

NORMAL FIVE WINS 2ND CHAMPIONSHIP

OREGON NORMAL SCHOOL, Moamouth, March 8.—(Special).—Oregon Normal school basketball team again grabbed off the championship in the Willamette Valley conference after a series of six games with Linfield, Albany and Pacific colleges in which the O. N. S. squad won every game. In the 19 games the Normal played this year they lost but four—three of which were early practice games, one to the ex-university Mohawks of Eugene. They also lost one close game to the Ashland Normal and defeated them in a return game, which was played in this territory.

The O. N. S. lineup is considered one of the strongest in the valley by comparative scores due to the fact that it defeated the Ashland Normal by 16 points and Ashland had defeated Willamette university by one point. Another feature for the Normal is that it is the only Oregon institution winning a championship this year out of all the Oregon schools which competed in the three Pacific coast basketball conferences.

Willamette Valley Conference standings for 1928 are:

W.	L.	Pct.
O. N. S.	6	0 1.000
Linfield College	4	2 .667
Albany	1	5 .167
Pacific	1	5 .167

On this year's team were six second year men who played on the 1927 championship squad. They are Phillips, Schruink, Cook, Russell, Beerman and King. Hudson, Ayer and Beckon. Individual points made during the Conference games by the players were as follows: Cook, forward, and captain, 69; King, guard, 55; Phillips, forward, 49; Schruink, center, 35; Ayer, center, 20; Hudson, guard, nine; Beckon, guard, four; and Russell, forward, one. During the season the O. N. S. scored 807 points to their opponents 570, which gives the Normal an average score of 42.5 points per game against 30 for their opponents.

The squad's personnel rates as follows: Lawrence Cook, Independence, is a second year man whose work as forward proved him to be a basket shooter who could not be beaten. He is both a long and short shot artist and was high point man for the season. Leon Phillips, Monmouth, as forward was a very aggressive player. He played the floor well and always followed the ball with a lot of speed and was a good scoring forward.

James Elmo Russell, Stanfield, forward, was one of the fastest men on the squad and a good man under the basket. Lloyd F. Beerman, Portland, was a good forward with the pivot and followed the ball in a neat style. Wayne Schruink, Monmouth, as second year center, always assured the O. N. S. the tipoff and few succeeded in keeping him from scoring once he got under the basket. Sewell M. Ayer, of Beaver, was a strong, aggressive center, who was always to be depended upon by the entire team. His future as a basketball star is assured. Charles G. King, Portland, as guard was one of the strongest players on the Normal squad. He always put up a fine offensive and defensive game and his long shots were always a feature of every game. His greatest asset to the team was his floor play and passing. King is without doubt one of the most popular men ever playing on the O. N. S. lineup. Emmanuel Hudson, Grand Ronde, was the outstanding defensive guard on the team and is con-

Coming State Basketball Tournament in Limelight

Basketball fans from all over the state are now focusing their interests on the coming basketball tournament which will be held here in the Willamette university gymnasium beginning with next Wednesday night and continuing through until Saturday night. Ten teams from all over the state will compete. Sixteen games will be played.

This will be the ninth annual tournament. The first originated at Willamette university in 1917. At first only teams from the western part of the state were represented, but later it was made an all-state affair.

Roseburg high school was winner of the first tournament. Salem took the title in 1918, 1919, and defeated the strong Lincoln five in a close game to take it in 1920. Again in 1925 and 1926 Salem annexed the championship title. Last year it was won by the University high of Eugene. Medford, Ashland, and Franklin high of Portland have each won it once.

Teams competing in the tournament this year will draw for their opponents Wednesday afternoon. The first game will start at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday night 8:30 o'clock. Two games will be played Thursday morning, afternoon, evening, Friday morning, afternoon, evening, and Saturday morning. There will be no games Saturday afternoon and the championship game will be on Saturday night. It is probable that the

ed to be the strongest defensive man in the entire conference lineup. His playing was steady and he could be depended upon to score when the team was in a pinch. Bill Beckon, Independence, as guard was an exceptional fast man and an accurate passer, also a sure scorer under the basket. Claire Price, Monmouth, as center was a good fighter and a good shot, playing his second year.

