

Vikings Hurdle LaGrande, 33-15; Ashland Downs Benson

SALEM FACING PREP 5 TODAY

Teamwork Wins For Locals; Showing at Times Poor; Crown Jams Gym

Salem high, looking at times like a bunch of dubs and at times like the old Salem high class got over its first hurdle in the state basketball tournament yesterday when it defeated LaGrande 33 to 15.

The Vikings will continue in the championship series by meeting Columbia Prep at 3 o'clock this afternoon. LaGrande drops in the consolation series where it meets Marshfield at 9 o'clock this morning.

The game was the opener of the 16th annual state high school basketball tournament. Although there were vacant spaces in the bleachers when Salem and LaGrande started to play, before the afternoon was over the Williamette gymnasium was jammed with a near capacity crowd.

Salstrom-Cater Duo Worked, Fast Passing
It was smooth teamwork against a shoot as catch can policy that gave Salem high its win over Coach Ida Woodie's LaGrande Tigers yesterday afternoon. Playing fast passing game which worked Salstrom and Cater, the two midget forwards, into scoring position time after time, Salem easily outclassed the eastern Oregon team. LaGrande seemed to have very little teamwork, each player casting off whenever he got his hands on the ball. Such a system would have been effective, perhaps, but LaGrande couldn't hit the basket. There was one exception, however, in Don Stitt, forward, who totaled 10 points to be high man of the game.

Salem started out up in the clouds so far that most of its passes went in the bleachers. The Vikings soon settled down, however, and gave an exhibition of swift passing basketball.

LaGrande Approaches Salem, 4-3, at Start
Luther opened the scoring with a field goal and Salem scored two more points before DeBoes dropped in a field goal and a free throw to make it 4 to 3. It was the closest LaGrande ever got to the Vikings and Salem held a 12 to 4 lead at the end of the first period.

Salem kept widening the gap and led 17 to 8 at half time, 29 to 13 at the end of the third quarter.

Salstrom and Luther tied for Viking high point honors, each with nine points. Cater, dead-eye forward, collected eight. Brown, Salem's big center, looked good assisting Cater and Salstrom with accurate passes.

Summary:
LaGrande (15) (33) Salem Stitt, 10.....F.....9 Salstrom DeBoes, 3.....F.....5 Cater Bean.....C.....2 Brown Marshall.....G.....9 Luther Hansen, 2.....G.....3 Waddell Referee, Piluso; umpire, Leeding.

Invitation To Ham Club Is General

When coaches, officials and sport writers of the state basketball tournament are guests of the Salem Breakfast club in the Marlon hotel dining room at 7:30 tomorrow morning every member is expected to be present as well as any other Salem man who wishes to join in giving a welcome to the teams, Henry Collins, president of the club, said yesterday. Special Breakfast club committees have been working during the week on making tomorrow's session of the club bigger and better than ever. An attendance of 200 is expected.

Added to the guest list of coaches, officials and sport reporters have been "Slats" Gill and his Northwest championship basketball team from Oregon State. Gill assured President Collins that he and his team would be present.

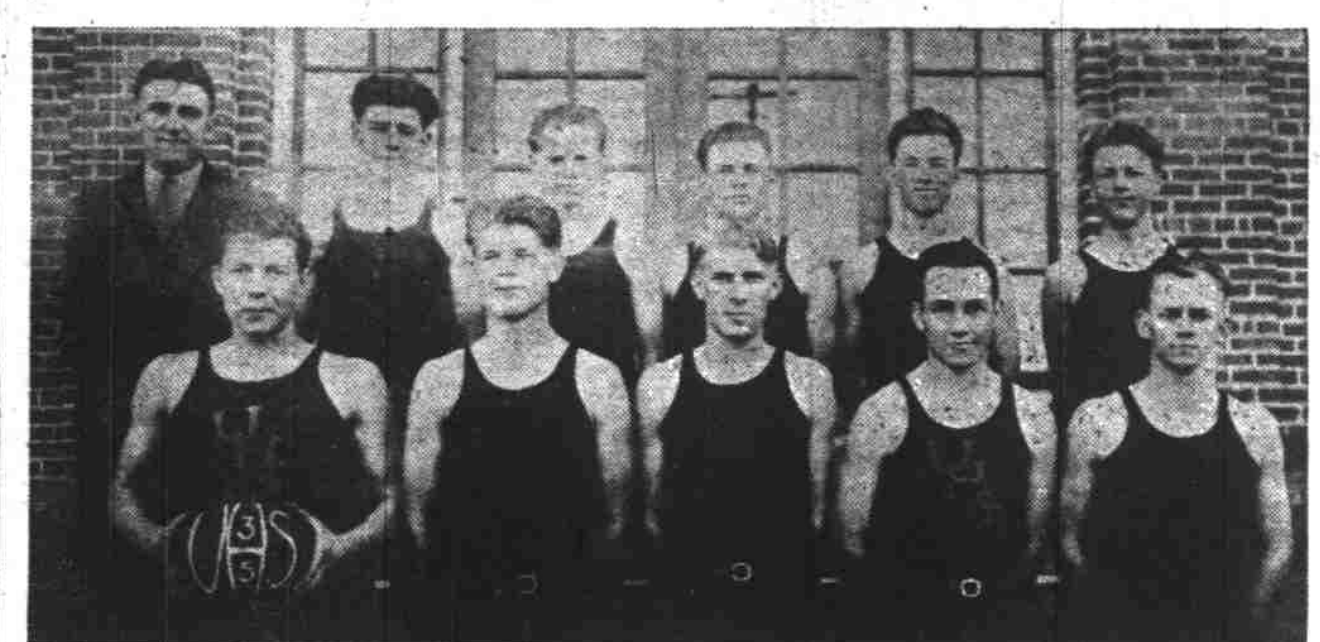
The fun-making committee, headed by Don Upjohn, has put the finishing touches on what is described as the most riotous skit of the year. Music will be furnished by a 12 piece orchestra. It is planned to run the meeting off in short order with something going on every minute. President Collins hopes to keep the meeting within the club's usual one-hour limit.

