



5 A-1 CHAMPS VIE AT EUGENE—The Medford high baseball team, above, District 6 A-1 titlist, goes to Eugene on Friday to battle the Eugene high Axemen in a state quarter-finals play-off game. Medford took the district and Southern Oregon Conference diadems with a nine-win three-loss record, winning its last seven straight league games, including two each from Grants Pass and Klamath Falls last week. Left

Tornado Awaiting Journey To Eugene

Medford high's surging baseball aggregation will carry a .234 team batting average into battle Friday when it takes on the Eugene Axemen in an Oregon Class A-1 titular quarter-final play-off game.

The Black Tornado, champion in District 6, scuffles the Axemen, victors in District 5, at 3:30 p.m. tomorrow on the Willamette high field at Eugene.

Outfielder Eddie Reinking is leading the Medford swatting parade with a .325 mark. First baseman and outfielder Larry Guber ranks next with a .308 count and pitcher and first baseman Duane Sides is clubbing at a .290 rate. Shortstop Gordon Owsley has a .281 record and third baseman Jim Putney stands at .260.

In the pitching department lefty Ernie Tyler has a three-victory no-defeat record while righthander Henry Putney has a five and two mark and Sides, another rightsider, is three and two for the season.

Dietsch and Diehl as the type of player who can "kill you" with singles. Lundstrom has a reputation as a steady player.

The Dalles Favorite

Outfield possibilities for Eugene are Dave Powell, Charlie Warren and Coons. Both Powell and Warren have the power to "hit the long ball."

Winner of the Eugene-Medford game will go on to face either Grant of Portland or The Dalles. A Medford victory will bring the semi-final game here next Monday afternoon. Grant was runner up in the Portland Interscholastic League. The Dalles is the defending state champion.

With an unblemished record of 19 straight this season and Denny Peterson and Irwin Fandrey still on hand as the Indians' battery, The Dalles is the favorite in the title chase.

Medford is rated ninth in the state and Eugene fourth but the game between the two is rated a toss-up.

Lost To Springfield

Medford matches a season record of 11 wins and four losses against a Eugene standing of 11 triumphs and two setbacks for the regular campaign. The Axemen won five of their six district conflicts and Medford took nine out of 12. Eugene's lone district defeat was at the hands of Springfield.

Pitcher for Eugene tomorrow will be picked from among Morris McAdams, southpaw, and Ron Turner and Gary Ashworth, righthanders. Lynn Coons is another who could twirl for the Axemen. He's a lefty.

Curt Bryant, the probable catcher for Eugene, is listed as a fair hitter. Possible infielders are Don Lawrence, first base; Jim Dietz, second base; Doug Lundstrom, third base and Rusty Diehl, shortstop. Lawrence is described as a long ball hitter and

League Leaders

(By United Press)

Player & Club	AB	R	H	Pct.
Long, Pitts.	31	115	23	47
Repsinski, St. L.	27	92	20	38
Walls, Pitts.	28	84	15	31
Boyer, St. L.	32	127	24	45
Moore, St. L.	32	116	25	41

Player & Club	AB	R	H	Pct.
Mantle, N.Y.	34	128	36	51
Maxwell, Det.	28	80	19	37
Vernon, Bos.	24	82	15	30
Berra, N.Y.	30	116	22	41
Kuenn, Det.	31	126	18	43

Player & Club	AB	R	H	Pct.
Home Runs—Mantle, Yankees 16; Berra, Yankees 12; Post, Redlegs 11; Long, Pirates 11; Boyer, Cardinals, Jablonski, Redlegs and Bauer, Yankees all 9.				
Runs Batted In—Mantle, Yankees 36; Berra, Yankees 34; Long, Pirates 32; Boyer, Cardinals 30; Jablonski, Redlegs 27; Simpson, Athletics 27.				
Runs—Mantle, Yankees 36; Bauer, Yankees 27; Moon, Cardinals 25; Lopez, Athletics 25; Boyer, Cardinals 24.				
Hits—Mantle, Yankees 51; Long, Pirates 47; Boyer, Cardinals 45; Kuenn, Tigers 43; Goodman, Red Sox 42.				
Pitches—Lawrence, Redlegs 5-0; Ford, Yankees 6-1; Lemon, Indians 6-1; Brewer, Red Sox 5-1; Pierce, White Sox 4-1.				

to right in the front row of the picture are Manager Larry Homer, Fred Linton, Ernie Tyler, Gordon Owsley, Larry Perkins, Steve Shorey, Ron Peery, Harold Knips and Manager Mike Brant. In the back row, from left, are Coach John Kovenz, Ed Reinking, Henry Putney, Duane Sides, Dick McLaughlin, Larry Guber, Dennis King, Jim Putney and Assistant Coach Frank Roelandt.

