Viks Meet Maroons Here Monday; City Loop Vies Wednesday; Leslie-Parrish Go Friday

The town's baskbetball front is active in three places on three nights this week, Salem's Viks hosting the Milwaukie Maroons in a counting No-Name league "northern division" game Monday night at the Villa, the City league engaging in the first round of its post-season playoffs Wednesday night at Willamette and the opening session of the city junior high school title series between Leslie and Parrish all-star squads billed for the Leslie boards Friday night.

The Salem-Milwaukie game, originally set for Tuesday night, was moved up so as not to conflict with the war bond show scheduled for the latter night. A victory for Salem means at least a tie for the division championship with Oregon City. The game gets under way at 8 o'clock.

The top four teams of the City league—Mayflower Milk, General Finance, Willamette Frosh and Page-Woolens—wage the first of their double-elimination tourney, the Milkers playing the Woolens and the Financiers meeting the Frosh Wednesday night starting at 7:30.

With the junior high intramural league season over, Coaches Bob Keuscher at Leslie and Bob Metzger at Parrish will herd respective all-star quints through workouts this week in preparation for the first "North vs. South" all-out athletic get-together since the city school system banned same over a year ago. The keen rivalry between the schools is expected to be at its blazing best when tossup time comes at 8 o'clock Friday night.

From the BLEACHERS

By AL LIGHTNER

"In your final City league basketball statistics you forgot to print who won the roughie title for the season," reminds a reader. So, casting aside the good reason why we overlooked same, here are figures: "Roughie" club was Mayflower Milk with 90 fouls in nine games, second game going to Willamette Frosh with 63, third to Air Base with 60, fourth to General Finance with 59, fifth to Page-Woolens with 52, sixth to Cavalry with 23 and last to Vik Jayvees with 12 in their two games. No. 1 cage culprit title went to both Al Fedge of the Frosh and Jim Sheldon of the Financiers, both with 16 tootings down. (We absolutely refuse to print who was next with 15—his wife wouldn't let him forget it ever.) . . .

While over in Dallas the other day we had a chance to talk basketball with Dragons Coach O. E. Anderson, he who is doing such a fine job with the Polk county quint this season after having done right good with his last two Dallas football squads. Intrigued by the transformation of the town's 5-and-10 store mogul to a successful coach, we asked the foxy Anderson if he had coached anywhere else in the past.

O. E. ANDERSON

"Oh, here and there," casually, and then in rapid-fire succession, "Virginia, Min., Redwing, Minn., Fort Smith, Ark., and Gustavus - Adolphus college at St. Peters, Minn., were just a few of the schools."

In re his team's chances against Salem in the district 4 counter on the 24th, Anderson says he'd like 'em a lot better if he hadn't lost a handful of capable reserves to the armed forces recently . . . (Thass all right, Mister Anderson, Salem's Frank Brown wishes he had a handful of capable reserves to lose to the armed forces!)

Woodburn, City of Athletic Success

Speaking of school athletic records, the Woodburn win over Silverton Friday night brought the Bulldogs their fifth consecutive Duration league championship—basketball a year ago, baseball and track last spring, football last fall and now basketball again—and the envious role of certainly the No. 1 school in the league in athletics. Departed Leroy Pierson started the Woodburn accolade with the 1943 basketballers and then followed up by herding the baseballers and tracksters to titles. Then came "Jiggs" Burnett on a job switch from Silverton to guide the footballers and this year's hoopsuiters.

And what with names like Joe Kahut and Bill Hanauska Woodburn reared and the town's lively American Legion post sponsoring the annual Junior Legion baseball tourney, our northern neighbor isn't headed for a bask in the state's sports sunlight—it's already there and basking! Might mention the Woodburn bowling team of our town's Commercial league, too—it won the first half title.

"It was a close race, but I won," pants Chief Bob McGuire, now back after his chase to California against the stork. After a hectic plane ride, during which Mac says he didn't even see the long-legged bird, the former Santa Clara quarterback got home just three hours before Mrs. McGuire presented him with a 7-pound 8-ounce heir. That was on February 3, just two days before Chief Lew Carroll's missus gave him a 7-pound 13-ounce daughter. Don't know who was bettin' on who, but they exchanged cigars anyway.

Lt. Jeem "Gettin' Around"

"Have really covered the ground since I saw you in December," air mails Lt. Jimmy Robertson from the Pacific. "Waikiki Beach, Royal Hawaiian hotel, Canton, Palmyra, Tutuila, Pago Pago—we're really gettin' around.