SALEM RESERVISTS WIN PISTOL SHOOT

Salem officers won first place in the four-cornered valley reserve officers' association pistol competition Tuesday night at Corvallis, shooting 786 out of a possible 1000. Lieutenant K. W. Dalton, Salem, was in charge of the match, in which other placings were: Eugene, 770; Corvallis, 764; Albany, 524.

Mill City Puts Scare Into Fishermen but Loses 37 to 24

Umapine, Gardiner Lose in First Round



Umapine high school's plucky district 13 champs who lost to Jefferson high of Portland in one of the afternoon state tournament games yesterday. Left to right: Front row, Groth, Jontie Hoskins, Bill Givens, Caldwell, Leimbach; back row, Decker, coach; Hoskins, Earl Givens, Baker, Elsley, Bill Givens.



Quint from Gardiner high school representing district 14, which lost to Oakridge last night. Left to right: Front row, Sornes, Abbott, Warren, captain; Lewis, Paull; back row, Harry Brower, principal; Johnson, Landwehr, Lamb and Cook, coach.

Caustic Carries on

By CAUSTIC
The glad time of the year it was yesterday when tourney fans showed up en masse for the opening of the annual hoop festivities. There were surprises and plenty of thrills, ... and scares for Astoria which woke up at the end of a fighting first half to find little Mill City ahead of the mighty fishing Finns.

Back doing business at the same old stand was Emil Piluso, the official who has added a touch of romantic zest to many a tournament game. Trim Mr. Piluso went through his usual machine-like motions but seemed a trifle toned down. He wise-cracked plenty with the press box boys, though.

John L. Gary, secretary of the state high school athletic association, was present in all his beaming self. Missing was Dick Godfrey, who has kept the Oregonian informed on tournament happenings for quite some years. In his place Bud Forester, late of Oregon State.

Salem is going to have to do some tall looking out for a young Mick called O'Donnell. The Prep star, who comes from a long line of athletes, scored more points last year than any other young basketballer in Oregon's greatest basketball event. This year they are going to have a hard time stopping him from doing the same thing. O'Donnell hails from Bend. His uncle, Barney O'Donnell was a famous minor league catcher.

Observations snatched at half-times — Gardner Knapp having his usual trouble with the Master Bread line. . . . Representative Romeo Gouley refusing to take off his overcoat. . . . On the other side of the gym Representative Police Commissioner Walter Fuhrer refusing to take off his hat. . . . Rolley Southwick.

Officers for the matches were: Lieutenant Hutchings, range officer at Corvallis; Lieutenant Joe DeLaney, recorder; Sergeant A. Edwards, scorer.

The Salem, Eugene and Corvallis teams scored as follows:

- Salem
 - Lieutenant Hazelwood.....167
 - Lieutenant K. W. Dalton.....163
 - Lieutenant L. B. School.....163
 - Lieutenant Van Winkle.....152
 - Lieutenant H. L. Siegmund.....141
- Eugene
 - Captain Agule.....169
 - Lieutenant H. D. Neely.....160
 - Captain C. S. Pettee.....158
 - Lieutenant R. H. Vincent.....142
 - Lieutenant Colonel Carl Robbins.....141
- Corvallis
 - Captain H. A. Cooney.....164
 - Lieutenant Ivan Branton.....160
 - Lieutenant P. A. Caulfield.....159
 - Lieutenant H. L. Wilkes.....151
 - Lieutenant H. B. Enoher.....132

PHILLIES DEFEAT TIGERS
WINTER HAVEN, Fla., March 20.—(AP)—The Phillies finally found their collective batting eye today and hammered two young Detroit Tiger pitchers, Larkin and Wade, for a 9 to 5 victory—their first of the "grapefruit" season.

