

# Grants Pass, Crater Week End Opponents

Crater and Grants Pass High schools, which clash in a week end Southern Oregon conference basketball series, will be hosts and guests in reverse of the order listed earlier this week, it was learned yesterday.

The Friday fracas will be at Central Point and the Saturday event at Grants Pass. Varsity games about 8:15 p.m. will follow 8:30 p.m. preliminaries between junior varsity quintets.

The Comets and Cavemen switched home nights as an accommodation to the district wrestling tournament being staged at Grants Pass.

Grants Pass holds second place in the conference standings and thereby paces the

contention for the second of two District 6 berths in the A-1 state tournament. The Cavemen can fortify their standing with a sweep and quite possibly can retain their position with split.

On the other hand, while Crater is at the bottom of the heap, the Comets have the opportunity to rise into second place by taking both scraps from the Climate city boys.

**Frosh May Start**

Coach Don Anielak of the Comets indicated that he'll again call upon two freshmen for starting assignments. They are Bryson LaCasse and Loyal Higinbotham. Juniors Bill White and Wayne Allen likely will be in the opening crew with fifth man from among seniors Jerry Kime and Joe Teeter, junior Kerman Bennett and sophomore Chuck Turner.

Grants Pass starters may be Jim Smith, Paul Lindquist, Jerry Putnam, Dick Hayes and Mike Sparlin.

The Comets and Cavemen divided in their last series, each winning on their home floor.

Other conference activity has Ashland at Klamath Falls with the Pels favored but remembering a close call at Ashland. The Pels of KF have a commanding spread at the head of the loop while Ashland is knotted with Medford in third, a game behind Grants Pass.

Medford's Black Tornado rests this week end.

Radio station KYJC will carry the Crater-GP game both nights.

# Skate Lead Taken Over By Jenkins

Paris—(U)—David Jenkins, the defending champion from Colorado Springs, Colo., was first and Tim Brown, Glendora, Calif., second today after the first three compulsory figures in men's singles at the World Figure Skating championships.

Jenkins, 21, led the field of 23 with 408.6 points after the morning competition at the Boulogne rink. Brown was second with 405.6. Bob Brewer, Alhambra, Calif., was eighth with 363 points.

Alain Giletti, former European champion from France, was third with 401.1.

The last three compulsory figures in the men's division were scheduled after lunch. The free skating section will be held Friday.

**Divin Fourth**

After the morning action, Karol Divin of Czechoslovakia was fourth with 386 points. He recently won the European championship.

Tilo Gutzeit of Germany was fifth with 372.3 points; Don Jackson of Canada was sixth with 365.9 and Alain Calmat of France was seventh with 364.8. After Vreuer came Michael Booker of England with 362.4. Norbert Felsing of Austria was 10th with 361.8. Edward Collins of Canada was 11th with 351.6 and Charles Snelling of Canada was 12th with 346.8. Snelling has been the Canadian champion the past five years.

Jenkins trailed Brown after the first two figures but took the lead with superior skating in the third.

# NIT Considers 21 Candidates

New York—(U)—The National Invitation Basketball tournament is currently considering a list of 21 teams as candidates for its 12-team hoop carnival.

Nineteen of these schools, including such high-ranked cage powers as Oklahoma State, Notre Dame, and Seattle, already have been sent "feeler" bids, according to Walter T. McLaughlin of St. John's chairman of the tournament's selection committee, and a few teams may be added.

The other feelers went to Dayton, Evansville, St. Peter's, St. John's Xavier of Ohio, Boston College, Bowling Green, La Salle, Marshall, Niagara, Pittsburgh, St. Bonaventure, Manhattan, St. Joseph's Philadelphia, Fordham, and Villanova.

The other two teams under consideration are the runner-up schools in the Missouri Valley conference and the Skyline conference.

# Joey Giardello Earns Verdict

Philadelphia—(U)—It may be April in Paris for Joey Giardello or a Philadelphia fight with Neil Rivers, but the fourth-ranked middleweight took a long-range view today to a summer bout for the championship.

Giardello, who now has a run of 15 straight bouts without a loss in his comeback following his bad-boy reformation, left-handed his way past tough but unranked Frank Suzina, the transplanted Teuton, now living on Long Island, N.Y.

Giardello won the unanimous decision over Suzina in a nationally televised bout before 2,160 of his one-time home town fans. He now lives in Rosedale, also on Long Island.

