

Free-Wheeling Medford Five Coasts by Ashland, 71-46; Klamath Tops Grants Pass

SOUTHERN OREGON CONFERENCE STANDINGS (Friday Night) table with columns for team, W, L, Pct.

There's a pattern which has become familiar this season as the persistent, free-wheeling Medford high school basketball quintet whirls along.

That was much the routine again Friday night as the Medford prepsters raced to a 71 to 46 victory over Ashland on the Tornado court.

While the Tornado still held the lone conference lead Friday night, Klamath Falls was right behind. The Pelicans handed the Grants Pass Cavemen their third loop loss, 53 to 41, and there was good evidence that Klamath is the club which will give Medford most trouble in its drive for the conference bunting.

Ran Hard Ashland's Grizzlies, who worked and handled the ball well, seldom used out-and-out freeze tactics Friday in their effort to upset the Tornado.

The Medfordites were able to race in or feed in for many close shots—not a great number were from far out—and took advantage for 30 field goals, one less than in the 36 to 37 win over Grants Pass a week ago.

A Medford pass on the starting tip off play was partly blocked, but Bud Kastner plunked the ball in the hoop for the first bucket of night. Medford led throughout the game.

The Tornado gap was briefly 4 to 3 in the opening minutes. Scores by Kastner, Jerry Kalapus, Glenn Peterson and Frank Rector for Medford, while Gene Parent got a gift heave for Ashland, made it 13 to 4. With more than six minutes played in the panel, Parent got Ashland's first field shot. It was followed by a goal by Stuart Baker, two free heaves by Phil Sword and a fielder by Jerry Mickle while, for Medford, Larry Coppel canned a free one. Count at the end of the quarter was 14 to 12.

In the fore part of the second quarter a shot from the side by Peterson was followed by a jumper by Kastner, a rebound goal and jumper by Kalapus and a fast break basket by Rector. In the meantime Baker got a singleton gift. Medford's command was established with that 24 to 13 lead. Ashland cut the spread to seven points at 26 to 19, 28 to 21 and 30 to 23. But, at the end of the half Medford had Ashland by 13 points, 36 to 23.

Coppel, who had only three points in the first half warmed and headed a Medford 19-point assault in the third quarter with 10 markers. The Tornado scored almost all the goals in the period close in, two or three of them on fast breaks. Peterson, 6-foot 4 1/2 inches, dribbled nearly the length of the floor after busting the Ashland offense to lay-in a two-pointer. Widest Tornado lead of the chucker was 23 points. At the end of the quarter it was 22 markers, 55 to 33.

As the fourth canto opened John Foust scored on the tip-off. Kalapus put in a charity toss and Coppel hit from the field. That made the standing 60 to 33, a 27 point bulge and Medford's biggest.

Reserves began to filter into the Medford line-up and with 4 1/2 minutes left to play and the score 63 to 40 an all reserve Tornado quint was on the floor. Ashland also wound-up with a crew of pre-dominately reserves.



BALL PLUNKED IN—Bill Cochran (33), 6-4 reserve Medfordite, puts in a shot for the Black Tornado after getting the ball on a rebound in the closing part of the basketball fracas here Friday night with Ashland. Up with him from the melee, to Cochran's left is teammate John Foust. Back to camera is Ashland's Phil Sword (39).

producing was well shared. Peterson and Kastner were credited with seven rebounds apiece, Kalapus and Coppel with five each and Ed Reinking and Bill Cochran with four each.

Coppel picked up 16 points, Kalapus 14, Rector 12, Kastner nine and Peterson eight. Baker of Ashland tied with Coppel for high point honors, shooting with considerable accuracy when he was open.

Medford had a 536 field goal average with 30 out of 56. Ashland put in only 14 field shots but from the free line cashed in on 18 out of 22 tries. Sword got six chances and made them all. The Tornado also got 22 gift opportunities and made 11.

The Tornado concludes the first half of its season next week end playing Klamath Falls here.

High School Scores

Table of high school scores for Friday games, listing schools and final scores.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS

Talent, Rogue River Mix Tuesday For Front Position in B Circuit; Bulldogs, Chiefs, Redskins Win

JACKSON COUNTY B LEAGUE STANDINGS table with columns for team, W, L, Pct.

Rogue River high and Talent clash Tuesday for the lone leadership of the Jackson County B Basketball League. The encounter will be at Rogue River.

Stage for the conflict was set Friday night when Rogue River ran over Butte Falls 83 to 59 and Talent lashed St. Mary's of Medford 60 to 27. The victories left the defending champion Bulldogs and Rogue River's Chiefs the only unblemished clubs in the circuit. Each posted its second win.

