

Fanfare

By DICK JEWETT
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Doug Mills on the University of Oregon freshman track squad was better known as D. C. Mills during his high school days at Medford. D. C. still holds the Medford high javelin record, 213 feet 11 inches set in official but exhibition performance at a Portland-Southern Oregon track meet in 1952. His heave gained him All-American honors. We recall seeing the throw in which the javelin broke but the point remained stuck in the ground.

SOPHOMORE RECORD
Mike Murray set a new sophomore shot put mark for Medford high last Saturday with his put of 47 feet. The old standard of 47 feet plus was set by Neil Plumley now a senior. After tying Jack Moad's 1953 school mark of 57-8/16 last week end Plumley now has his sights on the 58-2/4 state meet record set by Duane Marshall, St. Helens, in 1955.

CRATER GRID SLATE
Coach Leonard Warren some time ago sent this department the 1957 Crater high football schedule. It's been overlooked so far as publication is concerned. Here it is finally:
Sept. 13—Yreka, Calif., at Central Point; Sept. 20—At Eagle Point; Sept. 27—At Redmond; Oct. 4—At Grants Pass; Oct. 11—At Medford; Oct. 18—Illinois Valley at Cave Junction; Oct. 25 Ashland at Central Point; Nov. 1—Klamath Falls at Central Point; Nov. 8—Myrtle Creek at Central Point.

WEBER TO KF
The Mail Tribune sports department is losing its Southern Oregon college correspondent of two years with the acceptance by Len Weber of the sports editorial duties for the Klamath Falls Herald and News at least on a temporary basis. Weber already has his college diploma and is qualified for teaching. He's expected to assume his H and N duties after this week end. Bob McKenzie, student from Prineville, is stepping into Weber's shoes as the athletic news man and correspondent at the college.

Clayton Hannon recently resigned as H and N sports editor to become prep writer for the Eugene Register-Guard, where he replaced Don Fair, who is now sports editor of the Salem Capital Journal.

MAY BAN JAVELIN
The javelin reportedly is on its way out as a track event for Roseburg high athletes. Feeling of the school officials is to eliminate the spear toss next year. A scare recently is the reason. Freshman Butch Backen was hit on the head and suffered a broken skull. The javelin has been banned from jayvee and freshman meets by the Indians.

DIRECTOR SOUGHT
Roseburg is seeking "the finest candidate within reach" for the new post of athletic director. Schoolmen at Roseburg are looking for the best man available and are taking no shortcuts in tracking him down, according to Jim Vance in his News-Review Sideliner. He quotes the observation of Mike Deller, school superintendent: "a good winning team sets a good moral tone in the district." The director will be in charge of all interscholastic athletics in Roseburg.

ALUMNI ASK HAND
This writer goes along with Deller's foregoing statement but he finds disturbing the rumblings from over Klamath Falls way where a group of

the union high school's lettermen alumni recently asked to have a hand in the selection of men to fill three head coaching vacancies. This group also presented a petition to the school board signed approximately by 1,000 persons. It read:

"We the undersigned individuals wish to register our disappointment in the physical development, health and athletic program at Klamath Union High School. We feel there exists a definite de-emphasis by the administration, and recommend an immediate aggressive program to restore our civic pride in Klamath Union High School."
H and N writer John Guernsey, in his by-lined story, said that conversation with some of those people attending the session indicated that the "administration" meant the school board members, School Superintendent Arnold Gralapp and Principal Charles Carlson.

BOARD STANDS GROUND
Board members concurred that they should avail themselves to the help and recommendations of interested groups but that the decision on a candidate should remain solely in the hands of the board. They said that K club alumni could be on hand when applicants are screened but that the board would not be bound by any recommendations.

Asked at a meeting, "Do you believe that athletics are as important as other school functions?" board members stood their ground with straightforward replies. Consensus was that most academic courses should rate over interscholastic—that curricular activities should take precedence over extra curricular. They supported well-balanced physical education programs on intramural basis.

SYMPATHIZES
This department does not pretend to be entirely conversant with the athletic situation in Pelican town. Nevertheless, his current sympathies lean toward the school heads. The feeling is not contradictory to a desire to see good varsity athletic programs in operation, well-coached teams in action and keen rivalry at the high school level. We want to see continued strong competition between Klamath Falls and Medford.

