SPORTS

COOS BAY HOOP FIVE WILL PLAY MEDFORD FRIDAY

Medford high school's 1944-45 basketball team will open the season in a game with Coos Bay Pirates on the local court Saturday night, Coach Al Simpson announced today.

The Pirates will play Ashland at Ashland Friday night.

This game was arranged at the last minute when Coos Bay desired a pre-season jaunt into the Rogue Valley and Simpson agreed to the early date to accommodate Coos Bay, who had an open date here that night.

Simpson said today his starting five woud probably be Laring five would probably be Larwards, Darrell Riggs at center and Bob Watson and Dick Fawcett at guards.

He added that LeRoy and Howard Willock are running Riggs a close race at center and Ronald Weatherford, Carl Reich, Earle Stelle and Bill Broedlow look good at forward. Guards who have been showing up well in practice and will see some action are Fred Stammen, Jim Cave, Ken Lindley and Bill Estherton.

Medford's season schedule follows:

Dec. 22 and 23—North Bend here.
Dec. 28—Albany there.
Dec. 29 and 30—Salem there.
Jan. 5—Ashland here.
Jan. 12—Grants Pass there.
Jan. 13—Grants Pass here.
Jan. 19 and 20—Klamath Falls there.
Jan. 26—Ashland there.
Jan. 31—Grants Pass here.
Feb. 2 and 3—Bend here.
Feb. 9 and 10—Klamath Falls here.
Feb. 13—Grants Pass there.
Feb. 16—Ashland there.
Feb. 17—Ashland here.
Feb. 23 and 24 — Ashland tournament.

GUN CLUB PLANS SUNDAY CONTEST

Medford Gun club will close the 1944 trapshooting season with a turkey shoot at the club grounds at Crater Lake Four Corners at 11 o'clock Sunday morning.

Preparations are being made for a record turnout, the public being invited to participate in the shooting as well as the other events to win turkeys. Hot lunch and coffee will be served throughout the day and a warm club-house maintained for the comfort of the shooters and spectators.

Shooters are requested to bring their own ammunition if they have any, and game shotgun loads will be permissable to shoot in the events. For those who have no shells the club will have a limited supply available.

GREATEST HOOP PLAYER CHOSEN

Fort Wayne, Ind., Dec. 14—(U.P.)—Bob McDermott of the world-champion Zollner Pistons' cage team, has been named the greatest professional basketball player of all time by Harry "Dutch" Dehnert, coach of the Sheboygan, Wis., Redskins.

Dehnert, a professional basketball player and coach for more than a quarter of a century, picked McDermott as his all time "great" "because he is such a great offensive as well as defensive star, possessing keen knowledge of all phases of the game, and because he is a constant scoring threat from any position on the floor."

BOWLING

Results of City league play last night gave Henry's Drive-In three straight games over PMT (Queen 197 - Schantol 527). Union Oil took two out of three from Firestone (Leaming 210 - Porter 533), and Office Boys took three straight over State Police (Breault 185 - 515).

BITTER BATTLE LOOMS BETWEEN GRID, BASEBALL

New York, Dec. 14—(U.P.)—A battle royal appeared to be in the making today between professional football and major league baseball unless the latter curtails its season.

The fight started yesterday when the major leagues at their joint winter meeting voted to bar football from thier parks until the home baseball season has been completed. For the most part, it leaves the national football league teams without stadiums for their early season games.

The only solution appeared to be for a shorter baseball season—something which probably will come up for discussion when the major leagues next meet in February. But while there is considerable sentiment for a shorter season outside of baseball circles, there is very little, if any, among the men who own and run the game.

It may develop that baseball men cut their own incomes when they voted as they did. For pro football has become big business and the money which it turned over in rentals for ball parks means considerable to the baseball clubs involved.

BOXER CHARGED IN FAKE MATCH

Oakland, Calif., Dec. 14—(U.P.)—Fight purses of Cecil Hudson, 145, Los Angeles, and Freddie Dixon, 145, Phoenix, Ariz., were held up today pending an investigation by the California State Athletic commission of charges that Hudson had tried to lose the fght.

Referee Billie Burkie last night called a scheduled 10-round bout between the two fighters a "no contest" in the sixth round and said that Hudson, who is managed by three-time titleholder Henry Armstrong, was trying to throw the fight. Although both purses will be held, Burke said he would recommend that Dixon receive his money.

After both fighters were warned at the end of the fifth round that they were not fighting well, Hudson went down for a no-count early in the sixth from a left to the jaw. He arose and was again knocked down by a right to the jow. Burke refused to count.

George Moore, Armstrong's manager who witnessed the bout, said he was convinced that Hudson attempted to lose the fight and that he would recommend that Armstrong give up Hudson's contract.

