Sport Sparks

By RON GEMMELL

From where this observer sits (and you just ought to see the feet over-head position), seven of the 16 Oregon state high school hoop clubs which will begin battling for the 1941 silver here two weeks from tomorrow (didn't realize it was that close, did you?) have cinches on tournament berths while a couple others need only to go through the motions to assure theirs.

In the cinch category you may include, if you haven't anything better to do, Klamath Falls, North Bend, Eugene, McMinnville, Astoria, Columbia Prep and Salem. Of these, only Salem, Astoria and Eugene are at this writing (for lack of something more appropriate to call it) dead mortal cinches, but the others are so near to it you could smell 'em if your cold was better.

Other teams with at least one-handed grips on district titles include Corvallis and Silverton, while pretty fair bets to come through are Pendleton, Ashland and Oregon City. Question mark districts include numbers one, nine, 13 and 14 -all very good numbers if you happen to be fond of numbers. -0-

District Data.

The district-by-district dope as of 3 p. m. (PST) Monday, Feb-Tuary 24, 1941, looked something

In the east: No. 1-LaGrande and Baker tied; to play one game for the

title. I still like Baker. No. 2-Pendleton to play The Dalles, winner of last night's game with Hood River for title. Will take Pendieton, thank you.

No. 3-Burns and Bend battled for the right to play K. Falls a two-of-three series, with Bend winning. The Lava Bears are just wasting their time.

No. 4—Ashland leading but Step From eeding wins over Grants Pass needing wins over Grants Pass and Medford to cinch it. Should Ashland beat Grants Pass tonight but succumb to Medford Friday, but succumb to Medford Friday, the district would be thrown into a three-team tie between Medford, Ashland and Roseburg. Ashland has the edge.

pitching Sammy Crowell, so that's

No. 10-Astoria is in. Central stations:

No. 9-Unreported, but the fighting apparently is between Forest Grove, Sherwood and Bea-No. 13-Looks like an Estcada-

Gresham scrap.

No. 14 - Scappoose appears to have edge, but I don't know how

Willamette valley: No. 6-Eugene a cinch.

but Albany and Lebanon on the Spartans' tails. No. 8 - McMinnville has little

competition under the new redistricting program. Wonder why? No. 11-Silverton substantially ahead and apparently on the way

No. 12 - Oregen City and Motalla destined to play for title. No. 15-Columbia Prep has no

competition to speak of. No. 16-Salem, and no remarks from the pear country, please.

Mape Names Stars. H. Maple, the Unemployed Man,

came back from the Western International meeting at Yakima with a yen for some sleep and a strong dislike for the disparaging remarks yours sincerely authored in regard to this year's Northwest conference casaba circuit. To give the lie to this col-

umn's opinion that the conference teams were far below par for that course and that there wasn't one outstanding player in the league, the Happy One names an all-star cast which he says is a very fine one indeed. His nominations: Norm Walker

of CPS and Sum Gallaher of Willamette, forwards; Howard Eberly, Willamette, center; Turman Osborn of Pacific and Johnny Kolb of Willamette, guards. Team two includes Cross of CPS, Hanson of Linfield, Van Camp of CPS, Kretchmeier of Whitman and Gronquist of Linfield.

Allasamee, it is this observer's opinion the 1939 Willamette team of Quesseth, Skopil, Anton, White and Eberly or Kolb would have swept through the 1941 competition in a breeze.

WI League Schedule Appears Saturday In The Statesman

For convenience of baseball fans, the official 1941 Western International league baseball schedule nal conference game. The Monwill appear in The Statesman mouth Wolves eked out a win sports section Saturday morning, from the Angels last month.

chedule for reference during the

Salem plays at home for the first two series, meeting Wenatchee May 1-2 and Yakima May Oregon State-University of Ha-3-4 before taking to the road.



Introducing New WI Skipper



Horace "Pip" Koehler, who was recently named manager of the Tacoma Tigers of the Western International league for the 1941 season. Koehler piloted the class C Akron club of the Mid-Atlantic circuit to the title in 1940.—Courtesy, the Tacoma Mail-Tribune.

UO Frosh, Viks Vie Here Tonight, 8 p. m.

