

# Vikings Best Lava Bear 5, 35-27, In 'Show 'Em' Game

## Clash Closes Home Season; One Game Left

Viks Command Lead Throughout King's-X

Salem high's courtsters made good their claim that "we're not as bad as they think we are," by leading all the way to down a gangling but wild-shooting Bend Lava Bear quintet, 35-27, last night at the Villa. The king's-X affair, truly anti-climax in many spots to a rollicking but ruined campaign, brought to an end the Viks' home season. One more game has been scheduled for Coach Frank Brown's gang, is through for keeps, that next Tuesday night at McMinnville against the also tournament deflated Grizzlies.

The Viks started off last night like the real club they were capable of being over the season, and on rather easy pitches over the beanpole-like visitors by Don Burlingham and Doug Gibson rang up a 9-0 lead before the rapid-firing Bears could count on a free throw by elephant-like Howard Smead.

Bob James and Harold Smith then connected from far out for Bend as Salem coasted, but Bobby Zeller made good with two free throws and Gibson with a howitzer to help the Brownies to a 13-7 quarter lead.

An entirely new Vik team played most of the second quarter and practically held its own with the still wild Bears. This Vik five, made up of Allan Bellingner and Loren Helmhout, forwards; Tom Boardman, center, and Eugene Lowe and Bunny Mason, guards, is probably the nucleus for next year's quint since all mentioned are undergrads. Between them, and with another long howitzer by Gibson helping, they kept the Viks out from 21-17 at halftime.

Bend seemed to come to near the end of the frame and finished fast with hits by Bob James and Smith.

Salem suddenly slumped all over the arena the third period and could score only five points in the eight minutes. Bend was little better and counted a mere six to make it 26-23 for the Viks at the third quarter stop.

A twisting pivot shot by James at the start of the fourth frame closed the gap to one point, but instead of serving as a needed injection for the listless Salems also, the bucket finished scoring for five full minutes. Neither side could do more than miss both difficult and easy shots and play raggedly to boot.

A foul pitch by Burlingham with less than three minutes to play finally snapped the Vik rubber, and in rapid succession Captain Travis Cross broke in for a lay-up, Bellingner tossed home a gifter and Cross followed with another. All Bend was getting was two free tosses by big Smead.

Zeller said farewell to the home folks for good by winding up the dreary thing with two clever shots, one a lay-in the other a left-handed push from the key.

James, 6-foot, 1-inch Bend sophomore captured scoring honors with 12, four more than were earned by Burlingham and Gibson of the Viks.

And as would be the case, naturally, the Viks netted nine of 14 free tosses they tried. Missing 20 out of 25 against Dallas last week cost the Viks a possible state tourney berth.

So wild was the Bend casting last night that Coach Claude Cook's club, which will be the district 3 tourney representative if it can get by Hood River next week, meshed only nine field goals in 64 attempts for a miserable .141 percentage. The Viks hit 13 for 52 and batted .250.

Although they have one game left, last night's was the last time the Villa customers will see Cross, Burlingham, Don Chapman and Zeller in a Vik hoop suit. All are seniors.

BEND (27)	S	Ft	Pt	Tp
James, f	10	0	1	0
James, f	13	6	0	2
Smead, c	12	0	0	2
Woods, g	12	1	4	2
Smith, g	13	1	0	0
Higgins, f	12	1	0	0
Rasmussen, g	3	0	1	1
Moore, f	3	1	0	2
Boardman, c	0	0	0	0
Totals	64	9	9	13

SALEM (35)	S	Ft	Pt	Tp
Cross, f	9	1	1	1
Helmhout, f	9	1	0	0
Burlingham, c	7	3	2	4
Chapman, g	7	3	2	4
Gibson, f	3	3	2	4
Zeller, f	2	3	2	4
Bellingner, f	2	1	0	0
Boardman, c	2	1	0	0
Lowe, g	2	1	0	0
Mason, g	2	1	0	0
Totals	52	13	9	23

Free throws missed: Salem 8 — Burlingham 2, Cross, Bellingner, Chapman; Bend 13 — Bess 4, Smead 3, Smith 2, Moore 2, Woods, Higgins.

Shooting percentages: Bend .141, Salem .250. Officials: Tom Drynan and Al Lightner.

