



A-1 DISTRICT CHAMPIONS—The Medford high basketball squad, above, Southern Oregon Conference and District 6 A-1 champion, is taking it light this week and resting up before starting full scale preparations for the state tournament at Eugene. The Black Tornado had an 11-win 1-loss record in the circuit and district and a 17.5 mark for the year. Left to

right, kneeling, in the picture are Coach Frank Roelandt, Manager Ron Warner, Bob Tisdell, Gary Riley, Lloyd Cearley, Larry Perkins and Manager Ken Kumsawa. In the back row, from left, are Ed Reinking, John Foust, Dick McLaughlin, Mike Stearns, Neil Plumley, Larry Slessler, Dick Copple and Larry Gober. —(Landis-Shangle photo)

Dons Stay on Top 13th Week; Other Teams Shift in UP Poll

New York—(U.P.)—San Francisco's peerless Dons, atop the United Press rating today for the 13th straight week, face an opportunity to set three records that could establish them as the best college team of all time. The Dons maintained their almost monotonous domination this week when 32 members of the 35-man United Press Board of Coaches picked them No. 1 in the nation. The coaches also slotted Alabama, Iowa and UCLA among the top 10 teams in the biggest shakeup of the select group since the early weeks of the season.

Next week's ballot will be the final of the 1956 campaign and will represent the coaches' choice for the regular season national champion. San Francisco, which goes after its 48th consecutive victory tonight against College of Pacific, can make college basketball history in many ways by maintaining its winning streak. In addition to the collegiate record of 55 straight triumphs which is within their grasp, Coach Phil Woolpert's men also can achieve two other marks that will solidify their claim to greatness: **Single Season Record** 1. They can compile the best record ever made by a major college team in a single season, and, 2. They can become the first team ever to lead the United Press ratings every week of the season.

By winning their four remaining regular season games, the Dons can qualify for a defense of their NCAA championship. Four victories in the NCAA tournament will earn them the title and match the all-time high of 55 straight triumphs set by Peru (Neb.) State Teachers 30 years ago. In that case, San Francisco's 29-0 mark for this season will be the best ever for a major college team. Kentucky's 25-0 record for the 1929-30 campaign currently is tops. San Francisco's point-total this week was 338 out of a possible 350 for an 80-point margin over Dayton, which wrestled the No. 2 rating from Illinois by a single point. Of the three coaches that did not pick San Francisco first one voted for Dayton, another for fifth-ranked Louisville and the third for sixth-ranked Alabama.

Kaline Reports to Camp; Others Sign

By FRED DOWN
United Press Sports Writer
It develops that Al Kaline was just a growing boy in 1955 when he won the American League batting championship. Most batting champions are content to let well enough alone but the 21-year-old outfielder surprised his Detroit Tiger teammates Monday when he checked into camp at a robust 186 pounds. That represented a gain of 19 pounds over the weight at which he closed the 1955 campaign. But Kaline's teammates and Manager Bucky Harris agreed the new poundage looked good on the youngest batting champion in major league history.

Kaline led the circuit with a .340 average last season, hit 27 home runs and knocked in 102 runs in 152 games. Phillies Sign Hamner
At Clearwater, Fla., the Philadelphia Phillies put the stamp of approval on the first phase of infielder Granny Hamner's comeback when they signed him to a contract estimated at \$23,000. The Phillies refused to talk terms with Hamner until he proved his injured legs were strong again—a matter which Hamner took care of the last two weeks. Elsewhere:
The Brooklyn Dodgers sold lefthanded pitcher Tom Lasorda from their Montreal farm club to Kansas City for an undisclosed sum and a minor league player to be selected at a future date. Lasorda had a 9-8 record and 3.27 earned run average in the International League last year.

