

TORNADO STORMS FROM BEHIND TO OVERPOWER PIRATES 79-68

Medford's Black Tornado unleashed its devastating power late in the third quarter and through the fourth period at Coos Bay Saturday night to record its second successive triumph over the rugged, aggressive Marshfield Pirates of Coos Bay.

The Tornado spurred by the high scoring of Larry Cople and Bud Kastner, the point-producing and hustle of Frank Rector and the defensive work of Jerry Kalapus and Glenn Peterson, came from behind in the third stanza and with its usual relentless force whirled to a 79 to 68 non-league triumph.

The win coupled with a 67 to 62 trimming handed the Pirates on Friday gave Medford its 14th straight win and a standing of 15 victories against a single loss as it turned its attention back on the second half of Southern Oregon conference competition.

Medford, somewhat listless in the first half and starting out with a zone defense instead of its usual man-to-man, headed 18 to 17 at the end of the first quarter. Then, Marshfield, with a tight screening offense which troubled the Tornado when it went back to man-to-man, edged to a 35 to 31 halfway lead.

In the third quarter Medford closed the deficit to 39 to 40. Then tall Glenn Peterson plunked in a lay-in to put the Tornado on top 41 to 40. Marshfield, roughest club under the backboards Medford has met this year knotted up the count at 54 all. But the Tornado, beginning to click like the power it is while the Pirates seemed to tire to the pace, fought on top 58 to 54 by the end of the period and in the fourth canto built up a comfortable 72 to 57 margin.

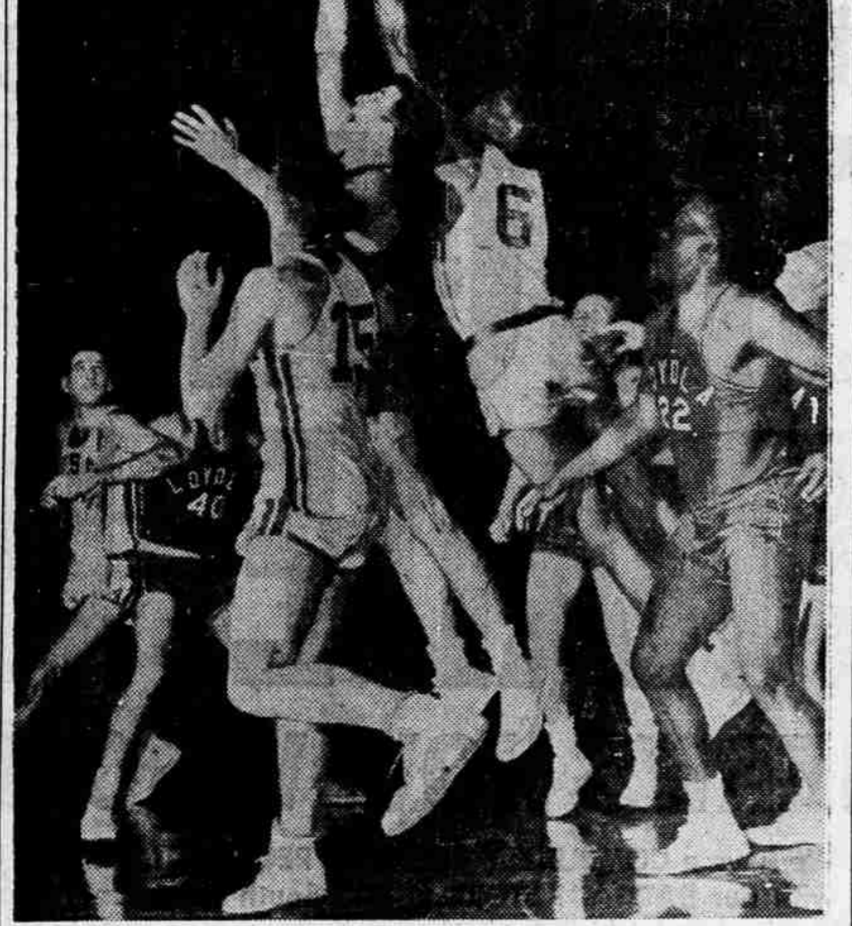
Final portion of the fracas found the Medford tempo and pressure enabling it to drive through before the Marshfield defense could get set. That gave the Tornado a lot of good shots. Sure-shooting Cople, the Medford scoring leader, and Kastner had their best point-getting night of the year Saturday. Cople, who paced the final quarter scoring assault with 12 counters, had 28 for the evening. Kastner, his jump shot effective, frequently at long range, had 26 points for the evening. Rector, impressing Coos Bay fans with his hustle and drive all night, had 17 tallies.

