend and Marshfield have dumped them twice and Ashland, Central Point and Medford each have single wins over them.

They are third in the western half of district five with two wins and four losses. After losing week-end sweeps to Marshfield and North Bend, the Devils captured two from Myrtle Point last week-end, 71-36, and, 57-52. Reflecting their unpredictable nature, the Coquille hoopers threw the biggest scare of the year into powerful Marshfield before finally losing, 53-52. The same kind of a scare on a grander scale may be waiting for the Indians, as it was once before.

Local Rifle Club Holds 7th Spot

Cal-Ore Rifle League	W	L	Pct.
Medford No. 1	5	0	1.000
Klamath Falls	5	0	1.000
Grants Pass No. 1	4	1	.800
Ashland	3	1	.750
Yreka	3	1	.750
Myrtle Point	3	2	.600
Roseburg	2	3	.400
Bar Club	2	3	.400
Lanell Valley	2	3	.400
Scott Valley	2	3	.400
Butte Valley	2	3	.400
Butte Valley No. 2	0	4	.000
Grants Pass No. 2	0	5	.000

With all but one club in section having shot off five dual rifle meets, the Medford No. 1 squad and the Klamath Falls team held the only undefeated records. The neophyte Roseburg club is tied with four other clubs for seventh place.

A report released in the Medford Mail Tribune states that Medford will be the scene of the two indoor sectional smallbore rifle and pistol championships in the spring. The National Rifle Association of America has accepted bids submitted by the Medford Rifle and Pistol Club. The rifle championship tournament is slated for March 30 and the pistol championships April 27.

The Roseburg Rifle Club has not released information as to plans of attending the meet yet.

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COMING UP

Wrestlers Lose Match, But Show Improvement

The Roseburg wrestling team isn't ready to set the world on fire, but it is improving rapidly. This was reflected in a team match at Springfield Monday. The Indian grapplers lost 29-20, but it bettered their showing over the last meeting in which the Indians lost to Springfield, 34-18.

In the exhibition matches the showing for the Roseburg squad was also better. It won seven of 14 matches and drew two. In the team competition, the Indians won four of 12 and drew one.

Coach Walt Johnson particularly recommended his gigantic 247-pound heavyweight, Fred Williams, who won his match in the team competition. Up to now, Williams has been unable to handle his weight since it is his first year of wrestling. He also applauded the work of Darrell Gourley, Jerry Jones and Darrell Myers.

The next team match is slated for the Roseburg High School gym Friday afternoon at 3.

Team results: 97-pound division—Dick Fountain (S) pinned Bob Kennedy (4:32); 105-pound—Mel Hollister (S) pinned Bob Moore (5:00); 114-pound—Darren Dodson (S) decided Herman Stoffel (6:51); 122-pound—Del Evans (S) decided Ron Nygaard (6:51); 129-pound—Jack Polar (6:51); 135-pound—Pete DeLorme (S) decided Dave Parkhurst (4-2); 140-pound—Mike Keeney (R) drew with Doug Williams; 147-pound—Jerry Jones (R) pinned Walter Gassler (3:21); 156-pound—Dick Tirrell (S) pinned Dale Johnson (3:51); 167-pound—Paul Prepperne (S) decided Ron Hicks (4:31); 177-pound Tom Findlay (R) pinned Ken Kesay (3:10); Heavyweight—Fred Williams (R) pinned Bob Strickland (3:14).

Exhibition results: 97-pound—Jim Dickerson (S) pinned Gary Johnson (3:00); 105-pound—Mel Hollister (S) pinned Larry Zaver (R) decided Mike Jeffries (2:40); 114-pound—Wayne Wood (R) drew with Darwin Saxton (3:43); 129-pound—Don Romero (S) decided Jim Wilson (6:0); Darrell Myers (R) pinned Jim Hill.

McNulty Will Return To Coast As Pitcher

SACRAMENTO — Ray McNulty, an infielder with the Portland Beavers two years ago, will return to the Pacific Coast Baseball League this season—as a pitcher.

