

## Firmco, Bruton Grab Half Titles In Keg Leagues

Firmco of Myrtle Creek and Bruton's Shoe Service captured easy titles in the Merchants and Commercial leagues at the end of first half play Thursday night.

Brutons crushed second place M & M Printers 3-0 while Firmco prevailed through taking a 2-1 lacing from Self Service Laundry.

Jack Blair of the Fire Dept. and Frank Bistak of the Self Service Laundry topped bowlers in the Merchants circuit. Blair had a 217 game and Bistak a 562 series. Harry Dunning had a 201 game.

In the Commercial League, Ed Greenfield of Boyd's Coffee and Fred Aamot of Chrystallite Tile had 204 games while Jerry Wittren for M & M Printers rolled a 544 series.

Merchants results: Patterson's Bakery 3, First Christian Church 0; Self Service Laundry 2, Firmco 1; Fire Dept. 2, Yoncalla Lions 1; Coca Cola 2, Thatcher's Cleaners 1.

Commercial results: Bruton's Shoe Service 3, M & M Printers 0; The Forresters 2, Boyd's Coffee 1; Morris Plumbing 3, Hardtoppers 0; Chrystallite Tile 2, M & H Market 1.

MERCHANTS LEAGUE	
W	L
Firmco	21 17 43
Self Service Ldry.	20 18 39
Fire Dept.	27 21 37
Coca Cola	23 24 31
Yoncalla Lions	25 23 30
Thatcher's Clns.	23 24 30
Patterson's Bakery	17 15 23 1/2
First Chris. Church	15 14 32 1/2

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE			
W	L	Pct.	
Bruton's Shoe Svc.	32	16	66.7
M & M Printers	25	23	52.2
Chrystallite Tile	27	21	56.3
M & H Market	23	25	47.9
Morris Plumbing	24	24	50.0
The Forresters	22	26	45.8
The Hardtoppers	20	28	41.7
Boyd's Coffee	19	29	39.6

## Spokane's Baseball Entry Dependent On \$51,000

SPOKANE — The Spokane club in the new Northwest League served notice on local fans Thursday they must raise \$51,000 in 25 stock sales by Feb. 1 if professional baseball is to be revived here.

C. C. Hunter, the club treasurer, estimated he has about \$20,000 in cash and pledges on hand now. He said another report meeting on stock sales will be held Thursday night.

The club, organized on a community-owned basis by Spokane business men and fans, has been incorporated for \$250,000 and hopes to sell \$85,000 worth of stock to get started.

## GETS MANAGER

LEWISTON, Idaho — Veteran minor-leaguer Hillis Layne Thursday was named player-manager for Lewiston in the new Class B Northwest Baseball League.

Layne, 35, a third baseman with Seattle in the Pacific Coast League in the 40s, was manager at San Angelo in the Class C Longhorn League last season. He succeeds Lary Barton as Lewiston manager.

## BOWMEN INVITED

A special invitation is extended to all persons, whether beginners or not, to attend the weekly sessions of the Umpqua Bowmen for instruction and practice on their archery equipment.

Instructors and advisors will be in attendance beginning with the Friday, Jan. 28 meeting of the club at the County Fairgrounds pavilion. Starting time will be at 7:30 p.m.

## NEW COACH

PORTLAND — Lloyd Bergman, Portland University basketball player in 1951-53, is the new freshman basketball coach at that school.

He was named acting coach while Mike Tichy moves up to take charge of the varsity. Tichy replaces Art McLarney, whose ill health forced him to take a leave of absence.


## SANTEE READY

PHILADELPHIA — Wes Santee takes to the boards for the first time this season in the 1955 Philadelphia Inquirer Games at Convention Hall tonight and the world's ranking active miler thinks he'll do all right.

"I think the winner of the race (although he didn't say he'd win) will run pretty close to the world indoor record and probably will top it if conditions are right," he said.

