

STATE HOOP TOURNEY SET TO START

Rams Play Redmond in First Tilt

Eugene — (U.P.) — Central Catholic of Portland meets Redmond at 7:30 p.m. and South Salem faces Hillsboro at 8:45 p.m. as the 1955 Oregon State high school class A basketball

MEDFORD TOP RATED

Medford's Black Tornado hoop team topped its second wire service No. 1 rating today when Associated Press placed the local club at the top of its final ratings. It marked the eighth consecutive week that Medford had paced the AP poll.

The Medford club earlier had gained the No. 1 spot on the United Press final ratings after holding the top spot for a large part of the season.

The 13-man Medford squad was scheduled to work out at the state tournament site at McArthur court on the University of Oregon campus in Eugene at 3:30 p.m. today.

tournament gets underway tonight in McArthur court.

Six games Wednesday will complete first round action with a 9 a.m. clash between Eugene and Milwaukie, finalists last year, topping the agenda.

Medford Plays Wednesday

Other games tomorrow include: 10:15 a.m. Albany vs. Dallas; 1:45 p.m. St. Helens vs. Astoria; 3 p.m. Baker vs. Cleveland; 7:30 p.m. Medford vs. Franklin and 8:45 p.m. Mac-Hi vs. North Bend.

Central Catholic and South Salem were slight favorites for tonight's games, although Redmond with a 15-8 record might make it rough. The Rams, with a 16-9 mark, have another Altonhofen this season. He's Jimmy, a 6 foot, 4 inch sophomore and a high scorer who is a brother of Bob Altonhofen, three-time all-star for Central.

Upset Winner

Hillsboro entered the tournament as upset winner over Beaverton in a best two-out-of-three series and has a season's record of 13-15. South Salem has a 17-10 mark.

St. Helens has the best record of any team in the tournament with 22 victories. The coaches' poll ranks Medford as No. 1 team with Milwaukie and Eugene right behind.

More than 60,000 fans are expected to see the five-day tournament with a record morning crowd likely tomorrow.

Huskies Select Ex-USC Gridder

Seattle — (U.P.) — Don Doll, former University of Southern California and professional backfield star, was signed yesterday as an assistant football coach at the University of Washington.

Harvey Cassill, the school's athletic director, said Doll's appointment completed the Husky 1955 coaching staff. Doll will specialize in pass defense, line backing and kicking.

The 28-year-old new assistant to Coach Johnny Cherbeg played for USC in 1944 and in 1946-48 with a hitch in the Marine Corps in 1945. He played professional ball for the Detroit Lions in 1949-52, for the Washington Redskins in 1953 and for the Los Angeles Rams in 1954.

Baseball

(At Sarasota, Fla.)
Cincinnati (N) 000 000 001—1 8 1
Boston (A) 000 000 000—0 4 4
Valentine, Staley (5), Lane (8) and Bailey, Nixon, Smith (4), Sullivan (7) and Morton, winning pitcher—Lane. Losing pitcher—Sullivan.

(At West Palm Beach, Fla.)
Chicago (A) 100 111 401—9 13 1
San Francisco (N) 000 002 010—2 8 3
Trucks, Fornieles (5) and Bettey, Lollar (6), Trice, Cecarrelli (4), Dixon (7), Dwyer (8) and McKernie, winning pitcher—Trucks. Losing pitcher—Trice.

(At Clearwater, Fla. 12 inn.)
Pitts. (N) 011 000 000—2 11 1
Phila. (A) 000 100 001—3 13 1
Friend, Sawyer (5), Scholtz (7), Balboa (11) and Atwell, Managan (6), Wehmeier, Roberts (5), Miller (10) and Lopata, Lonnert (6), Niarhos (9), winning pitcher—Miller. Losing pitcher—Balboa.

(At Dunedin, Fla.)
Cin. (N) 002 061 000—9 11 2
San Ant. (Tex) 000 100 200—3 8 2
Hommel, Poddien (5) and Dotterer, Burack, Fanovich (4), Perkins (7) and Masterson, winning pitcher—Hommel. Losing pitcher—Burack.

(At Phoenix, Arizona)
Chicago (N) 000 210 210—7 13 3
New York (A) 100 000 010—11 14 3
Cole, Pollet (3), Hacker (7), Church (7), Elston (9) and E. Tappe, Hannah (8), Hearn, Margonera (4), Grissom (5), Corwin (8) and Grasso, Katt (8), winning pitcher—Grissom. Losing pitcher—Hacker.

