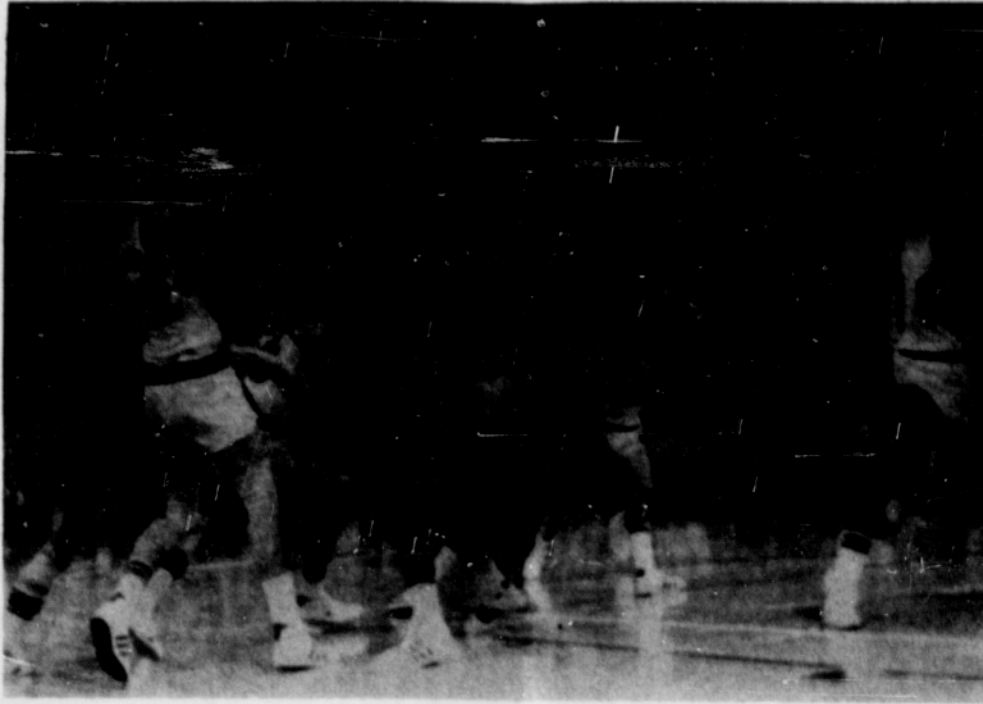


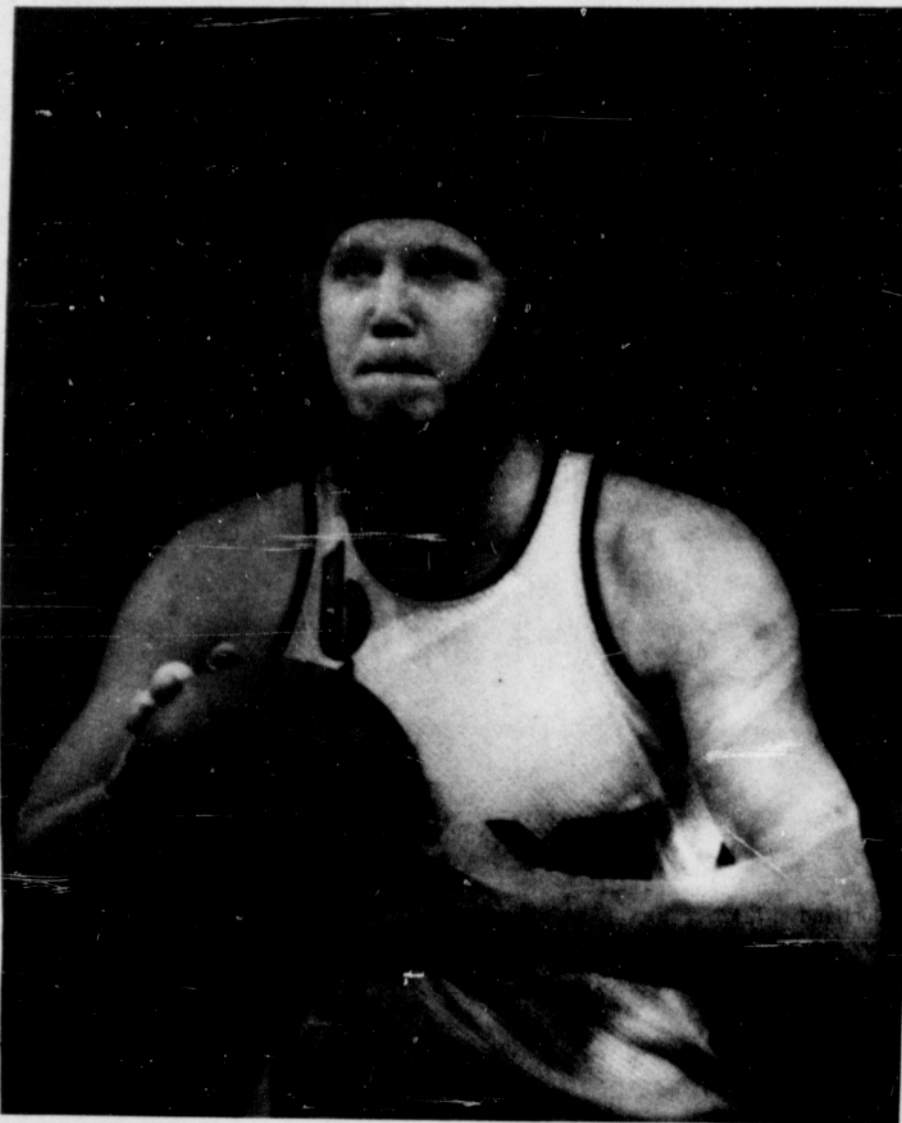


Walton is preparing ritual just prior to his much needed return to action.



Doing what he does so well; Walton fires a pass to teammate Sidney Wicks during the final period of their victory over Detroit.

The return of Bill Walton to the Trail Blazer lineup added much needed spirit to the team, but was not enough to bring victory. The Buffalo Braves defeated Portland 112-95, leaving the Blazers trailing third-place Seattle by 4 1/2 games in the Pacific Division.



Walton at foul line exemplifies steel-eyed determination Trailblazers need to keep their playoff hopes alive.

[Photos by Roger Dorband]

## Cinderella team takes third

by Ron Sykes

Well, the State tourney came to an end Saturday night. The Generals placed third. But the excitement provided by the Grant Hi Generals will last for weeks to come. Grant faced with the monumental task of facing Sunset, West Linn and North Eugene, all powers within the State of Oregon, never backed off or gave an inch. It was Grant, called by many the cinderella team, taking it to the State powers. After the Sunset game tourney goers were stunned, the Apollo rooters stared in disbelief for after all they were 15 point favorites. Who were these young upstarts anyway? The dope sheet said the Generals were a year away. Well to answer the first question -- the Generals are for real. The Generals started slowly, their engine not really in tune. The first game against Lake Oswego caused problems, a tough team too early. The result -- a loss.

Looking at this game you could easily see that Tom Jones and his young crew were struggling. The football players had only two days of practice before the Lake Oswego game, this caused a major problem in the middle. Jones only had the 6'3" Phil Henderson, a very able player but not a bonafide center to feel the pivot position.

