

# Valley Leaguers Launch Cage Campaign Tonight

The Willamette Valley League launches the 1953 basketball campaign on four fronts tonight, with both Molalla and Woodburn nursing hopes of getting a hog-sized share of the crown which the two shared last season.

As the picture shapes, this could be a real dogfight between the WVL's eight teams, with Woodburn, Molalla, Dallas, Mt. Angel and Silverton appearing to have the best chances.

The two feature clashes of the opening round tonight put Silverton at Woodburn and Mt. Angel at Molalla. Other openers match Sandy against Canby on the latter's floor and Estacada at Dallas.

Woodburn's Bulldogs, winners over Newberg in their last outing, have three tried veterans in Sam Van Arsdale, Bob Withers and Delmar Wolf. Mt. Angel's Silvertons are plagued by lack of experience, but have a valuable

regular from last year in Leon McCammon and a scoring star from the Bee squad ranks in Larry Copple.

Budd Gronquist's Molalla Indians are okay in the experience department, with Fred Sandgren, Dave Hager, Stan Chidsey and the Eby brothers. Arden and Arden are among the main hopes. Gene Barrett's Mt. Angel Preps have good height, but no standout scorer. Ron Schmidt is their big man at 6-4 and other bulwarks

are Jim Zauner, Ralph Kumlinger, Loren Fee and Leo Buchheit.

Sandy's Pioneers and the Canby Cougars are in the midst of rebuilding jobs. Gordy Kunkle's Dallas Dragons also have greenness as a problem, though they took four of their first seven games. Truman's Eagles' Estacada Rangers likewise have problems of inexperience and lack of height.

All WVL openers start at 8 o'clock, with Jayvee prelims preceding.

## NCAA Grants Idaho Boxing Tournament

WASHINGTON (AP) — The National Collegiate Athletic Association picked the sites Monday for eight of its national championships, but reached no final decision on three of its more important meets: track, baseball and swimming.

The NCAA is beginning a six-day meeting here, a meeting in which the most controversial issue is expected to be: How much college football should be given television audience?

The television committee starts work Monday behind closed doors, with two all-day sessions scheduled.

The executive committee, headed by the NCAA president, Hugh C. Willett, of the University of Southern California, named these tournament sites and dates:

Tennis — Syracuse University, June 22-27.

Golf — Colorado College, June 21-27.

Cross Country — Michigan State, Nov. 23.

Boxing — Idaho State College, April 9, 10, 11.

Ice Hockey — Colorado College, March 12-14.

Fencing — University of Pennsylvania, March 27-28.

Wrestling — Pennsylvania State, March 27-28.

Gymnastics — Syracuse, March 27-28.

The basketball dates had been announced earlier. The NCAA basketball finals will be played in Omaha, June 11-16, but that the decision isn't final.

All the dates and sites are subject to approval of the association, but this normally is but a formality.

Other actions by the executive committee:

Decided to put in a recommendation that skiing be made an inter-collegiate sport, with a committee to study the possibility of a national collegiate skiing championship.

Try to find a method of shortening the elimination tournament for an Olympic basketball team. The committee felt a three-day tournament, on top of the regular NCAA meet, is too much.

In the only other action taken Monday, the directors of football's Hall of Fame started a move to raise funds for a one million dollar building at Rutgers, site of the first college football game.

## Dayton Defending King . . . Yawama Circuit Slates 1st Round of Cage War

Ole Johnson's Dayton Pirates will start defense of their Yawama League crown tonight—and team to beat off a pre-campaign mark that includes six wins and but one setback.

Dayton travels to Banks for the league opener against a Banks Braves outfit of questionable quality.

North Marion's Huskies, mentored by Bob Reed, go into the race minus last season's stars, Bob Diller and Bill McLaren. Ron Barendse seems to be the chief Husky threat as North Marion makes its league debut tonight by hosting Bruce Barker's Sheridan Spartans, Sheridan, which finished second to Dayton last season, lacks height, but has experience and hustle and stands to be a strong factor this campaign.

Another threat could be Willamina's Bulldogs, who take on Yamhill in their opener at Yamhill. Coach Tom Cowan is optimistic about his Bulldogs and has a good nucleus in such men as Roy Zimbrick, LeRoy Reaser and Louis Littlejohn.

Ray Stephens' Amity Warriors go into the race minus Bob Edgren, the Yamawa circuit's top individual scorer last season. Height is a problem confronting the Amity crew. The Warriors launch the race against Sherwood in the Amity floor. Sherwood has the problems of lack of height and speed.

