

CCNY Favored Over Bradley For National Cagers Title

New York, Mar. 28—(U.P.)—City College of New York, the choice of hard-hearted bookmakers, eagle-eyed visiting coaches and 34,250 biased students, is a two-point favorite to beat Bradley tonight and become the first college basketball team ever to win two national championships in one season.

A victory for CCNY will give Coach Nat Holman's Beavers the first sweep of the national invitation and NCAA tournament titles.

CCNY beat Bradley in the NIT finals last week, 69 to 61, and tonight's NCAA clash also will mark the first time the same two teams have played for both crowns in the same season.

CCNY's suddenly poised sophomores are solid choices to whip the hard running prides of Peoria, Ill., again but both teams are tired and the result may depend largely on the two coaches.

CCNY's young team has played 28 games this season, including six straight tournament triumphs; Bradley has played 25, including five tournament tussles.

With the outcome depending largely on judicious use of substitutes and ability of the key players to keep from being put out on fouls, can young Fordy Anderson, Bradley's 30-year-old coach, outmaneuver Holman, veteran of 31 coaching seasons at CCNY?

Defense on Dambrot
Will Anderson find a defense to stop Irwin Dambrot, CCNY senior co-captain, from scoring from the foul circle with his left-handed jump shots? Local teams, familiar with the slim, pre-ident student's favorite shot, kept him under control but Dambrot, according to Anderson, "killed" his Braves in the NIT final when he scored 23 points.

Baylor and North Carolina State will meet in the consolation game for third place in the opener of the Madison Square Garden doubleheader.

Sain Voices Balk Protest

St. Petersburg, Fla., Mar. 28—(U.P.)—The reaction of big league pitchers to baseball's new balk rule can be summed up in two words: "We object."

Johnny Sain, star right-hander of the Boston Braves, is the latest to voice his displeasure in heated terms.

Johnny, who usually limits himself to two words in an entire season—"hello," when he reports in the spring and "good-bye" when he heads for his Newport, Ark., home in early October—roasted the new regulation at length after five balks were called in the Braves' 18 to 16 victory over the Detroit Tigers yesterday.

"The rules committee is made up chiefly of hitters and fans who don't want to see the pitchers get a break," he said. "It's hard for me at this late date to change my entire pitching style just for the sake of those who want to see the hitters dominate the game."

BOWLING

MAJOR LEAGUE
Dave Koblik took high individual game with 620 and 248 respectively when the Major Bowling league held its weekly competition last night at the Medford Bowling lanes alleys here.

Chalkers won high team series with 2,635 and Valley Music company took high team game with 912.

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

Team	W.	L.
Valley Music Company	26	13
E. H. Mann Company	23	16
Chalkers	23	16
Charles Barber Shop	20	19
Walker Real Estate	18	21
Domestic Laundry	16	23
Morning Fresh Bakery	15	24
Bates Candy Company	13	24

Chalkers 2

Reactor	489	Absentee	501
Morgan	462	Wright	491
Absentee	468	Little	493
Koblik	429	Morgan	489
Burroughs	343	Peterson	358
	2635		2573

Hagen 2

Bates	568	Oreglia	453
Stevens	474 <td>Langdale</td> <td>422</td>	Langdale	422
Fridley	524 <td>Mason</td> <td>417</td>	Mason	417
Moore	492 <td>Klatt</td> <td>532</td>	Klatt	532
Dixon	457 <td>Hilyer</td> <td>390</td>	Hilyer	390
	2315		2477

Musick 2

Power	535	Vesce	464
Brook	524 <td>Leaming</td> <td>437</td>	Leaming	437
McGraw	532 <td>Littell</td> <td>519</td>	Littell	519
Cannon	518	Green	426
Eads	482 <td>Green</td> <td>365</td>	Green	365
	2624		2311

Bakery 2

Gardner	554	Paske	505
Eno	430 <td>Kantzer</td> <td>491</td>	Kantzer	491
Coiley	529 <td>Boning</td> <td>492</td>	Boning	492
White	535 <td>Johnson</td> <td>514</td>	Johnson	514
Hawley	499 <td>Anderson</td> <td>484</td>	Anderson	484
	2658		2487

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SPORTS

Spring Sports Season For High School To Open Next Week-end

Spring sports for Medford high athletes get underway in full stride this week—weather permitting—with the Tornado baseball team taking on Eagle Point in a Southern Oregon conference game here Friday and the local trackmen meeting Klamath here Saturday.

