

IN STATE TOURNEY—Coach Paul Evensen and Gary Heath. Funston won the district season feels the muscles of the two Medford heavyweights who vie in the Oregon state championship and Heath took tourney at Corvallis on Friday and Saturday. Left to right are Jim Funston, Evensen and coach left for Corvallis today.

### Rogue Fives UP Assigns Sports Men To Contend

San Francisco — (UP) — Appointment of Alex Kahn as Southern California sports editor and Scott Baillie as Northern California sports editor of United Press was announced today by Pacific Division Manager Richard A. Littin. The two men will assume their new posts on Monday, Feb. 24. As the United Press prepared a stepped-up sports coverage of the West Coast, the two experienced reporters were put in full-time charge of sports in the Los Angeles and San Francisco areas. They will work under direction of Pacific Division Sports Editor Hal Wood, and Leo H. Petersen, national sports editor of United Press. Kahn has been with United Press for 25 years as reporter, night manager and sports writer in the Los Angeles bureau. Baillie has been with United Press eight years, in the New York and San Francisco bureaus—always in the sports departments. Among the immediate duties of Baillie and Kahn will be the day-by-day coverage of all San Francisco Giant and Los Angeles Dodger baseball home games when the regular 1958 season rolls around.

### Southwestern Streams Muddy

Portland — (UP) — The weekly report on fishing conditions prepared by the State Game commission: Southwest: If water clears by week end in both North and South Umpqua steelheading should be good to fair at Idleld park, below Winchester, below Jackson creek and in Cleveland rapids area; all streams in southwest Oregon high and muddy. The Caroline group has more than 500 islands.

### Houston Links Tourney Opens

Houston, Tex. — (UP) — Goldon's top money tournament of the winter circuit, the \$30,000 Houston Invitational classic opens today with long-ball hitters given the edge over the 7,200-yard Memorial Park course. San Francisco's Ken Venturi, only double winner on the winter tour thus far was favored in the four-day tourney. However, stiff competition was in store from a star-studded field. The 134 entrants included Jimmy Demaret, Jackie Burke, 1957 Houston champion Arnold Palmer, Doug Ford, Dow Finsterwald, Mike Souchak, George Bayer, and Robert De Vicenzo, the latter from Mexico City. BOUT RESCHEDULED Hollywood, Calif. — (UP) — The Art Aagon-Chico Vejar bout scheduled for Hollywood Legion stadium March 11 has been rescheduled for Saturday, March 15, but will not be televised. Saturday night bouts from the Legion Stadium usually are televised over a local network.

## SPORTS

### Moyer Opposes Pedro Gonzales

Portland — (UP) — Two boxers who would like a crack at ex-middleweight champion Gene Fullmer mix it up here tonight in a scheduled 10-rounder. Phil Moyer, up and coming Portland fighter, meets Pedro Gonzales, a 23-year-old middleweight from New York City who is managed by former welterweight champ Sandy Saddler. Saddler said he felt certain Gonzales would handle Moyer who has won seven straight pro fights. Gonzales holds a win over Ralph (Tiger) Jones who Wednesday night won a split decision in Miami Beach over Kid Gavilan.

### Buck Kill Count Session Subject

Yreka, Calif.—Members of three sportsmen's groups will meet here Friday night to complete a survey of the buck kill in Siskiyou county during the past two seasons. Several weeks ago the group counted well over 4,000 tags turned in last fall and found the buck kill had dropped about 23 per cent from the previous year. Friday night's count will be of the 1956 tags which will be compared area-by-area with those of last season. The survey is expected to show a sharper decline in the buck kill in eastern Siskiyou county, scene of the 1956 either-sex hunt which brought much criticism against the state fish and game department. The survey is believed to be the first of its kind ever made by a group of California sportsmen. It is being sponsored by the Northern Counties Wildlife Conservation association with the Dunsuir Rod & Gun club and Weed Gun club also taking part.

## HOCKEY

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

By UNITED PRESS Lou Fontinato gets the publicity and Bill Gadsby gets the goals. That's the 50-50 agreement between the New York Rangers' stellar defenseman — or so it seems to National Hockey league opponents. Big Lou was his usual pugnacious self Wednesday night but it was Gadsby who notched the all-important third goal as the Rangers whipped the Chicago Black Hawks, 3-2, and went over the 500-mark for the first time since Jan. 2. They now lead the third-place Detroit Red Wings by three points with 14 games left to play.

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

By UNITED PRESS Johnny Bower, the most successful goaltender in the American Hockey league history, scored his eighth shutout of the season Wednesday night as the Cleveland Barons whipped Hershey, 2-0. The victory boosted second-place Cleveland to within two points of the front-running Bears, the closest the Barons have been since the opening week of the campaign. In the only other game played Wednesday night, Springfield moved into fourth place with a 10-3 romp over Buffalo.

