



**RAIDER OPPOSES MOUNTIES**—Richard (Hughie) Smith is No. 3 forward for the Southern Oregon college basketball team. He'll likely see a good bit of action against the Eastern Oregon Mountaineers in Oregon Collegiate conference scuffles tonight and Saturday night at the SOC court in Ashland. Smith, 6-3 junior from Reedsport, is on the Raider varsity after two years of jayvee ball. He is married and has one child. Raider JV players meet Grants Pass tonight and Hawkinson Tire of Medford in Preliminaries. The curtain raisers are set for 6:30 p.m.

## HOCKEY

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

United Press International  
Now that the Boston Bruins have snapped a four-game winless streak, the Detroit Red Wings can only hope that their luck will change next. The Bruins, backed up by the steady netminding of Don Simmons, posted a 3-0 victory over Detroit Thursday night to extend the Red Wings' winless famine to seven games.

It was the only scheduled National Hockey league game and the Bruins' victory enabled them to tie Detroit for fourth place.

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

United Press International  
The Hershey Bears appear to be the team to beat in the American Hockey league stretch drive following their convincing 5-1 victory over an All-Star squad selected from the five other teams. The Bears, currently tied for second place in the standings just one point shy of league-leading Buffalo, scored in each period Thursday night in the fifth annual All-Star contest played at Hershey.

### PLAYERS INELIGIBLE

Portland - (UPI) - The Oregon School Activities Association Thursday said a non-residence clause has made a Newport high school basketball player ineligible. The player, Mike Werten, had played in four games and any wins over that period must be forfeited, the OSAA said. Newport's ineligibility will not affect its league campaign or chances for a state tourney berth.

### ORIOLES HIRE OWEN

Baltimore, Md. - (UPI) - The Baltimore Orioles have hired former major league catcher Mickey Owen as a scout. Owen, 41, will seek Baltimore talent in a midwest area that includes Oklahoma, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Arkansas and Missouri.

## AF Coach Likes Goal Post Rule

Portland - (UPI) - Football Coach Ben Martin of the Air Force academy said today lengthening the goal post crossbars is a good idea.

Martin, here to attend a dinner meeting tonight to meet local prep coaches and athletes, added that the wider posts would have helped the Falcons in their Cotton Bowl game against Texas Christian. The Air Force missed three field goal tries in the scoreless tie.

Martin said Air Force coaches have studied pictures of football games played by Terry Baker, ambidextrous Jefferson high all-around athlete. Baker will not be able to attend the dinner meeting because he plays in a basketball game tonight.

## Moore Seeking Cooper Tussle

New York - (UPI) - Light heavyweight champion Archie Moore, recipient of the Edward J. Neil Trophy for "Fighter of the Year," took a verbal punch at England's Henry Cooper today and offered him \$150,000 for a fight in London or anywhere.

Dapper Archie, 42 or 45, said "I'm dead serious about this. Jack Kearns and I will definitely give Cooper a guarantee of a hundred and fifty grand if he'll fight me. It'll be the first big step in my campaign for another shot at the heavyweight title."

Moore, the ring's all-time knockout king with 127 kayoes, stressed the seriousness of his offer today because at Thursday night's annual dinner of the Boxing Writers Association it seemed that the tuxedoed champion with the Castro whiskerettes might be indulging in whimsey.

The United States accelerated birth rate and longer life spans have pushed the total population in recent years far ahead of estimates.

# Hoop Spotlight on Grants Pass; Tornado Meets Cavemen Tonight

Basketball spotlight in the Southern Oregon conference focuses this week end on Grants Pass where the league-leading Cavemen entertain the two aggregations regarded as its leading challengers.

Grants Pass hosts Medford this evening and Klamath Falls on Saturday night. Medford's meeting will be its first of the season with the Cavemen. GP won out by 11 points over Klamath Falls in a conference opener at Klamath Falls.

The Cavemen go into tonight's action unbeaten in three loop scrambles while Medford and Klamath sport 2-1 marks in the circuit. KF's Pelicans vie at Ashland tonight and are favored to take

the Grizzlies. Other conference battles of the week end will have Crater at Ashland on Saturday. Crater is at Bend for a non-leaguer this evening. Almost Must

While the SO conference season is not too far under way and a lot of games lie ahead, victory for Medford is almost a must tonight to keep in contention for the dimed. Triumphs by Grants Pass over both the Black Tornado and Pelicans would give the Cavemen a fat lead in the circuit.

