

Terry Baker athlete of year

PORTLAND (UPI) — Terry Baker, one of the greatest stars ever to come out of Jefferson High of Portland and now a star-award athlete at Oregon State, is Oregon's Athlete of the Year.

Lindfield football coach Paul Durham is the state's Man of the Year.

They were chosen Thursday night at the annual Bill Hayward banquet of Champions.

Baker, whose mother accepted the award for him because he was in Seattle with the Beaver basketball team, was picked from among 10 finalists.

The other finalists were Oregon football tackle Steve Barnett, Lewis and Clark football guard and wrestler Pat Clock, Oregon State wrestler Pat Conway, Portland hockey goalie Don Head, former Roseburg high basketball player Jim Jarvis, ex-Portland

Beaver baseball player Gene Oliver, Oregon State cross country and track runner Dale Story, Oregon track hurdler Jerry Tarr and Oregon basketball player Charlie Warren.

Baker was the quarterback on the Beavers' football squad last fall and was ranked 12th in the nation in total offense. He is a starting guard on the Oregon State basketball team.

Great Record

Durham's Linfield footballers went through the regular season unbeaten last fall and were finalists in the NAIA playoffs in the Camellia Bowl.

Ed Davidson of The Dalles and University of Oregon was given the Rollie Truitt amateur baseball award for his play with Premier Gear's semi-pro team last season.

The Portland Hockey team was

given the "Team of the Year" award with Buckaroo Jack Blonda getting a special award — a "boxie stick"—a boxing glove on a hockey stick.

Stu Hall of Willamette and Mike Kline of Oregon State, football players, were given athlete scholarships awards. Robert Martin of Portland received the George Bertz golf award.

Vince Genna, Bend amateur baseball enthusiast, was given the meritorious award for his work in the Central Oregon City.

Oregon publicist Art Litchman received a "Pathfinder award" for driving the wrong way while taking the school president from Spokane to Pullman.

Gov. Mark Hatfield and Mayor Terry Schunk of Portland attended. Ohio State football coach Woody Hayes gave the main address.

Top pinch-hitting specialist draws \$23,500 purse

By Fred Down
UPI Staff Writer

General manager Bill DeWitt of the Cincinnati Reds agrees today with National League pitchers who've said right along that pinch-hitter Jerry Lynch is a mighty tough hombre when the cash is on the line.

Lynch batted a cool .404 as a pinch hitter last season and announced he wanted plenty of cold cash in return. To prove it, he rejected DeWitt's first two salary offers and then went to Cincinnati Thursday to confront the boss in person.

N. L. pitchers predicted the result unanimously: Husky Jerry hit a fast ball right back into DeWitt's teeth.

Then DeWitt relented, husky Jerry smiled and said he'd even brush up a bit on his fielding and the two agreed to a salary estimated at \$23,500.

"It's time pinch hitters received the same recognition accorded top relief pitchers," said Lynch, who numbered five home runs among his 1961 pinch hits. "And I figure it's time I set a salary precedent."

Lynch, who is viewed primarily as a pinch-hitter although he did bat .315 in 96 games for the season, is pulling down one of the highest salaries in history for his specialty. Johnny Mize probably earned \$25,000 to \$27,000 as a pinch-hitting specialist for the Yankees and Dusty Rhodes may have been paid \$20,000 by the Giants after his fabulous pinch-hitting exploits of 1964.

Pitcher Ralph Terry (16-3) and utility man Hector Lopez (.222) signed with the world champion Yankees—each for about \$24,000. Roger Maris, Elston Howard, Clete Boyer and Bobby Richardson are the unsigned Yankees of whom general manager Roy Harney remarks: "I expect no trouble at all from Howard, Boyer or Richardson."

Maris, whose 61 homers last season made him baseball's new all-time home run king, is believed to be demanding \$75,000 compared to an offer of \$60,000 by the club.

The Los Angeles Dodgers revealed the signing of fleet outfielder Willie Davis, who had a .254 average in 128 games last season. The 21-year-old outfielder said he is looking forward to playing in the Dodgers' new Chavez Ravine home rather than going through another year in the tricky Coliseum where he hit only .203 in 1961.

Pitchers Gary Bell and Bob Allen of the Cleveland Indians returned signed contracts, reducing the number of Tribesmen unsigned to four.

Bell had a record of 12-16 last season, while Allen had a 3-2 mark.

Pitcher Bob Gibson, outfielder Don Landrum and first baseman Jeff Long signed with the St. Louis Cardinals, leaving 11 unsigned players on the club's 40-man roster. Gibson had a 13-12 record and 3.24 earned run average with the Redbirds last season. Landrum and Long played in the minors.

Infielder Jerry Adair and \$45,000 bonus pitcher Howie Stethers agreed to terms with the Baltimore Orioles. They have 32 of their 30 players under contract. The San Francisco Giants added pitcher Juan Marchal (13-10) to their satisfied list at what was reported as a "slight raise."