Marshfield, definitely "up" against the No. 1 team in the state, was paced in scoring by Ted Fischer with 21, Sandy Fraser with 15 and Roger Johnson with 13.

Medford's fired up pace in the final portion of the fray helped it to a .454 scoring average from the field with 30

out of 66 shots for the night. Tornado figures gave Medford the rebound edge 28 to 20 despite the rugged rivalry under the boards and Peterson and Kalapus were big factors. It was to Medford's credit that it beat a Pirate crew playing its best series of the year. That's what head man Bruce Hoffine and Pete Sussick of the Marshfield coaching staff reported. Aggressive play marked both games, officiating in the bay area apparently allowing a greater degree of roughness.

Coach Frank Roelandt said that the Tornado would take it rather easy today. It plays



FINGERING THE JOB—University of San Francisco's Bill Russell (6) uses every inch of his six feet, 10 inches to get rebound off fingertips of Loyola's Forward Tom Salvine during game in San Francisco's Cow Palace. The Dons had to come from behind in the second half to beat Loyola, 65-55. Fifteen is Stand Buchanan and 22 is Robert Cox.

Collegiate Cage Circuits Schedule Showdown Frays

By JOHN GRIFFIN United Press Sports Writer You can call this "showdown week" in college basketball, because it features meetings between the leading title contenders in no less than eight major conferences.

This week's action could go a long way toward deciding the races in the Ivy, Big Seven, Southern, Pacific Coast, Rocky Mountain, Southwest, Border, and Skyline leagues.

What's more, the leaders in every other major loop are facing games that jeopardize their hold on first place.

This important schedule follows a week end that was played pretty close to the form sheet, with the surprises few and far between. Kentucky, the nation's No. 1 team, walloped Mississippi, 84-66, and San Francisco, the team that could succeed to the No. 1 mantle this week, crushed St. Mary's Calif., 69-48, to set the pace.

Other notable triumphs were scored by such high-ranked teams as Utah, La Salle, Duquesne, North Carolina State, UCLA, Illinois and Niagara — this last in one of the week end's most thrilling games, a 72-68 decision over Holy Cross, last year's National Invitation Tournament champion, that was marred by two fist-swinging fights.

Cabbies Schedule Corvallis Quint

Yellow Cab of Medford will bring another top independent basketball club to Medford next Saturday. The Cabbies will be host to Alsea Lumber company of Corvallis.

The tussle will be at the St. Mary's school gym. Alsea Lumber is unbeaten so far this season and has downed Martin Brother's Signs of Eugene which tipped the Cab quint.

Yellow Cab will keep in tune for its Thursday city loop fray with Andy's Jewelers by opposing Camp's Electric tonight at Grants Pass.

Fernandes Loggers of Longview, which the Cabbies thrashed last Sunday, have won the southwest Washington AAU crown again this year.

SPORTS

Crater Blasts EP, Phoenix Whips IV In Rogue League

Crater will be host to Ashland Tuesday night in a non-league high school basketball ruckus at Central Point. It will be the second meeting of the year between the Comets and Grizzlies. Ashland won the January engagement 57 to 54.

Crater's steadier, surer and sharpshooting Comets smashed the uphill surge of Eagle Point high Saturday night while Phoenix high kept pace in the Rogue league basketball scramble by completing a series sweep over Illinois Valley.

The Comets, winning with surprising ease, drubbed the Eagles 70 to 43 at Central Point. Phoenix won just as handily, trouncing the Cougars at Phoenix 69 to 32.