"Tutuila, a beautiful place, is the isle where they filmed the picture "Hurricane," with Dorothy Lamour. We swam in the same pool under the falls that she did, so we have much in common now. Not much chance of slickering the natives with trades—they had white folks around before. And you should've seen all the white babies the natives were carrying around!

"About all the sports we've been able to have has been swimming. Lots of company, to—sharks, octopuses (or is it 'octopi'?)—yipe, what a time!"

Our $1670.24 sports polio fund drive final finished second best to Eugene Register-Guarder Dick Strite's campaign after all. Strite's effort, directed much the same as ours, is still going and Friday reached the $1765.88 mark. Nice going, Richard, but we'll give you something to shoot at next year.

Harris' Hint Brings Ha-Ha

SEATTLE, Feb. 12—(AP)—Spencer Harris, outfielder with the Portland coast league baseball club, picked a novel method of asking his boss for a raise.

To his unsigned contract, Harris pinned a clipping from a Seattle sports editor's column which read, "This is a ball player's year and it won't be easy to sign the 1944 athletes."

Contract and clipping were mailed back to Portland General Manager Bill Klepper.

Not to be outdone, however, Klepper returned the self-same contract for Harris' signature, with the following paragraph clipped from minor league baseball's rules:

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Basketball Scores

HIGH SCHOOL
Salem 30, Astoria 25.
Oregon City 57, Molalla 21.
Eugene 44, North Bend 31.

COLLEGE
Washington 61, Wash. State 41.
Oregon State 52, Idaho 48.
Gonzaga 57, Whitman 41.
Ft. Lewis Warriors 45, Dorados 31.
Globe Trotters 57, Aberdeen All Stars 41.
Texas Christian 40, Texas A M 36.
Missouri 44, Nebraska 29.
Pittsburgh 47, Bethany 45.
Pennsylvania 56, Columbia 45.
Wisconsin 52, Indiana 37.
Marquette 63, Detroit 34.
Oklahoma 39, Kansas 35.
Arkansas 54, Texas 46.
Duke 53, NC State 32.
Worcester Tech 48, Harvard 43.
Carnegie Tech 44, Case 42.
Ohio State 56, Iowa 42.
Illinois 45, De Paul 33.
Michigan 74, Chicago 41.
Navy 67, West Virginia 49.
Army 69, Hobart 36.
Doane 51, Iowa Seahawks 38.
Cornell Navy 52, Simpson 37.
Colorado College 42, Denver 29.
So. Methodist 57, Baylor 44.
Georgia Tech 43, Georgia 30.
Princeton 42, Cornell 33.

Gonzaga Whips Whits, 57-41

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 12—(AP) Gonzaga university boosted its victories to 20 in 21 starts tonight by claiming the second of a weekend series over Whitman college, the only team that previously had beaten this year's naval trainees.

WHITMAN (41)		(57) GONZAGA
Brownson (12)	F	(12) Baker
Haas (0)	F	(12) Gaston
Maestri (8)	C	(9) O'Toole
Thompson (2)	G	(11) Strader
Hoyer (14)	G	(11) McGovern

Substitutions — Whitman: Tenney 4, Cochran 2, Todd 1, Olsen 1. Gonzaga: Hafner 2, Hoene 1.

State Tourney Pairings Set

District 4 Meets No. 3 in Opener

PORTLAND, Feb. 12—(AP)— District pairings for opening round play in the annual state high school basketball tournament at Salem, March 16-18, were made today by the Oregon high school activities association.

Portland's (district 6) representatives drew the district No. 1, or northeast Oregon, champions, which will be La Grande, Baker, Milton-Freewater or Ontario.

District No. 1 (Josephine, Jackson and Klamath counties, plus Roseburg of Douglas) will meet district No. 5 (Tillamook, Clatsop and Columbia).

District 3 (Curry, Coos, Lane and Reedsport of Douglas) will meet district 4 (Lincoln, Polk, Marion, Benton and Linn), and district 7 (Yamhill, Washington, Multnomah outside of Portland) and Clackamas will meet district No. 8 (Hood River, Wasco, Sherman, Gilliam, Moro).

In the state "B" Championships, district No. 1 will go up against No. 2, and No. 3 against No. 4.

