

MHS Given Unanimous First Place

Portland — (U.P.) — Medford today ranked as the No. 1 high school basketball team in the state in the Oregon Journal Coach's poll.

The Black Tornado was the unanimous choice of all eight coaches participating in the voting.

Defending state champion Milwaukie was in second place and Eugene was third. Unbeaten St. Helens advanced to fourth.

The first 10 rankings:

1. Medford.
2. Milwaukie.
3. Eugene.
4. St. Helens.
5. North Bend.
6. Cleveland.
7. Astoria.
8. Albany.
9. South Salem.
10. Beaverton and Pendleton tie.

Mays Gets Hickok Belt

Rochester, N. Y. — (U.P.) — Dapper Willie Mays, a fellow with a flashy wardrobe, had a \$10,000 diamond-studded belt to go with it today as his reward for being named the Professional Athlete of the Year by the Hickok Belt Company.

Mays, the happy-go-lucky center fielder of the New York Giants who won the National League batting title and Most Valuable Player award for 1954, received the belt at the annual Rochester Press and Radio Club dinner Monday night.

In the voting for the gold-buckled and bejeweled belt by sports writers and broadcasters, Mays received a total of 214 points with 57 first-place votes. Otto Graham, veteran quarterback of the Cleveland Browns, was runner-up with 75 points, including 10 first-place votes, while Mays' teammate, south-paw Johnny Antonelli, finished third with 87 points and 13 first-place votes.

Eagle Point Girls Help March of Dimes

Eagle Point — Three third grade students in the Eagle Point school have the spirit of the March of Dimes.

The students, Donna Lynn Geren, Linda Wheatman and Marsha Pulley, planned, produced and directed a play which they called the "Variety Show." They presented their program before first, second and third grade pupils and teachers during and afternoon recreation period at the school.

Admission was a penny for students and five cents for teachers. The girls proudly turned over \$1.23 to the campaign for funds to fight infantile paralysis.

BOWLING

ROGUE ROLLERS LEAGUE		Standings	
Burelson's	4	1	2
Chris Drugs	3	2	3
Radio's Green Lantern	2	3	4
B. & R. Auction	1	4	5
First National Bank	0	5	6
Clave Construction	0	6	7
Women of the Moose	0	7	8
C.K. Market	0	8	9
Rogue Sportman	0	9	10
Brooks Electric	0	10	11

Results:	
O.K. Market (6)	Burelson's (4)
L. Cross 270	V. Findley 418
Summerfield 330	V. Corby 418
D. Monroe 314	D. Doty 445
L. Calhoun 319	A. Housh 371
E. Lenz 429	J. McCready 441
Handicap	215
1928	2121

Rogue Spitzman (4)		Clave Const. (4)	
A. Wilson 323	D. Erickson 353		
K. Keener 292	V. Knos 432		
D. Webster 397	M. Boyd 332		
N. Roberts 338	A. Hoffman 377		
D. Ricka 337	J. Fresham 419		
Handicap	63		
1760	1909		

1st Nat Bank (3)		Chris Drugs (1)	
V. Abbott 272	F. Knos 419		
H. Read 382	B. Henson 426		
P. Benton 320	I. Forza 390		
D. Moley 319	E. Cabrer 340		
C. Sellsack 450	C. Lowd 438		
Handicap	324		
3033	2013		

B & R Auction (3)		Brooks Elec. (1)	
H. Hobbs 339	M. Snyder 382		
O. Wyatt 396	V. St. Hill 359		
A. Zenor 349	E. Housh 367		
V. Childers 351	G. Hayes 405		
G. Riggs 448	M. Durham 390		
Handicap	129		
3038	1904		

W.O.T.M. (2)		Green Lanterns (2)	
C. Thorson 315	O. Henson 398		
S. Coulter 305	M. Pierce 385		
D. Findley 292	M. Pierce 385		
J. Jordan 289	K. Smith 387		
E. Olson 381	F. Doty 384		
Handicap	318		
1900	1926		

FIGHTS

By UNITED PRESS
New York: Pete Adams, 155 1/2; Newark, N.Y., stopped Angelo Brisco, 155, Italy (9).
Brooklyn: Paddy Young, 168 1/2; New York, stopped Tony Johnson, 170, New York (5).
Providence, R. I.: Gordon Perry, 149; Providence, outpointed Bobby Barnes, 147; Buffalo, N.Y. (8).

