

St. Mary's Slates SOC Jayvee Five

One prep basketball game which had been scheduled for this week end has been scratched off the slate.

Coach Ed Hummel said that St. Mary's high's trip to Klamath Falls to play Sacred Heart, which had been set for Sunday, has been postponed until after the first of the year. Postponement was at Sacred Heart's request.

The Crusaders do have one contest this week end. They play Southern Oregon college junior varsity Friday night at Ashland in the prelim to the Red Raider-Oregon College of Education varsity scrap.

Contender

St. Mary's looms as one of the contenders in the Jackson County B League as the result of its second place finish in the Southern Oregon college invitational last week but the Crusaders may be a little short on rivalry before conference play begins. With the Klamath trip postponed, St. Mary's has only a mix with Prospect on Tuesday, December 21, before the January 7 loop opening.

The situation at the Medford parochial school was on the bright side this week as Hummel reported the Crusaders both looking better and running harder. The coach reported a three-way clash for starting forward berths for the Friday game. John Walsh, Bob Bobbett and Joe Hassler are fighting for the jobs. Tony Miksche likely will be at center with Laval Meunier and Tim Dugan at guards.

Grid Sport Discontinued By Fordham

New York — (U.P.) — Fordham's official discontinuance of football due to "continuing financial loss" left Columbia university as New York City's lone survivor today on the major collegiate gridiron scene.

The end of Fordham's 63-year competition in varsity football came Wednesday night on the heels of a disastrous 1954 season during which the Rams won only the opener of their nine-game schedule and Ed Danowski resigned after nine years as head coach.

Not Hasty

Announcement of Fordham's decision was made by Jack Coffey, graduate manager of athletics, who made public a letter on the matter from the Rev. Laurence J. McGinley, S. J., president of the university.

"Our decision has been neither hasty nor casual," Father McGinley said in the letter. "The unfortunate fact remains that, after four years of cooperative endeavors, we have run out of money for football and must balance our books."

In dropping football, Fordham followed a pattern set by such New York City schools as New York University, Long Island University, Brooklyn College, Manhattan College and City College of New York.

Jess Flores Released By Portland Beavers

Portland — (U.P.) — The Portland Beavers of the Pacific Coast baseball league today announced unconditional release of right-handed pitcher Jess Flores.

Flores, a longtime veteran of the PCL, appeared in 26 games for Portland last season, winning two and losing seven. He finished with a 3.56 earned run average.

General Manager Joe Ziegler hinted several other Beavers would be traded or dropped from the roster in the next few weeks but he did not identify them.

STENOGRAPHER ACCLAIMED

Columbus, O. — Stenographer, a three-year-old trotting filly which won 23 of her 32 starts to collect \$65,137.39 this year, was acclaimed today as the Harness Horse of the Year.

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SPORTS

Tornado Faces Eagles Friday; NB Saturday

Four players who participated in a 45 to 47 victory over the Black Tornado last season likely will be in the line-up for North Bend this week end when the Bulldogs oppose the Medford high loop team.

Medford is host to North Bend on Saturday night after entertaining the Eagle Point Eagles here on Friday. Both games are expected to provide good tests for Black Tornado caliber. Varsity contests are set for 8:15 p.m. both nights. Medford junior varsity will play the Eagle Jayvees on Friday and Ashland junior varsity on Saturday in 6:45 p.m. prelims.

Seeing action against Medford again for the Bulldogs may be Dick Woolstenhulme, a junior, and Willard Reeve, a senior, both two-year letterman, and Huddy Schepman and Van Leuven, one-year letterman senior.

Hartley Tallest

Tallest man on the Bulldog squad is Dave Hartley, who had two years of lettering at Nyssa before moving to North Bend this year. He is 6 feet 3 1/2 inches LeRoy King, a senior, and Jack Shanley, a sophomore, are other lettermen on the North Bend roster. Van Leuven and Woolstenhulme are next in height to Hartley at 6-2 each and Reeve is 6-1 1/2.

