

Astoria, State Tournament Favorites Fight for Chance to Enter

ST. HELENS FIVE SHOWS CLASS AND MAY GAIN HONOR

Corvallis, Ashland, Benson and Franklin Sure Entrants—Salem, the 'Host Team,' Has Cinch.

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(Associated Press Staff Writer)

It's not a question now of whether Astoria high will win the state basketball championship again, but whether the Fishermen will get to the tournament.

St. Helens high ran its string of victories to 21 in 22 games by upsetting the Fishermen, 35 to 30, the past week, avenging an earlier defeat by Astoria. However, the Astorians are formidable—great tournament players.

The eventual week of basketball battle over the state included the Ashland high basketball team's 28-to-17 win over Grants Pass. This gave Coach Don Faber's Lithians the southern Oregon championship and a state berth for the third successive year.

Corvallis high crushed Springfield, 49 to 20, to set up the district seven title and state tournament entrance. Salem, host team, is the only other definite tournament entrant now, but many will be determined next week.

Portland entrants—and probably formidable ones too—will be Benson and Franklin, barring the rankes of upsets. This is the final week of league play, giving the teams 10 days before the state classic at Willamette university March 16 to 21.

Both teams proved themselves the past week by marching over Jefferson high, last year's runner-up for the state championship.

This week Benson plays the third-place Commerce high team and the lower division Lincoln team. Benson could still lose a game and go to the tournament. Franklin winds up its season against Lincoln and Roosevelt.

Arlington high remained one of the most formidable small schools in the state by defeating Boardman, 27 to 25, for its 15th consecutive win.

A possible new face at the state tournament is Roseburg, which defeated Marshfield, 22 to 20, to gain a first-place tie in the Coos-Douglas league.

Milton-Freewater reached the finals of the district two playoff by taking two in a row from Pendleton. The Dalles drew first blood in the other half of the playoff by defeating Hood River, 35 to 23. In mid-season Hood River looked like the choice, but The Dalles was gone to the tournament five years in a row and Coach Beryl Hodgen's men seem to improve with every game.

Sweet revenge rode on a 42-to-13 win for McMinnville over Silverton, which upset the Grizzlies the week before.

County and sub-district B tournaments the past week winnowed out the chaff and paved the way for the final tournaments to select the four B teams at the tournament.

NIPPON PREMIER, REPORTED SLAIN, RETURNS TO POST

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Of these, Admiral Sunkai alone survived. Although gravely wounded, he was said by an official of the imperial household to be recovering, following a blood transfusion Friday.

The assassin tried to kill Okada, and it was not until yesterday that the world outside the palace knew he had escaped.

A group of men sworn to "remove corrupt influence from around the throne" went to his home just before dawn Wednesday and called him out into the snow-covered garden. A man appeared in answer to the summons, and they killed him with revolvers.

The war office at that time announced that the victim was Okada, but today it disclosed that the man who lost his life was Okada's brother-in-law and secretary, Col. Denzo Matsuo.

The authorities' secrecy as to the actual victim apparently misled even the Japanese newspapers, the war office last night officially cancelled its announcement of Okada's passing.

In the meantime, thinking that they had succeeded in their effort to "liquidate" the head of a government they believed inimical to the interests of the empire, the rebels capitulated to an imperial order that they attack their arms and quit the buildings in which they had barricaded themselves.

A government communique announced that the rebellion was ended yesterday afternoon with the complete dispersing of enlisted men among the rebel group and the arrest of at least 15 officers.

The government claimed the troops surrendered without the firing of a shot and that there had been no bloodshed since Wednesday.

PELICANS ROUTED BY TIGERS, 25-17

The Medford high school Tigers made it three straight over the Klamath Falls Pelicans here Friday night, convincingly taking a 25-17 victory, before one of the largest crowds ever packed into the Medford gym.

During the first half the Pelicans put up a gallant struggle, with the lead changing hands eight times in the first two quarters. Sanders, Klamath forward, started the scoring with a lob shot from under the net, and Hayes' free toss and Van Dyke's cripple after he had dribbled the length of the floor put the locals in the lead, and the game shuttled that way the remainder of the half, which ended with Klamath in the vanguard, 12-10.

Shortly after the half the Pelicans from over the mountain wilted when they attempted to outdrive the Tigers, and three baskets by Van Dyke in the third frame, added to foul heaves by Lewis and Ettinger, put the locals in the lead, 18-14 by the end of the period, an advantage which they maintained and widened down the home stretch.