BASKETBALL

MONDAY COLLEGE GAMES
South
Miami (Fla.) 84, Georgetown (DC) 81
Georgia 70, Georgia Tech 66
Memphis St. 104, Ark. St. 79
West Vir. 64, W. Tech 51
W. Kentucky 83, Tenn. Tech 71
Southwest (La.) 70, Centenary 68
Vanderbilt 66, David Lipscomb 61
Midwest
Colorado 78, Iowa State 71
Iowa 79, Okla. State 66
Minn. 102, Northwestern 82
Wichita 80, Drake 78
Southwest
Tulsa 67, Houston 64
Miss. 80, N. Texas 54, 78
Ark. 73, Texas A & I 61

Fanfare

By DICK JEWETT
Mail Tribune Sports Editor

Speed Prescott of the Ashland Daily Tidings has made mention of a new club in the Southern Oregon Conference. We were hesitant to say anything about it until we were sure Klamath high was a member. The basketball organization Speed spoke of is called the "we-got-clobbered-by-Medford club." Seems that, while the Black Tornado is ineligible for membership, it conducts the initiation.

HOME NEXT FEB. 12
It will be approximately three weeks before Medford high's maplecourt scorching cagers meet an adversary on their home court. Idle entirely this week, they have their next rivalry in non-conference brushes against Marshfield at Coos Bay on February 4 and 5. The Tornado resumes Southern Oregon Conference campaigning on February 11 at Grants Pass. Only the following night, Medford and the Cavemen, tussle here.

SITTING PRETTY
Right now, Medford is "sitting pretty" in its quest for the conference banner. All of its victories have been by convincing or substantial margins and only a complete reversal of form, apparently, could keep the Tornado from keeping the bunting. It's the hope that the long break between conference halves prevents just a breath catcher and doesn't break the winning charm.

Some victories still are necessary. Klamath Falls cannot be counted out. The Pelicans have four (two with Medford) of their six remaining games at home, while Medford will play four away. The Tornado has scored its most decisive triumphs this year on rival courts but Medford clubs, often in the past, have encountered trouble at Klamath Falls.

As the situation stands at present, Medford needs four

Gals Grapple At Ashland

Ashland — Five matches of professional wrestling are scheduled for the Armory, at Oak and B sts. here, tonight. The program is sponsored by the Ashland Junior Chamber of Commerce and all profits will go to the March of Dimes campaign.

Featured on the card will be four of the country's top feminine wrestlers. Jerry Hunter, said to rule the world's feminine middleweights, will clash with Jeanne Wilson, Miami, Fla. The other ladies' match pits Louise Taylor, Redmond, Ore. against Tiny Kim, Hawaiian Judo expert.

Following the regulation matches, the girls will return for a tag team affair, set for an hour or two out of three falls. The main event will be action between Yogi Hussane, 207-pounder from Istanbul, Turkey, and Johnnie Dobbs, 218, Omaha, Neb.

Tickets will be on sale at the door, which opens at 8:30 p.m.

OTI Awarded Springer Okayed

Portland — (U.P.) — Officials of the Oregon Collegiate Conference yesterday awarded the 1955 spring sports weekend to Oregon Tech at Klamath Falls.

The OCC presidents and coaches, at their annual winter meeting here, also completed football schedules for 1956 and 1957 and the basketball schedule for 1956.

The OCC track, baseball, tennis and golf titles will be determined at Klamath Falls on Saturday, May 21 with first-round baseball games the previous night.

Each of the five schools will continue to play four games against each other in basketball.

The OCC ruled that participants in game-conference or non-conference—must be eligible under conference rules. Previously, ineligibles sometimes appeared in non-conference games.

Another season of eligibility was granted LeRoy Springer, SOCE football end. He took part in two games played before the start of school at SOCE several years ago and then did not enroll until the following fall.