Marks Final Home Fling Aumsville Nips Jefferson Five For Sizzling Salems

Fail to see Salem high's sizzling Viks in action at 8 o'clock tonight against the Oregon Ducklings, and you won't have another opportunity to see 'em here for 353 hours. Reason: It's their last home game of the regular season and

Stanford May Forfeit to Cougars, Said

PALO ALTO, Calif., Feb. 24-(AP)-Director of Athletics Alfred R. Masters of Stanford university said today that unless he could work out a plan to have examinations of basketball players deferred it would be necessary for the team to forfeit its playoff series the Pacific Coast conference championship, In such an event, Masters said, Stanford also would be unable to compete in the National Collegiate AA tournament at the University of Kansas.

Stanford, winner of the southern division title, is slated to meet Washington State at Pullman March 14, 15 and 17. Examinations fall in this period. Masters said he was interviewing faculty men individually in an effort to have the dates deferred.

son-in-law of Regent W. C.

BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 24.-(A)-

The University of Idaho board

of regents has "no one else in

mind" for the position of ath-

letic director, President H. C.

Dale said today after Coach Guy

Wicks of the university's south-

ern branch turned down the

of Wicks' announcement, made

at Pocatello, expressed "regret"

that the southern branch men-

tor would not accept the uni-

Wicks said "financial as-

pects" prompted his decision

but he declined immediately to

It had been the intention, the

athletic director and Orville Hult

of Albion normal head football

Wicks was agreed on at a nig;ht

meeting and at that time indica-

and immediately indicated his re-

In connection with the coaching

offered the position when the re-

versity post at Moscow.

amplify his statement.

Dale, informed by reporters

Idaho Drops Washington, 44-38

Vandals Move

The University of Idaho Vandals moved another step away from the northern division Coast conference basketball cellar tonight with a 44 to 38 victory over the wobbly University of Washington Huskies.

The halftime score was Washington 11, Idaho 17.

With the exception of a few minutes at the end of the two which drew 42 delegates. halves and at the opening of the second half, the game was a dull, No. 7-Corvallis a game in front dragging affair with neither team showing any speed or basket hit- He said the state association inting ability.

> defense and a slow breaking, set formation style of offense. Ron Harris, Idaho forward was

the top point getter, scoring 11 points and followed by J. Voelker, Washington, with 10. Wash. (38) Dalthorp, f Lindh, f J. Voelker, f . Schlichting, e1

Gilmur, c Fliflet, g Idaho (44) Steele, f Turner, f Harris, f Hopkins, f Hilton, c Link, g . Thompson, g

15 14 15 44 Totals Halftime score: Washington 11, Free throws missed: Dalthorp, Nelson, J. Voelker 2, Schlichting,

Gilmur 2, Leask 2, Turner, Nelson 3, Anderson. Referee, Eddie Chinske, Montana; umpire, Archie Buckley, Washington State.

Angels Play Last Conference Game With Angel Preps

MT. ANGEL-Making a desperate attempt to break into the win column of the Oregon Intercollegiate conference, the Angels face their last conference opponent Wednesday, when they go up against a strong Oregon college of Education team at Monmouth. This marks their tenth and fi-

Fans are advised to clip the Hawaii Film Set At Waller Hall

Films of Honolulu and of the waii basketball game played there a year ago are to be shown in "lobby" warm-up in their Green Cedric Durst, skipper of San Waller hall tonight at 7:30 by Dr. hotel base at Pasadena and be- Diego's Padres, ushered his pit- WSD Girls Win

'Second Choice' Reason Wicks Declines, Report

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 24-(P)-Charles R. Stark, Spokesman-Review sports editor, in a signed story tonight, said he had learned that Guy Wicks, athletic director of the University of three-team tie between Medford, Ashland and Roseburg. Ashland and Roseburg. Ashland are the edge.

Along the coast:

No. 5—North Bend has sweet—

No. 5—North Ben Idaho, southern branch, Pocatello, turned down the directorship Stark said Wicks was really

MOSCOW, Idaho, Feb. 24-(AP)- Softball Meet Loses Money

The 1940 state softball tournament here lost the state association \$188.80, State Director Dwight Adams reported at Sunday's association meeting here. Geddes.

Director Adams' financial report said the women's tourney in Albany netted a profit of \$48.74. creased its resources during the Both teams used a man to man 1940 season, but showed a decrease in attendance.