## FLYIN' ANGEL



Having sneaked around the Dallas defense, Captain Frank Grosjacques of the Mt. Angel Preps is shown making a lay-in against the Dragons during their super court thriller Thursday night. Driving in behind Grosjacques is Joe "Red" Bellemere of the Preps whose basket in the final two seconds won the game 27-26. Dragons in on the play are Marv Helbert (11), Wayne Richardson (55) and Ray Prescott (25). By virtue of their win the Preps play Corvallis this week for the district 4 title and state tourney berth, first game at Corvallis Wednesday night, second at Mt. Angel Thursday and third, if necessary, at Salem high next Friday night. (Statesman sports photo)

## From the BLEACHERS

By AL LIGHTNER

1-A Dep't: A record perhaps? Mebbe so—at least we've heard of no faster way of turning from 2-A classification to induction notice, completely jumping over the usual 1-A status. Record-holder now is Gurnee Fleisher, athletics boss at Salem high. Last Thursday Gurnee turned in his industry and family status questionnaire, same the usual warning that you're about to become most eligible for soldier suit. But Fleisher got no warning! The very next day, Friday, his induction notice came and next Friday he goes to Portland for his final exam, perhaps the only inductee ever having the privilege (?) of joining the mob sans a 1-A classification! Guess Mister Hershey ain't footin'—they ARE in a hurry.

Also in the same department, but at least long enough to know what it feels like to be 1-A are Bud Thrush, the village golfer-bowler and Merritt McKee, Milwaukee high coach. Just examples of the transformation taking place—come summer time there won't be enough over-18 athletes around to team up for a rip-roaring game of dominoes.

Scuttlebutt: Super-rumor flitting about, which no one will affirm or deny officially, says Frank Brown has resigned both his jobs as Parrish junior high teacher and senior high varsity basketball coach, effective at the close of the present term June 2. Furthermore, he is said to have quit not AFTER the Dallas upset, but quite a bit before.

And as usually the case, reasons why Brown bowed out are a dime a dozen. The old standby—"better job"—pressure from the high ups forcing the resignation, despondency after another so-so season—are said to be reasons why. And you'd be surprised at the number of persons knowing of the move.

Going, Going, Gone! Brown may have tendered his good-bye and then again he may not have, but whether the village school system will accept it is another thing. Time June 2 rolls around there won't be enough male members of the athletic department left to hold that domino game above. Both junior high directors, Bob Keischer at Leslie and Bob Metzger at Parrish expect to be sending their mail sans postage stamps by then, the Fort Lewis Reception Center has already set aside a size 38 for Hem Schwartzkopf and Tommy Drynan is willing to bet all three they don't have the first blisters off their feet before he joins 'em. Gurnee Fleisher will probably be in a position to welcome all three in behalf of Uncle Sammy.

So with all such as that facing Superintendent Frank Bennett for next September, he's more apt to be hiking Brown's monthly stipend instead of accepting his resignation—that is, if Brown resigned. No one in the right pew will quote one way or the other.

You Got Us Wrong, Dallas Please note, Earle Richardson, editor of Polk County Itemizer-Observer: We read with interest your piece on "Salem, the hog center of the world" after the Dallas-Salem upset and must retort "not guilty" to a few charges made by yourself. If you will check back you will find that we also took a word punch at both the Associated Press and Capital Journal for printing this year as the first in history of the basketball tourney that Salem pays its way in. You accuse us of printing the same thing, but your check-back will show that we had only to go back to the 1929 year to find where Chemawa eliminated Salem in pre-tourney play. We also added that the "Salem in (Continued on page 15)

## Four Freedoms Noses Widener 'Cat Win; Arcaro Nets 'Slam'

MIAMI Fla., March 4 —(AP)—Cocky Eddie Arcaro, a miracle man on a race horse, whipped Greentree stable's Four Freedoms to victory in the \$25,000 Widener handicap today and put the finishing touches on a riding feat without modern precedent.

He did it the hard way, beating a better horse and the winner's leading jockey in a magnificent duel down the length of the home stretch.

