

**A LOOK AT SPORTS**

**Bend, Redmond could split on eastern trip**

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It's Friday again... but just not on Friday.

Central Oregon this weekend (with certain reservations) is prepared for its largest sports go-around of the year.

Bend is braced, the police have their crash helmets, and the Sportslooker is teetering on the brink... here comes the human wave.

It's the weekend of: 1) the Portland State Winter Carnival, which is not only the largest intercollegiate ski event in the West, but also this year promises to bring the largest through ever, 2) an Outlaw basketball tournament at Redmond, and 3) just about the largest weekend of prep sports activity.

**Prep Prattle**  
Putting the Winter Carnival and the Redmond basketball tourney aside for the moment, let's take a look at the local prep situation.

All four Central Oregon basketball teams in the Class A-1 Intermountain loop are on the road.

Friday night finds this lineup: Bend is at Baker, Redmond at La Grande, Madras at Pendleton, and Prineville at Milton-Freewater.

This bevy of delightful activity is augmented by more prep basketball. The mid-state Class B squads all play at home.

**Fishing fair for weekend**

**Special to The Bulletin**  
PORTLAND — Frozen over conditions occlude possible good fishing in Central Oregon, a Game Commission weekly fishing report said today.

Prineville Reservoir is frozen over at the upper end and through the Bear Creek arm. Ice is not thick enough, however, to allow ice fishing.

Bank angling is slow, and trolling with worms is fair. Ochoco Reservoir bank angling is fair. The cove where the boat launching facility is located is frozen over. One section in the middle of the reservoir also is frozen.

Haystack Reservoir has been slow for the few anglers who have attempted angling.

**Prep powers look to tourney**

**By United Press International**  
Some of Oregon's High School basketball teams will have their sights set on state tournament berths this weekend.

Two Valley League teams, Albany and North Salem, could earn berths in next month's extravaganza at Eugene. North Salem could make it with a win over Corvallis tonight and Albany could do the same with a victory over Lebanon.

**CARNIVAL RACE SCHEDULE**

- Friday — 10 a.m. — Slalom (two runs)
- 2:30 p.m. — Cross-country (6 miles)
- 6 p.m. — Racers' banquet
- Saturday — 11 a.m. — Giant slalom (1 run)
- 1 p.m. — Non-classified slalom, men and women (1 run)
- 2 p.m. — Jumping at Skyliner jump
- Sunday — 11 a.m. — Downhill (1 run)
- 3 p.m. — Awards session

**"Ladies Free" Special**

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**Hearing set on Finley, K-City**

**BOSTON (UPI)** — Chapter umpire — possibly the conclusion — in the Charles O. Finley baseball saga will be written here today when American League owners again meet to consider the plight of the Kansas City Athletics.

League President Joseph E. Cronin called all ten owners — Finley still included — to the 10 a.m. EST "hearing" at the Sheraton-Plaza Hotel.

He also invited representatives from Kansas City and the attendance of every legal counsel associated with either the league or its clubs.

First and apparently the only item on the agenda was the failure of insurance man Finley and Kansas City officials to reach agreement on a new lease for the Municipal Stadium the Athletics have been occupying for the past few seasons.

The league underscored the importance of the session when it ordered special police to serve as security guards at the entrances to the hearing room.

Cronin gave some indication that the owners might not be ready to take over the Athletics' franchise when he called the meeting a "hearing" and said another meeting might be necessary.

Finley has repeatedly insisted the league cannot take his franchise from him and has backed this with the threat of legal action by hiring famed New York attorney Louis Nizer.

That threat carried more than the usual weight since major league baseball has long feared any major court tests of its unique position outside the anti-trust and monopoly laws because it is a "sport" rather than a "business."

**Weekend sports slate**

**BASKETBALL**

**Friday** — Bend at Baker  
Redmond at La Grande  
Prineville at Milton-Freewater  
Madras at Pendleton  
at Sisters, Maupin  
at Culver, Dufur  
at Gilchrist, Merrill

**Saturday** — Bend at La Grande  
Redmond at Baker  
Madras at Milton-Freewater  
Prineville at Pendleton  
at Sisters, Marcola  
Culver at Cascade Locks

**WRESTLING**  
**Friday** — La Grande at Bend (7 p.m.)  
Redmond at Prineville (7 p.m.)  
The Dalles at Madras

**Saturday** — Prineville at Klamath Falls: 1 p.m. — against Henley, and 7 — against Klamath Union  
La Grande at Redmond (1 p.m.)

**Redmond's Outlaw cage tourney pits COC, Crescent in opener**

**Special to The Bulletin**  
REDMOND — Central Oregon College kicks off the Third Annual Redmond Outlaw Basketball Tournament here tonight, when the collegians commence firing at 8 p.m. with the Crescent Tavern.

Seven top amateur teams from Oregon plus another from Washington make up the tourney. Action will run tonight through Sunday in the Redmond High School gymnasium.

Redmond's Musicians, defending champions, are hosts. It will be a three-day, double-elimination go-around.

