

16-District Division In Each Prep Class Proposed for OSAA

Portland —UPI— A committee of the Oregon School Activities Association proposes to revamp the state's high school athletic districts.

A 14-page report suggested that 16 districts be set up for class A-1, class A-2 and class B.

At present there are eight districts in class A-1, for schools of 500 or more students. Under the proposal, instead of two teams from each district going to the state A-1 basketball tournament each of the 16 district winners would make the trip. In class A-2, playoffs would be held between neighboring districts to trim the tournament field to its present size of eight teams.

The committee, headed by Bob Keuscher, principal of Wilson High school here, also proposed changes in wrestling and track. District champions in each of the three classes would advance to regional tournaments with the regional winners going to the state tournament. This would

result in only one state champion in each of these events.

The plan will be considered by the re-districting committee. No decision will be made until November and if the plan is accepted it wouldn't go into effect until September of 1960.

Keuscher said it would cut down travel costs in present extended districts; allow the scheduling of more natural rivalries, and permit small schools in some present districts a better chance to become district champions.

For example, the committee suggested that three teams from district 6-A-1, Medford, Klamath Falls and Grants Pass, be in a proposed new district. Crater and Ashland would be in a district with North Bend, and Roseburg.

In effect, the new alignment in A-1 would create eight "big" school districts and eight "small" A-1 districts.

The proposal is being mailed to all the state's school districts for opinions.

Four Swim Records Smashed

Ithaca, N.Y. —UPI— Four collegiate swimmers, including three sophomores, smashed the 200-yard American breaststroke record in time trials Saturday at the N.C.A.A. championships.

Cy Hopkins of Michigan, 21-year-old senior from Ann Arbor, set American, N.C.A.A. and meet records in the trials. He swam the eight laps in Cornell university's 25-yard Teagle pool in 2:21.6.

The old American record was 2:23.3 set last year by Charles Griffin of the Hill school.

Bill Mulliken, a darkhorse swimmer for Miami of Ohio, was clocked in 2:22.0. Milliken, 19, is a sophomore from Champaign, Ill.

Michigan sophomore Ron Clark registered 2:22.2, and Gordon Collet, Oklahoma, a sophomore, who broke all records in the 100 breast stroke. Friday was timed at 2:23.0.

Produces Best Time
In the 440-yard freestyle trials, Jim Small of California produced the best qualifying time, 4:35.0. Defending champion Bill Stewart of Michigan State and Balazs Gyoffy of Yale tied for second, followed by Cuk Hiles, Florida State; Gene Lenz, California Poly; and George Harrison of Stanford.

Top qualifiers in the 100-yard butterfly trials were the same two Michigan boys who broke all the records in the 200-yard fly last night. Tony Tashnick, defending champion, equaled the meet record of :54.6 held by himself and Yale's Tim Jecko. Dave Gilders, who beat Tashnick by .1 second in the 200-yard butterfly, and Jecko qualified with a time of :54.8. John Jurgensen of Stanford; Jim Coles, Iowa; and John Hammond, Harvard were other qualifiers for Saturday night's final.

Indiana's crack 400-yard medley relay team, spurred by McKinney's :56.2 in the backstroke, got the best time in the trials, 3:50.4. Stanford, Michigan, Ohio State, Yale, and Michigan State, are Saturday night's other finalists.

Michigan, which sewed up the team championship yesterday, has 11 individuals and one relay team in Saturday night's finals.

MITEFF VS. CARTER
New York —UPI— Alex Miteff and Harold Carter have signed to meet in a 10-round heavyweight bout at St. Nicholas Arena April 6.

New York —UPI— Almost 100 top-flight golfers will be exempt from the opening qualifying rounds for this year's National Open championship, it was announced today by the United States Golf association. In past years, many "name" golfers failed to survive the qualifying rounds when more than 2,000 men battled it out for approximately 140 berths in the championship flight.

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Jacksonville —UPI— Jacksonville's scheduled baseball game with Illinois Valley high was called off yesterday because of wet weather.

Camp White To Be Site For Women's Softball Tourney

Rogue Valley Dairy Maids will defend their state crown on their home diamond this summer.

The women's state tournament of the Oregon State Softball association will be held at Memorial stadium, Camp White, for the second consecutive year. Dates of the 1959 tourney will be Aug. 13, 14, 15 and 16.

Eagle Point Lions club again will be the sponsor.

Dairy Maid coach Shy Clagham, who carried the Lions' bid to Albany last week end, said that it is hoped to have a full complement of 12 teams. Eight took part in the 1958 meet at the Veterans Administration domiciliary field.

Practice Next Sunday
Maid practice will begin on Sunday, April 5, at the Eagle

Point High school field. Clagham said that any girl who is interested is welcome to try out for the team.

This year the Dairy Maids, again sponsored by the Milk Producers league, will be a member of the Northwest Major Women's Softball league. Other members will be Vancouver, B.C., Seattle, Lind Florists and American Linen of Portland, Salem and Eugene.

Teams will play in 24 league games, making two - night stands in rival cities.