The Sacramento Solons announced Monday night they have purchased McNulty from the Salem Senators of the Class A Western International League. McNulty won 14 games and lost nine in the WIL last year.

Oregon Line Coach Refuses Job Offer

EUGENE, Ore. — University of Oregon Line Coach Gene Harlow has turned down an offer of the same job with the Washington State College football team.

Harlow said Monday the Washington State offer was made last week.

son (4:50); 125-pound—Scott Henry (R) drew with Ken McAdams; Grant Feero (R) pinned Jim Borneman (3:14); 140-pound—Bob Thomas (R) pinned Bob Mansfield (4:50); Roy Robertson (R) pinned Bob Miller (4:40); 147-pound—Ken Van Pelt (S) pinned Dick Mendenhall (0:00); 156-pound—Sherman Everett (S) pinned Wayne Price (0:57); Darrell Gourley (R) pinned Art English (2:20); 165-pound—Rod Atterbury (R) decided Wayne Harvey (4-0).

Wardmen Win Donkey Game

The donkeys were so manageable Monday night at the Roseburg High School gym that Montgomery Ward and Luellen Construction ran up 104 points between them. The Wardmen won, 58-46.

A scanty crowd of approximately 250 watched the two teams score more points than they ever had in YMCA Adult League basketball. Perhaps there's a moral. If you can't do it one way, find another.

As for the donkeys, they apparently had agreed to disprove the old theory that they are the stubbornest of beasts. They milled under the baskets almost at their riders' whims. Of course, there were a couple of holdouts and Mac McAllister and Charles Chitwood had the unhappy luck of drawing them. As a result, their balking steeds cut down their point potency.

In the final analysis, the 104 points will probably stand as a record for a long while before another agreeable herd of hybrid horses comes along.

Fights Last Night

By The Associated Press
Boston — Norman Hayes, 163, Boston, outpointed Jake La Motta, 169 1/2, New York (10).
Salt Lake City — Rex Layne, 196, Salt Lake City, knocked out Bob Carner, 186, Lexington, Ky. (3).
Providence, R. I. — Johnny Bratton, 150, Chicago, knocked out Bobby Rosado, 148, New York (8).
Baltimore — Artie Towne, 166, New York stopped Eddie Marshall, 159, Capital Heights, Md. (1).
Chicago — Dave Rollins, 129, Detroit, outpointed Don Ward, 134, Gary, Ind. (8).

Yoncs' Loss To Oakland Will Remain On Record

A telephone vote by AAU District Chairman John Bates of Umpqua Valley League basketball managers overruled the protest of the Yoncalla-Oakland game.

Bates reported Monday that Oakland's 51-50 victory would stand as Yoncalla's first loss in the league.

Yoncalla Manager Harvey Bragg filed the protest last week after the game at the Oakland Grade School gym Sunday, Jan. 20. He charged that times out had been included in the playing time after a pregame agreement to the contrary. As a result, he stated, Oakland called for time with 53 seconds left in the game, while leading 51-50. This automatically gave Oakland the win.



ACHESON AIDE — David K. Bruce, above, U. S. ambassador to France, has been named by President Truman to be Secretary of State Acheson's No. 1 deputy. Upon Senate confirmation he will succeed Undersecretary of State James E. Webb, who resigned because he is "very much in need of a rest."

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Wildcats Climb To First Spot In College Ball

NEW YORK — Kentucky climbed into the No. 1 spot in the weekly Associated Press basketball poll Tuesday — but the Wildcats had only narrow margins over Kansas State and Illinois.

Adolph Rupp's bluegrass quintet totaled 790 points to 755 for Kansas State and 745 for third place Illinois. These three were far out front. Fourth-place Kansas had 523 points and fifth-place St. Bonaventure, one of the two major undefeated teams left, had 457.

Kentucky, which was on top in two of the first three polls of the season, lured 32 first place votes from the nation's sports writers and sports casters. Each first place vote counted 10 points, second place nine, and so on down the line.

