

Astoria Stages First Upset Of Tournament by Beating Favored Salem High Quintet

Eugene, March 21 (U.P.)—The Oregon state high school class "A" basketball tournament got off to a sizzling start here last night when little Paul Gauthier, a substitute guard, led the Astoria Fishermen to a 49-to-44 upset victory over the defending champion Salem high Vikings.

Gauthier, a five-foot nine-inch, 150 pounder, was the extra stuff in the Astoria machine last night as the Fishermen left 5338 fans breathless with a startling last period rally, after trailing 27-37 at the three-quarter mark.

Eugene bounded into the second-round of play in the tourney's opening game with easy 60-to-40 walk over Newberg.

Gauthier dumped in 17 points in his substitute role. The rally started with Ron Smart, Astoria's chubby center, scoring twice from the field and hitting two free throws to cut the margin to 42-39 with six minutes to play. Fred Gustafson cut the margin to one point, 42-41, and seconds later Gauthier tied the score at 42-42 with two minutes and 45 seconds to play.

Score Frequently Tied
Salem's Larry Scheeler broke the tie with a free throw, but Astoria jumped into the lead at 1:40 on the clock when Gauthier calmly bucketed a shot from the corner.

Scheeler tied the score at 44-44 on a free throw.

Then Gauthier seemingly took over the game. He tossed a basket from the key with a minute and 15 seconds remaining, then stole the ball and raced down the floor to score on a layup, giving Astoria a 48-44 lead with 55 seconds left.

Walt Jacobson added the final Astoria counter on a foul toss with seven seconds to play.

High Scorer
Gauthier was high individual scorer for the game. Larry Chamberlain led Salem with 12.

Newberg held Eugene's big all-state center Dean Parsons in check until the second quarter, but that wasn't enough to control the powerful Axemen.

Eugene held a 10-7 edge at the end of the first quarter after Newberg slipped into an early lead. At the half the score favored the Axemen 27-15 and the advantage moved to 20 points, 47-27, at the end of the third period.

Gordon Seiple, Eugene forward, was top pointmaker with 16. Newberg's Dick Hoy and Parsons each got 14.

Bowling

CIVIC LEAGUE

In play last night Rotary pulled within one game of the league lead by taking the Junior Chamber of Commerce four points while the V.F.W. was losing three points from the Bend Furniture.

In other league play the Kiwanis took three from the Post Office and Farla Health Clinic and the Lions split two and two.

Individual honors went to Carl Sullivan of the Lions with a high single game of 222 and a series of 592. Individual scoring follows:

POST OFFICE—Clark 439; Christiansen 440; F. Erickson 458; Loree 459; St. John 508. Total 2560.

KIWANIS—J. West 512; D. Thompson 521; P. Christensen 570; H. Maurer 298; R. Hansen 501. Total 2502.

PARIA HEALTH—R. Youngberg 456; R. Kitchin 511; P. Beach 371; G. Hall 535; H. Baughn 554. Total 2523.

LIONS—J. Lantaratia 542; W. Peterson 486; H. Perwilliger 411; J. Janak 447; C. Sullivan 502. Total 2583.

ROTARY—D. Allen 503; G. Rhoton 479; R. Wade 488; R. Mayer 531; Erickson 484. Total 2716.

JUNIOR CHAMBER—A. Gray 391; R. Hagen 373; J. Edwards 439; G. Marline 399; H. Wallen 434. Total 2408.

V.F.W.—Madden 470; Selken 488; Scott 437; Rader 443; Donahue 482. Total 2307.

BEND FURNITURE—G. Miller 399; S. Grayson 395; H. Van Grouw 365; J. Johnson 490; T. Woods 416. Total 2477.

THREE-MAN MAJOR LEAGUE

Cundell's took three points from the Tavern team and also broke two season highs. They rolled a 659 for high team game and a 1823 for high series. E. Cundell rolled a 669 to top Pinner's high of 658.

Bowles' team won three points from Harrington's Ray Wise of Bowles' rolled a 255 for a high single of the season. He also rolled 11 strikes in a row, but they weren't in the same game. Olson's took three out of four from Wenetta's.

The overall average of the league for last night was slightly over 189. Individual scoring follows:

FRANK'S TAVERN—G. Norcott 578; H. Pinner 551; S. Kavanan 552. Total 1701.

CUNDELL'S—P. Sevey 578; D. Allen 581; E. Cundell 669. Total 1823.

BOWLES—R. Wise 658; J. Bowles 593; J. Shueby 540. Total 1778.

HARRINGTON'S—Sullivan 538; A. Harrington 609; R. Koller 508. Total 1655.

OLSON'S—Olson 504; Powers 507; Bowles 511. Total 1522.

WENETTA'S—Larson 530; Wanjetta 538; Howard 544. Total 1612.

FRATERNAL LEAGUE

In league play last night, B. McLain and E. Thompson tied for high game at 214. A. Powers rolled a high series of 548. All team honors went to Moose No. 1 with a game of 913 and a series of 2679 and a four point win over Eagles No. 2.

In other matches, Moose No. 2 took four points from the Knights of Pythias and Eagles No. 1 took three from the Knights of Colum-

Little League Baseball Slated Here Next June

Bend's Little league baseball season will get under way in the first part of June, with the spring training program to start well in advance of that date, officials of the new circuit, affiliated with a national organization, announced today. Little league baseball, which culminates each season in playoffs for the national championship, is for boys under 12 years of age.