## WRESTLING

### SATURDAY NIGHT AT THE ARMORY



**MAIN EVENT**  
Best 2 of 3 falls or 1 hour limit  
Pepper Gomez vs. Maurice La Chapelle

**SEMI FINAL**  
Best 2 of 3 falls or 30 min. limit  
Leo Wallick vs. George Strickland

**SPECIAL EVENT**  
1 fall or 20 min. limit  
Bud Curtis vs. Jim LaRock

Matches under supervision of Roseburg Wrestling Comm.

FIRST MATCH STARTS 8:30 P. M.

## Firmco Falls For 1st Time

Outscoring Firmco 28-6 in the third quarter enabled Yellow Cab to rush to a 74-56 triumph over the Myrtle Creek team Thursday night and hand the visitors their first defeat in 12 games this season.

A close first half in which the score was tied seven times and the lead switched four times ended with the home team in front 32-31. Yellow Cab led 18-14 after one quarter.

But in the disastrous third period the cabmen took complete control of the game while holding the usually high-scoring Firmco regulars at bay. Yellow Cab control of backboard play and Firmco's inability to hit the basket provided the difference.

At one time in the fourth period the winners manufactured a 33-point lead as everyone of the winners contributed to the rout.

Firmco meets OCE at Klamath Falls Saturday night.

**Firmco (54)**  
Richardson (14) F (21) Hummel  
Stuempgen (6) F (14) Foster  
Stout (18) C (9) Stacey  
Gillisple (9) G (16) Wendt  
Weber (9) G (12) Werner

Firmco subs: Gulbranson, Harold, Jenkins.

Yellow Cab subs: Hite 2, Moore, Harris, Johnson, Knudson, Kline.

Halftime: Yellow Cab 32, Firmco 31.

Officials: Zarosinski and Collins.

**MOST VALUABLE**—New York — Bill Sharman, Boston Celtics star guard, hold trophies in Madison Square Garden after being named most valuable player in annual NBA East-West game. Sharman's 10 points in final period sparked the East team to a 100 to 91 victory. The MVP trophy is at left. At right is trophy presented all participants in the annual contest. (AP Wirephoto).

## Sutherland Moves Into 1st Division

Moose Lodge 4 0 1.000  
Associated Plywood 3 0 1.000  
Umpqua Plywood 4 1 .800  
Suth. Drive-In 3 1 .750  
Fairhaven Market 3 2 .600  
Pacific Plywood 1 3 .250  
Oakland VFW 0 3 .000  
Evans Products 0 4 .000  
National Guard 0 4 .000

By spanking Evans Products 69-29, while Fairhaven Market was losing a 43-34 decision to Umpqua Plywood, Sutherland Drive-In Market moved into the first division of the YMCA Industrial League Thursday night.

In another result, Pacific Plywood won its first game of the season while handing National its fourth straight loss 36-28.

Sutherland rolled to easy quarter leads of 11-0, 30-9 and 46-15 as Whittren and Hasket poured through 29 and 19 points respectively.

Umpqua Plywood stayed in close crown contention with its close win over Fairhaven Market, one of the pre-season favorites which has now been knocked down to fifth place.

Oldfield was the winner's high pointmaker with 11 as they stayed comfortably ahead by quarter counts of 13-4, 25-18 and 33-23. Mike Cuen tallied 19 for Fairhaven.

Pacific Plywood has to overcome a 17-16 National Guard third quarter lead to win and the lumbermen did it decisively by scoring 29 markers in the final chapter to do it.

Pacific led 8-4 after one quarter and 14-9 at halftime. But in the final period Waldron scored 12 of his game's total of 20 points to lead the comeback.

**Suth. Dr-In (69) (29) Evans Prod.**  
Haskett (19) F (6) Hayman  
Redding (4) F (4) Bemetz  
Nichols (4) C (4) C. Alexan  
Pueard (4) G (6) House  
Whittren (29) G (6) R. Alex

Sutherland subs: Nichols 4, McCoy 2, Larson, Wahl 7.