Nagy, Wene Champions In Bowling Tournament

Chicago — (U.P.) — Steve Nagy, who nearly missed qualifying for the finals in the 16th annual All Star bowling tournament, reigned as the national match game bowling champion.

New holder of the women's national match title, meanwhile, was Sylvia Wene, tiny fireball from Philadelphia, where she owns a grocery.

The two emerged as the country's best in match bowling early today after week-long play, which was marked by Nagy's slow rise from the 14th place where he landed after the first round.

Dead line for Sunday Classified is at noon Saturday.

wins to pick up the pennant although it can do it with three if it only splits each series with Grants Pass, Ashland, and Klamath.

INJURIES WORRY
There was some gritting of teeth before the Klamath Falls series opened last week because of the injuries to Bud Kastner, Glenn Peterson and Bob Tisdal. Kastner, who had a cord slippage behind his knee on Thursday, had trouble staying the game on Friday but on Saturday came through with probably his top all-around performance of the year and with his best scoring. Peterson, who turned an ankle in practice, was nevertheless able to claim seven rebounds one night and eight the next. Tisdal, who also had a turned ankle, was held out of action.

STATISTICS PLANNED
We plan to have some statistics on the Black Tornado later this week. They should help show what makes the Big Wind blow.

FOUR ON 1949 TEAM
Selection of Rocky Stone, Paul Eckel and Mike DeVore to the State squad for the Shrine high school all-star football game next August won't be the best representation Medford has had after all. Our recollections were wrong, we were informed by a reader. Medford has had four men on a Shrine squad, he said.

He was right about the number but wrong about the year. It was 1949 not 1950 and the four were Rich Riggs, Chuck Romine, Frits Brewer and Bill Mills. They were members of Medford's 1948 state semi-final team, coached by Lee Ragsdale, who helped coach the 1949 State Shrine club.

SCORERS LISTED
Results of all Medford Independent Basketball League games haven't been turned in to League Secretary Don Wendt. But here are the top scorers from records he has received as of last week end: Ed Hummel, Yellow Cab, 157; Wendt, Yellow Cab, 121; Bruce Bateman, Headquarters Company, 119; Johnny Foster, Yellow Cab, 102; Don Mintz, YMCA, 97; Richard Knutson, Yellow Cab, 84; John Drews, Headquarters, 81; Jim Linderman, Prospect, 71; Tom Rodgers, YMCA, 70; Stan Reed, Sacred Heart Church, 66.

LOGGERS COMING
Members of the Longview, Wash., Fernandez Loggers, who will play the Yellow Cab basketball team next Sunday at the St. Mary's gym include: Doug Logue, ex-Willamette; Bobby Ball, ex-Oregon State; Rooks: Fred Wilson, ex-Lewis and Clark; and Phil Brown, ex-Washington State.

NEWLAND SHINES
Dave Newland, ex-Medford high athlete and now a wrestler and trackman at University of Oregon, was the only Oregon grappler to win against Washington State on Saturday. Scrapping in the 147-pound class, the sophomore won by a pin. He also picked up a decision last week over a Multnomah Athletic club foe.

CARRIGAN STARTER

Gordon Carrigan, ex-Crater high star, has been in the starting line-up for the Oregon State college Rook basketball team. After scoring 22 points against Clark junior college last week, he went scoreless against the Oregon Frosh on Friday. On Saturday, when free shots were not taken but a point awarded on every foul, Carrigan was credited with 19 counters. Playing for the Frosh was Ted Tenney, ex-Ashland high.

Larry Bigham, ex-Crater mate of Carrigan's has been a starter for the Linfield college freshmen. Rollie Hartley, ex-Talent high and Southern Oregon college hoopman counted up 25 points the other night for George Fox college.

Gun Club Team Shoot on Sunday

One of the highlights of Medford Gun clubs shooting year is scheduled next Sunday, January 30, when members divide for the annual Red and Blue team shoot.

Paul Culbertson and Wilton White, Red and Blue captains, respectively, will choose a side from among members on the grounds with every paid up member on hand participating.

The Blues won last year. Members of the losing team will serve the annual dinner on Wednesday night, February 2, at the clubhouse. Competition Sunday will be prizes for members of the winning team.

