

TORNADO VS. PELS TRACK ON SATURDAY

First League Meet Slated Here, 2 P. M.

Medford high track circles will open formal defense of their state championship when they meet Klamath high in a dual meet on the local cinderpaths Saturday starting at 2 p.m. Field events are likely to start a half hour earlier.

It was certain that due to the recent warmer sunny weather that the Black Tornado boys will be in better shape than they were against Grants Pass last Saturday.

Warm Air Helps
The warmer weather has given the local youths a chance to "loosen up" their muscles and work up a sweat that can take off poundage when necessary.

Last week against Grants Pass in a "short distance" meet, the Tornado showed up well despite a relatively weak opposition and cold wet weather. This meet did not count in the record books but it gave the coaches an opportunity to watch prospects in action.

Newland does not expect any easy time with the Pelicans on the local track tomorrow and he along with his assistants, Lee Ragdale and Fred Speigelberg, have been working hard this week to help make sure there are no "slip-ups."

Local Boys Listed

Newland listed the following boys who will take part:
100—Bill Buckingham, Bill Pruitt, Lou Bittle; 220—Buckingham, Pruitt, Bill Redden; 440—Bittle, Larry Mathieson, Bob Walker, Bill Padgham, Ted Birdseye, Dale Coverstone; 880—Jim Gleason, Hal Vrooman, LaRue Smith, Steve Swedburg; Mile—Roger Hobbs, Giles Harnden, Warren Lundquist, Wendell Bateman, Wilson Mochler; high hurdles—Jack Morris, Frank Morris, Don Bostock; low hurdles—J. Morris, F. Morris, Hal Faulkner; javelin—Don Vincent, D. C. Mills, Jim Ward.

Other Tornado Youths

Shot—Leo Parker, Lloyd Winger, J. B. Highland, Wayne Tysver, D. C. Mills; broad jump—Bill Thompson, Don Bostock, Dick Simison, Ward, Connie Holzgang, J. Morris; discus—Don Vincent, Mills, Russ Ferguson, Stan Purcell, F. Morris; pole vault—Warren Wendt, Wayne Chitwood, Bruce Bateman, Jerry Adams.

880 relay—Bittle, Pruitt, J. Morris, Buckingham; 440-relay—Faulkner, Redden, Goodman, F. Morris, Drew, Bostock, Spinak, Botzger, Baize, Holbrook, Tysver and Wallace.
High jump—Holzgang, Goodman, Bruce Bateman, Gary Schuler.

Name Wilkins North Bend Coach

North Bend, Ore., Mar. 31—(U.P.) Dick Wilkins, former University of Oregon basketball and football star, today was named head basketball coach at North Bend high school.

Wilkins will succeed Victor Adams, whom the North Bend school board has said would not be rehired.

In addition to coaching basketball, Wilkins will assist Head Football Coach Ben Holcomb. Wilkins and Holcomb were teammates on Oregon's 1948 Cotton Bowl football team.

Wilkins now is completing work toward his degree at the university.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS

South Oregon Kegler Tournament to Open Here Saturday Night

Competition in the annual Southern Oregon bowling tournament will open Saturday at 7:30 p.m. when teams from Medford and Roseburg roll at the Medford Bowling lanes.

At 10:30 p.m. tomorrow the men's team from Medford, Roseburg and Eureka, Cal., will start the men's half of the tourney which opens this week-end and will continue the week-ends of April 8 and 9 and April 15 and 16.

This is the second year in a row the tournament has been held in Medford.

Medford women's teams competing tomorrow night will include the Elk Lumber company, Mann's Department store, Western Decorating company and

Studs First Practice Set

Central Point, Mar. 31—Manager Paul (Hoosier) Hoffard today issued his first call for spring training of the Central Point Studs for Sunday, April 2, at 1:30 p.m. on the Central Point diamond. Any valley ball players wishing to try out should report at this time.

Manager Hoffard stated that prospects for the baseball team this year point towards a winning ball club and players are now being selected.

The Central Point team is a member of the Southern Oregon Baseball league which is expected to have one of its best seasons as all teams in the league have indicated strengthening of their lineups.

The final league meeting before the season opens has been set for April 9 at Grants Pass. The Central Point Athletic association has lined up a pre-season schedule which will be announced shortly.

Pro Basketball Games Results

By United Press
The New York Knickerbockers and the Anderson Packers remained "alive" today in the National Basketball association playoffs.

The Knickerbockers survived elimination last night when they edged the Syracuse Nationals, 80 to 76, to deadlock their best-of-three eastern division finals at one game each.

The Packers also knotted their western division final series with the Indianapolis Olympians at one game apiece by trouncing the former Kentucky Stars, 84 to 67.

LUKE APPLING PLAYS
Alpine, Tex., Mar. 31—(U.P.)—Luke Appling made his debut as a first baseman as the Chicago White Sox slaughtered the St. Louis Browns, 16 to 7, yesterday.

Stojack Tops Dusette With Airplane Spin

Frank Stojack used 29 revolutions of his famed airplane spin to wind Georges Dusette up like an eight-day clock and win the feature match of last night's triple main event wrestling card at the armory.

The program was a humdinger all the way through with plenty of fancy grappling to please the most exacting fan and a lot of the rough stuff to satisfy those who like their bone-bending along the vicious lines.

There was a wild meleé which took both grapplers all over the ring and when the smoke settled Dusette had a full Nelson on the former coast champion, Stojack, knowing it was useless to attempt to break Dusette's powerful grip, yelled "uncle."

The French-Canadian made several tries to again apply the hold, but Stojack was too cagey. Dusette turned to headlocks to attempt to soften the former grid star and that was the payoff—for Stojack. He whipped Dusette into the ropes and when the Hercules came off, he was atop Stojack's shoulders and the merry-go-round started.

Leo Wallick out-roughed and out-wrestled Tough Tony Ross to cop the middle match. Wallick used a violent pile driver, dropping Ross hard on his head, to take the only fall.

Promoter Mack Lillard said he will bend every effort to find someone tough enough to cope with Wallick for one of the spots on next week's card.

In a honey of a grappling contest, Charley Carr, a veteran of the squared circle, bested clever Danno McDonald in the opener. McDonald used a crucifix backbreaker for the initial fall but Carr evened it with a Boston crab and won the decider with a body slam and press.

Giants and Cubs Plan Trade Talks This Week

Phoenix, Ariz., March 31—(U.P.)—The Chicago Cubs and New York Giants will hold additional trade talks "within the next few days," a giant spokesman said today.

Officials of the two clubs huddled here last night but failed to reach agreement. The Giants were believed seeking either PITCHER Johnny Vander Meer or First Baseman Phil Cavaretta, or both, while the Cubs coveted Third Baseman Jack Lohrke.

YALE LEADS MEET

New Haven, Mar. 31—(U.P.)—Yale's freshman swimmers were 12 points ahead of the field to-

day as the 46th national AAU swimming and diving indoor championships moved into the second day of competition.

VFW Basketball 'Semis' Slated in Minnesota

Mankato, Minn., Mar. 31—(U.P.)—It will be defending champion Akron, O., against Bozeman, Mont., and Mankato against Topeka, Kan., in the semi-finals of the National Veterans of Foreign Wars basketball tournament here tonight. Akron walloped Two Harbors, Minn., 88 to 70, in the semi-finals

last night, while Bozeman edged Cortez, Colo., 54 to 53; Topeka trounced New England, N. D., 71 to 48, and Mankato ousted Tacoma, Wash., 59 to 40.

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