The Sporting Page

CAVEMEN DEFEAT ST. MARY'S QUINT IN EXTRA PERIOD

The class B St. Mary's high school Crusaders gave Grants Pass' class A Cavemen the soure of their lives last night in the St. Mary's gym, battling on even terms with the heavily favored visitors the entire game and one overtime period and finally losing out in the second extra heat, 29 to 31.

Gene Dully, Grants Pass guard, dropped in a field goal after two minutes of the second extra period had elapsed to give his team the victory. The score was tied, 29-all, at the end of the regulation playing time, and there it remained until Dully sunk his important bucket.

Johnny Gitzen, guard, led the St. Mary's scoring with 9 points, while Dully hit 13 to pace the winners.

In a preliminary, the Grants Pass frosh downed St. Mary's second team, 27 to 19. Everton of the winners scored 10 points. R. O'Neill of St. Mary's took high scoring honors with 11 tallies.

In the windup game of the triple-header, the Medford First National bank quintet nosed out the Owl club, 24 to 23, in an upset.

Lineups of St. Mary's-Grants Pass varsity game:

Grants Pass (31)		St. Mary's (29)
Stinebaugh 2	F	Jensen 7
Gray 2	F	Lemire 1
Mooers 7	C	Schade 6
Dully 13	G	J. Gitzen 9
Lanning 7	G	J. Lewis 6

Subs: Grants Pass, Thomas; St. Mary's, Wilcox.

NEGRO HOOPSTERS TO APPEAR HERE

The Broadway Clowns, Negro basketball team considered one of the greatest attractions of its kind in America, will be in Medford next Saturday night to tangle with the local Owl club quintet, a leading independent quintet of this town. The game will be played in the junior high school gym. A preliminary between the junior high varsity and another strong team yet to be obtained will start at 7:30.

Members of the Owl club team, which will face the first barnstorming outfit to appear here this season, are Arba Ager, Sam VanDyke, Dick Lewis, Louis Campbell, Wayne Harris, Hoke Curtis, Stan Kunzman, Tommy White, Gus Johnson, all-state second team star from Salem high and Herb Henderson, former Bend high luminary.

OLDER BROTHERS GRAPPLE MONDAY

Big, tough Alvin Britt and bigger and tougher Tony Jones will headline next Monday night's wrestling program in the armory—the final grappling card of 1938. Again, it will be ladies night, and Promoter Mack Lillard warns all fans to obtain seats as early as possable as another standing-room-only situation will undoubtedly occur.

In the middle event, Brother Floyd Britt will clash with Brother Tuffy Jones to carry out the Britt-Jones family feuding theme. Little Brother Mike Jones will face a worthy opponent, to be announced tomorrow, in the opener.

PHOENIX WINS, 32-29, OVER SAMS VALLEY

Phoenix high nosed out Sams Valley last night at Phoenix, 32 to 29 in a regular division 2 encounter of the Jackson county class B basketball conference. The game was close throughout, with the score tied several times. Sams Valley led at the end of the first half, 14 to 13.

Stratiss, Sams Valley forward, tallied 15 points to take high scoring honors while Center Bob Vroman of the winners connected for 14 markers.

Four Coast Streams Closed To Netters

PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Four more coastal streams, all in Curry county, have been closed to commercial fishing by the State Game commission, Master Warden Mike Hoy said. They included Forest, Euchre and Hunter Creeks and Pistol River. So far 17 streams have been closed, Hoy said. The closures, however, do not affect sports fishing.

"Secretary Stratton" Now

Baseball's Monte Stratton, brilliant Chicago White Sox hurler who lost his leg in a recent gun shot accident, was given a lifetime job in the White Sox business office by Owner Charles Comiskey. Stratton is shown in a Dallas, Texas, hospital where he is recovering. (A. P. photo.)

Sport Graphs

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Billy Hulen says:

Medford Teams Reign Supreme Throughout 1938

Billy Hulen.

This sports year of 1938, quickly drawing to a close, has been great in many respects. So far as Medford is concerned, it has undoubtedly been the most successful of all time, and we make that statement fully aware of the fact that "all time" takes in a considerable slice of history. Nevertheless, we don't believe there has ever before been a year in which Medford athletic teams and individuals so completely dominated the situation as they have since January 1, 1938.

