

Eugene Beats UHS 38-27 To Top District League

Missed Gift Shots Costly To Uni High's Chances

DISTRICT 5 LEAGUE

Standings	W	L	Pts.	Opp.
Eugene	10	2	119	78
St. Mary's	8	4	100	60
Springfield	7	5	80	56
University	6	6	58	50
College Grove	5	7	50	48
Junction City	4	8	37	35

Eugene high's talented Axemen were vulnerable to defeat Thursday night at McArthur court, but managed to batter out a 38-27 victory over their traditional intra-city rivals, University high, in a District 5 league basketball game.

It was the third straight district triumph for Ford Mullen's potentially powerful but impotent courtmen, providing the westsiders with at least a temporary half-game margin over St. Mary's for the league lead.

Had Hank Kuchera's Golden Tiders made a fair percentage instead of only five freethrows in their 19 gifts shots at the hump the score would most certainly have been closer and may have completely changed the outcome of the contest—Eugene's 12th victory in 14 starts against prep rivals.

The Campus clubbers made only two of 13 freethrow opportunities in the first half, which ended with Eugene ahead by only four points, 18-12. After missing three gifters, Uni high drew first blood two minutes following the opening whistle, when Bob Fields tallied from behind the key, Eugene trailed until after three minutes of play when Ernie Danner connected with one of several effective fake pivot shots to put the Axemen out in front 3-2. From then on the defending district champs were never headed or tied, but failed to enjoy a safe margin until mid-way in the third quarter.

Coin Collects Early Fouls
Eugene held an 8-4 lead at the quarter and pushed the advantage to nine points mid-way in the second period. Timely scores by Dale Lambert, Jerry Switzer and Les Baldinger cut the margin to four points at halftime. Ray Cain, high-scoring Eugene forward, was forced to play under wraps after collecting his third foul, three minutes after the second quarter opened.

Baldinger, high Uni High man with 10 points, cut loose with a follow-up from near the key at the start of the second half, closing the gap to two points. But a sustained offensive by Eugene pushed the advantage to 26-16 in the next four minutes. The end of the third period saw Eugene with a 32-23 lead.

University didn't have a prayer in the final frame as the Axemen rolled up a 14-point advantage with less than four minutes remaining. Mullen sent in two units of substitutes late in the game. Jerry Switzer shines.

While Eugene made a creditable showing, it was not up to par. Switzer, the lanky University center, was the best man on the court. He did a stellar job at the backboards.

Both teams employed a zone defense, but Uni high checked far down the court. The game, until the last period, was more closely contested than the score indicates. In the preliminary game, Fritz Kramer's Hatchmen (B squad), unbeaten to date, had their toughest battle of the season to score a 39-23 victory over the UHS Bs, after leading 17-11 at halftime. Doug Gibson scored 10 for the winners and Dick Hardisty eight for the losers.

Summaries:

UNIVERSITY (20)	W	L	Pts.	Opp.
Fields, f	1	0	3	4
Peters, f	1	0	3	4
Switzer, c	1	0	3	4
Baldinger, f	1	0	3	4
Lambert, f	1	0	3	4
Hardisty, f	1	0	3	4
TOTALS	6	0	18	12

EUGENE (28)

P	F	T	Pts.	Opp.
McKevitt, f	1	0	3	4
Cain, f	1	0	3	4
Danner, c	1	0	3	4
Fassett, f	1	0	3	4
Wolf, f	1	0	3	4
McGuire, f	1	0	3	4
Gilman, f	1	0	3	4
Muster, f	1	0	3	4
W. Calloway, f	1	0	3	4
Speicher, c	1	0	3	4
Purdue, f	1	0	3	4
Island, f	1	0	3	4
Hutchinson, f	1	0	3	4
Berg, f	1	0	3	4
Thompson, f	1	0	3	4
TOTALS	13	8	38	27

Halftime score: University 13, Eugene 13.
Missed freethrows: University (14), Fields 2, Peters 2, Switzer 2, Baldinger 2, Lambert 2, Hardisty 2, McKevitt, Cain, Danner, Fassett, Holland.
Officials: Bill Robinson, Ed Sigmond.

SECOND-TEAM GAME

UNIVERSITY (20)	W	L	Pts.	Opp.
Brugger, f	1	0	3	4
Sargent, f	1	0	3	4
White, f	1	0	3	4
Croft, f	1	0	3	4
Nardisty, f	1	0	3	4
Rogers, f	1	0	3	4
O'Brien, f	1	0	3	4
Martin, f	1	0	3	4
Lusk, f	1	0	3	4
Blackstad, f	1	0	3	4
TOTALS	10	0	30	10

Officials: Hogan and Hixson.

