

# Fanfare

By DICK JEWETT  
Mail Tribune Sports Editor

Mike DeVore, Medford high school's all-conference football center, has been named to the all-state team picked for "Exchange Vues," publication of the Farmers Insurance Exchange, so we note from Bob Swan's Prep Patter in the Oregonian.

Don Peterson, new head basketball tutor at Klamath union high school, has picked Medford as the team to beat this year in the Southern Oregon Conference chase and already, in Medford itself, the confidence has been expressed that the Black Tornado will be a contender in the state tournament next March.

Medford high's hoopmen, to us, appear to have the material and the potential to make the grade. But we certainly don't want to see that confidence and enthusiasm become overconfidence. There's 12 hard games and a play-off standing in the way of a tourney berth and none of the conference schools, so far as we can see it now, is going to be a push over.

## EUGENE NEXT

Medford this week end runs into a quint that may prove as the season progresses, to be one of the top crews in the state, encountering Eugene, last year's runner-up for the Oregon Class A prep mantle. The games will be Friday and Saturday in the university city. The Tornado won't be seen on the home court again until December 17 when it will be host to Eagle Point.

Eugene whacked Benson Tech. of Portland 61 to 45 last Friday. Big gun of the Axemen appears to be Mike Moran. He played three quarters and flipped in 23 points against Tech. Medford boasts height this year but has no one who can match Moran's 6 feet 8 inches.

Against Eagle Point, the Tornado will tackle the favorite in the small A school Rogue League race and the leading contender for honors in the Little Six subdivision of this district.

## INTIMATE BOOK

Two prep basketball dope books were received by this department last week, one from Eagle Point and the other from North Bend. Both are informative. The North Bend booklet is on the "straight" or formal side while the Eagle book is informal—or, more accurately—"intimate."

In addition to the usual info about height, weight, age, experience and abilities of the players, the Eagle dope book editors have included the color of the boy's hair and eyes.

"Pastimes" of the hoopmen, ranging from young ladies to milking cows, are reported along with their ambitions. Similar information is included about the yell leaders and majorettes and the junior varsity players.

Editors of the booklet were Marvena Nelsen, Carole Nelsen, Diane Tuttle and Marcia Woodward.

## DONOVAN CONSIDERED

Among those being considered for the presidency of the Pacific Coast league, vacated by Clarence Rowland, is Jerry Donovan, now in his eighth season as proxy of the California State League. That's the report of L. H. Gregory in his column in the Oregonian. Donovan will be remembered here as the president of the Far West league which lasted the seasons 1948 through 1951 and in which Medford fielded a team. The Class C loop head is a hustler and hard worker and his circuit is considered one of the best governed in baseball, according to reports picked up by Gregory.

## SUPPORT APPRECIATED

Since the Medford Independent Basketball League is a non-profit organization, it cannot charge admission to its games at the Medford junior high gymnasium, President Bill Eiegler, however, emphasized that any contributions will be gratefully accepted when the hat is passed at the tussles to help defray expenses.

## CLINIC SUCCESS

Paul Evensen, Medford high wrestling coach, said that the wrestling clinic here last Saturday was a big success. Sutherland, Myrtle Creek, Illinois Valley, Klamath Falls, Grants Pass, and Medford high schools and Southern Oregon college were represented. About 150 would-be wrestlers and coaches attended. Coach Bill Hammer, University of Oregon, conducted the clinic and brought five Webfoot team members.

## BOWLING DEADLINE

Association Secretary Bob Lane has stressed that entries in the Medford Bowling association tournament must be in by Christmas. The tourney will be conducted January 8 and 9, 15 and 16 and 22 and 23 with team tangles on Saturdays and singles and doubles on Sundays.

## TO DELAY TROUT PLANTING

Trout will not be planted this fall at Diamond Lake, Cole Rivers, Grants Pass, Oregon State Game Commission biologist, has reported. It is planned to put the fish in the lake as early in the spring as it can be reached. A total of 100,000 kamloops trout are being held at Oakridge for the project.