### AIDES CHOSEN

Ames, Iowa — (UP) — Iowa State Coach Clay Stapleton has completed his five-man football coaching staff by naming former Maryland All-American Bob Ward and former Oregon State lineman Ernie Zwaehlen as assistant coaches.

## Hunting & Fishing Southern Oregon

By MEL REES

A brief look at the trout season opening dates for 1958 brings some interesting observations. Many southern Oregon anglers thought that the May 24 opening on the coastal streams did not affect the waters in this section but that it referred to what we call coastal waters, namely the area adjacent to the Brookings-Astoria highway. This however, was erroneous thinking for this May 24 opening date will be in effect on all streams which empty into the ocean and their tributaries. This means that all waters which drain into the Rogue and their tributaries will not open as they normally have in the last part of April or the very first of May. The only waters which will be open on April 26 in this area will be lakes. Squaw, Willow and Fish lakes will interest the local anglers. Lemola reservoir, which lies on the upper waters of the Umpqua will also be open as will several lakes in the true coastal region.

**FISHING PRESSURE** It can be readily seen that all the fishing pressure which is normally scattered over much of the area will be concentrated on these bodies of water. Boats and accommodations will be at a premium and any "first-day-addict" who does not have his own boat should certainly make reservations well in advance of the season. With only a brief two months left until this opening it might be too late already but I rather doubt that very many anglers have thought much about spring and its fishing with all the winter we have had around.

**NOT ENOUGH** Let us consider what this late opening (May 24) will accomplish on the streams of the area. For a number of years thinking sportsmen have discussed the dwindling numbers of steelhead in our streams which once were world famous. As far as the Rogue was concerned two definite facts always came to view largely, the lack of screens at Savage Rapids dam and the open trout season. It took a long time and much work by sportsmen's groups before sufficient pressure could be brought to bear to screen the turbines at the dam but finally the work is in progress and if it ever stops raining long enough, should be completed this year.

This will take care of the estimated 100,000 plus young steelhead which have been chewed up each year. This should be a really substantial saving in the fishery. But it is felt that with the heavy fishing pressure and already depleted runs of fish, this is not enough.

**DIE OF INJURY** Most anglers realize that the large majority of the "trout" they catch during the open trout season on the Rogue and its tributaries are not true native trout at all but young steelhead and salmon. These small fish are downstream migrants, hungry and willing to take anything in their fight for survival on the way to the sea. Many of these fish are in the 4-5 inch class and as these are illegal in possession are released. A large proportion of these fingerlings die because of the injury sustained in either being hooked or being released. This is not usually the fault of the fisherman for when these fish take

the egg or worm or whatever is offered they usually take the hook too deep for easy releasing. It should be very obvious that in taking these small fish during the legal trout season (even the legal ones) we have in a large way destroyed our potential for taking larger fish in the fall and winter season. These 4-5 inch fish if allowed to go to sea could have come back weighing 4-5 pounds or larger! To say the least this is really wasteful.

**MOVE WISE** It is felt that with a late opening on these coastal waters that most of these small salmon and steelhead will have made their way to a point where the fishing pressure is not so great and thus become a large potential in renewing our steelhead and salmon runs.