A short under-the-basket shot by Musselman, Pelican's leap man, and a free throw by Putman, Klamath guard, accounted for the only scoring by Klamath in the last quarter, while Baker of Medford got a goal and a free throw, Ettinger sunk a free throw, and Lewis made a field goal and a free toss.

The game was tough in spots, with Hayes, lanky Tiger pivot man, chased out by Referee Ivan Harrington on four personals. Olovant and Sanders, Klamath forwards, both had four personals against them, while Musselman had three. Lewis of Medford also had three.

Van Dyke and Baker of Medford were tied for high scoring honors for Medford with eight points each, while Reginato, high scoring Pelican guard, was high for the game with nine.

Summary:

Medford: K. Falls VanDyke (8) F. (5) Sanders Lewis (6) F. Giovanini Hayes (1) C. Musselman Baker (8) G. Putman Ettinger (2) G. (1) Reginato

Subs: Medford: G. W. W. Klamath-Falls: Smith, Durbin, Lafentel.

BEAVERS PREPARE FOR TITLE GAMES, OREGON TROUNCED

CORVALLIS, Ore., Feb. 29.—(AP)—TALK OF little else but basketball echoed on the Oregon State campus as the Beavers pointed toward the title-deciding series with the University of Washington at Seattle next week-end.

The Beavers, once apparently hopelessly out of the race for honors in the northern division Pacific coast conference, turned in their fifth consecutive victory last night, defeating a University of Oregon team 35 to 29. The game made it 3 to 1 for the Beavers in their four-contest series with the rival Oregon school.

Wally Palmberg, Beaver forward, came within 15 points of the conference scoring record when he booted his total Friday night to 161 by tossing in six field goals and a pair of free throws. He has two games left to play.

The Washington Huskies, with 11 victories and three defeats, need but one of the games with Oregon State to clinch northern division honors. The Beavers, defending champions, have won 10 and lost four, and thus need both contests to repeat for the title.

Friday's contest was bitterly contested. The Webfoos jumped to an early 4 to 2 lead but were trailing at half-time 18 to 13. With eight minutes left to play, the Beavers were out in front 29 to 16 but the fireworks had barely started. From there on out, the Webfoos splattered in baskets from all over the floor, baited the Staters' scoring at 33 points with but five minutes to go and rolled in four more goals to narrow the gap to six points just before the final gun.

TIGERS CLICK TO CONQUER G. PASS

The Medford Tigers, clicking with a form they have seldom shown this season in any first-half drive, led the Grants Pass Cavemen into half-time 17-7, at Grants Pass last night, slowed in the second half as they missed frequent sets-ups and made nine more points as compared to nine for

U. OF O. SWIMMERS ROUT WASHINGTON; SET NEW RECORDS

Hurd Defeats Medica in 100-Yard Free Style Dash in Upset.

EUGENE, Ore., Feb. 29.—(UP)—University of Oregon swimming team, undefeated against San Jose, Stanford and California, tumbled back the University of Washington team, 48-36, Saturday.

The feature of the meet was the victory of Jim Hurd, Oregon, over Jack Medica, Washington star, in the 100-yard free style event. Hurd smashed the coast record for the event. He was timed in 54.4 seconds. Medica, however, took two firsts.

The crack Oregon medley relay team established a new coast mark of 3:13.8, beating the old record held by Stanford. On the team were Jim Reed, Chuck Reed and Hurd.

Caddy, Washington breast stroke star, nosed out the defending champion, Chuck Reed, in the record time of 2:27.8.

The Summary:

400-yard free style relay—Won by Oregon (Scroggins, Hoffman, Sexton and Jim Reed). Time 4:11.4.

200-yard breaststroke—Won by Caddy, Washington; Chuck Reed, Oregon, second; Erickson, Washington, third. Time, 2:46 (new coast record).

150-yard backstroke—Won by Jim Reed, Oregon; Hoskins, Washington, second; Dickson, Washington, third. Time, 1:48.7.

50-yard freestyle—Won by Hurd, Oregon; Harvey, Washington, second; Carpenter, Washington, third. Time, 24.4.

400-yard freestyle—Won by Medica, Washington; Sexton, Oregon, second; Scroggins, Oregon, third. Time, 5:09 (new pool record).

