

### Grants Pass Coach Says Tornado Can Be Subdued

"They can be beaten." Taken from the Grants Pass Daily Courier, that's a pointed remark made by Ray Davis, coach of the Grants Pass Cavemen, concerning the Medford high basketball aggregation.

Medford's Black Tornado is working intensely this week to see that it doesn't happen, for the two contingents come to-

gether this week end in Southern Oregon Conference starters. They meet at Medford on Friday night and at Grants Pass on Saturday. Junior varsity clubs of the two schools scrap in the preliminaries.

The Tornado's last real hard practice for the series was scheduled this afternoon and Coach Frank Roelandt indicated that the drill would follow pretty much the pattern of the Tuesday workout. Defense got a good going over in a portion of the workout and offensive polish was sought in a scrimmage.

While the scrimmage did not appear altogether sharp to a casual observer, Roelandt remarked, "I thought the boys looked pretty good."

Roelandt did not comment on game plans other than to say that the Tornado is working on its defense and seeking to perfect its offense, a very general statement.

Peterson Ailing The Mentor said that Johnny Foust may break into the starting five against the Cavemen. Foust, with some fine work in the Cleveland series, has pretty well earned the chance. On top of that Glenn Peterson, tall regular forward, has been ill with a cold. Peterson missed both school and practice on Monday. Yesterday he was on hand and saw limited drill.

Also on the ailing list yesterday was Frank Rector. He was hobbled a bit by an infection from blisters on the sole of his foot but is expected to be ready to take over his regular guard chores on Friday. However, Ed McCullough was working quite a bit at the guard position yesterday.

Medford goes into the tussles a favorite with the better record against common foes in pre-conference play. But the Cavemen are expected to be fired high as usual for the encounters and a couple of hard, tough actions for both schools are foreseen.

### Yellow Cab, Campus Five MIBL Victors

Yellow Cab kept pace with Andy's Jewelers for the leadership of the Medford Independent Basketball League with a victory last night and Campus Five had fifth spot after another win.

The Cabbies thundered 93 to 29 over Sacred Heart church for their fourth win in as many league scuffles. Andy's has a like record. The Collegans subdued Headquarters company of the National Guard 46 to 33.

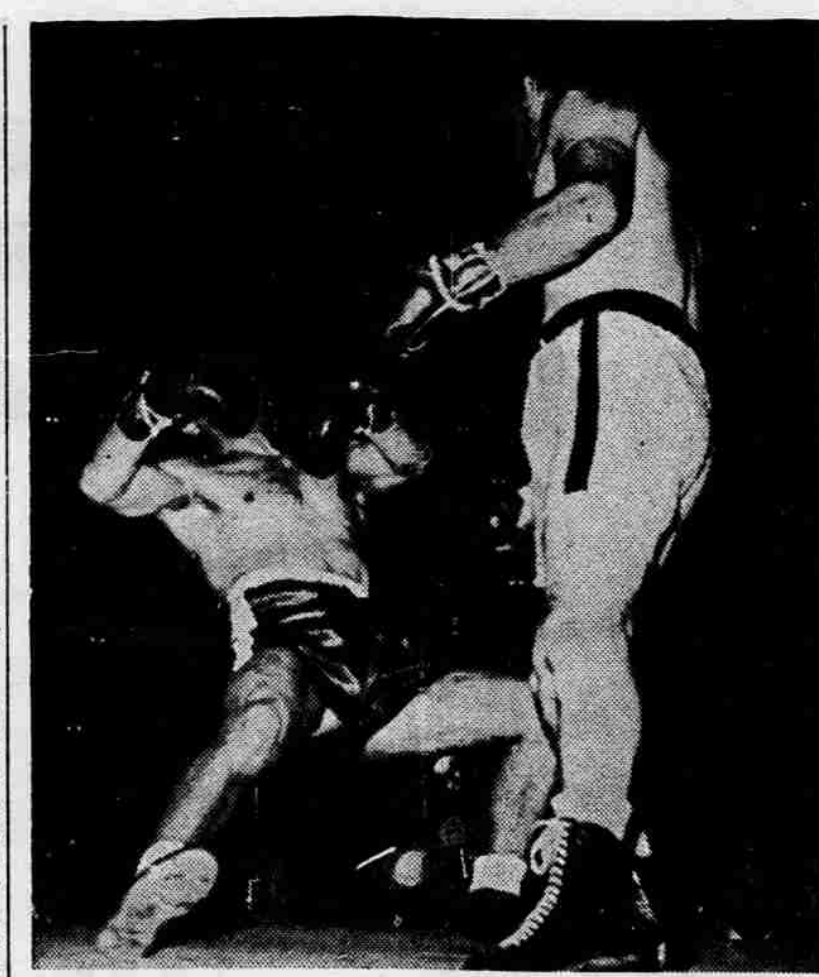
Don Wendt with 25 points, Johnny Foster with 20 and Ed Hummel with 18 were leaders of the Cab assault. The game marked the debut in the league of Foster, an all-stater while at Central Catholic high school in Portland. He also played for the University of Oregon Frosh and last year was a teammate of Hummel's on the Jewish Community center team in Portland.