OSC HOOPSTERS PLAY SATURDAY

Oregon State College, Corvallis, Dec. 14—Fall quarter final examinations hold top priority in the Oregon State basketball camp this week with only one game on the schedule, a newly-booked contest against Fee's Music Makers of Portland here Saturday night.

Undefeated in their first eight pre-season games, the Beavers will have a breathing spell from th hoop sport this week while taking finals. The Orangemen will play at least six more practice contests before they open the northern division campaign against Washington at Seattle, January 5 and 6.

BASKETBALL

By United Press

Bates 51, Union 45.
Morehead, Ky., Teachers 54, La Salle 47.
Kalamazoo 44, Grand Rapids 35.
Penn State 53, Susquehanna 12.
St. Johns 39, Utah 36.
Oklahoma A & M 44, New York University 41.
Concordia of Illinois 38, Loyola of Chicago 19.
Trinity 46 Yale 41.
Louisville 70, Fort Knox 53.
Bucknell 43, Villanova 42.
Davidson 40, Wofford 29.
Purdue 47, Depauw 31.

TROJANS GARNER FIVE PLACES ON ALL-COAST TEAM

San Francisco, Dec. 14—(U.P.) The University of Southern California Trojans, the west's entrant in the Rose Bowl, outdistance any other football team in the number of choices on the 1944 United Press all-Pacific coast college football team.

The undefeated men of Troy placed five men on the mythical team, chosen by sports editors and U. P. staff correspondents who saw every collegiate team in the region in actioin.

James Callanan and Don Hardy, both of U. S. C., nailed down the end posts.

Unanimously chosen for one of the first team tackle spots was John Ferrero, of U. S. C., while the other post went to Bob McClure, rated as one of the finest all-around linesmen in college today.

Roger Harding, the bright spot on a Bear line that was wrecked in midseason by navy transfers, was named to the center spot.

Guards were Jim McCurdy of University of Washington and Bill Hachten, a California star who was transferred in midseason.

The first string backfield was almost unanimously chosen. Nominated for the four spots were Gordon Gray and Jim Hardy, both of U. S. C.; Johnny Roesch, the scat-runner from U. C. L. A.; and Keith De Coursey, Washington fullback.

OWNERS REGAIN CALIENTE TRACK

Tijuana, Baja, Cal., Mex., Dec. 14—(U.P.)—The famed Agua Caliente race track, pleasure spot for film stars and celebrites in prewar days, and its adjoining bull ring today returned to the ownership of the Arguello family which for 12 years has sought court recognition of its claim to all of the Tijuana area.

Racing, temporarily halted by the seizure of the property by the Mexican government in the name of the Arguellos, probably will be resumed at the track under a new company in two weeks, Elizeo Ruiz Russel, Mexican consul in San Diego, Cal., said.

ST. MARY'S HAS SCHOOL LEAGUE

St. Mary's Academy of Medford is the sponsor of a four-team intramural basketball league which began a schedule of two games a week Dec. 5 at Washington gym. Teams are composed of players from the seventh, eighth and high school grades.

In league play to date the Hellcats defeated Green Dragons 44 to 21 with Howard Rickman getting 18 points for the winners. On Tuesday, Pirates, led by Harold Rickman, nosed out Dick Iven's Tigers, 20-19, in a hard-fought but clean contest.

In today's play Tigers meet the Green Dragons and on Dec. 19 Pirates face the Hellcats.

CENTRAL POINT TEAM TO PLAY

Central Point basketball team will inaugurate their 1944-45 season tomorrow night when they face Camas Valley on the Pointer court. A preliminary game between the Pointer second team and Medford high sophomores, will begin at 7:30.

Central Point's team is built around five lettermen: Len Shrier, all-star center of last season; Dale Childress, Dean Wilson, Tom Colley and Jack McCoy.

Camas Valley boasts one of Douglas county's strongest "B" teams and is coached by Bill Bromley, formerly coach at Jacksonville.

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Sixth War Loan Golf Match

Bobby Jones, Bob Hope, Johnny Bulla and Watts Gunn played before six thousand people at the Sixth War Loan golf match at Atlanta, Ga., recently. Officials estimated that ten million dollars in War Bonds were sold to the gallery that followed the play. *U. S. Treasury Department*

WAGNER, JOHNSON HEADLINE DOUBLE MAIN EVENT CARD

"Gorgoeous" George Wagner, who has his collection of beautiful ring robes insured for $5000, will return to Medford Armory tonight to mix with Jack Kiser, coast champion, in one half of the double main event. Wagner has been seeking a title go with Kiser, in an attempt to regain laurels he lost to Paavo Katonen, and will be in position to demand a shot at the crown if he can get past the clever Vancouver grappler. Kiser took the title from Katonen several months ago.

