

**ASHLAND HOOP CREW
LOSES TO LEBANON 5**
Ashland, Dec. 8 — Ashland high school Grizzlies lost a 34 to 22 basketball game to Lebanon on the Albany high school floor Friday night. The Ashland squad was to play Albany Saturday night, returning home Sunday.

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SPORTS

**PICARD HAS TWO
STROKE LEAD IN
MIAMI OPEN PLAY**

Miami, Fla., Dec. 8 — (U.P.) — Handsome Henry Picard hiked his lead in the \$10,000 cash Miami open golf tournament to two strokes today, carding a 68 for his third straight sub-par round.

The lanky Cleveland, O., professional had a bad start with a bogey on the par-four first hole at Miami Springs, because whirling movie cameras made him nervous. Then he settled to solid, brilliant golf and made

two birdies on the first nine and an eagle three on the 460-yard thirteenth hole.

A short putt failed to drop on the sixth, giving him another bogey and holding his score only two below par.

Picard, out of the top money for six years, had a 204 total for 54 holes, two better than Ben Hogan, Hershey, Pa., who was hot today and fired a four-under-par 66. Hogan took the back nine apart with four birdies, dropping a down-hill ten-footer on the last hole for a 31 on the nine.

One stroke behind Hogan was Harold (Jug) McSpaden, Sanford, Me., who took a 67 today for a 207 total. He missed an easy five-foot putt on the 18th, forcing him to par and out of a second-place tie.

Frank Stranahan, Toledo, O., amateur, held his own with the pros on a par 70 for a 208 total. Denny Shute of Akron, O., came up from nowhere with a 33-33-66-208 to threaten the leaders.

**MINORS DUE FOR
FIRM SQUELCHING**

Chicago, Dec. 8 — (U.P.) — The minor leagues, which openly rebelled against Commissioner A. B. (Happy) Chandler at their meetings in Columbus, O., last week, were scheduled to be thoroughly "squelched" at the annual major league meeting which opens here Monday.

Big League leaders, checking into overcrowded Chicago hotels today, were practically solid in their prediction that the minors will receive only a smattering of what they asked at Columbus.

The National and American leagues will take up some of the minor leagues' proposals tomorrow and are expected to: (1) veto the minor leagues' bonus legislation, and (2) deny the Pacific Coast league its bid for major league status, an attempt to break the 40-year big league monopoly of the National and American leagues.

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**COMPTON, JUNIOR
COLLEGE TITLIST**

New Orleans, Dec. 8 — (U.P.) — Compton College of Compton, Calif., today was awarded the Williamson rating system's 1945 junior college football championship.

Paul B. Williamson, United Feature Syndicate football prognosticator, said that Compton's 13-0 victory over Modesto J. C. last night clinched the selection.

**EAGLE POINT QUINT
BEATS BUTTE FALLS**

Eagle Point, Dec. 8 — Eagle Point high school basketball team scored a 29 to 26 victory over Butte Falls in an overtime game here Friday night. Score was knotted at 21-21 at end of the regular playing time.

Lineups:

Eagle Pt.	Pos.	Butte Falls
Young, 5	F	Madden, 5
Wolgamott, 4	F	Stevenson
Valde, 6	C	Ellis, 9
Russell, 4	G	Conley, 8
Hanscom, 7	G	Hall, 2
Kimmel, 3	S	White, 2
Smith	S	Phillips

**GUN CLUB PLANS FOR
SKEET SHOOT TODAY**

Medford Gun Club will hold its first winter skeet shoot at the club grounds at the Snowy Butte Four Corners at 11 a. m. Sunday.

The program will be made up of practice events only but special prize shoots are planned for the future. New walks, a spectators' house and other improvements are planned for the coming year by the special skeet committee to be in charge of all skeet operations. Regular trap-shooting at the 16 yard traps will be continued as in the past, probably alternating programs every other Sunday with skeet shooting.

**KAISER TO BUILD
PORTLAND TRACK**

Portland, Ore., Dec. 8 — (U.P.) — The Kaiser Company today was awarded the general contract for building the clubhouse, grandstand and paddock of the Portland Meadows race track in Portland, designed to be one of the most modern tracks in the nation.

Work will start next week on the construction of the 400 foot long plant, it was stated by General Manager Albert Bauer of the Kaiser Oregon Ship Company. General Manager Mike Miller and Superintendent John Hallett of the Kaiser Vancouver yards will direct the racetrack work.