The Monmouth Normal is rapidly coming to the front in athletics under the coaching of Lyman Meador who is finishing his fourth year in the institution. During this time the Normal has a record of having won first place in basketball for two years running—having lost but one conference game in two years; of having tied for first place in football last fall; and of having taken on all available conference wrestling teams this season without losing a bout.

A group of business men and faculty members tendered a banquet to the basketball and wrestling teams on Monday evening of this week at Fetzer's restaurant. The basketball team was invited to attend the regular noon-day

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aid Seigmund, substitute forward, 4; Ivan Ksfoury, substitute guard, 8.

Only two other schools to compete have sent in their list of players. These are Washington high of Portland and Medford high of Southern Oregon. Each team is limited to eight players.

Y TEAM LEAVES FOR BIG TOURNEY

The Salem Ducks, all state Y. M. C. A. basketball champions, journeyed to Snoqualmie Falls, Wash., yesterday where they will compete with six other teams in a northwest Y. M. C. A. basketball tournament. They left Salem yesterday noon by automobile and expected to arrive in Tacoma, Washington last night. The tournament will open at 7:30 o'clock tonight.

Men making the trip are Charles Hageman, French Hageman, Robert Gamble, Melvin Flake, John Schaeffer, Scotty Marr, Captain, and Charles Batchelor. They expect to return Sunday evening.

Thirty-five teams competed in the elimination contest for this tournament. Salem is the only Oregon team represented. Other teams hail from Idaho, Washington and Canada.

CHURCH TITLE GAME PLANNED TONIGHT

The second basketball game in the church league to determine the local church champion, will be played tonight in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium between the Jason Lee five, winners of the first tilt, and the Bungalow Christian hoopers. This is certain to be an interesting game as the Bungalow lads are determined to win. They held the lead over Jason Lee in Wednesday night's game until the final moments of the contest, when the Jason Lee team forged ahead and won by only a few points. It is a three game series.

Their probable line-ups will be: R. Miller, F. Clutter, Bonney, Bell, Walker, C. Miller, G. Wood, Smith, G. Birch.

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SHARKEY AND RISKO BOTH GOING STRONG

NEW YORK, Mar. 8.—(AP).—The two final hopes of Tex Rickard for a worthy opponent for Gene Tunney—Jack Sharkey of Boston and Johnny Risko of Cleveland—trained with the vim of preliminary boys today for their 15 round set-to in Madison Square Garden Monday night.

Snarling and mean, Sharkey fought two sparring partners as if they were genuine ring foes and they slugged back at him the same way.

He finished the day with three rounds of bag punching and two skipping rope. He weighed 193 1/2 pounds.

Risko worked equally as hard but with less vehemence. He bounded through four rounds of boxing with both Frank Lennon and Jeff Baulknight, light heavyweight warriors who accompanied him here yesterday from Cleveland. Risko weighed 193 after two additional rounds at the heavy bag.

Sharkey after the workout paid a visit to Rickard, after which he said:

"I'm ashamed of the only explanation I can give for my poor showing in that draw with Tom Heeney. You know how it is. When a fellow gets some money he gets lazy and doesn't feel like working too hard. That was the trouble. Now I'm training as I did for my best fights when money was more of a problem."

WASHINGTON STATE TOURNAMENT OPENS

SEATTLE, Mar. 8.—(AP).—Advance dope was upset three times in the first day's play of the Washington state high school basketball tournament at the University of Washington.

Endicott, Olympia and Renton considered three of the outstanding aggregations in the tourney, bowed to Yakima, Walla Walla and Chaney respectively, none of whom had impressive records.

Although they outplayed and outpassed the Chaney five the Renton hoopers dropped a close tilt, 14 to 12. Neither team was able to get a comfortable margin

and the score see-sawed back and forth, being tied most of the time.

SEATTLE, Mar. 8.—(AP).—Advance dope was twice upset in the opening games of the Washington state high school basketball tournament at the University of Washington pavilion here today. Endicott and Olympia, considered as two of the outstanding aggregations in the tourney, bowed to Yakima and Walla Walla respectively, both of whom were second place winners in their sectional tournaments.

