

Willamette May Decide Northwest Conference Champ

Bearcats to Finish As Host to Leaders

Linfield's Machamer, Riley Show Way Over WU, 85-81, to Knock 'Cats Out of Title Contention

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This is the week that tells all—for Linfield and Pacific, the only contenders left in the Northwest conference's vale of tears. But all has been told as far as Willamette university's championship chances are concerned. They finished going up in smoke here Saturday night against Linfield, 85-81.

For the past two months the six-team circuit has been setting up leaders and knocking them off but now the fate of the two would-be champs rests on the basketball temperaments of Willamette and Whitman.

Pacific, with one less loss than Linfield, has two games left—tonight at home against the lowly Whitman, and one Saturday night at Willamette, which isn't lowly, just unlucky. Linfield can hang up its smelly gym shoes now and put on its spectator glasses, because its season is over.

There's Still Life

There still is life in the Bearcat, though, with Lewis and Clark as opponents this Friday night at Portland before the finale Saturday. So lively was Willamette against Linfield that it enjoyed a seven-point lead early in the second half and didn't lose it until the last nine minutes.

As could be expected, it was the loose-jointed, skinny Bill Machamer who hit the particular basket which put the visitors ahead, 66-65. Then, after Vic Becklund countered for Willamette, Machamer did it again, 67-67, and the pesty runt, 6-foot-8 Jack Riley, stole the fall for a lay-in that established the tone of the Linfield rally.

Only a Freshman

It's rough to think about having the energetic, hard-driving freshman guard to contend with for three more seasons. He scored 25 points by hitting 11 of 16 shots for a 68 per centage, topped only by Machamer's 26 in 10 hits in 28 attempts.

Machamer is used to this thing called scoring. He bears a 25.4 average in the conference by being able to pot them from all angles with his quick flips of the wrist on jump shots.

Four Bearcats were 13 points or better. Backlund had 11, and is making 18 pieces. Don Hoy 16 and Eddy Grossenbacher 15. Hoy had the misfortune of having the referees watching him and he fouled out with 11 minutes remaining and his team ahead, 65-60.

Within two minutes Linfield took the lead.

Backlund Goes Out

Backlund ran into too much trouble, too, fouling out with 4:33 left and Willamette behind, 78-74, and Bill Hughey, whom he fouled before departing, damaged the Bearcats for two more points, 80-74.

Within four points at 82-78, Willamette had 2:15 left to rally in



JACK RILEY
...bothersome to Bearcats

but Linfield's stall was broken up only by fouls, missed field goals and the like. Ron Taylor did hit a 35-footer for Willamette to pull within three points at 83-80, and with 1:35 to go, but a wild pass on a fast Willamette break broke up the last chance with 23 seconds remaining.

Grossenbacher fouled Dick Brown, who made both free throws, 83-80, and Masa Watanabe notched a charity for Willamette with seven seconds to go—too little too late.

Tied 13 times, the score found the rivals deadlocked 43-43 at halftime. Machamer had 17 points in that half, WU out-rebounded the foe, 53-35, but no points are given for that.

Team	W	L	Pct.
Linfield (85)	8	2	.800
Willamette (81)	6	4	.600
Machamer	12	10	.545
Hughey	4	4	.500
Cash	7	4	.636
Hoy	16	3	.840
Grossenbacher	15	3	.806
Hoy	2	2	.500
Hughey	11	3	.786
Grossenbacher	6	1	.857
Hoy	2	2	.500
Hughey	2	2	.500
Grossenbacher	0	2	.000
Hoy	2	2	.500
Hughey	2	2	.500
Grossenbacher	0	2	.000
Hoy	0	2	.000
Hughey	2	2	.500
Grossenbacher	0	2	.000

Streak of 22 By Tar Heels Adds Tension

No. 1 Team Still Not In NCAA; Idaho State 'In'

By JIM KENSIL
The Associated Press

North Carolina's 22-game unbeaten streak is the envy of the college basketball world.

But six big-time college coaches have something that Tar Heel Coach Frank McGuire would give a lot to own—a berth in the post-season NCAA University Division Tournament.

To make the NCAA event, the Tar Heels must take the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament March 7-9. It's a sure bet McGuire would swap a defeat in either of UNC's two remaining regular season games for that prize.

Pressure Too Great

McGuire has said that he feared going into the tourney unbeaten, because the pressure would be too great.

Such a Dilemma!

Coaches at Connecticut, Canisius, Kentucky, Miami of Ohio, Southern Methodist and Idaho State can rest easy until the NCAA tourney. The same goes for Manhattan, Seattle, Memphis State, Dayton, Cincinnati and St. Bonaventure, who have accepted 6 of the 12 spots in the other major post-season circus, the National Invitational Tournament.

Connecticut wrapped up the Yankee Conference spot last week, Canisius accepted one of the seven "at-large" bids Saturday and the other four NCAA starters locked up slots that night. Twelve other conference races and the bids that go with them are still in the pot.

