

# Black Tornado Opens Conference Basketball Campaign on Friday

Southern Oregon Conference Big Four basketball quintets push their pre-league records into the background Friday night and buckle down to the real business of the season. For the conference championship is the first objective on the road to the state tournament and the hopes and aspirations of all four schools are high.

Defending Thistler Grants Pass high, state meet entry last year, comes to Medford for one of the Friday openers. Klamath Falls will be at Ashland. Same pairings are scheduled Saturday night. Klamath Falls will remain at Ashland but Medford's Black Tornado travels to Grants Pass to complete its two-game week end series.

The Tornado, carrying a good pre-campaign record into action, has been established as the favorite. But the Medford quint and its coach, Frank Roelandt, are among the first to admit that pre-season success is no guarantee in a league race, particularly in the Southern Oregon Conference.

Pressure On  
Real pressure goes on this week end and ability of the Tornado come through under that pressure in the games that count will determine its success in the drive to regain the crown it last held in 1933. The tune-up campaign in December showed some measure of the conference members' capabilities but one or two of the clubs may not hit their stride until the league season is well underway.

Medford cagers today, in their last workout before opening the Grants Pass series, sought to get some of the zip back that seemed to be missing yesterday. Coach Roelandt characterized the drill as sluggish, saying that the Tornado has had smoother workouts. He added that the shooting

## Junior High Plays Crater

Medford junior high ninth grade basketball players have their first action of the new year Friday when they go to Central Point to mix with the Crater high freshmen.

The scrap has been set for 4:30 p.m. It originally was planned as an evening game.

Coach Mel Boldenow listed Bulldog prospects as encouraging as the club drilled this week, saying that workouts have gone "pretty good." The Bulldogs are digging in after just three drills during the holidays. They worked out Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week.

Probable starters for Medford will be Tom Hamlin and Jim Funston, forwards, Mike Russell, center, and Dave Bergman and Tony Brauner, guards. Others expected to see quite a bit of action are Frank Albert, Bruce Boldenow, Bob Niles and Ron Peary. The mentor is working with a squad of 25 or 26 boys.

First 1935 home appearance for the Bulldogs will be on Monday, January 10. All three junior high clubs will play Eagle Point teams. Seventh graders vie at 4 p.m., eighth graders at 5 p.m. and ninth graders at 6:45 p.m.

## Paul Meyers Links Victor

Paul Meyers was winner of the holiday handicap golf tournament at Rogue Valley Country club.

He had a 163 total score, edging Larry Butler who had 162. Clayton Lewis was third with 141 and Everett McGraw fourth with 133. There were 35 entries. The tourney opened on Thanksgiving day and concluded last Sunday.

Points were awarded on the basis of 10 for a double eagle, five for an eagle, three for a birdie, two for a par and one for a bogey. Players in the competition added the scores of their four best rounds during the holiday season.

Meyers had counts of 44, 42, 39 and 38 and Butler tabulated 43, 42, 39 and 38. Scores for Lewis were 38, 35, 34 and 34. McGraw had 35, 33, 29 and 36. Butler and Meyers each carried eagles and under the handicap system were each credited with double eagles.

The four men were all prize winners.

## BASKETBALL

THURSDAY COLLEGE SCORES  
East  
Rhode Island 75, Brown 65  
Penn State 94, Bucknell 45  
Cornell 69, Columbia 55  
Dartmouth 72, St. Anselm's 49  
Fordham 64, St. Francis (Bklyn.) 57  
Geneva 91, Pittsburgh 67  
W. Wash. 74, Georgetown (D.C.) 55  
Lafayette at Loyola (Md.), cancelled  
Pennsylvania 42, Yale 40  
South  
Duke 81, Temple 64  
Navy 77, William & Mary 56  
Richmond 52, Villanova 52  
(Senior Bowl)  
First Round  
Memphis St. 94, Spring Hill 83  
Ark. Tech 81, Miss. Southern 69  
Midwest  
Detroit 92, Loyola (Ill.) 78  
Dayton 68, Canisius 54  
Notre Dame 83, Butler 58  
West  
San Jose 86, College of Pacific 54  
Army All-stars 75, Los Angeles State 54  
Portland University 57, Sacramento State 54  
Eastern Oregon 106, Whitman 80

was "normal." The practice was not so intense as that on Tuesday. And today's work was to be on the lighter side.