Medford, for the remainder of this year, at least, can truly be termed "The City of Champions." For, there was not a single major Medford athletic team during the past 11 months that didn't win the championship in its league or conference. Every local team of 1938 is a title-holder. Fans of this village, the whole year long have rooted for nothing but the very best. It has been a clean sweep, a decisive and definite supremacy for Medford teams and individuals over all opponents. Not only in one sport, or two, but in all of them—basketball, baseball, football, track and golf.

While we don't wish to flaunt the record of this amazing string of championships in the faces of other southern Oregon cities less fortunate, we believe that such grand performances of our athletes should receive more than passing mention. Such a fine year may never occur again; the odds are 100 to 1 against it. So, briefly, lets look back over 1938 at Medford's march of champions, starting with the first team of the year and continuing in order.

Basketball

The Tigers of Medford high, for the first time in four years, won the district 9 championship and entered the state tournament. Fired by the "flaming sophmores," who are juniors now and ready for another great season, the locals knocked Ashland off the pinnacle by winning three out of four games from the Grizzlies.

Track

Coach Bill Bowerman's Medford high thinclads overwhelmed all southern Oregon opposition in the district meet, and represented this territory at the state affair. The Tigers won seven first places in the 14 events in the district battle, and were not closely pressed at any time.

Baseball

The Crashing Craters of Manager Paul (Hoosier) Hoffard brought Medford its first Southern Oregon league pennant in many years. The locals won the second half of the split season, then defeated Crescent City, Cal., first-half champions, two straight games in the playoff series. Attendance was also the best in many seasons.

Golf

The anuual Southern Oregon-Northern California invitational golf tournament at the Rogue Valley Golf club saw two young Medford stars, George Harrington and Eddie Simmons, battle it out in the finals. Simmons emerged the victor after a sensational uphill battle that was decided on the 36th green. It was the first time in the history of the tourney that two Medford players clashed in the finals.

Football

The memory of Medford high's Black Tornado of this season is still fresh enough in the minds of fans that its record doesn't have to be repeated. Suffice it to say that the Tigers won the Southern Oregon conference title without the loss of a game.

As those championship teams swept forward, brushing all opponents aside, there were many thrills for the customers, heart-stopping moments galore. In looking back over this great sports year, we have tried to single out the one occurence out there on the scene of action that gave us the biggest kick, the most dramatic incident in a long chain of thrilling happenings. We are unable to name one, because there were two that, to us, were equally electrifying.

One was that screaming, screetching triple with the bases jammed that Paul Hoffard hit against Crescent City in the windup game of the Southern Oregon baseball league's first-half flag chase. The terrific blow put Medford ahead, and although Crescent City ultimately won the game, the hit was one of the two most thrilling things we saw in Medford all year.

The other incident, of course, was Don Monteith's catch of that wobbly forward pass thrown by Jack Bowman into the end zone in the Medford-Klamath Falls football game. Monteith snagged the pigskin, nobody knows how, to give the Tornado its 6 to 0 victory over the Pelicans, and the conference championship.

Fights Last Night

By The Associated Press

New York—Al Reid, 128, New York, outpointed Paul Lee, 135, Indianapolis (8).

Columbus—Harry Wills, 178, Cincinnati, knocked out Eddie Boyle, 173, Cleveland (3).

Los Angeles—Georgie Crouch, 137, Los Angeles, outpointed Ritchie Fontaine, 136½, Butte, Mont., (10).

New York—Maxie Berger, 141½, Montreal, outpointed Frankie Cavanna, 148, New York (8).

SONS Defeated by Humboldt Cagemen

EUREKA, Calif., Dec. 14.—(AP)—Southern Oregon Normal's basketball team on a barnstorming tour of California, will attempt to get an even break with Humboldt State college in the last game of their two-game series tonight. The Humboldt team handed the Oregon quintet a 46 to 39 beating last night.

LA GRANDE, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Willamette university, contender for the northwest conference basketball championship, humbled the eastern Oregon Normal Mountaineers here last night, 49 to 34.

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WESTERN SQUAD FOR ANNUAL SHRINE TILT LISTED BY OFFICIALS

SAN FRANCISCO Dec. 14.—(AP)—Completion of the west's football team for the 14th annual East-West charity game to be played in San Francisco January 2, was announced today.

