

Linfield, Willamette Await Crucial Battles In Romp for NW Title

Both the Linfield Wildcats and Willamette Bearcats, foremost aspirants for the Northwest Conference basketball championship, Friday move into the two games that could quite conceivably decide which of the two is to pick up the marbles when the race is over. They collide here Friday night and at McMinnville Saturday.

Has 261 Points Carver in Score Lead

Roy Carver, the Falls City scoring whiz, continues to dominate high school basketball scoring figures in this area. The 5-9 star has scored 261 points in 11 games for a 23.7 average, both tops in the mid-Willamette Valley, according to Statesman statistics.

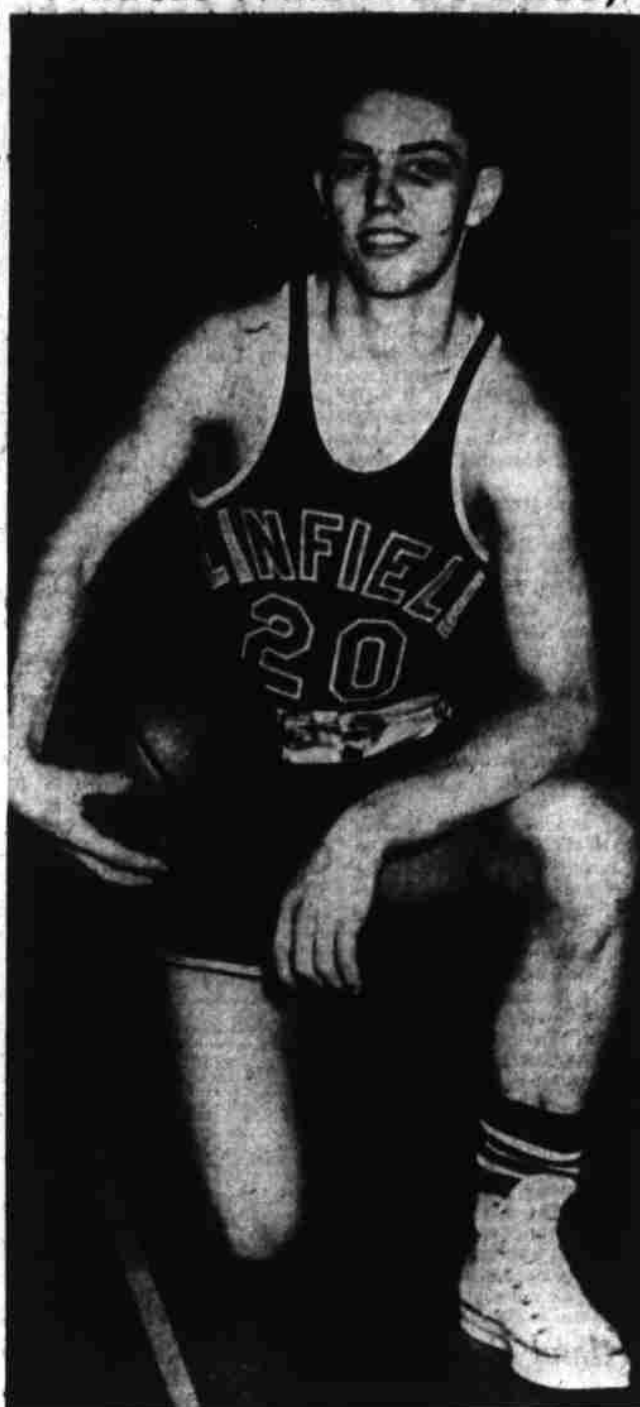
Only two other preppers were averaging more than 20 points per game through Tuesday night. They were Burt Lundmark of Clifton, who is hitting the net at a 22.5 average in four games, and Corvallis' Bruce Fleming, who is averaging 20.3 for his first six league games.

Carver also has a big lead in total points. Eddie Belin of Chemawa, another Marion B League, is second with 207 and Jim Regan of Sherwood is third with 193.

In the various leagues, Fleming leads District 8 A-1 scorers by seven points over runner-up John Wilson of Albany. Jim Littlefield of North Salem, last week's leader, has dropped to fourth behind Wayne Roberts of Sweet Home. Roberts has 103, Littlefield 101. Those four are all alone at the top.

