Indians Play Two Weekend Games

Locals Meet Medford Five And Reedsport

With first things firs, the Roseburg Indians have a non-conference battle on the local court with the Medford Black Tornado tonight at 8, but the important affair comes off Saturday at Reedsport.

Since the Indians lost to the Braves, 48-40, the latter hoopsters have lost only one game and that to Marshfield, the sixth ranked team on the Associated Press statewide poll. The Reedsport record stands impressively at 12 wins and 3 losses. The Braves are undefeated in six Coast League games to pace that loop and are undefeated in five games in the eastern circuit of District 5.

Saturday night's affair is the last of regular season sub - district play for the Braves and a second win over the Indians would cinch up the loop cup. To make the game more interesting, the Indians aren't completely washed out of the race. They have only one loss in four starts and if they can conquer the Braves, they have an inside chance of pulling a tie out of the fire. The Indians finish off the regular season next weekend with their final sub - district tilt against Myrtle Creek.

Loaded With Talent

Although Saturday marks the big game of the weekend, tonight's tilt with the Medford squad can't be sold short. It has annually been the biggest crowd drawer of the year. This year will be no different, since the Tornado is again loaded with talent. It has a complete letterman starting squad with enough height and spirit to carry it to 12 wins and four losses. Leading the talent parade is Dennis Conner, a starter last year, who has been averaging 10 points a game. The other starters will probably be Ed Bingham and Don Spinas at forwards, Derald Wooton at center and Dick Atterbury at the other guard. Both Bingham and Wooton are over six feet and two other six - footers, Doug Crippen and Jack Boardman, are ready to fill any gaps.

Roseburg will probably start the same squad as in the Sutherlin game. Ed Nolte was struck down by flu early this week and his playing possibilities are still dubious. He will probably be replaced again by Larry Fisher. Bruce Dalros and LeRoy Elting, as well as Jim Gilbert and Ralph Rudzik are almost sure starters.

Of the 277 players who participated in National League games in 1951, 231 took part in 10 or more games.

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Sports

Trophy Will Be Awarded Winner Of Wrestling Bout

It will be wilder than usual at the Armory arena Saturday night.

Ordinarily the ring isn't large enough for two enemy grapplers, but six will force their bulk through the ropes for the evening's royal.

To insure the best efforts of all, Matchmaker Elton Owen has provided a $250 purse, and a large gold trophy, which will be awarded the winner of the titanic struggle.

Following the royal, the wrestlers will return to battle in two-man bouts according to the order in which they were eliminated. A special purse has been provided for the winner of each.

Six Will Meet

The imposing list of contestants who will participate in the slugfest includes Yorg Cretorian, Buck Weaver, Gino Nicolini, Kurt von Poppenheim, Prince Omar and Cowboy Carlson. They are considered the roughest wrestlers in the area by Matchmaker Owen.

Owen decided on the battle royal after he failed to sign the Gorky and Parks brothers in a rematch.

There is little choice between the grapplers who will clash in the royal, but ringbirds feel that Cretorian may go all the way. And if trickery is enough to stay, Weaver gets the nod.

However, there may be some unbeatable pairings. If the Proud Prussian aligns with Cretorian, the Rumanian Ape Man, the other four mat men had better take cover.

And Cowboy Carlson, though not fully recovered from injury, insisted on a spot in the bout. He is anxious to get another crack at Cretorian.

Tickets are on sale at Powell's, and Owen advised fans to get their tickets early.

YORG CRETORIAN

Drain Stands Chance Of Ending In Third

Valley League Standings

	W	L	Pf	Pa
Junc. City	5	0	303	194
Oakridge	5	2	362	280
Drain	3	4	301	357
Elmira	1	4	190	295
Lowell	1	5	234	264

Only Elmira has even an outside chance of overtaking Drain in third place in the Lane County Valley Basketball League.

In spite of three recent losses in league play, the Warriors stand a better than even chance of tacking down the third slot, but are completely out of the battle for first and second. A win in the final game for the Warriors would mean Elmira would have to win its remaining three games to even tie the Drain squad.

Aggies' Hopes For Cage Title Blasted By Tulsa

By The Associated Press

From all indications the Oklahoma Aggies are out of the running for the NCAA basketball title this year.

The team that was runnerup to Kansas State in the Western NCAA finals last year received probably a fatal blow to its 1952 hopes Thursday night in losing to Tulsa, 46-33.

It was the Aggies' 2nd defeat in Missouri Conference competition and gave St. Louis, unbeaten in league play, an apparent stranglehold on the league crown. The Missouri Conference winner automatically qualifies for the Western NCAA eliminations.

