

Pro Basketball Meeting, Draft Slated for Monday

Sports-Log

By Gordon Rice

One of the most frustrating feelings in track is to break a record, then not get credit because somebody else broke it by a little more. That happened to several local teams in the Hayward Relays at Eugene last week, and it's likely to happen much more this season.

For example, Canby's Dick Inlow threw the javelin 177 feet 5 inches at Eugene. That's 2 feet 3 inches better than the old record of 175-2 set by Eagle Point's Wayne Christian last year. But Inlow finished no better than third. In fact, Serra's Tom Giepenberg, who finished fourth in the event, also broke the old record with a toss of 176-3/4.

And North Marion's fine two-mile relay team broke the record in that race by some eight seconds, yet finished only third. That, friends, is what sportswriters like to call "an all-out assault on the records."

This seems to be the year everyone is taking dead aim on discus marks. From the world record right on down to the state high school level. First came Al Oerter's phenomenal 202-foot throw to eclipse Fortune Gordien's world record. Now the high school records are beginning to tumble. At Centralia, Wash., Friday, Ken Fry tossed the plate 161 feet 9 inches to break Ray Kinnaman's 1954 record of 161-3. Kinnaman, who also performed for Centralia, was the holder of the Willamette Relays novice discus record, until Serra's Ken Neuberger broke that this year.

The national high school record, incidentally, is 184 feet 2 3/4 inches, set by Oerter in 1954 when he was attending high school in Floral Park, N. Y. . . .

Central Missed World Record . . .

Typographical errors are the terror of every newspaperman's life, and the Statesman staff is no exception. So, for the benefit of anyone who questioned Central High's time of 1:14.7 in the 880-yard relay last Monday, it wasn't a world's record, it was a typo. The actual time was 1:14.7, quite a bit over the world's record set by the U. S. Olympic team of Leamon Kling, Andy Standfield, Thane Baker and Bobby Morrow at Melbourne.

Even so, we claim that it isn't as unusual as the mark for the 400-yard dash listed recently in an Idaho paper. The winning mark in that race was "54 feet 4 inches" . . .

While Dyrrol Burleson has been deservedly getting most of the attention in track circles this season, little Corbett High School has come with a miler who is well worth watching for future greatness. His name is Dave Hemminger, and he's still an underclassman, but he was timed in a 4:29.3 mile at the Hayward Relays. You'll be hearing about him in the future. . . .

Corbett Off to Fast Start . . .

Corbett, by the way, has started off in track competition with a big noise. This is their first year and the team is made up entirely of sophomores and juniors, but they placed fifth in the Hayward meet and would have won it with a little more depth here and there. That's the way winning traditions are started.

And speaking of winning traditions, Medford finally ran afoul of the track averages. After six straight team titles at Eugene, the Black Tornado fell to an embarrassing seventh this time. It's the worst the southerners have ever done; before this year they had entered 16 times, won 13, and finished second the other three. Their losses were to Klamath Falls in 1948 and 1951, the latter by 3/4 of a point, and to Vancouver in 1941. . . .

Saxons May Loose Coach-To-Be . . .

South Salem may find itself in the position of losing a coach before he starts. Don Empey, now the assistant track manager, was scheduled to take over the head coaching job next season, but rumor has it he's in line to become the Dean of Boys at Bend. . . .

The Pacific Coast colleges, which don't have enough to do with baseball, track, golf, tennis and crew in their spring sports calendar, are getting down to the serious business of spring football practice. Things are looking up especially at Idaho and Washington State, if opening turnouts are any indication. Skip Stahley had 61 for his opening drill at Moscow, and the Cougars came up with 68. That's a far cry from the near past when the Vandals only had 37 players and worried about fielding a team. . . .

Solons Open On Thursday

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Two from Vero Beach, Fla. According to the manager, other members of the Senators club slated to roll in from Clarkston Tuesday include pitchers Er Aldridge, Hal Larned, Humberto Marquez and Gus Carmichael, general handyman Dennis Peterson, third baseman Rigoberto Mendoza and outfielder Jerry Gregg.

Lundberg likely will turn Mendoza back to the Cincinnati outfit for his presence gives the Senators six veterans, which is one over the NWL limit.

Lundberg, Dunn, Parker, Moreci and Kindsfater are the five vets the manager intends going along with. There is no doubt about Dunn's ability, and Kindsfater should be one of the top hurlers in the league again this year. Both Parker and Moreci have been looking very good at Clarkston.

The Solons are slated to play Lewiston both Sunday and Monday in final games, and Lundberg intends working pitchers Larned and Aldridge in the first game and Kindsfater and Marquez in the second.

There were two casualties in the Salem camp Saturday, although neither was listed as serious. Pitcher Marquez underwent a tooth extraction, and rookie Williams was bashed in the leg by a flying bat. The blow did some damage, requiring four stitches. But Williams likely will be able to play Sunday, according to the doctor who patched him up.

Lewiston Mgr. Hills Layne was having his batting flick before the rains came, and accidentally let loose of the bat. It struck Williams on the leg.

FULLER FIGHT OFF

SALT LAKE CITY (U) — Former middleweight champ Gene Fuller said Saturday night he has cancelled his May 2 bout in Louisville, Ky., with German Franz Szauna because a kidney infection has failed to clear up in time.

Baylor to Be Picked Gambee Among Top Favorites

DETROIT (U) — The National Basketball Association will hold its annual draft session Monday and Tuesday in Detroit.

