

Cage Crews Pause for Examinations

San Francisco — (U.P.) — The University of San Francisco Dons, national basketball champions, and UCLA, Pacific Coast Conference leaders, take a vacation from the courts this week to study for mid-term examinations.

The Dons will be idle until Jan. 28 when they tangle with the University of California in their try for a new collegiate record of 40 consecutive wins. They racked up No. 39 Friday with an easy 69-50 victory over Fresno State in a California Basketball Association game.

In addition to UCLA, California and USC are also idle this week and all PCC activity is scheduled for Friday and Saturday in the Pacific Northwest.

Stanford meets Oregon State at Corvallis, Ore., Oregon takes on the University of Idaho Vandals at Moscow, Idaho, and Washington State travels to Seattle to play Washington. All are two-game series.

USC Ties Stanford

Southern California gained a tie for second place with Stanford by topping Oregon State, 84-53; Stanford handed Idaho its fourth straight conference defeat, 74-62; California overcame a 12-point deficit to edge Oregon, 67-65, and UCLA romped to its fourth consecutive conference win against no losses by overwhelming Washington State, 95-70.

The victories gave Stanford, UCLA and USC clean sweeps of their two game series while California gained a split after losing Friday's opener.

McLoughlin Ninth Victor

McLoughlin junior high ninth grade touched off a three-game Saturday basketball sweep for Medford teams over Klamath Falls rivals by rapping the Pelican freshmen, 52 to 31, at Klamath in an afternoon encounter.

Medford senior high varsity and junior varsity clubs followed with evening victories.

During the second half the Bulldog ninth turned in one of its top performances of the season, working the ball well. Period standings were all in McLoughlin favor, 11 to 5, 24 to 12 and 44 to 22.

Bob Plankenhorn of McLoughlin led both teams in points with 14.

LINE-UPS:

McL. 9th 52	31 KF Frosh
Plankenhorn 14	8 Drake
Turner 10	2 Peterson
F. Peterson 5	1 Perkins
Pond 5	2 Dave DeLap
F. Funken 2	3 Don DeLap

Substitutions—For McLoughlin: Barr 1, Sellars, Green, Pathman 2, Friesen, Lyons, Koch, B. Ice, Clark, Reich 7; for Klamath: Matthews 4, Highby 4, D. Smith, J. Smith 2, Hedburgh 2.

Pros Plan Only Minor Changes In Grid Rules

Los Angeles — (U.P.) — The National Professional Football League opened its annual sessions here today, taking under consideration 35 proposed rules changes.

But when the smoke clears away there won't be enough difference between the present rules and the new ones to be noticeable.

"We have about 35 suggestions for rules changes, but we won't make any changes of major importance," says Commissioner Bert Bell.

Among the rules that may be approved are ones to make it mandatory to mark the one-yard stripes the full length of the field; having linemen unable to shift after coming to a three-point stance to eliminate the "sucker shift"; and when the ball goes out of bounds on a kick-off, giving the receiving team the choice of taking the ball where it went out of bounds, or the five-yard penalty.

RACE LICENSE GRANTED

Portland — (U.P.) — The Oregon Racing Commission Saturday granted a license for a spring-summer horse race meet at Portland Meadows from May 5 through July 7. No assignment of dog racing dates was made.

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CARY MIDDLECOFF COLLECTS CROSBY LAURELS 2ND YEAR

Pebble Beach, Calif. — (U.P.) — Dr. Cary Middlecoff used a "floating putt" in shooting the best round of golf "in my life" in winning the Big Crosby \$15,000 clambake for the second consecutive year.

Middlecoff walked off with first prize of \$25,000 and set a new tournament record Sunday with his three-round score of 202 as he used an old-fashioned hickory shaft putter in "floating" long putts across the rain flooded greens.

