

# Sports

## District 4 Cage Tourney To Get Underway Tonight

A trip to Salem and a crack at the state basketball championship rests on tonight's and tomorrow night's district four tournament at Southern Oregon College gym at Ashland.

Medford's Black Tornado, Southern Oregon conference champion and defending district titlist, will definitely be the target of the other district teams, Klamath Falls, Grants Pass and Ashland, inasmuch as the Tornado has rolled unopposable over all conference opposition.

Al Simpson, Medford boss man, said this morning that Bob Watson, Jerry Ross, Darrell Riggs, Carl Reich and Earl Stelle would start in tonight's game against the Klamath Pelicans. They are slated to take to the court about 8:30 p. m.—after the Ashland-Grants Pass opening clash, set for 7:30.

Simpson said how long the starting five would be able to run on the large college court remained to be seen. Four of the starting five have been "on the shelf" for a week because of heavy chest colds but all "felt pretty good" in practice last night, Simpson said. "But we're definitely not in top shape and will have to depend on liberal substitutions if we win this tournament," the mentor emphasized. Don Waldron, fast-developing forward, is too ill to dress for tonight's game but was expected to be in school today.

Winners of tonight's clashes meet Saturday night for the district championship while the losers square off for third place.

Al Lightner of Salem and Chuck Schmidt of Eugene will referee all games.

## Venezuela Hurler Leaves White Sox To Play In Mexico

Mexico City, March 1—Alex Carrasquel, veteran Venezuelan pitcher purchased by the Chicago White Sox from the Washington Senators last month for \$7,500, announced today he has signed a three-year contract to play with Vera Cruz in the eight-team Mexican league.

Carrasquel said the salary was "much bigger" than the \$5,000 offered him by the Sox.

The 32-year-old righthander won 51 games and lost 39 during his seven-year tenure with the Senators, and is the ninth Major leaguer to jump the south-of-the-border circuit.

## Negroes Welcomed At Brooklyn Camp

Sanford, Fla., March 1—(U.P.) The Brooklyn Dodgers today welcomed shortstop Jackie Robinson and pitcher John White to training camp, the first negroes to receive a chance to play Major league baseball.

The players, both signed with the Dodgers' Montreal farm club, reported for their first workouts and were officially greeted by Brooklyn President Branch Rickey.

## BASKETBALL

By United Press  
Virginia Tech 39, George Washington 33.

North Carolina 54, Maryland 27.

Wake Forest 42, William & Mary 31.

Louisiana State 74, Tulane 29.

Georgia 36, Georgia Tech 30.

Tennessee 46, Vanderbilt 32.

Kentucky 69, Auburn 24.

Kansas 52, Oklahoma 45.

Kansas State 54, Nebraska 49.

Loyola (Chicago) 62, Iowa Pre-Flight 61 (overtime).

## BOWLING

In Commercial league Fluhrer's Bakery took four points from Firestone (Eads 519-Baize 411). Daniels Robinson divided with Little Part (Schallert 532-Littrell 487). Silver Dollar Grill won four points from Pepsi-Cola (Williams 571-Fruit 501) and Henry's Drive-In took four points from Montgomery Ward (Porter 529-Beck 500).

## ISLAND BASEBALL PLAYERS STRIKE

Honolulu, T. H., March 1—(U.P.)—Members of the Hawaii all-stars baseball team that is scheduled to meet the San Francisco Seals in a 15-game exhibition series starting March 8 struck for a \$300 flat guarantee for each man today.

They rejected an offer of \$100 per player plus a "certain percentage" of the Honolulu stadium's share of 50 per cent of the gate after the first \$40,000.

The All-stars general manager Carl Machado cancelled further practices pending outcome of the dispute.

"We are simply asking for our just share," said Mike Michaelski, player-spokesman for the team.

## Bishop Leaves For Spring Training At Florida Camp Site

Sumas, Wash., March 1—(U.P.) Gale Bishop, former all-American cage star for Washington State college, says goodbye to basketball today and heads for Deland, Fla., to begin a professional baseball career with the Boston Braves.

Bishop said he had been notified by telephone that he would sign with the National league team after checking in at the Florida training camp.

The 23-year-old WSC senior battled 400 for the Fort Lewis, Wash., Warriors last season before he was discharged from the army.

## Butte Falls Takes 49 to 43 Cage Win

Central Point, Mar. 1—Making a high percentage of shots attempted, the smooth working Butte Falls town five waxed the Central Point Legionnaires 49-43 here last night in a Rogue Valley loop cage fray.

Holding the upperhand most of the way, Butte Falls staged a second quarter drive to lead 24-17 at half-time. The Pointers rallied to narrow the count 31-30 at the close of the third can to but the loss of pivot-man Ken Beebe via the four route thwarted their chance to pull in front. Albert of the winners was high man with 22 tallies.

## ELKS HAND CAMP WHITE 63 TO 41 CAGE DEFEAT

Ashland Elks wound up their Southern Oregon independent league basketball season with a resounding 63 to 41 thumping of the Camp White Naval Blue Jacks at Camp White last night. Wednesday night the Elks gave Jerry Gasineau's Southern Oregon College quintet a 75 to 48 licking, snapping a long SOC winning streak.

The Elks leave tomorrow for the AAU tournament at Portland.

