

St. Mary's Cagemen Issue Challenge to Secondary Schools

TITLE CHANGE REQUESTED IN OPEN LETTER

Understanding at First of Season Quoted By Irish—Appeal Sent to State Association.

St. Mary's Academy basketball team claims leaders in the first and second divisions of the Jackson county secondary basketball league are difficult about meeting them for the championship, and consequently a challenge has been issued to Sams Valley, winner of one division, and the three prospective winners in the other division, for a deciding game.

The winner has the right to play Klamath county for the southern Oregon secondary championship and to hurl a challenge at Medford or Ashland, in the first string conference.

St. Mary's adherents say that the county winner does not want to be bothered with them with bigger game in sight.

A copy of the challenge has been sent to the State Athletic association, to which an appeal will probably be taken unless a game is arranged.

The St. Mary's challenge is as follows: "According to the understanding the St. Mary's basketball team had, the first of the year, if we won a percentage of our games throughout the season we were to be allowed to play in the finals for the secondary high school championship of Rogue River valley."

"We hereby this date February 26, 1931, challenge the winners of the two divisions, either Sams Valley, winner of one division, or Rogue River, Talent or Phoenix who are tied as winners of the other division to a basketball game to decide winners of secondary high schools of Rogue River valley of which winner will play Klamath county champions for southern Oregon honors, game to be played on a neutral floor agreeable to both teams. Referee also to be chosen by mutual consent of both teams."

"We feel that St. Mary's should have a chance, being members of the Oregon State Athletic association in good standing and living up to their rules and regulations and winning 7 out of 9 season games, losing only to Talent (and the cancellation of one Phoenix game by Phoenix would give us 8 wins and two losses). We are sure St. Mary's is fully eligible to play in the finals."

"Thanking you very kindly for consideration, we are,
"ST. MARY'S ACADEMY."

TALENT CAGEMEN DEFEAT PHOENIX

The Talent basketball team defeated the Phoenix quintet, 20 to 13, last night in Talent, giving the victors the opportunity of meeting the Rogue River team at Jacksonville soon to decide the secondary high school division honors.

The winner of the Jacksonville game will meet Sams Valley for the championship of the county. The winning team of this affair will play Chiloquin for the southern Oregon secondary school division honors, and the winner of this battle will play the champion of the Medford, Grants Pass, Ashland and Klamath games for a right to represent southern Oregon at the state tournament.

ANCIENT TURF RELIC WILL BE DISPLAYED

NEW HAVEN, Conn.—(U.P.)—What is regarded by sportsmen as the rarest relic of the American turf will become an exhibit at the Yale Art Gallery when the Mabel Brady Garvan collection, of which it is a part, is turned over to the university.

It is a silver porringer which bears the inscription: "1688 wynn att homsted-plainemarch 25"

Research revealed the bowl was won by Captain Sylvester Salisbury a commander of the British forces under the governor of New York.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 27.—(AP) The Portland Buckaroos were still in the 22 title Coast Hockey league cellar to-day but their prospects appeared a little brighter.

By defeating Seattle 4-1 to 1 here last night the bucks climbed to within six points of the league-leading Vancouver Lions. Seattle is one point behind the Lions.

With Rod and Gun

By Ernest Rostel and Dick Green



Senator Charles McNary has been the recipient of many letters during the past few weeks urging him to take favorable action in connection with the proposed federal ten-year plan for the destruction of predatory animals in the west. The plan includes the appropriation of \$1,000,000 for each year, with the fund placed at the disposal of the United States biological survey as part of the activities of the department of agriculture.

However, there is some opposition to the plan from nature lovers, humane societies and fur dealers, according to Washington reports, but the opposition is not expected to be sufficiently strong to thwart the passage of the measure. It is claimed a portion of the opposition is based on sentimentalism and no true facts can be given for the protection of the coyotes.

Most of the disapproval comes from eastern states and concerns the plans to set out poison for the wolves and coyotes. The easterners say the poison used for the animal killing would be picked up by other than predatory animals. Bird lovers say birds would eat the poison and game fowl would be damaged. Fur dealers claim the fur business would suffer due to the death of fur animals eating the poison. They do not object to the use of trap guns, but are all against the use of poison. The Oregon state game commission and the Isaac Walton league of Oregon are supporting the plan.