Oklahoma To Get Title
Iowa City, Iowa —UPI— Oklahoma State, which has won 20 of the previous 28 NCAA wrestling meets, assured itself of its 21st team title Saturday in the 1959 collegiate wrestling championships at Iowa City.

Finals were scheduled for Saturday, but after completion of consolation semifinals, Oklahoma State had 61 points, enough to gain the title even if it lost all of its remaining matches.

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Sucker Creek To Be Stocked

Cave Junction —UPI— The Oregon Game commission plans to stock Sucker creek with 6,000 legal size rainbows this year. The allotment will cover several different plantings, beginning after the high water period, and the last planting may be as late as July.

The commission has also promised a heavier stocking of Bolan and Tannen lakes this year. The mountain lakes will be stocked from the air.

SPORTS

Ted Williams Out of Play

Scottsdale, Ariz. —UPI— Ted Williams, Red Sox hitting star, will be flown to Boston today to have his neck put in traction for a muscle injury disclosed in x-rays taken Saturday.

Williams, suffering from a yalgia, will definitely be unable to work out for at least 10 days to two weeks, a club spokesman said. He is not expected to play again for about a month.

Trainer Jack Fadden said while the ailment is not serious, doctors who x-rayed the American League batting champion Saturday suggested his neck be placed in traction for a few days. He will depart by plane today for Boston, where he will be admitted to the New England Baptist hospital.

The ailment is centered in the back of Williams' right shoulder.

It will be the third time since 1954 that Williams has missed a season opener because of illness or injuries.

The 40-year-old ballplayer stayed behind for the x-rays Saturday while the team went on to Tucson for a game with Cleveland.

Youth Lodged for Molesting Girl

A 13-year-old Medford boy was lodged in the Jackson County Juvenile Detention Home Friday afternoon in connection with molesting a 6-year-old girl, Medford police reported.

Police said the boy was taken into custody after a complaint was received from the girl's mother, Virginia Lee Marks, 309 Newtown st. According to the police report, Mrs. Marks said her daughter had been playing in front of their house when the boy approached her. Another woman reported seeing the boy put his hands on the girl, police said.

The boy admitted in a signed statement that he had touched the girl, according to the report. He stated he was in the fifth grade at school.

Driver Arrested By Medford Police

Charles Franklin Cuning, 23, of 1641 Barnett rd., was arrested on a charge of being drunk in public and cited for four traffic violations early Saturday morning following an alleged hit-and-run collision, Medford police reported.

Police said Cuning was cited for failure to leave information at the scene of an accident, driving the wrong way on a one-way street, operating with no headlights and causing excessive tire noise.

The arresting officer apprehended Cuning on Central ave. north of 10th st. after Cuning had stopped his automobile beside the police vehicle, according to the report. Douglas Allen Cameron, 18, of 905 Stewart ave., reportedly informed the patrolman a moment later that Cuning's car had struck his car in a parking lot at Central and 10th. Cuning denied knowing he had hit Cameron's car, according to the report.

Bank Reports Rise In Deposits, Loans

The Medford branch of the First National Bank of Portland reported deposits of \$26,925,801 March 12, J. A. Moore, manager, has announced. The amount compares to \$25,322,067 March 4, 1958.

Loans as of March 12 at the Medford branch totaled \$12,776,224, he said, compared to \$11,007,329 in March, 1958.

Statewide the bank reported deposits of \$834,488,674, an increase of \$58,767,321 over the March 4, 1958, figure, according to C. B. Stephenson, bank president.

Loans in the system amounted to \$431,123,091, he said, an increase of \$48,936,361 over a year ago.

The Army has developed a camera that requires no light but depends solely on heat radiation from the person or object being photographed.

OREGON VETERANS

State Educational Benefits

WORLD WAR II veterans must apply for the benefits and be in an approved course of training by JUNE 30, 1959. If they meet this deadline, they may continue to receive STATE BENEFITS until their entitlement expires or they complete their course, whichever occurs first.

There is no deadline for Korean veterans.

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Occidental Beats Stanford Track

Stanford, Calif. —UPI— Occidental, led by Clarence Treat and Ed Bixler who each posted double wins, rode to a 77-54 victory over Stanford Saturday in a dual track meet at the stadium.

Treat set a meet record in the 220-yard low hurdles by capturing that event in the time of 23.3. This eclipsed the mark of 23.4 which Stanford's Chuck Cobb set last year. Treat also took the 120-yard high hurdles in 14.4.

Bixler won the 100 and 220-yard dashes with times of 9.9 and 21.6 respectively. Another meet record toppled in the mile when Ernie Cunliffe led a Stanford sweep with a 4:12.1 clocking. This lowered the old Stanford of 4:13.7 which Bob McMillen of Occidental set eight years ago.

Both squads battled it out for the lead in total points during the first 10 events. Then Jim Cerveny, OXY's star half-mile, won the 880 in 1:52.2 to put the Tigers ahead for the day.

Seattle Man Is Arrested in City

Albert Lynn Mitchell Jr., 35, of Seattle, Wash., was arrested in Medford Friday afternoon on a Seattle warrant charging grand larceny, Oregon state police reported.

