

Tornado, Pirate 5s Contend at Coos Bay

Medford high's basketball aggregation, the power of the Southern Oregon Conference and No. 1 ranked in Oregon, goes back into action tonight after a two-weeks pause which has refreshed them for the final laps of their campaign.

The Tornado headed for Coos Bay today aimed at resuming the terrific pace that has carried it to 12 straight triumphs. Medford plays Marshfield high both tonight and tomorrow evening.

Its finer record of 13 wins and one setback compared to Marshfield's 12-6 mark establishes the Tornado as the favorite for the non-league series. Medford holds victories over North Bend and Eugene, both of whom have licked the Pirates. And the Tornado handed Grants Pass more severe defeats than did Marshfield.

Rugged Gang
But the Pirates, a rugged lot, although Medford will have some height edge, definitely will be going for an upset. If the teams just play basketball, Medford should sail along. If, however, the Pirates adopt "football" tactics, like they did in a

series here last year, there may be a rough night for the Tornado.

Medford with 6-4½ Glenn Peterson and Jerry Kalapus and 6-4 Bill Cochran has the taller boys. Marshfield has Gene Tankersley at 6-3 and Roger Johnson and Sandy Fraser both at better than 6-1. Peterson, Kalapus, Bud Kastner, Frank Rector and Larry Copley may start for Medford and Tankersley, Fraser, Johnson, Ted Fischer and Denny Baker for Marshfield.

A 13-man Medford squad is making the coast trip. Bill Cochran, on the doubtful list yesterday because of flu, reportedly is okeh and is with the squad.

Vikes, SOC Tussle for Lead in OCC

By UNITED PRESS

Oregon State, College of Idaho and Portland State seek to hold their league lead in three northwest basketball conferences this week end with Portland State facing the roughest assignment.

Coach Slat's Beavers are at Moscow, Ida., for a pair of games with the Vandals. OSC will be trying to keep its Northern Division mark unblemished and is favored to do so. Other Northern Division action sends Washington to Eugene for a pair with Oregon that the Ducks need to win to stay in the running for the title.

CI Meets Whiteman
College of Idaho, unbeaten in the Northwest Conference, meets Whiteman tonight at Walla Walla, Pacific, in second place, meets Willamette at Salem Saturday night, while Linfield and Lewis and Clark meet in a week end series, Friday night at McMinnville and Saturday night at Portland.

Portland State, leading the OCC race with a 5-1 mark, plays second place Southern Oregon (8-2) in a week end series at Portland.

Other OCC teams play non-conference opponents. Oregon Tech meets St. Martin's in a week end pair at Klamath Falls; OCE plays Seattle-Pacific at Monmouth Saturday and Eastern Oregon hosts Northwest Nazarene Saturday.

UCLA and Stanford, tied for the lead in the Southern Division of the PCC, with 3-1 records, play host to California and Southern California, respectively.

Lloyd Hoffman, Southern Oregon college, with 233 points, is the Oregon Collegiate Conference leading scorer.

OCC SCORING:

Name	FG	FT	Total
Hoffman, SOCC	81	71	223
Pruse, EOCC	60	80	200
Schadewitz, EOCC	65	57	187
Johnson, SOCC	67	34	168
Smith, SOCC	56	49	161
Fahlgren, OTI	58	29	145
Vickov, PSC	56	22	134
James, OTI	41	51	133
Reinking, EOCC	44	39	127
Eckert, OTI	43	38	124
Dorn, OTI	41	22	104
Westenkov, SOCC	38	22	98
Bates, SOCC	41	21	91
Perkin, PSC	33	24	90
Burton, EOCC	26	31	83
Joni, OCE	32	10	74
Chamberlain, OCE	23	20	66
Hannon, PSC	28	10	66
Parker, PSC	24	14	63
Nenow, PSC	10	25	63

(Conference games only)

Criticism Reason For Resignation

Evanston, Ill. — (U.P.) — Bob Voigts was through as Northwestern University football coach today because of "one of things."

"It was just an increasing amount of criticism over my coaching," he said, "and it was probably hurting the school so I just quit. You can take it for a while, but things keep happening and eventually you just step out."

Voigts handed in his resignation in a surprise move Thursday after eight years in the job and with one year remaining on his contract. His team last year won two and lost seven games while during his tenure his clubs won 33 and lost 39.

Junior High Clubs Oppose Grants Pass

Local seventh and ninth graders will be out to repeat their previous successes and the eighth grade will seek to even the score this evening in junior high basketball games here.

Medford teams oppose the Grants Pass Cavekids.

Two games are set for 7 p.m. Eighth graders will vie in the boys' gymnasium and seventh graders in the girls' gym. Action at 8 p.m. will match the ninth grade aggregations in the boys' gym.

Clubs from the two schools met last Friday. Medford won the seventh and ninth grade hassles and Grants Pass dunked the local eighth.

The Bulldog ninth graders have it on the Grants Pass five in size but the Cavekids possess speed and could make the evening interesting for Medford with that asset. Grants Pass will have the advantage in size in the eighth grade mix.

Medford Ninth graders are unbeaten so far this season. Seventh graders have an eight-game win streak behind them after losing their first scrape of the season.

Followers of basketball in the public schools can focus on the junior high encounters here tonight since the senior high varsity is out of town and the jayvees are idle.

Kid Gavilan, Durando Mix

New York — (U.P.) — Kid Gavilan, the Cuban song-and-samba mauler says his comeback fight with Ernie Durando tonight will be far different from the recent return performance by that other ditty-and-dance guy, Sugar Ray Robinson.