## CANAL ZONE ALL-STARS DEFEAT YANKEES 3 TO 1

Balboa, C. Z., March 1—(U.P.)—The Yanks suffered their first spring training defeat in eight games yesterday when Eddie Curtis, 28-year-old machinist, pitched the Canal Zone all-stars to a 3 to 1 victory. Curtis' snapping curve ball yielded only four hits, including a home run by Charley Keller. Joe DiMaggio and Joe Gordon went hitless for the first time this season.

## FT. LEWIS CHAMPS

Monterey, Cal., March 1—(U.P.) The Fort Lewis, Wash., basketball team today held its second consecutive Ninth Service command cage title after defeating Fort Douglas, Utah, 79 to 56 to score a clean sweep of tournament opposition.

## ROGUES EN ROUTE FOR MERRILL TILT

Rogue River, Mar. 1—The local high school basketball team, Southern Oregon "B" league champs, left here yesterday afternoon for Klamath county to contend with Merrill for the district five state "B" tourney berth.

A two out of three series has been decided upon with the first two games to be played in Altamont gym at Klamath Falls Friday and Saturday. If a third tilt is necessary, it will be played in Ashland Monday.

## LISKA ADDED TO BEAVER HOLDOUTS

San Jose, Cal., March 1—(U.P.)—The Portland Beavers counted 10 holdouts today, including veteran hurler Ad Liska, as the short-handed squad went through preliminary spring training workouts.

Pitchers Sid Cohen and Jake Moity signed contracts yesterday and participated in their first batting and fielding drills. First baseman Larry Barton also reported yesterday.

## TO KANSAS CITY

Cheney, Wash., March 1—(U.P.) The Eastern Washington college basketball team, undefeated in 27 games this season, has accepted an invitation to represent the state at the national intercollegiate tournament at Kansas City, Coach Red Reese announced today.

## IDAHO BOOKS GAME

Moscow, Ida., March 1—(U.P.)—University of Idaho football team will play San Jose State college in Moscow, Oct. 19, it was announced today.

## BLACK MARKET PENALTY

Yokohama, March 1—(U.P.)—An Eighth army military tribunal today sentenced Marino Bocca, former secretary to the Italian air attaché in Tokyo, to four years at hard labor and fined him \$2,000 for black market transactions involving three American soldiers.

## NO A-BOMB INSURANCE

London, March 1—(U.P.)—The Sun Life Assurance society announced today that its future life insurance policies will not pay if death is caused by atom bombs.

## BONDS for the VICTORS



Official Navy Photo  
Heavy Going. Fueling USS Lexington in rough sea. Your Victory Bonds will help keep these heroic crewmen on the new peace job in Pacific. Handling that hose was hard work.  
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## Nylons????



(Acme Telephoto)  
Rep. Clare Boothe Luce (R., Conn.), puzzles over answering letters asking for investigation of the nylon stocking shortage.

## MORE SERVICEMEN RECEIVE RELEASE

Among those recently receiving discharges from the armed forces are T-5 James Millard, 519 Mountain avenue; Pfc. Hugh Blaylock, 44 Morton street; and T-4 Arthur Hamilton, route one, box 309, all of Ashland; T-4 James Arnold, box 7; and T-3 Donald Smith, both of Butte Falls; T-5 Taylor Vocum, route 1, box 47, Central Point; Pfc. William Wales, route 1, box 149, Rogue River; and Pfc. Charles Bedingfield, 1016 Summit avenue; Sgt. Floyd Summridge, route 4, box 42; Pfc. Floyd McClannahan, 215 Cottage street; T-4 Allen Buckingham, 238 South Central avenue; T-4 Thomas Smith, route 3, box 351; Pfc. Raymond Robinson, 335 1/2 West Second street; T-4 Homer Thornton, 528 Fairmont street; William Brown, Fl/c, 323 Lozier Lane; Maurice Clark, CM 1/c, 320 North Holly street; J. D. Lubbers, ARM, 245 North Grape street; William Reed, FC2/c, 315 South Riverside avenue; Pierce Rodgers, SK2/c; James Love, SI/c, Merrick Motor Inn; William Newhall, PhM3/c, route 2, box 440A; Samuel Tell, ASK2/c, route 3, box 85, and William Wall, BM2/c, route 2, box 494E.

## TO SPEAK IN G. P.

Southern Oregon College, Ashland, March 1—Neva West, assistant professor of education at Southern Oregon College will speak to the Future Homebuilders of America in Grants Pass Saturday. Her subject will be character sketches of the southern negro. Miss West has been in demand for programs throughout southern Oregon. On February 16 she gave several readings to the Kappa Delta Gamma organization in Medford.

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## Firearms Registry May Now Be Made At Sheriff Office

Sheriff Howard Gault said today a registry for firearms has been started at the Jackson county sheriff's office in the courthouse. Gault said that although the state law does not require registration of firearms, he has had numerous requests to start such a department.

Any type of firearm may be registered but is not to be confused with the registration law of the treasury department, Gault said.

The sheriff said he believed the registration would be of benefit to the sheriff's office as well as an aid to gun owners in the event of stolen weapons.

## Medco Output Near Ten Million Feet

Registration is an optional matter, it was stated.  
Approximately ten million feet of lumber were cut by the Medford corporation between Jan. 9 and Feb. 22 when operations were stopped in order that the mill might undergo the annual repair and installation of new machinery according to B. L. Nutting, manager of the corporation's plans.

The two and one-half million feet, representing all types of lumber, were enough to build 162 medium-sized homes in the Medford district, it was said.

ation. Out of the ten million feet, 2,438,000 feet were sold in the Medford district alone. Nutting stressed today, correcting a misstatement in Wednesday's announcement concerning the corporation's plans.

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