It was three or four games before Robert Lewis, the lanky 6'6" junior could work out the football muscles and begin to contribute. With each game "Pickle" showed improvement. They were called "Cinderella," but all the necessary ingredients of a solid team were there. The quickness at the guard position (A.J. and Welton) The rebounding (Pickle and Mark Radford) The shooters in Mark and Brian Cross, the very important six man in Phil Henderson. After falling to the akers 79-71 the Generals machine sputtered through it's next three games, not really rolling but winning by narrow margins trying all the time to get it

together. The turning point of the season could possibly have been their first meeting with Madison, a very tough team. As the Generals took the floor you could see that they were ready. Madison jumped to an early lead, but the General machine by this time was gaining confidence, they dropped behind by as much as ten points, but never once thought of quitting. The game was played on the Senators court and as quick and action-packed from the first to last quarter. Grant eventually fell 87-77 to Madison, the third ranked team in the State at the time.

By the eighth game Tom Jones had his show on the road. The Generals began to show the power that would soon win the hearts of all those who watched. This power was ignited by the young General of Grant Captain Mark Radford, the 6'3" super smooth forward. Radford is no doubt one of the finest players in the State of Oregon. Oh yeah, we've heard of the Stan Walkers, the Dan Aings and the Brian Hilliards but the state tourney proved one thing -- "General Mark" is just as good or better.

During one span the Generals rolled off 14 straight games, opening eyes around the P.I.C. as an outfit to be reckoned with.

So now as the curtain rings down on yet another prep season we'll all look forward to the 1977-78 season.

With the return of Welton, Lewis and Radford, Grant Hi will trade their Cinderella slippers for the favorites role. No longer will the Generals be the underdogs. It's been four years since Jeff won with their fabulous team of Charles Channel, Tony Hopson, Ray Leary and Carl Bird. People have argued that a team like that only comes once in many years. I think the second "coming" is already upon us. Watch out for "General Mark" and the Generals.

