

SPORTS

High School Cage Quintets Launch Schedules Tonight

High school basketball for Rogue valley teams opens this evening and will roll into stride by Saturday evening.

In this evening's contests Butte Falls plays at Eagle Point and Rogue River at Talent, Illinois Valley goes to Myrtle Creek.

Two of Jackson county's Class A-1 schools entertain California rivals on Friday and Saturday while four of the five Jackson County B league clubs tussle in a Friday night jamboree.

Ashland will be host to Fortuna, Calif., and Crater to Eureka, Calif., on Friday and the two Southern Oregon conference clubs trade Bear state quintets for their Saturday night conflicts.

The B jamboree will be at St. Mary's gym in Medford. Entrants will be Butte Falls, Prospect, Jacksonville and St. Mary's. Each club is to go against each other club for eight minutes.

Phoenix, A-2 subdistrict defending champ, also has California opposition in its starter, meeting Yreka at Phoenix on Saturday evening. Other Saturday contests are Jacksonville against Illinois Valley at Cave Junction and Rogue River at Prospect.

Refs To Convene For Assignment

Basketball referees of the area will receive their first two weeks of assignments Wednesday at a meeting of the officials association. The session will be at 7:30 p.m. at Medford Senior High school. Discussion of rules also will be conducted.

Laugh Provoking Clowns To Face David Five Here

Runt Pullins is bringing his hilarious Harlem Clowns to Medford.

They play the equally well-known House of David quint at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 12, at Hedrick Junior High school gym. Local share of the proceeds will go to the Medford Senior High school athletic fund.

Advertised as the funniest basketball team in America, the Harlem Clowns are a combine of Negro basketballers who tour the country making people laugh.

Entertainment

When the name "Harlem Clowns" is mentioned, hoop fans get ready for an evening of entertainment. The fans come out to see a fancy exhibition, razzle-dazzle ball handling, intricate routines, both planned an impromptu comedy and all sorts of shenanigans.

The Clowns never try to run up a huge score against opponents—it has been their policy to keep the game even, devoting much of the time to comedy stuff and ball handling routines. And Manager Pullins remembers the line someone once said: "A real pro will never make you look bad."

Cougars Gird For Opener

Prospect—Dave Gardener is the lone letterman on the Prospect high basketball squad which is prepping for a season opener game with Rogue River on Saturday evening at home.

Gardener is a 6-1 senior center and one of the two men over 6 feet listed on the varsity roster by new Coach Dan McCuskey.

Another center on the squad is Kern Grieve, 6-2 sophomore.

Forwards listed are Tom Davidson, junior; Herb Wheeler, freshman; Jim Valentine, junior; and Norm Jantzer, sophomore. Guards are Mickey Ring, junior; Dick Robinson, senior; Floyd Scaife, sophomore, and Craig Gardener, freshman. Wheeler is an even 6-footer.

The Cougars were one of the top teams in the Jackson County B league last season.

McCuskey is new as coach at Prospect, coming here after two years at Gates. He is a University of Oregon graduate.

New Coach Plans Rebuilding of Alabama

College Station, Texas—Paul (Bear) Bryant, resigned his \$15,000-a-year post as head at Texas A&M Monday to go back to his alma mater, the University of Alabama, and take over the job of rebuilding its football fortunes.

Bryant, a tall, stern football taskmaster who pulled the Aggie up from the Southwest Conference cellar to national ranking in four years, became the second coach to leave a Southwestern conference team since the end of the season. Only last week personable Jack Mitchell of Arkansas resigned to take over as head coach at Kansas.

President T. M. Harrington of A&M announced the school would release Bryant from the final seven years of his 10-year contract "with regret," but no official word on the hiring of Bryant has come from Alabama as yet.

Alabama President Dr. Frank A. Rose said at Lexington, Ky., that Bryant's announcement had come as a surprise to him.

He said he hoped to talk to Bryant sometime late Monday night or early today about succeeding Alabama coach J. B. (Earl) Whitworth.

Bryant's request for release from his contract asked that it be effective Jan. 1, 1958, four days after he leads the Aggies for the final time in their Gator bowl clash against Tennessee.

Crater Gridiron Dinner Postponement Reported

Gold Hill—Crater High school football banquet has been postponed and no definite date has been set. Nell Smith, president of Gold Hill Lions club, has reported. The dinner originally was set for Dec. 5. Gold Hill and Central Point Lions are sponsors.

Jack Rickard, sports editor of the Corvallis Gazette-Times, said in a story Saturday Casanova would resign after the Rose Bowl game. He said he based his information on persons close to football coaching circles in the state.

Casanova said earlier he had no intention of leaving Oregon. He went to San Diego Sunday and was to go to New York later this week. The Ducks resume practice for the Rose Bowl Dec. 16.

Oregon, OSC to MIX Eugene—Oregon and Oregon State basketball teams open their 1957-58 seasons in McArthur court tonight in a non-conference game.