Last week Saturday the Tornado thincads found little trouble in wallopping Grants Pass 92 to 27 on the local track but Coach Bob Newland foresees a much harder task against the Pelicans. He says Klamath has some speedy boys that should give Medford real competition.

One Practice Game
The local baseball club has played but one practice game due to bad weather and a wet field and in that the local youths displayed pitching and fielding ability but lacked power at bat.

Medford made but five hits off Jacksonville pitchers for an 8-to-1 win.

Although the track meet with the Cavemen last week was what is called a "short distance" affair, in which the regular running events are cut a quarter so the 100 becomes a 75-yard race, the 220 a 150, the 440 a 330 and so on, Medford looked like a tough foe.

Grants Pass was missing several of its key men in the meet, including boys on the state championship runner-up basketball team who were resting after the recent state tournament. Chances are that when these youths return the Cavemen will be tougher.

Better Balanced Now
Medford looked much better balanced this year than it was in 1949 when the Black Tornado was strong in running events but relatively weak in the field events. This season while the stronger events may still be the running, the field events have improved.

Yesterday the high school baseball squad went through hitting, fielding and strategy drills under Coaches Alex McDonald and Frank Roelandt. The pitchers got into the act with a drill in which they fielded bunts and threw the ball to either of the bases or to home.

Drill by the track team candidates consisted largely of keeping loose by running or throwing the discus or shot. Improved timing on getting started in races and the stride to use in hurdling or in pole vaulting was also stressed by the boys.

New Balk Rule Dated For Coast Ball League
Los Angeles, Mar. 28—(U.P.)—Pitchers in the Pacific Coast Baseball league will be working under a new balk rule when the 1950 season opens today.

League President Clarence Rowland said a pitcher must now come to a one-second stop before pitching to a batter with men on bases. He met yesterday with 13 PCL umpires to discuss 1950 rule changes.

LaMotta Favored Win Non-Title Ring Bout
Cleveland, O., Mar. 28—(U.P.)—Middleweight Champion Jake LaMotta, who has never won a fight in Cleveland, was a slim step toward a berth in the National Basketball association playoff finals last night when they walloped Fort Wayne, 93 to 79, in the first game of their best-of-three series.

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The western division finals get underway tonight with Indianapolis playing host to Anderson.

O'Neill, Peterson Due For Friday Ring Bout
Portland, Ore., Mar. 28—(U.P.)—Irish Johnny O'Neill, Oakland, Cal., heavyweight, was signed today by Matchmaker Tex Salkeld to fight Big Bill Peterson, Chicago, in the 10-round main event at the auditorium Friday night.

O'Neill replaces Rusty Payne, who was ruled off the card by medical examiners after suffering a groin injury in training in California.

WSC COACH INJURED
Pullman, Wash., Mar. 28—(U.P.)—Jack Mooberry, Washington State college track coach, was hospitalized today with injuries received when a 16-pound shot put hit him in the head.

Seals, Oakland Parks Add Hot Soup To Menu
San Francisco, Mar. 28—(U.P.)—Something new to the old line of "peanuts and popcorn and crackerjack" has been added at Seals stadium and the Oakland ball park for the 1950 baseball campaign.

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Coast League Season Opens This Evening

San Francisco, Mar. 28—(U.P.)—Baseball, the sport that thousands of fans have been waiting for since the final of the 1949 world series, makes its first official 1950 appearance tonight when the Pacific Coast league opens its 200-game schedule.

Appropriate festivities will signal the opening of the 28-week season in four PCL parks.

Rogues Sign Outfielder

Medford Rogues (Nuggets) gained another outfielder for its spring training camp due to open April 10 when the New York Giants assigned Roy J. Frenna, a 20-year-old six foot tall and 175-pound right-hander here.

Business Manager Mel Carpenter of the Rogues said that Frenna, whose hometown is San Francisco, is the 18th youth signed by either the Giants or Seattle of the Pacific Coast league.