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St. Mary's Victor Over Sacred Heart

Stellar work under the boards by Bob Bobbett and pointmaking by Tim Dugan made up for passing deficiencies yesterday afternoon as St. Mary's high defeated Sacred Heart of Klamath Falls basketball quintet 47 to 40 in a tilt played here.

It was the second win this season for the Crusaders over the Trojans. St. Mary's took the mix at Klamath Falls 45 to 43. The Crusaders yesterday stayed ahead after getting a 14 to 12 lead in the second quarter but they didn't build up a safe margin until the third stanza was closing out. Halftime score was 24 to 18 and after three periods the spread was 35 to 26.

St. Mary's ran up a 47 to 34 advantage in the final quarter. Four free shots and a field goal by the Trojans cut the margin at the finish.

Score Deadlocked Score was tied four times in the first canto. Lead switched on three occasions. Sacred Heart once had a 10 to 6 spread. A long shot by Dugan and a follow shot by Bobbett knotted the fray a lay-in by Bobbett gave the Crusaders 12 to 10 edge at the quarter.

Dino Reginato hit from far out for 12-all standing as the second quarter got underway. A jump shot by Bobbett made the 14 and 12 score. Sacred Heart cut the St. Mary's lead to 28 to 26 in the third chukker with Reginato and Dick Wickline doing the bucketing. But Dick Paup sank a long shot, Dugan a free shot and a fielder from the side and John Walsh two gifters to help the Crusaders pull away.

Bobbett hauled in a big share of the rebounds and contributed four field goals at close range. Dugan, hitting both in and out, had 15 points to lead scoring. Dean Michaelis had 13 for the Trojans.

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St. Mary's 47 Bobbett 6 Walsh 4 Miksche 6 Dugan 15 Meunier 4

Sacred Heart 40 Wickline 8 Thill 2 Siebert 6 Reginato 10 Michaelis 13

Substitutions—For St. Mary's: Hassler, Paup 10, Darland, Elberts, Murphy, for Sacred Heart: DePuy.

Substitutions—For Crater: Kelley 2, Douthit, Johnson, Shama, Tidwell 1; for Eagle Point: Bitterling, Cave 2, Tuttle 4, Friend 2, Wyatt, Mason, Abernathy.

Substitutions—For Phoenix: Kelsoe 4, Bean 3, Oldham 2, James 2, Welles, Simmonds; for Illinois Valley: Piersall, Camp, Hemingway 1, King 1.

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Gene Littler Cops Phoenix Golf Open by One Stroke

No information was available today on how George Harrington, Medford amateur, fared in the Phoenix Open Golf tourney.

Phoenix—(U.P.)—Young Gene Littler, who ignores galleries with the calculation and deliberation of a Hogan or Mangrum, was the marked man of golf's winter trail today following his victory in the \$15,000 Phoenix Open.

The touring professionals move on to Tucson for the next major tournament starting Tuesday.

Littler, leading money winner for 1955, won a narrow one-stroke triumph Sunday over Johnny Palmer, Charlotte, N.C., and Billy Maxwell, Odessa, Tex. with a 72-hole score of 275, five under par.

Palmer and Jay Hebert, Woodmere, N.Y., entered the final round of play tied with Littler at 204. But the Los Angeles Open champ came on to sink a crucial two-foot putt on the 18th hole before a gallery of 6,000 that provided him with top tournament money.

Could Have Tied Palmer could have tied for the lead with a 70-foot putt from the edge of the green on 18, but the ball was three feet short.

Maxwell, who was National Amateur champ in 1915, narrowly missed a first-place tie with Littler when he also had a chance for an eagle on the last hole. But his try from about 80 feet out was short of the cup and he too settled for a birdie.

Ed (Porky) Oliver, Lemont, Ill., who trailed only two strokes after 54 holes, was four over for a final score of 280. Hebert, in trouble constantly on the front nine, finished in fifth place with a 75 that gave him 279 for the tournament.

Dr. Cary Middlecoff, Klamath Lake, N.Y., Kroll and Jerry Barber, Los Angeles, finished in a three-way tie three strokes behind Littler with scores of 278.

Ed Furgol, Clayton, Mo., defending Phoenix Open champ, finished with 283.

