

Firmco Goes To AAU Cage Quarter-Finals



FIRST HURDLE VAULTED—The Firmco squad above nabbed a quarter-final berth in the state AAU basketball playoff Sunday afternoon by dumping the Bend American Legion squad, 69-64. The Myrtle Creek team represents District 9. The team is flanked on the left by Manager Marvin Starkweather and on the right by Coach Tiny Webb.

Firmco of Myrtle Creek marched into the quarterfinals of the State AAU basketball tournament at Roosevelt High in Portland by outscoring and outscoring Bend American Legion, 69-64, Sunday afternoon.

The Firmcos found the edge in the fact that they had four consistent scorers to the Bend quintet's two. Les Winders and Wally Richardson set the pace for the Myrtle Creek quintet with 14 points each. But together they only made one more point than Bend's Delano Fox, who crammed in 27 for the high point honors.

Bud Stumpes and Garry Burnette strung together 12 and 11 points, respectively, while Bend's only other high-point man was Pat Hanna, a former Myrtle Creek High School ace and Firmco mainstay. He sank 18 points against his former teammates.

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The pair of J C Sporting Goods additions to the regular Firmco squad, Bill Benson and Winders, combined to add 18 points to the winning score. Winders was invaluable as a running mate for Bob Hoefs, the Myrtle Creek spark. Firmco led at halftime, 36-33. Firmco plays again today.

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Prep Play-Off Fives Picked

By The Associated Press
Results of week-end games completed the line-up for play-offs to determine entries in the Oregon high school basketball tournament at Eugene March 18-22.

Only three teams — Lincoln and Cleveland of Portland, rated second and third in last week's Associated Press state prep poll, and Seapoose — have clinched berths in the 16-team meet.

Klamath Falls, ranked as the state's No. 7 team, swept two contests from Ashland to enter a play-off with Central Point for the Southern Oregon district 4 title. Medford, rated No. 6, lost out to Klamath Falls when it was upset twice by Grants Pass. The Klamath Central Point play-off games will be held Friday and Saturday and next Monday, if a third contest is necessary.

The Dalles Chosen
The Dalles defeated Hood River, 50-32, Saturday night to enter the district 2 play-off with Pendleton. The teams meet Friday and Saturday nights and Monday night, if necessary, for the title.

Tigard edged Beaverton, 40-37, to get another crack at Hillsboro, to which it lost earlier in the district 9 tournament. The teams play Tuesday. Hillsboro can gain the district title by winning. A Tigard victory would make another game necessary.

Meel Friday
Friday night, La Grande defeated Baker to win its way into a best two-out-of-three play-off with Vale for the district 1 championship. Baker turned the tables Saturday night, winning 39-37 to clinch the Blue Mountain League championship, but it is out of the state tournament picture.

Reedsport edged Roseburg, 47-45, to stay in the Southwest Oregon district 5's Eastern sub-division play-off. The teams play again Tuesday for the right to meet Marshfield, ranked No. 4 in the state, in a district championship series Friday and Saturday nights and March 11th, if a third game is necessary.

Oregon City, the state's No. 8 team, and Milwaukie will meet district 13 (Portland area) tournaments get under way Thursday. Bend is the favorite in the former, and Central Catholic of Portland, ranked as the state's No. 1 team, is expected to have little trouble winning the other.

Albany is the favorite in the district 7 play-off, which will be held at Corvallis Friday and Saturday. Albany trimmed Corvallis Friday night to win the Eastern sub-district title.

The four-team district 6 tournament opens at Eugene Monday night, with Eugene favored. Other entries are Junction City, Oakridge and University High of Eugene.

Lincoln and Cleveland are expected to finish their Portland League season in a tie Tuesday. If that happens they will play off to determine which districts — 15 or 16 — they will represent in the state tournament.

Play Begins
District 3 (Central Oregon) and

Friday in the final game of a play-off for the Clackamas County district 12 title.

The semi-finals and final of the district 8 tournament will be played Friday and Saturday. McMinnville, ranked No. 5 in the state, and Dayton, unbeaten in high school play, are the favorites. The other semi-finalists are Willamina and Taft. The four teams won first-round games over the week-end.

Astoria, the favorite, defeated Tillamook and Seaside in the Oregon Coastal district 10 play-off. It can clinch the title Saturday by beating the winner of the Seaside-Tillamook game Friday.

Salem, the favorite and ranked No. 10 in the state; Woodburn, Mt. Angel and Stayton won in the first round of the district 11 tournament. Play resumes Tuesday.

Gilkeson, Davis Pace Shooters
The Roseburg Rod and Gun Club made its initial bid for honors in the annual Oregon Journal Telegraphic Shoot Sunday with a 74x75 score.

The score is determined by the top three shooters among the qualifiers. To launch the shoot, Ken Gilkeson and Joe Davis fired perfect rounds of 25, and Forrest Solomon had a 24 for the 74 total. Other qualifiers were Dean Bubar, Dallas Bennett, Irving Davis, Dr. E. J. Waincott, and Kelly Brosi. All had 24s.

Sunday also marked the regular shoot for the Keel Motors trophy. Charles Klinger took high honors in this event with a 47x50. Forrest Solomon and Rodney Hague took the runnerup laurels with 46x50. Enos Handy and Stan Short each had a 45.

Approximately 85 scattershot shooters competed in the various events. In the 16-yard affair, Gilkeson, Davis and Short scored perfect 25s. Just one bird off the pace were: H. M. Shircliff Sr., Wes Topping, Bennett, Brosi, Sol-

omon, I. Davis, Dean Bubar and Dr. Waincott. Short also scored a 25 in the Handicap event.

