

AUTORAMA ENTRY—Considered a top contender for the "local" car trophy in the Southern Oregon Autorama is the vehicle, above, entered by Monty Wray, Ashland. The auto has a 1927 Model T body on a 1932 chassis, has a titan red lacquer paint job and is powered by an Oldsmobile engine. With it Wray has won 19 trophies in

drag races and shows. The car was featured in the January issue of Rod and Custom magazine and was judged outstanding car in the Klamath Falls show in October. The local autorama is Saturday and Sunday afternoons and evenings at the Medford Armory.



IN WEEK END SHOW HERE—The 1955 custom built Thunderbird sports car of Stan Jones, Portland, is among those entered in the Autorama this week end at Medford Armory. It won first in its class in a Novem-

ber show in Portland. Painted candied apple red and having smoked pearl and champagne white interior, the car is regarded as one of the most attractive in its class in Oregon.

Southern Oregon Autorama Here on Saturday, Sunday

Vehicles representing a combined investment of close to \$250,000 will be on display here Saturday and Sunday in the Southern Oregon Autorama.

The event is scheduled for 1 to 11 p.m. each day at the Medford Armory. Southern Oregon Timing association is local sponsor.

Cars will be entered from various communities in Oregon and California. Some of the entries have won honors in other recent shows in these states. More than 40 autos had been entered at last report.

Designers and body men have put forth their best efforts on these cars, aiming for the 33-inch grand sweepstakes trophy which represents the best of the show class. Another of the numerous trophies, this one 24 inches tall, will go to the best "local" car.

Entertainment included in the price of admission to the 1952 through 1957 Indianapolis big car races.

Efforts have been made to bring the best in cars to Medford for the Autorama. It is hoped to stimulate interest to make the event an annual one.

Medford Entrants include Tucker Sno-Cat, Bob Walker, Cliff Pedersen, Don Cranston, Mike Myers, the Swiftans and the Wheelers.

Awards will be based on originality, construction and beauty. Local entries are those from within a 75-mile radius of Medford. Divisions competition include best hot rod, best upholstery job, best engineering and the "people's choice."

Entries are to include custom, speedway, drag race and antique autos.

Trophies are to be presented at 10 p.m. Sunday.

SOTA members will have a safety and information booth and a concessions stand. They will assist with presentation of the show.

Mike Batnich, Grants Pass, Autorama manager, praised the SOTA as one of the finest groups with which he has worked. He said he hoped residents of the valley would support their efforts this week end.

Hoover defeated Oak Grove 23 to 16 and St. Mary's won from West Side 25 to 13 in the American league while Roosevelt beat Washington 22 to 16 and Jefferson downed Jackson 21 to 5 in the National.

In another tangle Lincoln of the National whipped Wilson of the American 31 to 8.

St. Mary's games do not count toward the title.

GRAHAM COACHES
Miami — (UPI) — Former Cleveland Browns quarterback Otto Graham will coach the University of Miami signal callers in spring football practice.

The legislation would achieve this by exempting from the anti-trust laws agreements protecting teams from major league game telecasts originating within 75 miles of minor league cities on home game days. Otherwise TV agreements would be subject to antitrust laws.

It also would leave the radio broadcasts of professional baseball, basketball, football and hockey games subject to antitrust laws.

NW Conference Leaders Clash
United Press International
A battle between Willamette and Lewis and Clark highlights Northwest Conference basketball action tonight.

Willamette is 3-0 and Lewis and Clark 2-0 in the young league race. The two teams play in Portland tonight and then meet in Salem Saturday night.

Linfield, 2-1, has a pair with Pacific, tonight at McMinnville and Saturday night at Forest Grove. Whitman and College of Idaho play a pair at Caldwell.

In the Oregon Collegiate Conference, Oregon College of Education makes its initial start, meeting Southern Oregon, 2-0, at Ashland Friday and Saturday. Eastern Oregon and Oregon Tech, each seeking a first league win, play two games at La Grande.

Portland State, the co-leader with SOC, is idle.

South Eugene High Suspension Lifted

Portland — (UPI) — The Oregon School Activities association today placed South Eugene high school back in good standing, clearing the way for it to open its league basketball schedule against Cottage Grove Saturday night.

The action came at a meet of the OSAA board, the governing body of Oregon prep athletes.

The board voted to lift the suspension which went into effect Dec. 20. Albany high school had filed an official protest to the OSAA after two of its school buses had been painted during a basketball game Dec. 16 at Eugene.