All fish in the lake were killed, so far as has been determined, by the September 21 treatment with lethal rotenone. Aim of the undertaking was to rid the lake of a trash fish which had ruined sports fish. From time to time since the lake has been tested for toxic condition by placing live fish in the water. Last time the test was made, in the week prior to November, fish still died. There is possibility that confinement in the trap rather than rotenone killed the fish. But game men do not wish to take the risk of a fall planting and perhaps lose a lot of valuable fish.

# Prep Basketball Tourney Opens Thursday at SOCE

Ashland—Southern Oregon college will hold its 25th invitational tournament for high school basketball teams Thursday, Friday and Saturday this week.

The tourney is being held for the first time in December. It was previously a spring event.

Eight teams have entered the silver anniversary tournament. They are Fort Jones, Calif., Butte Falls, St. Mary's of Medford, Prospect, Jacksonville, Camas Valley, Talent and Paisley.

## Consolation Play

There will be a consolation bracket for first round losers. Those losing in the Friday championship play will vie for third place.

Dan Bulkley, director of athletics at the college is in charge of the tournament. He said that the change to December was made because it was felt there would be more interest in the

event. It was felt that teams did not care to hold out games during the season in order to compete at Ashland (the Oregon limit is 22 tilts), and that interest in an invitational tournament wanes in March, the tail end of the season.

Decision to hold the tourney at this time was made late and that accounts much for the small entry. But another idea is that the new time will in the future draw more teams and better teams. In the past the top team in this area among the B schools has gone into the state tournament and is not available for play at Ashland. This has made the invitational sort of a consolation affair taking some of its prestige away.

Fort Jones will face Butte Falls and St. Mary's will meet Prospect Thursday afternoon. Evening games match Jacksonville against Camas Valley and Talent against Paisley.

# Humboldt State Gang Raps SOCE Red Raiders 78-65

Ashland—The Humboldt State college Lumberjacks, adept at working for good shots and making their count and skillful at breaking up the rival offense, subdued the Southern Oregon college basketball aggregation 78 to 62 here Monday night in the first of a two-game series.

Second fracas is tonight at 8:05 o'clock following a 6:30 o'clock curtain-lifter between the SOCE Jayvees and an independent team.

Humboldt was slow to get moving and lagged by five points in the early minutes. The "Jacks" went ahead at the 8:30 mark of the fracas and stayed on top for keeps. They led 20 to 16 with 10 minutes of the first half played then pulled to a 10-point advantage 28 to 18. Halftime score was 37 to 30.

Southern Oregon cut the bulge to 37 to 32 as the second half got underway. But, after that, the California team widened the gap by degrees. With three-fourths of the game completed the Lumberjacks had a 21-point 60 to 39 margin. A few moments later they spread 25 points, 66 to 42.

## Lead Too Big

The Red Raiders of the Rogue rallied in the closing portion of the struggle but the Humboldt bulge was well more than sufficient to withstand the surge and the nearest the Southern Oregonians got was the 13-point

margin. The kamloops now held are five and six inches long. Another shipment of 500,000 eggs is expected for hatching in the spring. Fingerlings from this hatch would be planted in the summer. By far a majority of the fish exterminated in September apparently have remained on the bottom of the lake, according to Rivers. Some of the bigger fish have come to the surface a few at a time over a long period of time.

George Ibarreta was the big offensive gun of the Lumberjacks. He collected 25 points. Slick Dick Lillebo of the Raiders was not far behind with 22. Keith Johnson of SOC and Larry Taylor of Humboldt each had 16 counters. Joe Myers got 11 for the California club.

SOC got a 5 to 0 lead all on foul shots as the game commenced and the Ashlanders had margins of 7 to 2 and 9 to 4 before Humboldt got underway. The gap was whacked to 9 to 8, 11 to 10, 13 to 12 and 15 to 14. Then Ibarreta hit from the field for a Humboldt lead of 16 to 15. Sharpshooting George followed with a pair of gift buckets and the Lumberjacks were off to the races.

## Johnson Paces

It was Johnson who provided the spark for the Raiders as they made their bid in the final stages and cut down the wide HSC advantage. He got 10 points in a row for SOC and Lloyd Hoffine and Lillebo helped out as the margin was hacked to 70 to 55. Lillebo contributed three more before fouling out. Dale Bats got two points and LeRoy Springer five to round out the SOC total for the night.

