

# Coach Callison Chooses Medford High's All-Stars for 1923-1929

## Ex-Mentor Pays Tribute To Baseball and Grid Men Who Won Honors

Never-to-Be Forgotten Record Written In Oregon's Athletic Books by Brilliant Performances

By PRINCE CALLISON (As told to Billy Hulen)

(This covers the period of coaching years from 1923 until 1929 at Medford high school by Prink Callison, now head football coach at the University of Oregon.)

Basketball.

1st Team—	2nd Team
Melvin (C).....F.....	Knips
Chastain.....G.....	Laink
McDonald.....G.....	Allen
Williams.....G.....	Morgan
White.....G.....	Anderson, Del

Football.

1st Team—	2nd Team
Archer.....E.....	McDonald
Bowerman.....E.....	Ray Singler or White
Morgan (Co-C).....T.....	Stoehr
Dressler.....T.....	Demmer
Neff.....G.....	J. Hughes
Jackson.....G.....	Sprague
B. Hughes (Co-C).....O.....	Knips
Melvin.....Q.....	Anderson, Del
Harrell.....H.....	Moore
Conrad.....H.....	Harriott
Senn.....F.....	Anderson, Swede



Prink Callison.

From out of the past, from that great athletic era of 1923 until 1929 when Prink Callison was at the head of Medford high athletic teams, making the record that was to sky-rocket him to the helm of University of Oregon's varsity football squad, comes this probably final tribute to the boys who made that fine record possible.

**Others Won Honors.** In picking his All-Medford basketball and football teams, Callison wishes it known that many fine athletes were left off his selection for the simple reason that only a certain number could be placed. And also, that these all-star teams are selected only from the Medford boys playing in the years from 1923 to 1929 inclusive. Just a word about the phenomenal record made by Prink Callison and his Medford teams during that span of years.

Prink came to Medford high in the fall of 1923 from the University of Oregon and remained until the spring of 1929 when he left to take over the freshman football team at his alma mater.

**Blazed Bright Grid Path.** In those years, his football teams, beating the red and black of Medford, blazed a path through Oregon high schools that will never be forgotten. In six years Medford high lost but two games; one to Oregon freshmen and one to Salem high. Those defeats were in 1923 and 1924 if memory serves correct and from then on until 1929 the Tigers were undefeated. In each of those six years Medford easily won the southern Oregon championship and in two of those years Medford was state champion, defeating Portland's best for the title by overwhelming scores.

It was, without doubt, the greatest domination of high school football in the history of Oregon. **Team Bright Thrills.** Memory of those grand teams always brings the scene; a big, powerful line averaging around 185 pounds, driving hard, blocking viciously, opening up huge holes. Light, flashing backs racing through; hip-shifting and change-of-pace for long gains. Perfect plays. One shot. One lightning like bolt and, with the way cleared, a thrilling dash to the goal line. Callison's teams were perfectly drilled in fundamentals. They knew how to block and tackle, and they did, smashing.

Callison's basketball span started in the winter of 1924 and continued until the winter and spring of 1929.

**Hoopsters Respected.** Two state tournaments with winners he gave to Medford; his first and last years, and in every year his Medford teams easily won the district title and went to Salem where the Tigers were always rated one of the favorites.

His basketball teams were always colorful; playing a hard driving, shoot-and-follow-in game at all times. They, the same as his football teams, were built upon a sound fundamental base.

**Football.** Woody Archer—End. Tall and fast. A great defensive man and a sure pass receiver. Followed Callison to Oregon, where he held down a varsity end position for one year.

Bill Bowerman—End. About the same size as Archer, though not so speedy. Really developed at Oregon, where he was shifted to quarterback. Beat Washington one year by 80-yard run to score at Seattle. A marvelous fighter.

Bill Morgan—Tackle. A huge fellow, weighing around 240. Mentioned for All-American at Oregon, where he played three years of varsity. With the New York Giants pro team last fall. One of the greatest football players ever developed in the state.

Dressler—Tackle. Smaller than Morgan, but very tough. A fighter at all times.

Neff—Guard. Small and fast. Excellent at leading interference and a good defensive man.

Jackson—Guard. Also comparatively small, but full of fight. An inspirational player.

Bernie Hughes—Center. Co-captain with Morgan and for three years one of the best centers on the coast while at U. of O.

Al Melvin—Quarterback. Melvin died a few years ago, cutting short the most promising athletic career in years. Portland sports writers, seeing him in action when Medford played Washington high for the state title in 1928, called him a duplicate of Oregon's famous Johnny Kitzmiller. No

### WINTERS PASSES BY SWIMMING HOLE



Boise, Idaho, girls took to the sandy beaches of the Boise river where the "Ole swimmin' hole" is hemmed in by black lava cliffs right when the stream should have an icy fringe. But, judging from their appearance, winter forgot to come this year. (Associated Press Photo)

### AMERICANS SHARE SWEEPSTAKE LUCK

DUBLIN, March 21.—(AP)—Americans won two of ten 7013 pounds (approximately \$35,000) prizes distributed in the first couple of minutes as the Irish sweepstakes draw was resumed today—the biggest prizes next to those going to placing horses in Friday's grand national steeplechase.

The second of these prizes drawn today was shared by two Brooklyn women—Eleanor Cabaret and Ruth Marshall, Brooklyn, N. Y.—and the last of the ten went to Samuel Karp of Dorchester, Mass.

The big golden drum from which the numbers were drawn rolled at its highest speed today as it began the distribution to all corners of the world of \$1,250,000 more in prizes.