Jacksonville gained a one-win, one-loss record in the B loop Friday by subduing Prospect 65 to 48.

Games in addition to the headliner on Tuesday will be Jacksonville at St. Mary's and Prospect at Butte Falls.

Loggers Fought Hard Butte Falls fought hard Friday night despite the bulging 24-point winning margin of the Chiefs who were hosts for the first-running fracas.

Lee Abbott of the Loggers was top pointmaker with 20. He was followed closely by Gary Johnson of Rogue River, and Don Ellis of Butte Falls. Each got 19.

Talent was hot and St. Mary's was just the opposite. And that was the story as the Bulldogs rolled with period spreads of 15 to 3, 31 to 9 and 49 to 15 at Talent. The Crusaders of Medford had been reported fired up for the skirmish.

George Zickefoose was the big gun for the Bulldogs. He was great on defense and gathered in 13 rebounds. Laval Meunier of St. Mary's and J. Lloyd Wood of Talent each had 13 tallies.

Cougars Lead at Half Talent got better than half of the rebounds with Jim McAbee collecting 14.

At Jacksonville, the Redskins led 16 to 9 at the end of the opening stanza but Prospect warmed up and Jacksonville's Harold Jordan suffered an injury. Halfway score favored the Cougars 30 to 28. Jacksonville

Ridden by the famed Willie Shoemaker, Poona II finished better than four lengths in front of the Calumet Farm entry of Miz Clementine and Duke's Lea in his fantastic victory. His time was 1:40 4/5. The world's record of 1:41 was set by Count Speed in 1947 at Golden Gate Fields. It also, of course, bettered the track record of 1:41 3/5 held by Snow Boots.

Poona Sets New Record

Arcadia, Calif. — (U.P.) — Irish-bred Poona II raced to a new world's record for a mile and a sixteenth in the \$28,100 San Fernando Stakes at Santa Anita Saturday as the favored Determiner finished fourth in seven starters.

Carrying 112 pounds to Determine's 126, Poona took the lead going into the first turn and just stayed there. It was that simple. And without hardly varying their finish order Miz Clementine and Duke's Lea followed him with Determine staying in fourth position all the way.

Judge's Opinion Disagreed with By Boxing Men

Boston — (U.P.) — Boxing circles disagreed Saturday with a judge's opinion that the death of Los Angeles heavyweight Ed Sanders last month amounted to legalized murder.

Reporting on an inquest into Sanders' death in the ring, Chief Justice Elijah Adlow of Municipal Court had said the Navy Negro should not have been allowed to fight Willie James at Boston Garden last Dec. 12.

Sanders, a former Olympic titlist, died of a brain hemorrhage shortly after the scheduled 12-round match was stopped in the 11th round.

Matchmaker Sam Sullivan of the Callahan Athletic Club, promoters of the Sanders-James bout, accused Judge Adlow Friday night of being "unqualified to call the Ed Sanders-Willie James bout a mis-match." The jurist "hasn't seen a half dozen fights in his life," Silverman added.

Dr. Samuel Sandler (physician for the state boxing commission, said he had the highest respect for Adlow "as a judge and as a man," but said he couldn't agree that Sanders did not die accidentally.

"He was in excellent condition when I examined him after the 10th round," Dr. Sandler said.

Cleveland — (U.P.) — Veteran right-hander Bob Feller, the dean of Major League pitchers, Friday signed his 17th contract with the Cleveland Indians for an estimated \$30,000, about the same he received last year.

Beavers Speed Floor Game To Trounce Huskies 66-38

Corvallis — (U.P.) — Oregon State speeded up its floor game here Friday night to win its third straight Northern Division basketball game, beating helpless Huskies of Washington, 66-38.

The Huskies couldn't buy a basket, and during one period in the second half made only two field goals in 13 minutes of play. The Huskies hand an ice cold .172 shooting percentage, to .407 for the Beavers.

Wade (Swede) Halbrook, seven-foot three-inch OSC center, scored 16 points for game honors, followed by OSC Guard Larry Paulus with 11. Gary Nelson, Washington's seven-foot center, led the Huskies with nine points.

Youth, Odds Favor West In Pro Bowl

Los Angeles — (U.P.) — Youth, speed and the odds are with Buck Shaw's Western All-Stars in today's fifth annual Pro Bowl classic as they face a bunch of seasoned, if not down right aged gentlemen from the National Football League's eastern division.