The previous day, activity was centered around the launching of construction of a new Rod and Gun Club building.

Hockey Scores
By The Associated Press
Seattle 5 Tacoma 2 (Saturday)
Calgary 8 Saskatoon 4
Seattle 4 Tacoma 2
New Westminster 4 Vancouver 3

IDAHO BOXERS LOSE
SPOKANE (AP) — Gonzaga University outpointed the University of Idaho 7-1 in a dual boxing match here Saturday night.

Roy Kelly of Gonzaga handed Larry Meyer of Idaho his first defeat of the year, taking a unanimous decision over the Pacific Coast champion in the 165 pound bout.

Carl Furillo, outfielder for the Brooklyn Dodgers, started six double plays from his rightfield position last season.

College Scores

By The Associated Press
FAR WEST
UCLA 63 Southern California 57
Oregon 68 Oregon State 57
Stanford 70 California 65 (over-time)
Washington 82 Washington State 51
Utah State 70 Utah 60
Wyoming 55 Brigham Young 49

MIDWEST
Illinois 82 Purdue 71
Kansas State 75 Nebraska 60
Indiana 68 Minnesota 52
Kansas 74 Oklahoma 55
St. Louis 98 Marquette 63
Oklahoma A&M 47 Wichita 34
Notre Dame 78 DePaul 77
Ohio State 69 Wisconsin 56
Michigan State 80 Michigan 59

SOUTHWEST
Arkansas 45 Texas 44
Texas A&M 58 Rice 54
Texas Christian 64 Southern Methodist 60

EAST
Duquesne 91 Geneva (Pa.) 69
Seton Hall 100 Georgetown 71
Holy Cross 68 Yale 59
Fordham 59 New York Univ. 57
Navy 60 Army 55
Penn State 24 Pitt 9
Princeton 78 Dartmouth 46
Penn 82 Harvard 52

SEC TOURNEY
Kentucky 44 Louisiana State 43 (Finals)
Louisiana State 77 Florida 69 (Semi-finals)
Kentucky 81 Tennessee 66 (Semi-finals)

A Half Inch Separated Nary From Golf Crown
BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — A half inch separated Bill Nary from the \$10,000 Baton Rouge Open Golf Tournament title.

A good puff of wind in the right direction and it would have been his. But a 40-foot putt attempt from a parking lot near the 18th hole clung tenaciously to the lip of the cup and sent the tourney into a three-way tie. A half inch more and Nary would have taken \$2,000 first prize money.

Jr. High Five Scores 10th Win

Coach Hod Turner's Junior High School Varsity had a right to beam Saturday.

It closed its 1951-52 season with a 30-22 victory over Cottage Grove here, and added its 10th consecutive victory to complete an undefeated season. Nor was Coach Ron Pinkham's record of 6-4 anything to scoff at in spite of the fact his seventh graders dropped this one to the Cottage Grovers, 30-27.

Both games were tight as drum-heads. Neither game saw leads exceeding six points except in the final minute of the eighth grade contest.

The eighth graders, with Bobby Gray setting the pace, built up the biggest lead in either game in the waning minute. They had to break a first quarter, 4-4 tie before jolting ahead, 10-5 at the half. Gray never scored a point in that initial half and big Jim Coen hit only one. In the second half, however, Gray hit for 12 points to take the game's individual honors. The score at the three-quarter mark was 21-17 for Roseburg.

The seventh graders had even rougher sledding. After trailing, 6-3 in the opening quarter, they surged ahead to a 16-14 edge at halftime, only to see it melt and Cottage Grove retain its lead for good. Bill Oerding had 12 points for the losers.

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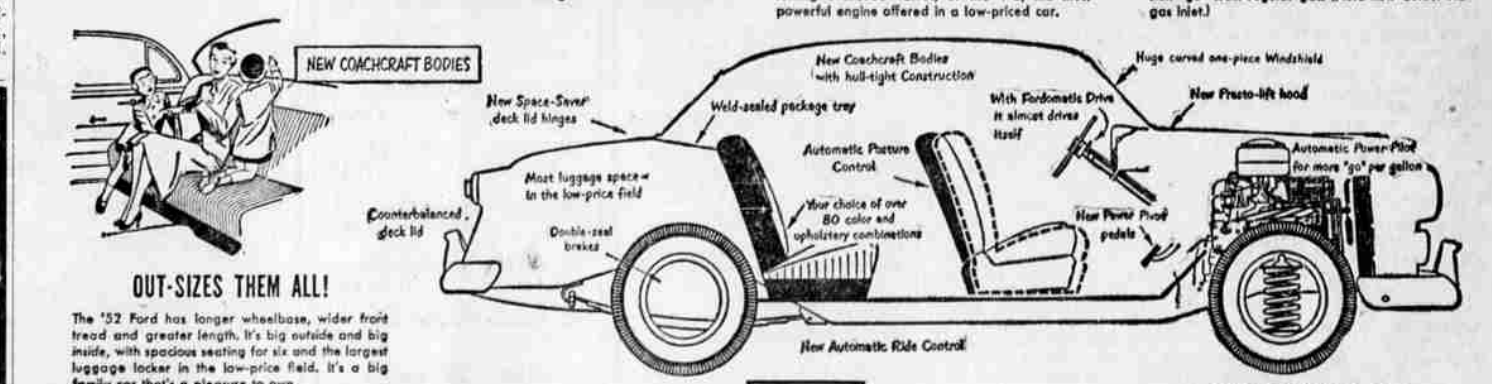
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