North Bend statistics show Reeve as the all-around stand-out for the Bulldogs. Last year's records show him topping return in both total points and rebounds with 304 of each. His 205 pounds indicate his ruggedness. Schepman scored 237 points last year and had a shooting average of .430. Woolstenhulme scored 149 counters in the 1953-1954 season and followed Reeve in rebound effectiveness with 210.

King is listed as an agile player with plenty of speed and drive. Shanley was a regular guard last year after good work in pre-loop play as a Jayvee.

E. P. Experienced

Eagle Point has three-year lettermen in Carl Christian, Frank Reich, Bill Caldwell and Jerry Tuttle. Two-year lettermen are Harvey Nelson, Ken Bitterling and Jerry Cave. Reich is out of action because of a hand operation. Caldwell hurt his knee in the Rogue River fracas Tuesday and may be on the sidelines Friday.

In North Bend the Tornado will meet a gang unbeaten in three games. The Bulldogs have

Native Dancer Horse of Year

Baltimore — (U.P.) — Native Dancer was named Horse of the Year today in an annual poll conducted by the Turf and Sport Digest.

Alfred G. Vanderbilt's gray colt, now at stud on a Maryland farm, nosed out King Ranch's High Gun by two votes in the balloting of 174 sports writers and commentators.

BOWLING

LADIES VICTORY LEAGUE
Standings
U. S. National Bank 34 1/2 25 1/2
Davis Transfer 33 1/2 26 1/2
Towle Beauty Shop 32 1/2 28 1/2
Trowbridge & Flynn 31 1/2 28 1/2
Keith Brothers 31 1/2 29 1/2
Pick's Apparel 27 1/2 32 1/2
Beatty and McDougal 25 1/2 34 1/2
Stark Finance 23 36

Results:
Towle Beauty 4 B and M 0
M. Klatt 380 A. Harris 473
C. Bombach 412 L. Vogel 327
Towle Beauty 384 E. Dean 323
J. Runtz 406 D. Pfaff 331
J. Russell 486 L. Cabler 346
V. Corby 486 Handicap 24

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Keith Brothers 3 U. S. Nat'l Bank 110
M. Herman 313 J. Ingie 373
C. Low 410 J. Offenberg 373
J. Crosby 409 J. Indle 369
N. Keith 419 P. Gardner 430
Handicap 42

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R. Blacklock 386 S. Puett 380
R. Dean 287 T. Magenti 346
S. Hardwick 263 L. Cuyver 330
J. Russell 102 M. White 313
Handicap 12

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Davis Transfer 3 Stark Finance 1
B. Chase 338 V. Knox 474
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beat Roseburg 66 to 31 and Cottage Grove 60 to 52 and have a win over Reedsport. Eagle Point has a record of four wins and one loss. The Eagles beat Oakridge and Rogue River each twice and Talent once.

The Medford aggregation was scheduled to have lighter work today after two days of rugged practice. Tornado players had two solid hours of hard going yesterday and the five who may start against the Eagles on Friday displayed quite a bit of scoring drive.

The combination of Everett Kastner, Glenn Peterson, Jerry Kalapus, Frank Rector and Larry Copple ran up a good count on the opposing unit in a hard-running 10-minute period, quadrupling the score of the other quint.

Mays Most Valuable in Senior Loop

New York — (U.P.) — Amazing Willie Mays, already on his way toward becoming one of the New York Giants' all-time greats, today was voted the Most Valuable Player in the National League for 1954.

The spectacular, 23-year-old centerfielder, now playing winter ball in Puerto Rico after winning the National League batting title and helping the Giants to a world championship, captured the MVP award with a total of 283 points out of a possible 336.

Mays, putting in his first full season in the majors, received his strongest competition from Ted Kluszewski, Cincinnati first baseman, who was runner-up in the balloting with 217 points. Mays received 16 votes for first place while Kluszewski received seven.

Southpaw Johnny Antonelli, the Giants' 21-game winner, wound up third with 154 points, followed by Dodger outfielder Duke Snider with 133 points and Giant shortstop Alvin Dark with 110 points.

