

Top Quintets Strengthen MIBL Places

First place Prospect, third place Phoenix and fourth place Hawthorn Tire Tread added to their victory columns in the Medford Independent Basketball League last night.

Prospect, still unmarred, laced Moose lodge 83 to 28, Phoenix took a default win from Headquarters Company of the National Guard and Hawthorn's got by Butte Falls, 56 to 43.

The Prospect club had a half-way lead of 48 to 28 in its game. Hawthorn's widened the gap after 20 to 19 midway edge. Bob Serak and Bob Cavanaugh got 17 points each for the Tirmen and Lee Abbott 14 for Butte Falls.

Flu Hurts Guard

Flu-ridden Headquarters was able to have only four of its men on hand and therefore forfeited. However, the Guardsmen borrowed extra help and played a practice mix with the Merchants. Phoenix won 65 to 39 after leading 37 to 14 at halftime. John Drew scored 20 points for the guard and Lew Bertrand 14 for Phoenix.

In games tonight at the McLaughlin junior high court Company A of the National Guard meets YMCA at 7 o'clock and Hawthorn's plays Headquarters in the second game if the Militiamen have enough hands. Prospect will travel to Butte Falls.

LINEUPS
Hawthorn's 56 43 Butte Falls
Wallace 5 2 Brown
Serak 17 9 Tygart
Cavanaugh 17 2 J. Moore
Johnson 3 4 Abbott
Substitutions: For Hawthorn's, Boardman 4, F. Johnson 4, Nichols 4, D. Johnson, for Butte Falls, Snieck, D. Moore 10, Poole.

Philadelphia Widens Lead In Pro Loop

The Philadelphia Warriors opened a game-and-a-half lead in the Eastern division of the National Basketball association today with the aid of the streak-busting New York Knickerbockers.

The Knicks beat the Boston Celtics, 107-97, in the first half of a doubleheader at Philadelphia Tuesday night to snap the second-place Celtics' winning streak at seven games. The Warriors quickly took advantage of the Celtics' slip by beating Fort Wayne, 102-82, in the second game.

The Knicks held a four-point lead at the start of the final period, doubled it quickly on baskets by Gene Shue and Walt Dukes and stayed comfortably ahead the rest of the way. Harry Gallatin led New York with 23 points and Ray Felix had 20. Ernie Vandeweghe, coming out of retirement, played briefly for New York.

Philadelphia led Fort Wayne, 43-34, at halftime and then blew the game apart by setting a court record of 37 points in the third period. Tom Gola's 20 points paced the Warriors, but George Yardley had 22 for the Pistons.

Lovellette Tied With Bob Pettit In Hoop Scoring

New York—(U.P.)—Bob Pettit of St. Louis and Clyde Lovellette of Minneapolis, who have been taking turns at the head of the National Basketball association scoring parade in recent weeks, were tied today for the lead with 624 points apiece.

Pettit and Lovellette started the new year virtually tied for rebounding honors, also. Lovellette having grabbed 396 off the boards while Pettit snared 395.

Limited to only four points by Fort Wayne last Monday, Pettit poured in 46 points against Boston the next night to set a new league high for the season.

In running their victory streak to seven games, the red-hot Celtics pushed their season's average to an unprecedented 105.4 points for 25 games.

Fort Wayne was setting new defense marks by holding St. Louis to 67 points last Monday and 68 points Sunday, the first time any NBA team has scored less than 73 points in the current season.

Arizona took over as the leading field goal marksman with 201 baskets out of 433 attempts for a .464 mark. Johnston was runnerup with 175 out of 383 for a .457 average.

Seattle Pacific Tops

Eastern Oregon 89-81

Seattle—(U.P.)—The Seattle Pacific Falcons, led by 6-7 center Max Jerman with 37 points, roared to an early lead, then held on to defeat Eastern Oregon 89-81 last night.

Jerman, who connected on 12 shots from the field and 13 of 19 from the free throw line, ran his two-night total against the visitors to 63 points. He chalked up 26 Monday night as Seattle Pacific dumped EOCO 91-82.