Officials of the Shrine charity event said 22 players from 14 west-of-the-Mississippi colleges had agreed to play under western colors. The players receive only their traveling expenses.

Proceeds from the annual clash go principally to the Shrine hospital for crippled children in San Francisco.

The west lineup was announced as:

Ends—Joe Wendlick, Oregon State; Charley Hellmann, Iowa State; Jim Coughlan, Santa Clara; Sam Boyd, Baylor.

Guards—Prescott Hutchins, Oregon State; Art Means, University of Washington; Ed Bock, Iowa State; Jack Rhodes, University of Texas.

Tackles—Al Wolff, Santa Clara; Blas Miatovich, University of San Francisco; Dick Trzuskowski, Idaho; Dick Farman, Washington State.

Centers—Tony Calvelli, Stanford; Charley Brock, Nebraska.

Halfbacks—James Johnston, University of Washington; Vic Bottari, University of California; Al Braga, University of San Francisco; Billy Patterson, Baylor.

Fullbacks—Bill Paulman, Stanford; Dave Anderson, University of California; Pug Manders, Drake; Walt Nielson, University of Arizona.

CALIFORNIA CUTS GRID AGE LIMIT

LONG BEACH, Cal., Dec. 14.—(UP)—Effective September 1, 1939, only boys between ages of 15 and 18 may play football in high schools within jurisdiction of the California Interscholastic federation, Harry J. Moore, CIF president, announced today.

The age limit was passed by principals of 400 member schools last Saturday and is one of several modifications planned for the coming season. Previously the limit was fixed at 20 years. May denied reports that the sport might be abolished because of excessive injury and overemphasis. He said:

"As far as I am concerned, football has been doing a lot of good for the boys and I am not in favor of abandoning it. Rather, I am in favor of modifying it, making it a high school game and not a college game as it is played now."

It was reported in San Francisco that the member schools would vote secretly in a few days on a proposal to abolish the sport.

PREP ELIGIBILITY CHANGE IS SOUGHT

CORVALLIS, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Harry S. Parker, Corvallis high school principal, said today he would suggest eliminating the nine-term eligibility ruling when the Oregon State High School Athletic association meets at Portland, December 29.

Instead, he proposed a 19-year-age limit with the provision a boy must attend school the two semesters preceding his athletic competition.

Parker added the nine-term regulation was established because students dropped out of school for a term or so to remain eligible for a certain sport.

Carvaretta Slated For Collins' Sack

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.— (AP) —Phil Cavaretta, a veteran of the big leagues at 21, will be at first base regularly for the Chicago Cubs in 1939 unless Manager Gabby Hartnett changes his mind.

Cavaretta, a fancy fielder and fair hitter, alternated between bench-riding and the outfield last season while 36-year-old Rip Collins handled first base chores.

Hartnett, in saying Cavaretta would get the first base spot come next spring, was silent on his plans for Collins, who hit .267 and batted in 63 runs in 143 games last summer.

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Heart Attack On Basketball Floor Fatal For Player

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Dec. 14.—(AP)—A fatal heart attack struck down 18-year-old Gene Crank last night on a basketball floor, bringing to an abrupt and tragic end a doubleheader between Bloomington and Clinton, Ill., cage teams.

The youth, a Bloomington forward, sank to the floor at the start of the second quarter in a preliminary game between the "B" teams of the two schools.

Unaware he was in a serious condition, players carried him to the dressing room and returned to the game. He was dead when physicians arrived. Coroner Leo Hemmele attributed his death to a heart attack.