Owners and officials of eight teams will gather in various meetings Monday with the player draft scheduled for noon the following day. League officials have not indicated what will be taken up at the session but it is expected that they will consider a bid by Max Winter to put a team in Chicago.

The league will pick a site for the 1959 NBA All-Star game, held in St. Louis this year. Owner Fred Zollner of the Detroit Pistons, the league's newest entry, says the annual classic has been promised to Detroit.

The draft session is expected to go on no more than eight or 10 rounds. The Pistons are the only team without a first-round choice, having dealt off their first pick to the New York Knickerbockers for guard Dick McGuire.

Archie Dees of Indiana, the Big Ten's leading scorer the past two seasons, is expected to be one of the first players selected in the draft.

Elgin Baylor, Seattle's All America performer, will be picked early, too. Although he is a junior, his original class is graduating and that makes him eligible for the draft.

Other names mentioned prominently in the early selections are Lloyd Sharrar of West Virginia's Mountaineers, Connie Dierking of Cincinnati, Guy Rodgers and Jay Norman of Temple, Mike Farmer of San Francisco, Barney Cable of Bradley, Dave Gambee of Oregon State, Pete Brennan of North Carolina, Alex (Boo) Ellis of Minnesota and George Kline of Minnesota.

Opener on May 3

Race Dates Set at Bowl

Valley Sports auto-racing officials, getting things ship-shape at Hollywood Bowl for another campaign, yesterday announced the schedule of events for the month of May.

The 1958 inaugural is tabbed for Saturday night, May 3, and will feature the zany hard tops of the Capital Auto Racing Association.

On Saturday night, May 10, the stock cars of the Northwest Stock Car Racing Association are to make their Salem debut, and then one week later on May 17 the modified (souped up) hard tops move in for their first program.

The mighty midgeets take over on Saturday, May 24, and the season's first destruction derby, always a very popular item with H-Bowl fans, will be held on Saturday, May 31.

The original Joie Chitwood Auto Daredevil Show is booked for a Salem visit June 6, according to the officials.

Meanwhile all drivers and car owners belonging to the Capital Auto Racing Association are to hold an important meeting this Tuesday night, eight o'clock, at the Silver Inn on Silverton Road here. New CARA officers this year are Jack Duncan, president, Ray Hiebert, vice president and Walter Gagle, secretary-treasurer.

The Indianapolis type big cars are to race today at Portland Speedway in Portland, with time trials at 1:30 p.m. Among the entries is Coke Williams, veteran big car driver from Mill City and Salem.

Wildcats Snare 3-Way Track Go

McMINNVILLE (U) — Linfield won 14 of 15 events and completely outdistanced Southern Oregon and George Fox in a track meet here Saturday.

Linfield, led by Bill Machamer's twin victories in the 220 and 440, collected 12 1/2 points. Southern Oregon got only 3 1/2 and George Fox but 5.

by Al Lightner

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As for Canadian football, big John played on both offense and defense for the Saskatchewan Roughriders in his freshman year, and at times moved to defensive end.

Five Backs, Line Spacing Pose Problems

"Those five runners in the opposing backfield, all allowed to be in motion at the same time, has you wondering which way they went at times," confessed John. "But I guess the toughest thing to get used to in Canadian football is the spacing on the line of scrimmage. When you line up you've got to be at least one yard away from the ball. Consequently there is none of that head-to-head stuff we have in our college play in this country, and the timing for blocking and charging in the line that we learned here is almost useless up there."

Witte plans on being around the Northwest mat circles until late June, when he must again report to the Saskatchewan Roughriders. He's finding that wrestling not only keeps him hardened, but also keeps his weight at almost exactly the same level he carried at Oregon State—230 pounds. . . .

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'Bold Action' Asked to Combat Slump

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In a challenge to President Eisenhower, who has urged caution on several big measures proposed in Congress, Johnson said that "personally, I don't intend to sit it out."

In a broad indictment of what he labeled the "complacent contentment" of the administration in economic, trade and defense fields, the Democratic leader said in an address prepared for the American Society of Newspaper Editors:

"Too many things have gone too far wrong for me, as an American, to accept the proposition that I must not react vigorously. I believe that vigor is precisely what the moment requires."

Like Not Mentioned

Nowhere did Johnson mention Eisenhower or the Republican administration. But despite his assertion that "it is idle to criticize any one group, any one individual, or any one party," he made clear he was directing his shafts at the GOP President and his associates.

Johnson asserted the country had allowed far more income to decline and had seen "business ex-

pansion retract and crumple under the weight of burdensome money costs." He said the economy formerly flourished "under the stimulus of necessary spending for necessary public works; yet we have painstakingly deleted such works from our national program for too long."

The Democratic leader has criticized Eisenhower for his vetoes of bills to freeze farm price supports for a year or above 1957 levels and another measure to authorize 1 1/2 billion dollars worth of new rivers and harbors projects.

Eisenhower has opposed any massive public works program at this time because he contends it would feed inflation.

On this point Johnson said: "I do not question that our government has an obligation to har-

ness runaway inflation. But I do say that there is an equal obligation to keep a bridge on recession before it runs away."

"I, for one, want to hear America's cash registers ring again. I, for one, want to see America's workmen cashing private enterprise pay checks, not relief checks."

"I want to know that America's businessmen are going to the bank to borrow productive capital and not to renew and extend old loans."

Johnson said there are those who assumed the recession would end of its own accord.

"There is an appealing plausibility to the hope that times will be better come November," he said.

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