(At Miami, Fla.)
Baltimore (A) 020 010 000—3 6 1
Brooklyn (N) 110 220 000—8 9 0
and Smith, Erskine, Palica (4) Negrav (7) and Campanella, winning pitcher—Erskine. Losing pitcher—Rogovin.

(At Bradenton, Fla.)
New York (A) 212 300 110—12 17 2
Milw. (N) 405 000 400—11 13 2
Cereghino, Russell (4), and Howard, Gorin (4), McMahon (7) and Crandall, White (7), winning pitcher—Russell. Losing pitcher—McMahon.

(At St. Petersburg, Fla.)
Detroit (A) 000 000 001—1 5 1
St. Louis (N) 000 010 010—3 10 1
Black, Frosts (4), Zverink (7) and Wilson, House (7), Haddix, Woodridge (4), Schultz (7), and Rice, winning pitcher—Woodridge. Losing pitcher—Frost.

Scribe Voices Warning About Franklin Quint

If Franklin high of Portland plays in its Class A state tournament opener like it did in its play-off finale for a berth in the big hassle at Eugene, Medford watch out!

That warning was sounded yesterday by Bob Swan, prep sports writer of the Portland Oregonian.

Portland's tall Quaker quint has only a record of 14 wins and 10 setbacks for the season, compared to Medford's 23-1. But Swan indicated that Franklin showed its real potential in drubbing Grant 73 to 52 last week in the play-off for PIL second place and the big city's second position in the state tournament bracket.

It was the second win in three games for the Quakers over the Generals.

Medford's Black Tornado faces Franklin at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday in the first round of the tournament.

While the Quakers had a lean two-win six-loss record in pre-tournament play in a schedule including a couple of strong state of Washington clubs, they fared considerably better in the PIL with a 10-4 mark for the regular state. They split with Cleveland, the league champ, Grant, Jefferson and Lincoln. So it was a rather rocky road to the tournament.

Three Way Tie

Franklin tied with Jeff, as well as Grant, for the second spot and barely sneaked by the Demos 46 to 45 before the final tilt with the Generals.

Quaker average per game in strictly league play was 57.8 points. Opponents ran up 52.7.

Big threat in a Franklin lineup, which has all its starters over 6 feet tall is Bjarne Jensen, 6-9 sophomore. Lacking experience the big boy wasn't too sparkling as a scorer in the pre-season but in the PIL he's

been the Quakers' top gunner with 227 points and a 16.2 average. Jensen's combination of 82 field goals and 63 free tosses gave him No. 3 high scoring status in the loop. He has a 293 count for the full season.

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Coast League Briefs

Yuma, Ariz. — (U.P.) — The Sacramento Solons, with a two game losing streak going in Desert Coast League spring training series, square off against San Francisco tonight.

Manager Tony Freitas elected to give veteran righthander Emil Patrick another starting chance. Patrick was shelled freely in his spring opener.

Palm Springs, Calif. — (U.P.) — Manager Fred Hutchinson takes his Seattle Rainiers to nearby Ontario today to meet San Diego in an exhibition game.

The Suds blasted 10 hits in downing Fort Ord 5-1 yesterday, and used a lineup of rookies in the process. Catcher Lloyd Jenney collected a triple in the eighth.

Glendale, Calif. — (U.P.) — The Portland Beavers, last in the 1954 PCL race, walloped the team that wound up in first place, San Diego, 15-8, yesterday to turn their record against league teams to 3-0.

Today they take on the UCLA Bruins, and are expected to keep on rolling. In beating the Padres twice, and the Hollywood Stars once, the rejuvenated Beavers have scored exactly half a hundred runs on 53 hits.

Anaheim, Calif. — (U.P.) — The Hollywood Stars resumed routine training today after rallying for 11 runs in the last two innings to whip University of Southern California 11-8 yesterday.

Tommy Watson hit a two run triple to spark a seven run seventh inning that turned the tide. George Prescott continued on his hitting spree with three singles in three at bats.

Ontario, Calif. — (U.P.) — The San Diego Padres, licking their wounds after two pastings by the Portland Beavers, play host to Seattle today in an exhibition game with John Carmichael slated to pitch.