Bill Turner continues to pace the Capital Conference. The North Marion star has 142 points for an average of 15.8 in nine games. Turner lost 13 points off his lead last week, but he's still 20 ahead of Vic Bellegue of Woodburn, who has 122. Denny Frank of Serra and Roger Ward of Stayton are (Continued page 10, col. 4)

Wildcat Whiz Here Friday



The mighty mite of the Linfield Wildcats, who play Willamette here Friday night in a Northwest Conference basketball game, is Jack Riley, above, 5-foot, 8-inch sophomore. He made the All-Conference team as a freshman last season.

One-Fourth Of Players Not Signed

Baseball Clubs Face Many Talks

By BEN OLAN
The Associated Press

Twenty-five per cent of the players on major league baseball rosters, including National League home run king Hank Aaron, world series hero Lew Burdette and New York Yankee star Mickey Mantle, have yet to sign contracts for the 1958 season.

This was shown today in an Associated Press survey. The actual total of unsigned players is 133. The Boston Red Sox lead the pack with 19 followed by Milwaukee's champion Braves with 15.

Among the other standout players not in the fold are Roy Sievers of Washington, Billy Pierce of the Chicago White Sox, Harvey Kuenn of Detroit, Minnie Minoso of Cleveland, Whitey Ford and Bill Skowron of the Yanks, Ed Bailey and Brooks Lawrence of Cincinnati, Johnny Antonelli of the San Francisco Giants and Ed Mathews of the Braves.

Except for the St. Louis Cardinals, who have signed all their players, each club will have to do a lot of contract negotiating between now and the March 1 official start of spring training. Some will probably have to go beyond that date.

The Tigers still have not satisfied 15 players and the Yankees 14. Philadelphia, and Baltimore are next with 12 each. Washington has 11, Kansas City 10. Then come the Pittsburgh Pirates, 10, Chicago White Sox, 9; Cincinnati, 8; Cleveland, 6; San Francisco, 3; Los Angeles, 4 and the Chicago Cubs, only 2.

Sievers, Aaron and Antonelli are among those who have publicly announced dissatisfaction with the contracts offered them.

Sievers, the American League home run leader, has asked that his salary be doubled. He received around \$19,000 last season and Washington President Cal Griffith reportedly is offered no more than \$30,000.

Aaron, who had 44 homers and 114 runs batted in coupled with a .322 batting average, hauled in \$30,000 in 1957. His most recent comment was "the Braves and I are far apart."

Antonelli, an 18-game loser, is bucking a sizable cut. He received an estimated \$35,000 last year.

Mantle, who won the American League's Most Valuable Player award for the second straight season, has had one salary talk with the Yankees' front office. He received about \$60,000 in 1957 and is believed to be asking \$75,000.

Burdette has been too busy on the winter banquet circuit to say much about his contract. He is reportedly asking for a \$10,000 boost to \$45,000.

Pilots Drop Montana St.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 12 (AP)—The University of Portland broke an early second-half tie and went on to defeat Montana State 77-54 in a non-conference basketball game here tonight.

It was Portland's second victory in as many nights over Montana State. And a freshman tonight led the Portland triumph.

Last night 6-9 Ray Scott scored 22 points as Portland won 74-63. Tonight Jim Altenhofen, a 6-5 forward, sank 19 points and helped Portland pile up a 50-18 edge in rebounds.

Montana State tied the score 33-33 early in the second half before a flurry of points by Altenhofen and Dick Jolley scooped Portland into a safe 55-43 lead with 10 minutes remaining in the game.

Jolley scored 18 points. Larry Chanay topped Montana State with 15.

Casanova to Talk At Breakfast Club

Len Casanova, who coached the University of Oregon to the Pacific Coast Conference co-championship and a berth in the Rose Bowl, will be the featured speaker at this week's Salem Breakfast Club meeting. The session will start at 7:30 a.m. Friday at the Senator Hotel. The meeting is open to all the male public and SBC president Jerry Long has extended a special invitation to all Oregon grads in the area.

Casanova and coach Tom Prothro of Oregon State were recently named co-winners of the "Man of the Year" award in Oregon sports.



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Aching Muscles Prove It's Been a Long Winter



SCOTTSDALE, Ariz., Feb. 12—Coach Al Vincent watches four players kick the kinks out of their legs as the first group of Baltimore Orioles open spring training at their Scottsdale base today. (AP Wirephoto)



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Can't Concentrate on Cards . . .

Hungarian Runner Overjoyed by Trip

BUDAPEST, Feb. 12 (AP)—Istvan Rozsavolgyi, Hungary's great middle distance runner, leaves by plane tonight to compete in American indoor track meets.

Although the slim, blond flyer holds several world records and is a member of elite four-minute mile club, he is not all base about his first trip to the United States.