In activity last Sunday Everett Gibson tied for top honors in two events. Gibson, Culbertson and Marita Clogston broke 47 out of 50 at 16 yards and Gibson and Harry Elden had 45 scores for handicap high. Clogston with 47 out of 50 was high skeet gunner.

Ray Coleman, Charles Bendell and Ed Henselman posted 48's at 16 yards and Coleman and Bernard Henry had 43's in handicap shooting.

OSC Slates UW Series; UO at Home

By NORMAN RITTER
United Press Sports Writer
San Francisco's cavernous Cow Palace provides the main course this week on a Pacific coast basketball menu that is spicy and appealing despite the semester-end vacations on most campuses.

Feature clash in the two nights of doubleheaders in the mammoth pavilion this week end brings together University of San Francisco, currently ranked fourth in the nation, and hot-shooting Stanford, tied with UCLA for the leadership of the Pacific Coast conference Southern division and fresh from a victorious Hawaiian tour.

Preceding the USF-Stanford encounter Friday will be a game between California and Santa Clara. The pairings will be switched Saturday when the Indians tangle with the Broncos and USF meets Cal.

In the Northwest, Oregon State will be aiming to run its Northern division victory skein to eight games when the Beavers journey to Seattle for a pair with Washington.

Beavers Take Two
The Beavers put down the biggest challenge to the successful defense of their division crown when they swept a two-game series with second place Oregon last week end.

Washington State's Cougars, who split with Washington in their week end series and thereby remained in a third place tie with the Huskies, travel across the state line for a two-game series with last place Idaho.

Oregon looks for trouble in a two game set-to with Brigham Young on the Webfoots' court.

Southern Cal opens play in the Hawaii invitational Wednesday while San Jose plays host to Cal Poly in the only significant mid-week action.

UCLA is counting on a pair of breathers before jumping back into the thick of the PCC fight next week. In the hosts' role both nights, the Bruins meet Santa Barbara Friday and Cal Poly Saturday.

In other games this week end San Francisco State plays Moffett field, Los Angeles State meets Cal Tech, Gonzaga opens a two-game series with Idaho State and Loyola invades the Northwest for action against Seattle U and Portland U.

Challenge, Dispute Slated In MOD Hoop Encounters

Andy's Jewelers challenge the southern Oregon basketball supremacy of Yellow Cab, the city policemen and firemen settle a dispute about their athletic activities, Mayor Earl Miller and City Manager Robert Duff test their respective eyes for the basket and the March of Dimes fund, to aid the fight against infantile paralysis, will receive the benefits Wednesday night at the senior high school gymnasium.

The evening's program has been arranged by Charles E. Jones, special events chairman for the March of Dimes, and by Bill Singler, president of the Medford Independent Basketball League.

Main game of the night matches the Jewelers and Cabmen at 8:30 o'clock. The two, each unbeaten in the MIBL, have won seven games apiece and have yet to meet in the circuit. This will be a non-league encounter while bringing together the best of the city hoop has to offer.

Out To Show Cops
The police and firemen, while relegated to preliminary status at 7:15 p.m., will be out to make a real double feature of the evening. "We're out to show the cops that we can play better basketball than they can," Capt. Dale Davis of the fire department reported. He added, "It might be a better game than people are figuring on."

Duff and Miller do their part in a free throw contest with the loser to give \$5 to the March of Dimes. Some ping pong is also planned.

The Jewelers may pick their starting line-up from among Derold Wooton, Jack Boardman, Bob Shores, Loren Soderlund, Bill Kramer, Willard Lilly, Bob Fasel and LaRue Smith. All are ex-Medford high cagers. Yellow Cab may call on Ed Hummel, Johnny Foster, Chuck Stacy, Bill Werner and Don Wendt. Don Harris, Max Hite and Dick Knutson are among leading reserves.

DEER TROUBLE

Hardland, N. H. — (U.P.) — After shooting a deer on Hurricane Hill here, Larry Sablin lost his way and didn't emerge from the woods until four hours later. While making the trip to safety he left behind his gun and the deer and lost a shoe. All were recovered the next morning.