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THROWN FOR A LOSS is Army's Anderson, No. 21, by Navy's Jukanovich, No. 86, on a muddy field at Philadelphia. Navy won an easy 14-0 decision. (International Soundphoto)

Coach Poll Already at Work In Selecting Top Ball Clubs

By JOHN GRIFFIN

New York—North Carolina's "Yankee Tar Heels," who went unbeaten in 32 games last season, were picked by the United Press board of coaches Tuesday to repeat as the 1957-58 national college basketball champions.

Kansas, beaten by the Tar Heels by one point in a triple-overtime NCAA Tournament final, again is ranked second, with Bradley, last year's National Invitation Tournament champion, third.

Twenty of the 35 famous coaches who comprise the rating board cast first-place ballots for each Frank McGuire's defending champs, and they were the only team to be named on all 35. Kansas and Bradley each missed two.

Tar Heels 30 Points Ahead
With points awarded on a sliding scale for votes from first to 10th place, North Carolina rolled up 324 points against 294 for Kansas and 206 for Bradley.

San Francisco, the 1956 national champion, almost took the third spot again in the pre-season poll with 202 points. Kentucky, reported to be another Adolph Rupp powerhouse, took fifth with 171. The Wildcats were ranked ninth last season.

North Carolina goes into the new season, opening with a game against Clemson Saturday, with much the same team as last year. Missing, however, are graduated All-American Lennie Rosenbuth and Joe Quigg, who scored the tourney-winning points against Kansas but suffered a broken leg last month. Moving up to fill one spot is a highly-touted six-seven sophomore, Lee Shaffer.

One-Man Guarantee

Kansas, of course, has Wilt Chamberlain and the seven-footer is a one-man guarantee of a top season. Bradley has the same young crew that "came of age" in the NIT, led by high-scoring Barney Cable.

Michigan State, surprise Big Ten co-champion last year, is sixth in the pre-season ratings. Kansas State, Kansas' top rival in its own conference, stands seventh. Temple again gains the highest rank given an eastern team but this time it's eighth. Notre Dame, top Midwest independent, is in the No. 9 spot. Washington rounds out the top 10.

The United Press college basketball pre-season ratings (with first-place votes in parentheses):

School	Points
1. North Carolina 2	324
2. Kansas 11	294
3. Bradley 1	206
4. San Francisco 2	202
5. Kentucky	171
6. Michigan State	132
7. Kansas State 1	125
8. Temple	80
9. Notre Dame	62
10. Washington	42

Second 10 groups—11, Ohio State, 36 12, Seattle, 32; 13,

HOCKEY

By UNITED PRESS

Jean Beliveau of the Montreal Canadiens has moved into second place to challenge teammate Henri Richard for the lead in the National Hockey League scoring race.

Henri has 14 goals and 16 assists for 30 points, while Beliveau has 11 goals and 18 assists for 29 points.

A trio of rookies—Bill Sweeney and Bruce Carmichael of Providence and Len Holey of Hershey—posed strong threats for the scoring lead today in the American Hockey League.

Sweeney moved into second place in the point scoring race, cutting Willie Marshall's lead to three points. Marshall has 34 points on 16 goals and 18 assists, while Sweeney has 14 goals and 17 assists.

London—Canadian light-weight Armand Savoie scored a third-round technical knockout over Ron Richardson of England Monday night in their scheduled eight-round bout.

Football League Meets Grid Group Demands, Finish Annual Drafts

By RUSS GREEN

Philadelphia—The National Football League, with a gentle nudge from Congress, had all of the demands of the league Players' Association in its books today ahead of a deadline of a \$4,200,000 suit threatened by the players' counsel.

The concessions included a \$5,000 minimum salary for players selected from the college rolls, payment of \$50 for exhibition games and an injury clause in the contract protecting players hurt in the performance of their services.

Commissioner Bert Bell who made the recommendations and who announced that the league owners adopted them unani-

Pilots Open Year, Dump Portland St.

Portland—University of Portland opened its basketball season Monday night by trouncing Portland State 84-54.

Jim Armstrong and Dick Jolley paced the Pilot point parade with 21 and 17 respectively while freshman Jim Altenhofen had 11 and veteran Frank Rector 10.

Don Bridges led Portland State with 11.

Red Bloedel grabbed 18 rebounds for Portland and tallied nine points.

The Pilots, who shot .554 from the field, jumped off to an early 17-5 lead and were in command all the way.

Red Raiders Set Plans for Meet With 1936 Club

Ashland—Coach Ted Schopf's Southern Oregon College hoop squad moved into high gear Monday in preparation to meeting the Humboldt State Lumberjacks in a doubleheader, this Friday and Saturday. Saturday night's encounter will mark the dedication of Southern Oregon College's new gymnasium.

Half-time activities of Saturday nights game will see the members of the SOC team of 1936-37 introduced to climax the dedication ceremonies for the new gymnasium. Members of the Alumni team include: Clifford McLean, Ashland; Howard Scroggins, Medford; William Hoxie, Medford; Robert Hardy, Ashland; Darrell Leavens, Medford; Jean Eberhart, Ashland; Arba Ager, Portland; Kenneth Schilling, Hillsboro; Leonard Patterson, Portland; Parker Hess, Ashland; Clyde Dickenson, Eugene; Walter Sether, Rochester, New York; and Coach Ted Schopf, of Southern Oregon College.