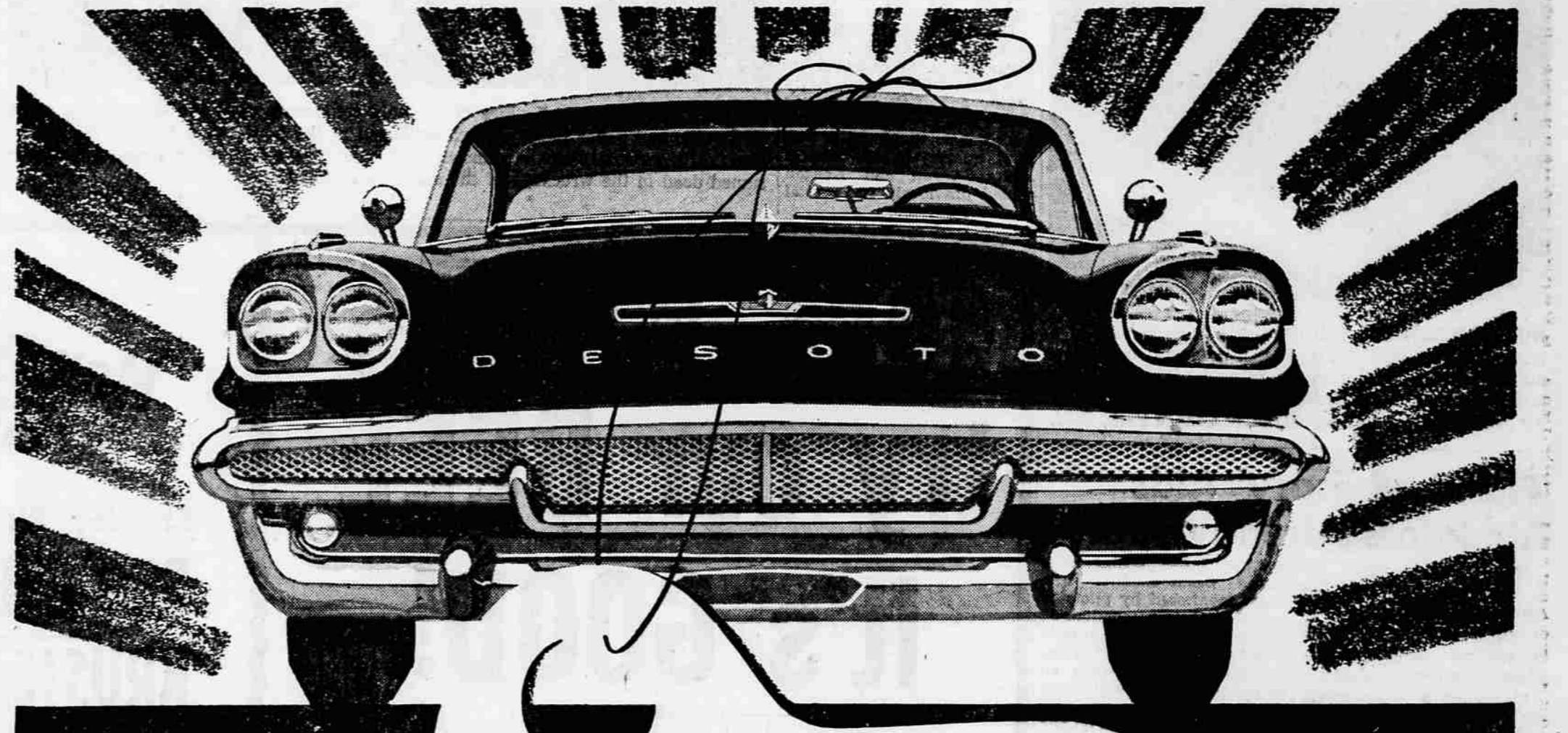
An old adage says that we cannot have our cake and eat it—this is just as true in fishing as it is in eating cake! A common sense look at this present situation should prove the wisdom of such a move and I feel that most Rogue valley sportsmen will concur.

### Steubenville Nabs Top Place In Hoop Ratings

By EARL WRIGHT New York — (UP) — The Steubenville (Ohio) Barons, who rebounds, landed on top today in the United Press small college basketball ratings. The Barons, who boast the nation's top small college rebounder in 220-pound Jim Smith of Homestead, Pa., drew eight first-place votes and 359 points. The Wheaton (Ill.), Crusaders, No. 1 for the past four weeks, slipped to second with 21 first-place votes and 348 points. The nation-wide board of small college coaches which rates the teams based its latest ballot on games played through Feb. 15. The coaches gave Wheaton nearly three times as many first-place votes as Steubenville. But the Barons advanced from second to first by scoring heavily in second, third and fourth place votes. Steubenville received 19 votes for second, six for third and seven for fourth. Wheaton received six for second, four for third and two for fourth. New York — (UP) — The United Press small college basketball ratings first-place votes and worst-loss records through Feb. 15 in parentheses. Team Points 1. Steubenville, O. (8-22-1) 359 2. Wheaton, Ill. (21-20-1) 348 3. West. Ill. (6-20-0) 281 4. Evansville, Ind. (3-17-2) 258 5. Southwest Mo. (4-18-0) 216 7. W. Va. Tech (1-24-3) 169 7. Tenn. St. A&I (22-2) 152 8. Texas South. (19-3) 118 9. Pac. Wash. Luth. (15-2) 100 10. St. Peter's, N.J. (1-16-2) 60 Second 10 group — 11. Boston University, 32; 12. Brandeis, Mass. University, 27; 13. Belmont Abbey N.C. and South Dakota, 23 each; 15 tie, Pasadena, Calif. and Montana State, 22 each; 17. Grambling, La. 20; 18. McNeese, La., 18; 19. Regis, Colo., 17; 20. Louisiana Tech., 15.

### Panthers Have Most In Meet

Corvallis — (UP) — Redmond qualified 15 men for the 11th annual state high school wrestling tournament here on Friday and Saturday. Grants Pass qualified 11 while Sweet Home had 10 and Klamath Falls 9. Newberg, the defending champion, qualified 6. Fawns are devoid of any telltale scent but the mother deer takes on an additional odor in order to lure away possible predators from her well-hidden offspring.



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