The Olympia-Walla Walla tangle was a bitter battle, but the close checking and superior defensive work of "Wa-Hi" brought them a 30 to 26 victory. Yakima however, had rather an easy time with Endicott, taking the long end of a 33 to 12 score.

Other games were: North Central, Spokane, 21; Mount Vernon 15. Anacortes 26; Hoquiam 16. Wenatchee 23; Bremerton 21. Naches 44; Napavine 26. Everett 21; Enumclaw 16.

ENGLISH CHAMPION LEADS IN LONG HIKE

By Russell J. Newland

MOJAVE WELLS, Cal., Mar. 8.—(AP).—The blistering sun and chill winds of the Mojave desert were surmounted with ease today by 44 year old Arthur Newton, 100 mile running champion of England, to win the fifth lap of the coast-to-coast marathon in four hours and 48 minutes. His successful battle with wind and sun also put the sney runner in first place for total elapsed time in covering the 165 miles reeled off in the five days.

The lanky British marathoner, who finished second in yesterday's lap from Victorville, crossed the finish line at this desert water camp far in the lead of the field of 150 runners and walkers who headed out of Barstow at 8:55 o'clock this morning. He went into the lead half way to Mojave Wells, passing Earl Dilks, Newcastle, Pa., racer, who had shown his heels to the crowd from the starting point.

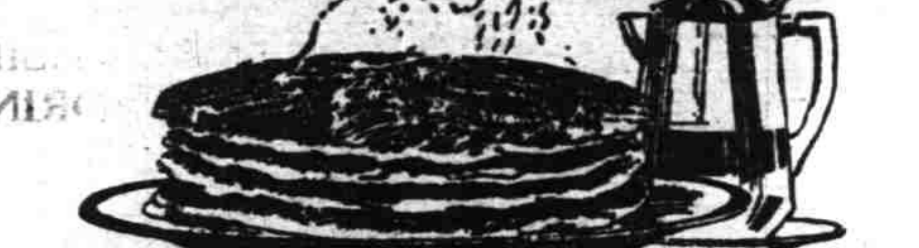
Dilks, despite the fast pace that he set at the start finished nearly a half hour after the veteran Newton to take second place. The Pennsylvanian covered the 32 mile

rocky stretch in five hours, 13 minutes, and 50 seconds. Old Wainen, slight Finnish flier, was the hird to check in at this tiny water hole.

Newton in taking the lead in elapsed time had a total of 24 hours, 28 minutes and 30 seconds. Paul A. Smith of Gates, Ore., finished 10. His time for today yesterday's leg in running time was 5:55:30. His elapsed time is since shoving off from Los An-30:44:25.

finish of today's grind with a total of 24 hours, 23 minutes, 37 seconds. Dilks' elapsed time was 27 hours, 53 minutes, and 50 seconds.

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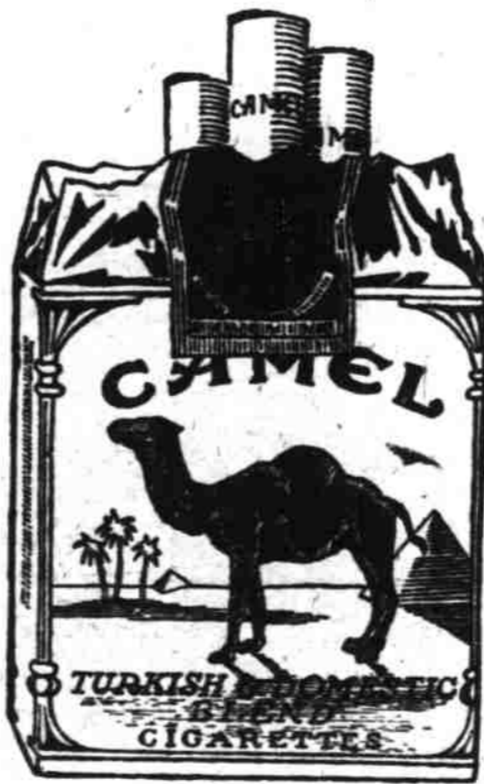
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