Humboldt displayed the finer polish but both clubs had their ragged times. The game got slam-bang, rough and tumble and wild at times. The Raiders showed flashes of good work but couldn't get consistently going. The Californians were a group of ballhawkers and used gang methods frequently to get control of the ball or tie it up.

In the preliminary the SOC junior varsity clubbed Jacksonville 63 to 48.

**LINE-UPS:**  
Humboldt 78  
Ibarreta 25 f 4  
Taylor 16 c 4 B. Smith  
Myers 11 c 6 Titus  
J. Smith 7 c 16 Johnson  
Shields 8 g 2 Lillebo  
Substitutions—For Humboldt: Frederick 8, Paul, Wheat, Scott 8, Ashburn, Hatt, Kahmeier 2; for SOC: Springer 9, Bates 2, Love, Myrick 2, Wright.

**SOC Jayvees 63 38 Jacksonville**  
Owings 3 f 9 Sanford  
Baker 8 f 4 H. Heumers  
Lowry 10 c 11 Gemmelich  
Wright 3 g 2 Jordan  
Love 8 g 5 McIntyre  
Substitutions—For SOC: Tannis 8, Crandall 1, Gilbert 7, Jacobson 9, Perkins, Kimura 4, Newton 2, Yarnaka, for Jacksonville: Bishop 6, Wilson, G. Hueners, Guches 1, Daley.

## Saddler Might Be Suspended

SPOKANE — (U.P.) — World featherweight champion Sandy Saddler arrived here last night for his Friday fight with hometown lightweight Bobby Woods and already faced a possible fine or suspension by the Washington State Boxing Commission.

Under Washington rules, a fighter must arrive five days before a fight and Saddler was one day late.

Louis August, Spokane member of the commission, said he would investigate the cause of the champ's tardiness and make a recommendation for action to the full commission Friday when all members plan to be here for the bout.

## Vlastelica Tops Beaver Scoring

Corvallis — (U.P.) — Tony Vlastelica, Oregon State basketball center, leads the Beaver scoring after three games with 40 points and a 13.3 average.

Reggie Halligan and Robins are tied for second with 34 points apiece. Following them, in order, are Jay Dean, 19; John Jarboe, 13; Larry Paulus, 9; Tex Whitman, 7, and Ralph Carroll, 2.

The Beavers, with two victories and a loss under their belts after a week of pre-season play, are slated to meet the Southern California Trojans here Friday and Saturday nights.

# Langlois, Olson Ready for Match

San Francisco — (U.P.) — Pierre Langlois of France sparred six rounds with three partners yesterday in preparation for his Dec. 15 title match against middle-weight champion Carl Bobo Olson.

Langlois' sparring and six miles of roadwork officially began his training for the fight. He went two rounds each with welterweight Alex Amador and middleweights Ernie Greer and Sal Pera.

Olson also began his training yesterday. He boxed two rounds each with his regular partners Bull Halsey and Benny Walker.

## PORTLAND STATE CANCELS

Portland — (U.P.) — Portland State's basketball team has cancelled three scheduled games in Saigon this week and instead will fly on to Singapore to play there, it was reported here today. Word received from the team did not give the reason for cancellation of the games in Saigon, although it was believed the uneasy international situation may have been responsible.

## NEWS CONFERENCE SET

Washington — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower will hold a news conference at 7:30 a.m. (PST) tomorrow.

Tuesday, December 7, 1954

MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—THIRTEEN

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS

## Yellow Cab and Skinner's Win MIBL Opening Games

Action in the city basketball circuit continues tonight with two games at the junior high and one at Prospect. On the Medford floor Andy's Jewelers play the Campus Five at 7 p.m. and Sacred Heart goes against Hawkins' Tires at 8:30 p.m. Prospect is host to Skinners Buick at 8 p.m.

On Wednesday there will be two games at the junior high. YMCA plays Company A of the National Guard at 7 p.m. and Burelson's of Central Point meets Yellow Cab in the second scuffle.