Meantime, unbeaten St. Bonaventure continued serenely on its way to its much-heralded Monday's meeting with Duquesne by whipping Murray State of Kentucky, 74-63. The Dukes and the Bonnies are the only major undefeated teams in the nation.

Marquette and Holy Cross also came through with impressive victories. Marquette, behind 37-31 at the half, rallied to upset Notre Dame, 57-50.

Holy Cross spurted in the last quarter to beat Columbia, 85-80, in overtime

DePaul made it 7 straight by nipping Manhattan 66-65, in half of a Madison Square doubleheader. In the other game NYU crushed Syracuse, 95-78.

In other games Utah State beat New Mexico, 62-58; and West Texas nipped Arizona, 59-57.

Oakland Scorer Builds Average

Umpqua Valley League Scoring

	Gp	Tp	Ave.
Smith (Oakland)	8	185	23.4
Strait (Yoncalla)	8	148	18.5
Griggs (D. Creek)	5	83	16.6
Loomis (J C Sptg.)	8	120	15.0
Harvey (Glide)	8	115	14.3
W. Rich'ds'n (Firmco)	8	113	14.1
Evans (Glide)	8	103	12.8
Winders (J C Sptg.)	8	102	12.5
Hubbard (J C Sptg.)	8	98	12.0
Vieck (Glide)	8	94	11.7
Stuempges (Firmco)	8	85	10.6

With a 28-point performance against J C Sporting Goods Wednsday night, Oakland's Harold Smith added almost a point to his scoring average this week. His 23.1 average was almost five points a game better than second-place Dick Strait of Yoncalla, who added half a point.

Although Mark Griggs was held to a single point against Firmco a week ago and 14 against Glide Wednesday, he continued to hold third place with 16.6 points a game. The biggest rise was made this week by Byron Evans of Glide who tacked on 25 points against Days Creek Wednesday to hoist him from ninth to seventh.

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Firmco Chalks 88-60 Win Over Yoncs

Umpqua Valley AAU League

	W	L	Pf	Pa
J C Sptg. Gds.	7	1	429	374
Firmco	5	3	519	404
Yoncalla	5	3	481	451
Glide	4	4	432	430
Oakland	3	5	422	464
Days Creek	0	8	328	489

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COMMERCIAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pts.
Roseburg Book Store	12	6	16
Ford and Houck	11	7	13
Todd Building	11	7	15
Yoncalla Lions	11	7	14
Chrystalite Tile	10	8	14
Schwartz Clothing	10	8	14
Lockwood Motors	9	9	13
Co. D.	8	10	10
Nyberg Lumber	8	10	10
Wayne's Shoes	7	11	10
Jacklin's Newsboys	7	11	9
K and J Lunch	4	12	4

Firmco of Myrtle Creek all but eliminated Yoncalla from the Umpqua Valley AAU League basketball race Thursday night with a record-breaking 88-60 decision.

That 88 was the biggest team score this year and the combined total of 148 was also the best two-team effort this year. The result gave the former league-leading Tigers their third consecutive setback and gave them no more than a chance to tie for the championship. For either Firmco or Yoncalla to get in the district playoff, they must win all their games while J C Sporting Goods is losing both its remaining contests.

Yoncalla Trails

As is the rule at Myrtle Creek, the Firmco squad wasn't even in trouble during the crucial contest. It had a 22-15 first quarter lead and had turned the game into a rout by halftime. Yoncalla was trailing 59-40 by the third quarter break.

Wally Richardson, Bud Stuempges and Bill Markham carried most of the scoring load for the Firmco quintet, but Bob Dillian and Dick Strait grabbed the scoring honors for Yoncalla. Dillian scored 24 and Strait collected 21.

Although Firmco had an easy time of it, the Myrtle Creekers will feel the loss of Russ Gulbranson, whose efforts will be lost for the season. He was hurt badly Tuesday when a load of lumber fell on him while working at the Firmco plant.

Yoncalla (60)		(88) Firmco
Shively (4)	F	(16) Richrdsn
Grass (0)	F	(9) Burnette
Van Krevelen (0)	C	(15) Stue'ges
Strait (21)	G	(15) Markham
Bragg (4)	G	(7) Hoefs

Subs: For Yoncalla — Rust (7), Dillian (24); for Firmco — Hoskins (4), Wilson (6), Newton (11), Kraxberger (5). Halftime: Firmco 41, Yoncalla 27.

Browns Will Not Take On Midgets

EL CENTRO, Calif. (AP) — In case there is any doubt about it, and there really isn't, this is to advise that there will be no midgets playing for the St. Louis Browns as long as Rogers Hornsby is the manager.