Prize money is the reward for finishing in the first four places. To the champion goes a purse of \$100, second place wins a team \$75, third \$50, and fourth \$25.

Visiting tourney teams are quints of no mean talent. Springfield's Earne Stealers boast an impressive roster.

Springfield has at post ex-University of Oregon pivots Glenn Moore and Wally Knecht. Also in the lineup is John Mack, a reserve for Oregon last year and a track man.

last year's runnerups, are back again. Wayne Pierce, manager of the Redmond squad and tournament director, offers the tourney flag as a battle between Walla Walla and Springfield. Redmond, however, remains a darkhorse.

Other teams include, the Crescent Tavern, a Bend City League team (Gilchrist), the Linfield College Deltas, Dayville, and the Burns Elks.

**Pairings**  
Tonight's first round pairings are as follows:  
8 p.m. — Central Oregon College vs. Crescent Tavern.

9 — Linfield Deltas vs. Redmond Musicians.  
10 — Springfield vs. Burns Elks.

Tomorrow morning will see the last pairing for the first round. At 9 Dayville and the Walla Walla Jaycees square off.

Saturday will be the busiest day. Basketball action will run from 9 to 12 and from 4 to 11. Sunday will see games at 1, 3 and 5 in the afternoon. Approximately an hour's break will run between each game, as one team might have to play in all three.

**Sports**

**Ducks host Montana State as Beavers tackle Vandals**

**By United Press International**  
Most of the fireworks in West Coast basketball this weekend takes place on Saturday when UCLA risks its win string at Stanford and West Coast Athletic Conference leader USF meets St. Mary's.

But there are solid contests tonight, too. Loyola is at San Jose State in a contest that the Spartans must win in order to keep their threadbare WCAC hopes alive.

Northwest strong boy Oregon State hosts Idaho, while Oregon meets Montana State.

Fresno State has clinched the CCAA and the spot in the NCAA college tournament that goes with it, but the show must go on. So Fresno hosts Cal Poly, Long Beach is at San Fernando, and San Diego State is at Los Angeles State.

In action Thursday night, two of the at-large picks in the Western NCAA regional tournament put on a whale of a show at Logan, Utah.

Seattle broke a 22-game Utah State home court win streak with a 96-94 win. Both teams emerged from the game with 18-4 records.

Greg Vermillion had 22 for Seattle, L. J. Wheeler 17 and John Tresvant and Charlie Williams 15 apiece. But it was Peller Phillips' driving lay-up with 1:20 to go that gave the Chiefs perhaps their biggest win since they upset Oregon State.

Santa Barbara, an unofficial member of the West Coast Athletic Conference this year, increased its season record to 16-8 by edging Pepperdine, 87-85. Roland Betts had 27 for the losers and John Conroy and Hal Murdock led the Gaucho scoring with 20 apiece.

Art Crump is back with the Idaho State team after winning his battle with the books and the hotshot scored 31 in leading his squad past Gonzaga, 103-95. Bill Wilson had 32 for the Zags.

In the Evergreen Conference tournament, it was Whitworth 93 Central Washington 89 and Eastern Washington 69 Puget Sound 62.

Should any other team other than conference champ Pacific Lutheran win the tourney, it will meet the Lutes in a two-of-three playoff to determine who goes to the national small school tourney at Kansas City.

**Jaycees pick up basketball win**

One City League and an Industrial loop contest were seen in basketball action last night. Bend Jaycees came out of the woods with a 38-37 win over the Oregon Trail Box Five. Brandis Drug whipped the Central Oregon Welders, 38-29, in the other contest.

**Box score:**  
Jaycees (38) (37) O.T. Box  
Bean 10 0 McBride  
Parrish 1 4 Manwiller  
Marceau 0 21 Oatman  
Price 15 10 O'Neill  
Fowler 4 0 Dudley  
Scoring subs: Jaycees — Davis 8, OTB — Shemberger 2.

**Brandis (38) (29) CO Welders**  
Turner 6 2 Smith  
Shank 2 4 Little  
Van Uiter 20 0 Wastel  
Painter 8 13 Ward  
Skeen 2 10 Hermann

**Heppner players get suspensions**

HEPPNER, Ore. (UPI) — Six variety basketball players at Heppner High school, including three regulars, have been suspended from the team in a disciplinary move.

Coach Bob Cantonwine said the action came as a result of misconduct last week on a trip to John Day. He did not elaborate.

The coach added the action probably would cost the team a chance to make the grade to the state A-2 tournament. He did not identify the players, saying it would be obvious who they were when Heppner plays its next game.

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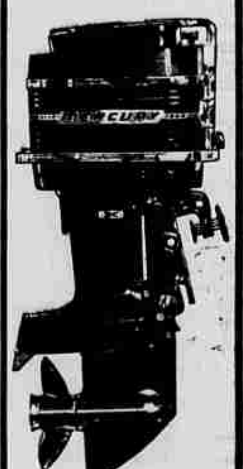


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