Joey has been offered, and may take, an April fight with Charles Humez in Paris, while his manager, Tony Ferrante, said he is in line for a summer bout with the winner of the Carmen Basilio-Ray Robinson title fight.

# HOCKEY NATIONAL LEAGUE

Even without his big brother's help, Henri Richard of the Montreal Canadiens is headed towards his first 30-goal season in the National Hockey League.

Maurice Richard, sidelined since last November with a partially-severed tendon, has scored 30 or more goals in one season nine times during his illustrious, 15-year career with the flying Frenchmen.

Henri never had scored more than 20 goals. However, he scored his 23rd and 24th of the current campaign Wednesday night as the Canadiens bombed the Toronto Maple Leafs, 5-2, and now has 16 games in which to reach the 30-goal level.

The Canadian's victory moved them 27 points ahead of second place New York.

# AMERICAN LEAGUE

The Providence Reds, one of the easiest teams to score on in the American Hockey League, also have one of the most potent offenses.

The Reds gave up five goals to the last-place Buffalo Bisons Wednesday night, but two of them came after they had built up a comfortable lead for a 7-5 victory.

The victory gave the third-place Reds a four-point lead on the fourth-place Springfield Indians, who dropped a 5-2 decision to the fifth-place Rochester Americans.

# BOSOX SIGN ROOKIE

Boston—(U)—Ronnie Staples, a five-nine, 185-pound catcher from Presque Isle, Maine, has been signed by the Boston Red Sox organization and will report to the club's Southern association farm club in Memphis, Tenn. Staples played for Colby college in Waterville, Me., the past three seasons.

The familiar yellow canary is one of many species of the finch family.

# RENTALS Ski Equipment

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# BASKETBALL

## WEDNESDAY COLLEGE SCORES

By United Press

(East)

Army 81, Amherst 75  
Navy 98, Georgetown (D.C.) 73  
St. Joseph (Pa.) 86, Villanova 82  
Princeton 71, Columbia 56  
Penn State 66, Syracuse 60  
Colgate 66, Rutgers 57  
West Virginia 104, VMI 58  
Fordham 61, CCNY 47  
Pennsylvania 71, Cornell 69  
Yale 83, Brown 64  
Boston College 65, Providence 54  
Dartmouth 76, Harvard 64  
Geo. Washington 76, Richmond 64  
Temple 71, LaSalle 61  
Pittsburgh 82, Geneva 61

(South)

Furman 79, South Carolina 78  
Louisville 76, Detroit U. 58  
The Citadel 49, Davidson 42

(Midwest)

Bowling Green 74, Toledo 69  
Cincinnati 94, Bradley 77  
Dayton 62, DePaul 53  
Nebraska 67, Missouri 62  
Notre Dame 90, Butler 81  
Washington 69, Creighton 62

(Southwest)

Oklahoma State 70, Oklahoma 50  
Tex. Christian 88, Texas 58

(West)

Air Force Acad. 76, Colo. Mines 4  
Whitworth 75, British Columbia 59  
Pacific Lutheran 71, Puget Sound 6  
Portland 77, Montana State 54



WINNING GIANT SLALOM title for women at Bad Gastein, Austria, Lucille Wheeler, Canada, became double world's champion. (International Soundphoto)

# Pro Cagers Near Titles

## By UNITED PRESS

The Boston Celtics and the St. Louis Hawks, pre-season favorites to win division titles in the National Basketball association, are approaching their targets ahead of schedule.

The Celtics, who took the Eastern lead right at the start of the season and haven't been out of first place since, racked up their nearest rivals, the Syracuse Nationals, 119-101, Wednesday night, while the Hawks, who have held almost as tight a stranglehold on the Western lead, downed the Detroit Pistons, 106-97.

With a comfortable seven game lead, the Celtics need only nine wins in their remaining 16 games, provided the Nationals win all of their 14 remaining games, to clinch the Eastern title.

The Hawks, who appear to have shaken a protracted slump which got to the point where owner Ben Kerner and coach Alex Hannum began shouting at each other, need 10 wins in their 15 remaining games to clinch the Western title, if the runnerup Cincinnati Royals win all of their 16 games.

In the only other game played, the New York Knickerbockers rallied in the final period to beat the Minneapolis Lakers, 106-97.

# Phoenix, Glendale Battle With Lone Championship Of Rogue Loop at Stake

Prognosticators anticipate that the Rogue league championship in basketball will be settled when two teams nicknamed Pirates collide Friday night at Phoenix.

Phoenix high will be host to Glendale for the 8 p.m. conflict.