61-41 Victory Nets New Mark

SEATTLE, Feb. 12 —(AP)— The unbeaten University of Washington Huskies ran their northern division conference victory string to 10 this season tonight defeating Washington State college 61-41 to set a new record for consecutive conference victories at 16. Washington led 24-18 at the half.

Washington held the previous northern division consecutive victories record of 15, established in the winter of 1931-32, besting the 14-game mark which Oregon set in the late 20's.

Nelson, high man of the night with 18 points, racked up 12 of them in the second half, while Akins, last year a star of the Cougars, scored 11 points in the second half to become second high with 17. Brayton was high for WSC with 12 points.

WASHINGTON (61)	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Nelson, f	7	4	1	18
Akins, f	6	5	2	17
Haug, f	1	0	0	2
Mallory, f	0	0	1	0
Gronsdahl, c	5	0	1	10
Nichols, c	0	1	0	1
Morris, g	3	0	2	6
Taylor, g	1	3	1	5
Mar, g	1	0	1	2
Codd, g	0	0	1	0
Totals	24	13	10	61

WSC (41)				
Rennig, f	5	0	2	10
Brayton, f	5	2	1	12
Lagers, f	0	0	2	0
Orsini, f	0	0	1	0
Gregg, c	1	0	0	2
Waller, c	0	0	2	0
Joslin, g	6	0	2	12
Carstens, g	0	0	4	0
Morgan, g	2	0	0	4
Dickinson, g	0	1	1	1
Totals	19	3	15	41

Score at half time: Washington 24, WSC 18. Free throws missed: Akins, Gronsdahl, Nichols 3, Taylor 3, Mar, Brayton 4, Gregg, Waller, Carstens, Dickinson. Shots attempted: Washington 79, WSC 64. Officials: Emil Piluso and John Heinrick.

Western Open Revival Eyed

CHICAGO, Feb. 12 —(AP)— The Western Golf association today announced its intentions of reviving the time honored western open championship this summer.

William T. Woodson of Chicago, newly elected president of the 45-year-old WGA, said the meet would be renewed after a year's suspension and that bids would be asked for courses accessible to public transportation facilities. The tournament would be linked with the war effort — war bond prizes being awarded and proceeds being turned over for some war benefit.

Beavers Add Three Rooks

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 12—(AP) Manager Bill Klepper of the Portland Beavers of the Pacific Coast Baseball league announced the signing of three more rookies today—Clarence Federmeyer, Seattle pitcher; Bob Heddington, Seattle third baseman, and Norman Johnson, Portland pitcher.

Swegle Quintet Loses

SWEGLE—West Salem's basketball quintet scored a 35-12 win over the Swegle five at West Salem Wednesday. The Swegle girls' casaba outfit trounced the West Salem lassies 11-6 in the preliminary.

Vikings Again Hot, Knock Off Astoria, 30-25; Beavers Sweep Idaho Series; Husky Vets Win

Brownies Show More Class; Series Evened

Helmhout, Chapman Pace Surging Salems

Again showing speed and stamina in the right places, scoring strength when needed and a basketball bunch which looked capable of taking good care of itself in such as state tourneys and district four playoffs, Salem high's Viking put all together last night at the Villa and knocked over Astoria's low-flying Fishermen 30 to 25. The surprise victory, coupled with the 35-32 whipping administered Friday night, gave Coach Frank Brown's suddenly surging gang an even break with the Finn foe in the season's four-game series.

And again last night, just as the night before, the battle was a hot one most all the way despite the fact that the Vikings led practically throughout. Astoria counted a free throw by Leo Hill to start the scoreboard, but Don Burlingham's difficult layin moments later shoved Salem to the fore and she stayed there. The Finns, again missing badly with their shots, kept it close enough so that the longest Salem lead was seven points, that near the outset of the fourth quarter.

Also duplicating the uproarious last quarter events of the night before was an Astoria rally that slashed Salem's lead to but two points with two minutes left. But instead of sticking strictly with the "keep-away" stuff as they did Friday, same almost proving disastrous, the Viks both stalled and worked in for five points by Burlingham, Bobby Zeller and Doug Gibson those final two minutes while the Finns were getting a mere basket by Hill.

Most of the action was crammed into the second and fourth periods last night, the first and third falling far off the beam. The wild-shooting Finns, so unlike an Astoria team, could do no more than three points the opening period, and Salem, little better with shots but visibly conserving its energy for throttle-back chasing later on, hooped only six.