Dark received the only other first-place vote cast by the special 24-man committee of the Baseball Writers Association of America. Three writers from each city in the league were on the committee. A first-place vote counted 14 points; a second-place vote nine points, a third-place vote eight points, and so on down to one point for 19th place.

For Mays, who batted .345, drove in 110 runs and smashed 41 homers the award climaxed a brilliant season during which he starred consistently from the moment he returned to the Giants from the Army last spring.

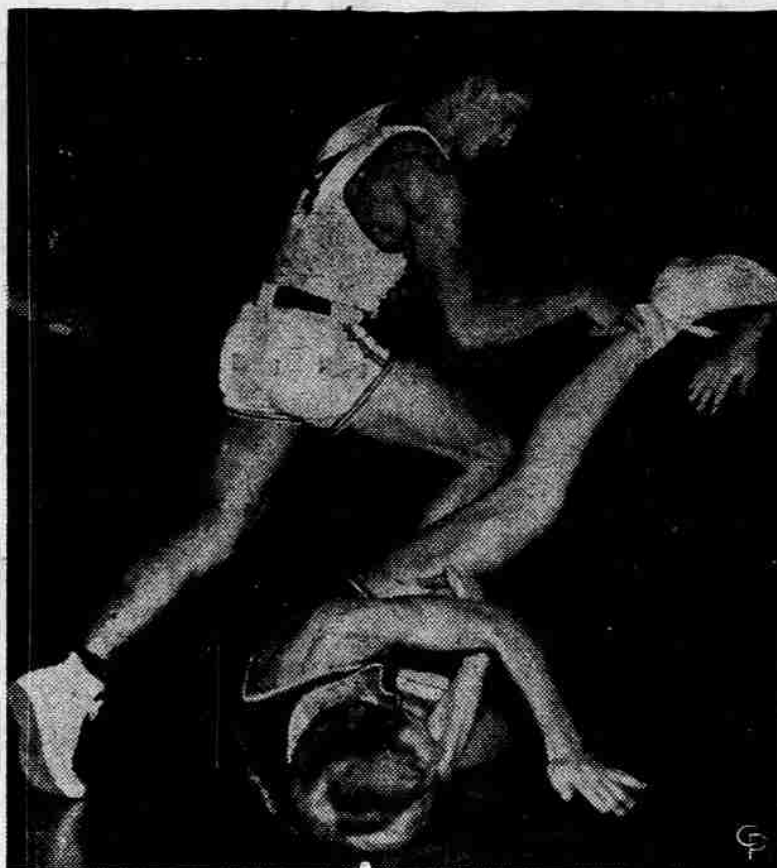
His backhanded catch of Vic Wertz' 420-foot wallop in the first game of the World Series was generally regarded as the outstanding play of the classic and Willie still is wowing them in Puerto Rico where he currently is playing for the San Juan club and leading the league with a .429 batting average.

Vancouver Eyes Coast Loop Spot

Vancouver, B. C. — (U.P.) — A final decision on whether this city will win a Pacific Coast League berth for 1955 may be made by next Tuesday.

The Sacramento Solons hold an executive meeting in the California city on that day to consider the future of the club. Leading stockholders of the Solons offered their shares for sale recently in an effort to keep the team in Sacramento but General Manager Eddie Mulligan said "there hasn't been a nibble."

Coley Hall, organizer of the movement to win Vancouver a PCL franchise, warned Mulligan a decision would have to be made soon on an offer to move the team to this city or supporters here would forget about the PCL until 1956.



BLASTING DOWN court like fullback, Mike Diaz (4) of California, collides with COP's Nick Romanoff in double overtime cage contest in Berkeley. Tigers beat Bears, 82-77. (International)

Bobo Retains Mantle; Fight Stopped in 11th

By HAL WOOD
San Francisco — (U.P.) — Carl (Bobo) Olson, king of the middleweights, can look for new worlds to conquer today.

He finished off the last of the top foreign contenders Wednesday with an 11th round technical knockout over the unhappy Frenchman, Pierre Langlois.

He already has defeated the top British contender, Randy Turpin, and the leading Cuban threat in Kid Gavilan.

