

SPORTS

CORVALLIS GAINS SEMI-FINALS WITH WIN OVER ASTORIA

Will Play Bellfountain Tonight — Franklin Faces Milton-Freewater in Other Half of Main Tourney

Salem, Ore., March 20.—(AP)—Thousands of basketball fans glued their attention to the semi-finals of the state basketball tournament today, with the odds on Corvallis in one game and no quarter given in the other.

Corvallis will meet Bellfountain at 7:30 p. m., and Franklin high of Portland will meet Milton-Freewater an hour later.

The Corvallis five won the place as top-mentioned team by virtue of a spectacular last-half drive which netted a 46 to 26 victory over Astoria, defending champions, in a quarter-final battle yesterday. The game was knotted at 18-all at half time.

From then on, it was all Corvallis—the Benton county team outdriving the fishermen on their own fast-breaking team. Crockett, Corvallis guard, won scoring honors with 12 points.

Bellfountain Coasts In. Bellfountain found its place in the sun as state "B" league champion by coasting to a 31 to 22 victory over Myrtle Creek. The winners' summary showed no personal fouls.

Corvallis tonight was a leading topic of conversation today.

Franklin high called into the semi-finals with a 37 to 33 victory over the Tillamook Cheesemakers, conquerors of Salem. The Portland quintet was conceded an even chance to defeat Milton-Freewater tonight to sweep into the finals.

Milton-Freewater showed plenty of good basketball in defeating Oregon City, 37 to 25, and won mention as the possible dark-horse of the tourney.

In the consolation brackets today, Mill City was paired with Benson (10 a. m.), Salem with Bend (11 a. m.), Myrtle Creek with Astoria (2 p. m.) and Tillamook with Oregon City (3 p. m.).

Mill City won from Umapine, 33 to 22 with comparative ease, counting 16 field goals to the losers' 6.

Gifs Aid Ashland. Benson topped Ashland by only three points, 27 to 24, but would have been in the lead considerably more had it not been for free throws.

Ashland copped 16 points from the foul line and was held to four baskets.

Salem drew away rapidly from Roseburg, led 17 to 10 at half time and closed leading, 41 to 26. The Capital City five showed signs of the old-time form for which it is noted.

Bend's two field goals in the last two minutes of play gave that team a 21 to 20 victory over a hard-fighting La Grande quintet. Each scored eight baskets and an even 50 per cent of their free throws, but Bend had the edge with two extra chances.

Bend made good 5 out of 10 and La Grande 4 out of 9.

Ashland, Umapine, Roseburg and La Grande dropped from tourney competition with two consecutive defeats each.

Finals in the consolation and championship flights will be played at the Willamette university gymnasium tomorrow night.

CLASSES PITTED IN TRACK MEET

The first inter-class track and field meet at the Medford high school in several years is being run at the school athletic field this afternoon, starting at 4 o'clock. The meet is free to the public.

Included in the events being run are the 100-yard dash, the 150-yard dash, the 350 yard and the 600 run. The mile hike has been shortened to three-quarters of that distance.

A 150-yard low hurdle race and a 50-yard high hurdle race are being run, the only hurdle races of the day. Field events taking place are the running broad jump, the high jump, the shot put and the discus throw.

On Wednesday of next week time trials will be held to determine the team that will represent the school in the first meet of the year, against Kerby at Kerby, Friday of next week.

FANDOM AT RANDOM

By DICK APPLIGATE

Vision of Medford as an important spot on the Pacific coast baseball map was seen yesterday, with the announcement of John Miljus, former National and American league pitcher star now living on a small farm near Ashland, that he was interested in the baseball future of this city.

"Medford has the climate, and I'm sure there are enough people here interested in the sport to make a go of it," Miljus said. As scout for the Cleveland Indians and other eastern clubs, Miljus has access to the wing of the Indians, and many of these players are sent to the small leagues to get their early training. If baseball were organized in this district it would be possible to secure many of the players for a Medford team, Miljus said.

Advised that baseball has been much dearer than the great Auk for some years past in this community, Miljus said that he realized the fact but did not consider it an insurmountable difficulty in building the game back up to a high standard. "If the thing is done right, and the townspeople have confidence in the fact that it is being done right, baseball will come back I know. I've seen the same situation many times before. I've lived baseball all my life. It's the only thing I know and I love it," he said.

Asked how he proposed to go about the reorganization process, Miljus said: "The first thing is to decide to abandon all such league ideas. I hate such league baseball. If my offer to manage the Medford team is accepted, here's what I intend to do:

"First—Appoint two or three prominent Medford merchants to the executive board of the club, and have them take care of all the money we take in. None of that money will be taken out of the bank unless the check is signed by one of those responsible members. And none will be spent unless the expenditure is absolutely justified.

"Second—Keep enough interest in the surrounding cities to have a keen rivalry among the clubs. The idea would be to have a pennant that would mean something, and then try to win the pennant for Medford, by getting the best players possible, always using the home talent first. There should be more than enough good players right here in town. Medford is certainly big enough to produce lots of good ball players.

