

# Tigers Open Basketball Season Tonight in Tilt With Salem Quintet

## BOWERMAN'S BOYS FACE HIGH HURDLE IN INITIAL TEST

### Cocher Promises Hard Fight Against Invaders—Grade Teams Will Provide Preliminary at 7 o'Clock

The opening guns of the Medford high school basketball season will be fired at the Senior high school gym tonight when the Tigers face the fast Salem Vikings, now on a barnstorming tour of southern Oregon. With several practice sessions with small schools behind them and in good physical condition, the Tigers are ready to meet the opposition with a flurry of shots throughout the game, which they are entering as the underdogs.

The Vikings, under Coach Hollis Huntington, were scheduled to arrive in the city by bus today. The team is rated one of the best to come out of the Capital city in some time, and in commenting on the probable outcome of the fray, Coach Bill Bowerman of Medford said last night: "Salem by 15 points. From what we hear they have a fine club and are going to be hard to stop, but don't think we're going to go down without a fight. We're going to play fast and shoot often, and if our sharpshooters are on we have a good chance of winning."

The green and short Medford squad has been improving rapidly under the guidance of Bowerman, and has worked into a smooth passing offensive machine that may upset pre-game predictions, those who have followed the work of the outfit are agreed. The lack of height has forced the Tigers into a faster tempo than is necessary with men of more reach, and their quick thrusts under the basket are expected to prove a popular feature with the crowd.

In anticipation of much taller opposition, Bowerman has abandoned the man-to-man defense and taken up the zone guarding system now proving so popular with eastern college fives. The defensive system conserves the energy that is thrown into the fast breaking offense, Bowerman believes.

Tomorrow night the Tigers clash with the Weed high school, northern California champions last year, in a game which has been moved forward from the Saturday schedule.

The seventh and eighth grade teams from the Medford junior high will open hostilities at 7:00 o'clock, against a similar aggregation from Phoenix. The main game will start at 8:00 o'clock.

The starting lineup for Medford will probably be: Lewis and Blininger at forwards, Baker and Dickinson at guards, and Smith at center.

## FANDOM—AT—RANDOM

By Dick Applegate

"Killer" Shikuma, the Japanese wrestler who meets Frankie Peck at the Armory Monday night, is not only the fifth ranking jiu jitsu expert in his own country, but is rapidly becoming a dangerous catch-catch-can wrestler. Some time ago, while instructing the Honolulu police in jiu jitsu, he was matched against Man-Mountain Dean of the curly black beard. Shikuma not only succeeded in taking Dean by the jiu jitsu route, but also handed him a convincing thumping in the catch-can style. It's getting so that wallowing Dean is no longer considered much of a feat for a wrestler, but Shikuma can be proud of the fact that it was one of his first bouts under the American system.

Although early season dope favors the University of Oregon Webfoots to take the northwest conference hoop title this year, if not the entire coast crown, they have anything but a cinch in getting past Oregon State, last year's champions. Wally Palmberg and Hub Tuttle, Orange forwards, are nobody's setups, and, with Conking at center and Follen and Sir Howard Lyman at the guard positions, the Beavers have a striking array of man-power. Oregon state will open the conference season tomorrow night against Idaho at Corvallis.

Since we've devoted some time to Olympic game matters, we might as well continue. One of the most interesting things about the Bavarians around Munich, in the neighborhood of Gar-misch-Partenkirchen where the games are to be played, is their simplified communication system. When any Bavarian team plays a game away from home they avoid the telegraph charge in getting the score back to the home folks by releasing a carrier pigeon at each period of the game, or after every score they make.

All athletes must be particular about their diet, particularly just before a contest. Football players, basketball players, golfers, boxers, wrestlers—it's always the same. Coaches watch the diet of their men as closely as Doc DaPoe does that of the Dionne quintuplets. There's nothing startling about that, since we've known it most of our lives.

But a note from Texas Christian University is rather startling. The Christians, who noosed out Louisiana State in the New Orleans Sugar Bowl on New Year's day, disregard the ordinary training rules alarmingly, as far as the use of condiments is concerned. Poring over expenses for the Santa Clara trip to the coast, Business Manager Ray Wolf almost had a stroke when he discovered that the Horned Frogs devoured ten bottles of catsup at each meal, three meals a day, for the entire trip.

Ed Kirtler, assistant coach at the high school, has produced a splendid idea. His suggestion is that an athletic club be formed in Medford, where handball, table tennis, badminton, boxing, wrestling and general gym work can be performed. Entry would be open to all those interested, providing they were sure their interest would be permanent and not just for a few weeks. The problem of housing such a venture would be a serious one, but not necessarily insurmountable. And it would fill a need long felt here.

That basketball team has finally settled on a name. They couldn't be the Red Raiders because their suits were blue, and they couldn't be the Blue Raiders because they never got over 150 miles away from home, and they wouldn't be the Blue Raiders, so they decided to combine the first two names, and are now the Blue Raiders. They will emerge under that title against Jacksonville Friday night.