PSC Corners NAIA Position

OREGON COLLEGIATE CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Pct.
W.L.Pet.	11	5	.688
W.L.Pet.	8	8	.500
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Saturday's results at Oregon College of Education, 49, Oregon Tech 44; at Eastern Oregon 41, Portland State 71.

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Portland State walloped Eastern Oregon, 71-41, Saturday and won a berth in the district 2 NAIA basketball playoff coming up at Milwaukee, March 4-5.

The Oregon Collegiate Conference champion, Oregon Tech, meanwhile suffered its second straight loss to Oregon College of Education, 49-44, as the conference schedule closed.

This Shot's in Sharp Focus



NEW YORK—L.A. Parry O'Brien of the U. S. Air Force holds his 16-pound shot after winning the event in the National AAU indoor championships at Madison Square Garden with a heave of 59 feet 8 inches. Photographing O'Brien is the Rev. Bob Richards, camera hobbyist, who won the pole vault at 15 feet 3. (AP Wirephoto).

Final 5 Leaders

CLASS A	Team	W	L	Pct.
Team	Ray's Helm, Portland, 2871.	11	5	.688
Team	Marshall's Lounge, Salem, 2868.	10	6	.625
Team	Gerlinger Carriers, Salem, 2862.	9	7	.563
Team	Don's Beaumont Shell, Portland, 2862.	9	7	.563
Team	Bill Kuller, Bend, 840.	8	8	.500

Surroz Loses In AAU Finals With Portland

PORTLAND (Special) — The Surroz Motors Ramblers of Salem gained the finals of a district AAU basketball tournament, then lost out Sunday to Portland Outdoor Store, 67-52. The winners earned a berth in the state tournament at Hermiston, slated for this week.

Surroz had gained the finals with a 66-51 triumph over the Corvallis Elks Saturday. Ben Pitzer with 15 points and Jerry McCallister with 14 paced the Ramblers to the Saturday win.

Tank Lindsey To Meet Bull For Title Try

Gentleman Ed Francis will finally lay his Northwest Heavyweight wrestling crown on the line, but not until the leading contenders, Luther Lindsey and Bull Montana, battle for first crack at the championship belt Tuesday night.

The Lindsey-Montana battle, which will be the main event on matchmaker Elton Owen's card at the Salem Armory, may well end in bloodshed for Lindsey feels he has gotten nothing but bad deals from the Bull.

Luther, the North Carolina boy, lost a one-fall match to Montana last week when time ran out. Montana helped time run out by his delaying tactics and Lindsey isn't about to forget that.

Pin Patter

Among the oddities of the concluded state tourney were the 28 game scored by one bowler. On a Class D team, said bowler faltered in the final frame. He shot his final score of 28 with one ball. After the final game, the D team, without the 100 plus pins he could have had, still ended in the money with 2432.

Keley Allen, Portland ace, missed the first frame of his Class A team effort on Ray's Helm team, who still ended in first place.

How to Whip Flapping Trousers

One D Class bowler solved the problem of bothersome trousers flapping his ankles or dragging under his feet. In Sunday's shoot he came attired in puttees wrapped firmly around his trousers.

Bears Certain Of NCAA Bid Despite UCLA

Bruins, California in Tie, Due to Clash This Weekend

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

UCLA and California, tied for first in the Pacific Coast Conference, have a basketball showdown this weekend at Berkeley. But pride is the most the home team can lose.

Even if UCLA wins and goes on to the PCC title, the Berkeley Bruins, California in tie, due to clash this weekend.

quintet is certain of the NCAA bid to the Corvallis, Ore., tourney in mid-March.

The Bruins are ineligible for the playoffs, as are Washington and USC. PCC penalties, imposed last year for under-table payment to athletes, put all three out of the running.

WSC at OSC

Stanford plays at Idaho Friday and Saturday, Oregon at USC, and Washington State at Oregon State. Third-place Washington is idle.

The Huskies, with an 11-3 record, are virtually out of the conference race. UCLA and California, each 11-1, have four more games, and Washington two.

Washington kept its reputation as a tough one at home last weekend by handing California its first loss. The Huskies delivered the initial loss to UCLA earlier this season on the Washington boards.

The Huskies beat California 70-57, on Saturday they lost 72-62. Other Saturday scores had UCLA 73-65 over Oregon, USC 86-73 over Stanford and Oregon State 81-53 over Idaho, Washington State was idle.

Stanford, until last weekend the only team that could conceivably take California's bid to Corvallis, dropped two games to USC, to emerge with a 6-4 record. Capt. Danny Rogers was the Trojan star Saturday with eight field goals and 13 free throws for 29 points. Bill Bond hit 14 for Stanford.

UCLA had little trouble taking its second straight from last-end Oregon Saturday. Bruins Walt Torrence and Ben Rogers, and Oregon's Charley Franklin, shot for 17 points each.