Lee Pendergast had 11 for Sacred Heart. Period scores favored Yellow Cab 30 to 3, 45 to 15 and 71 to 18.

Game Knotted Campus Five and the Guard were knotted 4-all at the end of the first quarter but the College team had 17 to 13 and 33 to 23 advantages after the other intermissions. Dick Price had 14 counters and Dick Chapman 12 for Campus and John Drew 12 and Kay Bateman 11 for Headquarters.

Andy's Jewelers won their Monday night game 70 to 44 over Sacred Heart. Games tonight are Burelson's versus Company A at 7 o'clock and Skinner's Buick versus Andy's at 8:30 o'clock at the junior high here. Hawkinson's goes to Prospect for 8 p. m. action. Games at the junior high on Thursday are Yellow Cab against Headquarters Company and Campus Five against Company A. Eagle Point plays at Prospect.

LINE-UPS: Yellow Cab 33 29 Sacred Heart Hummel 18 f 3 Harden Foster 20 f 3 Murray Stacy 8 f 5 Weiskamp Werner 7 c 1 Pendergast Wendt 25 g 5 Widmar Substitutions—For Cab, Moore, Hite 7, Harris 2, Kline, Johnson 6; for Sacred Heart, Read 4.



HE BOUNCES!—Ernie Durando of Bayonne, N. J. (right), watches Peter Mueller drop to the deck like a falling log in the fourth round at Milwaukee. Durando knocked the German middleweight down three times in this round but Mueller rebounded to knock out Durando in the seventh round.

## MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS

### Webfoots Control Boards To Even Series With WSC

Pullman, Wash.—(U.P.)—The University of Oregon Ducks controlled the backboards last night as they evened their series score with Washington State in a 69-55 Northern division basketball victory.

WSC took Monday night's season opener 63-56. The smoother Ducks grabbed 50 rebounds with Forward Jim Loscutoff and Center Max Anderson taking 11 each, while the Cougars could snag only 31 from the backboards.

Oregon took an early 4-0 lead and three minutes went by before WSC got started. Then, while the Ducks piled up points, the Cougars couldn't hit the basket for another four and a half minutes when the score finally reached 14-4.

Then WSC pulled within six points of the Ducks and the halftime score stood Oregon 32, WSC 26.

As the second half opened, the Cougars got within four points, but two quick baskets by Loscutoff and one by Guard Howard Page gave Oregon a 10-point margin. WSC came within six points once again before Oregon lengthened its lead first to 10 points and finally in the last half minute to 14 points.

Page was high point man for the game with 22. Ron Demnick was high man for WSC with 20.

THE BOX: WSC 55 G F P T Benning f 8 2 0 20 Olson f 8 2 0 20 Beck f 2 2 1 20 King c 5 0 0 4 Schermer c 5 0 0 4 Kamps c 1 0 0 1 Clock g 2 2 3 6 Gatton g 2 2 3 6 Perry g 1 0 0 0 Foyse g 1 0 1 2 Totals 21 13 19 55

Oregon 69 G F P T Ross f 7 3 2 18 Loscutoff f 7 3 4 18 Bell f 3 0 4 4 Moore f 0 0 0 0 McClain f 0 0 0 0 M. Anderson c 4 4 2 12 Page g 0 0 0 4 Sherman g 0 0 1 2 McHugh g 2 0 1 4 Gatton g 2 0 1 4 B. Anderson g 1 0 0 0 Costig 1 0 0 0 Totals 26 17 14 69 Halftime score: Oregon 32 Washington State 26.