Thrills, surprises mark opening day of Oregon's No. 1 basketball event; O'Donnell man to watch.

America's guest, easing his way into the press box. "Slats" Gill and the Mrs. wondering how many of the boys can be signed up for a college education or something. . . . Wade Williams, brother of Fred Williams, and the Lincoln high basketball team looking on. These are the boys we picked to come and they felt they'd have to show up somehow.

A Changed Man



Bill O'Donnell, tall young Irishman from Columbia Prep was last year high individual scorer in the state tournament, bid to maintain his point-gathering record this year when he scored 21 points to give his team of green-shirted Preps a 28 to 23 victory over Marshfield yesterday.

ASTORIA SHOWS STRENGTH LATE

Jefferson Defeats Scruppy Umapine Outfit 39-16, Scarcely Threatened

Astoria's Fishermen took the measure of Mill City's "B" league team, 37 to 24, late yesterday afternoon, but not until the Loggers had given the down-river boys a scare which sent the partisan Salem audience into stitches over the threatened defeat of the 1934 champions.

The underdog in all the dopsters' predictions, Mill City came back from a five-point lead Astoria piled up the first quarter, to pile up six quick points and to lead at the end of the first half, 12 to 11.

Sarpola, ace forward for John Warren, came to life in the final quarter and gathered three field goals, the only times he scored from the floor during the game. Mill City's hopes for victory went west as McAuley, her logger center, was sent from the floor with only three more minutes of the game left, having had four fouls chalked against him.

Smith at guard for Mill City was high point man for the Marion county team with four field goals and a foul to his credit. For Astoria Johansen distinguished himself with six field goals. Anet played a good defensive game for Astoria but scored only once from the floor.

The lineup:
Astoria (37) (24) Mill City Sarpola 6.....F..... Allen Johansen 12.....F..... 8 Scim

Grizzlies' Cup Hopes Gleam As They Skim Away to Win Narrowly From Portland A's

COACH DON FABER'S Ashland high Grizzlies sounded a warning to all other teams that they were hot on the trail of the state championship cup when they defeated Benson, champion of the Portland interscholastic league 20 to 18 yesterday afternoon.

The game developed into the hottest of yesterday afternoon's play when Benson put on a desperate head of steam in the final period in a valiant but vain effort to topple the Ashland lead. Benson trailed 11 to 18 at the close of the third period but made a gallant stand in the final quarter as the Portland champs attempted to stay in the running.

Ashland will meet Jefferson, second in the Portland standings, this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Benson plays Umapine in the consolation bracket at 10 o'clock this morning.

Benson fans sighed wearily as Ashland scored four points before Marchi. Tech forward, dropped in a field goal and then signed some more as Ashland worked up an 8 to 2 quarter lead which soon widened into an 11 to 2 lead. Donovan, spunky Benson forward, dropped in a field goal followed by one by Marchi to make the halftime score 14 to 6.

In the third quarter the Ashland scoring team of Hardy, Hoxie and Hess was checked a little better by the Benson team. Hoxie was able to score two field goals but Benson, suddenly beginning to fight for a rapidly vanishing chance at a title, added five points to their column for an 18 to 11 halftime score.

The final period was a thriller. Gregg hit the Ashland hoop for a field goal. Then Hess sank one for Ashland. A foul was called on Jungwirth and Marchi added another precious point to Benson's total. Marchi sank a field goal to cut the lead to a mere four points. Soon after Burns let fly with a long one that found the hoop.

Benson was only two points behind. Time out was called with seven seconds to play. Woltring took a long shot but it was no good and bounced off the backboard as the gun ended the game. Hardy scored eight points for Ashland while Donovan, Benson guard, scored seven.

Summary:
Ashland (20) (18) Benson Hoxie 4.....F.....2 Gregg Hess 3.....F.....5 Marchi Hardy 8.....C.....2 Woltring Jungwirth.....G.....7 Donovan Kanasto 3.....G.....2 Burns Referee, Leeding; umpire, Piluso.

PIRATES TROUCE PORTLAND 8 TO 1

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., March 20.—(AP)—The Pittsburgh Pirates rang up their fifth straight victory this afternoon as they defeated the Portland Beavers, 8 to 1.

