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by Tip Brady

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Ortega Fights Stitch Tonight
New York—(UPI)—Gaspar Ortega, the "hard luck" Sapoteco Indian from Tijuana, Mex., will attempt to halt his alarming slide in the welterweight ranks when he meets newcomer Rudell Stich tonight in a 10-round radio-TV bout at Madison Square Garden.

A year ago, lanky Ortega was tops among contenders for the 147-pound crown, now held by Don Jordan. However, he lost four of his last seven fights on disputed decisions, skidding to No. 6 in the rankings.

Stich, although unranked, is a 2-1 favorite for tonight's bout, which will be televised and broadcast nationally, starting at 10 p.m. (EST).

Big Men Bolster GP For Medford Tussle

All indications are that the Medford Black Tornado will have its hands full tonight in Southern Oregon conference basketball contention.

Seeing its only rivalry of the week end the loop-heading Tornado encounters the Cavemen at Grants Pass. Medford needs a triumph to hang onto its top position while GP is aiming to rise from its present third place status.

The hard fought battle between the two clubs last week end and developments at Grants Pass during the past week provide the evidence that the Cavemen intend to give Medford a whale of a battle this evening.

Word out of Grants Pass from Coach Gordon Prehm yesterday was that the Cavemen have been strengthened by the return of both Jerie Putnam and John Fox. The two, who have been sidelined by injuries, are each 6-3 and the tallest among the top men on the squad. Prehm pointed out that the Cavemen "shot with Medford" last Friday but couldn't match the Pear city team in rebounding. Therefore, the two big boys should help this time.

Best of Season
The Climate city mentor also declared that his crew had its best practices of the season this week and are stronger now than at any previous time.

At the Medford school Coach Frank Roelandt acknowledged that Grants Pass "will be really ready and we know we'll be in for something tonight. He said that Ken Durkee may get a starting call tonight in a move to give the Tornado more mobility. Rest of the line-up could be Jerry Anderson, Lowell Dean, George Koch and Don Peek. Among

those who could see quite a bit of service are Booth Deakins, Jerry Shults, John Harvey and Cal Dean. The club is at full strength.

Tornado concentration this week has been on defense against a Grants Pass offense which moves the ball well and keeps the opposition hustling. The Medfordites also will be out to make their own offense consistent instead of spurty like it was last week.

Medford holds two decisions so far this campaign over Grants Pass. Scores were 57 to 41 at Grants Pass and 59 to 54 here.

Grants Pass has the heavy assignment in the loop this week. The Cavemen travel to Klamath Falls on Saturday to oppose the second place Pelicans. They are hoping for at least a split in the week end action. Prehm reported that GP has mapped a new defense to put up against Klamath and may try it against Medford.

Starters Uncertain
Whether the GP mentor will have his two big men in the starting five tonight, was uncertain this morning. The choice for the opening quint is among Putnam, Fox, Rex Benner, Johnnie Olson, Roger Burton, Rick Sabin, Mike Leonard, Dick Hayes and Marvin Chandler. Putnam has been working with the tape removed from his ailing back in the latter part of the week and is a good starting possibility. Fox has been wearing a large brace on his knee.

The Cavemen gave Medford plenty of trouble last week even without their two big men.

Tonight's mix will see four of the conference's top four scorers in action. Medford's Anderson is tied for the lead with Bob Petersen of Klamath. Each has 135 points and a 16.9 average. Olson is third in the loop with 116 average and 14.5 per game. Lowell Dean is fifth in the loop with 90 points and Benner is sixth in point total but his average is better than Dean's with 12.5 for seven frays to the Medfordite's 11.2 for eight.

Y Men's Loop Begins Second Half of Play
Second round play in the YMCA men's church basketball league starts Saturday with three games.

First Baptist will oppose Methodist at 7 p.m. Other games at the YMCA will be Presbyterian against Phoenix Nazarene at 8 p.m. and First Christian against First Nazarene at 9 a.m.

The Baptists took the first half of play with a 5-0 mark. Winner of the second half will meet the Baptists in a March 21 playoff.

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Jerry Agee Golf Leader At Phoenix

Phoenix, Ariz. — (UPI) — The youngsters were in command as the second round of the \$17,500 Phoenix open golf tournament got under way today on the Arizona Country club course.