Going into the last round in a first place deadlock with crew-cut Bob Rosburg of San Francisco, Middlecoff started slow over the water-logged course and made the turn in only one

under par. Hit Stride. But then he began to hit his stride. On the 10th he dropped a 15-footer for a bird and followed it with a 12-footer for another bird on the 11th and a 14-footer for a third bird on the 14th.

Middlecoff's total — made up of rounds of 68-68-66 — bested the old record of 204 set by Lloyd Mangrum in 1954.

While Middlecoff was winning the medal play as he pleased, Ralph (Medley) Blomquist, Glendale, Calif., and his amateur partner George Galios, of Monterey, Calif., took the Pro-Am championship with a record best ball 188.

SPORTS

Black Tornado Boosts Leadership in League By Tipping Pels 56-48

SOUTHERN OREGON CONFERENCE STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Pct
Medford	4	0	1.000
Klamath Falls	2	2	.500
Grants Pass	1	3	.250
Ashland	1	3	.250

A persistent driving, unrelenting Medford high Black Tornado which had "strong determination on defense and let the offense take care of itself" zoomed from the role of strong contender to that of "team to beat" in the Southern Oregon Conference in a potent week end showing at Klamath Falls.

Successfully overcoming a disadvantage in height for the second consecutive night, the Tornado also will-powered its way in a struggle against fatigue to squelch the Klamath Pelican basketball quintet 56 to 48 on Saturday. The verdict followed a 73 to 64 Medford triumph on Friday, making a clean sweep for the Black Tornado.

Week end action gave Medford a two-game lead in the chase for conference honors and left it the lone unblemished contender in the Class A-1 circuit. Ashland drubbed the Grants Pass Cavemen 85 to 61 on Saturday after bowing to the Climate City boys 58 to 55 on Friday. The Ashland-GP split kept Klamath alone in second place in league standings.

Equal Zeal

Medford's big effort on Friday in the higher Klamath altitude had been a tiring one but it didn't dim the desire of the Pearl capital club and the defenders fought with equal zeal on Saturday. It took a while to turn the tide, but after once gaining the lead and losing it, the Tornado took command again and kept it.

First quarter score was knotted at 14-14. Medford headed 25 to 22 at the half and 43 to 35 after three quarters. Eleven points at one time of the final half was the widest Tornado margin.

Medford didn't get the lead until in the second quarter when Dick Cople's bucket made it 19 to 18. Don Taucher made it 20 to 18 for Klamath but Lloyd Cearley hit for 21 to 20 and Medford stayed on top from there.

Coach Roelandt today termed the Klamath wins team and squad victories, pointing to the strong roles played by reserves in the contests and too the work played in practice by other squad members in preparing the Tornado regulars defensively for the series. They ran Pelican offensive plays in the week of spirited drills.

Reserves did a wonderful job, according to the mentor, who pointed to the work of Larry Perkins and Ed Reinking Saturday and Mike Stearns on Friday. Labors fell on Perkins and Reinking particularly on Saturday when fouls limited the duty of Cople and John Foust and a cut above the eye sidelined Cearley for a time.

Cople missed about 11 minutes of play, leaving after his fourth foul with three minutes

Johnson Picked To Beat Sullivan

New York — (U.P.) — Light heavyweight Tony Johnson of New York is favored at 11-5 to beat England's Johnny Sullivan, former British middleweight champion, tonight in their TV 10-rounder at the St. Nicholas arena.

Johnson, heavier and stronger than Sullivan, was impressive in his last bout on Nov. 28, when he knocked out Billy McNece in the eighth round. Earlier last year, McNece had held him to a draw.

played in the third quarter and returning to action with two minutes to go in the game. Foust fouled out with seven minutes played in the third and Cearley was out of action about six minutes after his injury.

Cople was still high point man for the night with 13 points, scoring five field goals. Taucher got five of his six field shots in the first half and led Klamath with 13 points. Four Medford men scored in twin figures, Neil Plumley had 11 and Dick McLoughlin and Bob Tisdal each 10.

