

SPORTS

BASEBALL BOYS STEAMED UP FOR FIRST WORKOUTS

With snow still in the surrounding hills, the remnants of last year's Medford Rogues baseball team are already getting together in anticipation of the best baseball season in Medford in years. "As soon as the weather breaks we'll start our workouts," Gus Arnie, second baseman and acting manager, has announced.

There has been no call issued by "Poke" Nimmer of Ashland, baseball czar in this district, for a league meeting, but it is assumed that when he does, teams from Klamath Falls, Ashland, Grants Pass and Medford will be represented, Arnie said.

The Rogues are determined to have at least 12 home games this season, and "probably twice that many", in an effort to revive the nearly defunct interest in the game in this city. Already season tickets are being sold, and season passes are being handed to all the old-time baseball players that the committee can uncover.

Arnold Bauman, ace southpaw chucker formerly with Wichita in the Western league is back for mound duties and believes he has 20 games at least left in his arm to start the season with. Billy Calvert, young catcher with the Rogues last year, will be back behind the plate this year, and the probability is that Jay Walton, first sacker from the Timber league will be on duty again this year.

George Smith and Arnie will covet near second, with short to be held down by Dick Lewis, Cavell Parker, Howie or Stuart (formerly with Vernon in the Coast league). With Donovan, Zimmer or Silva ready for third base, the local nine is anticipating one of the fastest infields in their history.

"Hoosier" Hoffard, the grand old man of the home run circuit, will be back for duty in the outfield, primed to again hit over 500. Branson, Sakrals, Kention and Reinking will be back for outfield duty, in all probability.

It is planned to have new uniforms for the club members this year. It is not yet known where the team will practice, or where the games will be played, Arnie said, but an effort will be made to have whatever field is used in perfect playing condition.

CCC BOY WINS DOG DERBY



Lloyd Van Sickle, 17-year-old CCC camp youth, beat the three-time champion, Don Cordingley, and the field to capture the annual American Dog Derby at Ashton, Ida. The victor is shown with his mother and the lead dog of his team after the race. (Associated Press Photo)

FANDOM AT RANDOM

By DICK APPELEGATE

After the string of sensational wins chalked up by the University of Washington Huskies all through the season, it is little wonder that the league leaders faltered on their latest barnstorming trip and lost three out of the four games played. No one expected them to drop that game with Idaho, but once they started on the down-hill trail, the handwriting was on the wall.

Basketball is like that. While it is comparatively simple for a strong football team to march through a season without dropping a game, it is extremely unusual in basketball. Whether it's because basketball players are more delicately put together, we don't know, but imagine that the mental strain has more to do with the situation than anything else. Idaho the net will go any further down the ladder, already being firmly ensconced in the cellar, so all they had to do was let fly with the ball every-time they got a chance. Often that kind of shooting is more effective than the strained kind.

You've seen it yourself. When a player is dribbling down the floor and the referee's whistle blows or the gun ends the half or the game, it is a strong-willed young man indeed who won't let fly with a long heave in the hope, apparently, that the referee will think he shot before the whistle blew. And did you ever see one of those shots miss fire? It seems to us they always go in. Even when the shot is made over the player's head, or with one hand, they almost always settle into the net with a sort of futile finality. That's the same kind of shooting that Idaho, and Washington State, were handing Washington.

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certainly, but it does make some difference.

In 1931 the Medford and Salem high school football teams battled to a 12-12 tie on the Van Scoyoc field here. The spearhead of the Viking attack was a Japanese boy named Sugai, who played havoc with the Medford defenses all afternoon. He's the only football player we ever saw who could run on his elbows or knees. Now there is a wrestler in the northern part of the state who is making the heavyweights scuttle for cover. His name is Don Sugal, and he hails from Salem. We haven't been able to discover if he's the same Sugal, but imagine he is. If he is, then, like George Wilson, his football training should make him a dangerous opponent.

BOWLING

The Brill Metal Works bowling five galvanized the Piche Hardware squad last night, 3-1. Gates Auto took the same sort of beating from the Smoke House, with the Golden Glove outfit going down four straight to the Abbey Motor squad.

Ben Franklin, former Oakland ace, chalked up the highest league game of the season when he wangled out a 278 in his second game of the evening.

The Forest Service and Rogue River meet tonight.

Individual scores:

Gates Auto Co.	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Dawes	171	166	198	535
Cameron	170	184	135	489
Moffat	138	145	152	435
Cochran	118	122	151	391
Gates	151	152	155	458
Handicap	41	41	41	123
Totals	829	810	832	2471

Smoke House	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Antle	193	169	219	581
Rezeppa	141	215	150	506
Mann	141	138	177	476
Husong	168	144	178	490
Franklin	170	278	192	640
Totals	813	964	916	2693

Golden Glove	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Crank	133	125	122	378
Clemenson	111	80	101	292
Fredricksen	127	87	166	380
Williams	99	121	111	331
J. Powell	153	110	118	381
Handicap	36	36	36	108
Totals	659	557	734	1950

Abbey Motor Co.	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
H. Newland	131	142	205	478
N. Thornton	142	123	167	432
K. Powell	146	121	148	415
Johnson	117	150	122	389
N. Newland	160	151	139	450
Totals	707	687	781	2165

Piche Hardware Co.	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Al Piche	189	153	100	442
B. Piche	154	168	120	442
Weisenberger	145	129	114	388
Predette	166	125	115	406
Palmer	154	151	147	452
Handicap	17	17	17	51
Totals	825	733	515	2073

PALMBERG REQUIRES THIRTY POINTS FOR NEW SCORING MARK

SEATTLE, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Bagging ten points against Oregon last week, Wally Palmberg, Oregon State's chief basket bomber, was 30 counters away from a new northern division Pacific Coast conference scoring record today, and had three games left in which to get them.