South Eugene school officials today presented letter to the OSAA board from the school board, the lettermen's club and Eugene police saying steps had been taken to prevent repetition.

Restitution was guaranteed to Albany high school for repainting of the buses.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

SPORTS

Webfoots, Beavers Slate Washington

United Press International
The Pacific Coast and West Coast conference basketball races have hardly begun, yet several of tonight's contests in both loops can justly be

rated in the crucial category. P.C.C. co-leader California (3-1) invades the Stanford Pavilion for the opener of a two-game series with the second place Indians (3-2). The games pit the nation's two top defensive quintets. The Bears have yielded 49.4 points per contest and the Cards 52.3.

Harris Pick Of Red Sox

Boston — (UPI) — The Boston Red Sox announced that Stanley (Bucky) Harris will become the new Red Sox general manager when Joe Cronin is formally installed as the new president of the American league.

Red Sox owner Tom Yawkey phoned Cronin in Chicago and authorized him to make the announcement. Cronin has notified Harris at Boston.

Harris now is a special assistant to Cronin. His last team was the Detroit Tigers which he managed in 1955 and 1956. He managed the Red Sox for one season in 1934 and was succeeded by Cronin.

Quinn Assumes Job With Phils

New York — (UPI) — John Quinn did it with Braves and they're all betting today he'll do it again with the Phillies — using the identical methods he did in Milwaukee.

Quinn, who helped lead the Braves to a world championship in 1957 and the National League pennant last year, officially took over his new job as general manager of the last-place Phils today.

He has been given "complete free reign" by owner Bob Carpenter plus a five-year contract, which represents the first one he actually ever has worked under. His "contracts" always were oral ones in the past.

Quinn's first two moves will deal with "expansion." he will expand the Phils' minor league organization and the club's scouting staff exactly as he did with eminently successful results while he worked for the Braves.

The world's largest trade union is the British Transport and General Workers union with more than 1,300,000 members.

Ring Group Assured of Defenses

New York — (UPI) — Executive committeemen of the National Boxing association left for their home towns today, after having received assurances that champions Floyd Patterson, Sugar Ray Robinson and Alphonse Halimi will defend their titles.

Cus D'Amato, manager of heavyweight champion Patterson, assured the committee Thursday that Floyd would make not only one, but two defenses in 1959 — the first to be signed "within a reasonable time."

Robinson, middleweight ruler, promised a defense before June. Ex-champion Carmen Basilio was mentioned most prominently among the contenders.

The committee issued a warning that Halimi of France must defend his bantamweight title within three months or the NBA would withdraw its championship recognition.

Almost simultaneously with that warning, came an announcement from Milan, Italy, that Halimi had agreed to defend — between March 30 and April 5 — at Los Angeles or San Francisco for promoter George Parnassus, against the winner of a Joe Becerra-Marino D'Agata bout at the Los Angeles Olympic Arena, Feb. 5.

Eagles Host Rogue River

Basketball picture in the A-2 Rogue league will be clearer this week end.

Two games are on tap tonight and two on Saturday evening.

Rogue River will play at Eagle Point high and Illinois Valley at Glendale tonight.

Saturday against TV at Cave Junction and Glendale to Rogue River. Eagle Point steps outside the loop to vie at Yreka, Calif., on Saturday.

Glendale makes its league debut on Friday.

Eagle Point downed Phoenix and Illinois Valley beat Rogue River in the only games in the circuit last week end.

Conlin's Spurt Helps Syracuse

United Press International
Ed Conlin noded just nine minutes Thursday night to give Syracuse its seventh win in eight starts.

Conlin scored 15 points in a second period spree to give the Nationals an 111-105 victory over Minneapolis and move Syracuse to within two games of New York in the Eastern division race.

Philadelphia edged the Knickerbockers, 95-91, in the opener of a National Basketball association doubleheader at Syracuse.

Beat This!



by Tip Brady

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Free Shot Lead Held By Beavers

Los Angeles — Four schools share top honors in Pacific Coast conference basketball team statistics after two weekends of play, according to figures released today by the office of P.C.C. acting commissioner Bernard Hammerbeck.

UCLA is first-ranked in total scoring and rebounding. Southern California in field goal shooting and field goal defense. Oregon State in free throw shooting and Stanford in total defense.

