

## BLACK TORNADO RETURNS FROM STATE TOURNEY

The Black Tornado of Medford high school returned from the state tournament at Salem yesterday wearing third place crown. In the first round Medford ran over Vernonia 44 to 29 but ran into a lucky Oregon City quintet Friday night and lost 41 to 40. They took the third spot diadem Saturday morning by edging Baker 51 to 49.

In the Oregon City contest the Pioneers trailed through the entire first half. In the third period, with Darrell Riggs on the bench with five personal fouls, Oregon City took the lead 34 to 32. In the fourth quarter it was anybody's game as both teams raced up and down the floor. Howard Whillock, in for Riggs, gave Medford a 37 to 35 advantage but Len Rinearson, six feet, four inch Pioneer center, tied the score. Oregon City dropped in four spots and Jerry Ross brought Medford's score up to 40.

With 30 seconds left to play Medford's Bob Watson missed a free throw that would have tied the score and Oregon City held their one-point lead.

Against Baker, Medford held a 9 to 7 first period lead and a 37 to 28 third quarter margin. The score was tied, 20 to 20, at halftime.

With three minutes left in the fourth quarter, Medford held a ten point margin and Coach Al Simpson sent his second stringers into the game. The Bulldogs pulled to within two points and the Tornado regulars went back into the game to hold their lead.

Lineups:  
Medford Pos. Oregon City  
Hayes, 6.....Thomas, 6  
Ross, 8.....Misley, 3  
Riggs, 7.....Rinearson, 14  
Fawcett, 11.....Bakkum, 6  
Katson, 3.....Jones, 11  
Substitutes—Medford, Whillock, 4, Bostwick, 1, Oregon City, Larson, 1.

Medford Pos. Baker  
Hayes, 4.....Gerry  
Ross, 21.....Johnson, 3  
Riggs, 7.....Carpenter, 13  
Fawcett, 5.....Peterson, 18  
Watson, 9.....Balantyne, 15  
Substitutes—Medford, House, 1, Bostwick, 4.

**HEADS 13TH AIR FORCE**  
Manila, March 19.—(U.P.)—Brig. Gen. Paul B. Wurmsmith, famed tactician who developed the 49th air fighter group, has been named commanding general of the 13th air force, headquarters announced today.

Closing time on Sunday Two Late to Classify 5:30 Saturday afternoon—Please remember

## GUN CLUB PLANS ROOTIN', TOOTIN' BENEFIT AFFAIR

If you are one who never shot a gun in your life, you are going to have an opportunity to feel the thrill of powder behind lead; that thrill which shooters, rifle, shotgun and pistol, call "supreme."

If you have an old "forty-four" under the mattress that you don't need, now that you have a modern handgun, you are going to have a chance to get rid of it, in behalf of a grand cause and get a lot of personal satisfaction out of doing it.

If you "just won't shoot" in public and haven't that old "44" under the mattress, another way will be found for you to "kick in" with a personal punch for this great event, because the Medford Gun club is going to promote a special carnival trapshoot for the benefit of the Red Cross. It promises to be a "rootin', tootin', ripplin', son-of-a-gun" of an event with so many different kinds of opportunity shooting, potluck and auctions in which anyone can lay his douch on the line and get a play for the bullethead, that no "he man or his woman" is going to miss it, if he has to walk to the grounds.

"The shooting carnival" will be held shortly after April 1, in time for the proceeds to be included in the final figures of the Jackson County Red Cross campaign and has been endorsed by Chairman Harder of the Jackson county campaign committee.

Said a gun club officer yesterday: "These shooters who have been crying for an opportunity to shoot for several months are going to get it in a big way at the Red Cross benefit. No doubt every member of the Medford Gun club will have made his personal contribution to the Red Cross, but the organization wants to do its duty collectively as well. We expect the general public to help the cause and we will tell them all about the details the week before the event."

## BOB HOPE AND PARTNER WIN EXHIBITION MATCH

Palm Springs, Calif., March 19.—(U.P.)—Comedian Bob Hope, who didn't win any prizes for his acting, today held honors for his golfing.