Red Wings Gain On Bruins With 3-2 Win

(United Press)
The Red Wings came through with a pair of goals in the final period Thursday night to shade the league-leading Boston Bruins 3-2 before 8329 fans at Detroit and climb within five points of first place in the National hockey league.

The Maple Leafs matched the New York Rangers goal for goal in a wild final period to register a 7-4 triumph at Toronto. The Montreal Canadiens and Black Hawks battled to a 4-4 tie at Chicago before a crowd of 7431.



CENTER JERRY SWITZER of University high is shown here making a score after recovering a rebound. He did effective work under both baskets but his team lost 38-27 to Eugene at the Igloo Thursday. Others in the picture, left to right, Bob Fields, Ray Cain (Eugene-11), Les Baldinger (UHS-6), and Ernie Danner (Eugene-7), high scorer with 13 points. (Henry Tobey photo, Wilshire engraving)

Highclimber By DICK STRITE

When Bill Carney broke into the Portland Beaver-Ducks lineup in the Pacific Coast league last summer one of his outstanding accomplishments was fine fielding, so we've been waiting for the official Coast league figures with interest.

We really expected to see the southpaw outfielder have the best statistical record of any fly chaser in the circuit, but find that the former Webfoot was topped by Kern Lewis of the San Francisco Seals... Figuring the averages out on a per-game basis, Lewis averaged .1886 assists per game as compared to Carney's .1836... But Bill topped the league in double plays, with an average of .0727 per game to Lewis' .0523... These figures are for players who saw action in 50 or more games.

Bill's official record showed 55 games, 136 putouts, nine assists, four double plays and three errors for a fielding average of .980. His batting average of .279 for 62 games (183 times at bat, 36 runs, 51 hits and 12 runs batted in) was 48th in the circuit for men playing 50 or more games—seventh in the Portland lineup.

One of the leading batters in the circuit, including all players, was Ford Mullen, Eugene high's coach, who collected two hits in four trips at the plate in three games for a .500 mark—worth a tie for third in the circuit.

Maybe basketball interest is taking a nose-dive in the southern division of the Pacific coast conference, but certainly not in the Big-Ten where Illinois recently defeated Wisconsin before 14,000 fans at Madison... Dr. James H. Crowlde, director of Buffalo's "miniature Madison Square Garden" basketball doubleheaders, said recently, "Washington State showed the east the best fast-breaking attack we have seen."

He pointed out that the Cougars work their fast-break from five different setups...

The news stories of Fordham's victory over Rhode Island told of scoring records set, but it wasn't until the current edition of The Sporting News that any of the marks were discovered—a 20-point performance for Tony Karpowicz of the Rams... Joe Gordon isn't concerned over the hoop coaching status of his old roomie, Red Rolfe, the former Yankee third-baseman... "It takes time to develop winning teams," Joe said after learning that Red's Eli Yales had been beaten 55-27 by Cornell... Joe believes Rolfe pulls down something between \$6000 and \$7000 annually for his basketball-baseball coaching position at New Haven... Johnny Kotz of Wisconsin is one of the nation's hottest hoopsters, having averaged 17.7 points per game in the first seven tests of the season...

Gene Shields, the former Oregon line coach who gave up the grid sport after a blith with George Washington, was in Eugene this week looking over Lane county timberlands... Gene had a visit from Arleigh Bentley, ex-Oregon football, New Year's eve... The Californian had just returned from air corps duty in Alaska... We've heard a ru-

Oregon, Washington to Open Series Friday

Division Lead Is at Stake

Wiley Leading Scorer; Durdan Averages 14.5

The basketball series here Friday night, may have considerable bearing on the eventual outcome of the northern division, Pacific coast conference race.

Coach Hec Edmundson's Huskies, pre-season favorites to take the title in stride, find themselves a full game behind Hobby Hobson's league-leading Webfoots but can grasp at least a percentage lead by winning the opening game Friday and be well established if they should take both ends of the twin series—but Washington has won but one game here in six years.

Washington comes here fresh from a split series against OSC's powerful Beavers at Corvallis, winning Wednesday 44-39 after dropping a 42-39 verdict in the opener Tuesday. Oregon's top spot in the standings were manufactured in the inland Empire—two straight wins over Idaho and a split series with Washington State college.