Victory is a must for either team if it is to have unshared title in the circuit. Phoenix with a 7-2 mark concludes loop play with the game. Glendale with 6-2 now will have Illinois Valley yet to tackle on Feb. 21.

IV and Glendale were to have met last Tuesday but postponement of that game was reported yesterday. The action was taken because of delay of the A-2 subdistrict tourney until the week end of Feb. 27.

# Recreation Loop Has 3-Way Tie

Eagle Point meets Illinois Valley at Cave Junction in this Friday's other Rogue brush and Rogue River vies at Brookings on Saturday. Brookings is still in the running for a tie in the final standings.

Championship of the A-2 circuit will not qualify the holder for play-offs toward a state tourney berth. But the crown will have significance in addition to the honor and prestige. The Rogue titlist will draw the first round bye in the District 6 southern division tournament.

Rogue clubs have two non-loopers this week end. Rogue River will entertain Medford junior varsity on Friday and Eagle Point will go to Jacksonville on Saturday.

**Veteran Teams**

The encounter at Phoenix will match two veteran aggregations. Glendale has all its starters back from 1956-1957 season while Phoenix has four of its five starters plus additional lettermen.

Possible starters for Coach Jack Woodward's Phoenix crew are Gary Simmons, Lester Schleigh, Doug Witte, Jim Stout and Jim Heath. For Glendale Mentor Bob Stoltz may call on Ray and Tom

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## By UNITED PRESS

Munyon, Cliff Worley, Bill Hale and Troy Rordley.

Glendale whacked Phoenix 64 to 45 in their previous session at Glendale. Other loss for Phoenix was at the hands of its Jackson county rival, Eagle Point, which took the toga last year. The Eagles, however, helped Phoenix with a 49 to 47 nod over Glendale, which has split with Brookings.

Radio Station KMED will broadcast the Phoenix-Glendale mix.

# SMITH RAMPAGING

The Smith river has produced well during the middle of the week but it seems that on Sunday it goes on a rampage. This past Sunday the water was fairly low at 7 a.m. in the morning but by 10 a.m. it had risen 1 1/2 feet and wasn't too clear.

Despite this one party of three took eight fish (the limit is three in California). A rumor exists that there was one fish that weighed 22 pounds that was caught last week. It is known that there were two officially weighed in at 17 1/2 and 18 1/2 pounds, which are no minnows.

The Smith didn't get too high so should be fishable barring another storm. Deer creek was running red mud by the first of the week but could get in shape by the week end so it wouldn't spoil the Illinois.

All reports indicate that there are enough fish in the Illinois if we can just get some good water to work in.

# SPORTS

## Recreation Loop Has 3-Way Tie

League Standings Morning Division

| Team      | W | L | Pct.  |
|-----------|---|---|-------|
| Hoopsters | 5 | 0 | 1.000 |
| Readies   | 3 | 2 | .600  |
| Comnies   | 2 | 3 | .400  |
| Toads     | 2 | 3 | .400  |
| Snipes    | 1 | 3 | .250  |
| Studs     | 0 | 5 | .000  |

Afternoon Division

| Team        | W | L | Pct. |
|-------------|---|---|------|
| Mau-Maus    | 3 | 1 | .750 |
| Dunkers     | 3 | 1 | .750 |
| Chariots    | 3 | 1 | .750 |
| Bony Five   | 1 | 3 | .250 |
| Bushwackers | 0 | 4 | .000 |

# Gonzales Closes Net Tour Gap

Washington—(U)—Pro tennis champ Pancho Gonzales, cheered by a spectacular victory at New York, is confident he will catch up with rookie challenger Lew Hoad of Australia during their two-night stand at Uline arena starting tonight.

Gonzales ripped the sturdy Aussie, 7-9, 6-0, 6-4, 6-4, before a record tennis crowd of 15,237 at New York's Madison Square Garden Wednesday night and moved into Washington trailing only 9-7 in their 100-match world tour. After losing the first set, Pancho reeled off 10 straight games and turned the match into a rout.

In the night's other matches, Tony Trabert of Cincinnati defeated Pancho Segura of Ecuador, 6-3, while Gonzales and Trabert teamed to defeat Segura and Hoad, 6-1, 6-4.

# Roosevelt Grade Cage Champion

Roosevelt won the city grade school varsity basketball mantle by completing its regular once-around slate unbeaten.

Jefferson, Lincoln and Washington tied for second. Members of the circuit will have post season games on Friday at 4 p.m. with Roosevelt at Jefferson, Lincoln at Washington and Oak Grove at Jackson.