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High School Scores

- SATURDAY GAMES: Condon 50, Rufus 33 Madras 54, Bend 41 Mosier 62, Culver 56 Astoria 54, Tillamook 42 (overtime) Halsey 68, Philomath 37

BASKETBALL

- SATURDAY COLLEGE SCORES: East LaSalle 74, Georgetown 46 Temple 83, St. Joseph's (Pa) 82 Niagara 72, Holy Cross 68 Canisius 71, Boston College 52 Army 84, Yale 72

- South Maryland 67, William and Mary 62 So. Cal. 52, Miami (Fla) 77 Alabama 52, Georgia Tech 72 Vanderbilt 79, Auburn 74 W. C. State 119, Clemson 88 Davidson 68, VMI 83 Duke 115, West Virginia 75 Western Ky. 88, Eastern Ky. 76 Tennessee 102, Florida 70 Kentucky 84, Mississippi 66 Tulane 61, LSU 57

- Midwest Michigan State 73, Wisconsin 70 Michigan 92, Los Angeles St. 39 Missouri 96, Oklahoma 61 No. Dak. 68, So. Dak. 60 St. Louis 63, Colo. College 37 Notre Dame 91, Loyola (Ill) 83 Duquesne 64, Bowling Green 54 Colorado 86, Iowa State 70 Oklahoma A&M 75, Detroit 69 Marquette 64, Drake 60 Illinois 104, Northwestern 89 Ohio State 90, Indiana 67, Iowa 76, Purdue 67 Kansas State 79, Nebraska 62

- Southwest Texas Tech 107, Ariz. (Tempe) St. 81 W. Tex. State 82, Arizona 86 Texas 76, Arkansas 75 Tex. Christian 77, Baylor 75 Houston 65, Bradley 55 West Colorado A&M 53, Wyoming 49 Utah State 63, Denver 64 Oregon State 69, Idaho 63 Occidental 89, Westmont 64 Oregon 84, Washington 63 Utah 87, Montana State 60 Colorado St. 71, Colo. Mines 58 Idaho St. 83, Colo. College 37 Stanford 76, Southern California 60 UCLA 84, California 63 Montana 69, New Mexico 60 Fresno St. 54, California Poly 52 Humboldt St. 69, Calif. Aggies 66 Loyola (Calif) 74, Santa Clara 63 San F. 69, St. Mary's (Calif) 48 San Diego St. 79, Pepperdine 75 Chico State 83, Nevada 80 Pacific 75, Willamette 58 Linfield 83, Lewis and Clark 86 Portland State 65, So. Oregon 58 St. Martins 63, Oregon Tech 61 East Ore. 104, NW Nazarene 82

Vikes Bounce SOC Again

OCC STANDINGS: W L Pct. Portland State 7 1 .875 Oregon State 8 4 .667

Portland State college strengthened its Oregon Collegiate conference basketball lead Saturday night by downing Southern Oregon college, the second place team, 68 to 58 here.

Victory made it two straight for the Vikings over the Raiders. Portland State won Friday night 75 to 63.

The Portlanders compiled a good lead at the start and had a 29 to 17 spread 15 minutes into the first half. They headed 37 to 29 at the half. Then Southern Oregon started the second half with a rush with seven straight points to cut their deficit to 36 to 37. By the 10-minute mark of the half they had knotted the game at 45-all.

Fast-breaking ability of Syl Hannon and Jim Perkin enabled the Vikings to go ahead again. Lloyd Hoffine and Bob Smith of the Raiders with 21 and 15 points, respectively, led scoring. Viskov had 15 for Portland.

Wildlife Group Asks Derby Ban

Corvallis — (U.P.)—The Oregon Wildlife Federation has gone on record favoring the passage in the state legislature of a bill banning fish derbies.

At the closing session of its annual mid-winter meeting here Saturday, the group also voted approval of a bill to prohibit the carrying of loaded firearms in cars. The federation said it favors adoption in Oregon of the National Rifle Assn. hunter safety training program.