Game time for both Friday and Saturday games will be 8 o'clock. Idaho and Washington State college open their annual four-game series with a single game Friday at Moscow.

Weak At Backboards
The Huskies have speed to burn, height and shooting prowess, but appeared vulnerable under the bumpboards during the games against OSC. Uncle Hec is expected to open with an all-veteran lineup that includes Billy Morris and Captain Wiley Lead at guards, broad-shouldered, 6-foot-5 Chuck Gilmore at center, and a Boobie Gilbertson and Doug Ford at the forward berths.

Hobson is likely to start with Bob Newland and Captain Don Kirsh, both lettermen, at the guard position, and Roger Wiley, the 6-foot-8 freshman, at center. The forward posts will be between Warren Taylor and Bob Wren, lettermen, and Roy Seeborg, a sophomore, and Ralph Fuhrman, a letterman reserve.

The game here will be the first home appearance for the Webfoots of the conference season. It's certain to be a "racehorse" contest, typical of Oregon-Washington series during the past seven years—and the outcome may have considerable bearing on the scoring race, just under way.

Wiley is the current leader with 39 points, but he must give to at least five other hoopsters in the matter of average points per game. Turner's Record Threatened

Don Durdan, the dynamic Oregon State guard, holds a commanding lead over all rivals following his 20-point performance against the Huskies while his teammates were dropping the second game to the favorites. He has 29 points for two games and a 14.5 point average, well over the 12-point average compiled by Idaho's Ray Turner last year in establishing a new division record of 192 points in 16 games. Although Taylor of Oregon is third in the scoring with 26 points, Gail Bishop of Washington State has the second best average with 24 points in two games for a 12-point percentage.

Erlend Anderson, the talented sophomore center at Oregon State, has an 11-point average and is sixth in the scoring behind Bishop and Newland of Oregon, with 22 points.

Wiley has the most fielders with 15, and Taylor the most freethrows with 10. Wiley also has the best freethrow record with nine out of 10 attempts; the worst mark being shared by Chuck Gilmore of Washington with six out of 15, and Roy Seeborg of Idaho, with three in eight tries.

Washington's Gilbertson has the "bad man" title with seven personal fouls in two games, followed by Morris, a teammate, and Quinn of Idaho, each with six in two games—the mark being lower than usual, however. Scott Witt of Washington State and Fuhrman of Oregon, reserves who have seen considerable action, have not as yet been charged with their initial rule infractions.

The 15 leading scorers to date:

Player	W	L	Pts.	Opp.
Wiley, Oregon	4	1	39	29
Durdan, OSC	4	1	29	29
Taylor, Oregon	4	1	26	26
Bishop, WSC	4	1	24	24
Newland, Oregon	4	1	22	22
Anderson, OSC	4	1	22	22
Quinn, Idaho	4	1	22	22
Gilmore, Wash.	4	1	22	22
Wren, Oregon	4	1	22	22
Kirsh, WSC	4	1	22	22
Sheridan, WSC	4	1	22	22
Witt, Wash.	4	1	22	22
Morris, Wash.	4	1	22	22
Fuhrman, Oregon	4	1	22	22
Akins, WSC	4	1	22	22

COAST GUARDS WIN 12TH
STOCKTON, Cal., Jan. 22.—(AP)—The U. S. Coast Guard basketball team from Alameda, Calif., handed college of Pacific a 43-39 setback before a capacity crowd of 600 at the Pacific gym here Thursday night. It was the Guard's 12th victory in 14 games this season.

GOLF COURSE BOOMS
KANSAS CITY, Jan. 22.—(AP)—Golfers still are reaching the fair ways—somehow. Swope park public courses report a surplus of \$884.31 in the first eight months of the fiscal year compared with a loss of \$713.86 for the same period last year.

KAYAK IT RETIRED
WILLITS, Cal., Jan. 22.—(AP)—Retirement of Kalak II, winner of the 1939 \$100,000 Santa Anita handicap, to owner Charles S. Howard's Ridgewood Farm was announced today by Mrs. Howard. She said treatment had failed to heal a bowed tendon.

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State Hoop Meet On Block

PORTLAND, Jan. 22.—(AP)—Fate of Oregon's state high school basketball for 1937 will be decided Saturday.

The State High School Athletic Association's board of control will determine if the tournament will be held at Salem in mid-March, as scheduled tentatively.

The Washington state tourney was cancelled recently because of the acute housing situation at Seattle, but this is not a problem at Salem, observers said.