BOWLING

In Ladies league bowling last night at the Medford alleys, Adriennes took all four points from Alleyettes, City Market blanked Ramblerettes and Pear City 4 beat Copco, 3 to 1. Scores follow:

City Market				
Goodrich	135	134	134—	403
Semon	137	122	135—	394
S. De Vore	166	129	122—	417
Sherwood	155	120	150—	425
Handicap	50	50	50—	150
	643	555	591—	1789
Ramblerettes				
Pruitt	150	154	124—	428
D. De Vore	92	103	115—	310
Frisbee(absentee)	141	141	141—	423
Bateman(absent)	141	141	141—	423
	524	539	521—	1584
Alleyetts				
Lendt	137	126	109—	372
Sims	128	123	119—	370
Colton	132	132	132—	396
Espey	133	133	133—	309
	530	514	493—	1537
Adriennes				
Obrien	143	112	151—	406
Tollefson	135	88	103—	326
Carbiener	118	143	137—	398
Swoape	147	147	147—	441
Handicap	57	57	57—	171
	600	547	595—	1742
Pear City 4				
Simmons	102	116	131—	349
Wallace	120	155	129—	404
Grames	98	116	101—	315
Watson	116	140	131—	387
Handicap	27	27	27—	81
	463	554	520—	1537
Copco				
Boyle	110	78	101—	289
Gillespie	106	63	92—	261
McKee (absentee)	134	134	134—	402
Mathes	154	152	139—	435
	504	427	456—	1387

Corvallis High Has Phenomenal Punter

CORVALLIS, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Corvallis nominates Mardis Lemon as the peer of punters among state prep players of this season.

The Corvallis high end and fullback punted 69 times in eight games this season for 2487 yards, an average of 36.04 per kick. One punt was partially blocked.

To Buy Power System

CASCADE LOCKS, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Cascade locks last night signed a contract to buy the Cascade locks division of the West Coast Power company for $44,000. The city will operate the distribution system, purchasing power from Bonneville.

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(Standard Pullmans)		
In Coaches	6.59	10.65

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Yankees Outstanding Team Is Verdict in A. P. Balloting

By Herbert W. Barker

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—(AP)—By a margin as decisive as their American league and world series triumphs, the New York Yankees were named today as the outstanding sports team for 1938.

Joe McCarthy's Bombers who created a new all-time record by whipping the Chicago Cubs, four games to none, for their third successive world baseball championship, were named at the top of the heap by 61 of the 67 sports editors participating in the eighth annual Associated Press poll. Three other sports editors picked the Yankees for the No. 2 spot and three for No. 3, thus giving the baseball title-holders a total of 192 points out of a possible 201. Points were awarded on the basis of three for No. 1 ranking, two for No. 2 and one for No. 3.

Football gained the next three places with Texas Christian's unbeaten Horned Frogs as runner-up to the Yankees with 45 points. Close behind came Notre Dame and Duke whose unbeaten, untied and unscored on Blue Devils will play Southern California in the Rose bowl January 2. Notre Dame's high finish came as a surprise in view of its defeat by Southern California on December 3 but could be explained partly by the fact a considerable number of ballots were cast prior to that date. The support given Notre Dame in early ballots probably otherwise would have been split by Texas Christian and Duke.

Navy's oarsmen, Poughkeepsie champions, landed in fifth place, just a jump ahead of the U. S. Davis cup tennis team.

'SISSY STUFF' to his friends, crocheting is a pleasure and relaxation to Gilbert Jordan, a rural mail carrier from Enfield, Ill. He won a prize in New York with this bedspread which took him 15 months. His wife doesn't crochet.

NOVA WOULD SILENCE LOUIS FIGHT CHATTER UNTIL HE WHIPS FARR

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Lou Nova, the handsome young Californian who will trade buffets with Tommy Farr, the willing Welsh heavyweight, Friday night, wishes people would stop talking about a fight with Joe Louis, because "I have to beat that Farr and that's a real job."

Ever since he stopped the durable Gunnar Barlund there has been talk of matching him with Louis in an outdoor show next summer. His manager, Ray Carlin, still is warm under the weskit because Gene Tunney and Jack Dempsey made a point of telling the boxing writers Lou was being brought along too fast.

"I don't know why they say that," said Lou as Carlin started to sputter at mention of the incident. "I fought a lot as an amateur here and abroad. I've had plenty of fights on the coast—I knocked out Bob Nestell out there—and I stopped Gunnar Barlund here in New York. I think I'm ready for Farr."

Barlund had knocked him down and, as the Gunnar never was classed as a superior puncher, there was some doubt about Lou's ability to fight a tough customer like Farr over a 15-round route.

"Well, I don't like to alibi," said Lou, "but I didn't feel so good for that fight. I didn't have much time to train and I was sick after I got here. Then that Garden gets you the first time you're on as a main bout fighter."

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