Medford again Saturday gave Klamath a great battle on the boards. Neil Plumley was the top Tornado rebounder with 10.

Medford

Cople, f	5	3	4	13
McLoughlin, f	2	6	3	10
Plumley, c	2	2	4	11
Tisdal, g	2	6	2	10
Cearley, g	3	0	0	6
L. Perkins	1	4	0	6
Foust	0	2	2	2
Reinking	1	0	0	2
Totals	16	24	19	56

Klamath Falls

McLoughlin, f	2	4	4	8
E. Tichenor, f	2	2	4	6
M. Moore, c	2	5	3	9
Perkins, g	1	4	0	6
Taucher, g	6	0	0	12
O. Perkins	0	0	0	0
Rung, g	0	2	1	2
Sutherland	0	2	1	2
McGill	0	1	1	1
Totals	16	16	20	48

Phoenix, Eagle Point Win in Rogue League

ROGUE LEAGUE STANDINGS:

Team	W	L	Pct
Phoenix	4	0	1.000
Crater	2	2	.500
Eagle Point	2	2	.500
Illinois Valley	0	4	.000

Phoenix high established itself in leadership of the Rogue Basketball league Saturday night by downing Crater 53 to 44 in a victory more lopsided than the actual score indicated.

The win, on top of a 51 to 40 count over the Comets on Friday, gave the undefeated Pirates a two-game margin in the standings over its nearest foe. Eagle Point completed a two-game sweep over Illinois Valley with a 65 to 34 performance on Saturday to deadlock with Crater in second place in the loop.

The more polished and sharper Phoenix Pirates jumped in front of the Comets early in the first quarter and steadily increased their bulge to a 21-point spread midway in the third quarter. After that they found the Crater crewmen rough as well as rugged and the hassle finishing like a slam-bang bruising football game. The rough and tumble aspect intensified as reserves filtered in to end the evening.

Outdriving and outrunning the Comets and outmaneuvering them for a good number of close in chances, the Pirates gained leads of 17 to 11 at the quarter and 34 to 17 at the half. Free shots were helpful to Phoenix as it got 45 to 23 and 47 to 25 gaps in the third quarter. That period ended 47 to 27.

With reserves in their line-up the Pirates didn't score in the last four minutes of play. As Comet regulars gave way to reserves, Crater whittled away the Phoenix lead as the game closed out.

Bill Madden scored 19 and Delmar Brood 12 for Phoenix and John Shama 11 for Crater. Eagle Point pulled away from IV after leading 11 to 9 at the quarter. Tallies were 30 to 15 at the half and 45 to 22 at the third intermission. The Eagles were hot in their shooting and handled the ball well.

Wayne Christian had 15 and Gale Friend 15 points for the Eagles.

Crater won its junior varsity mix at Phoenix 42 to 36, almost being overtaken after once hav-

St. Mary's Tops Shasta; Eyes Talent

St. Mary's high of Medford won its second victory of the season over the Mt. Shasta, Calif., basketball club Saturday night.

The Crusaders, who won by 69 to 50 in the California town, takes on Talent here Tuesday night. Winner will be the lone unbeaten leader in the Jackson County B league. Each has copped two loop decisions.

The Medford aggregation took command in the second second quarter at Mt. Shasta. It led 18 to 15 at the end of the first panel and, holding its adversary to four points, ran its advantage to 37 to 19 by half-time. Mt. Shasta closed the gap somewhat in the third frame. St. Mary's headed 48 to 37 after that period.

Shoot Well. St. Mary's hit a high percentage of its shots, showing improvement in its outside firing. The Crusaders also turned in a good floor game and defensively limited the Shastas to mostly long shots.

Dick Paup was high scorer for SM with 26 counters. John Walsh rolled up 18 and Laval Meunier hit 14.

St. Mary's jayvees downed the MS lightweight five 61 to 42 with Ron Read scoring 16 and Gary Miksche 14.