Jerry Agee, 25-year-old from Toronto, Canada, was in front with a 7-under-par-63—a course record.

Right on his heels were three youngsters each 23 years old: Joe Campbell, Knoxville, Tenn., with a 64; John McMullin, Alameda, Calif., with a 65; and Tommy Jacobs, Whittier, Calif., with a 66.

Four Tie at 67
While such proven veterans as defending champion Ken Venturi; former Open champions Julius Boros and Jack Fleck; top money-winner Bill Casper and others were struggling to crack the par of 70, the youngsters were relaxed on the lightning fast greens.

There was a four-way tie at 67, featuring Gene Littler, San Diego, Calif.; Bob Harris, Winnetka, Ill.; Paul O'Leary, Belleflower, Calif., and Marty Furgol, Lemont, Ill.

Masters champion Arnold Palmer had a 68 with a masterful round, but couldn't get the putts to drop.

Ted Duden, Oswego, Ore.; Paul Harvey, Auburn, Mass.; Jimmy Clark, Huntington Beach, Calif., and Bill Johnston, Provo, Utah.

George Yardley On Trade Block
Boston—(UPI)—Injured Detroit star George Yardley, who claims he's like the cast on his hand, "itching to play," was on the trading block today and at least four clubs were reported "interested."

Piston General Manager Nick Kerby, who left Detroit Thursday night with the expressed intention of seeking a deal for the high-scoring former Stanford ace, was expected to talk today with officials of the Boston Celtics and Syracuse Nationals.

D'Olivo Has Wide Lead; Red Raiders Vie at EOC

Portland—(UPI)—Dave D'Olivo of Southern Oregon holds a wide lead in the Oregon Collegiate conference basketball scoring race with 148 points in 8 games for an 18.5 average.

Tom Neel of Eastern Oregon is in second place with 119 in 7 games, one point ahead of Larry Howard, also of EOC.

John Frederick of Portland State has an 480 mark from the free throw line with 21 out of 25.

Southern Oregon replaced Portland State as the top offensive team with a 72.1 per game average. The Vikings dropped to 65.3 from 75.2 after splitting a pair at La Grande last week end.

Portland State, leading the OCC with a 7-1 mark, plays host tonight and Saturday to Oregon Tech here. Southern Oregon, hot on the Vikings' heels with a 6-2 record, is at Eastern Oregon for a pair.

MEDFORD TRIBUNE SPORTS

Medford Tops Ashlanders 37-11 in Wrestling Tiff

Medford high downed Ashland 37 to 11 last night in a wrestling match at Ashland.

It was the second win for Medford over the Grizzlies and came easier than the first. Tornado matmen took nine of

the 12 bouts. Five of the victories were by falls.

Next action for Medford will be at Crater on Monday, Feb. 9. The Tornado has a previous nod over the Comets.

Contention will follow in the A-1 district meet at Klamath Falls on Feb. 13 and 14. Medford also came out on top in junior varsity rivalry last night 37 to 12.

Riley Ahead Of Kalapus In Scoring

Portland—(UPI)—Jackie Riley of Linfield has moved into the Northwest Conference basketball scoring lead.

Riley has 137 points in seven games for a 19.6 average. Jerry Kalapus of Pacific, ahead last week, has 131 points in seven starts.

Tom Bourgeois of Pacific is the leader in field goal accuracy with a 49.1 mark. Ron Phillips of Linfield is second with 48.9.

Dick Ramsey of Pacific has 7-for-7 in free throw shooting. Max Johnson of Whitman tops the rebounders with an average of 14.3 per game.

Linfield Tops Team
Linfield leads in team offense with an average of 78.1 points per game and in field goal accuracy with 437 and free throw shooting with 707.

Willamette is the defensive leader, giving up only 56.8 points per game. Willamette also leads in rebounding with 403.

Games this weekend include Pacific at Whitman and Lewis and Clark College of Idaho on Friday and Linfield at Willamette, Lewis and Clark at College of Idaho and Pacific at Whitman on Saturday.

Christie's Defeats BF

Grants Pass Christie's Silver Dollar crubbed Butte Falls 100 to 55 last night to gain a first place tie with Southern Oregon college junior varsity in the Southern Oregon Independent Basketball league.

