

C Average Set for PCC Transfers

San Francisco—(U.P.)—The Pacific Coast Conference wound up its winter meeting today after taking action to raise entrance requirements for athletes transferring from other schools.

In a move apparently aimed at Washington, Washington State and Oregon State, the PCC ruled yesterday that all JC transfers must have or attain a C average if they want to take part in athletics.

Most of the nine conference schools have that rule. However, the three northwest schools have special advisory boards under which certain students can gain admittance with a lesser average.

H. P. Everest of Washington, PCC spokesman, emphasized that athletes with a lower than C average may still transfer to conference schools.

Green Case Cited
"However, they cannot compete in athletics until they have a cumulative C average, including their JC schooling," he said.

Everest cited the case of Credell Green, sensational Washington junior football player, who transferred this year from West Contra Costa JC in California with less than a C average. Under the new rule, he would be ineligible to compete.

The conference also:
1. Appointed a special committee of four to study the advisability of putting into effect the "letter of intent" rule now prevailing in the Southwest Conference.

2. Set the next conference meeting for Victoria, B. C., May 18-23.
3. Set the conference baseball playoff for June 1-2 at the site of the northern division winner.

4. Continued its study of the "cost of living wage" for athletes.

Baker Given Nod in Dull Boxing Bout

Cleveland—(U.P.)—That "Dance of the Elephants" staged Wednesday night by Bob Baker and Vito Valdes seemed today to have boosted another guy—Young Floyd Patterson, of Brooklyn—into a June shot at the heavyweight crown.

Baker of Pittsburgh, won another decision over Valdes of Cuba in the Cleveland Arena, but the fight was such a booproving farce that both were eliminated as potential challengers.

The cat-calls and strains of "Let Me Call You Sweetheart," had scarcely echoed away in the arena's girders, when it was learned reliably that 21-year-old Patterson, top contender for the light heavyweight crown, has now become the man most likely to challenge Rocky Marciano for the heavyweight championship in June.

Fights Slated
Patterson is slated for an important bout tonight in Los Angeles against Jimmy Slade, a "spoiler" who once wrecked the hopes of Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson.

Baker's second-ranking heavy contender and Valdes, number three, not only eliminated themselves Wednesday night, but came close to being tossed out of the ring by Referee Tony La Branche.

"I threatened to throw them out a couple of times," said La Branche, who provided most of the action during the dull 10 rounder that topped the 30th annual Cleveland Christmas fund show. He was persistently circling them like a terrier and yelling: "Get in there and fight. Come on, you two, fight."

LUTES TRIUMPH

Tacoma—(U.P.)—Pacific Lutheran of the Evergreen Conference downed Pacific of the Northwest Conference 84-66 in a basketball game here last night. Ron Barndale led Pacific's scoring with 14 points while Chuck Curtis, a freshman from Richland, hit 23 for PLC.

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Partners Sought for Pro Baseball Club Operation Here; Need Signers Soon

Backers of a plan to bring professional Class B baseball to Medford set out yesterday on the task of obtaining signatures for a partnership agreement to finance the proposed team.

Those behind the venture feel that the amount of signatures obtained in the next few days will determine whether or not Medford will field a team. It would be in the Northwest league, which includes Salem and Eugene in Oregon, Lewiston, Ida., and Spokane, Wenatchee, Yakima and Tri-City in Washington.

A meeting of league directors will be held in Yakima next Sunday at which time Jim Fleishman, league president, has asked Medford to give an answer to an invitation to join the circuit.

Under the partnership agreement, signers will share in the profits or losses of the enterprise to the extent not to exceed 10 per cent. No one will be permitted to sign for more than that amount, it was pointed out. Each signer will be asked to select his own percentage figure below the maximum.

Partners To Operate
It will then be up to the partners to select a committee to handle financial operation of the club and to select a general manager, who will oversee the entire operation. Selection of a team manager will hinge largely on ability of the committee to obtain a working agreement with a Pacific Coast league or major league club.

Some teams desire to name a team manager when giving a working agreement, it was pointed out, while others ask only to approve the manager who will direct young players being sent on the agreement.

After the partnership agreement has been signed and entry of the Medford club assured, a pre-season ticket campaign designed to provide immediate working capital will get under way. It was stressed that signers are not expected to be asked to finance any part of the operation until the losses, if any, are figured at the end of the season.

Persons desiring to become partners in the venture may telephone Harry Chipman, at the Mail Tribune, 2-6141.

Unless sufficient signatures are obtained by the end of the week, it is doubtful that a professional team will be fielded here this year, it was stated.

The committee which drew up the partnership plan, the same one used successfully at Eugene last year, consisted of Hale Greenman, Buzz Davies, Frank Buchter, Bill Askwith, and Chipman, who has been acting as temporary chairman.

Waterfowl Hunt Conditions Still Poor in Valley

Portland—(U.P.)—The weekly report on hunting conditions prepared by the State Game Commission.