Evans subs: Phillips 2, M. Darling 1.

Halftime: Sutherland 30, Evans 9.

**Nat. Guard (28) (36) Pac. Ply.**  
Davidson (8) F (2) Waldron  
Leisinger (2) F (1) Pepper  
Galla (12) C (9) Hegely  
Pope (1) G (2) Lander

Guard subs: McFarland, Cornutt 4, Elder 1.

Pacific subs: Garretsen, Davis 4, Gannette.

Halftime: Pacific 14, Guard 9.

**Fair Mkt. (34) (43) Umpqua Ply.**  
M. Cooe (19) F (1) Crooch  
Russell (7) F (11) Oldfield  
Smotherly C (9) Benson  
Brickey G (8) Carter  
Johnson (2) G (6) Calkins

Fairhaven subs: Westrum, J. Coen 4, Chitwood 2.

Umpqua subs: Chavers, Michaels, Nicholson 4, Broadwater 1.

Halftime: Umpqua 25, Fairhaven 18.

## Ring Record

**By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**  
LOS ANGELES — Charley Powell, 208, San Diego, outpointed Hans Friedrick, 202 1/2, Dortmund, Germany, 10.

**COLUMBIA, S. C.** — Beau Jack, 147, Augusta, Ga., outpointed Eddie Green, 159, Kannapolis, N.C., 10.

**TOPEKA, Kans.** — Bill Sudduth, 154, Topeka, outpointed Jimmy Welch, 158 1/2, Columbus, Ohio, 10.

**SEATTLE** — Tiger Al Williams, 154, Los Angeles, knocked out Johnny Wells, 151, Seattle, 5.

**PHILADELPHIA** — Jesse Smith, 160, Philadelphia, stopped Rocky Tomasello, 160, New York, 6.

**VANCOUVER, B.C.** — Johnny Arthur, 233 1/2, South Africa, stopped Jimmy Walls, 191 1/2, Cliffside, N.J., 3.

## Clipper Interested In Baseball Return

LOS ANGELES — He is now 40 and has been away from baseball for four years, but Joe DiMaggio would be interested in getting back in some capacity, if and when the major leagues comes to the West Coast.

The Yankee Clipper, a bit thinner than his 187-pound playing weight and his hair flecked with gray, was in a reflective mood when a reporter found him lounging in a Hollywood hotel lobby yesterday.

"I'm glad I played ball when I did," he said. "In my era we had great rookies coming up in handfull every spring. Now, if there is a Willie Mays once in two years, baseball people consider themselves lucky. I think there are too many buildings and not enough vacant lots. Maybe the Little League will fill the gap, eventually."

Joe says he's still mulling over what he'll do for the rest of his life. He said he has rejected many business offers. Financially, he's fairly secure, but he says he needs to do something that is both interesting and permanent.

"If I had a chance to catch on in the majors in an executive capacity after the majors come here, I'd like that," he said. "But I don't want to leave California. I'm happy here. I divide my time between Los Angeles and San Francisco."

Right now, Joe is lining up a television show and is flying back to New York next week to discuss it. He says he may take a group of major leaguers of Italian descent to Italy next October.

## Faculty Schedules Game With Students At Douglas

An exhibition basketball game between members of the Douglas High administrative and faculty staffs and a team composed of boys from the school will be played at the Douglas gym the evening of Friday, Jan. 28.

Other activities are also scheduled on the same program race via from which will be contributed to the March of Dimes.

Ray Lemek, captain-elect of the Notre Dame football team, played left guard on offense and line-backer on defense.



**LEO GETS DOUBLE REWARD**—CHICAGO—Leo Durocher, manager of the world champion New York Giants, gets a kiss from his wife, Laraine Day, as he holds the trophy awarded him (Jan. 16) by the Chicago chapter of the Baseball Writers Association of America. The writers honored "lippy" as the outstanding baseball comeback manager of 1954. (AP Wirephoto).

