

Fanfare

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With its third straight decision over Medford in state title play-offs, Beaverton high athletes appear to have the hex on the Black Tornado. The Beaver successes began with a victory in an opening game of the 1957 Oregon A-1 hoop tourney. Then Beaverton downed Medford in the 1957 state football quarter-finals. Third verdict, of course, was Wednesday in the big school cage classic.

MARSHFIELD TORRID

Hottest team in the opening round of 1959 A-1 basketball tourney was Marshfield in its lopsided victory over St. Helens. The Pirates, spurred by towering 6-9 Mel Counts, shot a team average of .527 from the field. Counts was the chief gunner with 13 field goals in 26 attempts. North Salem with Grant Harter nine for 17 fired an even .500 in topping Baker.

Seven of the first round winners fired .400 or better from the field. Sandy .422. Beaverton .415. Franklin .488. North Bend .442 and Pendleton .400.

McMinnville had one hot streak and almost caught North Bend but wound up with the low field mark of .247. St. Helens was next low with .288. Only club shooting under .400 and winning was Klamath Falls with .333 in its Astoria brush.

COUNTS STANDS OUT

Marshfield's Counts stood out as the individual star of the opening tourney round with 13 points and 20 rebounds. Naturally, his height was a big asset. He is the outstanding big man of the tourney so far. Counts doesn't seem bothered by the bad luck which plagued him at Medford last December.

Seven players put in 20 points or better in the starting action. Steve Pauly of Beaverton was second high for the round with his 24 against Medford. Ed Hoffman of Sande had 22. Jerry Anderson of Medford and Larry Clark of Beaverton each 21 and Bruce Rhine and Jerry Bergstrom of Franklin each 20.

Rhine's 14 free throws broke the record of 13 for a single game set by Jim Mark, Cleveland, in 1952 and tied by Dave Shelby, Albany in 1953. His 18 attempts tied the mark set in 1954 by Red Bloedel of Milwaukie.

Wilbert Brown of Jefferson was second high in rebounds for the first round with 18.

GIRLS ADD LUSTER

Contention among the top teams around the state provided an attractive basketball menu for fans. But the A-1 show here would not be complete in color without the cavorting and rhythmic cheer leaders, the lively rooting sections for each school and the "chorus girl" groups.

Nearest organization here to the famed Rockettes are the Trojans of Woodrow Wilson high in Portland. This slick matching, high kicking unit performed four times here Thursday at halftimes. On each occasion they were garbed in a different costume. North Salem high's chorus gals did a Charleston number. And the Klamath Falls cheerleaders and a contingent of Sandy high girls put on Calypso routines.

BAKERETTES

There were also the Bakerettes of Baker high, whom we didn't get to see. They were led by Mrs. Stan (Thomson) Smith. Mrs. Smith is a former Mail Tribune correspondent, while her husband was coach there in high school football, track and wrestling. Stan is now head football mentor at Baker high. He is a former Medford high and Southern Oregon college griddler.

OLD HOME WEEK

It's like "old home week" but away from home at McArthur court. A good many people from Jackson county, a large group of them coaches, are on hand for the tourney. And there are a number of former coaches from the Rogue valley, who are now tutoring at other schools. Among those we've talked to are Ed Rooney, St. Helens mentor, who was once at Jacksonville, and Jerry Mosby, Astoria skipper, who coached at Jacksonville. Also, we've chatted with Bob Hamilton, the Spudnut man in Eugene. He was Medford high hoop coach in the late 1940s.

The tourney is a place where old schoolmates renew talk over the old days and members of the press corps renew acquaintances.

MAURER HELPS SALEM

Billy Maurer, all-Southern Oregon conference hoopman at Ashland in 1958, appears to be a real cog on the North Salem team which Marshfield tipped here yesterday. He drives and hustles and he shoots well. Ron Mickles, another North Salem regular, is another ex-Ashland athlete, going to Salem a year ahead of Maurer. What is North Salem's gain can also be looked upon as Medford's loss as well as Ashland's. We remember Billy as a ninth grader at Hedrick Junior high.

PELS HAVE TROUBLE

In its game with upstart Sandy here yesterday, the Klamath Falls Pelicans had a bad streak before taking over domination. They blew a second quarter lead of 28 to 11. Sandy caught up at 332-all in the third canto. Then Klamath caught fire again to head 46 to 34 at the end of the third period. The Pels shot .460 in the scuffle to .242 for Sandy. The Pioneers of Sandy were the

BOWLING

VALLEY ROLLERS LEAGUE

Standings	W.	L.
Lucky Strikes	20	8
Spikes & Mrs.	17 1/2	12 1/2
Jokers	16	13
3 Hits & A Miss	15	13
Channel Rollers	13 1/2	14 1/2
9 Pins	12	16
Glad Rags	9	19
Try Hards	9	19

Results:	W.	L.
Nine Pins 2 (S. Brooks 406) 1467; Glad Rags 2 (A. Thompson 380) 1407.		
3 Hits & A Miss 2 (A. Salvers 437) 1586; Channel Rollers 2 (V. Harris 420) 1493.		
Spikes & Mrs. 3 (R. Mosser 411) 1633; Jokers 1 (L. Morton 433) 1568.		
Lucky Strikes 4 (M. Booth 438) 1687; Try Hards 0 (C. Young 423) 1519.		
Conversions: E. Stearns 2-7, L. Smith 3-10, O. Smeir 5-10.		