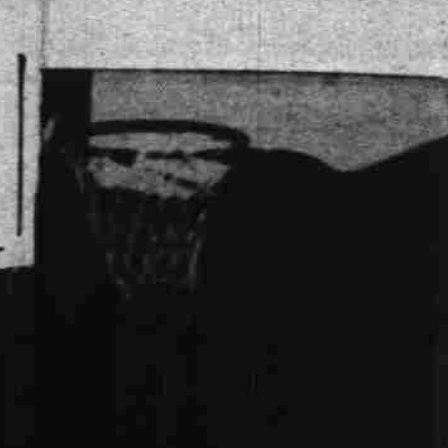
When Arcaro pushed Four Freedoms' nose ahead at the finish, he completed a Hialeah park slam. He captured both the park's big stakes — the Flamingo and the Widener — with Outsiders in 1943, and scored again in the Flamingo last Saturday with the lone-hot Stir Up.

Calumet Farm's Sun Agala, a favorite held at almost even money in an 11-horse race, and Ted Atkinson, a brilliant jockey, succumbed to Arcaro's riding magic in today's tremendous stretch battle. Once, as they thundered toward the finish, Sun Agala took the lead — but Arcaro worked furiously with his whip and had Four Freedoms out in front when the picture was taken.

Five lengths behind Sun Agala came A. C. Ernst's Al-quest, and the early pace-maker, Havahome stable's Eurasian, trailed by another three lengths. Coward and DuFur's secondary favorite, Marriage, winner of the \$25,000 New Orleans handicap two weeks ago, was fifth by a head.

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Just what the customers asked for in one match and the return of two old favorites in the other two sessions—that's what Matchmaker Don Owen has cooked up for Tuesday night's weekly bicep bee at the Ferry Street Garden.

Ernie Piluso, as popular as they come in northwest crunch circles and Billy "Bust 'em" McEuin, equally as unpopular since he can outdo Simon Le-gree, have been rematched for the main event on popular demand. In the final of last week's battle royal Piluso and McEuin extended themselves in a red

hot brawl for \$200 in war stamps. Piluso earning the referee's decision after a five-minute overtime period. For rock 'em sock 'em action the match came near equalling some of the topmost blood and thunder beefs seen here last year between departed Tony Ross and George Wagner. To rematch Piluso and McEuin was only a natural move for Promoter Owen, especially after being prompted by numerous fans and after hearing each grappler offer to take on the other "winner take all." And it'll be all

nothing at all for the winner Tuesday, a two-hundred buck cash purse to he who stomps the other finally. The loser gets naught but the exercise.

Jack "Pin-up Boy" Kiser, perhaps the most adored muscleman to appear here in recent years, and one who can and does really wrestle, is the first returning favorite. After a successful sojourn in the east and south Kiser returns to grapple Toughie Porter in the semi-final heat. And if Jack hasn't forgotten the fantastic tricks he knows, Porter is in for a rough

evening. Toughie or not. Milton Adolphus Olson is the other fair-haired bicepper coming back. He too has been in the east and forwards word he is anxious to get back in the limelight here. He'll find "setting back" no cinch, for he draws none other than Bulldog Jackson in the curtain-raiser. And drawing Bulldog, already tired because he's been shunted to the opening bout, is no picnic.

The show gets under way at 8:30 o'clock and tickets may be purchased at Maple's Sporting goods store or at the Pioneer club Monday and Tuesday.

# Tuesday Mat Card Complete; Jack Kiser, Milt Olson Are Listed

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## STATESMAN SPORTS

By Al Lightner, Sports Editor

### 'Jug' Maintains Gulfport Lead

Links Tournament Reaches Half Mark

GULFPORT, Miss., March 4 —(AP)—Harold "Jug" McSpaden of Philadelphia, continued to pace the \$4500 Gulfport open golf tournament today, firing a one-under par 70 for a 36-hole total of 138.

The Philadelphia country club sharpshooter was tied with six others in today's second round, but his brilliant three-below-par 68 yesterday gave him enough margin to improve his position.

Six contenders were just three strokes behind McSpaden yesterday, but after today's round "Jug" found himself three strokes ahead of Tony Penna of Dayton, Ohio, and five strokes ahead of five others, some of whom were closer to him in the first round.

Penna was one of the 70 shooters in the second round and pushed his 36-hole total to 141 for a two-stroke lead over five others who tied for third place with 143.

The group included Sammy Byrd of Detroit, winner of the New Orleans open, who put together a 72-71 for the two rounds; Byron Nelson, Toledo, O., pro, who scored a 70 against 73 in the first round; Leonard Dodson, Kansas City, with a 70-73, and Bob Hamilton of Evansville, Ind., who also notched a 70-73.