Moore KO's Dunlap in 1st Round

San Diego, Calif. — (U.P.) — World light heavyweight champion Archie Moore said today he put heavyweight Bob Dunlap out of action in a hurry to prove he isn't getting to be an old man. Moore, looking faster and tougher than during his dull win over Howard King in San Francisco, last night knocked out Dunlap, an Oakland, Calif., 200-pounder, in 1:56 of the first round of a non-title bout. It took Moore only a few punches to prove he's still rugged. **Out For Knockout**
"The reason I knocked him out so fast was because I've been getting a lot of criticism about slowing up," Moore said. "When the opening bell rang, I was out for a knockout."
The champion said he has been irked by reports saying his reflexes are slowing up. "They said I'm slow, but they're wrong," he said. "I didn't fool around. After all, if you fool around with a guy, you're through."
Moore, 196, caught his opponent with a hard left to the body and then a right cross to the chin to deck Dunlap. Dunlap was up on one knee when he was counted out by referee Frank Rustich.

Braves Sign Two
Outfielders Hank Aaron and Bill Bruton signed with the Milwaukee Braves leaving only pitcher Ray Crone, outfielders Andy Pafko and West Coyington and infielders Jack Dittmer and George Crowe unsatisfied. Jim Wilson, a 12-game winner for the seventh-place Baltimore Orioles last season, makes his spring debut today in an intrasquad game. Manager Charley Dressen of the Washington Senators tabbed rookie John Valmas as "a real find" after the 22-year-old right-hander impressed during batting practice. Valmas was 25-11 with the Class D Orlando Flyers in 1955. Pitcher Mel Parnell signed with the Boston Red Sox leaving General Manager Joe Cronin free to give his undivided attention to first baseman Norm Zaichin. Jack Brandt, International League "rookie of the year" with Rochester last season, began his conversion from the outfield to shortstop and drew praise from both General Manager Frank Lane and Manager Fred Hutchinson.

Medina Says Berrios Ready for Title Bout
New York — (U.P.) — Stocky young Miguel Berrios of New York is ready for a shot at the featherweight crown, trainer Mundito Medina said today after watching him upset veteran Bobby Bell. Berrios, 22, finished stronger and won a majority decision by a single point over Bell of Youngstown, O., in their TV, 10-round Monday night at St. Nicholas Arena. Berrios weighed 127½ pounds; Bell, 128.

PROBABLE STARTER
New York—(U.P.)—Fred Dwyer, ex-Villanova runner who was discharged from the Army recently, today was listed as a probable starter for the mile run in the Knights of Columbus track meet at Madison Square Garden Saturday night. Entries for the event already have been accepted from Ron Delaney, Jim Bailey, George King and Jim Doulin.

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Medfordites Still Fourth In Prep Poll

Portland — (U.P.) — Eugene high school's Axemen, defending state champions, once again topped the weekly poll of the Journal's board of coaches as Oregon's number one high school team. Eugene received the first place vote of all eight coaches. Franklin of Portland moved into second place ahead of Jefferson with 68 points. The Democrats were next in line with 63 while Medford with 58 and Bend with 41 followed in that order.

Basketball

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East:
Army 80, Swarthmore 53
Boston College 90, St. Anselm's 82
Holy Cross 103, Connecticut 81
South:
Presbyterian 117, Furman 115
Kentucky 143, Georgia 66
Alabama 95, Tennessee 81
Roanoke 79, VMI 76
Florida 66, Georgia Tech 48
Auburn 74, Vanderbilt 65
Midwest:
Michigan St. 84, Wisconsin 82
Iowa 86, Northwestern 68
Purdue 72, Michigan 63
Toledo 77, Ohio Univ. 67
Illinois 97, Minnesota 81
Tulsa 59, Bradley 56
Southwest:
Oklahoma City 76, Houston 67
Hardin-Simmons 63, N. Mex. 57
West:
Iowa St. 79, Colorado 62