With two bills before congress blaming floods and the disastrous effect of droughts in America on over-drainage, a weather man has presented further reasons for alarm over the increasingly effective efforts of the country to shed the rain from its back as fast as it falls.

W. H. Alexander, senior meteorologist of the weather bureau at Columbus, Ohio, in a letter received by the American Game association, declared that the removal of standing water from the face of the land induces more fickle weather and greater extremes in temperature as well as a less healthful atmosphere for both plant and animal life.

"The life-giving quality of the atmosphere as well as its degree of comfort is largely determined by the amount of moisture in the air," Mr. Alexander said. "Bodies of water, both large and small, are the chief source of this moisture, or humidity, and many small bodies serve the same purpose as a large one. They become, in a very important way, just so many 'oases' in the atmosphere, and so help to form conditions favorable to the development and sustenance of animal and vegetable life."

"The tendency of a body of water is to render weather conditions slightly more equable. The temperature extremes, for example are never as great near the water as over land areas," he pointed out.

The two bills before congress would seek to prevent floods and droughts by establishing reservoirs, lakes, ponds and farm terracing.

GREATEST GOLFER RECEIVES EMBLEM IN AMATEUR ADIEU

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Bobby Jones, golfer's greatest, today turned all of his attention to business affairs, his amateur career pretty definitely closed after receiving the James E. Sullivan memorial medal last night.

The award, a solid gold medal five inches in diameter, was handed the perfect Atlanta by Avery Brundage, president of the United States, amid an ovation from 1500 civic and sports leaders who attended the testimonial dinner in his honor.

Before handing Bobby the medal, Brundage read a telegram from President Hoover, which read: "I cordially congratulate you upon the honor of receiving the James E. Sullivan memorial medal for fine performance and good sportsmanship for the year 1930, and rejoice with your numerous other admirers in this further recognition."

Toledo—Plans being made for resuming operations at spruce mill.

COUGAR CENTER EQUALS RECORD IN CAGE SCORES

Huntley Gordon Loops 171 Points Through Net—Husky Center in Runner-up Position.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 27.—(AP)—Huntley Gordon, sensational sophomore center of the Washington State College basketball team, was perched atop the individual scoring column today, his 171 points equalling the league record and placing him well beyond the reach of his competitors in the northern division Pacific Coast conference hoop race.

The tall Cougar tip-off man just missed surpassing the conference scoring record set up last year by Howard Stowell of the University of Idaho Vandals. Gordon, in the final three contests on the Cougar schedule, piled up 22 counters, 11 of them in one game, but was held down to four points in his last chance to establish a new record when the University of Washington clinched the northern division title Wednesday night by handing him Idaho this week-end in which to rattle his total.

Hank Swanson, Washington center was in the runner-up position with 125 points, 46 less than the Cougar big shot. Swanson added 12 markers to his last week's score and has a two game series with Idaho this week-end in which to rattle his total.

The personal foul column was taken over this week by Pete Wicks, Idaho forward, with 37. Holsten and Howard Merrill, O. S. C. forward who was chief bad man last week, were tied for second with 34 personal fouls apiece.

The 15 highest scorers are:

Player	PG	FT	PP
Gordon, W.S.C.	67	37	20
Swanson, Wash.	49	27	26
Holsten, W. S. C.	42	36	34
Fuller, Wash.	47	29	28
Ballard, O. S. C.	50	12	10
Pagans, O. S. C.	44	16	27
Wicks, Idaho.	32	33	37
McLarney, W. S. C.	38	21	26
Eberhart, Oregon.	35	22	27
Swygard, Wash.	36	15	8
Wills, W. S. C.	31	20	15
Lyman, O. S. C.	32	10	12
Drummond, Idaho.	28	18	29
Barrett, Idaho.	31	10	8
Galkins, Oregon.	28	16	9

BOWLING COLUMN

Teleo bowlers started bravely in their match with the Elks last night, taking the first game by six pins but the electrical wizards encountered "wire trouble" in the ensuing two frames, meeting defeat by wide margins.

Eds continued his sweep toward league leadership in the individual scoring column with 618 pins, rolling 222 in the opener.