Don Chapman, in excellent form for the crucial tilt, opened the second quarter by potting a long two-hander and the game suddenly opened up. Loren "Tuffy" Helmhout, who Coach Brown admits is the most underrated kid on the club, showed why by personally keeping the Viks ahead of the 8-point quarter spree by Astoria. Helmhout pitched three times and hit three times — six points and enough of hold a 14-11 halftime lead for his club.

Helmhout swiped one and followed up with a long dribble to lay-in and made it 16-11 for Salem to start the third frame, then he and Chapman accounted for four more points to offset the four pitched by Jim Parker and Roddy Kvistad to make it 20-15 at the third rest stop.

A sparkling tip-in by Doug Gibson and a fantastic twister by Allan Bellinger shoved the Viks to their seven-point margin after Hill had scored for Astoria. Then the respected visitors touched off their rally to come so close, Hill and Parker, Astoria's No. 1 and 2 pointsmen doing the damage.

In the midst of all this, which turned the near full house on its ear, Captain Travis Cross fouled out, doing the Salem side no good.

But in their lust for the ball the Finns left the "hole" open and both Burlingham and Gibson sneaked in for the clinching points.

Proving that Friday night's cautiousness is to be a byword with them from here on, the Viks fired only 37 times again last night. Wild casting, a Salem fault all season, was taboo almost throughout. And Astoria, pressed plenty by the hustling Salems, tried with numerous and ineffective howitzers.

The Salem carefulness brought a .324 shooting average, Helmhout's four buckets in eight tries leading the way. He also tossed in a gifter to tie Astoria's Hill for high honors. Close behind was Chapman with three buckets and two free ones, the three coming from only five shots. Burlingham tried only three times and hit two, Gibson five times and also two. The Vik shooting corps was definitely "on" again.

In the prelim Coach Herm Schwartzkopf's Sophs proved they had to much speed and cleverness for Mill City's Timber Wolves and notched a 43 to 32 victory with it. Ev Staats paced with 11 points but Peters of MC was hrigh man with 12.

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STATESMAN SPORTS

By Al Lightner, Sports Editor

All-Star Armory Mat Card Set for Tuesday

Matchmaker Don Owen yesterday announced the completed card for Tuesday night's mat session at the armory, with a proviso, and when the brothers of brawn and bash finish off the program the city's rasslin' citizens will have seen what the matchmaker claims as one of his better efforts of the season, proviso or no proviso.

BILLY McEUIN

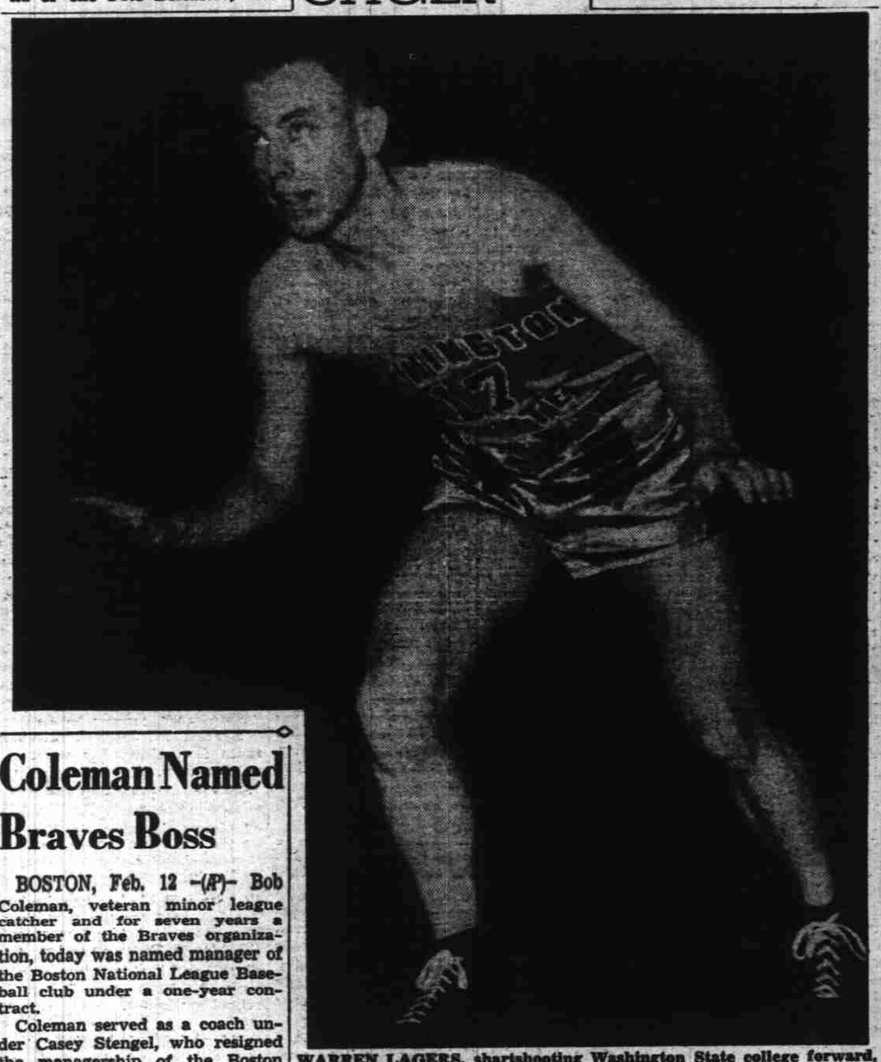
First, this proviso bis: Walter "Th' Sneeze" Achiu, a deserving cuss with the cute ju-jitsu cutups, is one half of the main event and he'll either be battling Paavo "King Kong" Katonen for the Coast lightheavy title or one Pete Belcastro, oft known as "The Walloping Wop From Weed." If Katonen wins his match with his draft board in California and gets back he'll meet Achiu. If not, unkind Belcastro, a mean, ornery and tall terror making a comeback, draws down the main event role. In either case the action should be corking.