The schools also may slate Feb. 21 games if desired.

The carpenter bee bores holes in dry wood to nest.

# REPAIRS NOW

Another hint which will save a lot of hair-pulling later. Have any gun repairs done now. This is the slack season for the gunsmiths and they would welcome plenty of time to make these repairs.

It is surprising how many people do not take care of these things until the last three days before the opening of the season—they all have to have the gun by "day-after-tomorrow!" and the gunsmiths go crazy. Do it now and relax then.

# CLEAN LINE

If you forgot and left your fine tapered line wound tightly on the reel—better take it off, clean it and coil it loosely if you do not have a regular line drier. The coating on a tapered line can become tacky during the winter months and when they stick together, the line may be ruined.

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# Hunting & Fishing Southern Oregon

By MEL REES

Winter steelhead season on the Rogue can now be placed in the same niche with the past duck season, very bad. There were a lot of disappointed fishermen—fellows who had pinned their remaining hopes, after a slow fall season, on this last fling. Leave it to the weather to take care of the conservation angle.

# GOOD CATCHES

Some good catches have been reported from the Illinois despite far from ideal water conditions. The pot-holes below the falls have paid off via the "flat iron" method and one day at least they had a bonanza at the mouth of Rancheria creek. A game commission man checked 24 anglers one day and 20 of them had fish—this is unusual.

# USE RAG ON RIFLE

During this slack season it might be well to remember to run an oily rag through the old deer rifle. Usually after the season the guns are cleaned and oiled and either hung on the rack or hid away in the closet. During this damp weather it is a good plan to check them once in a while for it is surprising how easily they can rust if they are not kept where it is dry.

Never should a gun be put away in the case. A case is a great thing to carry the gun in to prevent damage to the scope and stock but the poorest storage place in the world. Seems that the metal sweats in this closed place and many a fine gun has been rusted "red" by being left in a closed case. It is much better to leave the gun out in the open where it can adjust to the temperature changes.

An oily rag run through the bore and over the metal parts will keep that favorite gun in top condition.

# CONSERVATION GROUP CHARGES HERD DECIMATED

Yreka, Calif.—At least 75 per cent of the deer herd in eastern Siskiyou county was wiped out during the 1956 either-sex hunt, according to the Northern Counties Wildlife Conservation association.

And, says association President Charles Bull, a study now being made of buck tags turned in after last fall's hunt will prove it.

Bull was one of 26 association members who spent much of last week end going over more than 4,000 tags. Results of the study, he said, will be known shortly and will show, among other things, in exactly what area each buck was killed.

"Shooting of does and fawns came pretty close to wiping out the eastern Siskiyou herd," he said.

Bull added, however, that the fish and game department plans to seek more either-sex hunts in Siskiyou county and throughout California this year.

# Morrow, Crow To Be Honored

Dallas, Tex.—(U)—Track ace Bobby Morrow and football star John Crow get the highest accolades available to them as amateur athletes tonight.

The Sullivan award, emblematic of the nation's outstanding amateur athlete for 1957, goes to Morrow, recognized king of the world's sprinters.

The United Press awards as the nation's football player of the year, the back of the year and as an All-American back will go to Crow, who won those honors by sweeping margins in balloting by the country's sports writers and sportscasters.

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# Coast Hoop Action Light

By GENE BRYANT

The action is light on the Pacific Coast basketball front tonight to be heavy in the likely to be heavy in the Northwest where Elgin Baylor and his Seattle university Chieftains go after Regis College.

In recent games, the fabulous Seattle forward has been pouring the ball through the hoop at a remarkable rate—and the invaders from Denver can expect more of the same with the Western Regionals drawing nearer and the national college scoring championship within Baylor's grasp.

Regis brings an imposing 11-3 record to the Puget Sound city, compiled in part against some fairly strong teams, but whether they have something to stop the cannonading of Baylor and company remains to be seen.

Other games to the coast tonight will pit Fresno State against Los Angeles State in a California Collegiate Athletic association contest and Seattle Pacific against Gonzaga at Spokane.



DEMONSTRATING form that made him unofficial pole vault king, Bob Gutowski, Occidental College, clears bar at 14 feet in New York. (International)

# BEAVERS PURCHASE

Portland—(U)—The Portland Beavers announced they have purchased Pitcher Ollie Brantley from Eugene of the Northwest league on a conditional basis. He compiled a 22-15 won-lost record last season for the Emeralds.

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