Moose Clabaugh walloped a homer in the fifth inning to make the only score for the Beavers.

LOS ANGELES, March 20.—(AP)—Vernon George Washington, rookie outfielder, led an assault on the Hollywood ball club of the Pacific Coast league today to give the Chicago White Sox a 10 to 5 victory.

Washington hit a triple and a home run, showing little effect of his finger injury of several days ago. The White Sox scored six runs in the eighth off Cano, a right hander.

Hutchinson Bests Sons, A.A.U. Play

DENVER, March 20.—(AP)—The Utah State Aggies, sorely needing their disabled captain, Cleo Petty, were knocked out of the National A. A. U. basketball tournament here tonight by the Athletic club of Seattle, 34 to 28, in the first major upset of the annual maple court classic.

Cunningham Sets Canadian Track Record Indoors

HAMILTON, Ont., March 20.—(AP)—Glenn Cunningham, the Kansas miler, established a new Canadian indoor record for the mile run tonight in the 94 Highlanders' meet when he was clocked in 4:16.6.

The time was eight seconds slower than his world indoor record but good enough to give him the decision over Gene Venke of the University of Pennsylvania, his leading rival of this winter's triumph. It was the Kansan's 19th triumph over Venke in 20 meetings. W. Daly of the University of Detroit finished third. The former Canadian record was 4:18.

DIZZY BAFFLES BABE 1ST DUEL

Bambino's Two Gestures Are Futile; Held Hitless; Cards Win, 5-4

By ALAN GOULD
ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., March 20.—(AP)—Two magnificent but futile gestures today by Babe Ruth marked the occasion of his first duel with the renowned Dizzy Dean under circumstances unprecedented in the annals of Florida's spring "grapefruit league."

For the benefit of a record-breaking exhibition game crowd of 6,467 fans, who overflowed the capacity of Waterfront park and made ground rules necessary, the big Bambino cracked out two line drives that would have been home runs in many major league grounds. On his first turn at bat against Dean, Ruth chased Gene Moore to the spectators in deep center, then after fouling out against Dizzy in the fourth, he cracked one of wild Bill Hallahan's curves toward the ground near the left field fence. Red Worthington was playing deep enough to bag that shot and Ruth then retired for the afternoon.

Babe Riding New Boom, Belief
The fact that the world champion St. Louis Cardinals, who have been in a slump and harassed by injuries, finally nosed out the Boston Braves, 5 to 4, was entirely subordinate to the first spring showing of the Ruth-Dean rivalry. The crowd's enthusiasm testified to the exceptional interest generated by these two club owners accepted the evidence as proof that the Babe is riding a new baseball boom.

Dean held the Babe hitless and the Braves runless for the five innings he worked but he was outpitched by Huck Betts. Boston right hander, who yielded only one hit, Joe Medwick's double, while Dizzy was being touched for three sane blows.

Cincy Reds Force Yanks, 13 Innings

TAMPA, Fla., March 20.—(AP)—After building up a long lead in the first three innings, the New York Yankees were forced to 13 innings to defeat the Cincinnati Reds 12 to 11 today in an exhibition game that took three hours and eleven minutes to play.

Columbia Preps March to 28 to 23 Victory in Opener With Marshfield Quintet

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O'Donnell Sure Shot
O'Donnell was a fighting Irishman yesterday and the Preps may thank their lucky stars that he wasn't born a Ginsberg. As pretty a floor worker as he is a sure shot O'Donnell was the whole Columbia team. He scored all the field goals for Columbia.

Marshfield started out in fine fettle as McCarthy scored a field goal in the first second. But O'Donnell and his close checking Irish got on the trail and the quarter ended with the teams tied at 4-4.

Rackleff and McCarthy were the Marshfield aces who sank field goals and free throws in the second period to give the Pirates a slight lead during most of it. Then O'Donnell was away to the races for a field goal and seconds later dropped in another to make the half time score even up at 13-13.

O'Donnell sank three in a row soon after the third period had opened to give the Preps a six-point lead and they led 22 to 18 at the end of the third quarter.

Fouls Numerous
Juntena, Marshfield guard, sank a basket early in the final period but Marshfield with a two points of the galloping Irish. It was the closest Marshfield ever got and the last part of the game degenerated into a series of fouls. McCarthy, who scored 10 points, was the outstanding Marshfield player.

Summary:
Marshfield (22) (28) Col. Prep Smith 4.....F.....J. Healy Rackleff 5.....F.....1 O'Neil Conrad.....C.....21 O'Donnell Ring 2.....G.....W. Healy McCarthy 10.....G.....3 Globen Juntena 2.....S Referee, Leeding; umpire, Piluso.