The grudge session between Bulldog Jackson and Buck Davidson is listed for the semi-windup spot, this one a blood-and-thunder bicep brawl for fair since the pair whopped off such a sizzler here three weeks ago on, around and under the ring with cops and customers joining in.

The 8:30 opener lists as another sparkler, Billy "Bust 'Em" McEuin, making a comeback after an illness which kept him idle for six weeks, taking on deft and doughty Tex Hager. McEuin has always provided much to shout about in his matches and Hager is one of the game's more popular scientific gents.

The two prelims will be of the usual 30-minute duration, two-of-three falls, and the main event an hour-long, also two-of-three falls. Tickets for the show will be on sale Monday afternoon and Tuesday at Maple's and the Pioneer club. There will be no hike in prices for the championship match should Katonen return in time. Matchmaker Owen still thinks he will.

COUGAR CAGER



WARREN LAGERS, sharpshooting Washington State college forward, is looked upon as one of the most dependable men on the Cougar squad by Coach Jack Friel. He's from Colfax, Wash., is six feet tall and is a junior.

Coleman Named Braves Boss

BOSTON, Feb. 12 —(AP)— Bob Coleman, veteran minor league catcher and for seven years a member of the Braves organization, today was named manager of the Boston National League Baseball club under a one-year contract.

Coleman served as a coach under Casey Stengel, who resigned the managership of the Boston club recently when control of the organization passed into the hands of three Boston contractors.

Box Score

MILL CITY (32) (43) SALEM SOPHS
Davis (3) F (11) Staats
Peters (12) F (4) Herman
Toman (10) C (5) Boehmer
J. Poole (0) G (5) Thompson
Hathaway (1) G (6) Carroll

Subs scoring: For Mill City—Wrigglesworth 1, Hathaway 4, L. Poole 1; for Salem — Deckebach 2, Boucher 6, Alberts 2, Close 2.

SALEM (30)	Fg	Ft	Tp
Cross, f	0	0	0
Zeller, f	2	0	1	1
Burlingham, c	3	2	1	8
Lowe, g	0	1	1	1
Chapman, g	5	3	3	8
Helmhout, f	8	4	1	9
Gibson, g	5	2	0	4
Bellinger, c	2	1	0	2
Totals	37	12	6	30

ASTORIA (25)				
Parker, f	10	2	3	6
Lovvold, f	3	1	2	4
Nopson, c	1	0	1	1
Kvistad, g	8	2	1	5
Hill, g	16	4	1	9
Totals	43	9	7	25

Personal fouls: Salem 13 — Cross 4, Burlingham 3, Helmhout 2, Gibson, Chapman, Lowe, Zeller; Astoria 18—Nopson 4, Parker 3, Kvistad, Hill, Lovvold.