CITY LEAGUE	W.	L.
Ross Lumber Co.	7	1
Telephone Employees Assn.	6	2
State Farm Insurance	6	2
Hi-Way Lumber Co.	6	2
Westside Merchants	5	3
Southern Oregon Moulding	4	4
Water & Olson	4	4
First National Bank	4	4
W. H. Daugherty Lumber Co.	3	5
Central Market	2	6
California Oregon Power Co.	1	7

Results:	W.	L.
T. E. A. A. 3 (Howard Rickman 552) 2748; Copco 1 (Jim Dunphy 569) 2725.		
Hi-Way 3 (Fred Anderson 554) 2736; Central 1 (Gordon Schulz 513) 2605.		
W & O 1 (Dick Lugnet 512) 2841; Ross 3 (Bob Forrest 620) 2587.		
F. N. B. 0 (Art Carlson 551) 2698; 2812; Daugherty 2 (Frank Chapman 533) 2780.		
Westside 4 (Carl Landis 560) 2747; S. O. Midge 3 (Ron Brooks 518) 2714; Barkers 1 (Herb Vallee 502) 2603.		

EVERGREEN LEAGUE	W.	L.
R. O. Stevenson Lbr. Co.	7	1
Seven Up Bottling Co.	6	2
Medford Steel No. 2	6	2
Kogap Lumber Industries	5	3
Safeway Stores	5	3
Big Y Market	4	4
Medford Blownipe Co.	4	4
Barco Supply Co.	3	5
Knights of Columbus	3	5
Medford Steel No. 1	2	6
Tru Mix Construction Co.	2	6

Results:	W.	L.
Safeway 1 (C. V. Vick 479) 2602; 7 Up 3 (Ernie Engelson 532) 2694; Barco 2 (Dick Schlachter 321) 2678; Steel 2 (Thayer Tarrin 486) 2712.		
Steenenson 3 (Jack Six 510) 2705; Steel No. 1 1 (Lin Smith 447) 2673; Tru Mix 1 (Chuck Snedden 541) 2661; Kogap 3 (Earl Lenz 499) 2757.		
Blownipe 1 (Herb Masterson 447) 2618; K or C 3 (John Mansfield 525) 2732.		
Jay Allen 3 (Leo Webster 446) 2619; Big Y 1 (Gordy Hutter 481) 2306.		

ROXY ANN LEAGUE	W.	L.
Standings:		
Eagle Point Teachers	12 1/2	3 1/2
Chitwood & Stone	12	4
1st Christian No. 3	11	5
Medford Veneer Plywood	10	6
Stevens Corp.	10	6
Baker's Moulding	8	8
1st Christian No. 2	8	8
1st Christian No. 1	6 1/2	9 1/2
P. M. T.	6	10
United Radio	6	11
Coca Cola	4	12
Taylor-Salade	3	13

Results:	W.	L.
Eagle Point Teachers 4 (B. Hall 360); Coca Cola 0 (G. Caster 490); Chitwood & Stone 2 (G. Brooks 517); 1st Christian No. 1, 2 (R. Henry 443).		

team which knocked Jefferson, Portland city champ, and high rated in the state, out of the championship running Tuesday night.

Bookies Worried Over Sweepstakes

London-(UPI)—The Irish were optimistic but the bookmakers were worried sick today on the eve of the Grand National Steeplechase, the world's most gruelling horse race.

Irish horses have won this event four times in the past six years and Mr. What, who scampers to a 20-length victory in the 1958 running, is a hot 5-1 favorite to outleg the field again Saturday.

Mr. What is an all-Irish candidate, being owned by D. J. Douglas, trained by Tom Taaffe, and ridden by Taaffe's son, Toss.

The \$40,600 purse which will go to the winning owner is only a drop in the bucket compared to other fortunes which will be won and lost on this 117th edition of the Grand National.

The race annually attracts world-wide interest because an Irish hospital sweepstakes is based on the outcome. It also serves as the second leg of Britain's popular spring "double." This is where the bookmakers come in.

Many bettors have coupled Marshal Phil, winner of Wednesday's Liverpoolshire Handicap — the first half of the double — with several favored entries in the Grand. One bookmaker reportedly will have to pay out more than \$800,000 if Mr. What wins.

Faced with the possibility of making gigantic payoffs in the double, many bookmakers have asked their clients to get in touch with them with a view to "hedging" on some of their wagers.

However, the bookies do

have history on their side. Only 15 favorites and five co-favorites have been successful in the previous 116 runnings of the Grand National. In fact, the odds are 4-1 against a horse even completing the 4 1/2-mile event with its 30 fences and water jumps.