Oilers Tie N.C.C. For City Hoop Lead

CITY BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Standings	W	L	Pts.	Opp.
Northwest C. C.	5	1	53	53
Richfield Oil	4	1	40	40
Baptist Church	4	1	30	30
Springfield CIO	4	1	20	20
Marshall Guards	4	1	20	20
Electric Steel	3	2	30	30
Peterson's Grocery	3	2	20	20
S. P. Shops	3	2	20	20
Medo-Land Creamery	3	2	10	10
N. Y. A.	0	6	0	0

There was virtually no City basketball league competition at Roosevelt junior high Thursday night as Richfield Oil advanced into a tie with Northwest Christian College for the league lead by virtue of a default victory over NYA, and the Baptist Churchmen walked off S. P. Shops (Danebo), 68 to 13.

Summary:
BAPTISTS (45) (13) S. P.
Stanhauer, 10 F. 1. Bouch
Folquet, 20 F. 2. Alford
Bishop, 20 F. 2. Jensen
Marshall, 10 G. 3. Johnson
Mansell, 10 G. 3. Bray
Tegus, 4 G. 5. Jones
Referee: Thompson

Phog Allen On Warpath

LAWRENCE, Kas., Jan. 22.—(AP)—After more than a quarter century of profound, and frequently explosive, research, Dr. F. C. "Phog" Allen, Kansas cage patriarch, concludes there is just one thing in basketball freer than a freethrow—that's playing under the auspices of the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

This weighty opinion was disclosed today as the doctor commented on the decision of the N.C.A.A. to transfer the national court playoffs from Kansas City to Madison Square Garden in New York.

"Personally," confides Phog, whose Kansas team currently is the hottest thing in the Big Six on the basis of a 12-game winning streak, "I don't give a hoot where they play this year. I wouldn't be slightly interested even if my club is unlucky enough to get a bid."

"They still owe us money from last year's western playoffs. We virtually packed the hall for games with Rice and Colorado. All we ever got was \$300 expense money."

Rich Bowling Tourney To Open In Chicago

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—(AP)—The nation's crack bowlers—with league averages of 185 and better—start shooting tomorrow in the 29th annual Petersen individual classic, the game's richest tournament.

With a record entry of 632, cash awards will total \$20,800, and the top legler after eight games will pocket \$4000.

Recreation

Rolling one of the highest team scores of the season, 2961, the Beeson-Hall bowlers won three straight games from DeNette's in McKenzie league play at Eugene Recreation Thursday night. In the only other match, Rubenstein's beat P. K. 'n Pak 2-1. Cleaton of the Grocers and Brownling of Beeson-Hall were high individuals with scores of 212 and 249, respectively.

Results:
Rubenstein's 201 230 240-2401
P. K. 'n Pak 171 249 221-2111
High Single—Cleaton, P. 212
High Series—Johnson, Ruben, 497.
Beeson-Hall 1006 1011 944-2961
DeNette's 929 864 853-2646
High Single—Brownling, R. 249
High Series—Brownling, R. 524.

Dodgers Buy Cooney, Waner

Babe Dahlgren Waived Out Of National Loop

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—(AP)—The Brooklyn Dodgers gained a measure of security in the wartime major league player turmoil today with the addition of two veteran outfielders, Johnny Cooney and Paul Waner, both previously released outright by the Boston Braves.

Faced with a serious shortage in playing talent, particularly in the outfield since Pete Reiser and Rookie Tom Tatum have entered the army and Dixie Walker has signified his intention of quitting, President Branch Rickey signed the two veterans, sold First-Base-man Babe Dahlgren and hired four more scouts.

"Quality becomes secondary to quantity in these days of the draft," Rickey said in revealing the acquisition of Waner, 40-year-old veteran of 17 years in the majors, and Cooney, who is nearing 42 and came up to the big-time in 1921.

Rickey's four new scouts are Wid Mathews, Caruthersville, Mo., former Washington and Philadelphia Athletics outfielder; Bob Finch, former athletic director at St. Louis University; Fresno Thompson and George Sisler of St. Louis, former Brown star.

Dahlgren was peddled to Indianapolis of the American Association but curiously enough, Rickey had no explanation why he and others clubs, despite the manpower shortage, had waived the first-baseman out of the majors.

Rickey admitted there had been lots of "bidding" for Cooney and added that he also had tried to land Estel Crabtree, signed earlier in the week by Cincinnati, "but the Reds got there first."