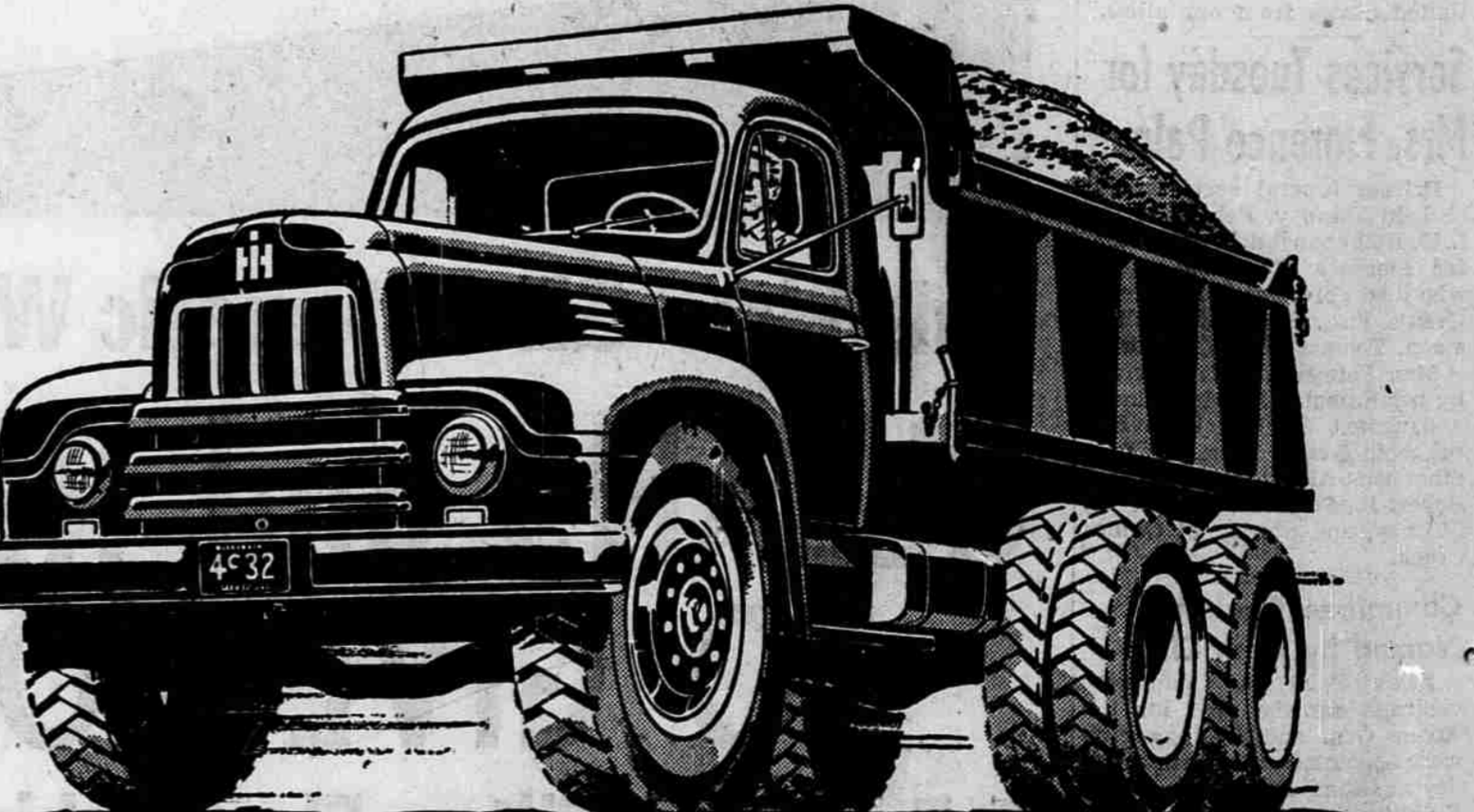
Steelhead Proposed A third resolution called for the classification of steelhead in the Columbia river as a game fish.

Most of the Saturday session was devoted to a review by the state game commission of its program for the past five years. Director Phil Schneider told delegates the commission budget for next year calls for more emphasis on land acquisition and development, habitat improvement and information and education.

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