Hornsby made this clear Thursday to all—including seven midgets. He and the seven little midgets met at the Brown's temporary training camp.

The wee peoples' spokesman, Billy Curtis, from Hollywood—where else?—made a brief speech. He said his people had a "soft spot" in their hearts since the Browns used a midget in a regular game last year as a pinch-hitter.

Serious-minded Rogers listened for a minute or so, but when the leader of the so-called Hollywood Midgets Baseball Club said they had "come down to help the Browns," the Rajah could go along no further.

He pointed out that he was in the midst of a big league operation and, to put it politely, simply didn't have the time to fool around.

Hornsby did go along with the gag long enough to pose for pictures.

Then, according to Curtis, Hornsby concluded with the order, "Get out."

REVERSAL NOTED

A letter from Patty Hamilton, class president of Wilbur School reveals that teams were reversed in a recent write-up about the Wilbur girls volleyball team. It was the Wilbur girls, rather than the Green girls, who won the game by a whopping score of 53-19.

Shortstop Dick Groat and right fielder Dick Johnson of Duke's Southern Conference baseball champions are also star performers on the Blue Devils' basketball squad.

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FREE PARKING AT THE FARM BUREAU

THE PEEWEES of Rose School, above, are the top five in the Grade School Basketball league. They clinched their claim to the cage crown Feb. 2 at the High School gym by swamping Fullerton. Pictured, from left, front row: Coach Stanley Karewja, Gary Gardiner, Billy Sherwood, captain; Jerry Drake and Billy Myers. Second row: Pete Smith, Lee Olson and David Montgomery. Third row: Robert Richmond, Rex Short, Edward Lorenzen, Larry Fredrickson and Jerry Stewart. Not shown are Jerry Walker and Larry Vang.

Plight Of Refugee Athletes Viewed

By TED SMITS

OSLO (AP) — Avery Brundage revealed Friday he will bring before the International Olympic Committee the plight of hundreds of refugee athletes from Iron Curtain countries.

"We certainly can't help them to compete in the winter games here and I doubt if we can do anything for them even in the summer games at Helsinki but the situation is a tragic one," said Brundage.

The winter games open here Feb. 14. The Olympic Executive Committee will meet in Oslo Monday and the full committee on the following two days.

"Many fine athletes of Olympic caliber are banned from the games because they are refuges," said Brundage "Under our rules if an athlete once competed for a certain country he never can compete for another even if he fled his homeland."

Among the better known athletes who are refugees are, Jaroslav Drobny, Czechoslovakian tennis star and hockey player; Aja Vrzanova, Czech skater; Sander Szegedy, Hungarian swimmer, Cornzl Pajor, Hungarian speed skater; and Imre Rajczy and Imre Erdelyi, Hungarian Olympic fencing champions.

The death of King George VI probably will bring a change in the opening ceremonies next Thursday.

Crown Price Olav likely will pronounce the words that'll start the competition.

King Haakon is scheduled to do so but he is expected to attend funeral services in London.

YMCA Boxers Battle Tonight

Two fighters on tonight's YMCA amateur boxing card at the Roseburg Armory should be watched with keen interest.

Fighting the main event is Whitey Green, who will be pitted against a still unnamed Eugene fighter. He has shown tremendous improvement in the time he has worked under Dick Gilman and is tabbed as one of Roseburg's coming young fighters in the 145-pound class.

The other boy to watch is Doyle Hall, a 126-pounder from Sutherlin, who is described by Gilman as "aggressive and a good puncher." He meets 125-pound Connie Mann of the Medford "Y".

Green and Hall will top a 15-bout card which gets underway at 8 p.m. According to Gilman, "The people are going to see a darn good show." Each bout will consist of three two-minute rounds.

In any case it is the first fistic card at the Armory in many months. Perhaps it will launch a new effort at boxing promotion to relieve the drouth that has recently hit Roseburg.

The officials for the bouts are as follows: Referee, Dale Bonebrake; judges Jim Addcox, K. O. Shrout and Dallas Bennett. Mayor Al Flegel will do the announcing.

Todd Bowler Edge Ford-Houck Keglers

Todd Building Construction moved into the Commercial Bowling League picture at the Roseburg alleys Thursday night as it moved to a tie for second place by virtue of a three-point win over fellow runnerup Ford and Houck.

Roseburg Book Store faltered in losing three points to Chrystalite Tile, but managed to stay one-point up on the second place teams. Lockwood Motors rolled a 2,796 for the high team series and Jacklin's Newsboys scored a 975 team game. Bud Swanson of Jacklin's posted a 613 individual series and Andy Schlick of Lockwood's rolled a top-notch 235 game.