Rounding out the first ten, in order, were St. Louis, Duquesne, Iowa, Washington and West Virginia.

The most impressive jump was made by Kansas State, which was seventh a week ago. The K-Staters Saturday hung the first defeat of the season on Kansas, which had been in the No. 1 or 2 spot for four straight weeks. The Jayhawks, incidentally, got only one first place vote.

The first ten took a real scrambling in fact, the only school to hold the same spot it held a week ago was St. Bonaventure, No. 5. Illinois, on top of the heap last week, also tasted its first defeat Saturday.

Washington dropped from No. 6 to No. 9 after splitting a pair with Washington State. The Huskies received four first place votes.

Teams in the second ten were Seton Hall, Louisville, Indiana, Dayton, St. John's, Oklahoma City, Holy Cross, Siena, DePaul and Fordham.

Others receiving votes included Western Kentucky, Seattle University, Wyoming, Idaho, Minnesota, Brigham Young, UCLA, Utah, and Portland University.

Beaver Coach Blames Alumni

SALEM, Ore. — Over emphasis of college athletics can be blamed on alumni, according to Kip Taylor, Oregon State football coach.

"The alumni demand good athletic teams. To have good teams, you need good material. To get good material, you have to proselytize," that is what Taylor told the Salem Breakfast Club here Monday.

He added that high schools probably would begin bidding for the services of good athletes. Even junior high schools might begin proselytizing, he said.

Taylor said he thought spring training does not contribute to over emphasis. But he criticized bowl games.

All bowl games except for the Shrine East-West game at San Francisco should be abolished, he said.

Battler Jake La Motta Drops Fight Decision

BOSTON — Knockout beatings by Champion Sugar Ray Robinson and Irish Bob Murphy appear to have taken a high toll on Jake La Motta, boxing's famed Bull of the Bronx.

After a five-months layoff, that ex-middleweight titlist returned to the ring wars Monday night and dropped a 10-round divide decision to Norman Hayes, Boston's 20-year-old Negro battler who has championship ambitions.

Jake, now 30, appeared fat and heavy-footed at 169 1/2 pounds. He punched with all his oldtime reckless abandon but, against Hayes, who proved extremely easy to hit, Jake's blows seemed to lack their former zing.

O'Brien Paces Seattle In Win Over Whitworth

SPOKANE — Seattle University's red hot Johnny O'Brien rolled up 30 more points Monday night as the Chieftains bumped the Whitworth Pirates 85-80 in a non-conference basketball game.

The night's work gave O'Brien, the nation's top college scorer, 717 points in 25 games this season.

Seattle built up a 51-41 halftime advantage and had a 16-point edge in the third quarter when Whitworth opened a rally that forced the Chieftains into a stall to preserve their lead late in the last two minutes of the final period.

Ralph Polson, six-foot-eight Whitworth center, was high for the Pirates with 26 points.

Hockey Scores

By The Associated Press
Calgary at Vancouver
Edmonton at Saskatoon
(No games Monday)

Alabama's varsity football team is largely a home grown squad with 31 members of the Crimson Tide hailing from the cotton state. The world's first five money-winning horses—Citation, Styrmie, Armed, Assault and Whirlaway—all raced at Hialeah.

Harry Boykoff, former college and professional basketball star, now owns a diaper service in Toledo, Ohio.

College Scores

By The Associated Press
FAR WEST
Seattle 85 Whitworth 80
Arizona 57 Arizona State (Flag-staff) 55
Vanport 83 Eastern Oregon Education 71
Camp Roberts (Calif) 81 San Francisco State 75

MIDWEST
Illinois 84 Purdue 57
Iowa State 78 Nebraska 72
Oklahoma City 61 Drake 47

SOUTH
Kentucky 88 Vanderbilt 51
South Carolina 67 Georgia Tech 58
Tennessee 68 Georgia 82
Western Kentucky 82 Tampa 77
Furman 80 VMI 76

SOUTHWEST
Texas 43 Oklahoma 39

Champ Walcott Waits Reaction

ROCHESTER, N. Y. — Heavyweight Champion Jersey Joe Walcott Tuesday was biding his time waiting for some reaction from the New York State Athletic Commission after bluntly stating that "I wouldn't care if Bob Christenberry (commission chairman) takes it away from me."