Gust Johnson, holder of the coast junior-heavy belt, will meet Terrible Tony Ross in the other half of the double offering. This bout borders on grudge proportions because of Ross' one-fall win over Johnson last week after Johnson had already beaten one opponent. Johnson was eager for the return go in an effort to even the score and Ross was just as willing to show his victory was not the cause of Johnson's having already taken part in one match.

The three round opener promises to consist of plenty of skill and legal maneuvers when Herb Parks and Milt Olson collide. They go to the mat at 8:30 promptly.

AGGIES WIN OVER NYU, UTAH LOSES

New York, Dec. 14 —(U.P.)—Oklahoma A. & M. defeated New York university, 45 to 41, and St. Johns triumphed over Utah, 39 to 36, in a basketball doubleheader witnessed by 18,102 fans at Madison Square Garden last night.

Seven-foot Bob Kurland led the Aggies to their triumph, scoring 14 points and playing a star defensive game. Little Weldon Kern was high scorer, however, with 18 markers. The Aggies trailed at the half, 17 to 10.

Ivy Summer, center, paced St. Johns to triumph, scoring 14 points but Arnold Ferrin of the Utes was the outstanding player of the game. He scored 17 points as well as leading the Utah defense.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 13.—(U.P.) Portland's largest lumber manufacturer—the Clark & Wilson Lumber company—will cease its operations in December, 1947, because of a dwindling supply of timber, it was decided yesterday by a vote of the board of directors.

More than two million people are directly dependent on forest products for their livelihood—not counting the publishers of "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn."

HASTY WARTIME MARRIAGES ARE DOOMED FAILURE

Boston, Dec. 14—(U.P.)—The hasty wartime marriage is likely to be a failure, a majority of 10 "golden wedding" couples whose married lives span three wars and total 536 years agreed today.

In a poll conducted by the United Press, these New England couples who have been wed more than half a century voiced these views:

There's no need to hurry and become a war bride because there'll be plenty of men available after the war.

The courtship should last from two to three years.

The best age for a girl to marry is 23.

The best age for a man to wed is 26.

The way to a man's heart is very definitely through his stomach.

There's no truth to the adage "the first hundred years are the hardest."

If they need the advice of these oldsters, girls who want a happy home will don their aprons and get out their cook books as soon as the honeymoon is over. They'll establish a home of their own, have children, "share responsibility unselfishly and make the necessary adjustments pleasantly."

Above all, the oldsters advise, don't give your husband the idea that "you think you're perfect."

GEN STILWELL PLEA

Washington, Dec. 14—(U.P.)—Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell, former commander of U. S. forces in China - Burma-India theater, today urged "each and every" American to buy at least one extra $100 bond in the sixth war loan drive.

Daily Weather Report

Forecasts

Medford and vicinity: Continued fair with warm afternoons and freezing temperatures at night.

Oregon: Mostly clear today, tonight and Friday, but with morning fogs or low clouds in valleys west of Cascades Little change in temperature.

Local Data

Temperature a year ago today: Highest 31; lowest 22.

Total monthly precipitation, .10 inch. Deficiency for the month, 1.09 inches

Total precipitation since September 1, 1944, 5.68 inches. Deficiency for the season, .01 inch.

Relative humidity at 4:30 p. m. yesterday, 49%; 4:30 today, 86%.

Tomorrow

Sunrise 8:32 a. m. Sunset 5:44 p. m.

Past 24 hours:	High	Low
Boise	34	15
Boston	34	23
Chicago	10	6
Denver	53	26
Eureka	63	45
Havre	45	22
Los Angeles	78	44
Medford	54	26
New York	40	25
Omaha	31	14
Phoenix	71	34
Portland	46	32
Reno	47	15
Roseburg	33	29
Salt Lake	36	15
San Francisco	62	43
Seattle	46	27
Spokane	30	20
Washington, D. C.	41	24
Yakima	27	29

Closing time for Classified Ads 9 a. m. — Too Late to Classify 12:30 p. m.

INFANTRY SHOW TO BE HERE ON SATURDAY ONLY

The Fort Benning infantry school's war bond show, "Here's Your Infantry," which will be in Medford for one day only, on Saturday, will present a display of infantrymen in action as well as a display of what it takes to outfit an infantryman for combat.

Equipment used by the soldiers will be on display at the Riverside USO from 1 to 5 p. m. Saturday and will be available for minute public inspection. An infantryman will be on hand to explain the cost and use of the various pieces of equipment.