Milt Smith homered for the Pads, but it was not enough as the Beavers rallied for nine runs

Pilots Name Al Negratti Head Coach

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Crack U.S. Athletes Making Runaway of Pan American Games; Set Four Records

By HAL WOOD
United Press Correspondent

United States athletes were in the process today of spoiling the Pan American games by making

a run-away of the competition. Smashing records with gay abandon, they went into the third day of two weeks of competition with so many points to their credit that the battle already appears to be for second place.

Four New Records
The U.S. team has 135 unofficial points compared with 41 for runner-up Argentina. Coach Leo Johnson's track and field squad sent men out in four events yesterday and the result was four Pan American records.

Shotputter Parry O'Brien, hundred meter sprint man Rod Richard, four hundred meter hurdles ace Josh Culbreath and broad jumper Roselyn Range all won their events.

In fact, the only U.S. defeat of the day came in the women's 60 meter dash when Bertha Diaz of Cuba beat out Isabel Danies of the United States by the length of a lipstick.

Today's competition was expected to continue along victory lines for the Americans. The pole vault tops the agenda and the three top men in the world, the Reverend Bob Richards, Don Laz and Bobby Smith, are jumping for the U.S.

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SPORTS

'Cats Tip Niagara in NIT Upset; Top-Rated Dukes Advance; 74-66

By JOHN GRIFFIN
United Press Sports Writer

New York — (U.P.) — Dayton was a six-point choice over record-smashing St. Louis and St. Francis (Pa.), a one-point pick over defending champion Holy Cross in tonight's quarter-final games of the National Invitational tournament — but they could well fear the fate of Niagara.

Winning Margin
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All-America Ricketts was skating on the same thin ice as Prudhoe, for he was tagged with his third personal late in the first half. He sat out the last four minutes of that session while Duquesne stalled. He returned to start the second half.

When the whistle blew at the three-minute mark, it was for Prudhoe and not Ricketts — and that could easily have been the game.

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Five Free Throw Champs Crowned In City Schools

Five city school free throw champions were crowned Saturday after finals of the Saturday recreation program contest at the senior high gym.

Ron Peery topped the field with 21 out of 25 throws in finals to win the ninth grade championship ribbon. David Morris was second high with 20 to get the grade seven honors and Bob Pond was eighth grade winner with 19. Bob Quinney, Jackson, topped in 18 out of 25 efforts for sixth grade laurels and Robert Shroeder, also Jackson, swished in 15 for the fifth graders' top ribbon.

Other scores in the finals were:

Fifth grade — Larry Pierce, 13, Don Kooser, Washington, 12; Bill Edwards, Washington, 10 (out of 30), and John Fisher, Lincoln, 9 (out of 30).

Sixth — Grant Davis, Lincoln, 16; John McKinley, Washington, 18 (out of 30); Larry Hammack, Jackson, 16 (out of 30); and Dick Ragsdale, Washington, 13.

Seventh — Bud Quinney, 16, Henry Olson, 15, Harold Holmes 13, and David Schultz, 10.

Eighth — Bromley 18, Elvin Hood, 15, Don Marshall 10, Jerry McLeod 8.

John McCamant
Coach, Captain
Of Skiing Team

Northfield, Minn. — Co-captain and student co-coach — those were the positions of John McCamant, a senior from Medford, Ore., on the Carleton college ski team here this past season.

McCamant, who competed in the slalom, downhill, cross-country, and jumping events, also coached and captained the Knight cross-country squad which won the Midwest Conference championship last fall. In outdoor track, he is the conference defending champion in the 880. He also won the event two years ago, and began working out with the indoor cindermen when the ski season ended last week.

John, who has won three letters in both cross-country and track and two in skiing, is a government and international relations major with a "B" average.

A graduate of Franklin high in Portland, McCamant was elected president of the Carleton Ski club for 1954-55 and is a proctor in the senior men's dormitory. He is also a member of the Carleton service fund board.

John is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Thomas McCamant, 300 Oakwood Drive, Medford.

Pettit Buckets
34 in NBA Final

By UNITED PRESS

Bob Pettit closed out his rookie season in the National Basketball association with one of his best performances.

The former Louisiana State university star scored 34 points Monday night in leading the Milwaukee Hawks to a 99-84 victory over the Philadelphia Warriors at Albany, N.Y.

It was the final NBA game of the regular season. The Eastern division playoffs get underway tonight at Boston, with the Celtics playing host to the New York Knickerbockers.

The Boston-New York Eastern eliminations will continue at New York Wednesday night, while Rochester and Minneapolis will open their Western division series at St. Paul, Minn.

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