Black Tornado Cagers Prep For Series With Ashland

Medford high's Black Tornado returned to the maplecourt yesterday to prep for its Southern Oregon Conference basketball opener after a virtual lay-off since its last pre-league warm-up scuffles against a pair of Portland schools last week.

Except for a short, light drill on Saturday, Tornado cagers had been off the court since the Cleveland scramble on Thursday at Grants Pass.

Medford goes against Ashland in its conference starters. Games are set for Ashland on Friday and for Medford on Saturday with junior varsity prelims each night.

Coach Frank Roelandt gave his Medford charges a good loosening up workout last night and the Tornado went over offenses and defenses which the Grizzlies have used in the past. The mentor, who stated that Medford will have to play "good" ball to beat Ashland, indicated that the Black Tornado should be at near full strength for the Ashlanders.

McLaughlin III

Dick McLaughlin has been having a bout with the flu bug which nipped him during the week's tangles with Franklin and Cleveland and may not be feeling up to par for the first conference games. Dick Copple, who missed the Cleveland mix because of back trouble, is expected to be ready for the Grizzlies. Still sidelined is Larry Guber. He sprained an ankle and pulled ligaments in practice last week and is expected to be out of action for some time.

McLaughlin and Copple took it lighter than the others in practice yesterday.

Roelandt reported that the

High School Scores

TUESDAY BASKETBALL
By United Press
Corvallis 60, Dallas 57.
Eugene 73, Albany 56.
Milwaukie 38, North Salem 49.
The Dalles 72, Cleveland 71.
Benson 56, Parkrose 38.
Springfield 48, St. Francis 44.
South Salem 62, McMinnville 50.
Junction City 45, Lebanon 43.
Vale 65, Payette, Idaho 44.
Scappoose 53, David Douglas 45.
Oswego 60, Newberg 30.
Molalla 67, Silverton 38.
Dayton 45, Sheridan 23.
Knappa 70, Vernonia 46.
Philomath 53, Shasta 51.
Sandy 70, Mt. Angel 42.
Willamina 61, Nestucca 50.
Canby 56, Gervais 42.
Sherwood 69, Yamhill 41.
Sutherlin 66, Oakland 42.
Salem Academy 38, Banks 34.
Nyssa 45, Meridian, Idaho 33.
Ontario 40, Emmett, Idaho 22.

Washington, UCLA Picked

Los Angeles—(U.P.)—The University of Washington and UCLA are the favorites to win the Pacific Coast Conference basketball championship this year, according to a PCC office poll of coast sports writers.

Each team received 177 points on ballots from 24 sports writers. UCLA got 12 first place votes while Washington got 10. Stanford and Utah each got one.

Votes were tabulated on a basis of 10 for first, nine for second, etc.

Other votes: Oregon State, 121; Southern California 120; Stanford 112; Oregon, 111; California 111; Idaho 99; and Washington State 52.

Portland Outruns Lewis and Clark

Portland—(U.P.)—Portland University, led by speedy Jimmy Winters, outran Lewis and Clark for an 81-68 basketball victory last night.

Winters scored 31 points as the Pilots raced to a 47-28 half-time lead and kept well ahead throughout the second period. Gene Kutsch had 18 points for Portland while Slim Hal Ness had 15 for L&C.

In a preliminary, the Portland Frosh walloped the Lewis and Clark Jayvees 126-46 as John Westermann potted 39 counters.

Manual on Steelhead Available on Stands

Portland—Northwest steelheaders have a chance this season to become better acquainted with the state's steelhead streams through the pages of a newly-published manual entitled Pacific Northwest Steelhead.

It is the first book of its type ever printed and contains detailed maps, photos, and feature stories on the 20 leading steelhead streams in Oregon and Washington.

"Steelhead" is a "where to" and "how to" manual that focuses 72 king-size pages on the home and habits of the game fish.

Maps show popular drifts and holes, access roads, and boat-launching sites. Feature articles are written by outstanding Northwest outdoorsmen such as Clarence Pautzke of the Washington Game Department and Reino Koski of the Oregon Game Commission.