On the basis of conference play so far, Grants Pass will be at least a slight favorite over the Black Tornado this evening. The Cavemen have this rating on the basis of their 62 to 51 win over Klamath and Klamath's 70 to 61 margin over Medford. GP also has a 64 to 37 verdict over Ashland which the Tornado defeated 55 to 39. However, Medford tipped Crater by a slightly wider margin than did the Cavemen. Tornado gap was 60 to 37 over the Comets while GP was victor 55 to 34.

Klamath Falls is rated above Grants Pass in the polls despite the loss to the Cavemen.

Grizzlies Hope  
Crater holds a 39 to 37 nod over Ashland but the Grizzlies are hoping that the familiar surroundings of their home court will be a boost toward their first victory of the season.

Improvement evident in practice this week has bolstered Tornado spirits for its trip to Grants Pass. This improvement has been so general that Coach Frank Roelandt has been at a loss to name a starting five. He said this morning that the opening line-up will be named from among eight men, Jerry Anderson, Lowell Dean, Ken Durke, John Harvey, Jerry Shults, George Koch, Booth Deakins and Don Peek.

Pete Rasmussen has rehurt the back which has kept him out of action and Coach Roelandt said that his presence with the squad tonight is doubtful. The rehurt occurred off the practice court. Dick Allen, missing a couple of

days because of an ear infection, returned to the squad yesterday.

### Caveman Starters

Coach Gordon Prehm may have Johnnie Olson, John Fox, Jerry Putnam, Rex Benner and Dick Hayes in the Caveman starting five. GP has capable reserves in Jim Purkett, Rick Sabin, Mike Leonard and Dave Mannan, Marv Chandler, Larry Jansen and Ron Erickson.

For the Klamath Falls and Crater games, Coach Earl Iba is expected to pick Ashland starters from among Clark Smith, Jim Bjork, Bob Johnson, Gerald Allen, Doug Forrest, Don Taylor and Steve Gray. Possible opening men for Klamath are Bob Lewis, Jim Hall, Bob Peterson, Don DeLap and Dean Dunson.

Crater's opening whistle five against Ashland depends on the Bend performance tonight, coach Don Anielak said. He'll likely pick from among Bill and Tom White, Dennis Pfaff, Jim Eldred, John Burns, Chuck Turner, Loyal Higinbotham and Mike King.

## First Christian Quintets Take Three Contests

First Christian added two victories last night in the YMCA senior church basketball league.

The quint played a two-minute overtime to nose Zion Lutheran 41 to 39 in a "continued" tussle then nipped the Methodists 25 to 24. First Baptist trounced Phoenix Presbyterian 41 to 10.

First Christian and Zion had tied last week and postponed the extra session because of the late hour.

Manley had nine points for Christian and Thompson seven for Methodist last night while E. Peterson put in 20 for the Baptists. Whitman had 14 for Christian in the completed fray and Shaw 13 for the Lutherans.

First Baptist trimmed Presbyterian 26 to 11 and First Christian bounced St. Mark's Episcopal 42 to 18 last night in junior league play. Garry Olson had all of the Baptist tallies. Jim Osborn scored 12 for Christian and John Barker 10 for St. Mark's.

Methodist and Zion Lutheran senior teams are to play an exhibition at 2:45 p.m. Saturday at the YMCA.

## Detroit Signs Pietrosante

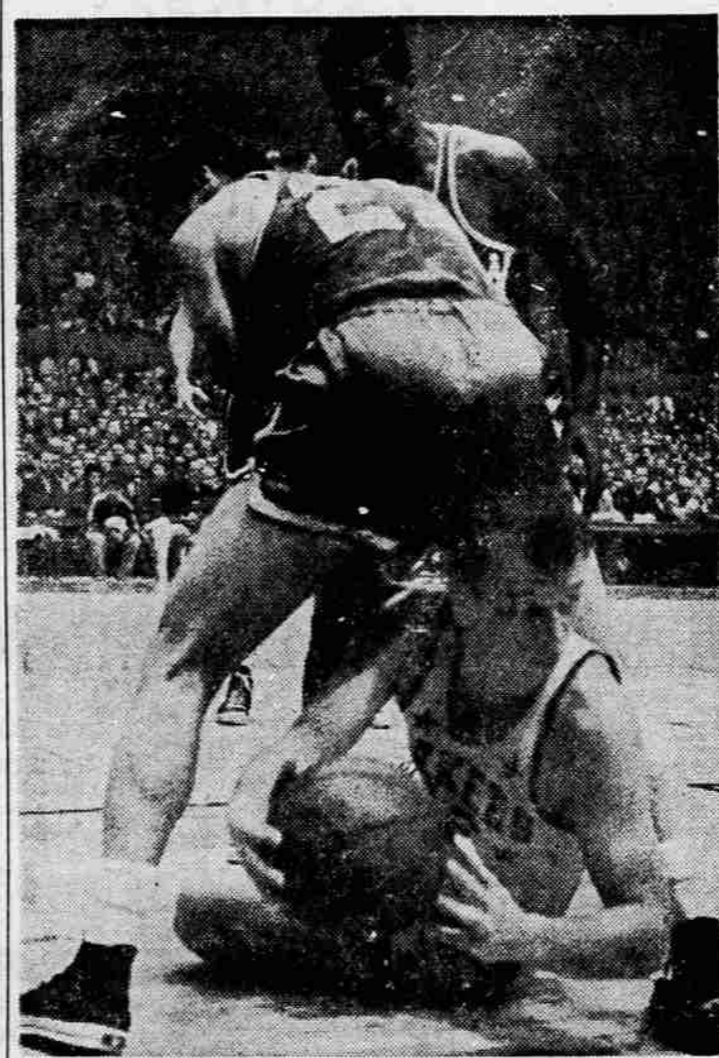
Detroit - (UPI) - The joy in the Detroit Lions' office Thursday was understandable. The Lions, who hadn't known many happy days last season, were rolling out the red carpet for their number one draft choice, Nick Pietrosante of Notre Dame.

