

Yellow Cab Wins 74-56 Over Firmco

Who is the independent basketball power of southern Oregon? Could it be Yellow Cab of Medford?

The Cabbies, unmarred co-leader in the Medford Independent league, lashed Firmco of Myrtle Creek 74 to 56 here last night and the victory was more decisive than the final tabulation indicated.

Firmco came to Medford riding on the crest of 11 straight victories this season. Only last week the Douglas county quint was ballyhooed as the court titan in this area. That was right after Firmco tipped the Cabbies 85 to 81 at Myrtle Creek.

Yellow Cab, spurred by the shooting of Ed Hummel, Don Wendt, Johnny Foster and Bill Werner and the backboard work of Foster, Hummel and Chuck Stacy, won last night on its 28-point outburst in the third quarter. The Medford team headed only 32 to 31 going into the second half.

While the Cabbies were on their scoring binge, Myrtle Creek got only six tallies. That made the count 60 to 37 for three periods.

Wendts Hits 10
Don Wendt topped the spree with 10 points, Ed Hummel got eight, with six on free shots.

The Medford margin mounted to 33 points, at 72 to 39, in the closing panel. With the score 74 to 43, reserves took over completely for the Cabbies. Firmco whittled down the margin with a free shot and six field goals.

The game was tied seven times in the first half and the lead switched four times although Yellow Cab once had a bulge of seven markers. Medford's strong independents had an 18 to 14 gap at the end of the first stanza but lost their lead when Bob Stumpges shot made it 29 to 29 for Myrtle Creek. Hummel tied up the game with a gift throw and put the Cabbies on top with another. From that point Yellow Cab kept the lead.

Andy's Jewelers, who share the lead in the MBLI, with the Cabbies, get a crack next week at the Cab's mythical title. The two clubs meet in non-league play next Wednesday, Jan. 26, in a March of Dimes benefit clash at the senior high. It will be the first meeting of the two.

A means of pre-game comparison will be provided Saturday night when Yellow Cab plays Hal's Sport shop at Klamath Falls. Andy's whipped Hal's last week end here.

In a preliminary fray last night Talent grade school bounced St. Mary's 29 to 14.

LINE-UPS:
Yellow Cab 74
Hummel 21
Foster 14
Stacy 9
Wendt 10
Werner 12
Substitutions—For Yellow Cab, Moore, Hite 2, Johnson, Harris, Knutson, Kline, for Firmco, Gulbranson, Harold, Junk, etc.

ONE OF WORST
The 66-38 loss to Oregon State last Friday goes down as the worst defeat a University of Washington basketball team ever suffered in Northern Division play and the third worst in Washington history. Only two beatings were more one-sided—a 76-39 loss to Gonzaga in 1944 at Spokane and a 41-9 loss to Oregon State in 1918 at Seattle.

That was before Edmundson pavilion was constructed, though, and the worst the Huskies have been beaten on the pavilion floor is by a 22-point margin. The Alumni in 1940, the Coast Guard in 1945 and Oregon State's Coast champs in 1947 are co-holders of the Pavilion mark.

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SPORTS

Participation By Halbrook Against UO Seems Doubtful

Corvallis — (U.P.)—Wade (Swede) Halbrook had a confidential discussion with Coach Slats Gill yesterday and announced he planned to remain at Oregon State but it seemed doubtful if the seven-foot, three-inch basketball star would play in the crucial Northern Division games with Oregon tonight and tomorrow night.

Halbrook was suspended from the team Tuesday for failure to attend classes. Reports circulated yesterday that he was going to join Buchan Bakers, a Seattle independent team composed of former college stars. He had a reservation to fly to Seattle yesterday evening and had received faculty signatures to class withdrawal slips.

Not Reinstated
Then came the talk with Gill. Afterward, Halbrook said that he planned to remain at Oregon State but said Gill had not reinstated him on the team.

Halbrook told his mother on the telephone yesterday he was out of the Oregon series, but he said later, "Maybe I'll be in Seattle next week." Oregon State meets Washington in Seattle next week.

Yesterday was Halbrook's 22nd birthday. He admitted he was tired and missed a class Monday afternoon.

Gun Club Slates February Action

Members of the Medford Gun club will hold their first registered event of the year, the early spring trapshoot on February 26 and 27, club officials have announced.

The club will also participate in the Pendleton East Oregonian trapshoot. This 10-week event will start on February 13 and will conclude on April 23 and 24 with a shoot-off in Portland.