The book is available at sporting goods stores and newsstands in the Northwest, or can be obtained by writing Box 750, Portland 7, Ore.

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Tornado will not work out this week at Hedrick junior high, which will be scene of the Saturday game. Since the junior high court has fan-shaped backboards rather than glass, it is felt that playing conditions don't differ much from the senior high floor.

Reason for an abbreviated drill of just shooting, and moving about a bit on Saturday was a cold gym, Roelandt explained. He sought to avoid colds that could be possible from working up a sweat and cooling off too quickly.

Medford will be up against a veteran club in Ashland. The Grizzlies have four men back who were regulars last season, Gene Parent, Stuart Baker, Phil Sword and Harry Johnson.

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Basketball

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SOUTH
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North Carolina 95, Louisiana St. 69.
Virginia 84, South Carolina 83.
West Vir. 98, Washington & Lee 84.
Vanderbilt 89, William & Mary 80.
MIDWEST
Drake 85, Creighton 60.
DePaul 102, Illinois Normal 77.
Hamline 70, Duluth Branch 69.
SOUTHWEST
Hardin-Simmons 61, N. Tex. St. 52.
WEST
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Bowling

TUESDAY TRIPLES

Vivian Knox of Keglers rolled high game of 220 with 513 series, but Mable Clark of C-H-C had high series with 517 last night in Ladies Tuesday Triples bowling.

Standings:
W. L.
Keglers 49 27
C-H-C 45 31
Three Flats 37 39
Hoo Doos 36 40
Alley Cats 21 55

Three Flats
442 H. Culy 404
437 O. Hensen 335
432 M. Clark 517

Hoo Doos
1 Keglers 1346
431 V. Knox 513
404 C. Pardee 444
440 V. Cummings 497

Alley Cats
472 A. Gehardt 465
378 M. Holden 385
362 G. Blind 418

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Dave Kaiser Wears Hero Mantle Well

By HAL WOOD

Los Angeles—(U.P.)—Dave Kaiser, a professional-appearing young man who was a comparative nonentity on a star-studded Michigan State football team until Monday is wearing the mantle of heroism well.

The six-foot, 200-pounder never had made good on a field goal try in college football before he kicked the 41-yarder that was, figuratively speaking, heard 'round the world in the Rose Bowl.

Until that time he was just another man on the team—a fellow who was a quiet, studious appearing fellow who wore glasses when on the street or studying.

Suddenly thrust into the spotlight, his name on the tongue of millions, he still is a bit bewildered by it all.

"I guess I learned all I know about kicking from Lou (The Toe) Groza," he says. Groza is the field goal kicking specialist for the Cleveland Browns.

"He was at spring training when I was at Notre Dame and he taught me how to line up the ball and center the tape between the goal posts."

At Notre Dame Kaiser was at Notre Dame as a freshman. When Frank Leahy resigned, Dave transferred to Michigan State and had to sit out one year.

How did he feel as he lined up the kick that would spell victory or a tie for Michigan State?

"I thought about the two I had missed earlier in the year and the fact that I hadn't been able to practice on field goals lately due to an injury."

"Then, Earl Morrall said to me 'Kick when you're ready. Dave,' and I kicked. The first I knew that it was good was when Buck Nystrom jumped on my back."

Coach Duffy Daugherty, while giving a lot of credit to his fine backs and to the great line and then to Kaiser, had to put in a special word for Nystrom.

"I wouldn't trade Nystrom for any guard in the country," said Daugherty. "He was positively a rock in this game."

It was revealed that Morrall decided to use Kaiser for the field goal attempt instead of Gerry Plautius, who had missed two easier chances earlier in the game.

"I felt that Gerry wasn't getting his foot into the ball good," said Morrall, "so I decided to try Dave."

And that's how heroes are born!

Chiefs Lose To Glendale

Rogue River—Glendale turned back Rogue River 67 to 53 last night at Glendale in the final pre-conference hoop encounter for the Rogue Chiefs.