"Third—Decide where the games are to be played, and then make every effort to improve the field to coast league standards. I know every manager on the coast, and if we have a good field I can get all the coast league teams and all the best traveling teams to stop here for exhibition games. They won't do that if they have to dodge rocks in the infield and boulders in the outfield. They can't afford to risk expensive players that way, and won't do it.

"Fourth—After each season hold enough money over from the last year to get a good early start. If everything goes like it has in other places where I've worked, we can have a turf field in not too many years, and possibly even lights for night games.

"Fifth—Keep the team clean. Nothing will kill baseball any quicker than having a bunch of bums on the squad. We'll have training rules, and the men will have to live up to them. If the townspeople respect the players, and come to realize that baseball has changed here, they'll support the team and be proud of it."

Arnold Bauman, ace hurler for the Medford Rogues last year and an old friend of Miljus', is cooperating with the veteran in signing Medford merchants to set on an executive board. Two who have been contacted but have not yet given their answer are Twagery Bill Isaacs and John Mann. If those two gentlemen accept, baseball will have already surmounted 75 per cent of the difficulties in Medford. The renaissance will be on.

Portland Puckers Put Out Of Race

PORTLAND, Ore., March 20.—(AP)—The Vancouver ice hockey team headed for its final championship playoff series against Seattle today after defeating Portland 2 to 1 in a rip-roaring overtime game here last night.

It was the second win in three starts for Vancouver over Portland, and shelved the puckeros for the season.

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BELCASTRO FACES NORMAN MACK IN MONDAY GRAPPLE

Pete Belcastro, Pacific coast junior heavyweight wrestling champion, will arrive in Medford today or tomorrow, a telegram from the flashy Italian advised Mack Lillard, promoter, today. Belcastro has been wrestling on the southern California circuit for the past several months, and has been doing stand-in work in pictures for Warren William, in Hollywood.

The continued grind of wrestling in the south has put him in the best condition of his career, he says, and he has picked up many new holds. Medford fans know from experience that every time the versatile Belcastro leaves this district for one of his frequent wrestling tours, he returns with a wealth of new holds.

Back from a trip in the east last year, the big Italian unveiled a terrific whip wrist lock and a surprising speed in reversing holds, and on returning from a later tour into Mexico he presented his "Mexican deathlock," a complicated toe lock that leaves opponents very, very helpless.

The Italian has been a popular favorite here for several years, his spectacular drop-kicks, of which he is past master, and his Sonnenbergs having given him the reputation for action that Medford audiences demand.

Belcastro meets a newcomer in Norman Mack, rough and clever Oklahoma, on the main event at the Armory Monday night. Mack is not only new to Medford, but to the coast, where he has come to gain new laurels after a meteoric career in the south and east.

The middle main event pits Al Karasick, another Medford favorite, with a second newcomer to the local wars, the Arabian nobleman Prince Mikhail. The Arabian is 28 years old, tricky in his wrestling, and described as the virile sort who likes his grappling rough and fast. Karasick has promised to accommodate him Monday.

Still a third new face will be seen in the opened when Joe Marsh, big and heavy set Missourian, meets Dr. Barney Coanek, Ph.D., University of Illinois, in the opening scuffle. Other than that he is open to hurt and believes that any sort of tactic is fair if it punishes his opponent, little is known of Marsh. Coanek, served as his own introduction last week when he untagged the eye-gouging and kicking of Mike Caddock in short order.

DIXIE HOWELL TO PLAY WITH DUCKS

PORTLAND, Ore., March 20.—(AP)—Dixie Howell, the famous Alabama halfback of 1934, will be with the Portland baseball club this season, a training camp dispatch to the Oregonian stated today.

He comes from the Detroit Tigers for seasoning. Manager Max Bishop of Portland indicated he would use Howell at short.

Three other shortstops in the Beaver camp are Dudley Lee, veteran formerly with Detroit, Hal Cooley, kid from Bloomington of the Three-I league, and Pete Coacrat, much improved after seasoning at St. Joe of the Western League.

THREE TENNIS COURTS ARE STARTED BY NYA

Construction of three public tennis courts on city-owned lots at Beach and 14th streets was started today as a project of the national youth administration. Work will be done under supervision of the city superintendent's office.

Five youths have been assigned to the work by Glen Heber, NYA supervisor for southern Oregon. When the courts are completed they will be available for public use. They are situated near the Washington school.

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That's what Lon Warneke (center), star pitcher of the Chicago Cubs whose arm was injured late last season, told these teammates, John Hutchings (left) and Clauson Vines when he warmed up at the training camp at Santa Catalina Island, Calif. That baseball's already in the air is a sure sign of approaching spring. (Associated Press Photo)

BOWLING

The Mail Tribune bowlers took the measure of the Medco pin scatterers last night in a city league game, 3-1. On Wednesday night the Brill Metal trumblers thumped the Economy Lumber team, 4-0, and the Forest Service handed the Standard Roofers a 3-1 setback.