Opening night yesterday of the MIBL circuit saw Yellow Cab sock the YMCA five, 65 to 36 and Skinner's Buick down Burelson's of Central Point, 55 to 42.

lead by Hummel who dunked in 24 counters to lead both clubs. D. Mintz was high scorer for the "Y" with nine. The Cab crew lead at halftime, 29 to 19.

Skinner's were led by McKinney and Nichols who scored 16 and 15, respectively. Knutson lead the clothing store gang with 12.

**LINE-UPS:**  
Skinner's 55 f 42 Burelson's  
McKinney's 16 f 4 Campbell  
Romine 6 f 4 Berrill  
Nichols 15 c 12 Knutson  
McGrew 7 c 8 Shepherd  
Bergman 8 g 8 Hall  
Substitutions—For Skinner's: Rose and Christen 3; for Burelson's: Burelson 6, Havener 6, Conner, Burns, Herrman 10 and Juevlin 4.

**Yellow Cab 65 f 36 YMCA**  
Hummel 24 f 9 D. Mintz  
Johnson 8 f 2 J. Eklundson  
Stacey 9 c 6 J. Hackenberg  
Warner 9 g 3 G. Leaf  
Wend 11 g 8 T. Rodgers  
Substitutions—For Yellow Cab: Moore, Trautman 2, Bernheisel 3, Vernon 3 and Klen; for YMCA: Smith 2 and Johnson 6.

## Majors' Crowds Up 10 Per Cent

New York — (U.P.) — The total attendance in baseball's major leagues soared almost 10 per cent during the 1954 season, despite the fact that half of the teams suffered decreases, official figures revealed today.

The American League attendance reached 7,922,364 and the National League 8,013,517 for a total of 15,935,881. In 1953, both leagues totaled 14,363,797.

The rise was attributed to the Milwaukee Braves, who led both leagues with a new National League record of 2,131,386 paying customers, and the Baltimore Orioles, who attracted 1,060,910 fans. Virtually the same Oriole team hit an all-time low attendance of 297,238 while performing as the St. Louis Browns in 1953.

On five treeless, fog-bound islands in Bering sea, the Pribilofs, the largest assemblage of wild animals to be seen anywhere on earth gathers each year. Approximately a million and a half fur seals jam the lousy dots of land in breeding season. More than 100,000 come ashore on a single mile of beach.

Share line Sunday Classified is at noon Saturday.



**Santa Says:**  
For the Crowning Touch of Distinction  
He Wants A  
**Smart... New HAT**

Over 1000 To Choose From By--  
**STETSON • LEE • ADAMS**



Open Wednesday Until 9 p.m.

Prices Start At  
**\$5.00**  
For Fine Fur Felts

The Season's Smartest Hat Styles  
All Popular Shades... Every Size

"Right about face" is the order of the day, when you choose a new hat here. We present such a terrific selection of dress and casual styles, that you will be sure to find the shape and color to flatter any features.

OUR FINE SELECTION OF HATS IS JUST ONE EXAMPLE OF THE COMPLETE STOCK OF QUALITY MERCHANDISE CARRIED BY ROBINSON BROTHERS!

You Are Invited...  
to come in and browse around our newly enlarged and remodeled store. You will find a COMPLETE SELECTION of the very latest styling and colors in fine men's wear. Come in tomorrow and let us help you with your Christmas gift problems. You'll find just what you've been looking for at Robinson Bros.

We Give Gold Arrow Stamps!

If Men Wear It - - - Robinson Bros. Carry It!

# ROBINSON BROS.

"THE BUDS FOR QUALITY DUDS"  
NEXT TO PICK'S APPAREL MEDFORD, OREGON

# UNBEATABLE!



BOTTLED-IN-BOND

- ➔ 100 PROOF
- ➔ PREMIUM QUALITY
- ➔ STRAIGHT BOURBON

\$4.15  
4/5 Qt.  
\$2.70  
Pint

Haller's  
**County Fair**

W. A. HALLER CORP., PHILA., PA.

ASK FOR "COUNTY FAIR" AT YOUR FAVORITE BAR, CLUB, HOTEL