100-yard free style—Won by Hurd, Oregon; Medica, Washington, second; Harvey, Washington, third. Time, 54.4 (new coast record).

150-yard backstroke—Won by Hurd, Oregon; Hoskins, Washington, second; Marshall, Washington, third. Winning points, 130.22.

200-yard freestyle—Won by Medica, Washington; Sexton, Oregon, second; Scroggins, Oregon, third. Time, 2:27.8.

300-yard medley relay—Won by Hurd (Jim Reed, Chuck Reed, Hurd); Washington, second. Time, 3:13.8. (New coast record).

DEAN BOYS, MUNGO AND LEIBER ONLY REAL 'HOLDOUTS'

NEW YORK, Feb. 29.—(UP)—Major league spring training, bursts into full bloom on southern diamonds next week. Practically all sixteen clubs, preparing for opening day on April 14, will be at full strength after tomorrow.

Most of the batterymen have started limbering up and they gradually are being joined by their teammates.

A majority of the teams will start serious work Monday with almost full rosters. The only outfield which open later are the Pittsburgh Pirates, New York Yankees, Boston Red Sox and St. Louis Browns.

Pitchers and catchers from those four teams report tomorrow and the rest of the players are due March 8.

Only four stars seem destined for fledged holdouts—Van Mungo, Brooklyn pitcher; the Dean brothers and Hank Leiber, Giant outfielder. All of them still are far from the scene of action.

Two teams have gone "international" in their training. The Cincinnati Reds have been working at San Juan, Puerto Rico. Part of the squad left today for Miami by plane. The remainder is due in Florida late next week.

the opposition, and won the fray, 26-16.

The win was the fourth of the season for the Tigers over the Grants Pass team, underling Medford forward who has slumped in scoring the past few games, hit his stride and led both teams with 13 points, followed by Van Dyke of Medford with eight. Holloway, Grants Pass center, was next with seven.

Summary:

Medford: Van Dyke (8) F. (4) Hayward Lewis (13) F. (4) Borden Drew (3) G. (7) Holloway Baker (3) G. (1) Stokes Ettinger (1) G. (1) Powell

Substitutes: Medford—Wilson, Hayes, McKee, Grants Pass—Jackson, Coffenberg.

Officials: Harrington and Lawes.

ST. MARY'S LOSES TO KLAMATH FIVE

A team of Irishmen from Klamath Falls, representing the Catholic Youth association of the Sacred Heart academy in that city, invaded Medford last night and drove all the snakes out of the St. Mary's high school basketball team, winning an easy 31-17 victory, on the same gym floor at senior high school.

The roll call of Klamath players sounded like a Gaelic Sunday school plouge, and McGuire, McGrath and two McNoullies, Crawford and Murray, made the game look like one of hurling on the soid soot.

The lineup:

Sacred Heart St. Mary's
D. McConville F. Gritsch
DeVeere F. Gitzzen
McGuire C. Corum
McGrath G. Estes
J. McConville G. Schade

Substitutes: Klamath—Cavanaugh, Crawford, Murray, Croker, Albert, Medford—Reddy.

The United States post office department plans to exhibit at the Texas centennial exposition its largest collection of rare stamps, it thus far has assembled, with an estimated value of \$1,000,000.

Next to the United States, Canada is the most auto-minded country, with one car to each eight persons.

LAND-GOING SEA LION CAPTURED IN FIELD



Definitely resenting human attention, a nine-foot land-going sea lion dubbed "Mrs. Finegan" is shown as she was trussed up by Oregon state troops at Canby, Ore., for a return trip to the Pacific Ocean 130 miles away. The sea mammal, which arrived at Canby by way of the Columbia and Willamette rivers, was found in a grain field a mile from water. It took eight men finally to capture the "cow." (Associated Press Photo)

GRUDGE RACE TO BE HELD MAY 23 AT NARRAGANSETT

NARRAGANSETT, R. I., Feb. 29.—(UP)—The "grudge" race between Top Row and Time Supply if held at all will be run at Narragansett park, according to an announcement tonight by Walter E. O'Hara, operator of the track.

O'Hara said he had received a telegram from Frank A. Carraud in which Time Supply's owner said: "I will run match race only at Narragansett park."

A. A. Baroni, owner of Top Row, irked by criticism of an alleged foul by his jockey in the \$100,000 Santa Anita handicap, has offered to race Top Row against Time Supply or any other entry in the race to settle the issue.