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California Relays Give Preview Of United States Olympic Trials

By HAL WOOD

United Press Sports Writer

San Francisco—(U.P.)—A preview of the U.S. Olympic trials will be held in the California Relays at Modesto Saturday when the top stars of the nation compete in special 100-yard dash, 440, pole vault and high jump events.

And it is going to be a sad sight to see some very capable 9.3 sprinters finish third or fourth in the century!

Retriever Trial Results Listed

Winners in the Rogue Valley Retriever club's series of picnic trials to determine the best dog in each division will be announced at a May 28 meeting of the club.

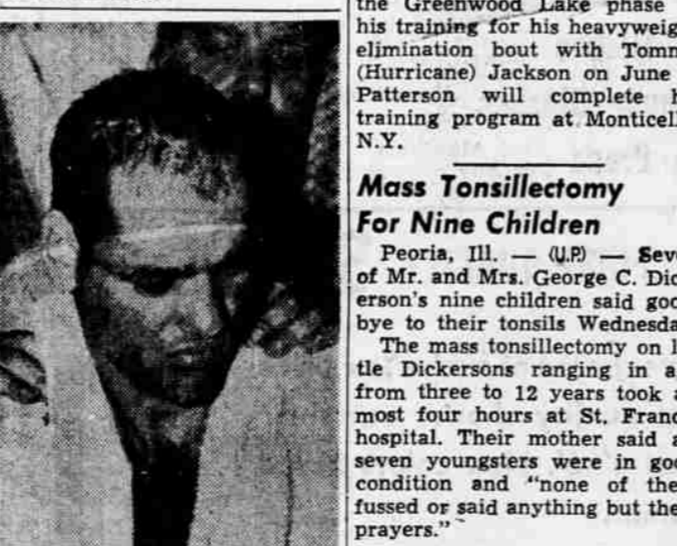
Fifth in the series of picnic trials was held last Sunday in the vicinity of the military bridge on Rogue river.

Sunday winners were:

- OPEN ALL AGE**
- 1st. Kip, owned and handled by Ken Denman; 2nd. Rogue, handled by Carl Newell, owned by Dr. C. T. Rambo; 3rd. King, handled by Dick Morgan, owned by B. Easter, Klamath Falls; 4th. Boy, owned and handled by H. P. Nelson; CM. Smoke, owned and handled by Heiman Miller.
- QUALIFYING STAKE**
- 1st. Lucinda, owned and handled by S. Miles; 2nd. Coaly, owned and handled by Ira Parish; 3. K. R. Flash, handled by D. Morgan, owned by C. Gable; 4th. King, handled by D. Morgan, owned by C. Easter; CM. Smoke, owned and handled by H. Miller; CM. Boots, handled by C. Newell, owned by S. Miles.
- DERBY**
- 1st. Lucinda, owned and handled by S. Miles; 2nd. Flint, handled by C. Newell, owned by Perkins; 3rd. Tim, owned and handled by O. Middlekauff; 4th. Chief, handled by C. Newell, owned by S. Menasco; Reserve, CM. Dapper, owned and handled by T. Tickard; CM. Tug, owned and handled by H. Miller; CM. Lady, handled and owned by D. Lilya; CM. Stagg, handled by D. Morgan, owned by Stordolen.
- PUPPY**
- 1st. Kara, owned and handled by H. Nelson; 2nd. Rogue, owned and handled by Napolitano; 3rd. Muffin, owned and handled by C. Rickard.
- Judges were: Open all-age stake—Earl Westcott and O. R. Middlekauff; Qualifying stake—Tom Rickard and E. Carter; Derby—Ken Denman and Charles Miller; Puppy—Earl Warren.

HARTACK ROMPS

Camden, N.J. —(U.P.)— Willie Hartack the nation's leading jockey last year with 417 triumphs, completely dominated the Garden State program Wednesday — scoring five victories and finishing second in two other races.