LIMITS SET Olympia —(U.P.)—A limit of 10 pounds and one fish on bass and 25 fish on all other spiny rays was established yesterday by the State Game commission. Nine lakes are affected. They are Cow lake in Adams county, Silver in Cowlitz, Killarney in King, Long in Kitsap, Deer and Twin in Lincoln, Cranberry in Pacific and Silver in Pierce.

### Basketball Free Shot Bonus Rule On Way Out; Rapped by Coaches

same opinion of the bonus rule. "The game has become a free-throw contest," says Krause.

Stan Watts of Brigham Young Utah, is another one who thinks the bonus rule should be eliminated.

"We lost to Colorado and Western Kentucky strictly because they won the foul shooting contest," says Watts.

But Woolpert doesn't have any solution to the bonus rule—or any other plans that would alter the foul method of penalty in the game of basketball. Neither do the other coaches.

Growing Pains Basketball, the youngest and fastest gaining of all American sports, is going through growing pains. It probably will have to continue to experiment with the rules for another decade or so before it settles down so that the spectators know what to expect when they go out to the gymnasium at the start of each year.

Football, much older, still makes an occasional change such as limited and unlimited substitution. Baseball, older than either, now is pretty much standardized. But the cage game lacks something in the way of rules stabilization—something that can come only with age.

### Phoenix Tips Rogue River

Phoenix — Phoenix high defeated the Rogue River basketball quint 56 to 50 in a non-league fracas last night at Rogue River.

The Pirates headed at every intermission, 17 to 12, 26 to 24 and 37 to 34. Phoenix held a 19 to 12 bulge in the second quarter but Rogue River gained a brief and narrow lead before the Chiefs took halftime advantage.

In the second half the scrap was close until near the finish but Phoenix stayed on top. Phoenix had an eight-point edge in the closing portion.

Better accuracy from the field paid off for the Pirates, they hit 21 out of 57 goal tries for .368 average. They shot against a zone defense and the majority of their heaves were from the outside. Rogue River cashed in on 19 but of 65 casts for a .292 mark. Rebounds were about even. They favored Phoenix 39 to 38.

All five Phoenix starters made good contribution to the scoring. Ron Vreeken of the Pirates was on the sick list.

Rogue River won the jayvee game 59 to 33.

LINE-UPS: Phoenix 36 50 Rogue River Ben 16 f 17 Johnson Wall 10 f 10 Daily Madden 11 f 2 Weaver Dahl 8 f 12 Stanford Korth 9 f 7 Stinchcomb Substitutions—For Phoenix, Cooks 2, Kelsoe; for Rogue River, Phillips, Twist, Moore, Towse 2, Morrow.

### NCAA Video Committee Considers Compromise on Grid Telecasts

By STEVE SNIDER New York —(U.P.)—The NCAA's Television Committee was reported considering today a compromise which would make the controversial "Game of the Week" program more palatable to the Big Ten and Pacific Coast conferences.

Under the terms of the proposed new plan, a single nationally televised game would be aired for only half the season with regionally televised games permitted for the other half of the schedule. The committee has been in secret session for the last several days.

The powerful Big Ten and Pacific Coast conferences objected strenuously to the 1954 program which called, with slight variations for a single game to be televised on a national hookup. The new plan would preserve the basic outlines of that program while at the same time granting the Big Ten and PCC at least a portion of what they want.

A source close to the situation explained the compromise as follows. "Assume there are 10 football Saturdays in the season. On five of those dates there would be the single televised game as in the 1954 program. But on the other five, regional telecasts would be permitted. Under the plan a school might appear once on the national hookup and then a second time on a regional hookup."

While the television problem is a long way from solved, many officials are turning back to recruiting as the No. 1 headache. Four of eight district vice-presidents mentioned in their reports to the convention that recruiting in one way or another is a major worry.

Col. D. S. McAlister of the Citadel said schools in the third district generally agreed that

"the NCAA should not get into the enforcement business but there is an alarming trend in that direction."

McAlister added that the NCAA rule prohibiting the paying of travel expenses for visits of prospective athletes to campuses gives rise to uncontrolled activities and abuses in "this phase of the procurement program."

### Norris, Weill Confer on Bouts For R. Marciano

New York —(U.P.)—Al Weill, manager of Rocky Marciano, was scheduled to arrive in New York today for decisive conferences with promoter Jim Norris about Marciano's heavyweight title defenses in March and September.

Although Weill has his home and his office in New York, he hasn't been here since the day after Rocky's last fight with Ezzard Charles on Sept. 17.