## Baseball begins at Concordia

Under Coach Dwaine Brandt, Concordia's 1976 baseball program enters the Oregon Community College Athletic Association (OCCAA). After finishing 14-11 last season as an independent, Concordia looks upon this entry into the OCCAA as a major addition to its program. The 1976 season begins on March 17th as Concordia plays Portland State University's J.V.'s. League action starts on March 30th as Concordia travels to Eugene to battle Lane Community College. Seventeen double-headers are scheduled with most season tournament action beginning on May 20th.

Returning from last year's pitching staff is Van Bond who finished the 1975 season with a 5-4 record and led the team in hitting at .413. In addition to Bond,

John Ramsey from Adams High; Art Harrison and Randy Wolvert from Concordia Lutheran High; and Wade Nelson from Roosevelt will see action on the mound for the Cavaliers.

In the outfield and infield Coach Brandt looks to freshman Phil Kennelwell from Grant High, Gary Frank who played a year at Linn-Benton Community College, Doug O'Neal returning at second base, and second team P.I.C. standout from Roosevelt Wade Nelson who hit .410.

"This should be an exciting season for Concordia, and an opportunity for us to play the better junior colleges in the state," stated Coach Brandt.

Concordia hopes for a balanced attack and a healthy pitching staff for the long season.



Front row left to right: Micha Brown, Dino Mikes, Rickey Bradley, Tony Crawford and Larry DeLoney. Back row left to right: Mrs. Collins, Tony Akers, Greg Stewart and Jesse Rogers.

## Collins team wins championship

Grace Collins Memorial Community Center Basketball team became Golden-ball Clipper A Champions by winning the tournament Thursday night at Jackson High School. The young men, though younger than many of the teams played, had a record of eight wins two losses for the season.

Evelyn Collins, director of the center, said, "I am truly proud of these young men and their coaches, Greg Stewart and

Paul Lindsay, because they have worked with the championship goal in mind. They have shown good sportsmanship and have been very cooperative. I would love them if they lost but I am truly proud that they won. Several went through pre-school here."

The P.U.A. Cougars were the defending champions, having won the Tournament the last two years.

## Easter Seal camp dates set

Dates have been set for the 1976 sessions of Camp Easter Seal, a summer camp specially designed and programmed for the physically handicapped, according to Bruce Whitaker, executive director of the Easter Seal Society.

There will be four sessions for campers ranging in age from seven years to 21 years and older, plus a special focus session for those with multiple handicaps who require different programs and assistance.

The schedule is as follows: June 19th to 29th (seven to ten years); July 2nd to 11th (eleven to fourteen); July 16th to 25th (special focus); July 29th to August 7th (fifteen to twenty); and August 11th to 20th (21 and older).

Applications for the camp will be accepted after April 1st and should be made to the Easter Seal Society, 4343

S.W. Corbett Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97201.

A minimum fee is charged for those who are financially able to pay but no campers are turned away because of inability to pay. Whitaker stressed. A member of the camper's family or a friend can participate as an attendant if the camper needs one.

The camp, located on North lake of Ten-Mile lake near Reedsport, attracted a record 193 campers last year, including 132 children and 61 adults. The camp is limited to 40 persons for each session.

Whitaker said the daily programs are geared to the physical capabilities of the individual campers and include fishing, boating, horseback riding, cook-outs, arts and crafts and other out-door and indoor activities.

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## Prep Profiles

by Ron Sykes

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Meet Welton Jordan, Grant Hi's 5'10" Junior guard. You've met "Bake" (A.J. Jackson), now comes the second half of the "Shake and Bake" team in the form of Mr. Jordan.

Basketball occupies a great deal of Welton's young life. When asked about his favorite hobbies and pastimes, Welton replied, "I just play basketball. During the summer I go down to PSU and play with Freeman Williams and the rest of the Portland State guys."

Welton is a heady ball player and sees his role for next year as that of lead guard. Talking to this young man one could easily see the confidence he has in himself. When asked how he felt playing in his first State Tournament his reply, "Okay, it's just another game, I'm not at all awed by the large crowds. In fact I'm not even conscious of the fans."

What does Welton feel about his new coach? Tom Jones. "I like him -- he's really taught me a lot. Tom has confidence in us and we have the same in him."

Welton sees his greatest asset on the court as being a more than adequate ball handler. And to borrow a phrase from Union Pacific, he can truly handle it.

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