Oregon State star Dave Gambee pelled the Idaho Vandals with 28 points and started on defense. The Vandals checked on only 23 per cent of their shots.

Marion B Divisions Bill District Playoffs

Perrydale Tops Chemawa for Minor Title; 2 in Each Section to Seek 3 State Berths

By JERRY CLAUSSEN
Capital Journal Writer

Marion B basketball will get down to the serious business of getting a state tournament entry this week after a long season of preliminaries.

Last Saturday Perrydale defeated Chemawa, 45-40, to establish a one-two push for playoff purposes from the B loop's Minor division. The two had tied for the lead at 7-3 at the end of the regular schedule.

Tuesday the top two teams from each division, Perrydale and Chemawa plus Jefferson and Colton, will battle it out for three places in the District tournament. This district will be at Mill City.

District Playoff Slated

The surviving trio will be joined at District by the winner of a Valseiz-Siletz game to be played tonight at Dallas. Valseiz, led by big Ernie Johnson, will be favored to take the fourth District 2-B spot. The district playoff is slated for Friday and Saturday, also at Mill City. Jefferson and Perrydale will be there no matter who wins between them Tuesday, with the third Marion B spot going to the Chemawa-Colton winner, Jeff, ranking among the top B quintets in the state, is favored to go to state again.

3-Way Scoring Tie

Perrydale's Norman Frink had 19 points to lead the winners. Chemawa's Al Ntoulous put in 10. The Pirates held a narrow 20-18 halftime lead.

Final scoring statistics after Friday's final regular games are unusual in both B divisions. The Major division ended in a three-way tie while the Minor loop was dominated by two Oregon Deaf school hoopers, although OSD finished well down in the standings.

Two Scio boys, Ken Robinson and Byron Eastman, plus Colton's Bert Lundmark, all recorded 103 points in eight games to head a Major division scoring. Eastman ran wild for 31 points against Sublimity Friday to get in the tie. His total was an individual high for the division.

O.S.D. Players Lead

David Wood and Perry Colley, Deaf school guards, ran one-two in final Minor division statistics with 153 and 151 points. Perrydale's Frink finished third. MacLaren's Bob Gillette put in 40

Valsetz Wins

MT. ANGEL (Special) — High-scoring Ernie Johnson rolled in 26 points to lead the Valsetz Loggers to a 45-35 non-conference basketball victory over Mount Angel here Saturday night.

Valsetz was behind, 22-14, at halftime, but Johnson began hitting in the second half to give the visitors victory. Bob Blem and Jim Schaecker scored 10 points each for Mount Angel.

In the preliminary, the Mount Angel frosh edged the Silverton Frosh, 40-37.

Viking, Saxon Matmen Place

North's Hays 1st In State; 2nd For Stickley

CORVALLIS (AP) — Newberg captured the Oregon high school wrestling championship Saturday night from 50 other schools entered in the two-day state tournament at Oregon State College.

Newberg picked up two individual crowns and ran up 66 points in winning its second state wrestling title, Newberg won it in 1953.

The two individual crowns won by Newberg wrestlers went to Don Conway at 178 pounds and Ron Finley at 136 pounds.

Sweet Home won second place with 45 points and Springfield was third with 33.

Other team points: Hillsboro and Grants Pass 31, Klamath Falls 28, Parkrose 24, Beaverton 23, Milwaukie 20, David Douglas (Portland) 18, Gresham 17, Canby 16, Sutherlin 15, Yamhill-Carlton 14, West Linn 12, North Marion 11, South Salem 10, Tillamook 9, Redmond 8, Willamina and Lebanon 7, North Bend, Marshfield and Forest Grove 6, Seppacone, Roseburg and Cave Junction 5, Albany and Sandy 4, Vale, Prineville and Corvallis 3, Bend and Rosevelt (Portland) 2, Oregon City, Myrtle Creek, Jefferson (Portland), Lincoln (Portland) and Cleveland (Portland), Dallas and

Joe Palooka

JOE PALOOKA

—By Ham Fisher

OH, STEVE DEAR, IT'S SUCH A THRILL TO MEET YOU IN ANOTHER IN-LAW. JOE PALOOKA, THE HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION!

IT'S MY PLEASURE, I ASSURE YOU!

JOE ARRIVED TODAY AND HE COULDN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU, VENUS, HONEY!

DON'T NOTICE HOW MY STEVE'S HELL BROWN? HE'LL SOON BE AS HEAVY AS JOE!

YES, ANOTHER PALOOKA AND WON'T IT BE WONDERFUL IF STEVE BECOMES A HEAVYWEIGHT AND HAS TO FACE JOE IN THE RING SOMEDAY!

GRACIOUS THANKS! THAT'D NEVER HAPPEN, SPECIALLY WITH MY BOOBY-BLESS HIM—MANAGIN' TH' BOTH OF 'EM.

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