Norris prefers a Marciano defense against Nino Valdes of Cuba in March at San Francisco, Los Angeles or Las Vegas, Nev., and—if Rocky keeps the crown—a September defense against Don Cockell of England at Yankee stadium or the Polo grounds.

Meanwhile, light heavyweight champion Archie Moore is still yelling for first shot at Marciano's crown.

But Morris has other plans for Moore. The promoter is trying to arrange a 175-pound title defense for Ancient Archie against Carl (Bobo) Olson, the middleweight champion. That bout would be staged in a New York ball park in June.

Robinson favored To Lick Rindone Detroit —(U.P.)—Sugar Ray Robinson, determined to win back the world's middleweight championship he gave up voluntarily in 1952, was a heavy favorite today to launch his comeback campaign successfully tonight with a victory over Joe Rindone in a 10-round non-televised bout.

Robinson quit the ring two years ago in favor of a song and dance stage career after he tried unsuccessfully to dethrone the then light-heavyweight champion Joey Maxim.

The meeting with Rindone, a Roxbury, Mass., veteran of nine years in the ring, marks Robinson's first official bout in his comeback campaign. He defeated Gene Burton in a six-round at Hamilton, Ont., last Nov. 29 but that fight was listed as an exhibition.

The honey bee was introduced into the United States from Europe.

### Gridiron Rules Approves Freer Substitutions

New York —(U.P.)—The Rules Committee of the American Football Coaches association today unanimously approved a slate of new rules recommendations, including a provision for more liberal substitution.

These recommendations now will be submitted to the NCAA Football Rules committee for formal adoption for the 1955 season. The NCAA committee meets here next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

The proposed new substitution rule, recommended by the 30-man committee headed by Coach Lou Little of Columbia, provides that a player who starts a quarter of a game may re-enter the contest once during that period, but a player who does not start the quarter may not re-enter in the same period.

Other recommendations provided for tighter restrictions on the "sucker-shift" and for a three-inch tee for kickoffs instead of the one-inch tee that has been used.

San Francisco adopted an official seal on November 4, 1852.

### BASKETBALL TUESDAY COLLEGE GAMES BY UNITED PRESS

East Columbia 75, Syracuse 74 New York University 79, West Virginia 78 Manhattan 78, Brigham Young 75 Boston University 80, Northeastern South Alabama 77, North Carolina 55 Maryland 68, South Carolina 51 Hampton, S.D. 75, Wm. & Mary 72 Midwest Gonzaga 96, Creighton 80 Nebraska 76, Iowa State 63 Kansas State 90, Oklahoma 82 Missouri 76, Kansas 65 Kent State 77, Toledo 69 Texas Christian 67, Arkansas 62 North Dakota 82, Morrisville 71 Wichita 99, Washburn 76 Southwest Rice 61, Texas A and M 41 Southern Methodist 74, Texas 51 West Oregon 69, Washington State 55 Cal Poly 64, Westmont 51 University of San Francisco 51 St. Mary 37 Pacific Lutheran 60, Puget Sound 47 Far East Air Force 73, Portland State 69.



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### Grid Deaths Highest in Five Years

New York —(U.P.)—Football fatalities in 1954 took their largest toll in five years as 25 players lost their lives in grid-iron accidents, according to a survey conducted by Dr. Floyd B. Easterwood of Los Angeles State College.

Dr. Easterwood, chairman of the Committee on Injuries and Fatalities of the American Football Coaches Association, reported that to group Tuesday night that the 1954 death total was almost 7 per cent higher than the average for the 23 years during which he has been keeping records. The yearly average for that period is 17.8 fatalities.

There were 19 direct and six indirect football fatalities during the past season, he said. The most disturbing figure was the increase from six to 12 in high school direct fatalities. The 1954 overall total compares with 17, 10, 20, 19 and 26 going back to 1949.

Two of the direct fatalities came in college football games, two in professional or semi-professional contests and three in unsupervised or sandlot play. Sixteen of the 19 direct fatalities resulted from blows to the head. The indirect deaths were caused incidentally by football, such as heart attacks. One of these claimed Dave Sparks, Washington Redskins' lineman, last Dec. 5, after a game against the Cleveland Browns. Sparks' death was attributed to a coronary thrombosis.

