

# SPORTS

## BLACK TORNADO BEATS SALEM BY 65 TO 33 SCORE

Al Simpson's Medford high basketball squad chalked up another victory in their ever-growing string last night when they swamped Salem Vikings 65 to 33 on the Medford hardwoods. Medford was in complete domination of the game from the start with Salem never having a chance to take the lead.

It wasn't a rough contest although Salem did considerable holding and hacking during the final quarter. Seventeen fouls were called on Medford with 13 called on the Vikings.

Jerry Ross scored the first point for Medford when he was fouled by Helmhout and Dick Fawcett immediately added a basket to make it 3-0 as Salem took time out. Darrell Riggs and Ross ran the score to 9 to 2 when the Vikings again took a rest period. Baskets by Larry Hayes, Bob Watson, Ross and Fawcett, and one by Bellinger of Salem moved the count to 17-4. Medford collected seven more points while Salem added three to make the count 24 to 7 at the end of the first period.

Midway in the second quarter, with the score standing at 32 to 10 for Medford, Simpson ran in his second string. The reserves moved the scoreboard up to 41 to 12 as the first half ended. With about one second to go in the first half Jim Cave cast off from mid-court for a perfect basket which was as much a surprise to Cave as to the large crowd which watched the contest.

The Tornado regulars began the third period and ran up 11 points while Salem was scoring seven to make it 52 to 19 when the reserves again entered the game and the first team went to the showers. Third quarter ended 54 to 22.

Howard Whillock was the big gun in the final stanza, adding seven points while Stammen was making four. With three seconds to go, Mason and Gibson each added a basket for Salem to make the final count 65 to 33.

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## SCORING CHANGE FOR BASKETBALL UNDERGOES TEST

New York, Feb. 7—(U.P.)—Proposed new basketball rules in which the court will be zoned to provide an area where field goals will count three points instead of two, will be tested tonight in a clinic game between Columbia and Fordham.

The rules changes, suggested by Howard Hobson, Oregon University basketball coach, provide that any field goal scored from outside an arc 21 feet away from the basket will count three points, and a fouled player will have the option of taking his shot from the regular 15-foot free throw line from one point or from a new 21-foot line where it will count two.

On a two foul penalty, only one of the shots may be taken from the 21-foot line with the second to be taken from the shorter distance.

**Foul Lane Widened**  
Another innovation provides widening of the foul lane from six to 12 feet in which the three second rule will apply. This is designed to prevent congestion under the basket and to eliminate the advantage of tall players on rebounds and pivot plays.

Hobson said that the proposed changes were designed to discourage use of the zone defense which hampers scoring because of set positions by defending teams. He said that the threat of three point goals will bring the zone defense out toward mid-court and make for more open play.

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## BASKETBALL

**By United Press**  
Ohio, 70; Ohio Wesleyan, 55.  
Denver, 82; Greeley, Col., Teachers, 44.  
Cherry Point Marines, 77; Quantico Marines, 29.  
Central Michigan, 57; Alma, 38.  
Colorado, 67; Colorado A & M, 34.  
Scranton, 48; Stroudsburg Teachers, 41.  
Waco AAF, 63; Baylor, 22.  
Marquette, 52; Western Michigan, 50.  
Jacksonville, Fla., Naval, 67; Florida, 44.  
Franklin & Marshall, 57; Ursinus, 46.  
Great Lakes, 52; DePauw, 48.  
Bowling Green, 68; Oberlin, 58.  
Southern California, 35; San Diego Naval Air Station, 31.  
Pepperdine College, 68; Camp Ross, 42.  
California Institute of Technology, 53; Santa Ana Army Air Base, 37.

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## PLASTIC NET SUGGESTED TO IMPROVE ICE HOCKEY

Boston, Feb. 7—(U.P.)—Manager Art Ross of the Boston Bruins suggested today that the Cord Nets used in National league hockey games be replaced with invisible plastic material. Although he said the switch probably could not be made until after the war, it would be advisable because the plastic nets would not constitute an obstruction to players and spectators.

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## HOOPER STANDS OUT AS LIKELY CANDIDATE FOR BASEBALL CZAR

By Jack Cuddy  
United Press Correspondent  
New York, Feb. 7—(U.P.)—J. Edgar Hoover, director of the F.B.I., stands out today as a logical candidate for the high commissioner's office in baseball because, in addition to other qualifications, he is best equipped to combat gambling—to keep the sport clean.

A man who can crack down with "the big stick" is needed now in the commissioner's office—needed more than at any time since the wave of gambling that followed the First World War resulted in the Black Sox scandal and the appointment of the late Kenesaw M. Landis to the job in 1920.

Landis kept the sport clean as a whistle. Even his severest critics never challenged that. But the old judge died last November 25—shortly before the sports world was smacked on the nose by the realization that professional and amateur athletics are now menaced by the greatest gambling surge in the nation's history. This tremendous wave of wagering is a by-product of the prosperity accompanying World War No. 2. It was reflected in the staggering total of \$1,126,308,645 bet at U. S. race tracks during 1944.

## MAJOR LEAGUES PLAN TELEGRAPH VOTE FOR CZAR

Chicago, Feb. 7—(U.P.)—In an effort to protect the western conference's interests, Big Ten track coaches have decided to keep their athletes from competing in any outside invitational meets from February 20 through March 10 in an effort to develop their own stars in conference dual meets.

The Big Ten coaches, "in a move designed to hurt no sponsor of track events," recently made a gentlemen's agreement that three weeks prior to the Big Ten's championship indoor track meet here, March 10, they would shun all invitational competition and enter their teams and individual stars only in dual meets.

## VERSATILE DENTIST

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## MAPLE LEAFS END JINX WITH WIN OVER BOSTON

A season-long jinx was put to rest in the National league hockey race today when the Toronto Maple Leafs left Boston with a victory over the Bruins on Boston ice, winning, 5-1. Toronto has lost on each of their previous trips to the Hub city.

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## SISLER REELECTED COMMISSIONER FOR SANDLOT BASEBALL

Wichita, Kan., Feb. 7—(U.P.)—George H. Sisler of St. Louis, one of the all-time greats of professional baseball, will continue as commissioner of the sandlot game in the United States for another five years, Ray Dumont, president of the National Baseball congress, announced today.

Dumont said that the congress had reached an agreement with Sisler to continue in the post, asserting that "non-professional baseball has gained momentum under the Sisler regime."

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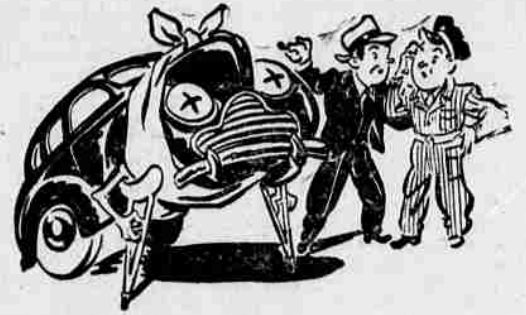
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