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**BUDGE, RIGGS TO
PLAY TODAY FOR
PRO NET HONORS**

Los Angeles, Dec. 8 — (U.P.) — William T. Tilden, II, of Hollywood, slowed down by his 52 years of age, was defeated this afternoon by red-haired Don Budge, 6-0, 6-1, in the semi-finals of the \$5,000 world professional hardcourt tennis championships.

The other finalist in tomorrow's play will be Bobby Riggs, of Los Angeles, who defeated Fred Perry of Santa Monica, 6-2, 6-1, in the other semi-final match this afternoon.

The veteran Tilden was no match for Budge. Apparently wearied by yesterday's match when he defeated Les Stofen, Tilden was unable to run after Budge's power shots. He netted the ball frequently, and won only six points in the first set.

The match lasted only 25 minutes, and Budge was the master all the time over the legendary Tilden who was national men's singles champion for six years, starting in 1920, and won the crown the last time in 1929 before turning professional.

Perry was always a threat in the other semi-final game won by Riggs. Eight of the 15 games were deuced. Riggs, however, outstaided and outgeneralled Perry to win.

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BASKETBALL

By United Press
Michigan 69, Western Michigan 49
Akron Univ. 70, Ohio Wesleyan 54
Union 61, Middlebury 30
Sampson NTC 68, Amherst 34
Itaca 56, St. Lawrence 27
Beloit 61, DePauw 41
Carnegie Tech 43, Allegheny 42
Sheppard Field All-Stars 56
West Texas Buffaloes 42
Georgia 66, Chattanooga 46
Illinois 58, Great Lakes 41
Rochester 61, Youngstown 47
West Virginia 42, Penn State 41 (overtime)

Closing time for Sunday Too Late to Classify 4:30 Saturday afternoon. Please remember.

APARTMENT HOUSE OWNERS PROTEST

San Diego, Dec. 8 — (U.P.) — An apartment house "strike" seemed eminent tonight as a vote by the owners polled 75 percent in favor of a partial withdrawal of apartment rental units from the market, in protest against the OPA ceilings, John Cotton, association president, reported. The "how and when" of the "strike" will be decided at a general meeting next week, Cotton said.

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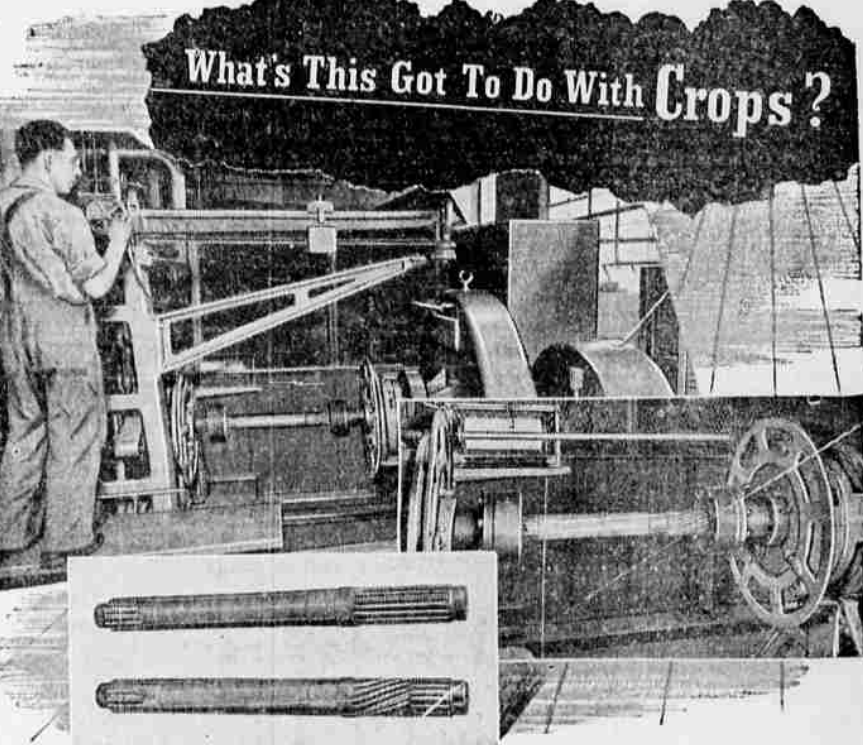
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