UCLA, stepping up its point production which also led the conference last week has scored 320 points in five games through January 10 for an average of 64 per game to 66 for Southern California. Defensively, Stanford has permitted but 45.8 points per outing to 46.2 for California.

Oregon State's leading free throw percentage stands at 70 per cent, the Beavers having made 70 of 100 attempts, while Washington is shooting at 67.5 per cent.

Southern California gained its top percentage of 39.5 per cent in field goal shooting by scoring on 88 of 222 attempts from the floor. California is shooting 37.9 per cent. Defensively Southern Cal has permitted foes but 83 field goals in 259 shots for 32 per cent, followed by California 32.3 per cent.

UCLA has recovered 256 rebounds to its foes 222 for 53.7 per cent, and the lead over California which is rebounding 52.2 per cent.

The Republic of Indonesia is rich in natural resources including tin, oil, coal, gold, silver, copper and other minerals.

BASKETBALL

THURSDAY GAMES
United Press International
Geo. Washington 79, VMI 63
Villanova 101, Brandeis 75
Virginia 86, Duke 67
Florida 85, Miami (Fla.) 70
Denver 66, Montana 81
Utah 76, New Mexico 50
N.W. Nazarene 70, Whitman 59

St. Mary's To Travel

It's the top against the bottom in Jackson County B league basketball this evening.

St. Mary's of Medford goes to Prospect. The Medford team is undefeated leader of the prep conference. Prospect has yet to taste triumph in the league.

Talent plays at Jacksonville in this evening's other game.

NEWSMEN TOO BUSY
Tallahassee, Fla. — (UPI) — Florida Gov. Leroy Collins cancelled his weekly news conference Thursday — at the request of newsmen who said they were too busy to attend.

Enormous earthworms are found in many tropical regions. Some may reach a length of 11 feet.

GAS-TOONS

by "Chuck" Batten

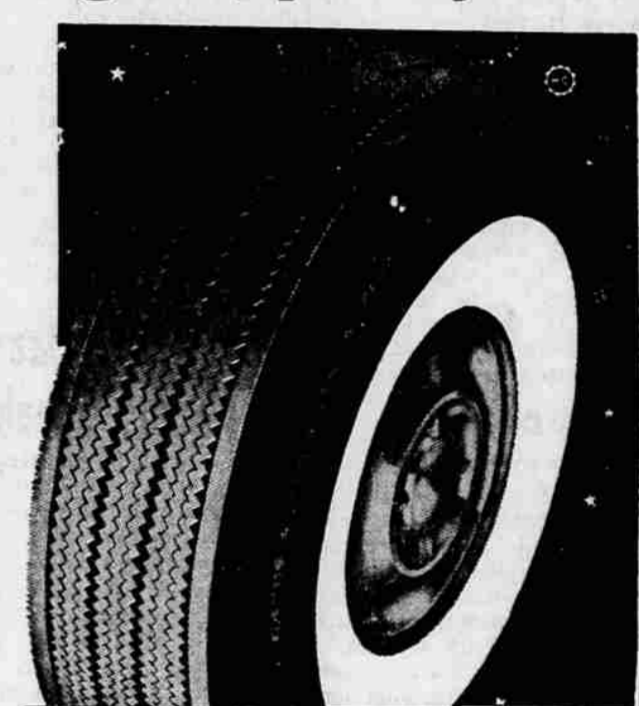


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Salem Baseball Plans Reported

Salem — (UPI) — Plans were announced today for Salem to remain in the Northwest league in the 1959 baseball season.

League President Jim Fleishman made the announcement after a meeting with members of the Salem Senators Inc. and Dwight Jordan, Yakima insurance man, who was president of the Yakima team last season.

Jordan was given the go ahead to run the team in 1959 and said the Senators would operate on a profit sharing basis. Plans call for a 20-man board of directors.

A field manager and a business manager still are to be named.

Fleishman said Salem's decision left only one team — Wenatchee — uncertain about 1959. He said he was "concerned, but not worried" by the situation. Wenatchee officials said they needed more financial help.

Lightweights Mix in Garden

Hollywood — (UPI) — Two of the leading young lightweight prospects in the country — Len Matthews of Philadelphia and Paulis Armstead of Los Angeles — meet tonight in a 10-round nationally televised bout at Hollywood Legion Stadium.

Matthews, unbeaten in 16 pro bouts, was favored by odds of nearly 2-1 to take another step towards an eventual title bout.

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