Obviously irked at the "fight or else" ultimatum from Christenberry, Walcott said Monday night that what "I have been doing is more important than satisfying boxing commissioners. I've tried to impress on kids sincerity and faith in God."

Christenberry has ordered Walcott to sign for a defense of his crown by Feb. 5 or be stripped of it.

"If I'm not a credit to boxing, then he can have my title," Walcott said, adding he hasn't "made \$15 since I beat Ezzard Charles."

Duquesne Bucks Rugged Jinx

By The Associated Press

Duquesne, one of the nation's two unaten collegiate basketball teams, is bucking a stiff jinx in its effort to finish the season with a perfect record.

Over the past five years, Duquesne teams have started the season with juicy winning streaks, only to see them smashed to bits.

The question now is: Will they escape that jinx this year and extend their winning streak, currently 12 straight, until it embraces the entire season?

Off their form of Monday night they might go all the way this time. They certainly looked like the real stuff in whipping Villanova 83 to 61, and holding the Wildcats' big scorer, Larry Hennessy, to one point.

The No. 1 team, Kentucky, also saw action Monday night, whipping Vanderbilt, 88 to 51. Cliff Hagans scored 27 points as the Wildcats won their 15th game in 17 starts.

Last week's top team, Illinois, was upset by DePaul Saturday night. But the Illini bounced back and drubbed Purdue, 84 to 57, for their fifth straight Big Ten victory.

In other leading games, Pittsburgh upset Notre Dame, 62-55; Iowa State turned back Nebraska, 78-72, in a Big Seven tilt; Texas downed Oklahoma, 43-33; South Carolina trimmed Georgia Tech, 67-58; Tennessee nipped Georgia, 68-62, and Furman outlasted VMI, 80-76. In this latter game, Frank Selvy, a sophomore, poured in 44 points for Furman.



(NEA Telephone)
FINAL CURTAIN—Polly Moran (above), who made a million moviegoers chuckle with her silent film comedy, died of a heart ailment in Hollywood after a long illness. She was 66.

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(NEA Telephone)
RESERVES RIGHT TO CHOOSE OPPONENT — Heavyweight Champion Joe Walcott (right), shown at Holyoke, Mass., with his manager, Felix Bocchiechio, after an exhibition bout, said he thinks it's "only fair" that a champion be able to pick his own opponent for a title defense. The New York Boxing Commission thinks otherwise. They have named Ezzard Charles as the No. 1 challenger. Chairman Bob Christenberry gave Walcott 15 days to sign for a title bout or forfeit the heavyweight title in New York.

Scarred Golfer Receives 'Most Courageous' Title

PHILADELPHIA — Stewart (Skip) Alexander thanked "borrowed courage" and the marvels of modern medicine for the privilege of being alive to receive the Philadelphia sportswriters accolade as "most courageous athlete of 1951."

Alexander, who fought his way back to the golfing tournament trail after 17 major operations for injuries suffered in a plane crash, was honored Monday night at the 48th annual writers' dinner.

His face lined with scars and his fingers, which once controlled some of golf's best shotmaking, still bent and bruised, Alexander told some 1,300 diners that he owed part of his recovery to letters and telegrams of encouragement from people all over the nation.

Alexander's tragic accident occurred Sept. 24, 1950, shortly after he had finished sixth in the Kansas City open. He was trying to get home to see his family in Lexington, N. C., before embarking on an exhibition tour to South America and the West Indies. The Civil Air Patrol offered to fly him to Louisville. The CAP plane crashed near Evansville, Ind., airport killing three CAP officers. Only a charred Alexander survived.

