



# SPORTS



## BEAR'S DEN

By Larry Kerr

Gene Parent, junior forward, leads Bear scorers with a total of 129 points thus garnered in the Jamboree, non-conference and conference games.

Grizzly fortunes didn't fare too well with Jim Sutherland, rebounding artist, riding the sidelines during the last Klamath Falls game and the last two games with "El Tornado." However, now that Jim's leg seems to be all right, Bear chances are much better.

Medford seems to be about the class of the league, thus far. In fact, they are rated No. 1 in the state. The Tornado may run into a stumbling block, however, when they meet with a "big man" who can rebound along with Kalapus and Peterson. When pitted against Eugene and 6' 8" Mike Moran earlier this year, the Tornado lost the first night by 9 points, and only managed to win the second by a single point. Dave D'Olivio, Klamath Falls center, could pose a threat, as could springy Jim Sutherland in the second Ashland-Medford series.

Turning to the college scene, we find that "Swede" Halbrook, 7' 3" Oregon State center, has regained his eligibility again. So far, Swede and the Beavers are undefeated in regular conference play.

Southern California and UCLA will probably duel each other up till the final game for Southern division championships.

Thus far, the Ashland Hi Freshmen team has lost but two games. Looks like the basketball future for Ashland and Coach Al Simpson will remain bright. Then too, of the first six varsity players, four (Gene Parent, Phil Sword, Stu Baker and Harry Johnson) are juniors who will make a fine nucleus for Coach Simpson to build next year's team around.

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## Ashland Grizzlies Lose Series To Upset-Minded G. P. Cavemen

The Grizzlies came out the losers in a two-game series with the Grants Pass Cavemen by scores of 58-39 and 42-32.

### First Game

The Grizzlies led at the half-time by 26-23, however, during

## Grizzlies Split With Pelicans

The Ashland Grizzlies opened their conference season with an impressive win over the always dangerous Klamath Falls Pelicans by a 49-48 score.

The Bears led most of the way, however, with minutes remaining the Pelicans managed to go out in front 48-48. Then Jerry Mickle sunk two free throws to knot the score at 48-48. The Grizzlies managed to once again gain possession of the ball, and with 8 seconds remaining Gene Parent sank a free throw to put the Bears ahead 49-48.

Parent led all Grizzly scorers with 16 points, followed by Jerry Mickle with 9.

**ASHLAND**  
Baker, 2  
Parent, 16  
Sutherland, 8  
Johnson, 5  
Mickle, 9  
Sword, 8  
Carter, 2

**KLAMATH**  
12. Munsell  
5. Yarnell  
11. D'Olivio  
0. Sunitsch  
2. Pepple  
5. Todd  
5. Barker  
2. Lowe

### GRIZZLIES LOSE

The Ashland Grizzlies lost the second game of the series to the tall Klamath Falls Pelicans by a 63-41 count.

The Bears, without Sutherland, couldn't quite keep up with the tall Pelicans.

Ashland managed to stay with the Pelicans during the first period, via a tight zone-defense, but then the Pelicans began controlling the backboard and gradually pulled away.

Gene Parent with 12, and Harry Johnson with 8, led the Ashland scoring.

**ASHLAND**  
Johnson, 8  
Sword, 2  
Parent, 12  
Baker, 6  
Mickle, 4  
Carter, 2  
Lemley, 6  
Schulz, 1  
Green  
Taylor  
Locke

**KLAMATH**  
18. Munsell  
8. Causey  
20. D'Olivio  
2. Yarnell  
8. Sunitsch  
2. Todd  
0. Perkins  
1. Barker  
2. Pepple  
Lowe  
Blanchard  
McCarthy

the third quarter, the Cavemen really started hitting and pulled away. Harry Johnson led Bear scorers with 14 points.

**Ashland**  
Johnson, 14  
Sword, 0  
Parent, 4  
Baker, 4  
Mickle, 6  
Sutherland, 6  
Schulz, 2  
Taylor, 2

**Grants Pass**  
3. Reese  
7. M. Drews  
10. Burr  
15. Reid  
15. James  
2. Nevi  
8. A. Drews

### Second Game

Playing at Grants Pass, the Bears found themselves on the short end of the score at half-time 23-12. During the third and fourth quarters the Grizzlies weren't able to make up the deficit and lost by a 42-32 count.

Harry Johnson led with 8 points, followed by Jim Sutherland with 6.

**Ashland**  
Sutherland, 6  
Lemley, 4  
Parent, 5  
Carter, 2  
Johnson, 8  
Mickle, 4  
Baker, 2  
Taylor, 1

**Grants Pass**  
4. A. Drews  
8. M. Drews  
5. Burr  
15. Reid  
4. James  
7. Reese  
1. Nevi

## Grizzly Wallops Crescent City

The Grizzlies last pre-conference clash ended with the Bears defeating Crescent City, 58-31.

The Grizzlies, playing excellent basketball, built up a big lead in the first quarter, and continued to out-shoot and out-defense the Californians for the remainder of the game.

Jerry Mickle led Bear sharpshooters with 12 points, followed by Dave Carter, sub guard with 10.

### FROSH BASKETBALL SCORES

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## Ashland Drops Two In Tornado Series

Grizzly hopes of an upset over Medford Friday, January 14, were cut down in the second quarter, as "El Tornado" pulled steadily ahead to finally win by a 71-46 count.

During the first period, the Grizzlies used a "slow break" and managed to stay within 2 points of the Tornadoes as the quarter ended 16-14. However, at this stage in the game, Gene Parent, Bear scoring threat, had collected four personal fouls. Without Parent and the slow break, Medford continued to put on the pressure and finally won by 25 points.

Stu Baker, hard-driving guard, led Grizzly scorers with 16 points, followed by Phil Sword and Jerry Mickle with 8 apiece.

**ASHLAND**  
Johnson, 6  
Sword, 8  
Parent, 4  
Mickle, 8  
Baker, 16  
Taylor, 2  
Locke, 2

**MEDFORD**  
4. Kastner  
7. Peterson  
17. Kalapus  
24. Cottle  
12. Rector  
3. McLoughlin  
2. Faust  
2. McCullough  
2. Deakins  
3. Heinking  
0. Cochran  
2. Cearley  
7. Tisdale

The fast-breaking Tornadoes took full advantage of every break to defeat the Grizzlies who were playing against the league leaders for the second straight night, without the services of star center, Jim Sutherland.

Gene Parent and Harry Johnson, with 15 and 16 points respectively, led Ashland scorers.

**ASHLAND**  
Baker, 1  
Parent, 15  
Sword, 8  
Johnson, 10  
Mickle, 8  
Carter, 3  
Lewley  
Schulz  
Taylor  
Green  
Woods  
Tobiasson  
Eberhart

## Bears Take Stars In Close Contest

Ashland's fast break, and tough defense proved to be too much for a group of Alumni, as the Grizzlies raced to a hard-fought 48-47 win.

The Grizzlies stopped 6' 6" Greg Linninger, hard driving Harvey Woods, and other ex-Bear stars, in preparation for the tough conference schedule with Grants Pass, Medford and Klamath Falls.

Parent, Sutherland and Johnson, popped in 19 points each to lead Bear scorers.

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