RETIRING—Vince Genna, who received meritorious award for work in youth baseball and other recreational projects at 14th annual Bill Hayward banquet in Portland Thursday, has announced he is turning over reins of Bend American Legion squad to high school coach Bill Bauer. Genna, city recreation director, is pictured with 1961 Legion batboys — Cam Healy, left, and Lou Dexter.

Televised college baseball pushed

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — George Wolfman, baseball coach at the University of California, feels that college baseball should be televised.

"I feel that we would help our attendance if games were televised," he told a luncheon of local baseball coaches. "It would prove to fans that college ball-players don't run around with their caps in their hands and their stockings coming down."

Wolfman said that some college games in the Los Angeles area were to be televised this season.

Stanford coach Dutch Fehring said it was "high time college baseball gets the recognition it so richly deserves."

Folley still hoping for shot at title

DENVER (UPI) — Zora Folley, relaxing after a not-too strenuous knockout victory over brawling Mike De John, pinned his hopes today for a shot at the heavyweight crown on Sonny Liston.

The 29-year-old Folley, a top-ranking contender for more than five years, has never been given a chance to fight for the big one—the heavyweight championship.

Thursday night's three-knockdown victory over De John at 2:24 of the third round was his 36th win via the KO route, yet he may never get to fight for the championship.

"I've been number one, two or three in the heavyweight rankings for the last five years," the Chandler, Ariz. Negro commented without malice. "And I've never got a shot at it." He meant that heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson had never been willing to give him a title shot.

"If Liston did get the championship, I think he would fight the top contenders," Folley said. "I think Patterson is a fine fighter, but he won't fight a top contender."

Folley pointed out that Patterson fought the likes of Roy Harris and Pete Rademacher when Folley was the top contender. Folley is currently ranked No. 4 in the heavyweight division by the NBA.

Beavers hoping to boost string

By United Press International

The talent-laden Oregon State Beavers go after their 17th and 18th straight basketball victories this weekend at Seattle.

The Beavers, 17-1 and ranked sixth in the nation this week, meet Seattle tonight. They take on the tough Washington Huskies Saturday night.

And Oregon's up-and-down Ducks face the Washington State Cougars in a two-game series at Pullman, Wash.

Oregon State defeated Washington 55-41 and edged Seattle 82-73 in double overtime at Corvallis earlier this season.

The Ducks topped Washington State 91-81 in overtime and 81-71 at Eugene earlier this season.

Oregon State's cause will be strengthened by the return of starting junior guard Steve Pauly. Pauly, the Beavers' third leading scorer, missed a game with an ankle injury.

PREP BASKETBALL RESULTS

Hereford 38 Huntington 34
North Powder 82 Richland 40
Adrian 81 Jordan Valley 33
St. Francis 66 Halfway 38

Turley flinging hard without pain once again

By Oscar Freley
UPI Staff Writer

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (UPI)—Bob Turley's dream today is to go back four years and he hopefully finds "all the signs very encouraging."

Turley is the big righthander who led the American League with 21 victories for the New York Yankees in 1958. It earned him honors as the top professional athlete of the year along with the \$10,000 Hickok belt.

Then the roof started to sag and it fell in on him completely last year.

The strapping 31-year-old from East St. Louis, Ill., had two mediocre seasons as his arm started to act up and last year he won only three games and wasn't able to pitch after July.

"I thought it would clear up with rest but last spring I felt it worse than ever," he remembered. "It got worse and worse until finally I had to quit altogether. Worried? I was sick."

Operation Was Needed

But Turley, after desperately trying just one inning of relief in September, finally realized that the knife was the only answer.

"They found quite a mess," he explained as he sat in the dugout after a long workout as one of the early birds of the Yankee training camp. "There were a couple of bone chips rattling around in there, a couple of bone spurs and some inflamed tendons."

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"But all the signs now are very encouraging," says Turley, who many thought had come to the end of the road. "I've been throwing real loose for about fifteen minutes every day, including batting practice, and I haven't had a bit of pain. The difference is wonderful and I really feel better about being able to do the job."

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"I've got a whole year to get back because as little as I pitched last year just about cancels out the whole season for me," he explained. "Which means that I've got a lot of work ahead of me to regain that winning touch."

"The way to get that back," he added, "is to get off good and pitch regularly. I'm sure that I still have my basic pitches so that all I should have to do is work for condition and control."

But only time will give him the answer, he admitted.

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Dayton beats Pilots 50-47

DAYTON, Ohio (UPI) — The Dayton Flyers rallied in the final five minutes to score a 50-47 baseball win over the Portland Pilots here Thursday night.

Dayton, which trailed 25-21 at halftime, went ahead to stay at 46-45 on a field goal by Stan Green on a tip-in with 4:11 remaining.

Steve Anstett of Portland topped all scorers with 20 points.