In accordance with the report, Dr. Easterwood's committee made its strongest recommendations yet with the aim toward reducing injuries and deaths. Six of the seven recommendations dealt with physical examinations and medical matters.

Here are the committee's recommendations: 1. That every football player be required to have a complete physical examination before the season starts and again in mid-season;

2. That no boy with a history of heart abnormalities be allowed to play;

3. That every concussion be X-rayed immediately;

4. That every serious concussion be studied with the encephalogram;

5. That players suffering serious concussions be barred from further play;

6. That no institution be allowed to play a football game unless a physician is on duty at the field;

7. That continued and increasing emphasis on tackling and blocking practice throughout the season be maintained.

Coleman New President Of Baseball Mentors New York —(U.P.)—Ralph Coleman, baseball coach at Oregon State college, yesterday was elected president of the American Association of College baseball coaches. He succeeds John Kobs of Michigan State.

### Missouri Shatters Kansas' Win Streak on Home Court

By JOHN GRIFFIN United Press Sports Writer Kansas, three-year king in the Big Seven's hoop contention, saw its coveted 33-game home court winning streak shattered last night by heir-apparent Missouri.

Missouri, which stamped itself the league's title favorite by winning the pre-season tournament last week, opened the official conference season Tuesday by walloping Kansas, 76-65, for the Jayhawks' first loss on their home floor at Lawrence, Kans., since 1951.

Kansas, champion or co-champion of the circuit for three straight years and in 16 of the league's 26 seasons, made a desperate effort to show its old power and ripped to an 18-10 lead in the first seven minutes.

But the sceptre seems to be passing from the men of famed Coach Phog Allen; Missouri spurred to take the lead with 11 straight points and never was headed. At one point Missouri led by 16 points in the second half and breezed home as Bob Reiter's 21 points and Medford Park's 20 led the attack.

Eighth in Ten For Missouri, ranked sixth in the nation by the United Press Board of Coaches, it was the

eight win in 10 starts and for Kansas the third loss in nine games.

Two other games marked opening night action in the Big Seven as Nebraska downed Iowa State, 76-73, and Kansas State beat Oklahoma, 90-82.

The Southwest conference also opened with three games Tuesday night. Texas Christian, winner of the league's pre-season tournament last week, invaded Arkansas and scored a 67-62 victory, while Rice trounced Texas A&M, 61-41, and Southern Methodist routed Texas, 74-51.

But a single shot in a game at Tuscaloosa, Ala., was the shot heard around the basketball world — for it traveled 88 feet and swished through the basket. Paul Bunyan Shot

George Linn, forward on Alabama, was the author of the "Paul Bunyan basket" in the Crimson Tide's surprisingly easy 77-55 victory over North Carolina. A split second before the halftime buzzer, Linn grabbed a rebound under his own goal and fired it one-handed, a la Willie Mays, the length of the court and cleanly through the cords.

It was figured as the longest basket in the history of any Southeastern team, topping a 63-foot, 7½-inch shot by Cliff Barker of Kentucky in 1949 against Vanderbilt.

Linn led Alabama with 21 points. Lenny Rosenbluth had 26 for North Carolina, but Alabama never was in serious trouble as it led, 42-29, at halftime and sank 49.3 per cent of its shots — including the shot of the century.

### MH Grapplers On Thursday

Medford high school's first home wrestling match of the season is scheduled here Thursday. The tussle will be at 7 p. m. at the high school gymnasium. Illinois Valley is the foe.

Tornado Coach Paul Evensen said that 20 or more matches are planned. Twelve of them will count in team scoring. Others will be exhibitions.

Medford defeated Illinois Valley 48 to 10 before Christmas. Evensen said that about the same boys who took part in the previous match will appear Thursday. Paul Eckel, who worked during the Christmas rush, is slated to appear in his first tussle of the season.

Others who may appear on the regular card are Fred Baker, Ray Hilton, Ron Lingren, Calvin Dalton, Ray Williams, Les Walch, Larry Frazier, Melvin Morgan, Ken Dunlavy, Bob Nipps and Bill Dyer.

### Emeralds Seek Dapper Services

Eugene —(U.P.)—Dick Richards, general manager of the Eugene Emeralds of the new Class B Northwest baseball league, said today the club was dickering with Cliff Dapper for the job of manager of the team.

Dapper has been manager of the Billings Mustangs of the class C Pioneer league for the last three years. He piloted the Eugene Larks to a first division finish in the now defunct Far West league in 1951.

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