

## Track begins

### The Oregon Indoor shines



The State of Oregon, and Eugene in particular, has gained a reputation for hosting good track meets. And when the 17th annual Oregon Indoor Track and Field Meet gets underway in Portland's Memorial Coliseum Saturday, Jan. 29th, this well-deserved reputation will again prove to be true.

Meet Director Bob Newland, a vice-principal at North Eugene High School and a former football All-American for the Ducks in his playing days, has announced a lineup for this year's affair that should have any track fan interested.

For openers, four Russians will compete in the Indoor for the first time ever. Valeriy Borzov, Aleksandr Barisknikov, Yevgeniy Moronov and Viktor Saneyev will all get a chance to display their world-class track talent.

And what talent it is. Barisknikov holds the world record in the shot put at 72-2 1/4. Saneyev is a three-time gold medalist in the triple jump. Moronov won the silver medal at Montreal in the shot put and Borzov was the Olympic 100 meter champion five years ago in Munich and a bronze medalist at Montreal.

The sprint competition will be one of the best events in the meet. Besides Borzov, the 60 meter dash field will include Don Quarrie, Jamaica's speedy runner who placed second in the 100 meter (10.08) and won the gold in the 200 meter (20.23) last year. University of Oregon entries include Al Dukowski, Robert Curry and Duran Wooton.

Another star-studded event is the pole vault. Olympic gold medalist Tadeusz Slusarski, the Pole who cleared 18 and one half on a wet field in Montreal, leads a field that includes world indoor record holder Dan Ripley of the Pacific Coast Club. His indoor record is 18-3 and three quarters, far better than the Oregon Indoor record of 17-3 that was set by Sweden's Kjel Isaksson.

Also joining this elite group is Antti Kalliomaki of Finland, Montreal's silver medalist who has a best vault of 18-1 and three quarters.

Although the mile will feature all Northwest runners, it might offer a preview of Pacific-8 spring track this year. Oregon's two Olympians Matt Centrowitz and Peter Spir face the likes of Henry Rono, who won the NCAA cross country title last fall with a time of 28:07, and Oregon State's Rick Kumm, the state prep champion in the mile and 880.

Of course this doesn't cover all events, and there are many other Olympic veterans such as discus champion Mac Wilkins, Mike Boit, Al Feuerbach, Cindy Poor, Joni Huntly, Dacre Bowen, Francie Larrieu Lutz and Rory Kotinek.

But the point comes across why meet officials are calling it the "best field ever." Preceding the main event at 7:30 p.m. will be a Developmental Meet with several Oregon high school stand-outs.

Tickets are on sale at both Oregon and Oregon State athletic departments and the Memorial Coliseum box office, along with other Portland outlets. Profits from the Indoor go to the track programs at Oregon and OSU.

## Barnes gets prison term

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — Marvin Barnes, a former Providence College All-American now with the Detroit Pistons, was ordered Monday to serve one year in prison for violating a probationary sentence.

Barnes remained free pending an agreement between defense and prosecuting attorneys on a date the sentence will begin. Judge Anthony A. Giannini said he would let Barnes finish the current basketball season.

The judge had agreed last month to give Barnes' attorneys until Monday to draft a plan under

which the young basketball star could help youngsters who had run afoul of the law.

# AFC takes Pro Bowl, 24-14

SEATTLE (AP) — Cornerback Mel Blount of the Pittsburgh Steelers intercepted one pass to kill a scoring threat, then stole another to set up Ken Anderson's second touchdown pass of the game, helping lead the American Conference to a 24-14 Pro Bowl victory Monday night over the National Conference.

Anderson, the quarterback of the Cincinnati Bengals, connected with San Diego wide receiver Charlie Joiner on a 12-yard touchdown pass in the second period, then put the game out of reach with 6:47 to play, finding Oakland's Cliff Branch on a 27-yarder.

About midway in the fourth period, with the NFC trying to wipe out the AFC's 17-14 lead, Blount picked off a pass by St. Louis' Jim Hart in the end zone, thwarting an NFC drive to the Americans' 12-yard line.

And moments later, with the NFC on its own 32, Blount stepped in front of Minnesota rookie Sammy White at the left sideline, stole Hart blind again and returned the ball 16 yards to the NFC's 27.

Two plays later, Anderson's pass to the wide-open Branch in the left corner of the end zone assured the AFC of its fourth victory in seven inter-conference match-ups.

The game in the Kingdome attracted a record AFC-NFC all-star crowd of 63,214, surpassing the record of 53,647 set in Los Angeles in 1972 and exceeding by nearly 5,000 the combined attendance total of the previous two Pro Bowl games, both won by the NFC.

In all, the AFC intercepted six NFC passes. The NFC also had one interception. Both the single-team and two-team figures broke Pro Bowl interception records.

At the outset, it appeared the American Conference would have success similar to its recent performances in the Super Bowl — namely, a thorough thrashing of the Nationals.

The AFC built a 10-0 lead in the first period on a three-yard touchdown run by Buffalo's O.J. Simpson and a 31-yard field goal by Toni Linhart of Baltimore.

Throughout that quarter, the Americans moved the ball steadily and held the Nationals to just one first down. It was very much like Oakland's performance eight days ago in the Super Bowl, when the Raiders thoroughly manhandled Minnesota on the way to their 32-14 victory.

But in the second quarter, the

AFC had the ball just 18 yards from a touchdown.

It took Anderson just 53 seconds to get it in, hitting Joiner, who made a diving catch in the middle of the end zone.

The Nationals came back to cut the halftime lead to 17-14 on a one-yard TD sweep by Lawrence McCutcheon of Los Angeles. It

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NFC came to life. Mike Thomas of Washington ran a draw play for 15 yards to the AFC 15, then ran another draw for another 15 and a touchdown to cut the AFC lead to 10-7. Roger Staubach's 12-yard pass to White was instrumental in that 55-yard, six-play drive.

But Thomas turned quickly from hero to goat. The next time the NFC got the ball, he coughed it up, fumbling away a Staubach hand-off, Pittsburgh defensive end L.C. Greenwood pounced on it and the

came two plays after Staubach hit a leaping Ron Jessie of the Rams on a 43-yard bomb to the AFC one.

The defender on that play was Blount. He wasn't beaten. Had he been any closer, he would have been called for pass interference. It was just a perfect connection.

The third period was scoreless, with the AFC having the only serious threat. Linhart tried a 48-yard field goal, but it was far short and wide to the right.

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### WIA-WSC meeting tonight

Recruitment, eligibility and financial aid will be highlighted in a WIA-WSC open meeting tonight at 6:30 in the EMU, with the room to be posted. Major action taken at the recent AIAW conference will also be discussed.

### Softball tryouts today

Women interested in trying out for the Oregon softball teams are invited to an informal practice today at 3:30 p.m. in B-50 Gerlinger Annex. Persons with questions should call 686-3388.

### Ballard 37th in voting

Oregon forward Greg Ballard is 37th in balloting for the West squad in the sixth annual Pizza Hut Basketball Classic in Las Vegas, April 5.

The top eight votegetters on each squad when balloting ends March 8 are extended automatic invitations to the game. Leaders so far include Ray Williams, Minnesota; Kim Anderson, Missouri; Jeff Jonas, Utah; Bob Elmore, Wichita State; Eddie Owens, Nevada-Las Vegas and Kerry Rupp, Southern Utah State.



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