### Alpine Dairy Tips Soldiers

SEATTLE, March 4 —(AP)—The Alpine Dairy basketball team of Seattle defeated Fort Lewis reception center, 43-40, here tonight to capture their third straight northwest AAU basketball championship and become the northwest representative at the national tournament in Denver.

The surprising Preps, who have improved by leaps and bounds the past month, gain the district finals by virtue of their thrilling 27-26 win over Dallas in Salem Thursday night, therein earning the district's northern half championship. Corvallis easily won the southern district title.

### Kiefer Batters Paddle Record

ANNAPOLIS, Md., March 4 —(AP)—Chief Specialist Mate Adolph Kiefer of the Bainbridge naval training station swept through the waters of the naval academy pool today to set what may be a new world's record for the 200-meter backstroke — pacing the course in 2:19.3 to better his own world's record of 2:24.

### Dahlgren OKs Pirate Terms

PITTSBURGH, March 4 —(AP)—Ellsworth "Babe" Dahlgren, who came to the Pittsburgh Pirates from Philadelphia, has returned his signed contract from his San Gabriel, Calif., home Prexy William E. Benswanger announced today.

### Tri-Community Club Sees for Red Cross

HOPEWELL — Twenty five members of the Fairview, Hopewell and Wheatland Red Cross sewing club attended the weekly meeting Thursday at the John Fugate home and made slippers and pillows for convalescent wounded soldiers. The next meeting will be at the same place.

### AMERICAN LEGION WRESTLING

TUESDAY SALEM ARMYORY March 7 8:30 P. M.

REMATCH BY POPULAR DEMAND Main Event Ernie Piluso vs. Billy McEuin 1 hour, 2 of 3 falls (winner take all for \$200)

SEMI-WINDUP Jack "Pin-up Boy" Kiser (newly returned) vs. Toughie Porter 2 of 3 falls, half hour limit. CURTAIN-RAISER Milt Olson vs. Bulldog Jackson (2 of 3 falls, half hour limit)

REFEREE—ELTON OWEN Tickets on Sale at Maple's Sporting Goods Store and the Pioneer Club Admission: Ringside \$1.10 Gen. Adm. 75c Tax Inc.

# Huskies Smash Cougar Quint, 62-43; Curtain Brought Down On Northern Division Season

PULLMAN, Wash., March 4 —(AP)—The University of Washington swung back into its victory stride tonight by defeating Washington State college 62 to 43 as the curtain was pulled down on basketball in the northern division, Pacific coast conference. At intermission, Washington led 25 to 24.

## Gallop 'Gil Wins 5th Mile

Hulse Falls Behind After Holding Lead

NEW YORK, March 4 —(AP)—Gil Dodds, trim Boston pastor who turns killer on the track, received the scare of the indoor track season tonight in a special mile at the IC-4A indoor track meet at Madison Square Garden, but recovered in time to win his fifth straight race, this time in 4:10.2.

For seven of the 11 laps around the fine oval Bill Hulse, America's premier miler, fought every move Dodds made to take over, only to collapse on the eighth lap.

## Prep-Corvallis Battles Loom

MT. ANGEL—With the district 4 tournament ticket at stake, Mt. Angel's Preps and the Corvallis Spartans battle it off on the hardwood this week in a two-out-of-three series. Opening game is set for Corvallis Wednesday night, second game for Mt. Angel college gym Thursday night and final game, if necessary, for neutral Salem high school Friday night.

## Dr. Bohm Back With 'Skins

WASHINGTON, March 4 —(AP)—Dr. Wilbur Bohm has been reengaged as trainer for the Washington Redskins, professional football team.

## Portland Star Team Selected

PORTLAND, March 4 —(AP)—Six of the nine Portland public high schools placed one player each on the annual all-star basketball team named by coaches today.

## No Baker Five In Tournament

LA GRANDE, March 4 —(AP)—Baker's Bulldogs, second place quintet in last year's state high school basketball tournament, fell by the wayside in the district 1 title chase last night with a 31-28 defeat by Pendleton.

## Henley South B Champ

KLAMATH FALLS, March 4 —(AP)—Henley took the southern Oregon B basketball crown by edging Talent, Jackson county entry, 22-21 here last night. The Klamath county quintet will meet the victor in a Coos-Curry-Douglas county tourney for the right to a berth in the state B tournament.

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