Free throws missed: Salem 8 — Helmhout 2, Lowe, Zeller, Cross; Astoria 9 — Parker 4, Hill 2, Kvistad 2, Lovvold.

Shooting percentages: Salem .324; Astoria .309.

Officials: Tom Drynan and Al Lightner.

Revolta Takes Lead in Texas Open; Three Tied for Second

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Feb. 12—(AP)—Johnny Revolta, the Evanston, Ill., professional whose forte is iron play, swept over Brackenridge course for a seven-under-par 64 today to take a five-stroke lead at the half-way mark in the Texas open golf tournament.

The swarthy Revolta missed only two greens, had eight birdies and only one bogey and pronounced his work with the irons as perfect as he left the course with a sensational 36-hole total of 133.

Dropping down to 139 was Harold "Jug" McSpaden of Philadelphia, who had led at the end of 18 holes yesterday with his four-under-par 67, and edging past him and into second place with 138's were Byron Nelson of Toledo, who tied the competitive course record with a 63; Melvin "Chick" Harbert of Lincoln, Neb., army air field, who shot a sizzling 67 and Sam Byrd of Philedalphia, with a three under par 68.

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Washington	10	0	1.000	524	357
Oregon	5	5	.500	424	461
Idaho	4	6	.400	433	444
Oregon State	4	6	.333	438	524
Washington State	4	7	.300	422	455

Saturday's results:
Washington 61, Wash. State 41.
Ore. State 52, Idaho 48 (overtime).

CORVALLIS, Ore., Feb. 12—(AP) The Oregon State college Beavers outlasted the Idaho Vandals to win an overtime thriller, 52-48 tonight to sweep their basketball series and climb out of the northern division, Pacific coast conference, basement. Washington State, downed by Washington, took over the cellar.

As in last night's game, which Oregon State won, 34-29, the Beavers came from behind. Idaho led, 20-19, at half time, compared to a 17-16 lead in last night's battle, and came within eight seconds of winning, 44-43, at the end of the regular playing time.

Little Happy Lee, Chinese guard, saved the game for Oregon State. Idaho, with the one-point margin, started stalling with eight seconds left. Anderson had a chance to knot the score at 44 all on a free throw but missed. Then Lee, fouled by Gano, dropped one through without touching the net.

In the extra period, Anderson, high man for the game with 18 points, scored first for Oregon State. Gano, fouled by Puddy, converted. Lee dribbled through the Vandals to tip in an underhand shot. Pyne converted a free toss. Puddy scored to make it 50-46 in favor of the Beavers. Olson tallied, but Lee dribbled in for another lay-in to complete the scoring. Oregon State played keep-away for the remaining minute and a half.

IDAHO (48)	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Olson, f	2	0	1	4
Ablin, f	3	2	1	8
Carbough, f	0	1	1	1
Gano, c	4	3	3	11
Collins, g	2	4	4	8
Pyne, g	7	2	3	16
Totals	18	12	13	48

OREGON STATE (52)				
Reiman, f	5	0	1	10
Sertic, f	0	1	4	1
McGrath, f	1	1	1	3
Simms, f	1	0	0	2
Puddy, c	3	0	4	6
Anderson, g	8	2	4	18
Lee, g	4	4	2	12
Vannet, g	0	0	2	0
Totals	22	8	18	52

Half time score: Idaho 20, Oregon State 19. Free throws missed: Idaho—Carbough, Collins, Pyne, Gano 2; Oregon State — Reiman, Anderson 2, Lee 3. Technical foul: Pyne. Officials: Hal Lee and Chappie King.

Kahut to Meet Billy Sullivan

PORTLAND, Feb. 12—(AP)— Joe Kahut, Woodburn, will abandon the light - heavyweight class next Friday in a bout with Billy Sullivan, negro who knocked out Johnny Mitchell in just 27½ seconds here recently.

Kahut will go into the ring at about 175 or 176 to Sullivan's 185, and with a four-inch height disadvantage. But what the Woodburn lad lack in heft, he makes up in experience, and, probably, speed.

Murray to Join Barons

MARSHFIELD, Feb. 12 —(AP)— Nineteen - year - old Fred L. Murray, who learned to wield a bat on Coos Bay sandlots, will join the Birmingham, Ala., Barons of the southern association for the 1944 season.

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