With third degree burns of the hands, arms, legs and face and a broken left ankle he managed to crawl from the flaming wreckage. Blood transfusions and 17 operations in 16 months finally pulled him through. His last operation was about two weeks ago.

Alexander practiced his golf between operations and last November took his place on the American Ryder Cup squad that beat the British. Alexander won his match by a wider margin than any other American.

The only other squad to move to a clean sweep was Umpqua Chief Flour which whitewashed Mobil Gas. This moved the winners up into a second place tie with the Elks Club, Lem's Music Store and Umpqua Hardware. Firmco scored the highest team series of the night, a 2,927, but opposing Umpqua Hardware rang up a 1,013 team game.

Dyle Baker of Harris Plumbing rolled the high 214 game and Ben Halstead of Firmco took series honors with a 591.

CITY LEAGUE	W	L	Pct.
Gilkeson Station	10	2	.833
Elks Club	8	4	.666
Lem's Music	8	4	.666
Umpqua Hardware	8	4	.666
Umpqua Flour	8	4	.666
Mobil Gas	6	6	.500
Douglas Realty	5	7	.416
Firmco	3	7	.300
Harris Plumbing	3	7	.300
Frank W.	3	7	.300
Roseburg Jewelers	3	7	.300
Youngs Bay	2	10	.166

White Sox Outfielder Assigned To Rainiers

SEATTLE — Bill Higdon, left-handed hitting outfielder, has been assigned conditionally to the Seattle Rainiers by the Chicago White Sox.

If he clicks with Seattle, he will come to the Rainiers as one of seven players owned them by the White Sox.

He was accepted on a 30-day "look" basis and will report at the opening of spring training.

Higdon played the last two seasons with Memphis in the Class AA Southern Association, batting .291 last year and .330 the year before. He is 27 years old.

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Firmco Scores 2 Cage Wins In Afternoon

Firmco of Myrtle Creek hosted two basketball squads in a marathon Sunday afternoon and defeated them both.

The Myrtle Creek AAU squad romped over Umpqua Plywood of the Roseburg YMCA League, 73-42, and then, polished off the Hauser Radar Air Force squad of Coos Bay, 64-32. These wins ran Firmco's record to 11 wins and four losses.

Neither game proved a severe test for the powerful Firmco fire horses. In the first game, they sputtered off to a 17-10 quarter lead and then put on a mid-game drive to lead 60-34 by the third break. Wally Richardson again paced the win with 20 points. Bill Benson of Umpqua had 14.

Richardson only scored 12 in the second game, but his squad wasn't worried after it romped off to a 10-point first quarter lead and had doubled the score in the second period. It was still doubled, 53-26, by the end of the third quarter and that two-to-one scoring continued to the end of the game.

Ump. Ply. (42) (73) Firmco
Long (4) F (20) W. Rich.
C. Walley (9) F (6) Gulbranson
Carlson (3) C (9) Stumpges
S. Walley (8) G (7) Hoefs
Mathews (4) G (5) Markham
Subs: For Umpqua—Benson (14),
McBride, for Firmco—B. Richardson (1), Burnette (10), Hoskins (2),
Wilson, Newton (4), Kraxberger
Air Force (32) (64) Firmco

Radloff (2) F (11) Richard.
Wilkinson (4) F (11) Burnette
Halbert (8) C (8) Stumpges
Emerson (1) G (6) Markham
Flickenger (0) (8) Hoefs

Subs: For Air Force—Hemingway (5), Ryan (12), Smith, Johnson, Holman; for Firmco—Gulbranson, Holman; Firmco—Gulbranson (2), Wilson (2), Kraxberger (1), Newton (6), Halftime: Firmco 33, Air Force 16.

Gonzaga University
Tips Michigan Boxers

SPOKANE — Gonzaga University mittmen outpointed Michigan State College 6-3 Monday night to end MSC's string of collegiate boxing victories at 21.

Michigan State's two national champions, Charles Spieser, a heavyweight, and Gerald Black, 147 pounds, took close decisions over the Bulldogs, as did Jimmy Evans, 125 pounds.

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