Luellen Posts YMCA Victory Over J C Five

YMCA Adult League

	W	L	Pct.
Luellen Construction	8	0	1.000
Sutherlin "Y"	5	2	.714
West Side	5	2	.714
J C Sporting Goods	4	3	.571
Christian Church	4	5	.444
Umpqua Plywood	4	6	.400
Donut Bar	4	6	.400
Faith Lutheran	3	7	.300
Montgomery Ward	1	8	.111

Luellen Construction posted another easy win Thursday night to continue breezing along ahead of the YMCA basketball pack.

The Luellens routed the J C Sporting Goods, 82-11, to drop the losers to fourth place. Sutherlin stayed in the running by eking out a 24-22 win over Umpqua Plywood, and Donut Bar pulled a win out of the hat over Faith Lutheran, 32-29. All games were played at Benson Grade School gym.

The Luellen-J C game was supposed to be a real test for the undefeated league leaders, but the Luellans weren't even pressed. They led at the quarters, 11-1, 15-4, and 27-6.

Donut Bar came from behind after trailing Faith Lutheran through the entire game to win in the last minute. The Lutherans led at the quarters, 6-4, 18-13, and, 24-23. The score was tied 29-29 with a minute left in the game.

Fights Last Night

By The Associated Press

Boston — Willie James, 204 ¾, Boston, outpointed Rex Layne, 199, Salt Lake City, 10.

Portland, Me. — Bob Stecher, 164 ½, Portland, Me., stopped Jim Sauer, 170, Cambridge, Mass. 6.

New York (Sunnyside Gardens) —Nino Valdez, 206, Havana, outpointed Keene Simmons, 206, Bayonne, N. J. 10.

Vancouver, B. C. — Bobby Woods 128 ½, Spokane, stopped Frank Almond, 128 ½, Vancouver, 6.

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CHIPS ARE DOWN

Vandal Basketball Squad Slates Oregon Invasion

By The Associated Press

The chips are down for Idaho in the next five days.

Invading the Oregon country for a four-game basketball stand, the Vandals of Coach Chuck Finley could wind up in a first-place deadlock with Washington—or they could leave their Northern Division title hopes in the Oregon ashcan.

In spite of reports from Corvallis of rejuvenation in the Oregon State College camp, the Washington Huskies will be heavy favorites to wrap up a pair of fairly easy triumphs Friday and Saturday in Seattle.

Idaho's Ten Tall Men will spend the same evenings in action against Oregon's Webfoots at Eugene, then switch to Corvallis for two Monday and Tuesday against Oregon State.

Cougars Hopeful

While all this is going on the fifth member of the circuit, Washington State, will sit back and hope for a general throat-cutting.

Since Washington walloped OSC in a pair at Corvallis last month Coach Slats Gill has gone in for youth and speed. His OSC Beavers hit the victory column last week after seven straight defeats, whipfter seven stright defeats, whipping Bradley twice. Washington will out-reach the Beavers, 2 ½ inches a man.

Should both Idaho and Washington come through unscathed they will be all tied up for the lead at this time next week. Each mas lost two games and Washington has won eight to Idaho's six in league play They broke even in their only two-game meeting to date.

Winter Sports Area Considered At Red Butte

Winter sports have been limited to snowball throwing up to now in the Douglas County area, but things are due for a change.

The Roseburg Junior Chamber of Commerce is planning to launch an effort to open a winter sports area at Red Butte, a snow-laden slope about 18 miles above Glide on the Little River Road.

The initial step in the project is to test public reaction to such an idea. That will be done Wednesday, Feb. 13 at 7:30 in the American Legion Hall, directly across from radio station KRNR in the Kohlhagen building. All winter sports enthusiasts are invited including junior high, high school and adult groups.

Every promotional means possible have been arranged to make the first meeting of the winter sports club a success. A style show with live models will exhibit the latest in ski clothes and equipment, movies and color slides of ski areas, including Willamette Pass, will be shown, pictures of Red Butte in the summertime will be available and refreshments will be served.

But the main business at hand will be the discussion of plans to open an access road to Red Butte. Already arrangements have been made for a portable tow. Other business will include naming the club and electing officers. Dr Leland Van Allen will preside over the first meeting.

FROSH PLAY

The preliminary game tonight at Roseburg High School will pit the Indian Frosh against the Riddle Junior Varsity. The previously reported Elkton-Roseburg Junior Varsity game will not be played until next Saturday, Feb. 16. The game tonight starts at 6:30 preceding the Roseburg-Medford tilt.

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