Expected to reveal something new about Manager Leo Durocher's draft status, Rickey said there "was nothing new" but announced that Tatum, Montreal outfielder expected to reach the Dodgers this year, was in the army signal corps.

Evans Thinks Jones Still Best Golfer

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 22.—(AP)—Capt. Bobby Jones, abdicated emperor of the fairways, can climb back on his throne anytime he wants, Chick Evans declared today. "Bobby could play in four major tournaments a year and win them all," Evans said. Why, all that son-of-a-gun has to do is say "pass the putter" and the ball rolls into the cup. He doesn't have to "praise the Lord."

Jones shot a 67, five under par, while playing with Evans earlier this week. It was his first round since November. His duties in the army air corps leave him little time for golf.

Evans, now a Chicago milk executive, admitted that Bobby's 41 years would slow him down, "but if he set his mind on just four events a year, he could win them hands down."

HOOF SCORES:
Oklahoma 69, Wichita 58.
Oklahoma Navy 51, Nebraska 37.
Crawfish 46, Drake 35.
Michigan 31, Kenilworth Base 31.
Northern Mont. 44, Mont. Normal 37.
Alameda Coast Gd. 43, Pacific 32.

Jackie Fields Defends Sugar Robinson In Controversy

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 22.—(AP)—No sentiment in the prize ring? Don't you believe it, says Pvt. Jackie Fields, former welterweight champion of the world, home on leave from an army camp.

Jackie and his pals were talking about comebacks. Someone mentioned Ray Robinson's explanation for avoiding a bout with Henry Armstrong—that Hammering Henry had always been his idol and that he couldn't conscientiously climb into the ring and give the aging onetime triple titleholder a shelling.

An eyebrow or two was raised and, at this, Jackie insisted: "Well, sentiment does crop up occasionally in the ring. 'Not too often, mind you, but take the case for instance, of me and Joe Salas."

"Even in the Olympics," have made that eye my target I didn't. Something told me I opened his left eye. It was a pretty even fight. But in the U. S. Olympic boxing in 1924, Jackie as alleged. Then, truth being stranger than fiction, the two found each other matched in the final Olympic crown.

"It was a pretty even fight. But in the U. S. Olympic boxing in 1924, Jackie as alleged. Then, truth being stranger than fiction, the two found each other matched in the final Olympic crown.

"Now, I'd like to tell you how it would be in a book. I don't think I ever spoke to each other again. So I can understand that. Inson must have felt that turned down the Armstrong. It was an honest thing to do."

Frosh Play Portland Team Here Saturday

The University of Oregon freshman basketball team will play its fifth game of the season at McArthur court Saturday afternoon, starting at 4 o'clock. Opponents for the Ducks will be Beyerley's Sport Shop of Portland, strong independent quintet.

The Portlanders defeated Signal Oil 55-36 in the Portland city league earlier in the week, with Rankin connecting for 16 points. He is teamed at forward with Beeler, Wolting playing center, Prater and Metzger at the guard positions.

Coach Earl Sandness is undecided regarding his starting five—to be selected from a squad of more than 15 men. The Frosh have beaten Joe Gordon's All-Stars, Eugene high, University high and the Eugene Junior Rubes to date and will be gunning for their fifth straight win.

A 25-cent admission will be charged for Saturday's game.

U-Bowl

Otis Clingman of Clingman's Tavern, with a 229 single, and Roy Northam of U-Bowl with a 615 series, were high individuals in Moose league bowling at U-Bowl alleys Thursday night—and with one exception, the high bowlers in every series were on the losing team. Clingman's lost to Penny-Wise Drugs and U-Bowl to Bristow Jewelers, both 2-1. The Wintergarden won from White Fuel 3-0, and Health Spot Shoes beat Poole's Funeral Home 2-1 in other matches.

Results:
Penny-Wise 547 551 528-2594
Clingman's 700 564 797-2441
High Single—Clingman, Cling, 229
High Series—Clingman, Cling, 563.
Wintergarden 506 565 508-2783
White Fuel 782 583 615-2487
High Single—Devereaux, White, 226
High Series—Devereaux, White, 545.
Health Shoes 525 547 521-2653
Poole's Funeral 401 505 533-2589
High Single—Robertson, HS, 205
High Series—Purser, Poole, 530.
Bristow's 870 990 838-2989
U-Bowl 845 892 850-2617
High Single—Northam, U-Bowl, 224
High Series—Northam, U-Bowl, 615.

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