The GP club had quarterly gaps of 22 to 13, 44 to 33 and 71 to 45.

Tom Flynn had 20 points and Sperm Heater and Tucker each 19 for Christie's. Jim Irwin scored 18 and Bill Irwin 17 for Butte Falls.

LINE-UPS:
Butte Falls 55
F 8 Dean
B 19 Flynn
C 19 Heater
G 19 Tucker
D 12 Jacobson
Substitutions: F for Christie's, Bertrand 6, Reese 16; for Butte Falls, Dillard, Baker, Owens.

Shaw Asks Grid Trade

Portland—(UPI)—George Shaw, second string quarterback of the world champion Baltimore Colts, said today he has asked to be traded to another team so he can play regularly.

"I'm 25 years old and feel that I'm still capable of playing in the league as a regular," he said. He is under study to all-pro quarterback Johnny Unitas.

Shaw, who was first string quarterback for the Colts before injuring a knee two seasons ago, said he had asked to be traded before he left Baltimore. He said team officials were "very understanding" with his desire to play regularly and indicated they would be willing to trade him if an equitable deal could be arranged.

Several Interested
Several teams are reported to be interested in acquiring Shaw.

Shaw, a former University of Oregon star, said Unitas was a great quarterback. "I don't see how I could get the chance to beat him out of the job. Therefore, the only time I'd be able to play would be if he were injured. And I don't like to sit around waiting for someone to get hurt," he added.

Shaw is working at a bank here in the off season.

FIGHTS

THURSDAY BOXING
Los Angeles—(UPI)—Joe Beccerra, 118, Mexico, stopped Mario D'agata, 117, Italy (10).

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GRADE GAMES PLAYED
Washington whipped Jackson 27 to 10 and Lincoln nosed Jefferson 22 to 20 yesterday in city grade school National league junior varsity basketball combats. In the American league Hoover won 28 to 25 from West Side and St. Mary's 29 to 15 from Wilson. A non-league game saw Roosevelt top Oak Grove 35 to 11.

Larue Chosen Arizona Coach

Tucson, Ariz. — (UPI) — Jim Larue, Southern Methodist backfield coach, today was the new head football coach at the University of Arizona.

The 34-year-old former halfback at the University of Maryland was given a one-year contract Thursday, athletic director Dick Clausen said. Contract terms were not made public.

Larue, who succeeds Ed Doherty, takes over a faltering gridiron team which has won only four and tied one in its past 20 attempts.

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CRATER LAKE LEAGUE
Standings: Earl & Roy's Mobilgas 16, 4; Medford Neon 11, 9; Mechanics Laundry 11, 9; Hauppert Tractor 10, 10; Andy's Jewellers 9, 11; O.K. Market 9, 11; U.S. National Bank 9, 11; Ellis Market 8, 12; Mann's Dept Store 8, 12; Year Office Boy 6, 14
Results: Medford Neon 4 (W. Meyers) 514; O.K. Mkt. 0 (C. Ericson) 303; Mann's Store 3 (E. Culbertson) 460; Andy's 1 (L. Hubler) 483; 2360; Ellis Mkt. 3 (R. Kline) 506; 2386; U.S. Bank 1 (P. Shafer) 523; 2296; Mobilgas 3 (V. Simmons) 559; 2497; Mechanics Ldry. 1 (J. Pruitt) 329; 2332; Hauppert 2 (W. Newland) 649; 2526; Office Boy 2 (F. Conrad) 321; 2494.
ELKS LEAGUE
Standings: Lively-Five 13, 3; Alley-Gators 12, 6; Miss Fitts 10, 6; Gypos 10, 6; Adairs 7, 9; PERs 7, 9; Medics 7, 9; Go-Boys 5, 11; Cementers 5, 11; Wallflowers 5, 11
Results: Medics 3 (Sutton) 519; 2270; PERs 1 (Van Pelt) 543; 2317; Adairs 2 (Coats) 503; 2126; Miss Fitts 2 (Kessler) 393; 2479; Alley Gators 4 (LaRocque) 538; 2424; Wallflowers 0 (Sullivan) 368; 2300; Gypos 0 (Offord) 522; 2337; Lively Five 4 (Proctor) 604; 2377; Cementers 3 (Barr) 527; 2150; Go-Boys 1 (Clark) 498; 2168.

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