

Medford Ends Home Schedule With 72-52 Caveman Defeat

SOUTHERN OREGON CONFERENCE STANDINGS

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Medford	10	1	.909
Klamath Falls	7	4	.636
Grants Pass	3	8	.273
Ashland	2	9	.182

Medford high's Southern Oregon Conference and District 6 A-1 champions wound up their 1958 home basketball slate in appropriately impressive and glittering style on the Hedrick court Friday night. The Black Tornado combined torrid shooting with fine floor play and aggressive defense to overpower the Grants Pass Cavemen 72 to 52.

It was the 10th victory in 11 conference scrambles for the Tornado and its 16th successful maplecourt venture in 21 games this season.

Sizzling during three quarters of the fracas, Medford fired at a scorching .595 average from the field, its best shooting of the season. The Medfordites took control of the skirmish when it was three minutes old. They whirled to a 25 to 9 first quarter bulge. Tornado lead was never less than 12 points after that although the Cavemen showed streaks of strength.

Zone Gives Trouble

Grants Pass gave Medford trouble with its zone defense in the second canto and that session ended 31 to 18. The Cavemen then tussled on even terms through most of the third chucker but by the end of the stanza the Medford crew had upped its advantage to 50 to 33. Medford had several 23-point margins in the final quarter.

The Tornado flicked in 10 field shots in 13 tries in the first quarter with Lloyd Cearley sinking four for four. And Cearley and his mates, Dick Coppel, Dick McLaughlin, Bob Tisdell and Neil Plumley, all had a hand in ballhawking defense which enabled Medford to establish its command. Medford intercepted and steals cut down the GP shooting chances and Tornado pressing gave the Cavemen few good opportunities. Grants Pass got only two field goals in the stanza.

The Cavemen came back with its stiff zone in the second panel to limit Medford to only two goals in 10 tries. Two stalls by the Tornado in an attempt to break up the zone resulted in some of the dearth of scoring in the quarter. Grants Pass switched to man-to-man defense in fairly short order on the first occasion and Medford got one bucket, by John Foust. But the Cavemen were more reluctant to come out and try for the ball moments later and Ed Reinking stood and held the ball for almost 1 1/4 minutes.

28 of 47 From Field

That was all of the real slow down tactics of the night and the Medford offense clicked for eight field goals in 12 tries each in the third and fourth quarters to give the Tornado a 28 out of 47 tabulation for night.

There were three ties of 2-all, 4-all and 6-all in the opening minutes and the Tornado went ahead for keeps on Cearley's long cast at 8 to 6.

Individual scoring was well distributed on both squads. Plumley got 14, McLaughlin 13, Cearley 12 and Tisdell 11 for Medford and Chuck Nevi 13 and Allan Drews 12 to lead the Cave-

men.

While the Cavemen were kept from having a big night from the field, they were impressive from the gift line with 21 free shots in 26 chances. Medford did well, too, with 16 for 21.

Grants Pass had the rebounding edge 14 to eight in the first half and Medford 13 to eight in the second half. The Tornado's success from the field and its frequent busting of the GP attack before shots were fired, however, took away some of the significance of backboard work on the outcome of the game.

Many Reserves Played

After the Tornado took wide control in the fourth quarter, Coach Frank Roelandt began filtering reserves into the fray. Twelve Medford players saw duty. GP also finished up with substitutes and 11 Cavemen played.

It was the final home basketball appearance in the prep hoop careers of five Medford seniors, Tisdell, Cearley, Foust, Ed Reinking and Larry Gober. For Gober it was the first action since the Eugene series at the start of the season. First a cold then an

ankle sprain sidelined him. Gober was in the mix during the final 5 1/2 minutes and did well in that time.

Medford was without the services of Tisdell through the second quarter and for five minutes of the third because of his third and fourth fouls. He played 3 1/2 minutes of the last quarter.

In another conference game at Ashland, Klamath Falls almost duplicated the Medford score, trimming the Grizzlies 72 to 51.