## GOLD HILL QUINTET TO INVADE CENTRAL POINT

Basketball in the B-class conference will open Friday night at Central Point when Coach Bowell's Pointers meet Gold Hill in a double header. The teams are evenly matched according to pre-season games as each has divided a two game series with Sains Valley.

The Pointers line-up will probably be Lawrence and Coppinger at forwards, Grimes at center and Jewett and Lathrop at guards. Others who will probably break into the game are O'Connor, Pappé, and Lawton. Ivan Harrington will referee. A preliminary game between the second teams will start at 7:30.

## Portland Skaters Tie for Loop Lead

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 9.—(AP)—Portland, Seattle and Edmond had a thrilling battle in the Northwestern Hockey league today as a result of two combined battles last night. Portland moved into a tie with Vancouver for first place by breaking even with the Seattle Seahawks, 3 to 3, in an overtime game here, and the last-place Edmond Rockets conquered Calgary, 4 to 3, at Calgary.

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## BEAVER QUINTET GOOD AT TIMES MENTOR ADMITS

### Gill Says Other Northern Division Teams Stronger Than Last Year—Palmberg Main Hope of Season

By James S. Nutter (Associated Press Staff Writer) CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 9.—(AP)—Coach Slatka Gill of Oregon State College cautiously admitted today that his basketball team looks as good, at times, as his last year's champions did in early season.

Then, as if fearing he had said too much, Coach Gill hastily added that he expects every other northern division coast conference team to be considerably stronger than last season.

"I have reports that University of Washington's team is the best ever, and that is mighty good," Gill said. "University of Oregon is much better—tremendous size and manpower. Washington State has a lot of good men. Idaho—always dangerous, and apparently much strengthened."

Palmberg Holds Hope The hopes of the Beavers this season ride largely on the ability of Wally Palmberg, high-strung, speedy, left-handed scoring and passing wizard to play consistently enough to take the place of last year's great tactical and inspirational leader, George Hibbard.

"Palmberg is faster than Hibbard and has more drive. He's smarter this season than last, and mixes 'em up more. Hibbard was more consistent. Palmberg's passing is consistently good, but his scoring is in spurts. If he plays consistently, he will be even greater than Hibbard."

Tuttle, who teams at forward with Palmberg, has shown himself thus far an even better scorer than Hibbard, who tied with Palmberg last year for third highest conference scorer. Tuttle shows great promise of defense and passing, but isn't up to Hibbard in those departments, Gill said.

Follen, six-foot-seven guard filling Mose Lyman's graduation gap, is about the same defensively as Lyman was, but hasn't the scoring spark. Lyman has been out three years and couldn't stand the pace the whole season," the Beaver coach said. "But he was the whole scoring spark in the early games when we needed it most. He was a terror on rebounds."

Bergstrom, guard, and Conklin, center, both veterans from last year's team, are playing the same consistent ball they did last year, with some improvement in floor play.

Reserves came through with the winning spark in several games last year, but Gill is somewhat concerned over how the sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth and tenth ranking squad members will perform this season.

Howard Lyman, younger brother of Mose, shows great promise at guard or center, Merryman and Wintermute both have shown well at forward.

The Beavers will use the same type of sure-passing, legal blocking offense, playing for a good opening before shooting rather than casting off.

On the set offense Coach Gill plays his guards near the opponent's basket, one in either corner, and the center roaming between them. The forwards are farther out on the court, in position for shooting long shots or for driving in on dribbles or to take feeder passes when plays open.

## FOXX HOLDOUT THREAT NIPPED

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—(AP)—The Boston Red Sox have settled in a simple manner one problem that threatened to be a severe headache to Owner Tom Yawkey and Business Manager Eddie Collins.

They tore up Jimmie Foxx's old contract, which had two years to run, signed him to a new one-year document reputedly at a somewhat higher salary, and hushed the threat of a holdout that might have had a serious effect on the club.

Before the Athletics sold him to Boston, Foxx had announced he would demand a higher salary if traded. He came into the fold after a brief conference in Yawkey's office here yesterday, accepting a reported figure of \$25,000. Instead of the \$17,500 he was understood to have received from the A's.

With Foxx in line it is expected Boston will have little trouble signing up its other stars.