At Medford high school stadium, beginning at 7:45 p. m. Saturday will be a simulated attack on a Japanese pillbox together with an interesting display of infantrymen maneuvers while in combat and a display of equipment used.

The program at the stadium will be accompanied by a special announcer who will graphically describe what is taking place.

"Here's Your Infantry" is touring the country in the interest of the sixth war loan bond drive and has shown before capacity crowds in its showings across the United States.

CPL. ROLAND HOGUE GETS UNIT BADGE

Fifteenth AAF in Italy—Cpl. Roland F. Hogue, 30 Kenwood avenue, power turret specialist in a B-24 Liberator bomber squadron, has been authorized to wear the distinguished unit badge and one bronze cluster as a member of a veteran Liberator group which twice has been cited by the President of the United States for "outstanding performance of duty in armed conflict with the enemy."

Commanded by Col. Robert E. L. Eaton, Belleville, Ill., the group received its original gold-rimmed blue ribbon for an attack on the Prufening aircraft factory at Regensburg, Germany, on February 25. The cluster was added for a mission over the Ploesti, Rumania, oil refineries on April 5.

Graduating from Mt. Shasta high school, Hogue was employed in a sawmill for the Medford corporation, entering the army on February 2, 1942. Cpl. Hogue received his armament training at Lowry and Buckley fields, Colo. His mother, Mrs. Francis Taylor, lives at the Medford address.

Closing time for Sunday Too Late to Classify 5:30 Saturday afternoon—Please remember.

SERVICE MEN TO BE HONOR GUESTS AT DANCE FRIDAY

Service men in the infantry display coming to Medford this week will be honored guests of Riverside USO at a dancing party Friday night, according to Mrs. Harry Nordwick, program chairman. Saturday afternoon the infantry display, which consists of all firearms used by the infantry, will be on exhibit in the USO auditorium. The public is invited to attend this display which is under the auspices of the American Legion.

Sunday's program begins with the regular Java session at 9:30 a. m.; Eve Prentice's Accordiana Girls will play Christmas carols at 2 p. m.; Twilight Reverie Hour with Bill Adams leading the singing and Kathryn Gentner at piano will be held at 4 p. m.; the Pantry Shelf is in charge of the Pythian Sisters at 5 p. m. and a movie, "Bringing Up Baby," will be presented at 7 p. m.

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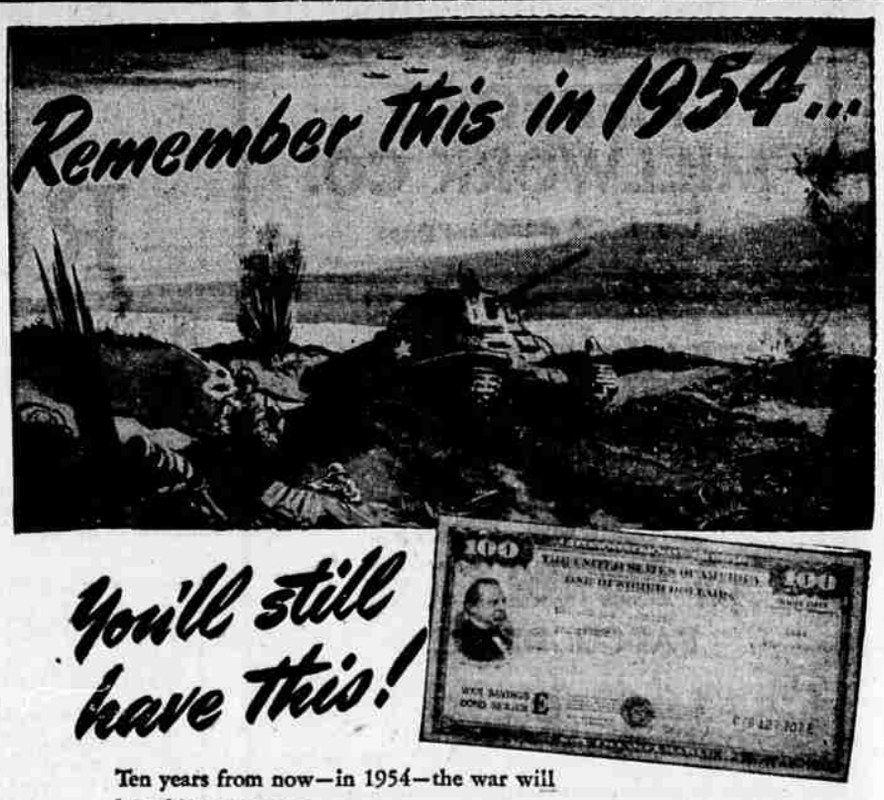

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