### They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo

NINETY-NINE DAYS OUT OF A HUNDRED, MOM SENDS THE KIDS OFF TO SCHOOL NIFTY AS NEW WHITEWALL TIRES----

SEDLITZ—HOLD STILL NOW WHILE I TIE YOUR TIE—SHALIMAR WAIT A MINUTE—I WANT TO BRUSH YOUR HAIR AGAIN----

MAMA! WE HAD OUR PICTURES TAKEN AT SCHOOL TODAY!

AN' THE MAN SAID IT WAS GOING TO BE IN THE NEWS PAPER!!

OH, NO!

THANK AND A TIP OF THE HAT TO \$ MRS. T. ABBOTT, 420 N. POLK ST., PORTLAND, OREGON, "DAD"

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## Capitol Loop Hoopers Set Kings-X Tilts

Capitol League teams, their race not yet under way, engage in non-league hoop tussles tonight.

Salem Academy's Crusaders, boasting a mediocre mark to date, play host to Warren Schue's Central Panthers on the Academy floor starting at 8 o'clock.

Johnny Seim's Cascade Cougars are scheduled to battle Harrisburg on the Cougar boards, while Joe Boyle's Stayton Eagles host the unbeaten Mill City Timberwolves of the Marion County B League circuit. Philomath's Warriors, also a Capitol member, engage Ales.

Leo Grosjacques' Sacred Heart Cardinals are idle tonight, but swing back into action Wednesday night in a clash with Sublimity on the armory floor.

All games are slated for 8 o'clock, following Jayvee tilts.

## Angler's Aid



NEW YORK — Latest aid to fishermen who believe in being well prepared for that trout stream is the Angler's Aid. It's a sort of belt with nine water-tight plastic vials and a cigarette and match container. It is convenient as a tackle carrier and weighs only 10 ounces.

## DiMag Niche Assured for Hall of Fame

NEW YORK (AP) — Early tabulations of votes for baseball's Hall of Fame indicate that Joe DiMaggio, great New York Yankee centerfielder who resigned after the 1951 season, will lead the list of those to be named by the baseball writers this year.

With the deadline for ballots from about 300 writers eligible set at Jan. 15, the early returns show that the Yankee star is certain to add his name to the list of baseball immortals.

Announcement of those elected to add his name to the list of tabulations are completed.

DiMaggio, who sparked the Yankees to 10 pennants during his career, will be setting a precedent if and when he's elected. No one else ever has been named in their first year of eligibility during the 18 years of Hall of Fame balloting.

### Table of Coastal Tides

(compiled by U. S. Coast & Geodetic Survey, Portland, Ore.)

Jan.	Time	High	Low
1	4:48 a.m.	8.9	10:30 a.m.
2	4:05 p.m.	4.9	10:30 p.m.
3	3:18 a.m.	6.1	11:30 a.m.
4	2:30 p.m.	4.4	11:30 p.m.
5	1:36 a.m.	6.3	1:06 a.m.
6	1:21 p.m.	4.1	11:59 p.m.
7	12:36 a.m.	6.8	2:10 p.m.
8	12:25 p.m.	6.7	12:41 a.m.
9	11:32 p.m.	4.3	2:08 p.m.
10	10:34 a.m.	7.1	1:41 a.m.
11	10:37 p.m.	4.9	4:00 p.m.
12	9:36 a.m.	7.4	2:10 a.m.
13	11:29 p.m.	4.8	4:07 p.m.

## Rivera's Wife Wins Divorce

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Mrs. Maxine Wood Rivera was granted a divorce in circuit court Monday from Jim Rivera, a Chicago White Sox outfielder who formerly was with the St. Louis Browns.

Mrs. Rivera, 24, employed in an insurance office, charged general indignities. She did not seek alimony.

Rivera, 31, was charged last September with raping a young married woman in Chicago, but a grand jury refused to indict him. He did not contest the divorce suit.

Mrs. Rivera said she and Rivera were married in Puerto Rico Oct. 12, 1951, and separated last June.

## Gridiron's Grand Old Man Improving

STOCKTON, Calif. (AP) — Amos Alonzo Stagg, 90, football's "Grand Old Man" was reported improving Monday from an intestinal ailment that has hospitalized him since New Year's Eve.

Dr. Langley Collis said Stagg's temperature was normal Monday, for the first time since he was admitted to the hospital.

Collis said that if Stagg continues his recovery, he will be able to go to his bed before the end of the week.

## Golfers Honor Eugene Grace

NEW YORK (AP) — Eugene G. Grace, chairman of the board of Bethlehem Steel, has been voted the man who contributed the most to golf over the years.

The Metropolitan Golf Writers Association, in announcing the selection, said Mr. Grace will be honored at the association's annual dinner here Jan. 29.