Today's were the "prizes without worry" for the results of Friday's grand national steeplechase will not affect them.

**Reed and Heinz Pull Schnozzles.** SALEM, March 21.—(AP)—After dropping the first fall Robin Reed came back to take the final two falls

### BOWLING

City League.

Bowman's Barber Shop.	1	2	3	
C. Walsh	137	120	165	422
C. Bowman	159	158	144	461
J. Burroughs	144	118	195	397
C. Hayden	140	140	206	496
F. Diamond	216	160	201	577
Handicap	75	75	75	

Piche Hardware.

1	2	3		
Ray Pruitt	156	161	133	420
R. Harrison	101	133	170	404
A. Piche	111	172	176	459
L. Watson	151	169	320	
S. Carey	161	150	127	438
J. V. Watson	181	187	187	
Handicap	142	142	141	

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Tonight: Pruitt's Service Station vs. Peerless Meat Market.

Jack Curtis won the last two falls and match from Walter Tinkit Achein by making effective use of the flying came back to take the final two falls

### KENTUCKY WONDER CONTINUES KAYOES

SEATTLE, March 21.—(AP)—Pacific northwest lightweight boxers haven't been able to do anything about it yet, and they won't at the rate they are going.

About two months ago Cecil Payne came to Seattle from Louisville, Ky., to test out Henry Woods, Yakima negro flash, and since then northwest battlers have failed in their efforts to send him back home.

Payne last night knocked out Ernie Cavelli, Walla Walla and Portland lightweight in the second round of a scheduled 10-round bout, to score his fourth victory in Seattle.

He previously whipped Woods twice, and Al Lewis, Seattle negro, once. The Kentuckian knocked Cavelli down for a nine-count in the first and then finished the fight with a left to the chin.

### STRANGLER'S EYES TROUBLING AFTER LONG RING CAREER

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — (UP) — Ed (Strangler) Lewis has wrestled 24 years and twice been the world champion, but still has only one real weakness—his eyes.

The weakness was admitted after he had thrown Chief Cheshwki of Oklahoma in a recent match here.

"This Chief is the craziest guy I ever met," said Lewis. "I'd get a hold on him, and he'd bite, or go for my eyes."

"I don't mind the biting, but when they go for my eyes—that's out. I've had trouble with my eyes and was laid up for a while on account of them."

Lewis, 42, said he wrestles five nights a week and has engaged in more than 4500 matches.

"Naturally I've lost some of the zip I once had. But don't let this 'spare tire' around my middle fool you," he warned. "It's been there a long time. I want it there."

The soft-voiced "Strangler," who in the days when there was no time limit on matches sometimes wrestled until 2 or 3 a. m., admitted most athletes don't stay in the pink of condition long.

"I'm always near the top of condition," he declared.

"I like to show up these young bucks who think they can take old Ed. I fool around and let 'em take passes at this (he patted his middle); then I turn 'em over."

"You know, I started when I was 18. I've been champion twice, and I've seen this game progress from where we had to get down to business to this showmanship the boys use now."

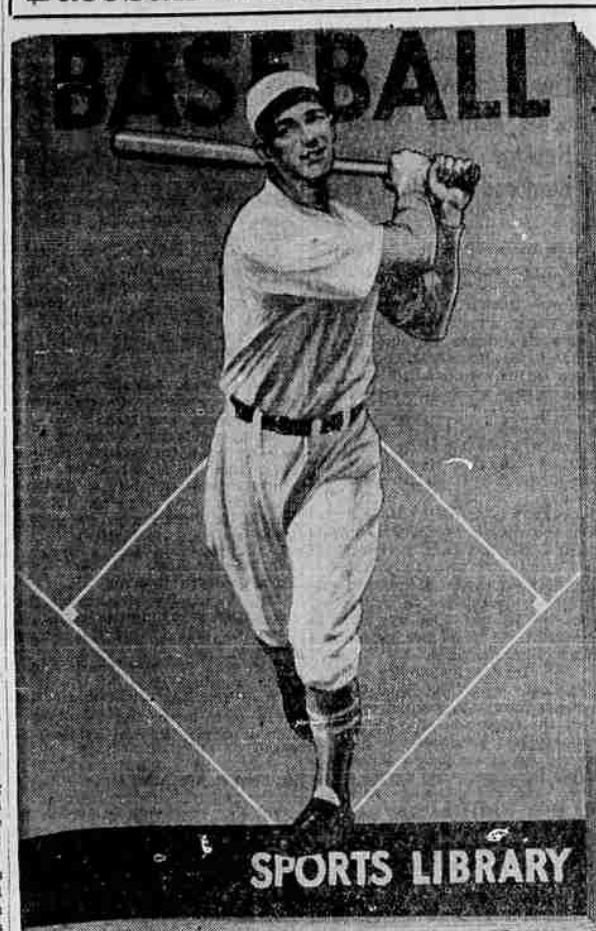
He estimated he has appeared before more than 18,000,000 people, who have passed at an average of \$1 each to see him.

"There's not a man wrestling today that I'm afraid of," he concluded.

**NOD TO LASKY BOOED BY LOS ANGELES FANS**

LOS ANGELES, March 21.—(AP)—Art Lasky, 192-pound Jewish heavyweight of Minneapolis, was awarded a 10-round decision over Lee Ramage of San Diego here last night, but the protesting crowd of 11,000 persons disagreed. Ramage went in at 186.

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