The Beaver veteran ran his total to 147 points for an average of 11.2 per game, miles ahead of his nearest competitor in the standings. The present northern division scoring mark, set up in 1934 by Bobby Galer of Washington, is 178—an even 11-point average for the 16 games.

Ed Lovrich, Washington forward, fared not so well in two clashes with the Idaho Vandals last week, and saw action in only one of the two Washington State games, but clung to his second place rating nevertheless.

The northern division leading scorers included:

	G.	PG.	PT.	PP.	TP.	Avg.
Palmberg, O. S. C.	13	31	45	15	147	11.2
Lovrich, Washington	14	35	14	22	124	8.8
Bishop, Washington	14	46	31	22	123	8.7
Wagner, Washington	13	37	28	30	102	7.8
Holstine, W. S. C.	13	37	19	33	93	7.1
Liebowitz, Oregon	11	29	20	12	78	7.0
Nelson, W. S. C.	13	27	29	38	83	6.3
Folen, O. S. C.	13	32	12	16	76	5.8
Tuttie, O. S. C.	13	32	11	20	75	5.7
Howell, Oregon	11	16	30	20	82	5.6

DEMORALIZED HUSKIES LOSE SECOND IN ROW TO WASHINGTON STATE

(By the Associated Press)

A badly cuffed Husky nursed its wounds enroute home today after a disastrous Inland Empire invasion.

The University of Washington Huskies were still in first place in northern division coast conference standings, despite losing three out of four, but the road ahead to the championship was fogged up considerably.

The Huskies lost their second in a row to Washington State last night, 47 to 28, the worst defeat handed them thus far.

The Huskies went to Pullman after splitting a two-game series with Idaho at Moscow. They needed two wins to clinch the title.

Now they must break even in their final two games with Oregon State at Seattle March 6 and 7 to win. If Oregon State takes its three remaining games, including an encounter with Oregon Friday.

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NEW CCC FIGHTER ON TUESDAY CARD

Alfred Ramsey, 167-pound battler from Wimer, will meet Ernest Mazurek, 165 Camp Prescott, in one of the feature fights on the CCC card at the Elks temple next Tuesday.

Ramsey is a newcomer to the district and is anxious to show his wares in the Elks' ring. He arrived with the new company from Missouri last month. Mazurek took two straight wins over Wild Man Simmons of Headquarters detachment.

Nat Lombardo, 118-flash from Oregon Caves, will meet Johnny Roadill, 116, Prescott, in another fight that promises plenty of action.

These boys have met before but neither has been satisfied with the result. Lombardo addressed a letter to the district athletic officer last week requesting another crack at Roadill, and the Prescott boy has indicated his willingness to tangle again.

Entries for the card are coming in from all over the district. The bouts next week will open the new series which will be climaxed by a big outdoor card in May.

RONALD BAKER EYED FOR GUARD POSITION

GONZAGA UNIVERSITY, Spokane, Feb. 26.—(Sp.)—With spring practice just around the corner, and faced with the problem of filling the right guard position, left vacant by the graduation of Captain Russ Hale, Coach Mike Pecarovich, has his eyes on Ronald Baker, husky freshman guard prospect.

Baker, a Medford, Oregon, boy, tips the scales at about 200 pounds and has plenty of speed to go with his size. His sturdy defensive work last year was the outstanding feature of the Gonzaga yearling line. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Baker, 522 King street.

STEELE WINS NOD IN BATTLE WITH STUHLEY

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Freddie Steele, middleweight pride of Tacoma, Wash., remained a local favorite as well today after a well-earned 10-round decision at the Olympic over Young Stuhley of Chicago.

Steele carried five rounds to the Chicagoan's two last night, but took a constant left hand peppering and several right smashes to the head during the fight. Unable to connect with his terrific right in the early rounds, Steele opened up a relentless body attack in the fifth that slowed down the speedy Stuhley.

The Mail Tribune want ads.

Portland, decided on Baby Hill, 125, Spokane (4); Jack Cury, 134, Portland, decided on Pastor Calope, 138, Manila (4).

EONS End Season With 47-39 Win

LA GRANDE, Ore., Feb. 26.—(AP)—Eastern Oregon Normal school looked back on a successful basketball season today. The Mountaineers closed their 1936 season last night with a 47 to 39 victory over the Northwest Nazarene college of Nampa, Idaho. The Nazarenes also were defeated here Monday.

Fleming's eight points for the Normal team gave the center a total of 207 for the season, an average of 11 each game.

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