Other Jackson County B loop frays on Tuesday night are Jacksonville at Prospect and Rogue River at Butte Falls.

LINE-UPS:

St. Mary's 69	50 Mt. Shasta
Walsh 18	1 Tannehill
Paup 26	8 Sutherland
G. Darland 5	8 Menden
M. Miksche 4	8 Chitwood
L. Perkins	7 Chambers
Meunier 14	7 Chambers

Substitutions—For St. Mary's: Sullivan, Pruitt, Flakus 2, Read, J. Darland; for Mt. Shasta: Williams 2, Sulley 2, Pratt 4, Torson 8.

Reds Grab Team Shoot

The Reds nabbed top honors again in the annual team shoot of Medford Gun club, turning back the Blue trapshooters 765 to 749 on Sunday.

An honor, however dubious, goes to the Blues. They will serve the annual dinner at the club on Wednesday. The dinner is set for 7 p.m. with a social hour beforehand. A business meeting will follow with election of directors scheduled.

Captain Paul Culbertson helped the cause of his Red crew with 49 out of 50. Ray Coleman and Bill Jantzer also matched that score.

The Ed Pease handicap was shot with Charles Bendell winning with 48 out of 50 from 22 yards.

CI Retains Clean Record In NW Loop

College of Idaho won over Lewis and Clark 71-66 Saturday night to keep its Northwest conference record spotless.

R. C. Owens and Charley Jenkins produced a good share of points for the Coyotes and also gave them control of the backboards.

In Salem, Linfield spoiled Willamette's home Northwest conference debut by taking an early lead and downing the Salem quintet 69-60. Bill Machamer produced 20 counters for the Wildcats.

Del Klieker scored 35 points to lead Whitman to a 78-74 victory over Pacific university in Forest Grove. The victory evened the series between the two teams.

In Oregon Collegiate conference action, the Southern Oregon College of Education 73-47 for the second night running in Monmouth. The Raiders outshot the Wolves 403 to 211.

In La Grande, the hot Eastern Oregon Mountaineers hit the century mark in downing Oreg. Tech 100-66, using reserves most of the way. The Mountaineers were ahead 42-27 by halftime.

Warrior. Piston Quints Triumph

The Philadelphia Warriors and Fort Wayne Pistons now are staging a battle to see which can pile up the biggest division lead in the National Basketball association.

The Warriors, with a 108-96 victory over St. Louis Sunday, emerged from the weekend with a 4 1/2 game bulge over second-place Boston in the Eastern division. And Fort Wayne, with a 104-99 decision over Minneapolis came out with a four-game edge in the West.

In other Sunday games, New York downed Boston 104-102, in overtime, and Syracuse defeated Rochester, 99-98.

HUNT MEETING SET. New York—(U.P.)—The Hunts committee of the National Steeplechase and Hunt association announced today the dates for the spring hunt meeting races. The opening meeting is scheduled for Southern Pines, N. C., March 17, and the closing session is set for Indianapolis, Ind., June 18.

High School Scores

SATURDAY BASKETBALL By United Press

Central Catholic 72	The Dalles 54
Medford 56	Klamath Falls 48
Hermiston 77	West 51
Ontario 64	Grant Union 48
Sisters 51	Culver 43
Bend 54	Corvallis 33
Cascade Locks 43	Mosier 37
Prineville 63	Burns 48
Pendleton 75	Baker 58
Vale 64	Alsea 50
Ashland 85	Grants Pass 61
Condon 56	DuVall 32
Maslin 62	Moro 35
Iwaco 67	Warrenton 49
Redmond 56	Madras 49
Blood River 59	Concordia 54
Mac-Hi 46	La Grande 31
Arlington 57	St. Marys 30
Enterprise 62	Joseph 46
Stanfield 53	Lexington 29
Cottage Grove 56	Sweet Home 44
Coung 50	Harrisburg 44
Astoria 64	North Bend 56
Marshfield 51	Coolidge 43
Geop. Washington 73	VMI 48
Eagle Point 65	Illinois Valley 34
Phoenix 53	Crater 44

2 Steelhead Proposed As Rogue Limit

Portland — (U.P.) — The State Game commission will set final 1956 sports fishing regulations Jan. 28 with the trout season expected to open April 28 and continue through Oct. 31.