## College Hoop Upset Skein Broken

The upset streak finally has been upset in college basketball.

George Washington's ninth-ranked Colonials, who earlier this week had a hand in one of the numerous form reversals, took charge of Virginia Tech in fine style 95-69 last night. That closed out a string of upsets among the nation's top 10 teams that had knocked off four kinglys in three nights this week.

Illinois, No. 7 in this week's Associated Press poll, was jolted by Iowa Monday; second-ranked North Carolina State and sixth-ranked Maryland were dropped by North Carolina and George Washington, respectively, Tuesday, and Kansas State surprised eighth-ranked Missouri Wednesday.

George Washington was the only high-ranking team on the job last night. Even among the unranked teams things went as expected. Colgate defeated Cornell for the second time this season 63-57. Tulsa scored a 48-42 victory over Oklahoma City U. Wichita spilled Seattle 74-71 and Texas A&M beat Louisiana State 58-47.

The ICAA track and field championships will be held in New York's Madison Square Garden Feb. 28.

## Gomez, LaChapelle Meet In Mat Event

Popular Pepper Gomez from Pasadena, takes on rugged Maurice LaChapelle in Saturday night's Armory main event to highlight rugged three-event wrestling card.

Strength is featured from top to bottom of the weekend card behind Gomez and LaChapelle. Rough Leo Wallick tackles George Strickland in a 30 - minute or best of three fall semi-final. In the 20-minute special event, newcomer Bud Curtis meets strongman Jim LaRock.

Besides being a meeting of two event winners off of last week's card, Saturday night's main event holds at stake for the winner a shot at world's champion Frank Stojack next month.

Gomez was fancy in upsetting head - butting Don Kindred last week, but goes up against the rugged LaChapelle who only last week won by decision over highly regarded Wallick.

LaChapelle was given the decision over Wallick by referee Elton Owen on the basis that he had outwrestled Wallick. But quite a few Wallick fans, of course, disagreed.

Wallick gets his chance to take out any spite he may hold against the experienced Strickland of Ogden, Utah. Strickland was a former grappler at Ohio University and among his more recent accomplishments he pulverized Kindred with his pet rolling step-over toe hold.

The special event could provide fans with the most surprises as newcomer Bud Curtis steps into the ring to do battle with ex-AAU and Olympic champ Jim LaRock.

Big Curtis is originally from Indiana and played football at Arizona State where he also wrestled and won the national heavyweight weightlifting title in 1945. He has appeared on TV recently and holds the distinction of having been rated stronger than either Georges Dusette and Eric Pederson.

Tickets are on sale at Powells.

## Ace Snaps Scoring Mark As Wichita Tops Seattle

WICHITA, Kans. — Cleo Littleton broke two of his own scoring records Thursday night as he paced Wichita University to a 74-71 basketball victory over the Seattle University Chieftains.

Littleton scored 38 points, bettering his own mark set in 1952 by one, and hit 16 of 18 free throws, beating his former record by one.

Wichita led 40-38 at the half but Seattle tied it in the second half and moved ahead late in the period. Goals by Littleton and Verlyn Anderson in the last two minutes won the game for Wichita.

## BAIT EATS FISH

JACKSON, Miss. — Arriving as live bait, a little Mexican cousin of the man-eating piranha fish of South America has invaded Mississippi waters.

Wade Creekmore, director of the game and fish commission, said the three-inch long tetra doesn't harm humans but can and does gang up and devour large game fish.

Biologists thought the little fish wouldn't survive the relatively cold weather but apparently they are thriving and have been reported in Louisiana as well as Mississippi.