Game time for both the Friday and Saturday night games will be 9:00 p.m.

Pointer, Hornet Quintets Play

Hedrick Junior high basketball clubs swing into action this week in games at Central Point.

The Hornet ninth plays the Crater freshman at 7 p.m. on Thursday. Seventh and eighth graders vie at 3 and 4 p.m. on Friday.

Oklahoma City, 5 each; Oregon State and Maryland, 4 each; Vanderbilt, Iowa, Minnesota and Southern Methodist, 3 each; Xavier (Ohio) and Louisville, 2 each; LaSalle, West Virginia, DePaul, Dayton and Wichita, 1 each.

Church League Hoop Meeting Thursday Night

A Church Basketball league meeting will be held at the Medford YMCA at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5.

Gordon Williams, Y physical director, said that all churches interested in entering teams are invited to have representatives at the meeting. Organization for the year and drawing up of schedules will be items on the agenda.

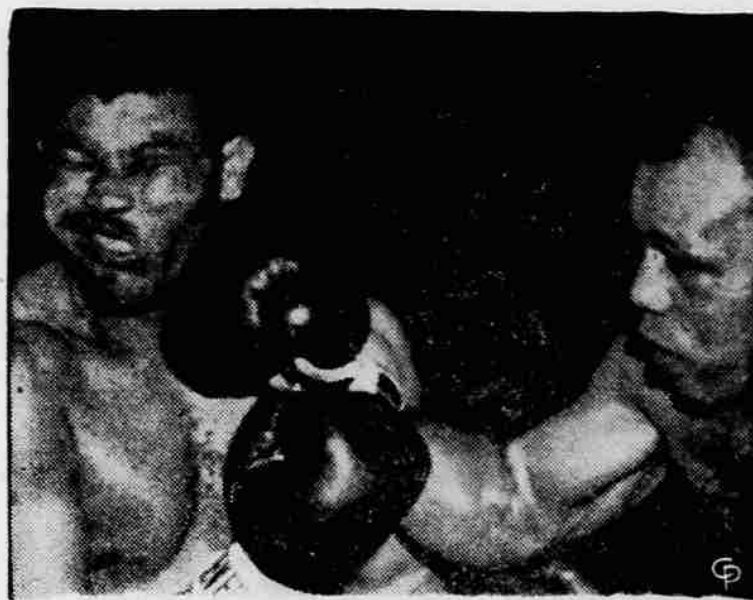
Junior high, senior high school and adult leagues are planned.

FIGHTS

By UNITED PRESS
New York—Gene (Ace) Armstrong, 158, Elizabeth, N.J., outpointed Ray-bon Stubbs, 150½, Pittsburgh, Pa. (10).

Providence, R.I.—Steve Ward, 145½, Hartford, Conn., outpointed Gene Butler, 143½, Boston (10).

London—Armand Savoie, 146, Canada, stopped Ron Richardson, 141, England (3).



APPEARING ANYTHING BUT A WINNER is Los Angeles middleweight Willie Vaughn as his face twists under a hard right by Ralph "Tiger" Jones in New York. Jones lost unanimous decision. (International Soundphoto)

SIX TORNADO PLAYERS ON KF ALL-STAR CLUB

Klamath Falls—Six members of the Medford High school football aggregation were named to the Herald and News and Radio Station KFLW Southern Oregon conference all-star football team.

Center Jim Funston and Guard Tom Merton were unanimous selections. The other four were Tackle Tom Morris, End Tom Hamlin and Backs John Jones and Bob Gee.

Grants Pass placed four and Klamath Falls one on the first team.

End Mike Sparlin and Quarter-back Jim Smith were unanimous picks from Grants Pass and the other Cammen were Guard Dick Byrd and Back Jack Dean. Tackle Dave Vinson was the Klamath Falls selection.

Coaches Vote
Casting votes in the poll were the five conference coaches, Floyd Wynne, KFLW sports-caster, and Jim Crow, Herald and News sports editor.

On the second team were: Ends—Paul Lindquist, Grants Pass, and Jan Cox, Klamath Falls.

Tackles—Jerry Putnam, Grants Pass, and Paul Slaven, Grants Pass.

Guards—Don Alt, Klamath Falls, and Gerald Troxel, Ashland.

Center—Charles Carlson, Klamath Falls.

Backs—Wayne Allen, Crater; Ron Reich, Medford; Jerry Stub-

blefield, Ashland, and Mike Rose, Grants Pass.

HONORABLE MENTION:
Ends—Paul Beach, Crater; Pete Rasmussen, Med.; Mike Russell, Med.; Gary Kranenberg, KF; Jerry Kime, Med.

Tackles—Doug Brown, Crater; Dick Sorenson, Med.
Guards—Glen Cote, Crater; Tom Winterbottom, Med.; John Hagnock, KF.

Centers—Dick Caldwell, GP; Randy Campbell, Crater.

Backs—Tony Brauner, Med.; Skip Bennett, Med.; Steve Gray, Ash.; Don Simpson, Ash.; Frank Ballard, KF; Allen Barnes, Crater; Al McKinnis, Ash.

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