Copco and Montgomery Ward will battle on the Nat alleys tonight.

Player	Elks
Proitt, Roy	148 194 170 512
Gill, Jack	184 156 157 497
Erickson, E.	145 183 156 484
Rankin, H.	148 147 144 439
Eads, Geo.	222 189 207 618
Handicap	7 7 7 21
554 876 841 2571	

Barton, Bob—200 153 111 464
Satterlee, L.—183 121 120 424
Halleck, H.—136 134 139 409
DeLisle, A.—108 124 160 392
Duminy—155 155 155 465
Handicap—78 78 78 234
860 765 763 2388

OLD HENRY JONES DEFEATS WILDCAT

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 27.—(AP)—Henry Jones of Provo, Utah, defeated Wildcat McCann, two falls out of three in a hard fought wrestling match here last night. They are middleweights. Jones took the first fall after 38 grueling minutes, with a reverse hammerlock. McCann won the second with a double toe-hold. Jones won the final fall by a knockout in two minutes.

Lee Nelson of Albany and Bobby Sampson of Los Angeles wrestled to a draw in the preliminary.

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Cissell's arrival gave Donie Bush enough material for an infield, including Ray J. Radloff, rookie first baseman, Irving Joffe, infielder recalled from Toledo, with Vic Siegel, a catcher, to fill in at shortstop.

Mickey to Mix It



MALGEWICZ PINS NEW YORK HEAVY

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 27.—(AP)—Joe Malgewicz, Utica strong man, took a one-fall victory in seven rounds from Stanley Pinto, New York heavyweight, in a feature mat bout here last night. The lone fall came after nearly two minutes of wrestling in the seventh round set-when Malgewicz tossed his hefty opponent with a reverse wristlock and crossbody combination hold. In the semi-windup Jack Fosgren, Vancouver, took a one-fall decision from August Sepp, Denver heavy.

YEAST CO. QUINT UPSETS TOURNEY

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 27.—(AP) The Fleischmann Yeast quintet of Seattle defeated the Minunohm Athletic club of Portland, 23 to 22, in a fierce overtime struggle at the opening of the second annual Northwest independent championship basketball tournament here last night.

The Seattle team's triumph marked the first major upset of the tournament. With the Portland quintet holding such stars as Johnny Kitzmiller, the flying Dutchman of football fame, Gunther and Scroggins, the team was touted as a possible finalist.

Fights Last Night

(By the Associated Press) SYRACUSE, N. Y.—Jackie Fields, Los Angeles, outpointed Jackie Brady, Syracuse (10).

BOSTON—Lou Scozza, Buffalo, N. Y., outpointed Tony Shuack, Boston (10).

PHILADELPHIA—Bud Mangino, Boundbrook, N. J., knocked out Jimmy Walker, Philadelphia (10).

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OFFICERS CHOSEN FOR FERN VALLEY LITERARY SOCIETY

FERN VALLEY, Ore., Feb. 27.—(Special)—Fern Valley Literary society met at the school house February 29. The meeting had been postponed a week because of so much sickness. There was a large attendance.

New officers were elected and immediately took office. The retiring officers were Helen Kantor, president; Anne Kantor, secretary; George Alford, treasurer, and William Kantor, marshal. The new officers are: Mrs. Hensler, president; Marguerita Cunningham, vice president; Miss Murphy, secretary; George Alford, treasurer, and Harry Steele, marshal. The retiring entertainment committee was: Pearl Kantor, Margaret Hughes and Tom Williams. The new committee: Myrtle Ferns, Helen Kantor and Mildred Marshall.

There will only be two more regular meetings. Wiener roasts were discussed to be voted on next meeting to take the place of the programs now given.

The program proved very entertaining. The Fern Valley paper, edited by the school children, was read by Mary Hensler. A poem, "Pido," by Nick O'Connell, local poet, was read by Tom Williams.

A sketch of the life of George Washington was given by Mary Hensler.

Song, "Daisies Won't Tell," by Marguerita Cunningham, Mary Hensler and Helen Kantor accompanied on the organ by Alice Hensler.

Two poems, "The Barber Shop" and "A Baby," also written by Hensler.

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