The Abbey Motor five rolls against the Studebaker Champions tonight. Summary:

Mail Tribune	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Pruitt	166	170	196	532
Ferguson	148	128	188	464
Moore	171	180	144	495
Saylor	187	123	171	481
Eads	195	189	182	566
Totals	867	790	881	2538

Medco	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
English	175	143	159	477
J. Kessler	156	101	158	415
Somerson	180	196	147	523
Lyons	164	165	160	489
E. Kessler	136	183	159	478
Handicap	89	59	59	207
Totals	830	840	842	2512

Forest Service	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Canfield	207	131	133	471
Johnson	155	173	126	454
Rankin	162	134	145	441
Jones	177	199	196	572
Gill	168	233	190	591
Totals	869	870	810	2549

Standard Roofers	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Walsh	175	157	195	527
Duechler	164	121	188	473
Semon	170	157	134	461
B. Jerry	162	196	153	511
Daly	142	189	200	531
Handicap	3	3	3	9
Totals	825	828	882	2535

Brill Metal Works	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Hohlweg	162	191	147	500
Campbell	79	—	—	79
Hoyer	177	141	191	509
Harrison	177	146	128	451
Brill	180	143	155	478
Hitzler	157	172	147	476

Handicap	11	13	13	37
Totals	746	806	790	2352

Economy Lumber Co.	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Rogers	129	158	150	437
McCormick	155	159	135	449
Overmyer	160	144	148	452
Martin	109	159	143	411
Dummy	145	145	145	435
Totals	698	765	721	2184

Workers For WPA Present Demands

MARSHFIELD, Ore., March 20.—(AP)—Alfred Matson, clerk in the works progress administration, told WPA workers he would send their demands to Medford headquarters but would not predict the outcome. The workers presented a resolution asking a 220-hour month and 50 cents an hour.

MIXED BOWLING TEAM COMING FROM EUGENE

A week from next Saturday, on March 28, a team of men bowlers and a team of lady bowlers from Eugene will journey to this city for a match with the Eads Transfer men's squad and the Medford ladies, it was announced today.

The Medford ladies have already started practicing to meet the invasion.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., March 20.—(AP)—Hospital authorities said today that Mrs. Maryon Cooper Hewitt was sinking and might die within the next 24 hours.

Dr. George O'Hanlon, medical director, said her condition was "low" and added that "she will likely die today or tomorrow."

Mrs. Hewitt has been in a critical condition since she was admitted to the hospital on February 21, suffering from an overdose of sedative. Police charged she tried to commit suicide.

Use Mail Tribune want ads. Every watch repaired here is given the micrometer test. Jno. W. Johnson

KARAUS, SIMMONS STEAL LIMELIGHT AT ELKS SMOKER

John Dutcher, 185, Wimer heavyweight, defeated Robert Barth, 184, Steamboat, in the main event on last night's CCC fight card at the Elks temple, but while their event topped the card, it was by no means the outstanding bout on the program.

Wild Man Simmons, 163, Detachment, lost the nod to Anton Karaus, 166, Prescott, in the semi-final event that probably should be called the best fight on a card full of exciting battles. Although Simmons spent part of the first two rounds on the floor, he came back in the third to shower punches on the blonde Karaus and had him all but out on his feet.

A big crowd of Elks and their friends were present for the card, pronounced the best in months.

Mike Maravich, 151, South Fork truck driver, and Russ Blacksmith, 154, Wimer, slugged each other through three hectic rounds, with Blacksmith weakening towards the end, but the Wimer boy's early points earned the score and they were given a draw.

Tony Laich, 142, Prescott, defeated Joe Luched, 140, Oregon Caves, in three rounds of toe-to-toe fighting that left both boys bleeding and groggy at the end. Masi Frantz, 156, Wimer, defeated Homer Butler, 153, Steamboat, in a spotty battle that had its good moments.

Little Eddie Metz, 135, Detachment, defeated John Rentas, 135, Prescott, in the curtain raiser. It was each boy's maiden battle, but they made up for their lack of experience by throwing enough leather for three or four ordinary fighters, and enough of them landed to keep the crowd in an uproar. Each boy was down four times during the melee but Metz landed a hay-maker in the third that caught Rentas flat-footed and knocked him halfway across the ring before he ended up with a three-point landing on the canvas.

The main event was the first heavyweight bout staged in the CCC series and brought together two middle-west boys who have good records at home. Dutcher managed to land several telling blows, but the bout lacked the blood and thunder of the earlier events.

BOWLING CLASSIC SLATED SUNDAY

Fighting to take the lead in the challenge series against the Eads Transfer bowling team from Medford, the Kern Hotel five from Klamath Falls invades this city Sunday for the second half of the 10-game series for the \$10 side bet. The Eads squad took the first encounter two weeks ago.

The challenge came after the Medford team had won an intercity contest in Klamath Falls early this spring, edging the Klamath team out by a close count. Confident that Eads could not repeat, Kern challenged the locals.

The match will start at 2:00 o'clock, at the Smoke House Bowl, with the public invited free of charge. The challenge games will be rolled on alleys 2 and 4. An hour later, the Medford Concrete Construction company, the Klamath Falls All-Stars, and the Grants Pass traveling team will meet on alleys 1 and 2 for an inter-city encounter.

At 7:00 o'clock Sunday evening

FAST BASKETBALL DANGERS PLAYERS

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