**GASOLINE "DOSSIP"**

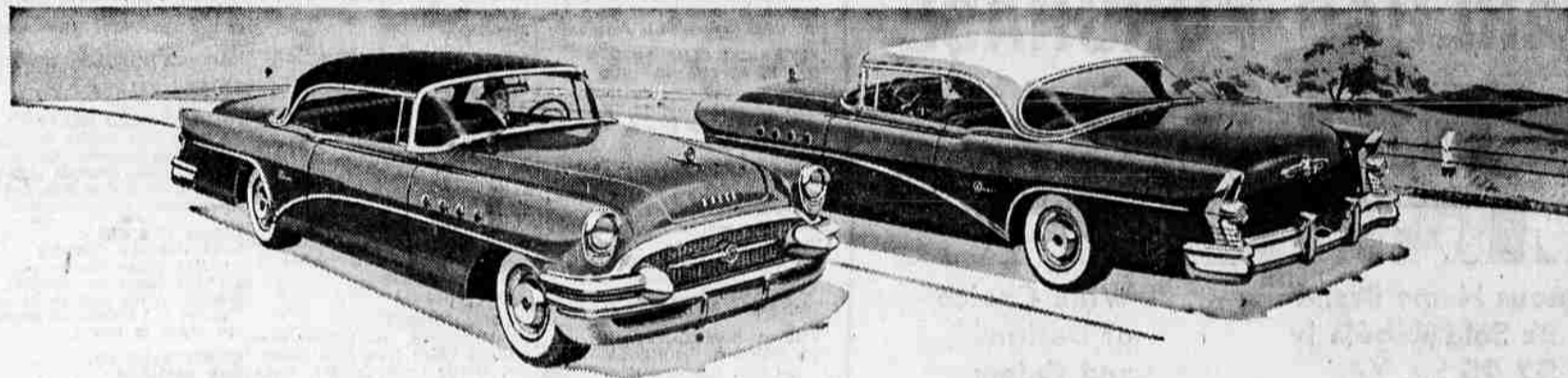
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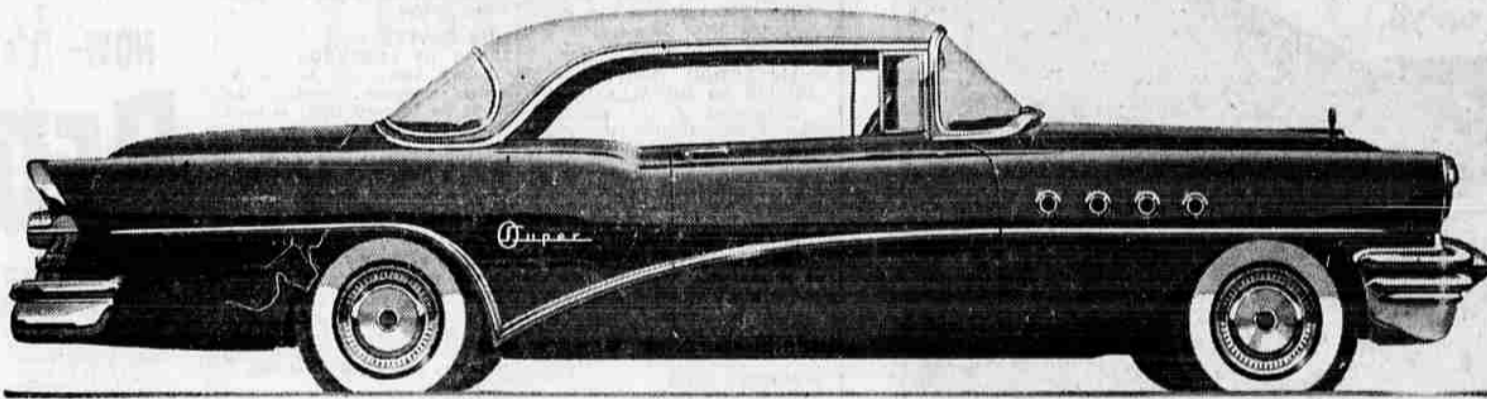
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