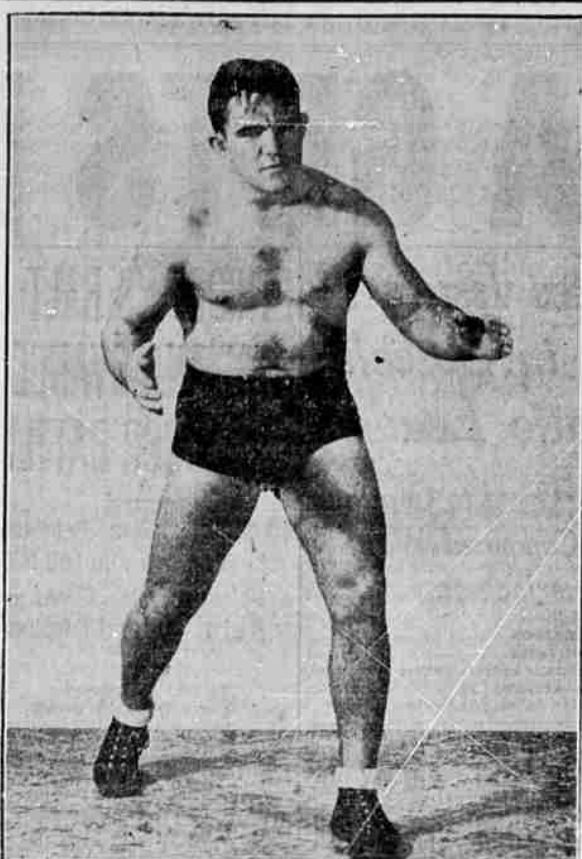
## Frosh Score Win In Opening Game

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 9.—(AP)—The University of Oregon freshmen opened their basketball season with a 30-to-27 win over the Wendling Cardinals.

Laddie Gale, six-foot-five forward, led the frosh with 12 points. High scoring honors, however, went to Winks, Wendling guard.

Individually assigned Spencer drew and singled gamblers. Mrs. H. M. Weiskner, Phone 1323-3.

## He Can Play Rough Too



The bout between "Tough" Cleet (above) and Ken Hollis at the Armory Monday night promises to be a tough evening for somebody. Hollis is rated as the very toughest of all tough wrestlers ever to show here, while Cleet's boast is that the tougher they are the more enjoyment he gets out of defeating them. The difference between the two men seems to be that Hollis is mean by nature, while Cleet gets mean only when he has to. "Killer" Shikuma and Frankie Peck meet in a jiu jitsu bout on the same card, with "Tiger" Taskoff and "Dude" Chick clashing in the opener.

## CALLISON LAUDS HALFBACK SMITH

P. G. (Fritz) Callison, head football coach of the University of Oregon, went Wednesday afternoon here, en route to Eugene, from a holiday vacation in California. He was accompanied by Mrs. Callison.

During his short stay here Callison visited with Coach Bill Bowerman of the high school, and a number of local athletes.

"Bob Smith is the best high school football prospect turned out this year in the state—bar none," Callison said. "He has size, speed and ability. I would like to see him register at the University of Oregon, where I am sure he would make good, and rank with Bill Morgan, Bernie Hughes and Bill Bowerman as a grid star."

It is understood that Smith, who played halfback on last season's Medford high school football squad has not definitely made up his mind which Pacific coast school he will enter. It is also reported he is "flirting" with Santa Clara and St. Mary's in the south.

## KAZANJIAN FLATTENS INDIAN CHIEF TWICE

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 8.—(AP)—Cassey Kazanjian, 215, San Francisco, used his opponent's pet hold, the Indian deathlock, to take the deciding fall from Chief Thunderbird, 210, Vancouver Island, in their wrestling match here last night.

Frank Stotack, 195, Tacoma, dropped the first fall to Lea Grimes, 205, Australia, and then took two straight.

Don Wagner, 230, Corvallis, Ore., and Brother Jonathan Heaton, 225, Hurricane, Utah, went 30 minutes without a fall.

## SEMI-ANNUAL SALE NOW IN PROGRESS

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## PLANS LAUNCHED FOR YEARLY BALL TO WAR ON POLIO

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Plans were retained in the community in which they were raised, for disbursement to local or adjacent orthopedic hospitals or for the treatment of local infantile paralysis victims.

This allotment was first made last year and the plan worked so well that it has been approved throughout the country, the bulletin said.

Thirty percent of the proceeds will be turned over to the national committee for delivery to President Roosevelt, who in turn will present the fund to the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation for continuation and extension of its part in the national fight against infantile paralysis.

The ball is held on January 30 because that is President Roosevelt's birthday.

Mayor Porter's committee appointments were:

Publicity—Herb Grey, Moore Hamilton and Lee Bishop;  
Tickets—Cole Holmes;  
Music—Sam Carey;  
Floor—R. O. Stephenson, E. C. Jerome, Jack Porter and Frank DeSouza;  
Hall arrangements—O. O. Alenderfer;  
Speakers—Dr. W. F. Roney and members of the Medford Speakers club.

M. N. Hogan was named assistant general chairman. Mr. Holmes, Mr. Carey and Mr. Alenderfer are to appoint the members of their own committees.

Patrons were announced as follows: Mayor and Mrs. George Porter, Mr. R. W. Ruhl, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Stephenson, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Reames, Mr. and Mrs. John Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Haeder, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Daniels, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Strauf, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Heath, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. J. Neff, Mr. and Mrs. John Tomlin, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Driver, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hanna, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Jerome, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Perry and Dr. and Mrs. E. G. Riddell.

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It was the same month that Virginia Helen Briggs, who came to the screen from the Polles under the name of Virginia Bruce, became the fourth Mrs. John Gilbert. Susan Ann was born the following year, and it was not long after that event a trial separation was announced, and on May 2, 1934, the fourth Mrs. Gilbert filed her suit for divorce. She was 23 years old.

In her suit Virginia Bruce described the screen's great lover as an "arrogant, violent and abusive" husband. She charged he belittled her intelligence, insisted she stay at home, used profane language, called her extravagant, and would not have her parents around.

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