THE END—As a trainer rubs his shoulders in dressing room, Carl (Bobo) Olson wears an expression of dejection as though his fight career were ended after suffering a fourth round knockout at the hands of Sugar Ray Robinson in Los Angeles.

Under-Table Pay Nothing New in PCC

By HAL WOOD

San Francisco — (U.P.) — The scandal of the Pacific Coast conference schools giving "under the table pay-offs" to their athletes is a present-day shocker—but the problem isn't exactly new.

It was in 1940 that the famous Atherton probe shook the PCC to its very foundations with the report that athletes were receiving pay for participating in an amateur sport.

It took Atherton two million words to describe the sins being committed under the very noses of the staid PCC heads—and the result was a penalty on the athletes, rather than on the schools.

The sentencing of the athletes brought about so much adverse comment that the conference heads in the future decided that all penalties would be against the schools instead of the students.

And this held true until this week when the UCLA boys lost that year of eligibility.

Probably the present commissioner, Victor O. Schmidt, told his story in considerably less words—but the story all added up to prove that history repeats itself, on a grand scale.

In 1940, Percy Locey, director of athletics at Oregon State, said: "California schools sometimes pay \$150 to \$300 a month for a star football player and throw in an automobile and a job for the girl friend to boot."

Same Story

In 1956 just two days ago, Hardiman Cureton, UCLA's great guard, said: "I know a Southern California wingback who gets \$150 a month above the \$75 scale, plus other rewards, including an automobile."

Not much difference, is there?

The Atherton probe was aimed mainly at Southern California, it seemed. And some said the reason for this was that the other schools were jealous because USC kept winning the PCC championship and going to the Rose Bowl.

No such jealousy blame can be cited this time, because University of Washington first felt the wrath of the conference for its "slush fund" to subsidize athletes; and then came UCLA, with its "under the table" payments of \$40 a month above scale. UCLA was in pretty much the same situation as USC 16 years ago—the Bruins had just completed winning three PCC football crowns in a row.

Strict Rules

After the Atherton probe, the PCC drew up a strict set of rules aimed at keeping the schools from contracting prospective athletes. But a path around this roadblock was built by alumni and others.

And it appears now that no matter what the PCC does, there will be schools that find the loopholes.

Raise the pay to \$150 a month? "Don't pay the athletes anything," says Frankie Albert, coach of the San Francisco Forty Niners. "I earned my way through Stanford slinging hash. Did the present day youngsters ever hear about slinging hash?"

"Now the kids are so spoiled that it is even hard to talk contract with a youngster just out of college. I'm kidding on the square when I say that Hugh McElhenny actually took a pay cut when he came to the Forty Niners from University of Washington."

"Colleges are supposed to be the training grounds for professional teams, but we find they are out-bidding us."

Sports Broadcasts

Radio station KYJC will carry the Medford-Eugene High state baseball quarter-final play-off Friday at 3:30 p.m. The game will be played at Eugene.

Rogue Valley Loop Opens Play Sunday

Four games Sunday will herald in the semi-professional baseball season in southern Oregon.

The tussles will be Rogue Valley League openers. At the fairgrounds ball park here the Cheney Colts will be hosts to Glendale. Other afternoon tangles will be Ashland at Butte Falls, Camp White at Cave Junction and Grants Pass at Eagle Point.

The Colts, farm crew of the Medford Cheney Stubs, make their debut in the circuit. Cave Junction is back in action after a two-year lay-off. Glendale is the league's defending champion.

A collection of mostly young players from colleges and from high schools of the area make up the Stubs squad. Pitcher for the opening conflict will be picked from among Eldon Davidson, Kay Kelley and Duane Sides. Battery mate for the moundman will be selected from among Gerald Darland or Laval Meunier, Morris.

RACE SET FOR NASHUA

New York — (U.P.) — Nashua, the world's leading money-winning horse, will make his next start at Belmont Park Wednesday, May 30, in the \$50,000 added Metropolitan Handicap. The son of Nasrullah has been assigned top weight of 130 pounds for the mile race and his trainer, Sunny Jim Fitzsimmons, said, "It looks all right to me."

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Mass Tonsillectomy For Nine Children

Peoria, Ill. — (U.P.) — Seven of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Dickerson's nine children said goodbye to their tonsils Wednesday.

The mass tonsillectomy on little Dickersons ranging in age from three to 12 years took almost four hours at St. Francis hospital. Their mother said all seven youngsters were in good condition and "none of them fussed or said anything but their prayers."

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