"There hasn't been this much excitement around here since Hopalong Cassidy first signed," said a secretary.

It's rare for a professional team to call a news conference when a rookie is signed. Usually that's handled by a lions news release. But to the Lions, Pietrosante is the rookie.

Although slowed down by a bruised rib and charley horse last season Pietrosante who gained 556 yards in 117 carries for a 4.8 average was named the most valuable player of the East-West Shrine Game and starred in the Hula Bowl against a team of professionals.

Pietrosante said he signed a one-year contract but the terms were not disclosed. He said he had decided on playing American football even before the draft.



**WHERE TO FROM HERE?**—Dick Garmaker of the Minneapolis Lakers peers out from under the legs of Boston Celtics' Bill Sharman as Sharman and Celtic K. C. Jones (rear) look for the ball. The action occurred during first quarter of Celtics-Lakers game in San Francisco, which inaugurated NBA basketball on the West Coast. Two field goals in the first overtime period gave the Celtics a 109 to 106 victory.

## 2 Ladies Tied In Tampa Golf

Tampa, Fla. - (UPI) - Mary Lena Faulk and Kathy Cornelius led a star-studded field into the second round of the \$7,500 Tampa Women's Open golf tournament today with rain and cold winds threatening on the horizon.

Miss Faulk of Thomasville, Ga., and Miss Cornelius, from Lake Worth, Fla., topped Thursday's first round shooting with even par 72's.

### CONVICTED

Newcastle, England - (UPI) - Soccer referee Arthur Ellis wanted to be absolutely sure the field was unfit before postponing an association game. Looking it over didn't help, so Ellis put on a pair of football boots, got a ball and discovered the answer the hard way. He fell three times. The game was postponed.

About 15 million persons in the U.S. suffer some degree of impairment in their ability to hear.

# SPORTS

## Tom Pigott Will Quit

Portland - (UPI) - Tom Pigott, secretary-treasurer of the Oregon School Activities Association since 1942, resigned Thursday effective March 1, 1960.

A. Oden Hawes was named as successor. He has been assistant secretary since 1948.

## Trapshoot 3rd Round Sunday

Third round of the Medford Gun club league trapshoot is slated on Sunday.

Traps will open at 9:30. Competition is scheduled rain or shine and lunch will be available on the grounds. Visitors are welcome, officers of the club pointed out.

The league event is being held on six Sundays. The Nut Busters are current leaders with the Meat Balls ranking second.

More than one-half of the 7.5 million widows living in the U.S. are over the age of 64 years.

## Tenth Triumph By Villanova

United Press International  
Say, how about taking a little notice of unsung Villanova, which has won 10 of its 11 games already and is stacking up as one of the surprise basketball powers in the East.

The Wildcats can't be found among the top 20 teams but practically every game finds them winding up on top. Among their victims so far this season are Pennsylvania, Duke, Temple and Seton Hall. Thursday night, the Wildcats added Brandeis to the list with a 101-75 lering.

It's quite a reversal of form over the ordinary 12-11 record Villanova posted last season. The Wildcats' only loss this season came at the expense of St. Joseph's, Pa., after they had won their first eight games.

### BOWLING CONGRESS

St. Louis - (UPI) - The 1959 American Bowling Congress tournament, which opens Feb. 14, has been extended two days to April 25 because of a heavy entry list.

## Yanks Favored Over Argentina

Concepcion, Chile - (UPI) - Despite injuries to two of its stars, the defending champion U.S. team was favored to beat Argentina tonight in the opening game of the world amateur basketball championship.

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