SOUTHWEST: Rogue valley waterfowl hunting remains poor. CENTRAL: Duck and goose hunting should be good in northern Sherman and Wasco counties if snow remains. Pleasant Ridge controlled deer season opens Dec. 10 for permit holders only; prospects very good; all of the deer are down around wheat fields but will move to the west after several days of shooting; best results expected within two miles of the eastern boundary and along Eight-mile and Five-mile creeks.

SOUTHEAST: Summer lake management area waterfowl shooting poor; water partly frozen over; about 350 honkers and 4000 ducks in area; Snake river fair to good in Malheur county for jump shooting and fair with decoys in early morning or late evening; goose shooting in Jordan valley fair; Harney county poor for waterfowl.

Fishing Hindered By Roily Water

Portland—(U.P.)—The weekly report on fishing conditions prepared by the State Game Commission.

Southwest: Some steelhead being taken in Tenmile lake; west forks of Millcoima river fair to good when water clear; Isthmus slough fair to good for striped bass. Coquille river good for steelhead when water clears; Illinois and lower Rogue roily and best fishing several weeks away; many steelhead in main stem of Umpqua but fishing slow.

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TORNADO TO START HOME HOOP SLATE AGAINST AXEMEN FRIDAY

Coach Frank Roelandt displays the 1955-1956 model of the basketball Black Tornado before hometown fans on Friday night.

The Medford high basketball team opposes Eugene in the first of eight games which will help gird it for defense of its 1955 Southern Oregon Conference championship. Friday's encounter here will be the first of a two-game series. Tornado and Axemen go at it again on the senior high court on Saturday evening.

Medford aims for victories over the defending state champion school took an upward lift with the report that Center Dick McLaughlin's ailing leg is much better. Roelandt said that McLaughlin, who missed the conference jamboree, is a possible starter against the Axemen. He pulled a muscle or cord in the lower leg and has it "taped up like a mummy."

Starters Tested
The head mentor listed probable starters on Friday as Mike Stearns or McLaughlin, center; John Foust and Dick Copley, forwards; and Lloyd Cearley and Bob Tisdal, guards. Among the reserves Neil Plumley and Larry Sessler, the tallest players on the squad, are coming along very well, as is Larry Perkins, Roelandt reported.

The Tornado went through another hard scrimmage last night and again worked at its pressing game. Offense got some more tuning and Roelandt said that the club also drilled on "some stuff we may encounter" against Eugene.

A possible starting combination of Hank Kuchera's Axemen includes Don Lawrence, Dave Powell, Charles Warren, Doug Lundstrom and Melvin Olsen. Lawrence, Powell and Olsen were listed on the varsity roster last year along with another returnee, Craig Bushman. Warren is a sophomore and Lundstrom is up from the junior varsity.

Of the varsity holdovers, Lawrence saw the most duty last year. The latest version of the Eugene Axemen is minus a tall man like it had in the person of Mike Moran on last season's championship bunch. Medford also lacks the height it had on the club which was runner-up to Eugene in the Class A. tourney this year. Both aggregations, right now in the shadow of great clubs, both possess a quality of speed, however.

The Axemen come here with victories recorded over Benson of Portland and Albany while Medford has been tested under fire only in the jamboree with one-quarter each against Klamath Falls, Ashland and Grants Pass.

Medford and Crater high junior varsities will be opponents in the preliminaries.

Jack King High In Ashland Shoot

Ashland—Jack King with a score of 771-50x was high aggregate winner Sunday in the Ashland Gun club's fourth annual indoor rifle match at the Armory.

Archie Haskins with 771-47x was second and Lewis Conger with 769 third. Rose Van Buskirk totalled 758 for high ladies' laurels. Jean Busenbark was high junior. She fired a 706 count.

Other top prizes went to Howard Triveliece, high master, 766; Edwin Crabtree, high expert, 769; Ernest Brazil, high sharpshooter, 753, and Ted Smith Jr., high marksman, 722. Ashland Team Victor

Ashland's No. 1 crew won the team match with 3063.

Conger won the prone match with 200-20x and the kneeling event with 195. King was victor in the sitting position with 200. Elmo Bron shot 185 standing to take that match.

There were 47 shooters from southern Oregon and northern California with 15 juniors taking part. Twenty trophies were presented.

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Webfoot Squad Headed for Utah

Eugene—(U.P.)—Oregon's Ducks left here by plane today for Utah where they meet a Brigham Young's strong basketball team in games at Provo Friday and Saturday night.

Coach Bill Borchert will take an 11-man traveling squad.

GRAHAM QUILTS

Brooklyn, N. Y.—(U.P.)—Frank Graham Jr., publicity director for the Brooklyn Dodgers since 1952 and a former sports writer for the New York Sun, is resigning his post with the baseball team to take over as assistant managing editor for Sport magazine.