High School Scores

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Helix 67, Stanfield 63
Pacific U. JV's 72, Tillamook 52
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LEAPIN' LARRY CHENE, 200
and
BILL FLETCHER, 198, Boise
Can Montana Do It Again?
SEMI-FINAL
Best 2/3 Falls or 1 Hour Limit
PEDRO CODOY, 220, Chile, S. A.
vs.
GEORGE DRAKE, 210, Catalina

Askwith Outlines New Look For '56 Cheney Studs Team

A "new look" for Cheney Studs baseball for the 1956 season was unveiled by Bill Askwith, business manager of the club, last night. Askwith told a group of men, invited to hear of the club's plans, of team prospects, park renovation plans and a "giveaway" ticket selling campaign. Season tickets went on advance sale today for \$5 each. The season ticket will admit the holder to the full slate of

10 home Southern Oregon league games and about 15 non-league games. Askwith pointed out, however, that season tickets will not be good when the Studs meet touring teams such as the House of David. The business manager said he was trying to arrange home-and-home series with Eugene and Salem of the Northwest Class B league when those teams draw byes in their circuit.

Noncommittal On WU Coaching Job

Seattle — (U.P.) — George Briggs, University of Washington athletic director, was non-committal today on rumors Darrell Royal would be named the new head football coach at Washington. Royal, 31, coached at Mississippi State in 1954 and 1955 and finished with a 6-4 mark each year. He was an outstanding quarterback for the University of Oklahoma under Bud Wilkinson and later played and coached professional football in Canada.

Box Seats
Twenty-four box seats will be installed in time for the opening game, Askwith said. They will consist of four chairs to the box and will sell for \$30 plus a general admission ticket for each chair, for the season. If all boxes are not sold in advance, they will be available on an individual game basis, he said. The Southern Oregon league season opens on June 16 and closes on Aug. 19.

Jack Cooney, who again will be playing manager, said he is looking for a second and third baseman, a utility infielder, a long-ball hitting outfielder and a good left-handed pitcher. Cooney said he is planning to field "the best Studs team since I've been here." Askwith, who also said plans call for larger and vastly improved concessions, pointed out that admission prices will be lowered considerably to "regenerate baseball interest in the valley . . . to get people into our ball park."

Season tickets may be purchased from Askwith at the Cheney Studs mill in Central Point, Cooney at Union Oil Co., Minor Bosher at Peerless market, Jimmy Blaylock at Piggy Wiggly and the Mail Tribune news room.

Charley Chosen To Star Rifle Shooting Team

Corvallis — (U.P.) — John Bird of The Dalles piled up 1184 points Sunday to win the Cooper trophy for the highest grand aggregate score in the state small bore rifle tournament held at Oregon State college. Alan Bahler, an Oregon State student from Coos Bay, was second with 1177 points while Jack Carlson, another OSC student, from Garibaldi, was third with 1169 points. The all-state gallery rifle team consisted of Bird, Bahler, Carlson, Hal Lapp, Portland; Ed Crabtree, Coos Bay; Rex Gordon, Milwaukie; Clinton Charley, Medford; Lucy Benton, Portland; H. E. Heichle, The Dalles, and Don Bunyard, Coos Bay.

Drawings for Class B Tournament Announced

Portland — (U.P.) — The Oregon School Activities association today announced drawings for pairings in the state class B high school basketball tournament, to be held in Baker Mar. 8-10. The opening games will see district 2 against district 8; district 5 against district 6; district 1 versus district 4, and district 4 versus district 3.

Fight Units

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(10)
New York—(St. Nick's)—Miguel Berrios, 127½, New York, outpointed Bobby Bell, 128, Youngstown, Ohio, (10).
Bangor, Md. — Vince Martinez, 150½, Paterson, N.J., outpointed Paolo Melis, 151, Montreal, (10).
New Orleans—Charley Joseph, 156, New Orleans, stopped Jimmy Beecham, 151½, Philadelphia (6).
San Diego, Calif.—Archie Moore, 196, San Diego, knocked out Bob Dunlap, 200, Oakland, Calif. (1)—non-title.

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