More than 60,000 fans, lured by the promise of good weather, are expected in Memorial Coliseum to watch the charity game, which will be preceded by a special mile race featuring Wes Santee, the Kansas distance star.

The West is rated a 3 1/2 point favorite on the strength of its three speedy, young ends, Billie Wilson of the San Francisco 49ers, Harlon Hill of the Chicago Bears, and Bob Boyd of the Los Angeles Rams. Doing the West's throwing will be Y. A. Tittle of the Rams.

Otto Graham, finishing what he says is his last season of pro ball at the age of 33, heads a list of nine Easterners who are 30 years or older.

But consider these decrepit old men: Chuck Bednarik, 30, Eagles, considered the best linebacker in the NFL; Frank Gatski, 32, the Cleveland Browns' flawless offensive center; Lou Groza, 30, the Browns' indispensable "toe"; Frank Kilroy, 34, middle guard and mainstay of the Eagle's fine defensive line.

Dead line for Sunday Classified is at noon Saturday.

MJHS Nicks Ashlanders

Medford junior high ninth grade had a bad afternoon on the basketball court Friday but managed to hold its Ashland foe and get a 26 to 24 nod.

The Bulldogs could get a fairly good lead but couldn't hold it that way and Ashland threatened the Medfordites in the closing minutes.

Medford went into the last period leading 20 to 18. Two baskets by Jim Funston and one by Tom Hamlin made it 26 to 18. The Bulldogs looked safe but S. Peterson and H. Bear sank long shots for Ashland and in the last minute of play J. Tobiasson sank two free goals to make the finish a tense one.

Score after one quarter was 6-all. At the half Medford was on top 15 to 9.

The scheduled eighth grade scuffle was cancelled because of Ashland's inability to put a team on the floor. A short scrimmage between the Medford eighth and ninth grade jayvees preceded regular the hassle.

All three Medford junior high clubs play at Eagle Point on Monday. Seventh graders vie at 5:30 p.m., eighth graders at 6:30 p.m. and ninth graders at 7:30 p.m.

Johnson of Marshfield All-American Selection

Oklahoma City — (U.P.) — Johnny Johnson, 166-pound scabback from Marshfield high of Coos Bay, Ore., yesterday was named to the second squad of the National high school all-American football team.

Selections were made by the Wigwam Wisemen of America, sponsors of the annual all-American prep game held each August at Memphis, Tenn. The two teams were chosen from a list of 2356 prep players nominated by coaches, newspapers and radio and TV stations.

Middlecoff Leads Golf Play Midway

Pebble Beach, Calif. — (U.P.) — Dr. Cary Middlecoff, the Memphis dentist now playing out of Kiamasha Lake, N. Y., vaulted into the lead midway through the second day of the \$15,000 Bing Crosby National Pro-Amateur Golf Tournament Saturday with a 36-hole total of 138.

Pushing through a rainstorm that bogged the course down with soggy fairways and mushy greens, Middlecoff scored his second straight 69 to take a narrow lead over the rain-coated field.

Right behind him, each with 139, came Stan Leonard, the veteran shot-maker from Vancouver, B. C., and young Bobby Rosburg of San Francisco.

Rosburg, one of the new sensations of the tournament trail, had a great 67 on the Country Club course, where the wind isn't quite as strong as at Cypress Point. Leonard had a 73 after his opening round of 66.

Tournament favorite Gene Littler of Palm Springs, the imper-perturbable heir-apparent to Ben Hogan crown, came in with his second straight 70 for a 140 total—just where he likes to be with the final round coming up.

Among the other leaders were Jerry Kesselring, Toronto, Can., and Fred Wampler, Indianapolis, each with 142 totals.

There was a run-away in the making in the pro-amateur division, where Rosburg, teamed with Hank Mann of San Francisco, had a two-day total of 123 strokes on best-ball rounds of 62-61.

WSC to Host Skiers In PNW Contests

Kimberley, B.C. — (U.P.) — Washington State College will host Skiers and Jumpers of the Pacific Northwest at an intercollegiate ski meet here Feb. 12-13, it was announced Saturday.

About 70 skiers took part in the meet here last year. It will be the second time the inter-collegiate contests have been held here.

Advertisement for Good Year tires featuring a large image of a tire and text: 'For Top Skid Protection', 'SUBURBANITE NEW TREADS by GOOD YEAR', 'Up to 91% more "start-ability"', 'Up to 39% more "stop-ability"', 'Quieter operation on dry roads', 'Trade Slip For Grip Now! MEDFORD TIRE SERVICE, Inc. 123 South Riverside Phone 2-6314'