Practice in skeet, 16-yard and handicap shooting is scheduled Sunday, January 23 at the Medford club. Shooting will start at 10 a. m. Practice will get members sharpened for the annual Red and Blue team shoot on January 30. That shoot is a preliminary to the annual dinner and meeting on Wednesday, February 2.

Jim Horn had high gun last Sunday in 16-yard practice with 49 out of 50. Other scores included Ray Coleman 48, Martin Clogston 48, George Janter 47, Bill Thomas 46 and Paul Culbertson 46. Horn also was tops in handicap action with 44 out of 50.

Card Contract Signed by Larson

Berkeley, Calif. — (U.P.)—Paul Larson, the nation's leading passer, for the 1954 collegiate football season, revealed today he had signed a one-year, \$13,000 contract with the professional Chicago Cardinals.

Larson, quarterback last season for California, said he mailed the contract to Cardinal officials last night.

Mountaineers Hosts To OCE Hoop Quintet
By UNITED PRESS
League-leading Eastern Oregon College of Education hosts Oregon College of Education at La Grande in the top Oregon Collegiate Conference series this weekend.

Portland State meets Oregon Tech at Klamath Falls tonight and tomorrow night, in the only other OCC games on tap this weekend.

UO TEAMS COMPETE
University of Oregon, Eugene — (Special)—Oregon's varsity and freshman wrestling teams travel to Washington State this week end for their stiffest competition of the season and the Duck swimming team will be at home for a non-conference meet with the Multnomah Athletic club as part of the heavy winter sports schedule.

MICKEY WRIGHT LEADS
Tampa, Fla. — (U.P.)—Veterans of the women's golf circuit trailed 19-year-old Mickey Wright of San Diego, Calif., today as she teed off in the second round of the \$5,000 Tampa Women's Open tournament with a two-stroke lead.

BASKETBALL
THURSDAY COLLEGE SCORES
East: Colgate 63, Cornell 57
Midwest: Wichita 74, Seattle 71
Ontario 92, Simpson 67
Southwest: Texas A&M 89, LSU 47
Tulsa 49, Oklahoma City 42

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OUT FROM UNDER—That's what Boston's Bill Sharman is doing as he steals the ball—literally—from two West players during the fifth annual East-West All-Star game in New York. Jim Pollard (17) of Minneapolis is West player with back to camera. East won, 100-91.

Bulldog, Pointer Quintets Divide At Central Point

Medford and Central Point basketball crews split two games at Central Point last night with Central Point nabbing the eighth grade ruckus 39 to 30 and Medford taking the seventh grade brush 25 to 16.

Wayne Allen with 19 points and Jerome McQuade with 12 sparked the Pointer eighth graders. They were standouts in all-around play as were Fred Funston and John Harvey of the Medford squad. Funston was Medford's top scorer with nine.

Halftime scored favored Central Point 23 to 15. Medford's Don Peek contributed to the Pointer cause with one field goal.

The Medford seventh headed the Pointers 16 to 8 at the half. Jerry Anderson and Lynn Knight, Medford, were high scorers with eight each.

LINE-UPS:
Med. 7th 25
Hamilton
Deakins 2
Knight 5
Anderson 8
Olson
Substitutions—For Medford, Konepasek, Quinney, McGill 7, Moore, Frohmayer, Dunn, Durkee, Morris; for Central Point, Ahorn 2.

CP 8th 39
McQuade 12
Beach 4
Barnes 2
Allen 19
Clark 6
Substitutions—For Central Point, White, Legler; for Medford, Pond, Monroe, Lyons.

Charlie Powell Earns Decision

Los Angeles — (U.P.)—Former professional football star Charlie Powell pounded out a unanimous 10-round decision over Germany's Hans Friedrich last night at Olympic Auditorium.

Powell, fighting for the first time since he suffered a seventh-round technical knockout against Charlie Norkus, won every round but failed in a desperate attempt to score a knockout.

The former San Francisco Forty Niner staggered Friedrich in the second, third and 10th rounds with hard left jabs and hooks to the body, but was unable to down his lighter and erratic opponent.

Pacific Badgers Face Willamette Bearcats
By UNITED PRESS
Pacific University cagers clash with Willamette's Bearcats at Salem tonight and at Forest Grove Saturday night in the top Northwest Conference basketball series this weekend.

In the only other league action scheduled, Linfield meets Lewis & Clark at McMinnville Saturday night.

