



# Sport Graphs

Billy Hulén Says:

Southern Oregon Cage Conference Still Operating

Yes, in answer to the questions of numerous fans, there still is such an animal as the Southern Oregon Basketball conference.

Because its importance is far overshadowed by the district 4 loop it doesn't receive much publicity. But it's operating, nevertheless, and the championship school will receive a trophy placed on the block by the four conference institutions.

The S. O. C. is composed of Klamath Falls, Ashland, Grants Pass and Medford. The latter three schools, with Roseburg, comprise the district 4 circuit and play for the biggest prize in state prep circles—entrance in the state tournament. Klamath Falls is a member of district two.

How are the standings figured in the Southern Oregon conference? Well, Klamath Falls plays Ashland, Grants Pass and Medford twice each and all these games are of conference status. But, Ashland, Grants Pass and Medford play each other four times each under the district 4 setup, so only the first two times they meet count in Southern Oregon and district standings.

In other words, Medford's two games with Grants Pass and its one with Ashland thus far counted in BOTH district and conference standings. The Medford-Ashland tilt here Friday night will also count in the standings of both wheels.

The Southern Oregon standings to date are:

	W.	L.	Pct.
Ashland	3	1	.750
Medford	2	1	.667
Klamath Falls	1	1	.500
Grants Pass	1	4	.250

Ashland gets its position by virtue of defeating Grants Pass twice, Medford once and losing to Klamath Falls. Medford has beaten Grants Pass twice, lost to Ashland and has not yet played Klamath Falls. Klamath beat Ashland and lost in that upset battle to Grants Pass, while the Cevenem dropped tilts to Ashland and Medford, twice each, and beat the Pelicans.

It's little confusion for fans to remember which are the district and conference games, which are just the district games and which are the conference games only. Here is a formula that might help:

The first two games of the season among Medford, Ashland and Grants Pass count in both the district and conference; all games among Medford, Ashland, Grants Pass and Roseburg count only in the district, and all games pitting Klamath against Medford, Ashland and Grants Pass count only in the conference. Or is mud clearer?

For guessing that the recent Louis-Buddy Baer fight would end in 2:33 of the second round, three bucks and a razor in the nationwide contest sponsored by Gillette and entered by 780 sports writers... only three of the scribes named the first round as the finale... Mr. Lon-

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## HUGH DUFFY WILL BE HONORED WITH DIMAG, WILLIAMS

Writers To 'Surprise' Holder Of Bat Record—Joe, Ted To Get Trophies.

By Bill King

Boston, Jan. 28.—(AP)—After waiting in modest silence for 47 years, Hugh Duffy, the peppy veteran who set baseball's all-time high batting mark of .438, will be publicly acclaimed when the Boston baseball writers award trophies to such modern sluggers as champion Ted Williams of the Red Sox and Joe DiMaggio of the Yankees tonight while dining with 800 of their readers.

Williams, who expects to be inducted into the army within a few days, has been ordered to stay close to his Minneapolis draft board. As a result, he has delegated Eddie Collins, his club's general manager, to accept the Jacob C. Morse memorial, a trophy awarded annually to Boston's outstanding player, in his behalf. DiMaggio, however, has promised to be on hand to receive the Paul Shannon memorial trophy which commemorates his astounding feat of hitting safely in 56 consecutive games for the current world champions.

Both awards, fixtures on the writers' banquet programs, are dedicated to oldtime colleagues. Morse, one of the earliest of the baseball scribes, originated the present scoring system and Shannon, another veteran, was president of the Baseball Writers Association of America when he died.

The writers' other regulation award, for Boston's outstanding rookie, has been voted to Dick Newsome, who pitched the Red Sox to 19 victories. Mere verbal praise, however, will not suffice for Duffy, for his press box admirers also have prepared a surprise for him.

## LOGGERS DEFEAT J'VILLE, 34 TO 32

The Jacksonville high Redskins suffered their first defeat in 10 starts last night when Johnny Kent, Butte Falls guard, canned a long shot in the second overtime period to shatter a 32-32 deadlock and give the Loggers a 34 to 32 victory. The exhibition game was played at Jacksonville.

The score was tied at 28-all at the end of the regulation playing time, and 32-all at the close of the first overtime period. Butte Falls committed 16 personal, Jacksonville 12. In the prelim, J'ville graders beat the Ashland graders, 14 to 13.

Lineups:  
Butte Falls (34) J'ville (32)  
R. Rogers 6 F. Smith 9  
W. Rogers 9 F. Johnson 2  
L. Ellis 4 C. McGinty 2  
J. Kent 11 G. Hardy 15  
Alberts 4 G. Sanford 4  
Subs: Butte Falls: R. Kent, Scott, Jacksonville, Swaryck.