Cycle Club Sets Events

The Rogue River Ramblers Motorcycle club of Medford, will present the first club competition of this year, Sunday, March 22 at 1 p.m.

The Jamboree will take place within the city limits of Jacksonville, on North Oregon st. The local club has rented a field which will enable them to promote all type of competitive events, officials said. The officers have considered the various equipment used for motorcycling, and they have mapped out events for all riders. There will be the usual field sports, such as balloon bust, the weiner grab, acceleration race and many other type sport in the competitive field.

The clubs from Roseburg, Klamath Falls, Yreka and Redding have been invited to come along and enjoy a day as guests of the Ramblers. All prizes will be trophies, and there is plenty of parking space and a refreshment stand will be operating upon the grounds.

Track Royalty Meets Saturday

Odessa, Tex. — (UPI) — Bobby Morrow, Dave Sime and Glenn Davis, the big three among the nation's track royalty, match strides here Saturday as Davis gets his first crack at his other two rivals for the title of "world's fastest human."

They are scheduled to meet each other twice in "open" 100 and 220-yard dashes to feature the 15th annual West Texas relays before what looms as a capacity crowd of 17,500 in Barrett stadium. It won't be the first clash between Morrow, the Texas tornado who swept to three Olympic gold medals at Melbourne, and Sime, the ramblin' redhead from Duke who lost his 1956 Olympic chance to kinky muscles.

SPORTS

Mile Duel Set Tonight For Track

Cleveland, Ohio — (UPI) — Ron Delany's last-minute decision to avoid the possibility of a suspension set the stage for another brilliant mile duel with Istvan Rozsavolgyi tonight in the Knights of Columbus track and field meet.

Hopes for a new world indoor mark soared because Rozsavolgyi already had announced that he felt ready to crack Delany's recent 4:01.4 clocking — with or without the great Irishman in the field. Rozsavolgyi, a Hungarian who has broken four minutes outdoors, is considered one of the smartest runners in the world today and has pressed Delany indoors despite his comparative unfamiliarity with the boards.

Delany, unbeaten in 34 consecutive indoor miles, changed his decision to withdraw from tonight's event because a suspension "would be a great blow and loss to Ireland." He said that track was a new and upcoming sport in Ireland and if he didn't run this summer it would be a serious blow to the sport in his homeland.

St. Petersburg, Fla. — (UPI) — The once-postponed first round of the \$15,000 St. Petersburg Open golf tournament gets underway today, weather permitting.

Play was scheduled to begin Thursday but was postponed by rain. Officials said the four-day match would run through Monday instead of Sunday as planned.

But the weather bureau predicted occasional rains today, possibly causing another postponement.

Santa Clara To Resume Grid Sport

Santa Clara, Calif. — (UPI) — Santa Clara will probably resume football on a limited basis next fall, according to a school spokesman.

The spokesman confirmed rumors Thursday that the school was planning to again take up the sport which it gave up after the 1952 season.

"It is not 100 per cent certain we will play football next fall," he said. "But it is perhaps 90 per cent assured." He said the school would pattern its program after the present one at USC. The Dons dropped the sport in 1951 but resumed it in 1957. Last year, they played four games—two against the San Francisco State JV's, one with Cal Aggies JV's and one with Treasure Island.

Santa Clara would presumably

New York — (UPI) — Bradley and St. John's, a couple of "old hands" at winning tourneys, are all set for a showdown re-match in the final round of the National Invitation Basketball tournament now that the "Cinderella teams" have been sent packing with their pumpkins, glass slippers, and hook shots.

ably play the same caliber competition and perhaps a contest or two with USC.

No coach has been hired or appointed, according to the spokesman.

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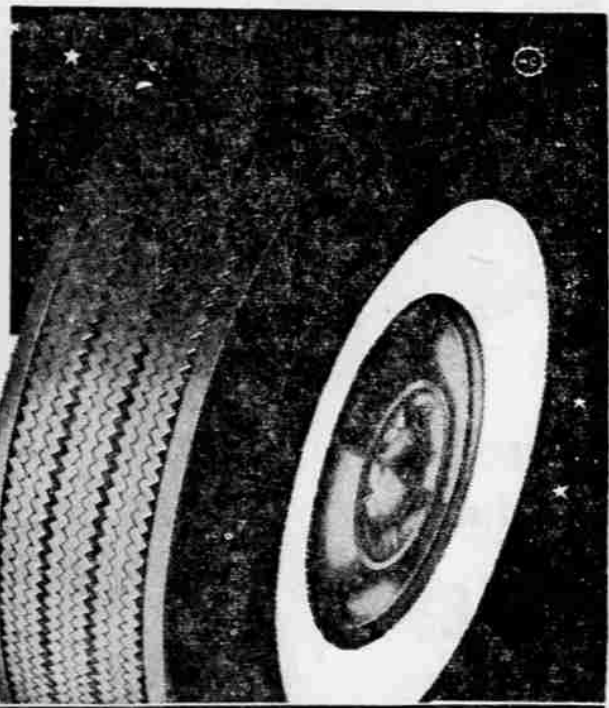
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