The Chiefs sagged after a 16 to 9 first quarter advantage and Glendale's Pirates went on top 29 to 26 by halftime. In the third quarter Rogue River fought the home club on better than even terms and the Pirate margin was hacked to 47 to 44.

Glendale rolled up 20 counters in the final stanza while Rogue River could collect only one field bucket and a seven-point total.

Young and Stein of Glendale were high point men with 17 and 16 tallies, respectively. Gary Phillips was high for Rogue River with 15.

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LINEUPS
Glendale 67 53 Rogue River
Young 17 9 Moore
Munyan 8 12 Lane
Brown 10 6 Weaver
Stein 16 15 Phillips
Bert 3 9 Stinchcomb
Substitutions—For Glendale: Miller, Rowe, Musta 5, Hale 6, for Rogue River: Stewart, Ellidge, Wilson, Williams, Towse 2.

YANK SKATERS WIN
Hamar, Norway—(U.P.)—Johnny Werket of Minneapolis won the 500-meter event in the unofficial Dutch speed skating championships Tuesday while Bill Carow of Madison, Wis., finished second in the same event. Despite Werket's victory, Gerhard Maarse of the Netherlands took the lead in the overall standings with 95,630 points at the end of the first day of competition.

THEFTS GETTING WORSE
Greensboro, N. C.—(U.P.)—Police studied today the report from a warehouse firm of thefts of gasoline from its trucks. The company complained the stealing has been going on for 10 or 12 years and lately has been "getting worse."

Is That So?

Our folklore is richly flavored with more than a mere sprinkling of myths concerning our animal life. To dispel some of it, here's another helping of Facts vs. Myths.

Myth: Toads possess the ability to remain imprisoned underground, sealed in rocks or in the cleft of a growing tree for years on end.

Fact: To be sure, almost every year there are stories of toads being blasted out of rock during excavation operations or being dug up from great depths beneath hard-packed clay, or being released from within some building's cornerstone. Some versions say it is a horned toad (which is not a toad but lizard), but the details are the same.

Fact: is, no toad could exist for several years in a sealed-in

condition. However, there is a toad, the spadefoot, which spends a good share of its adult life underground. They burrow under the soil when it is soft and wet. Sometimes these are uncovered under hard-packed soil. But the soil had become wet again they would have emerged under their own power and it would have happened the following rainy period.

In unusually dry years, it is conceivable that a toad might possibly skip a year and not emerge the next rainy period—but many would not survive the second year.

Myth: It is dangerous to eat acid foods with milk—the acids make the milk curdle, like strawberries and cream.

Fact: The milk will curdle, regardless—if fruit acids don't do it, the stomach acids will. If you can eat two foods separately, you can eat them in combination.

Myth: No doubt you have heard of the man who was out hunting game and was bitten through the boot by a large rattlesnake. Despite treatment, the man died. Then years later, his son put the same boots on and died mysteriously with the symptoms of snake-bite. Occasionally, the story is embellished with a third generation—the grandson finds the boots, wears them, and dies too from some strange malady which has all the symptoms of snakebite.

The examination of the boots finally revealed that the fang of a rattlesnake was embedded in the leather in such a way that the wearer would be pricked by the point of the fang.

Fact: The story, although it has been retold from coast to coast with variations in details and number of generations killed, is pure fantasy.

The amount of venom that would remain in such a fang is too small to produce fatal results. Moreover, venom dries very quickly outside the venom glands and soon loses its potency when exposed to air.

Myth: An hour of sleep before midnight is more beneficial than an hour after midnight.

Fact: Certainly the value of sleep may be enhanced by regularity of habit and quiet, but it bears no relation whatever to the clock. However, I seem to wake more refreshed from sleep in a darkened room.

Myth: A person who hears poorly is deaf as an adder.

Fact: A great deal of controversy has been waged on the hearing ability of snakes, whether adders or any other kind. Fact is, all snakes lack a middle ear and they have no eardrum. Despite widespread popular beliefs, snakes cannot hear airborne sounds. That goes too for Indian pythons. However, they are sensitive to vibrations in the ground on which they are resting.

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