When he heard that his visa finally had been granted, he overbid his hand in a card game and lost his cash.

"Who cares about money if you can make a visit to America," he asked excitedly.

Rozsavolgyi, who will be 29 next month, was disappointed greatly when it seemed at first he would be unable to make the journey. Hungarian Communist papers reported that he had been refused a visa.

Then someone seemed to have put on the pressure in Washington. American officials explained that it was all just a delay due to the security checks required on visitors from Communist countries. The visa arrived from Washington only last Saturday, after he had missed two indoor meets in the U.S.

During the interval, the Hungarians retaliated by finding all sorts of obstacles in the way of visits from Americans.

Now that everything is set, (Continued page 10, col. 2)

Grelle Sets Mile Races

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Feb. 12 (Special)—Oregon's fine junior miler, Jim Grelle, steps into the tough indoor winter track competition for the first time Saturday night when he runs against Villanova's Ron Delaney and a number of other outstanding stars at the New York Athletic Club meet in Madison Square Garden.

Grelle is scheduled for a 10-day stay in the east and will compete again on Saturday, Feb. 22, at the national AAU championships in Madison Square Garden. The Web-foot mile ace will train during the week between meets at Yale University at New Haven, Conn.

Coach Bill Bowerman thinks Grelle will give a good account of himself at the Garden, even though he is a rookie at running on the tricky board tracks.

Grelle finished second to Delaney last spring in the NCAA meet at Austin, Texas.

Virginia Hires Voris As Head Grid Coach

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., Feb. 12 (AP)—The University of Virginia switched from the Navy to the Army today in naming its ninth head football coach.

He is Dick Voris, 36, an assistant to Earl Blaik at West Point since 1953.

Voris got a three-year contract a salary that was not disclosed but reported to be in excess of \$10,000 a year. He succeeds Ben Martin, who resigned last month to become head coach at the Air Force Academy.

Martin came to Virginia from Annapolis, where he was an assistant under Eddie Erdelatz at Navy.

Virginia found its new coach after a 13-day hunt, spurred on by the imminence of spring practice. Voris was the unanimous selection of the university's athletic council. He was approved also today by the board of visitors, who were polled by telephone.

Voris was one of six men interviewed for the Virginia vacancy.

Others who came here to talk with university officials were Bill Leckony, head coach at Lehigh; Carl Wise, former head coach at Washington & Lee and now an assistant at Georgia Tech; Burt Smith, an assistant at Michigan State; Ernie Belfer, end coach at Pitt, and Harrison Nesbit, line coach under Martin. Leckony and Wise withdrew their names from consideration.

Voris was a line coach for the professional Los Angeles Rams, and head coach at Hartnell Junior College in California, where his teams zipped to a 21-0 record in three years. He inherits a Virginia team that record a 3-6-1 record last year, playing in the rough Atlantic Coast Conference.

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Over Suzuzina

Giardello in Fight Win

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12 (AP)—Joey Giardello, fourth-ranking middleweight, kept alive his hopes of a summer title fight tonight winning a unanimous 10-round decision over Franz Suzuzina, a rough customer from Bremen, Germany. Giardello weighed 160½ and Suzuzina 160 for the Arena brawl.

The 27-year-old Giardello, who hopes to meet the winner of the March 25 Carmen Basilio-Ray Robinson title fight, was pressed all the way to whip the German, who now lives in Long Island, N.Y.

Giardello used a long overhand right and solid combination punches to pile up points under the maximum 5-point per round Pennsylvania system.

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SPORTSLIGHTNER

by Al Lightner

This, that, etc.:

You'll not be able to watch the March 25 Basilio-Robinson title battle on your TV set, but you won't have far to go if you do want to see it via live video. Portland fistic promoter Tommy Moyer tells us the bout will be shown that night in the Portland Civic Auditorium. . . .

Bearcat mentor Johnny Lewis, hoping to defeat a helpful clue or two, scouted the Linfields in their recent series with St. Martin's. Roy Helser's band put forth with one of its worst performances, one that had even boss Helser perplexed. Net result: Lewis is now more confused than ever. . . . Neither side can afford to have a bad night this weekend. . . .

When the real reason for Bob Freitas' decision to withdraw as a candidate for the Salem Senators business management is known, we believe it will find him employed in Bill DeWitt's Minor Leagues baseball office as a field man, one who bounces about the country visiting the various minor league clubs. . . . At the rate the minor circuits have been folding up (59 in 1949, now only 25), Freitas won't have much bouncing to do. . . .