Bud Kastner, bothered by a corn on his foot, did not scrimmage yesterday but is expected to be at his forward berth at the opening whistle tomorrow night. With him sidelined Roelandt used seven or eight players in various first string combinations.

Toss Up  
It was still a toss-up between Glen Peterson and John Foust for a starting forward spot. Peterson, who has been hampered by a cold, was reported get-

## Burelson's, Andy's Nab MIBL Frays

Andy's Jewelers continued their unbeaten string and Burelson's of Central Point zoomed into the win column last night in Medford Independent Basketball League games at the junior high.

Andy's using platoons romped 85 to 45 over Skinner's Buick. Burelson's clubbed Company A of the National Guard 53 to 32. Outcome of the Hawkinson Tires-Prospect game was not reported.

Regular loop play goes on tonight with Yellow Cab tackling Headquarters Company of the Guard at 7 o'clock and Campus Five going after Company A in the second encounter at the junior high here. Eagle Point is scheduled at Prospect.

Knutson Gets 20  
Loren Soderlund scored 16 and Bob Shores and LaRue Smith each 15 for the Jewelers who headed 25 to 6, 50 to 20 and 75 to 29 at the quarters. I've McKinney got 13 for Skinner's.

Dick Knutson got 20 and Burns 16 for Burelson's and Bill Matejka topped the Guardsmen with 14. Company A was ahead 11 to 10 at the quarter and Burelson's 19 to 16 at the half. The Central Point store led 33 to 25 after three quarters.

Plans for league participation in the March of Dimes has been announced by President Bill Singler. Andy's and Yellow Cab, current top crews in the loop will meet in a special game on Wednesday, January 26, at the senior high school. There will be a feature preliminary, according to present plans.

LINE-UPS  
Andy's 25  
Shores 15  
Wooten 4  
Boardman 15  
Lilly 6  
Substitutions—For Andy's: Soderlund 16, Kramer 6, Trautman 6, Childwood 2, Moore 8, Neely 7 for Skinner's: Christian 4, Oaks 2, Nix 4.

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## Sugar Ray Scores Kayo

Detroit — (U.P.) — Sugar Ray Robinson, the former welterweight and middleweight champion who opened his comeback campaign with a six round knockout of Joe Rindone Wednesday night, said today that he thinks he'll be ready for a summer crack at Carl (Bobo) Olson's 160-pound title.

Robinson, in his first official bout in 30-months, floored the balding Rindone in one minute and 37 seconds of the sixth round and was in command all the way. Sugar Ray scaled 159 and Rindone 163½ for the non-televised bout.

Needs Timing  
"I'll take me five or six more fights to get my timing back to where it was when I quit in 1932," the 34-year-old Robinson said. "But I should be ready for Olson by summer."

Robinson was as quick as ever against the not too impressive Rindone, 28-year-old from Roxbury, Mass. His reflexes were good but at times his punches were a fraction off the mark.

Sugar Ray vacated the middleweight title 30 months ago after he tried unsuccessfully to dethrone then light heavyweight champion Joey Maxim. He was a song and dance man during his now ended retirement.

## Tornado Matmen Hosts to Cougars

Grappling fans have their first chance to see the Medford high team in action this evening. The Tornado will be host to Illinois Valley in tussles starting at 7 p.m.

It will be the second card of the season for Medford which hold a previous team victory over the Cougars.

Twenty or more bouts are planned with 12 of them to count in team scoring.

## MOUNTIES WHIP WHITMAN

Walla Walla — (U.P.) — Ted Schadewitz, six-foot Eastern Oregon guard, scored 51 points last night as the Mountaineers clobbered Whitman of the Northwest Conference 105-89 in the local high school gymnasium.

ting better. Jerry Kalapus is expected to be at center with Frank Rector and Larry Copple at guards.