His next foe, if everything goes well, probably be an American—Joey Giardello.

In any event, the Hawaiian-born battler still is ready for all comers.

He was able to take home a check for well over \$50,000 today for his fight with Langlois. The promoters had anticipated a crowd of only about 11,000 and a \$100,000 gate.

But at the last minute a rush

White Sox Had Stoutest Defense

Chicago — (U.P.) — The Chicago White Sox boasted the No. 1 double play combination and the best all-around defense in the American League this year.

Official figures disclosed that the White Sox compiled a team fielding average of .982 and that shortstop Al Carrasquel and second baseman Nelson Fox formed the league's best key-stone combination.

Carrasquel committed only 20 errors in 792 chances for a .975 average while Fox committed only nine errors in 801 chances for a glittering .989. In addition the pair shared in 102 double plays — the most of any combination in the circuit.

Second Shared

The Cleveland Indians and New York Yankees shared second place in defense, with .979 averages, followed by the Detroit Tigers with .978 and the Washington Senators with .977.

Rounding out an infield of the league's leading defensive players were Mickey Vernon of the Senators, who led the first baseman with a .992 average, and Grady Hatton of the Red Sox, who led the third baseman with .969.

BASKETBALL

WEDNESDAY GAMES
East
Massachusetts 104, Boston U. 80
Rhode Island 51, Brown 48
CNY 89, Hunter 77
Penn State 110, Colgate 75
Duquesne 74, College of Pacific 52
Columbia 72, Yale 50
Holy Cross 96, St. Anselm's 58
LaSalle 76, Lafayette 60
Seton Hall 72, Scranton 55
N. C. State 81, S. Carolina 82

Midwest
Missouri 77, Arkansas 58
Illinois 97, Miami O. 72
Marquette 83, Michigan 78
St. Louis 82, Mississippi 68
Purdue 78, Notre Dame 58

Southwest
Wyoming 50, Oklahoma A & M 43

West
Eastern Washington 84, Cal Poly 75
Olympic J.C. 88, Linfield 63

Dead line for Sunday Classified is at noon Saturday.

Raiders Tackle OCE Friday In OCC Basketball Opener

Ashland — Southern Oregon college bows into Oregon Collegiate Conference basketball action Friday night when it entertains the Oregon College of Education Wolves. And there's every indication that the Red Raiders will have their hands full.

Friday's fray will be the first of a two-game series. The clubs meet again Saturday. Jayvee prelims are planned on both occasions at 6:30 p.m. with the main attractions at 8:05 p.m. Raider Jayvees will oppose S. Mary's high of Medford on Friday.

Oregon college gave evidence of being a fighting quint Tuesday night when it lost to an all-around taller club of Willamette university 52 to 56. The Wolves do have a 6-foot 5-inch in Bob Jones but the crew is reported relatively inexperienced with Larry Chamberlain the only letterman among starters. Chamberlain was high scorer in the mix with Willamette with 21 points.

OCE's line-up will include Ron Jones, freshman guard, from Marshfield.

At Southern Oregon this week Coach Alex Peterson reported that things are picking up a bit. He said the Raiders the past couple of nights have looked the best they have all year. Peterson has worked with a couple of units this week but was not certain today which will start on Friday.

For a fast breaking crew the mentor has brought a couple of freshmen, Tom Jacobson and Chuck Crandall up from the junior varsity. They are teamed with Hal Titus, Bob Smith and Keith Johnson. The second combine lacks the speed of the other gang but makes up for that lack in height, power and ruggedness and has looked well in workouts. Titus, Smith and Johnson are in that quint along with LeRoy Springer and Lloyd Hoffine.

Game Commission Has Salmon Facts Leaflet

Portland — Salmon of Oregon are the subject of a new leaflet now available free of charge from the Oregon State Game Commission. This four-page leaflet, giving brief facts about each of the salmon found in Oregon waters, is the second of a series being published by the commission.

The first in the series is entitled Oregon's Upland Game Birds and has pictures and descriptions of the 10 upland game birds found in the state.

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