The Pilots meet Xavier at Cincinnati, Ohio, Saturday night and play Seton Hall at South Orange, N.J., Monday night.

Baseball Bowling Set

TAMPA, Fla. (UPI) — A \$2,500 bowling competition for major league baseball players, managers, coaches, officials and the press will be held at East Gate Lanes here on March 21.



BRUIN FORWARD—Lloyd Grant, 6-2 Bend senior letterman, is due to see considerable action this evening when Bend High hosts second-place Hermiston 8:15 at Bend High gym.

Hermiston 'invincible,' but only in home gym

The Hermiston Bulldogs have been invincible in seven home league contests this season. But get 'em away from home, and they're just another basketball team.

The Bulldogs, who tangle with the Bend High Bruins at 8:15 here tonight, have an 8-3 record — good enough for second place in this year's Intermountain Conference extravaganza.

But seven of those eight wins were at home. On the road, the Bulldogs have managed to win but one contest — catching The Dalles with a 57-49 victory.

They lost three road league games — to Baker, 41-35; La Grande, 53-52; and to Prineville, 75-59.

That 75-59 licking on the Prineville court was Hermiston's worst beating since back in the gray days of December.

Prineville, following that impressive win, was given an outside chance to grab second and a spot in the A-1 tourney at Eugene in March.

But just six days later, at Bend last Friday, Prineville's tourney hopes were KO'd by a hustling Bend team that won its first league game of the season — by a seven-point 56-49 margin.

Saturday the Bruins continued to look tough in losing at The Dalles 64-53. So, tonight's game is rated a tossup — despite Hermiston's 8-3 league mark and Bend's unimpressive 1-10 IC rating.

A couple of Larrys gave Bend the most trouble at Hermiston in January, with the Bulldogs easily winning 61-42.

In that game Larry Looney scored 12 and 6-2 Larry Crume 11.

Others who gave Bend trouble in that game were Lou Stocker, Bud Stratton, Jack Miller and a little speedster, Ron Koivisto.

Bend Coach Chuck Hudson has not indicated what lineup he'll use against the run-and-shoot Hermiston offense. But he has the height to field a squad averaging 6-3.

Redmond gets to host a good Pendleton club, once the conference favorite but now in third place with a 6-5 record.

In order to even get a smell at that state tourney, the Bucks will have to sweep their three remaining games and pray for a couple of Hermiston losses.

But the Pendleton team has had the same trouble that Hermiston

Little-known Sullivan fires 61 golf round

TUCSON, Ariz. (UPI) — It's a wood, a wedge—and a putting prayer in the Tucson Open golf tournament.

The \$20,000 event wheeled into the second round today with also-ran Buddy Sullivan of Yuba City, Calif., who seldom finishes in the money, leading the race with a tidy little 61 to his credit—nine strokes under par.

On most courses, that would be a record. Here it ties the mark held by Don January, Phil Rodgers and Frank Stranahan. It was good for a two stroke lead over veteran Tucson amateur Dr. Ed Updegraff, and unknown Pro Bob Stone from Junction City, Kan., who never in his life has won a nickel in a PGA tournament.

That's a nondescript group in the lead. But it happens to be in front of such men as PGA champion Jerry Barber (66), and National Open champion Gene Littler (67), among others in the crack field.

Sullivan, never a winner, came close on this same 6,464-yard El Rio course last year. He tied for the title with Davey Hill and Tommy Bolt. But Hill won a sudden-death play-off on the third hole.

Sullivan had nine birdies, no bogies. His longest birdie putt was from 15 feet. He had one from 10. And all the rest were from seven feet or less. Unlike most of the pros, he used a seven-iron twice on approaches.

Tied for fourth place at 64 are Rodgers, the Los Angeles Open champion; Bob Harrison of Pacific Palisades, Calif., and Tom Nieporte, Locust Valley, N.Y.

Western Hockey League

By United Press International

Southern Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Portland	35	13	3	73	201	137
Spokane	23	23	5	61	209	187
Los Angeles	20	28	3	45	209	239
San Francisco	20	34	1	41	181	226

Northern Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Edmonton	32	19	2	66	234	184
Calgary	26	23	4	56	215	201
Seattle	24	22	5	53	176	160
Vancouver	12	36	3	27	144	225

Thursday's Results
(No games scheduled)

Four A-1 teams near tourney

By United Press International

State tournament berths are the reward for winning teams this weekend in Oregon high school basketball play.

At least four more teams could close in on a trip to the class A-1 tournament at Eugene. Baker already has its reservations made.

South Salem needs one more victory to win a spot. It plays Corvallis tonight.

Klamath Falls, the top-ranked team, can assure itself of no worse than a tie for a tourney berth by beating Medford tonight.

Fourth-ranked Milwaukie will be in a similar spot if it beats Beaverton. Hermiston can join Baker as the Intermountain League entry in the state classic by sweeping a weekend series against Redmond and Bend.

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