"I no look like Robinson tonight," declared the ex-welterweight champion. "I be 20 times faster than I was in October."

Lost to Saxton
In the Keed's last fight on Oct. 20, he lost the 147-pound title to Johnny Saxton at Philadelphia. Although the decision was very questionable, Gavilan was far off form that night.

For tonight's nationally televised and broadcast 10-rounder, middleweight, Durando of Bayonne, N. J., is a 4-1 underdog. The odds-makers believe Gavilan can salvage enough of his old-time speed and savvy to lick the Bayonne Belter, who is the hardest puncher in the 160-pound division but probably its least-polished boxer.

Kentucky Romps Without Puckett

By JOHN GRIFFIN

United Press Sports Writer
Kentucky's nation-leading basketball team served sharp notice today that it has no intention of collapsing despite its troubles with upsets and a resigning player.

Rebounding from its surprise defeat by Georgia Tech and hardly missing star player Linville Puckett at all, the Wildcats handled dangerous Florida with impressive ease, 87-63, at Lexington, Ky., Thursday night to stay in the thick of the fight for the Southeastern Conference championship.

And the absence of Puckett, who quit the team Wednesday after Coach Adolph Rupp issued a blast about breaking training, obviously made little difference.

Uses Win 16th
The victory gave Kentucky a 13-2 overall record and a 5-2 conference record. Alabama leads the loop with a 4-1 mark.

Utah, ranked third in the nation behind Kentucky and San Francisco, easily extended its season record to 16 wins against only two defeats by trouncing Los Angeles State for the second straight night.

George Washington, defending champion of the Southern Conference, put the brakes on Furman, the nation's highest scoring team, 76-71, to rush its third-place league record to 4-1.

SPORTS

LITTLER LEADS AT PHOENIX; G. HARRINGTON STROKES 74

Phoenix, Ariz. — (U.P.) — George Harrington of Medford, Oregon trailed Gene Littler, the leader, by eight strokes today in the Phoenix Open golf tournament. Harrington carded a 36-38—74 yesterday in first-round action.

Bob Duden of Portland had a 76.

Phoenix, Ariz. — (U.P.) — Gene Littler, proving himself a "real pro" at the age of 24, had a one-stroke lead today going into the second round of the \$15,000 Phoenix Open golf tournament at the Arizona Country Club.

Littler showed an early mastery of the sometimes perplexing Arizona Country Club course as he fired a 33-33—66.

Beavers To Keep Fleming as Tutor

Portland — (U.P.) — Joe Ziegler, general manager of the Portland Beavers, said yesterday that Bill Fleming would be retained as a coach with the Pacific Coast League club for next season.

Ziegler also said Jim Livesay, former University of Oregon catcher, would go to spring training camp with the Beavers. Livesay tried out last year but returned home when he became ill.

four strokes under par. Just one stroke behind him were three players — Walter Burkemo, Franklin, Mich.; Johnny Palmer, Charlotte, N. C., and Jack Fleck, Davenport, Ia., all with 67.

Defending champ Ed Furgol, Clayton, Mo., still was in the running with a 70. Jimmy Clark, Laguna Beach, Calif., among the last to finish as darkness set in, was two strokes behind Littler with a 34-34—68.

Grade Tourney Plans Announced

Central Point—Bracket positions already have been drawn for the Jackson county grade school basketball tournament for teams in high school districts. The tourney will be held at the junior high gymnasium here March 1 through 5.

Ten teams are entered and first-round pairings are Talent against St. Mary's, Prospect against Rogue River, Butte Falls against Gold Hill, Eagle Point against Sams Valley and Phoenix against Central Point.

There will be trophies for the top five places in the meet. A sportsmanship trophy also will be awarded, based on conduct of players and spectators.

Loscutoff Keeps Lead

Los Angeles — (U.P.) — Jim Loscutoff of the University of Oregon continues to lead the Pacific Coast Conference's Northern Division in scoring and rebounds, according to PCC basketball statistics.

During eight league games through Jan. 29, Loscutoff averaged 18.8 points and 16.3 rebounds. In scoring, he was trailed by Washington's Dean Parsons, with 16.8 in eight games.

Two Oregon State College players topped in free throw percentages. Reggie Halligan had .875 and Tony Vlastelica .883.

O S Dominates
Oregon State, undefeated in eight division games, dominated most of the team statistics. Halligan and teammate Wade Halbrook sported field goal percentages of .474 and .452 respectively to lead that department.

OSC also led the division in floor shooting with a .384 average, in free throws with .692 and in total defense, holding opponents to an average of 51.5 points per game.

Oregon led in total scoring with a 62.4 game average and in rebounds, collaring 378 to their opponents 252 in eight games.

MUELLER SUITABLE

San Francisco — (U.P.) — Sid Flaherty, manager of world middle weight champion Carl (Bobo) Olson, said today Peter Mueller of Germany is a suitable opponent for the champion "if the right financial terms can be worked out."

Washington Quintet Remains Unblemished

Tangler were nip and tuck yesterday among varsities in the city grade school basketball loop but Washington managed to stay unmarred by nicking Jackson, 23 to 21 and Roosevelt tripped Lincoln, 22 to 18. Washington and Jackson were tied at the half 11-all.

WITHDRAWALS

New York — (U.P.) — Middleweight Al Andrews, who lost a unanimous but close decision to No. 1 contender Joey Giardello, has withdrawn from a return bout with Giardello scheduled for the Baltimore coliseum next Wednesday because of an injured side. Andrews, of Superior, Wis., pulled a muscle in his side when he slipped in the snow during a workout at Chicago.

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