Pacific, with a 4-1 conference record, has lost only to College of Idaho this season. The Badgers have won 11 out of 12 games. Willamette has lost three conference games.

NO BITE
Hartford, Conn. — (U.P.)—State Police Major George Remer was pleased when officers caught the thief who swiped his raincoat. But his elation turned sour when he reached into the pocket of the coat and failed to find the false teeth he had left there. The thief couldn't remember what he did with them.

OFF-SEASON HITS
Augusta, Me. — (U.P.)—Walt Drope, American League first baseman, is a member of Maine's "Biggest Bucks Club." Walt bagged a 234-pound buck deer in the Allagash wilderness and also shot a bobcat that brought him a \$15 bounty.

ROY HEWITT TAKES TOP SPOT IN RIFLE SHOOT
Roy Hewitt, the perennial first among the pistol shooters, reached the top spot in the regular rifle shoot Wednesday night of the Medford Rifle and Pistol club, leading all of the regular rifle hot shots.

High men were Hewitt 386, Lew Conger, 385, Harry Heidenreich, 385, Jim Bolton 380 and Clinton Charley 379.

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4-H Club News

Central Point Club
Kandy Kids 4-H Cooking Club met January 4, at the home of Margaret Taylor who gave a demonstration on how to bake an angel food cake.

We discussed getting a 4-H and American flag for the club.

Our leader gave us our assignments and we discussed them.

Next meeting will be on February 1st at the home of Sandra and Cheryl Ghelardi.

Prospect 4-H Canyon Club
The 4-H Canyon cooking club had their second meeting Jan. 19. Helen Janzer did the measuring demonstration for the first year groups. Sally and Jill did a demonstration on setting the table. Both of the demonstrations were very good. We have three new members, Linda Paten, Deane Ellis, and Donna Ellis.

We played one game then went home. Our meetings last from 4 to 5 p.m. The next meeting will be held at Jill Hedgepeth's Feb. 2, after school.

Reporter, Laura Bean.



LOSING FOOTING while trying to stop Rochester's Bob Wanser, West All Stars, Bob Cousy, famous Boston basketballer, playing with East, almost falls during spectacular game won by East 100-91 at New York's Madison Square Garden. (International)

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—NINE

City Officials Get Cheap Repair Job

Guthrie, Ky. — (U.P.)—This city has a newly surfaced street that cost little because of the enterprise of city officials. It came about this way:

Some prankster released the brakes on a railroad tank car which was filled with oil. The brakes on a railroad tank car which was filled with oil. The car rolled down the tracks and banged into a railroad car. The oil tank sprang a leak.

A switch engine promptly pulled the leaky car away, parking it near Front Street. All the oil then leaked onto Front Street, which badly needed a repair job.

City officials, unwilling to miss out on a good thing, got road repair crews out. The crews promptly spread gravel over the spilled oil, and tamped it down into a solid, new road surface.

Measure To Allow Emergency Clause In Taxes Offered

Salem — (U.P.)—A bill to ban the prohibition of the emergency clause on revenue measures was introduced in the Senate yesterday, with the signatures of more than two-thirds of the senators and 50 per cent of the house members.

Sen. Lee Ohmart, who introduced the bill, said both Republicans and Democrats have signed the measure.

Can Fire Referendum
Sen. Ohmart said that under the present law no revenue measure can become effective before 90 days after it is enacted. In that period, a referendum petition with some 20,000 signatures can be filed in which case the measure is held up until the following general election.

Ohmart said "this measure hits right into the heart of the tax problem of Oregon. Over \$100,000,000 in the present budget has been voted by the people and yet we do not have the tools to work with. Under the present constitutional prohibition, the Legislature is unable to work out an orderly tax program with any assurance that the measure passed or amended will become effective during the following biennium."

Effective Immediately
Should the emergency clause be removed, a sales tax could be passed by the Legislature declaring it an emergency and it would go into effect immediately if the governor should sign it.

That way Oregon would have a sales tax for at least until the following general election. Several legislators feel that if the people "lived with the sales tax" for two years they would not reject it.

Too Many Farmers in Some Parts of Country

Washington — (U.P.)—Here's how an Agriculture Department report on farm population indicated Thursday that there are too many farmers in some parts of the country.

"The high rate of migration from farms has tended to result in a somewhat more favorable relationship of population to the farm resource base in some areas. In other areas, even though migration has been heavy, the relationship is still not particularly favorable."



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