Trophies will be presented to Grace, Mrs. Jacqueline Pung, the Women's Amateur champion from Hawaii; Julius Boros, U. S. Open champion from Bridgeport, Conn.; Jack Westland, amateur titleist from Everett, Wash., and Tom Robbins, of Winged Foot, Mamaroneck, N. Y., national senior champion.

## Look and Learn

- By A. C. Gordon
1. Where did the famous Charge of the Light Brigade take place?
  2. What material is most generally used in the world for clothing?
  3. What English Queen became the first Empress of India?
  4. Which is the shortest of the Gospels?
  5. Who was called the "Wizard of Horticulture"?

- ANSWERS
1. At Balaklava, on the Crimean Peninsula, Russia, in 1854.
  2. Cotton.
  3. Queen Victoria, of England (1819-1901).
  4. St. Mark.
  5. Luther Burbank (1849-1926).

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**BLONDIE**

**THE OLD LADY HAS NO TEETH! HER WHISTLES HAVE A SPITTING SOUND!**

**THEY'VE CAUGHT UP TO US, JUDGE!**

**THIS IS IT! YOU GET THE CASH BACKED WHILE I GET THE PLANE TICKETS.**

**LATER-- HE ISN'T HEADED OUT YOUR WAY AT ALL! TRACY, HE'S GONE TO THE OFFICE OF JUDGE RULINGS IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING.**

**DICK TRACY**

**YOU HAVE NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT, DEAR-- YOUR JOB IS TO STAND IN THE PLACE OF DOLLY DAWN UNTIL THE LIGHTS AND CAMERAS ARE READY--**

**GOLLY, MRS. TRANQUEEL-- YOU MEAN I JUST GOTTA STAND THERE? I DON'T HAVTA DO NOTHING OR SAYA NOTHIN'? AN' THEY PAY ME A HUNDRED DOLLARS A WEEK??**

**WELL, IT DON'T SOUND HONEST TO HAVE A JOB DON' NOthin' AN' GETTIN' PAID FOR DOIN' IT--**

**THEY ALSO SERVE WHO ONLY STAND AND WAIT-- STANDING STILL AND WAITING IS HARD WORK.**

**OH, NOW I KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN-- IT'S LIKE HAVIN' A JOB WAITIN' FOR A STREET CAR TO COME ALONG ON A STREET WHERE THERE AIN'T NO CAR TRACKS--**

**LITTLE ANNIE ROONEY**

**TAXI, SENOR? YES, HOTEL ALCAZAR.**

**LUCKY ARRIVES BACK IN PANAZUELA WITH THE PRECIOUS BRIEFCASE.**

**SEVEN MINUTES LATER A SPEEDING STATION WAGON SWERVES IN FRONT OF THE TAXI.**

**HEY! LOOK OUT!**

**BAM!**

**BUZZ SAWYER**

**GHUD-SHY, NUMBER 2B-773!**

**GOSH... I'D FEEL SORRY FOR THEM... IF I DIDN'T KNOW THEY WERE JUST A LOT OF WHEELS AND GADGETS...!**

**GEE... I'M SORRY, OHM-EYE! I FORGOT YOU WERE ONE OF THEM!**

**THAT'S OKAY, MICKIE! YOU'RE KNIGHT! WE'RE JUST A LAHT OF WHEELS!**

**MICKY MOUSE**

**OH, MR. KIRBY! WHY... ALL I DON'T EXPECT YOU BACK SO SOON.**

**I'LL START FOR GRAND CENTRAL STATION RIGHT AWAY, MR. FIELD... DO TRY TO GET SOME REST NOW...**

**FORGET MY GLOVES, MISS HARPER... THOUGHTLESS OF ME, YOU DON'T, BY ANY CHANCE, HAVE WORD FOR ME FROM MR. FIELD?**

**NO NOTHING YET, BUT I'LL BE IN TOUCH WITH YOU AS SOON AS I KNOW WHEN YOU CAN SEE HIM.**

**VERY WELL, MISS HARPER, BUT MAY I REMIND YOU THAT THIS IS A MURDER INVESTIGATION? I EXPECT YOUR HELP!**

**RIP KIRBY**

**Corky, I'm glad you phoned me about that date you heard Estler make with her "Red."**

**Yeah?**

**Unbelievable, Sis!**

**As I told you, he wasn't there, but the speedster was!**

**She took the key out of her purse and drove it away as if it were hers.**

**I wouldn't trust her with any key of mine!**

**GASOLINE FLEY**

**RIDDLES-- RUN IN TH' PANTRY AN' SEE WHAT EBENEZER KNOCKED OVER**

**IT SOUNDED LIKE HE BUSTED SOMETHIN'**

**WAA!-- WHAT WUZ IT??**

**MOLASSES!!**