However, schools exist primarily for education not for building strong athletic teams. They provide formal basic training for livelihoods and living together. Athletic coaches essentially are teachers. Interscholastic sports definitely have their place in the overall picture. Athletes derive the more direct benefits. But sports also foster school spirit and unity and invigorate school life.

CAN GO TOO FAR
Civic pride in a school is a fine thing when not carried too far and when the real purpose of school and place of athletics is not forgotten. It is right and the democratic way for alumni and patrons of a district to maintain keen interest in a school system and to keep the administration on its toes.

But, after all, a school board as a unit, the superintendents and principals are best qualified for the duty and responsibility of picking coaches and other faculty members. They should not be subject to unreasonable pressures. Such demands only lower morale and discourage the application for school jobs in a community.

Althens, Travis Vie in Final Of Spring Links Handicap; 2-Ball Partner Tussle Next

Al Althens and Dick Travis slated to contend Saturday and Sunday in 36-hole finals for the spring handicap golf championship of Rogue Valley Country club.

Althens entered the finals by defeating Lee Flink 3 and 1. Travis won from Bill Blackledge 5 and 4 in the semi-finals. Blackledge overcame Parker Woods 3 up in the only quarter-final match not previously reported. While the handicap finale is being contested linksmen will be opening play in the annual two-ball partnership tournament.

Drawing for partners is scheduled for 8 p.m. Friday at the country club with high handicappers being paired with low handicappers. There will be a 6:30 p.m. social hour and 7 to 8:30 p.m. dinner. Men planning to attend are asked to make reservations by telephoning the club, SP 2-5965.
Matches are to start on Saturday with the first round to be finished by May 12.
Club pro Al Williams stated that the entry list at last count totalled 118. Entry is limited to the first 128 who sign up but

Fishing Fine, Willow, Fish Lake Roads Good

Fishing at Willow and Fish lakes and roads into those lakes were reported good today by the management for both resorts.

Both the Dead Indian and McAllister Springs routes into Fish lake were said to be in good shape. The Butte Falls road was okeh until yesterday's rain but is thought to be in at least fair condition. The route by way of Butte Falls into Willow lake was reported good.
Limits are being caught at Fish lake. Anglers were said to be getting "nice" fish although size was running a little small.

Softballers To Convene

Definite starting date, actual number of teams participating, the site of games. Those are among the matters which it is hoped will be decided this evening at a meeting of the Jackson County Softball association.

The session will be at 8:30 p.m. at the YMCA.
An early June opening date is projected. Nine clubs appear to be lined up for the 1957 campaign. They include 20-30 club Southern Oregon Equipment, Courtesy Chevrolet, M and W Chain Saw, Morse Motors, Parsons Motors, the city fire department, the Air Force reserve and a group known as the Loggers.

Chris Not Entering
The National Guard is another possible entry. It has been reported that Chris Drugs of Jacksonville, which sponsored the champion last season, will not have a club this year.
Other groups interested should have representatives at the meeting tonight. They may con-

Hunting and Fishing Southern Oregon

By MEL REES

Probably no opening day for many years has seen such beautiful cooperation between the weather, the water and the fish. All reports show that anyone that could fish at all caught the limit. All the lakes and streams in the area paid off and are still paying.

Fish lake produced some excellent catches but most of the large fish wised up by mid-morning of the opener and were harder to come by later on. The only sour note from here was the traffic jam at the boat launching. It was easier to catch the fish than to get the boat out of the water.

The Applegate and Rogue were in top condition and besides some good catches of trout, there were a number of steelhead taken. Some of these steelies were fresh run but the majority at this time of the year are pretty drab.

Some good cutthroat (up to 2 1/2 lbs.) have been netted. Most of these were lured via night crawlers or cluster eggs fishing the deeper holes on both the Applegate and the Rogue.

MAY NEED PLANTING
Usually at this time of the year the streams are fairly high and the fish are well scattered. It will be interesting to see what happens fish-wise this year with all waters low and clear. With the fishing pressure which is already evident, they should be pretty well depleted in three or four weeks unless extensive spot planting is in the program.