Player	FG	FT	PF	TP
Medford	40	22	13	8
Grants Pass	18	17	12	4



YOU FOUL HIM — That's what Referee Clarence Mellbye appears to be saying as he points the finger of guilt at Medford's Larry Slessler (23) in the closing minute of the Black Tornado-Grants Pass high basketball game Friday night. Slessler was charged with an infraction against the Cavemen's Tom Ber-

net. The photo was snapped just after Bernet let fly for the basket. The shot failed but Bernet made one of his two free tries. Other Medfordites in the picture are Larry Gober (25), Larry Perkins and Mike Stearns (13). Medford won 72 to 52.—(Brainard photo)

Medford Wrestlers Capture Two Titles

Medford high school captured two individual championships, placed four men in the state meet and won third place in team standings in the district wrestling tournament Friday and Saturday at Southern Oregon college gymnasium.

Ron Lingren and Ray Hilton of the Black Tornado won titles in their respective weights and George Flanagan and Gordon Owsley got the other state ruckus spots for Medford.

IV Places Two

Illinois Valley qualified two first place men and Glendale one second place grappler.

Lingren decided George Flanagan, a Medford squad mate, for the 130-pound district toga. Flanagan defeated Alley of Klamath Falls, consolation winner, for the number two spot in the weight.

Hilton decided Richie Condray of Grants Pass in the 136-pound class. Owsley won the 123-pound consolation and then trimmed Brown of Klamath Falls who had lost in championship finals.

Champions included Bleek, Klamath, 98 pounds; Cramer, Klamath, 106; Stevens, Grants Pass, 115; Roberts, Klamath, 123; Cole, Illinois Valley, 141; Berg, Klamath, 148; Leeling, Klamath, 157; Peterson, Grants Pass, 168; Simons, Klamath, 178; Swift, Illinois Valley, 191, and Barker, Grants Pass, unlimited.

Medford high was sure of at least one area winner and had six other entries still in the running for state tournament berths after Friday bouts.

Ron Lingren and George Flanagan of the Tornado reached the 130-pound class finals. Losers were to meet in the consolation bracket winner for a second state meet spot in the weight.

In the 136-pound eliminations Ray Hilton won his way into a finals engagement with Richie Condray of Grants Pass. Dennis Walker had similar success in the 141 grouping, winning the right to wrestle Cole of Illinois Valley in the championship match.

Gordon Owsley, 123, Larry Anderson, 168, and Bob Martin, 148, were all in the running in the consolation flights after Friday scrapes.

Results Listed

In Friday matches Hilton defeated Leland Barrows of Grants Pass and Steiner of Klamath Falls. Walker subdued Smith of Glendale and Bob Fawcett of GP. Flanagan drew a bye in the first round then trimmed Alley of Klamath Falls. Lingren got by Cheney of GP and Tonelli of KF.

Owsley lost to Ivan Taylor of Grants Pass, pinned Coate of Glendale and beat Valle of GP. Anderson was winner over Larry Drake of GP but lost to Roy Ropp of Klamath. He then defeated Krauss of Illinois Valley. Martin was subdued by Flipse of GP and then beat Gary Heath of Medford.

In the tourney consolation bracket champions had the chance to wrestle losers in championship flight finals for second state meet positions from the district.

BOBBY BROCATO

Arcadia, Calif. — (U.P.) — Bobby Brocato went out in front as expected yesterday and with no Swaps to press him, won the \$135,000 Santa Anita handicap by more than four lengths. With Johnny Longden aboard for his fourth winner of the day, Bobby Brocato raced the mile and a quarter in 2:04 3-5 over a slow track. It also was Longden's fourth victory in the Santa Anita handicap, a record for the race which had its 19th renewal today.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS

Idaho Edges Oregon State 58-55 in Dreary Battle

Corvallis—(U.P.)—Oregon State fell even deeper into the lower rungs of the Pacific Coast Conference ladder here Friday night as the cellar-dwelling Vandals of Idaho poked out a 58-55 win over the Beavers in a slow unimpressive display of basketball.

Idaho took its final game-winning lead with only 1:10 showing on the clock as Oregon State failed to connect from the field since midway through the second period.

The Beavers took a 55-54 lead with two minutes to play only to see Gary Simmons connect with a 20-footer and put the Vandals in front, 56-55. Oregon State got two more chances to take the advantage but on the second miss, Idaho cleared the board and set the stage for a clincher by Jay Buhler in the waning seconds on a layin that ran the final to 59-55.

Vandals Lead Early

Idaho took the early lead in the ball game, stretching it into an 11 point advantage midway through the first period at 23-12. Oregon State rallied to knot the count at 27-all before the Vandals pounced back to go into intermission period with a 37-31 bulge.