Another half dozen youths are expected to attend the training camp at Santa Maria, Cal., on their own. They may be signed to Rogues' contracts if they prove their ability. This half dozen with others probably joining them later, includes two or three from here.

President Jerry Donovan of the Far West league, of which Medford is a member, is expected to stop here next week on his way to or from Eugene, where he will attend a booster club get-together to start off that team's first year in the league.

Bevos Rated Last In PCL

San Francisco, Mar. 28—(U.P.)—Here are Hal Wood's 1950 United Press Pacific Coast league pennant selections, based on the current playing personnel of teams and before the major leagues step in with their cast-offs:

- 1—San Diego Padres.
- 2—Hollywood Stars.
- 3—Oakland Aorns.
- 4—San Francisco Seals.
- 5—Sacramento Solons.
- 6—Seattle Rainiers.
- 7—Los Angeles Angels.
- 8—Portland Beavers.

Lakers Seeking Second Playoff Victory With Fort Wayne; Win 93-79

Minneapolis, Mar. 28—(U.P.)—Cool and confident as ever, the Minneapolis Lakers took a big step toward a berth in the National Basketball association playoff finals last night when they walloped Fort Wayne, 93 to 79, in the first game of their best-of-three series.

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Sports for the Week

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Ez Charles Suffers Injuries; Fight Off

Buffalo, N. Y., Mar. 28—(U.P.)—The revelation that N.B.A. Champion Ezzard Charles is suffering from a heart injury today threatened the already jumbled heavyweight situation with complete chaos.

It was not definitely known whether Charles' injury would prove serious enough to force his retirement, but boxing men were viewing with alarm the prospect of the confusion that would follow such a move.

One Thing Certain
However, as of today, one thing was certain—the N.B.A. title fight scheduled here tomorrow night between Charles and Freddie Beshore of Oakland, Cal., is off.

Promoter Dewey Michaels cancelled the bout "definitely and forever" when he was informed last night by the New York state athletic commission that Charles, stylish Cincinnati Negro, was not physically fit to appear.

Michaels' action went further than the commission—an "indefinite postponement."

Ready Two Months
But Michaels also apparently was regarding Charles' injury as possibly more serious than the official report of the commission's doctors, who said that Charles should be ready to fight again in two months.

"Charles has been told that he has a heart injury," said Michaels as he began the gloomy business of returning the \$30,000 advance ticket sale. "We don't know whether he'll be able to fight again."

The discovery of the heart injury was credited by a commission official to one of the "new tests" that have recently been inaugurated for New York fighters following the death in New York city of Middleweight Lavern Roach after a knockout.

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VFW Cagers Vie Tonight

Mankato, Minn., Mar. 28—(U.P.)—Fourteen teams from 12 states open play in the National Veterans of Foreign Wars basketball tournament here tonight.

Opening games feature Mankato and defending champion Akron, O., against opponents yet to be named.

Other states represented in the double-elimination tourney are North Dakota, South Dakota, Colorado, Washington, Iowa, Kansas, Maryland, Montana, Pennsylvania and Oregon.

Sixty-four trophies will be awarded at the end of the week-long tourney.

Where soils contain sulfur, the vegetation is much greener than otherwise.

Ticket Sales Up For Mat Rematch

Mack Lillard, local wrestling promoter, today reported an unusually heavy upsurge in seat reservations for Thursday night's card with the announcement yesterday that Georges Dusette and Frank Stoiaek would meet in a rematch.

Fans had hardly settled down to witness what promised to be a gruelling affair when the principals fell from the ring. Dusette was so injured in the tumble that he was unable to resume hostilities.

Lillard figures the return date should be a "whopper" with both men out to show they could have won last week.

The supporting card, as usual on Lillard's shows, will rival the main event for action. The middle encounter pits Leo Wallack, currently the class class of the northwest, against Tough Tony Ross and the opener, slated to start at 8:30 p. m., sends Danmo McDonald against Charley Carr.

SHOW, RACES SET
Ashland, Mar. 28—Walter Hamby, president of the Ashland Riding association, has announced that the first horse show and race meeting of the season sponsored by the group will be held Sunday, April 23, at the Ashland rodeo grounds.

Grinding-mill pebbles were produced in California during 1947 from the bench at Carlsbad, San Diego county.

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