A six-team league is planned for Bend. Sponsoring the teams will be the Bend-Nash Co., Brandis Thriftwise pharmacy, Medoland Creamery, Gregg's Banner Bread and the Elks and Moose lodges. All games will be played on the Harmon diamond. A 20-game schedule is to be worked out, with a split season planned.

Maple President
Howard Maple is president of the Little league in Bend, with Fred Paine, Al Gray and A. H. Marshall other members of the governing board. A sign-up of players, officers announced, will be held in the near future. Youngsters are being asked to pick their teams only after full consideration of the fact that once signed up they will be under contract to continue with their assigned team until the end of their Little league play, unless released or traded.

The contracts involve no money and there will be no loss of amateur status. It is stressed.

Play will be on a diamond two-thirds the size of a normal diamond, with the distance between bases set at 60 feet. Each team will consist of 12 ununiformed players who must register with the league president not later than five days before the first scheduled game. Each team may have not more than six reserve substitutes. When a reserve is called into a game, he dons the uniform of the player for whom he is substituting.

Regulations Cited
Any boy who will not attain the age of 13 years before August 1 will be eligible to play. At no

Here Thursday



George Dusette, Montreal matman, who will meet Ace Abbott on Thursday night's wrestling card at the Bend armory. Soldat Gorky, the wild Siberian, will headline the card in a bout with Eddie Williams, former Pacific coast light heavyweight king. Dale Kiser and Tony Verdi will meet in the opener, which will begin at 8:30 o'clock.

time shall a team have in uniform more than five players age 12; or less than three players age 10 or younger.

Playing rules for Little league baseball differ some from those for regular baseball. Length of games are six innings.

All teams are locally sponsored. The U. S. Rubber company supports national league headquarters and is host during the week's playoff for the national championship.

Beavers Show Promise; Need Outfielders

Riverside, March 21 (U.P.)—Give Manager Bill Sweeney a couple of hard hitting outfielders and there will be few to doubt today that his Portland Beavers will be among the first division come play-off time.

Sweeney has been described as "pickled pink" with the way his squad has developed under the ideal weather conditions of spring training. Only when he casts his gaze behind the plate or into the distance of the outfield does he show some signs of apprehension.

Loss of catcher Jimmy Gladd to the army left that burden squarely on the shoulders of John Ritchey (.270) and Joe Rossin (a veteran of 10 years in the minors who batted .329 for Spokane last season).

And unless general manager Bill Mulligan is able to come up with something pretty sensational out of his reported current dickering around the leagues, the outfield will remain of questionable strength. Joe Brovia, leader of the loop with 39 homers last season.

Back up the pitcher, around the bases there is about the tightest infield in the league. Mickey Rocco stands astride first, Eddie

on, is the only returning outfielder. Luis Marquez has gone by way of the draft to the Boston Braves and Johnny Rucker removed himself from baseball.

Eddie Barr, a .275 hitter in 122 games last year, is in the running for one of the outfield spots and veteran Brooks Holder brings a .296 batting record for 158 games along with hopes for less illness this year.

Good Pitchers
From the viewpoint of the mound, it is an entirely different story of pleasant aspect. And the infield in spring training looks as hit-proof as anyone could ask.

Sweeney has spoken of Marino Pieretti, obtained from Cleveland, the pitcher who will give the club extra strength. And before he ever gets around to the proven regulars he can name off rookie Larry Ward, a 15 game winner for Twin Falls, Bill Elbert (4-4), Lyman Linde (5-13) and Bill Fleming (8-5) who Sweeney regards as the league's best reliever.

The manager seems to feel most any one of his regular hurlers of last season are ready for the opener at Oakland on March 27. He can almost close his eyes and pick one with a better than even chance to win. There is Bob Drilling (14-7), Vince Dibiasi (12-12), Red Lynn (14-10), Roy Helser (12-8), Jack Creel (12-11), Red Adams (9-10) and Cal McElvyn (8-5).

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Basinski, a quick fielder, on second, Frankie Austin, steady at short, and Leo Thomas on third. Just in case one of those sensations breaks a leg, the Beavers acquired Eddie Bockman from Indianapolis this winter for depth and Sweeney may dig up another good utility man as added insurance.

SEVEN SONS JOIN UP
Fort Worth, Tex. (U.P.)—James Rainwater is the seventh son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Rainwater to enter the armed forces. The Rainwaters have one other son, Richard, 15, who is at home.

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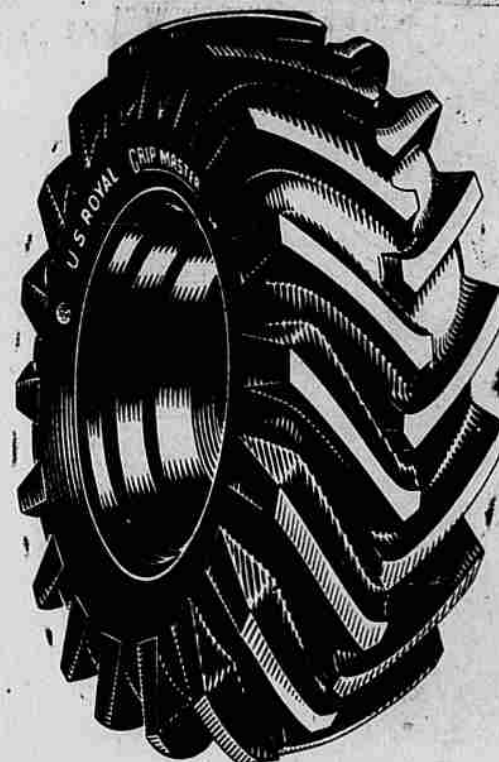
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