The second half was little more inspiring for the 4496 fans than was the first until Oregon State finally caught up and took their first lead of the night, 44-45 for the Beavers.

That go ahead basket was the last two-pointer that the Beavers collected for the night, although

BOX:

Player	FG	FT	PF	TP
Idaho	23	12-23	13	58
Oregon State	15	25-33	13	55

TURNER WINS

Daytona Beach, Fla. — (U.P.) — Curtis Turner of Roanoke, Va., whose car burned up in Friday's feature, yesterday won the first annual \$13,450 National Convertible championship race in a 1956 Ford. The 32-year-old sportsman-lumberman —challenged by another Ford during the first half of the race —set a blistering pace over the 39 laps of the 4.1 mile beach and asphalt course. His time for the 160 miles was one hour, 39 minutes, and 53 seconds with an official average of 96.11 miles per hour.

Waltonians Asking Support In Effort for Funds for Savage Rapids Screening

Officials of the Jackson County chapter of the Izaak Walton League made another big move Friday in their efforts to secure federal appropriation for turbine screening at Savage Rapids dam on Rogue river.

They mailed copies of an urgent appeal for support and help to the IWL national headquarters which is to relay them on to Waltonian division headquarters in the 47 other states. Appeals request the IWL leaders to communicate with their representatives in Congress, especially those who are members of the House appropriations committee, urging support of the turbine screening proposals Oregon Cong. Harris Ellsworth will make to the committee.

The plea for immediate action by Waltonians states that due to failure of screen turbine intake at Savage Rapids irrigation dam the spring chinook and summer steelhead runs on Rogue river are about to disappear. It points to a decrease of 62 per cent since 1942 in spring run chinook and 77 per cent decrease in summer steelhead.

Loss of fish when they are forced to pass through the turbine and pumps on downstream migration is brought out. That 83 per cent of the flow of the river must pass through the turbine or pumps is also stated.

Cavekids Top Hornet Quint

One of Hedrick junior high ninth grade's best basketball performances of the season was not quite enough Friday. The Hornets dropped a 45 to 39 ruckus with Grants Pass.

The Hedrick crew looked good in a losing battle which was close to the finish. Only one point separated the clubs with less than a minute to play. Grants Pass extended its margin on free shots off three fouls. Two Cavekid gifters were plunked in after the final buzzer.

Grants Pass had quarterly leads of 14 to 9, 26 to 22 and 36 to 32. Jerry Putnam was the big gun for GP. He had 16 points and his 6 feet 4 inches proved too much for Hedrick to contend with. John Harvey was high scorer for the Hornets with 15. He had 13 in the first half but was held down by Johnny Olson in the last two quarters.

LINE-UPS

GP	Hed. 9th
Olson 8	10 Peek
Barrell 16	4 Maurer
Putnam 16	6 Rasmussen
Leonard 4	15 J. Harvey
Hays 7	2 T. Monroe

Substitutions—For Grants Pass: Wilson, Fox 10; Dean; for Hedrick: Whaley 2, Winetroat.

to 52 and Malin clubbed Bly 77 to 28 Friday night to go into the Saturday finale for the Klamath-Lake county basketball tournament championship. Winner will face St. Mary's of Medford for the District 3B diadem.

Hedrick Eighth Downs CP 45-30

Hedrick Junior high won the eighth grade mix and Central Point the seventh grade tilt yesterday in basketball contention at Central Point.

The Hornet eighth trailed in the first half but went ahead to stay in the third quarter in toppling the Pointers 45 to 30. Central Point seventh grade established a huge lead in the first half and survived a faltering defense to beat Hedrick 36 to 23.

Pointers led 13 to 11 at the quarter and 22 to 21 at the half of the eighth grade hassle but Hedrick gained a 35 to 25 edge in the third period.

In the seventh grade scrap Central Point went on top 15 to 2 in the first quarter and 23 to 2 by halftime. Third quarter standing was 32 to 11.

LINE-UPS:

Hedrick 8th 45	30 Central Point
Moore 13	4 Woods
Frohnmayer 7	2 Cote
McGill 10	10 Michaels
Olson 6	6 Pfaff
Anderson 5	8 G. Bartley

Substitutions—For Hedrick: Central 2, Parsons, Kliever, Deakins 2; for Central Point: Sharp, Warren, Arnold, Toner, B. Anhorn, J. Anhorn.

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