Carraud said he would accept the offer of a \$25,000 purse and would bet an equal amount on the side. The race would be held May 23.

Baroni had offered a wager of \$25,000 to \$50,000. If Baroni insists on the full \$50,000 bet, O'Hara said he would personally take \$25,000 of the bet.

The race would be run under the same weight conditions as the Santa Anita handicap.

CCC BATTLERS TO OPEN ELIMINATION BOUTS THURSDAY

A new series of elimination fights, to be climaxed in May by a big outdoor boxing card, will be staged Thursday evening at the Elks' Temple with many of the Medford CCC district's outstanding battlers taking part. The card will start at 8:30.

Main event on the program will be a heavyweight bout between Andrew Sinchak, 180, Oregon Caves, a veteran of 35 battles, and Robert Barth, 180, Steamboat, who appeared in an exhibition on the last card.

Barth was runner-up for the gold-weight title in the Minneapolis Golden Gloves tournament last year, and in his exhibition with Johnny Dutchman on the recent Elks' card, had all the earmarks of a real fighter. His bout with Sinchak will be his first serious, and fans are anxious to look him over.

Tiger Curran, 160, Oak Knoll's vicious strapper who has not appeared for several months, will be seen in action Tuesday evening, probably against Ernest Maurek, 155, Procoff.

Curran injured his hand last summer and had to lay off but he's back in the pink of condition and ready to go, according to Lieut. Henry P. Phelan, his company commander.

Six big bouts will be arranged on Thursday evening's card, to which Elks and their friends are invited.

The Elks' sponsorship of the district boxing cards has been a big stimulus to boxing in this district and many good CCC battlers have been developed.

WISCONSIN TOLD TO RULE SPORTS OR QUIT BIG 10

CHICAGO, Feb. 29.—(UP)—The University of Wisconsin will be suspended from the Big Ten conference July 1 unless the university faculty declares itself to be in control of athletics, the conference faculty committee ruled today.

The committee is considering the recent dispute at Wisconsin which resulted in the dismissal of Dr. Walter E. Meanwell, athletic director, and Dr. Clarence Spears, football coach.

There is reasonable doubt that the university faculty is in control of athletics, the committee ruled, and unless it dispels this doubt, Wisconsin will be ousted from the Big Ten.

"Evidence establishes more than a reasonable doubt that the University of Wisconsin now has the faculty control required of members of the conference," the committee said.

"It is resolved, therefore, that unless the faculty of the University of Wisconsin shall in the meantime notify this conference that they consider themselves in control of athletic affairs at that institution, the University of Wisconsin shall be declared suspended from membership in the conference beginning July 1, 1936."

The conference faculty representatives appointed a committee of Dean George A. Work, Chicago; Ralph Alger, Michigan; and Thomas E. French, Ohio State, to see that the order is carried out.

COUGARS TRAMPLE VANDALS, 60 TO 42

MOSCOW, Idaho, Feb. 29.—(AP)—Washington State college made it three out of four over Idaho for the basketball season by trouncing the Vandals here tonight, 60 to 42, in a coast conference game.

The Cougars started in right where they left off in their two victories over the top-ranking Huskies earlier in the week, and piled up a 28-to-12 half-time lead.

Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, is the largest army post maintained by the United States.

WHOPPER VICTOR ANITA HANDICAP

SANTA ANITA RACE TRACK, Cal., Feb. 29.—(UP)—Whopper, the huge Primo Carnera of the racing world, came through with a driving finish today to take the \$10,000 San Juan Capistrano handicap, in the swan song day of the second annual Santa Anita racing meet.

Tick On, the little 7-year-old stallion, who was retired by his owner, Neil S. McCarthy, southern California polo player and sportsman, continued his spectacular comeback career by winning second place.

Aziel Cross, owned by H. C. Hatch, was third.

Phil Minskrel, entered by the Green Tree stable, placed fourth.

Whopper, the invading horse from Florida, paid \$9.40, \$4.60, \$3.80 on a \$2 ticket.

A large crowd witnessed the Saturday night contest, which was thrilling.

Use Mail Tribune want ads.

BASKETBALL

Colorado College, 41; Greeley State Christian, 37.

Oklahoma, 34; Lafayette, 25.

Villanova, 46; Kansas state, 35.

Penn State, 45; Rutgers, 43.