Enger Ninth Salem Senators Biz Boss

Speaking of the Salem business management, young John Enger is the ninth in the history of the ball club here. The late "Bubblin' Biddy" Bishop was No. 1, in 1940 when George E. Waters brought the Senators to town. Howard Maple was No. 2, in 1941 after Bishop was discharged by Mrs. Waters, who took over command of the organization after her husband's death at the conclusion of the 1940 season. We were No. 3, during the 1942 campaign which was still under Mrs. Waters' direction.

Then when the Portland Beavers bought out the park and franchise and resumed operation in 1946 following the war, George Emigh was the BM for five years. The start of the Hugh Luby managerial regime in 1951, when the outfit was purchased from Portland by a local group, brought in Mike Radan as biz-boss that season. Deke Walker, the Willamette grad now with the State Parole Board succeeded Radan in '52. Then followed a four-year span during which Luby was the generalissimo of both the office and the field, splitting (Continued page 10, Col. 1)

Feature Won By Solid Son

ARCADIA, Calif., Feb. 12 (AP)—Solid Son, a fast improving son of the good California Stallion Solidarity, won the \$28,900 San Luis Rey Handicap today at Santa Anita. He ran the mile and one half on the Camine Road grass course in 2:30 3/5 and picked up \$17,350 for owner Carl Ricles.

Solid Son was the second choice in the betting behind entry of Special Look and Whatitoldyou, and he paid \$9.40, \$6.30 and \$3.30. Roscoe Manley, from Mrs. Ethel D. Jacobs' stable, was second and paid \$7.50 and \$4.00, with Whatitoldyou showing for \$3.10.

'Bat' Wins Mat Verdict In Armory Main Tussle

The masked 'Bat' beat Karl von Himmer back into the ring after the two had battled on the Armory floor in their main event last night, and it got for him the win in the one-fall-to-a-finish sortie.

As both swung away at one another on the floor, ref Al Szasz also swung away, with his count toward the fatal "20." The masked hunk got in the final lick on the whickered German, which knocked him, and then scrambled back into the ring at "19." Chesty Karl didn't make it. But he was a rather hot item when he finally did get back to discover what had happened.

The grudge had been set for the 2-of-3 run, but both grapplers agreed to go for the one-to-a-finish. It lasted about 15 minutes and they wasted no time getting

at one another along the way. The semiwindup swiped the show. It was a sizzling tag team scrap involving Nick Kozak and Herbie Freeman on one side, Haru Sasaki and the ultramean Wild Bill Savage on the other. This one went the full 45-minutes to a draw, and the entire 45 minutes was loaded with action that had the fans in one uproar after another. Sasaki got the first fall with his sleeper hold on Kozak, but dashing Nick got even in the second with his spectacular airplane spin. The opener between Bill Fletcher and Bob Hesse was also a draw, this one with no falls in 20 minutes. Hesse appeared despite a bad gash on his head, suffered at Albany the other night when a customer swung a chair at Sasaki, missed and hit Hesse instead.

FRIDAY GAMES (District 8 A-1 Preps)

Corvallis at South Salem, North Salem at Albany, Lebanon at Sweet Home.

(Capital Conference)

Silverton at Serra Catholic, Mt. Angel at Woodburn, Stayton at Gervais, North Marion at Cascade.

(Yavama League)

Dayton at Salem Academy, Sheridan at Philomath, Yamhill at Amity, Sherwood at Banks, (Willamette Valley League)

Madras at Dallas, Central HI at Sandy, Canby at Malina.

(Marion B Major)

Santiam at Sublimity, Jefferson at Colton.

(Marion B Minor)

Deaf School at Valselt, Chemawa at St. Paul, Falls City at Perrydale, MacLaren at Detroit.

(Junior High League)

Grays-Warriors at Leslie, E. Blues-Cards at Leslie, 4, Golds-Pioneers at Parrish, 4.

COLLEGE GAMES (Northwest Conference)

Linfield at Willamette, 8, Whitman at Pacific U., 8, College of Ida. at Lewis-Clark, 8.

(Coast Conference)

UCLA at Washington State, Southern Cal at Stanford, (Oregon Collegiate)

East. Oregon at Ore. College, 8, So. Oregon at Portland State, 8.

SATURDAY GAMES (Northwest Conference)

Willamette Linfield, 8, Whitman at Pacific U., 8, College of Ida. at Lewis-Clark, 8.

(Coast Conference)

Oregon at Washington, UCLA at Idaho, Southern Cal at California, (Oregon Collegiate)

East. Oregon at Oregon College, So. Oregon at Portland State.

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