Hope clowned his way over the Palm Springs golf course with Capt. Jack Anderson to win an exhibition golf match from Academy Award Winner Bing Crosby and Sgt. John Alver. Hope scored 37-35-72. His partner brought in 38-35-71. Crosby carded 40-37-77 and his teammate 39-37-73.

## MEDFORD LANDS 3 ON ALL-STATE SECOND STRING

Medford high's basketball crew, which wound up in third place in the state tournament at Salem last week end, placed three players on the all-star second team, but failed to land a man on the first team. Darrell Riggs, Jerry Ross and Bob Watson made the second team for Medford along with Willis Urban, Wash.; Arnold Thomas, Oregon City, and Lyle Peterson, Baker.

Washington of Portland, which won the state championship by whipping Oregon City Saturday night, 51 to 41, placed two on the official all-state first team. Oregon City, runner-up, got two spots and Baker, defeated, 51 to 49, by Medford for third place, landed one.

Jerry Krafev and Bob Lavey, Washington; Dick Balantyne, Baker; Art Jones and Leonard Rinearson, Oregon City, made up the selections. Clatskanie, winner of the "B" championship, landed three men on the first string. Members making up the mythical team were Milt Philbrook, Allen Van and Don Erickson, all of Clatskanie; Clyde Dewitt, Reedsport, and Glenn Eddy, Grant Union of John Day.

On the second team were Mooney, Reedsport; Wilson, Grant Union; Clough and Crowder, Arlington; Thornton, Reedsport, and Belshaw, Grant Union.

## TONY ROSS, MASK MEET IN REMATCH

Tony Ross and the Gray Mask who drew in a torrid six rounds last week, will meet again in the main event of next Thursday night's Medford armory wrestling card. Promoter Mack Lillard announced today.

Pete Belcastro will tangle with popular Ernie Piluso in the four round semi-windup.

Billy McEuin will clash with Georges Dusette in the three-round opener.

As an added feature, Lillard has matched Vern Calhoun of Sterling Creek with Dick Boatwright, Medford, in three five-minute rounds or two out of three falls.

**LAS VEGAS CHAMPS**  
Las Vegas, March 19.—(U.P.)—Nevada's high school championship basketball tournament was concluded here over the weekend with Las Vegas taking the "A" class honors. Vegas came from behind to nose Boulder City 35-33 in the final game.

## STING RESIGNS AT JUNIOR HIGH

Norman Sting, for the past year and a half basketball and football coach at Medford junior high school, resigned last week, according to E. H. Hedrick, city school superintendent. The resignation is to take effect in June, Hedrick said. No one has been secured to fill the vacancy.

Sting, who was in charge of physical education and taught classes as well as handling the coaching duties, said he had no immediate plans for the future.

## 29 Inches Snow At Fish Lake; Sno-Cat Will Undergo Test

Twenty-nine inches of snow was reported this morning at Fish Lake, main reservoir of the Medford Irrigation District. Snow was still falling at noon. This is the greatest snow depth there this winter.

Heavy snow was reported in the high Cascades Saturday and Sunday, with fourteen inches on Siskiyou summit. Union Creek reported two feet and Diamond Lake 30 inches. A blizzard swept the Dead Indian and Lake O Woods district over the weekend.

Arch Work, federal-state snow survey supervisor, left early today for Union Creek, where tests will be made of a sno-plane and a sno-cat, before irrigationists and federal and state representatives.

## Daily Weather Report

Forecast  
Medford and vicinity: Continued cloudy with occasional rain tonight and Tuesday. Little change in temperature.

Oregon: Rain today. Showers tonight and Tuesday. Snow over mountains. Not so cold in extreme southern and eastern parts tonight.

Local Data  
Temperature a year ago today:  
Highest: 80 degrees, lowest 39.

Total monthly precipitation 1.31 inches. Excess for the month 41 inch.

Total precipitation since September 1, 1944, 13.08 inches. Excess for the season 57 inch.

Relative humidity at 4:30 p. m. yesterday 42%, 4:30 today 99%.