All association officers were reelected, including: C. H. Knickerbocker, McMinnville, president; David White, Portland, vice-president; Dwight Adams, Albany, state director; Ralph Guynes, Oregon City, secretary-treasurer; and H. V. Collins, Salem, director-at-

Woodburn Sets **Final Games**

WOODBURN-Two Big Nine coach, but since Hult is also a relleague games and a pair of district ative of a regent, his name was 11 clashes remain on the schedule likewise discarded. for Coach Hal Chapman's Wood-

Big Nine games include Wood- ted he would accept, Stark said, burn at Parkrose Tuesday and and added: Gresham at Woodburn Friday. Dates for the district 11 games, one today noon Wicks apparently was with Mt. Angel and one with Dallas, have not been released.

Woodburn is in third place in luctance to accept." Big Nine standings, with 11 won and four lost, and still retains a chance at second place.

Big Nine League Standings

W L Pet Silvertn 13 2 .867 Molalla Parkrose 12 3 .800 Estacada .607 gents meet again.

The Weather (Wet) Isn't Pal As Baseball Opens in Sunny Cal

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 24.-(A)- preceding immediately from here Southern California today as maover the sports front for training. awaits.

Rain during the morning for ket over the inaugural ceremon- Hollywood began practice, while Dallas' chances in district 11 basand dormant muscles, but a were already well established in bright sun in midafternoon gave nearby San Fernando.

White Sox through a spirited ica. loved Connie Mack prepared the chers and catchers into uniform

R. S. "Spec" Keene, director of city of Anaheim-without a bat- at sunny El Centro and made ar-

Spring and baseball came to to their Catalina Island quarters jor and miner league players took where Manager Jimmy Wilson

On the Pacific coast league the most part threw a wet blan- front, Los Angeles, Portland, and attendant to creaking joints the champion Seattle Rainlers ketball competition.

will prevail—for a time, at least. reported rain and a damp park, ness. Blackley will pair with Riinto company at San Bernardino, at Elsimore and Oscar Vitt and J. Boydston and McMorris will be Jimmy Dykes sent his Chicago the Portland club at Santa Mon- at forwards.

It is also the last home floor romp for three regulars, Irish, Bower and Salstrom, and for two reserves, Pearmine and

Ling. Reserve seats are on sale at Cliff Parker's.

the next chance to watch 'em here

won't come until 1 p.m. Wednes-

day, March 12, when hey tee-off

the 1941 state tournament against

the district 13 champ, as yet un-

Honest John Warren's baby Oregons come to the capital city with a reputation of knowing their way around a hoop haven at with Washington State college for either the full-charge or apply-

the-brakes systems, but prefering

the rapid ramble. The Ducklings have dunked the Oregon State Rooks in two of three slow-'em-down games, while the rest of their victories have been fast - running, high - scoring affairs that include a 65-49 decision over the Viks at Eugene.

It is probable Warren will open with Simonsen, ex-Astorian, and Christenson, ex - Tillamook, at forwards; Jackson, ex-Dallas, at center; and Newland, ex-Medford, and Wrenn at guards.

Coach Hauk means to start his regular quint of swifties-Salstrom, Simmons, Irish, Bower and

The Vik Jayvees play a 6:30 preliminary.

Wolves Wallop second choice for athletic direct-or at Moscow, and had been Pacific 37-34

named only after the regents meeting in Boise Saturday had MONMOUTH - The Eastern agreed to appoint George Green, Oregon College of Education Lewiston normal athletic director, Wolves walloped Pacific Univerbut had finally discarded him besity's Badgers 37 to 24 here Moncause it was feared the Idaho nepotism law would make the appointment illegal since Green is

The Wolves opened the game by bucketing in 12 points before the Badgers scored, but Substitute Reed came in to heave through 11 points on a solo shooting exhibition and narrow the advantage to one point before the Monmouth collegians pulled out a 19-15 halftime lead.

Junior Hartman, with four baskets, headed a second half OCE offensive that enabled the Wolves to pull safely away. Coach Al Cox put Mascal on

Pacific's Reed in the second half, Mascal holding him to three counters in the period.

27 Wolves Pacific 24 Slyter 11 Hartman 2 Czedlak Ireland 4 Reed story continued, to name Green Oberturf 6 6 Hogan 8 Mascal Haller 4 Sub for Pacific: Reed 14. For Wolves: Maulding 6. Officials: Steelhammer, Salem, and Graham, Monmouth.