## HUSKIES PREPARE FOR DUCK GAMES

Seattle, Jan. 28.—(AP)—University of Washington basketball men were scheduled to go through another hard drill tonight as Coach Hec Edmundson works to whip the men into shape for their games here Friday and Saturday with the powerful Oregon Webfoots.

Edmundson stressed both offensive and defensive drill in workouts yesterday, as reserves Buddy Gilbertson and Wally Leaks turned in performances likely to earn them plenty of chances to see action.

## Benny Hogan Shows How Its Done



Blasting out of a nasty sand trap on the 12th hole of the second round of the San Francisco Open tournament is Benny Hogan, the Hershey, Pa., professional, who shot a nine-under par 279 to win the 72-hole medal event. Hogan, leading money winner the past two years, pocketed a \$1,000 check for his latest conquest.

## ANGLER'S DREAM DISCOVERED IN GULF OF MEXICO

Fort Myers, Fla., Jan. 28.—(AP)—Anglers here have discovered a fishin' hole that puts the one back on the old homestead to shame.

It's located 18 miles out in the Gulf of Mexico off Fort Myers Beach and is not much bigger than a football gridiron, but it's a fisherman's dream.

Ronald Halgrim, city editor of the Fort Myers News-Press and authority on sport fishing on the lower gulf coast, says it has yielded just about everything in the way of fish except brook trout and sperm whales.

He and other anglers who have fished at "the mud hole," so-called because the water in the area is cloudy, says the angler can't miss but there is no telling what each succeeding catch will be.

The hole has yielded barracuda, dolphin, jewfish and marlin, and catching grouper weighing five to 25 pounds soon becomes monotonous, they relate. Sailfish cavort in the vicinity and turtles, big and little, hover around the spot like flies about a lemonade stand.

Nobody knows the answer to the fishing bonanza, said Halgrim. The area has been marked by buoys, but its cloudy appearance makes it easily distinguishable from surrounding waters. A faint "boiling" on the surface is apparent at times, giving rise to the theory that subterranean springs are responsible.

## SONS NEAR TITLE AS EOCCE BEATEN

Portland, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Albany college ganged up on Ernie Rostock last night to hold the offense wizard to a mere 12 points and defeat Eastern Oregon College of Education, 56 to 33.

It was a sub-par performance for Rostock, but it boosted his four-year scoring total to 1463 points. He needs 132 more in the 10 remaining games to equal the record of Stanford's Hank Lutsett.

The Albany victory, paced by little Sam Testi, who scored 18 points, virtually gave Southern

## High School Scores

- (By the Associated Press)
- Astoria 36, Tillamook 24.
- Salem 53, Eugene 37.
- Corvallis 31, Albany 22.
- Cottage Grove 27, University Eugene 23.
- Milton-Freewater 44, Hermiston 23.
- Milwaukie 41, Gresham 37.
- Oregon City 32, West Linn 11.
- Oregon State Rocks 52, Silverton 21.
- Columbia Prep 22, Central Catholic 17 (both Portland).
- Grant 33, Franklin 26 (both Portland).
- Lincoln 27, Sabin 18 (both Portland).
- Washington 28, Benson 20 (both Portland).
- Jefferson 34, Commerce 27 (both Portland).

## STINER PONDER BEAVER CONTRACT

Portland, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Lon Stiner, Oregon State college football coach, would make no comment last night on a new contract offered by the state board of higher education.

The contract, for a four-year term, calls for a salary increase from \$6,000 to \$7,000 annually and \$2,000 additional for the Rose Bowl game, which Oregon State won from Duke university, 20-16.

The contract also provides for downward revision of the salary in case the war interferes with football.

Stiner's name has been linked with other schools. His present contract expires this summer.

## Indianan Takes Lead In Vandalia Shoot

Eustis, Fla., Jan. 28.—(AP)—Parr Rhimes of Marseilles, Ind., scored a brilliant 149x150 targets in opening day rounds of the winter Vandalia trap shoot to win first place in the class championship.

Tied for second place in yesterday's competition were H. H. Hontz, Cromwell, Ind., and A. C. Coffey, Orlando, Fla., with 142x150. George McCullough, Minneapolis, placed third with 141x150.

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## Seattle Prexy Wants Meeting to Discuss Coast Loop Problems

San Francisco, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Emil Sick, president of the Seattle Rainiers, wants directors of the Pacific Coast Baseball league to hold a special meeting not later than February 9 to discuss new problems confronting the circuit.