Coach Ray Davis of Grants Pass likely will call on 6-foot 5-inch Raleigh Burr at Center with Jim Reid and Don James at guards. Jay Reese may be at one forward and either Bill Mendenhall or Mel Drews at the other.

Whatever the combination, the Cavemen won't be taken lightly by the Tornado. James and Reid rival Copple and Rector among the top guard pairs in the state. In Burr and Drews the Cavemen have a couple of rough customers under the backboards. Medford's crew has plenty of willingness to mix it up but Burr and Drews give Grants Pass a bit more ruggedness.

Well Established  
In reviewing the prospects for Reid, Burr, James and Reese has been pretty well established. All they have to do is to keep it up, improving if they can, while Drews and Mendenhall must gain if they are to carry their share of the load.

Drews, coming fast in recent games when he was used more, with Mendenhall out of action, scored 18 points in the last two contests, nine against DePuy High and the same number in the second Crater game. His total for nine games is 29 points.

Mendenhall, who hasn't played since the Eagle Point game on December 18, reached his season's high mark in that one, 11 points, after hitting for eight in the first Marshfield game.

Main game here Friday is at 8:15 after a 6:45 p.m. Jayvee preliminary.

## Y Olympics Records Fall

Harold Reid, Perry Whitlock and Gary Cummings won their respective divisions in the annual "Y" Olympics held at the Medford YMCA during the holidays. Five records tumbled in the competition.

Cummings scored 13 points in the junior high division which includes boys 13 and 14 years of age. Kenneth Ennis got 11 and Boyd Oaks 10. In the triangle group, ages 11 and 12, Whitlock had 24 points. John McKinley tied for second with nine points apiece.

Reid's total in the prep classification was 13½. He was followed by Mike Barnes with 12½ and Peter Bowman with 12.

Reid set a new prep mark of 92 out of 100 in the baseball throw and Barnes a new standard of 17.5 in the potato race. Whitlock shattered three records in the triangle grouping with a baseball throw count of 78, a standing broad jump of 7 feet 8 inches and a potato race time of :15.8 for the best all-around performance in a division.

No records fell in the junior high group:  
Marks set in previous years and still standing are—Frank Albert, 14 basketball points in one minute (1931); Whitlock, standing broad jump, 7 feet 8 inches (1931); Tony Monroe, 14 chin ups (1932).

Triangle—Ronald Perry, 12 basketball goals in one minute (1932); Larry Lewis, 16 chin ups (1933).  
Junior high—Frank Rector, 14 basketball goals and 88 score in baseball throw (1931); Daryl Courtney, standing broad jump, 8 feet 9 inches (1932); Eldon Francis, potato race, :15 (1933).

Dead line for Sunday Classified is noon Saturday; 10 a.m. Monday for Monday; other days 5-30 previous day.

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Manager Al Weill announced Wednesday night, after his arrival from Miami, that the heavyweight champion's next defense had been delayed until May, "at the earliest." And he stressed that Rocky would not fight in May, "if his nose isn't right."

Consequently, Weill's scheduled conference today with promoter Jim Norris apparently had no significance. Weill admitted he had flown in from Miami "not to confer with Norris but to watch my boy Willie Troy lick Floyd Patterson at Madison Square Garden Friday night."

Marciano suffered a split nose in his last night on Sept. 17, when he stopped Ezzard Charles in the eighth round. The nose apparently has healed well, but only blows from training gloves can prove whether the two-inch split will reopen under punishment, according to Weill.

## Eugene Appoints Dapper to Helm

Billings, Mont. — (U.P.) — Cliff Dapper, manager of the class C Billings Mustangs for the past three seasons, has been named manager of the class B Eugene, Ore. team of the Northwest league.

## Dayton Five Cops Ninth

By JOHN GRIFFIN  
United Press Sports Writer  
Dayton's Flyers, halted in their climb toward the top of the national basketball rankings by two tournament defeats, started zooming upward again today on the wings of a victory over a tourney champion.