Olds Appointed "Sometime between then and To Game Body advised of the situation as it stood

Francis R. Olds, retired shoe store proprietor of Klamath Falls, post, the sports editor said he was was appointed by Gov. Charles A. informed that R. L. "Matty" Mat- Sprague Monday as a member of thews of Portland university and the state game commission suca former Idaho coach, was now ceeding Kenneth Moody. His term, favored and would probably be beginning today, will run for five

Olds received the endorsement of several sportsmen's associations in Lake county. Now the manager of one of Klamath county's largest estates, he is a former city coun-

Dragons Bill Mix With Angel Preps

DALLAS-The Dallas Dragons this week meet the Mt. Angel Preps in a game which will go s long way toward determining

Dallas hopes for victory increased with the return of sharppromise that the gloomy days Los Angeles, at Ontario, with shooting Bill Blackley, who has might be over and clear weather Manager Arnold Statz in control, been out of the lineup due to ill-Manager Frankie Frisch marsh- and the same came from Bill chardson in the guard slots, Kroealled his National league Pirates Sweeney and his Hollywood stars ker will play the center slot and

Washington's state deaf school the Hawaiian tour that will take the Willamette football team to Honolulu for a game with the U of Hawaii next December, is sponsoring the picture.

the Wallamette football team to letics.

The fourth major club, the Chicago Cubs, was enroute to the sponsoring the picture.

the Hawaiian tour that will take the with his Philadelphia Athrase rangements for the arrival of the girls' hoop team defeated the Oreston that will be picture.

The fourth major club, the Chicago Cubs, was enroute to the coast and will arrive Wednesday, ther.

He plays his fi-

nal home game

for Viks to-

AUMSVILLE-A see-saw hoop game resulted in a 23 to 22 win for Aumsville over Jefferson high in a game here Friday night, hooping the winning points in the last few seconds.

Cats Get Conference Crown Back as Linfield Defeats CPS Loggers, 54 to 53

The Linfield victory returns the Northwest conference chamship to Willamette after an absence of one year. The Bearcats' last full-fledged title was in 1939, when they won 15 games, including "double counters" to but a single loss, and scored 927 points to 541 for opponents.

TACOMA, Feb. 24-(P)-Willamette university backed into the Northwest conference basketball championship tonight when

last minute scoring spree by Linfield college defeated College of Puget Sound 54-53. CPS would have had to win both tonight and tomorrow

from Linfield to cinch a tie with Willamette for the crown. Field goals by Ben Jones and Don Hansen in the final seconds of play brought the Linfield victory. High scorers were Norm Walk er and Tom Cross of CPS with 18 points each and Hansen with

Three Win in C Church Loop

Christ Lutheran defeated Con gregational 50 to 41, Court Street Christian defeated Summit Methodist 48 to 32 and Presbyterian defeated First Baptist 46 to 19 in C church league basketball play last night.

High scorers included Battalion of Lutheran with 24, Bradshaw of Congregational with 20, Armstrong of Court Street Christian with 24 and C. Priem of Court Street Christian with 22.

Lutheran 50 41 Congregational Fox 6 20 Bradshaw Minneman 5 Pevee Battalion 24 Smith Meyer 9 16 Yocom Endreson 11

CS Christian 48 32 Methodist D. Armstrong 24 5 A. McDowell C. Priem 22 7 Dorn R McDowell L. Armstrong Winkenwerder 2 12 Adams R. Armstrong 5 Southwich 19 1st Baptist 2 Fox

Presbyterian 46 McDonald 18 Patton 6 6 Robertson Burns 8 4 Morley Adams 8 4 Gallagher Bates 4 Casteel Substitutes: for Presbyterian: Gahlsdorf 2. For Baptist, Gof-

Church Named SPRA Prexy

Elmer J. Church of Salem president of the Salem Hunters and Anglers club, added another presidency Sunday when the Sportsmen's Recreational Protective association of Oregon named him its head. Church succeeds T. Leland 765 718 948 2431

Brown of The Dalles as the organization's second president and will preside over the next quarterly meeting here in Salem. The date is tentatively set for the second Sunday in May. Others elected at Sunday's ses-

sion, held in Troutdale, included: John Shythe, Madras, secretary; and Lynch, Redwood, vice-president.

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