KRAUSE SIGNS

Salem — (U.P.) — Mel Krause, former University of Oregon basketball and baseball star and now a hoop coach at Franklin high in Portland, became the first player to sign with Salem for the 1955 season in the new Northwest league. Krause is an infielder.

The Army Field Band has traveled more than 300,000 miles during the past eight years.

West Teams Move Up In Poll

By NORMAN MILLER
New York — (U.P.) — Kentucky and North Carolina State, ranked 1, 2 by the United Press Board of Coaches, were joined today by George Washington among the top 10 teams to emphasize Southern college basketball ascendancy.

Northwestern, which took over the Big Ten conference lead last weekend, was another newcomer

notch over last week, Utah moved up three places, and UCLA, three.

LaSalle, the coaches' pre-season choice for the mythical national championship, fell from second to sixth place after losing to North Carolina State. This was the Explorer's lowest rating this season. Illinois, third last

week, tumbled all the way to a tie for ninth, a Big Ten setback.

The week's two newcomers among the top 10 replaced Missouri and Minnesota. Missouri, Minnesota, 10th last week, fell into a tie for 14th with Holy Cross and Niagara. Dayton, Stanford, Oregon State and St. Louis completed the second 10 group.

New York — (U.P.) — Oregon State's Beavers, who lead the Northern Division with a 6-0 mark, rank in 19th place in this week's United Press national basketball ratings. Other coast teams in the top 20 include San Francisco, third; UCLA, seventh; and Stanford, 18th.

er among the 10 leaders as the teams below top-ranked Kentucky were drastically shuffled for the first time in the past four weeks.

Kentucky, with 11 victories in its first 12 games, was ranked No. 1 for the fifth week in a row, and North Carolina State 16-3 jumped three notches to second place.

George Washington, with a 1-3 record, advanced 10 places to eighth, while Northwestern 8-4, unrunked the week before, moved all the way to a tie for ninth place with Illinois.

The coaches, basing their ratings on games played through Saturday night, Jan. 22, ranked San Francisco 12-1, Utah 13-2, Duquesne 9-3, LaSalle 13-4, and UCLA 11-3 third to seventh in that order.

Wildcats Get 24 of 35
Coach Adolph Rupp's Wildcats received 24 first-place votes from the 35 leading coaches who make up the United Press rating board and a total of 333 out of a possible 350 points. N. C. State had one first-place vote and 250 points.

The South, which not many years ago produced college basketball pushovers, thus was represented this week the nation's No. 1, 2 and 8 teams, and had eight schools among the 38 which received points in this week's voting.

Three other teams attracted first place votes this week, one of them outside the top 10. San Francisco, which ranked not far behind N. C. State with 238 points, was the top choice of seven coaches, while fourth-ranked Utah was the pick of two. Holy Cross, tied for 14th this week, received the other first-place ballot.

San Francisco advance one

Ticket Sale Boost Told By Majors

By UNITED PRESS
Twelve of 16 major league clubs report substantial increase in their advance ticket sales and thus indicate an attendance boom in baseball this year, according to a United Press survey.

None of the big league clubs reported a decrease. The remaining four clubs announced that advance ticket sales were about the same as a year ago or that they had not checked their books.

Milwaukee club officials said the Braves might top the all-time National League attendance mark they set in 1954. The Braves already have sold 11,307 season tickets for their park which seats 44,081 and are getting ready to call a halt when the 12,000 level is reached. Giants Tickets Going Fast

For the first time in several seasons, the world champion Giants report a heavy run on season tickets while the Dodgers report more than \$100,000 in the till.

The Phillies are running 8 to 10 per cent ahead of last year without any special ticket promotion campaign and advance sales are up 12 per cent at Cincinnati. Advance ticket sales in St. Louis are "moving better than a year ago" with a total advance sale expected to better \$500,000.

Pittsburgh's advance so far is \$308,053, an increase of \$2,195 from a year ago even though the Pirates finished in eighth place for the third straight season in 1954. The Cubs had no figures because they do not start their tabulation until March 1.

Athletics Going Strong
In the American League, the Athletics, recently moved to Kansas City, already have sold \$600,000 worth of season boxes. Business manager Parke Carroll said "we're a cinch to top 1 million dollars in advances before the season opens."