Creghton, 44; Marquette, 34.

W. Va. U., 35; Duquesne, 33.

Columbia, 59; Cornell, 26.

Notre Dame, 34; Butler, 30.

Brown, 81; Yale, 45.

Wisconsin, 40; Chicago, 32.

Indiana, 41; Northwestern, 64.

Pitt, 29; Carnegie Tech., 21.

Purdue, 54; Iowa, 38.

A house cat put in a cage in San Francisco with a baby squirrel nursed the youngster to full growth.

SLIGHTED GOLFER BEATS MISS BERG IN FLORIDA GALE

Lucille Robinson Trims Another Curtis Squad Star at Ormond Beach.

BY HENRY McLEMORE
United Press Staff Correspondent

ORMOND BEACH, Fla., Feb. 29.—(UP)—As if to punish the golfing fathers for slighting her when the Curtis cup squad was named, Lucille Robinson, a sweet-singing brunette from out Des Moines way, today climaxed the licking she has been giving the girls who were named on the international squad by whipping Patty Berg in the final round of the annual South Atlantic tournament.

A crowd of more than 2000 swarmed over the Ormond Beach course today to watch Miss Robinson, playing superbly in wind of gale force that whipped in off the Atlantic, defeat the sensational Minneapolis schoolgirl, 1 up on the 21st hole. It was her second straight win over Curtis cup players, she having vanquished the defending champion Marion Mikey, in an extra hole semi-final yesterday.

Miss Berg had a grand chance to end the match on the 18th green, but she muffed it by missing an easy three-foot putt. On the first extra hole, the little red head, who has been burning up the Florida courses this winter, staved off defeat with a magnificent explosion from a wicked trap to get a four and a half.

On the 20th hole both needed four, and they moved to the 21st. Both were just off the green with their seconds, and both chipped short by six feet with their thirds. Patty missed here, laying Miss Robinson a partial stymie. Wasting little time in studying it, the Des Moines stylist curled it around and in, for the match.

The girls had exactly the same medal score for the 21 holes.

MEANIE HAWAIIAN MEETS CHICK IN TOP BOUT MONDAY

It is unusual for a wrestler appearing on a local bill for the first time to be given a top-line position on the card, according to Promoter Mark Lillard, who yesterday announced that Mike Caddock would appear in the main event against the ex-coach-puncher, Dude Chick, Monday night at the Armory.

Caddock's reputation is so good, and his performance have proven so satisfactory to fans in other cities, that the ex-navy man has been signed for a main event appearance, however, Lillard said. Wrestling his way from Honolulu, where he lived for several years, Caddock has defeated some of the best men in the game. Although a fast and clever wrestler when he cares to wrestle, Caddock is said to favor the rough and tough stuff when that type grappling will be to his advantage.

His opponent, Chick, has a disconcerting way of treating the tough boys with his famous larist spin, airplane leg scissors, whip wrist lock and flying shoulder butts, tending to remove most of the toughness from any meanie.

George "Wildcat" Wilson, flashy exponent of the flying tackle, will launch his drives at San Francisco's Frankie Peck in the middle main event in a bout which has aroused even more interest than the main event. Peck has lost only two bouts here, defeating Ken Hollis and drawing with Chick, while Wilson has not lost a match, crumpling his opponents out of the picture with his terrific tackles. Peck, growing in wisdom and knowledge after watching Wilson annihilate his former opponents, has stated that he will stay out of the crumbe if it is humanly possible to do so.

In the opening encounter Ted Christy, the Los Angeles ruffian who holds wins over LeRoy McGurk, Vincent Lopez, Mexican heavyweight, and a host of other stars, will clash with Stanley Rogers of Austin, Texas. Rogers appeared in this city about seven years ago, when wrestling was conducted in the old Hilarity hall now occupied by Swift and Co. Rogers was scheduled to wrestle Al Karasick but Karasick withdrew and Rogers met, and defeated, another man.

PHOENIX SCORES WIN; EVENS SERIES

Phoenix defeated Butte Falls, 24 to 11, at Phoenix last night to even up the series with a game apiece for the county secondary title. Butte Falls took the first game at Butte Falls last week.

The playoff game will be played tomorrow (Monday) night at Phoenix Junior high, starting at 7:30 o'clock. There will be no preliminary game.

A large crowd witnessed the Saturday night contest, which was thrilling.

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