He was lodged in the county jail and is expected to be arraigned in district court Monday.

According to police, Mitchell purchased an automobile in Seattle March 13 and drove to Medford, abandoning it early last week in the parking lot at the Labor temple.

The arrest was made by Oregon state police, Medford city detectives and federal bureau of investigation agents. The FBI entered the case, it was reported, when it was discovered that the \$2,200 check used to purchase the vehicle was not good.

Investigation was reported still underway with charges of Dyer act violation, transporting a stolen vehicle across state lines, expected to be filed against Mitchell.

Police reported that Mitchell, an ex-convict who has served two sentences in the Washington State penitentiary, is also wanted in Washington for parole violation.

The Seattle automobile wholesaler, legal owner of the automobile, was reported to have arrived in Medford Friday afternoon.

Eagles Lodge Has Annual Crab Feed

About 200 members of the Medford Eagles lodge and auxiliary attended the annual crab feed and past presidents night last week.

Among those present were Past President Al Lucas; President Paul Robertson; Vice President Orea Myers; Chaplain George Tucker, Conductor Howard Brooks; Secretary O. H. Bengtson; Treasurer George Denney; Outside Guard Everett Sybrant; Inside Guard Ed Olson; and Trustees Dale Carr, Fred Johnston, and Ray Collette.

Other parts of initiation work were taken by Art Klatt, Ray Collette, Fred Johnston, Frank Shafer and Harvey Hawley.

Students May Enter Law Day Contest

Portland —UPI— Oregon High school newspaper editors are being invited to participate in the observance of Law Day USA, sponsored by the American Bar association, George L. Hibbard, Oregon State Bar president, has announced.

High school journalists, submitting published editorials on "Law Day—Liberty Under Law" will compete for three prizes, a wrist watch and either of two savings bonds, he said.

To qualify, students must have their editorial published in the school paper, and it must not be more than 250 words in length. Jackson county editors may submit entries to Sam B. Harbison, Medford, prior to April 23.

Aluminum production in the United States is expected to total more than 800 million pounds by 1960, compared with 250 million pounds in 1950.

Rogers Observes 30th Year in Firm

Rawley P. Rogers Jr., 710 Beekman ave., Medford, observed his 30th anniversary with the Bell Telephone system today.

Rogers is department chief in the defense projects division of the Western Electric company, and began his career as an equipment installer in the company's installation division at Seattle.

In 1933, he became a central office repairman with Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company, and in 1958 joined Western Electric company as a department chief, operations and maintenance, with the distant communications and warning systems projects in Alaska.

He has been active in the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce.

Valley Youth Is Listed on Honor Roll

State College, N.M. —John E. Foley of Central Point is among 61 students at New Mexico State university in the college of arts and sciences appointed to the dean's honor list for the fall semester 1958-59.

To achieve the honor list a student must be registered for 12 hours or more and earn a grade point average of 3.2 or better out of a possible 4 grade point for the semester.

Foley is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William W. Foley of Central Point. He is a 1958 graduate of Crater High school where he was a member of the Science club and Torch Honor Society.

A freshman at New Mexico State, Foley is majoring in physics.

Local Men Named Directors of Group

Three Medford men have been elected to the board of directors for Oregon of the West Coast Lumberman's association. They are E. W. Pease, T. K. Oliver and George C. Flanagan.

Eliot H. Jenkins, Springfield, was elected president of the association, which held its 48th annual stockholders meetings in Portland recently.

Speakers stressed the stepped-up promotion program, improved quality and expanded research to be undertaken to keep lumber competitive with other well financed building materials.

Traffic Increases Throughout County

Traffic at four automatic recorders in Jackson county showed an increase last month, according to the state highway department.

The average daily traffic last month on Highway 66, five miles east of Ashland increased from 740 in 1959 to 764 last month, an increase of 3.2 per cent.

Tom Thumb Market Burglarized
Tom Thumb market on Table Rock rd. and the West Side school near Medford were burglarized some time Thursday night, according to sheriff's deputies.

Nothing was taken from the school. Eighty-five cartons of cigarettes and small change from the cash register was taken from the market, deputies said.

Apparently somebody hid in the market until closing time, rifled the till and took the cigarettes and left by the back door which can be opened from the inside without a key, deputies said.

Victoria Group To Tour State in April

The Victoria British Columbia Chamber of Commerce "Honour Oregon" goodwill tour will visit Medford on Wednesday, April 8.

The tour, which starts April 6, includes visits to several Oregon and Washington cities.

The group will have coffee with the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce between 9:45 and 11:45 a.m. April 6. The tour will continue onto Klamath Falls, where the group will remain overnight before proceeding northward.

Phoenix Teachers Attend Institute

Four teachers from Phoenix elementary school attended a one-day science and mathematics institute in Corvallis Saturday.

The four, selected by John Meyers, elementary school principal, were Lester Wilson, John Stewart, Lewis Bertrand and Joe Fader.

Purpose of the meeting was to present the latest ideas and techniques in mathematics and science. The meeting was open all teachers, principals and supervisors.

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