

# Cavemen Play Roosevelt, Corvallis-Salem Tonight

Eugene, Ore., Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—Defending Champion Roosevelt of Portland plays Grants Pass and a surprising Corvallis team faces perennial contender Salem tonight in semi-finals games of the 32nd annual Oregon state class "A" high school basketball tournament.

Roosevelt cracked tough Central Catholic of Portland, 46 to 44 last night; Grants Pass nosed out Mac-Hi of Milton-Freewater 45 to 43; Salem knocked Jefferson high (Portland) out of the title race, 44 to 41, and Corvallis, in the upset of the tournament, eliminated Marshfield, 39 to 36. Eugene loses 72-70.

In a consolation game played late yesterday afternoon, La Grande eased by Eugene, 72 to 70.

The Teddies bounced from behind during the second quarter to build up a lead of 27-12 at halftime.

In another quarter-finals game Corvallis beat Marshfield, 39-36, in the tourney's first major upset.

**Marshfield Leads**

At the end of the first quarter, Marshfield led 13-6. Corvallis took a second quarter lead but fell behind a Marshfield rally as the coastal team ended the half with a 19-18 advantage.

Corvallis virtually won the game in the third period by holding Marshfield to only one point, a free throw, while scoring eight points.

Center Roy Strand of Corvallis was high man of the game with 14 points. Barney Holland, who sparked one of Marshfield's last-period rallies, got 11 points for the losers.

Salem beat Jefferson of Portland, 44-41, in the tournament's first overtime game this year. At the end of the first period, Salem held a 13-10 lead. Halftime result favored Salem 18-17.

**G. P. Game Thriller**

The Grants Pass-Mac-Hi game followed the thriller pattern set by all other championship round games last night. Grants Pass, playing in its first state tournament, held a slim 39-37 lead just before the three-minute rule went into effect.

Forward Vern Craft stretched the lead to 41-37 with a lay-up but Mac-Hi's Gerald Poyser and Jerry Crimins both potted baskets to tie the score at 41-41.

With 29 seconds remaining, Guard Pat Ford and Craft combined to put the Cavemen ahead 44 to 41. Poyser came back with a push shot from the key but Ford hit a free throw to give Grants Pass its winning margin.

Crimins was the game's high scorer with 14 points. Poyser scored 13 for the losers.

Grants Pass led at halftime, 26 to 15.

In other consolation games yesterday, Bend dropped Seaside from play, 43-40; Dallas ran over Scappoose, 60-48; Hillsboro stopped Milwaukie, 46-40.

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**Beavers Meet USC Nine In Exhibition Contest**

Riverside, Cal., Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—The Portland Beavers will try to break back into the win column today when they meet the University of Southern California in a practice game here.

The Portland front office announced that Second Baseman Eddie Basinski would rejoin the club here Sunday. Club General Manager Bill Mulligan said Basinski signed his 1939 contract yesterday, ending his holdout. Terms of the contract were not disclosed.

## MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS

### County 'B' Baseball Schedule Announced

Jacksonville, Mar. 17.—Complete baseball schedule for the schools in Jackson county class B high school league was announced today by Don Kingsley of Jacksonville high. First games will be played March 31. The schedule follows:

March 31 — Rogue River at St. Mary's (Medford); Jacksonville at Butte Falls; Prospect at Phoenix. Talent bye.

### Church Cage Games Dated

A banquet this evening at St. Mary's parish hall on North Oakdale avenue and games between leading quintets of the Medford Church Basketball league and the Ashland league will close the local YMCA sponsored Church league season for the current season.

The dinner at 6:30 p.m. today will be for members of all the local church circuit quintets, their parents, church pastors and their wives. Charles Bennett, magician, will provide entertainment for the affair.

Saturday at 8 p.m. St. Mary's of Medford will meet the Ashland Presbyterian church and an hour later Foursquare (Medford) is slated to play a Talent church team. Foursquare and St. Mary's finished one-two in the race here as did Talent and Presbyterians in Ashland.

Local games are played on the YMCA gymnasium floor here.

### 'Pep' Favorite Tonight Battle

New York, Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—Continuing the French post-war pugilistic invasion, rugged Ray Farnoch of France will try to wrest the world featherweight crown from "The Great" Willie Pep at Madison Square garden tonight.

Farnoch, champion of Europe, was a question mark for this American debut. Eastern experts were unable to estimate his ability with any certainty.

Pep of Hartford, Conn., was favored today at 17-5 to make his third successful defense of the 126-pound crown within six months.

### Hockey

Montreal, Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—Kenny Reardon and Butch Bouchard are the most publicized members of the Montreal Canadiens' rear guard, but a young man named Doug Harvey also is carrying his share of the load.

Harvey provided most of the spark last night for the Canadiens, who scored two quick goals late in the game to gain a 2 to 2 deadlock with the Detroit Red Wings in the only National Hockey league game played.

### Bradley, CCNY Meet Saturday In NIT Finals

New York, Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—Bradley's and City College of New York will meet in the finals of the National Invitation tournament tomorrow night and the survivor will inherit an opportunity to become the nation's undisputed basketball champion.

By winning the N.I.T., the unseeded Beavers, who defeated Duquesne 62 to 52 in the semi-finals last night, can clinch a bid to represent district two in the N.C.A.A. tournament and a chance to win an unprecedented "grand slam."

Top-seeded Bradley, which knocked off dogged St. John's, 83 to 72, in the semi-finals at Madison Square Garden, faced a similar opportunity.

The betting was that Bradley, which looked far more impressive in its semi-final triumph last night than did C.C.N.Y., had the better chance to make it.

City College, though still a threat, appeared to have cooled off somewhat from the amazing pace it set in eliminating defending champion San Francisco and second-seeded Kentucky in the first two rounds.

**PHILLIES LOSE HURLER**

Clearwater, Fla., Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—The Philadelphia Phillies feared today that Pitcher Russ Meyer's career may be over. Meyer left last night for Johns Hopkins hospital in Baltimore after x-rays disclosed a fractured bone in his right elbow.

**BRAVES VS. RED SOX**

Sarasota, Fla., Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—Catcher Del Crandall was out of uniform as the Boston Braves met their cross-town rivals, the Red Sox, for the first time this spring today.

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