These were the tentative dates agreed upon Saturday after the commission's first public hearing.

The dates would be for the streams and lakes other than those within national forest boundaries. For lakes and reservoirs within national forests the season would open May 26 and close Oct. 7.

The April 28-Oct. 31 season would add 24 days to the length of trout fishing while the other season would be the same length as 1955.

The commission decided, tentatively, that tributaries of the Wilson river would be open to summer trout fishing. It would increase by nine days the special season on jack salmon—to last from Oct. 1 to Nov. 15. The commission also tentatively increased the open season on spring chinook salmon in the Umpqua river by 25 days, or from March 31 to June 10.

The Tualatin river up to the Highway 219 bridge was opened to winter fishing for trout or steelhead over 12 inches.

The commission decided to eliminate the two attractor blade rule, to allow anglers to use any number of attractor blades for their trolling lines.

The daily bag limit for trout and steelhead on the Rogue river was reduced from three to two trout and steelhead not less than a foot long. Gnat creek was closed to salmon fishing.

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There will be only 154 week day games played during the daylight hours.

East Squad Nudges West 31-30 in Pro Grid Bowl

By HAL WOOD
Los Angeles — (U.P.) — When there is talent on the football field it means excitement.

That was what happened here Sunday when the East beat the West, 31-30, in the annual Pro Bowl game that ended in a wrangle but which furnished the wildest day of football possible right from the opening kick-off.

That was when Jack Christiansen of the Detroit Lions ran the opening kick back 103 yards for a touchdown—just to give a sample of excitement to come.

Actually, the West thought it won the game, as an argument broke out at the end. Reichar attempted a field goal from the 50 with three seconds to go. It was short and Joe Scudero of the Washington Redskins received the ball approximately on the goal line. The West claimed he stepped into the end zone and downed the ball, which would have given the West two points and the game.

The officials ruled that he caught the ball in the end zone and therefore it was a touch-back with no points.

It was Ollie Matson, former University of San Francisco star from the Chicago Cardinals, who was voted the outstanding star of the game. Among the feats were the 91-yard return of a kick-off; a 15-yard, all-alone power play that scored another touchdown, and several other hipper-dipper performances that left both the fans and the other players goggle-eyed.

For instance, with the West trailing, 20-21, big Bert Reichar of Baltimore kicked a field goal from the 46-yard line to put his Western team in front, 23-20. But, not to be out-done, the old reliable Lou The Toe Groza

of the Cleveland Browns turned right around and kicked a 50-yarder to put the East back in front, 24-23.

The two great forward walls would butt heads without any gain for half a dozen plays, then someone would break loose on a 50-yard touchdown play.

Then, the defense would take over. Once, the East had first and nine yards to go for a touchdown just before the half ended. Through certain circumstances, they got seven cracks at the line and made it to the one-foot line and never did score before the West took over.

Basketball

SATURDAY COLLEGE GAMES: East

Temple 91	Manhattan 79
Dayton 82	Cantatus 73
Army 92	Yale 65
Duquesne 66	Brands 41
Columbia 64	Navy 51
Seton Hall 87	Georgetown (DC) 85
NYU 23	Rutgers 91
Pittsburgh 78	Penn State 60
Cornell 75	Harvard 60

South

Alabama 86	Auburn 77
North C. 103	Clemson 99 (DOT)
Duke 76	Maryland 62
Geo. Washington 73	VMI 48
Vanderbilt 68	Mississippi 73
Richmond 75	William & Mary 53
Tennessee 81	Tulane 65

Midwest

De Paul 91	Bradley 76
Oklahoma City 76	