The Flyers, in their first start since their motor conked out in New York's Holiday Festival walloped Canisius, winner of last week's tough Queen City tournament, 68-54, at Dayton Wednesday night.

It was the ninth win in 11 starts for Dayton, now ranked 11th nationally after dropping down from No. 5 slot. And it was an impressive triumph achieved by hot shooting that smashed a Canisius zone defense which had limited the Flyers to eight field goals in the first half. Villanova Losses

While Dayton was bouncing back onto the winning trail, Villanova — which surprised the court world by upsetting mighty North Carolina State in its last game — was going down to defeat.

At Richmond, Va., the University of Richmond Spiders jumped off to an early lead and held it all the way to down Villanova, 92-82, as Ed Harrison scored 28 points and Bob Witt added 22. Bob Schafer, Villanova scoring ace who averaged 27 points per game as the nation's fifth leading scorer last season, was suffering from a cold and did not play most of the game, scoring only six points. Center Jack Devine tried to take up the slack and scored 26.

There was important action in the Ivy league, with league-leading Cornell drubbing Columbia, 69-55, and Pennsylvania beating Yale, 42-40. Cornell took charge only in the final 10 minutes after the score had been tied seven times and the lead changed hands 10 times. Frank Thomas of Columbia took scoring honors with 19 points but Chet Forte, Columbia's ace soph, tallied only 11. At New Haven, Conn., Penn prevailed over Yale when Joe Sturgis broke a 40-40 tie by a pair of free throws with 27 seconds left.

Cornell, 4-0 in league play, now is set for a Saturday clash with Dartmouth, which gained prestige by winning the New England college tournament last week.

## Independent Clubs To Provide Saturday Action

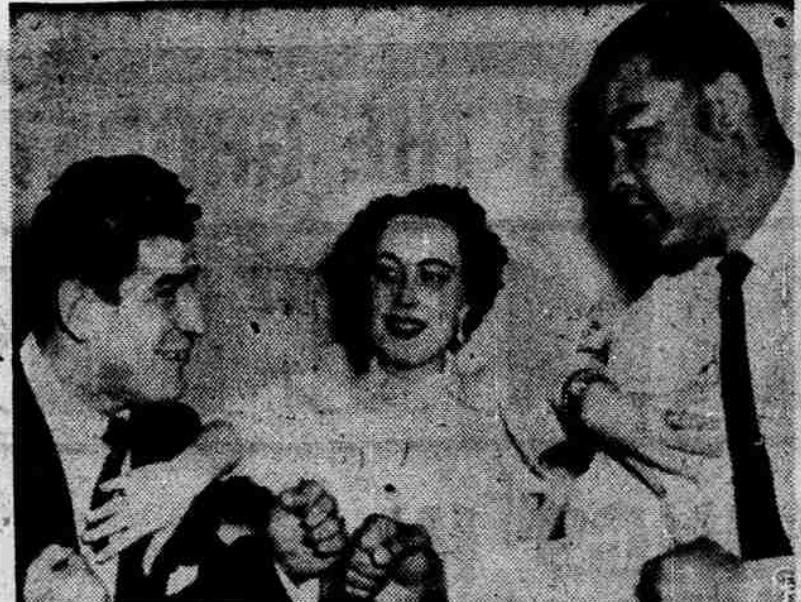
Independent basketball will take the place of prep ball Saturday on the local scene and could provide some interesting competition.

The special attraction matches fast-running Yellow Cab of the Medford Independent loop with the Yreka All-Stars. Opening whistle has been scheduled for 8 p.m.

Actual strength of the All-Stars isn't known but the Californians likely will bring the best of the Yreka talent.

Yellow Cab is a favorite in the local loop and boasts some players long active in the Medford circuit plus some top talent from Portland AAU circles.