Tomorrow  
Sunset 7:14 a. m., sunset 7:23 p. m.  
Past 24 hours: High Low Prec  
Boise.....46 33 ---  
Boston.....68 46 ---  
Chicago.....73 37 ---  
Denver.....50 28 ---  
Eureka.....53 32 ---  
Los Angeles.....68 40 ---  
Medford.....57 39 .02  
New York.....68 46 ---  
Omaha.....67 41 ---  
Phoenix.....71 46 ---  
Portland.....51 45 .07  
Reno.....45 23 ---  
Roseburg.....52 47 .01  
Salt Lake.....42 29 ---  
San Francisco.....57 40 ---  
Seattle.....48 33 ---  
Spokane.....52 40 ---  
Washington, D. C. ....70 50 ---  
Yakima.....54 40 .02

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## BALLAD SINGERS SLATE CONCERT HERE THURSDAY

A totally different kind of concert fare is promised members of the Jackson County Civic Music association who hear the American Ballad Singers in their appearance here Thursday at the high school auditorium.

This is the last of the 1945 concert series. "As American as pumpkin pie and cranberry sauce" is the way one critic described the singers. "The melodies they sing are gathered from the people, from the Creoles, Pennsylvania Dutch, Yankees, Iowa farmers and southern cotton-pickers. The songs are of bad men, lovers, heroes, jailbirds, soldiers and toilers; all the rich drama of America is in this music."

Six top-ranking soloists make up the group, Helen Yorke, Hilda Morse, Helen Stanton, Earl Waldo, Jack de Merchant and Lester German.

First group of songs on the program will be music of early America as follows: "Ode on Science", Jezebel Sumner; "Birds' Courting Song" and "Song of the Sea", William Billings; "Deaf Woman's Courtship", "Poor Wayfaring Stranger", "Children's Games" and "Sweet Patsy from Pike", composers unknown.

A group of American Christmas carols will make up the second group, including "A Virgin Unspotted" by William Billings and three carols of unknown composition, "Rise Up Shepherd an' Foller", "Mary Had a Baby" and "Twelve Days of Christmas".

Following intermission the group will sing "Upon a Mountain", "Cooper O'Fife", a number made up of traditional "street cries" from various sections of the country, "Schlof Bobbell" and "Finnegan's Wake".

A group of American legend songs will include "Paul Bunyan", "The Lincoln Penny" and "Ballad of Doug's MacArthur". Last on the program will be "I'm Sad and I'm Lonely", "The Devil and the Farmer's Wife", "Chilly Winds" and "Rye Whiskey". All songs on the program

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were arranged by Elsie Slegmeister, founder and director of the singers.

## GOLD HILL GIRLS TO GIVE PROGRAM, DANCE

Gold Hill, March 19 — The Girls' Athletic Association of Gold Hill High school will present a program, box social, and dance March 23 at 8 p. m., in the gymnasium.

Everyone is invited and the women are to bring boxes. There will be a prize given for the prettiest box and the boxes will be auctioned off to raise money for the gym jamboree to be presented toward the end of the school year.

## HONOR ROLL

The following pupils of Roosevelt school were on the honor roll for the first six weeks of the second semester.

1A—Meredith Foote, Carol Denman.

2A—Barbara Bauer, Melissa Jennings, Suzanne Reichstein.

3B—Vernece Tighe.

3A—Suzanne Simpson, Constance Clark, Carole Pringle, Fay Zier.

4A—Kathryn McAllister, Margo Lagesen.

5A—Nola Grantham, Roma Liddell, Philip Getchell, Robert Hillyer.

6B—Elizabeth Collins, Joan DeZell, Shirley Seekatz, Richard Roberts.

6A—Harriet Dawson, Corinne Wing, Shannon Van Valzah, Don Denman.

## P.-T. A. Activities

Elk Creek P.T.A. met in the school house March 9 with President Audrey Collier in the

chair. A report of the recent carnival showed a profit of \$201.96, the money to be used in the hot lunches for the next term. The president wishes to express her thanks to all committees who helped to make this carnival a success.

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