The Orioles say "there is much more money in the bank so far, even though tickets have been on sale just since Monday." The Yankees, with their usual long waiting list, are doing well on combination plans for reserved seats. Washington's ticket department also claims season ticket sales are "well over last year."

Cleveland, Detroit and Boston each reported their advance sales "about the same as last year."

Corvallis Writes Protest Letter

Corvallis — (U.P.) — A letter which protests Albany high school's 57-55 double-overtime basketball victory over Corvallis last Friday night was en route to the Oregon School Activities Association today.

The letter was written by Ray Hartman, principal at Corvallis high school with a copy sent to Albany high school officials.

Corvallis protested that it scored the first two points in the second overtime and under OSAA rules should have been awarded the victory.

VALDES-FLOOD BATTLE

Huntington, W. Va. — (U.P.) — Nino Valdes, Cuba, top-ranking heavyweight contender, and "Batting Jack" Flood, Spokane, Wash., meet here tonight in the 10-round feature of the first professional boxing card here since May, 1953.

DEFEATS ROOKS

Klamath Falls — (U.P.) — The Klamath Falls high school wrestling team defeated the Oregon State Rooks 27-25 yesterday.

The Chippewas and Potawatomis have 42 treaties with the United States.

Ralph Moore, Otis Johnson, Bob Swindler, Davis and Joe Jensen may get opening call for the firemen, all of whom also are expected to see action. Davis indicated that his club is not so likely to use platoons. Among top reserves are Doug Dawson, Ted Marcisz, Hack Caster and Gene Williams.

Tickets are on sale at Lampport's and Sam's Sporting Goods stores, at Yellow Cab and at Andy's Jewelry store. The fire and police departments also have them as to officials of the basketball league.

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SPORTS

Gophers, Hawkeyes Hold Big 10 Lead

By JOHN GRIFFIN
United Press Sports Writer
Minnesota and Iowa took over as the new co-leaders of the frantic Big Ten basketball race today, largely on the efforts of two very different players—huge Bill Simonovich, basketball's behemoth from the iron range country, dumped in 28 points and hogged rebounds at Minneapolis Monday night as Minnesota blasted Northwestern out of the league lead in a 102-82 rout.

Cain, who leaps so high he gets his hands above the basket level, popped in 20 points and did plenty of rebounding in Iowa's 79-66 conquest of Ohio State at Columbus, Ohio.

These two games made the Big Ten chase a wide-open scramble, for now Minnesota and Iowa are the best at 4-2, four with three losses, and only one, Ohio State, apparently out of it with four losses.

Minnesota equalled its all-time scoring record in beating Northwestern as Simonovich's 28 points were backed up by 24 from Dick Garmaker and 20 from Chuck Mencl. Garmaker, usually the team's high scorer, switched tactics and concentrated on feeding tricky passes to Simonovich for short-range

Simonovich collected 20 points in the first half as the Gophers rolled to a 52-37 lead that virtually clinched the contest. Northwestern looked better in the second half but couldn't menace this lead. Frank Ehrmann of Northwestern salvaged top scoring honors with 32 points.

Iowa found Ohio State badly

Rod (Hot Rod) Hundley, high-scoring sophomore, led West Virginia to a 64-61 victory over Virginia Tech, extending its league record to 6-0 when a loss would have turned over the lead to Richmond 6-1. Tech led West Virginia, 59-54, with three minutes left but Hundley hit six points to take the lead and dribbled the ball for a one-man freeze for the last 45 seconds to clinch the victory. He had 17 points, but West Virginia's high scorer was Pete White with 25.

Tulsa eked out a 67-64 victory over Houston to push its Missouri Valley Conference record to 3-0. Tulsa had gone into the game tied with St. Louis at 2-0 for the league lead.

In other games: Georgia beat Georgia Tech, 70-66, in the Southeastern Conference to continue the downfall of Kentucky's surprise conqueror; Wichita nipped Drake, 80-78; Miami (Fla.), shaded Georgetown D.C., 84-81; Western Kentucky beat Tennessee Tech, 83-71; and Vanderbilt beat David Lipscomb, 88-61.