The American Football Coaches association Wednesday ap-



SEPARATING FIGHTERS, Edith Nassaria, German dancer, has hands full as Joe Louis (right), ex-heavyweight champ squares off against Peter Mueller, German middleweight contender, in Milwaukee. It is reported Louis will train Mueller. (International)

## MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS

## NCAA Officials Discuss Proposals On Controversial Video Problem; Coaches Approve Rule Changes

By STEVE SNIDER  
United Press Sports Writer  
New York — (U.P.) — That old debbil, television, was the No. 1 problem today as the NCAA delegates began round-table talks to determine the best way to give their product away and also have people pay for it.

Six proposals were known to be up for discussion in an attempt to find a television program which would be suitable to major and minor college, the major networks and especially to the powerful Big Ten and Pacific Coast conferences.

The No. 1 compromise proposal, revealed Wednesday by the United Press, would call for a "half and half" program. Under this proposal, a single college game would be televised nationally on five Saturdays with regional telecasts scheduled for the other five Saturdays.

The other known proposals call for almost everything from a repeat of the 1954 program to a return to the unrestricted telecasts which the small colleges claim would ruin attendance at their games.

The other "compromise programs" are as follows:  
1. A national regional program permitting telecasts of one home game and one road game on a regional basis in addition to one national telecast.

2. Televising one home game and one road game — with only one of them permitted on a national network.

3. A regional plan without any national television — one home and one away game per college.

4. The ECAC's plan: Same framework as 1954 but the choice of the nationally televised game to be made about five days before the game.

Following today's discussion, a straw vote will be taken and the "favored" program passed along to the NCAA Television committee. The committee, however, has authority to determine the 1955 program without regard to the outcome of the straw vote. The 1955 committee will be named on Saturday.

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## Talent Favored As B Loop Awaits Openers On Friday

Jackson County B League basketball aggregations commence another conference campaign Friday night with Talent the defending champion and with every indication that other members of the circuit will find the going rough in trying to knock the crown from the head of the Bulldogs.

Opening struggles take Talent to Jacksonville, Butte Falls to St. Mary's and Rogue River to Prospect. Varsity games are set for 8 p.m. with Jayvee contests slated for 6:45 p.m.

Two league members have non-counting tussles with Class A teams on Saturday night. Rogue River plays at Phoenix and Talent at Eagle Point.

Talent on the basis of pre-conference record has been established as heavy favorite to retain the toga. In 10 encounters the Bulldogs bowed only to Powers and their victories were over members of the loop or even quintets that won over B league participants.

How the other teams may finish in the campaign is much more difficult to forecast. The line-up at the end could be much the same as in 1954 when Rogue River was second, St. Mary's third, Jacksonville fourth, Butte Falls fifth and Prospect last. But the race may prove tighter between top and bottom teams.

Possible Pitfalls  
While they realize there are a lot of possible pitfalls in the race ahead, the Bulldogs look back on triumphs over both St. Mary's and Jacksonville. They have turned back Eagle Point which beat Rogue River and Phoenix which downed Jack-

sonville. One of these victims, St. Mary's stopped Prospect. There's scant means of comparison between St. Mary's and Rogue River but what there is, if comparative scores can be used, seems to show a slight St. Mary's edge. St. Mary's holds one win over Butte Falls and another over Prospect and has beaten the Southern Oregon college junior varsity which downed Jacksonville.

Last year Prospect failed to win a league game but the Cougars may be tougher this year. They gave St. Mary's a real battle in the non-loop encounter. Result of a Prospect-Butte Falls engagement of last month was not learned so that outcome is not available as a basis for comparison.

## Red, Blue Shoot On January 30

Medford Gun club's annual Red and Blue team shoot has been scheduled for January 30 and the annual meeting and dinner of the organization will be held on February 2.

Wilton White, who will captain the Blues has advised Paul Culbertson, leader of the Reds to get his shooters together and get lots of practice. Losing team will serve the annual dinner.

Charles Bendell broke 99 out of 100 Sunday in 16-yard activity at the club. George Jantzer had 92 out of 100 and Martin Clogston 71 out of 75. In handicapped shooting Ray Coleman had 45 out of 50 and Clogston was high at skeet with 22.

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