Danny Kidd, Successful In Orient Toga Defense

Manila—(U.P.)—Danny Kidd of the Philippines, successfully defended his flyweight championship of the Orient Wednesday when he scored a 12-round decision over the rugged Vitchai Kuno of Thailand. Kidd scaled 111½ pounds to his opponents 109½.

ACE COACH CALLED

Monmouth—(U.P.)—Darrell Davis, assistant football coach at Oregon College of Education, has been called for induction into the Army. Davis was a three sport letterman at OCE before assisting Head Coach John Chamberlain last season.

Medfordite Takes Part In Sooner Girls' Game

Norman, Okla.—Jackie Callan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Callan, Medford, Ore., was a participant last Saturday in a girls' football game at University of Oklahoma. She was a member of the Pi Phi squad which played the Gamma Phi Beta team in a Christmas benefit affair for the Cerebral Palsy institute children. Tough tackle rules were followed.

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Rogue River Victor Over Tornado JV

Rogue River high varsity splurged for 14 points in a three-minute overtime last night to turn back the Medford high junior varsity 68 to 57 in a basketball fracas at Rogue River.

The Junior Tornado fought to a 54 to 54 deadlock with the Chieftains in the regular playing time of the fast moving mix but folded and put in only three points in the extra session.

The Medford club had a 43 to 37 margin going into the final quarter. Rogue River caught up midway in the period. Each club had several opportunities in the final moments of the regular time to win the fray at the free throw line but could not make the shots go in.

Rogue River was on top 14 to 12 at the quarter and Medford led 28 to 26 at the half. Bilbee Lane of the Chiefs rolled in 31 points and his teammate, Gary Phillips had 14. Tom Hamlin had 14 for Medford and Jack Poole 12.

LINE-UPS:

Rogue River 68
Towse 6 f
Moore 11 f
Wilson 3 c
Phillips 14 g
Lane 21 g
Poole 12 g
Substitutions—For Rogue River, Stinchcomb 3, Stewart, Vancoter; for Medford, Funston 3, Berteau, Brauner 1, Payne 2.

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BASKETBALL WEDNESDAY COLLEGE GAMES

- East: Villanova 100, St. Francis (Pa.) 77; Army 83, Ithaca 47; Boston College 97, Stonehill 42; Boston Univ. 79, Suffolk 48; Cornell 82, Colgate 76; Dartmouth 70, Vermont 37; Brown 58, Tufts 56; Yale 82, Connecticut 87; Pennsylvania 72, Swarthmore 60; St. John's (N.Y.) 89, Roanoke 62; Temple 74, Gettysburg 53.
- Midwest: Cincinnati 109, Tennessee 83; Dayton 73, Miami (Ohio) 50; Kansas 56, Wichita 55; Notre Dame 85, Loyola (Ill.) 84.
- West: L.A. City Col. 88, Santa Monica 47; Baylor 62, Oregon State 57; Eastern Oregon 76, Whitman 72; Pacific Lutheran 84, Pacific 66; Clark Junior College 88, Monterey Peninsula 63.

Oregon First To Take Positive Step on Plea For Physical Fitness

Portland—Oregon is the first state to take positive action in responding to President Eisenhower's request for improvement of the nation's physical fitness, according to Dr. H. Harrierson Clarke, research professor of physical education, University of Oregon.

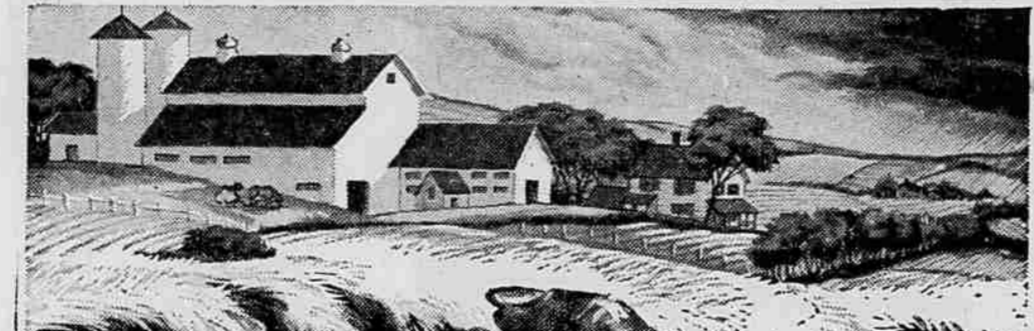
Clark explained that Oregon's recent establishment of a physical fitness testing program has gained for it nationwide prominence. He was the keynote speaker for last Saturday's (December 3) banquet of the Oregon Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation.

One hundred seventy-five Oregon educators attended the 38th annual convention of the association at Seaside.

Those participating included: From Jackson county—Ted Schopf, Beverly Bennett, Ruth Beber, Alex Petersen and Dan Bulkeley, Southern Oregon college; Lee Ragsdale, Medford; Lewis Bertrand, Phoenix; Dea Cox, Jacksonville, and Vern Bonebreak, Eagle Point.

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