BIG SALMON RUN
There was a big run of salmon reported at the mouth of the Rogue about a week ago—this should put fish in this section any day now. Johnny Wolf of Gold Beach reported one day of 127 fish netted there. Salmon fishing in the Grants Pass section has thus far been strictly a social engagement—take your lunch and visit for the day.

DIAMOND INTERESTS
All angling eyes are focused on the opening of Diamond lake. If the thru the ice check made by the fish biologists last winter is any indication, the fishing should closely resemble the Diamond lake they still talk about.

WILLOW CREST
Willow Creek Reservoir has lived up to advance billing thus far in the season with some of the nicest catches coming from there. This is no doubt one of the best of the early season lakes.

MORE OF SAME
Predictions for the coming week end are for more of the same on all streams and lakes except that the fish will be wiser and therefore the fishermen will have to be smarter. Lighter leaders and smaller baits and hooks should still put the smell of frying fish in the old homestead.

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Thursday, May 2, 1957

MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—THIRTEEN

Rogue Salmon Fishing Improving In Grants Pass, Galice Section

Portland — (U.P.) — The weekly fishing report prepared by the Oregon State Game commission:

Southwest: Lower Umpqua spring chinook angling very good; Tenuille and Eel lakes fair to good for trout; Smith river only fair.

Upper Umpqua areas only fair; water conditions excellent; roads fair to good except in section of North Umpqua being rebuilt.

South fork of Coos river only fair; Coquille river fair to north fork low and clear and east fork should be good to excellent; Garrison and Floras lakes and Chetco river good; Elk and Winchuck rivers fair.

Rogue watershed angling was excellent but many tributaries were too low; salmon fishing improving in Galice and Grants Pass area.

Northwest: North coast streams in good condition but Nehalem river still cold; Tillamook area should be fair to good this weekend; Hebo lake Bend has been only fair; Cove state park on Crooked river provided many limits; Wickiup reservoir fair; Blue lake good and road into it now open; upper Metolius river poor although some fair catches made in bait areas; road into Lake of the Woods poor; Klamath river excellent.

Northwest: McKay reservoir produced excellent catches of trout; Mc-

Dublin Bans Sunday Funerals by Agreement

Dublin, Ireland — (U.P.) — Sunday funerals were banned in Dublin today by a trade union agreement.

The accord between the Dublin Undertakers Association and the Irish Transport and General Workers Union states there will be no "funeral work" on Sundays and that the "deadline" for the removal of remains to city churches on week days will be 6 p.m.

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Perkins, McLaughlin Head MHS Baseball Statistics

Larry Perkins is the top batter for the Medford high baseball nine after 14 games and Dick McLaughlin has compiled the best pitching record.

Perkins has a swatting mark of .341. Second high among the regulars is Dennis King with .268. Steve Shorey and Gordon Owsley have .250 records.

McLaughlin has won three games and lost one. From a team standpoint the batting mark is .221 and fielding is a healthy .928. The Black Tornado has a season record to date of five wins, one tie and eight strikeouts.

Owsley Walks 11 Times
In addition to heading the hitting percentagewise, Perkins leads in runs batted in with seven. King and McLaughlin each have driven in six. Owsley, lead-off batter for the Tornado, is known for his ability to get on base. He's walked 11 times

and has stolen five bases to lead in those departments.

McLaughlin heads the club in triples with three. He and King each have two doubles.

The Black Tornado plays at Klamath Falls Saturday in an effort to keep the Southern Oregon conference running. A double bill is scheduled with the opener to count in the standings.

MEDFORD HIGH BATTING:

	AB	R	H	Ave.
L. Perkins	41	6	14	.341
R. Barlow	3	0	1	.333
D. King	41	7	11	.268
S. Shorey	32	1	8	.250
G. Owsley	36	12	9	.250
S. Wisely	9	0	2	.222
D. McLaughlin	43	3	8	.186
B. Pond	41	4	7	.170
D. Monroe	24	1	4	.167
R. Peery	37	2	6	.162
D. Barr	7	0	1	.142
E. Tyler	9	1	1	.111
F. Payne	11	1	1	.099
T. Laurence	4	0	0	.000
G. Ice	1	0	0	.000

PITCHING:

	W.	L.
McLaughlin	3	1
Barr	1	2
Tyler	1	4
Laurence	0	0

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