Charles Graham, president of the San Francisco Seals, and Victor Devincenzi, head of the Oakland Oaks, said they had received telegrams from Sick urging such a meeting.

Devincenzi said he had wired his consent. Graham stated he would consent only if a majority of the directors favored the move. A special meeting may be called either by League President Wilbur Tuttle or through agreement by at least four directors.

## LOGGERS PINCHED

Oregon City, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Six drivers, hauling logs to Canby, were arrested yesterday on the Sawtell road near Molalla for overloading their trucks, Jack Grenfell, county traffic officer, said.

Aviation rations for the U. S. navy pilots on flights include mixed pancake flour.



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## "Crow's Nest" Basketball Officiating Gets Test In SOCE-OCE Contest Saturday

An innovation in basketball officiating, one that may revolutionize the manner in which the whistle-tooters conduct their contests, will undergo a trial when Southern Oregon College of Education and Oregon College of Education from Monmouth clash in an Oregon Intercollegiate conference game at Ashland next Saturday night.

Stationed on lofty perches above both baskets and supplied with loudspeaking equipment to announce to the players and spectators all rule-violations occurring on the floor below, two referees will test the plan born in the fertile mind of Jean Eberhart, athletic director and coach at S.O.C.E.

Eberhart's idea, which he has named the "Crow's Nest Plan for Basketball Officiating," was mentioned in the Mail Tribune some time ago, and since then sports writers and basketball coaches throughout the state have evidenced keen interest in the scheme. Coach Al Cox of O.C.E. readily agreed to Eberhart's suggestion the plan be given a trial in the second game of their two-game week-end series, the "crow's nests" were constructed and everything is in readiness for the test.

Aiding the "crow's nest" referees will be three linesmen, one to be located at the intersection of the center line and the east sideline and the other two at the southwest and northwest corners.

Duties of the linesmen, Eberhart explained, will be to call out-of-bounds and center-line violations, retrieve ball and place it on the proper foul line after one of the referees calls an infraction, toss up ball in held ball situations, touch ball in offensive end of court on out-of-bounds plays and accept reports of substitutes entering the game.

Similar Duties  
As for the referees, themselves, they will call the game as usual, except for those duties listed for the linesmen. They'll call personal fouls, traveling and broken dribbles, and announce the violations or fouls over the loudspeaking equipment after blowing their whistle.

Eberhart explained that the "crow's nests" have been constructed in a manner to enable the referee to see directly under him, thus eliminating a possible blind spot in the four foot area directly back of the basket. The planked platforms are even with the top of the backboard, 14 feet above the floor.

"We have placed a guest chair on each platform and all sports writers and visiting coaches are invited to spend a few minutes of the ball game up there to observe the game and get a better idea of how the plan works," Eberhart said. "His comments and criticisms are welcome and desirable."

The S.O.C.E. athletic director,

of talking back to the referee. The silly spectacle of a player yelling up at the referee and trying to argue would probably deter most players from this favorite pastime.

(6) Gives the referee the best seats in the house, above the baskets. Most spectators think they see fouls and violations better than the officials.

(7) Permits older experts to continue in the officiating game, giving basketball the value of their long years of experience even though they cannot cavort on the floor any longer because of weak legs.

(8) Extends the life of good officials 20 years, more or less, and makes them an easy target if they are NOT good officials.

(9) Presents an excellent opportunity to work in young officials as linesmen in order for them to learn the officiating game. At present, many intelligent, competent young men are eliminated from officiating because they would be declared professionals by the A.A.U. for accepting money for their services. These young men want to play basketball several more years. Linesmen jobs would be an easy way for them to become acquainted with officiating, and by volunteering their services they could keep their amateur standings.

Stops "Beefing"  
(10) Would make coaches look silly arguing with officials in the "crow's nest", so probably would not be tempted to do so.

Eberhart, who is really steamed up over the idea since it has attracted so much attention throughout the state, said: "Other advantages may show up during actual game conditions, and also any disadvantages will be exposed. We will try to give it a fair test and iron out any bugs that might appear."

The officials who'll get the honor of putting the plan to a test are Glen Swanson of Medford and Frank O'Neil, Ashland high school coach. Both are certified and experienced officials.

The linesmen, who have volunteered their services for the experience, are Parker Hess, Stephen Epler and Bob Hardy, all of Ashland. They, also, are certified officials.

The game will start at 8 o'clock Saturday night. Friday night, the same two teams will clash in an infantile paralysis charity tilt.

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