

SPORTS

Rogue Schools Open Tournament Tonight

Class A-2 schools of this area open their three-night pre-conference basketball tournament this evening.

The Rogue league classic is being staged at Phoenix and two games get the event underway. Rogue River and Eagle Point are 7:30 p.m. rivals. Phoenix and Illinois Valley will be 9 p.m. foes.

Winner of the EP-RR scuffle will take on Glendale on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. while the Phoenix-IV victor will follow against Henley in the second game. Tuesday winners vie for the championship on Wednesday following a consolation battle between tonight's defeated clubs.

Probable Lineups

Henley was automatically given a bye for the opening night of the tournament and a draw between Glendale and Illinois Valley determined the others.

Harry McCabe, Barry Frantz, Dave Carter, Ron Laws and Phil Archer may make up the opening lineup for coach James Bowman's Rogue River Chieftains. For Eagle Point coach Tom Van Etten may pick five from among Jim Nease, Ken Jorde, Ron Greb, Bob Berryman, Nolan Greenwood, Dick Wilson, Steve Geren and Tom Perdue.

Coach Jack Woodward's Phoenix combination could be Mike Conbruck, Gerald Sloper, Ron Baker, Jim Floyd and Mike Reese. For IV mentor Eldon Durham could pick from among Bob Tucker, Chuck Baird, Noel Turner, Mike Hanby, Doug Lewis and Mike Johnson.

Regular league play begins on Friday Jan. 8 with Phoenix at Eagle Point, and Illinois Valley at Rogue River.

Wisconsin Given Edge In Bowl

By United Press International

An estimated 500,000 fans and the nation's TV-quarterbacks will see college football ring in the new year this week with one of the most attractive bowl programs in history.

Syracuse's meeting with Texas in the Cotton Bowl and Louisiana State's rematch with Mississippi in the Sugar Bowl top a menu of nine games between Thursday and Saturday. Syracuse, the only major team to go through the season unbeaten and untied, is defending its national championship against a once-beaten opponent, LSU and Mississippi will replay the South's "game of the year" and the winner undoubtedly will claim the national title if Texas upsets Syracuse.

Syracuse is a 12-point choice and Mississippi a 6½ point pick with Wisconsin a 6½ point choice over Washington in the Rose Bowl and Georgia an 11 point Orange Bowl favorite over Missouri in the "Big Four" of the Jan. 1 schedule.

Action Begins Wednesday

The action begins on Wednesday when North Texas State (8-1) plays New Mexico State (7-3) in the Sun Bowl at El Paso, Tex., and winds up Saturday with the East-West Shrine game at San Francisco and the Gator Bowl meeting between Arkansas (8-2) and Georgia Tech (6-4) at Jacksonville, Fla.

LSU beat Mississippi, 7-3, on an 89-yard punt return by Billy Cannon in the fourth period of their Oct. 31 regular-season game. But Mississippi seemed the stronger team at the close of the season and was ranked second in the nation while LSU was rated third.

Presbyterian (9-1) vs. Middle Tennessee State (9-0-1) in the Tangerine Bowl at Orlando, Fla., and Prairie View A & M (8-2) vs. Wiley (Tex.), also (8-2), round out the Jan. 1 card.

The North beat the South, 27-17, at Miami, Fla., the Blue upset the Gray, 20-8, and the National All-Stars dominated the Southwest All-Stars, 21-6, in Saturday's exhibition all-star games.

IN SEMI-FINALS

Calcutta (UPI) — Barry McKay of Dayton, Ohio, and Mimi Arnold of Redwood City, Calif., beat India's Ramnathman Krishnan and Mrs. N. Khosla, 6-2, 6-2, Sunday to reach the mixed doubles semi-finals in the Asian lawn tennis championships.

Santa Anita Starts Week

Arcadia, Calif. (UPI) — After a record opening Saturday, Santa Anita starts its first full week of racing Tuesday and presents four stakes in the three-day period through Saturday.

National jockey champion Willie Shoemaker and the attendance overshadowed all else on opening day. Shoemaker, winner of the last nine riding titles at Santa Anita, had five winners including both stakes on the program.

The crowd of 66,681 that turned out for the start of the 55-day meeting was the largest opening day crowd in the history of the track and largest for any meeting since 1947. The largest previous opening day crowd was 65,542 in 1948.

For its New Year's Day program Santa Anita scheduled a double feature in the \$20,000 Las Flores and the \$25,000 San Gabriel Handicap, first stakes of the meeting over the hillside and infield grass course.

The big Saturday feature is the \$25,000 Malibu Stakes for four-year-olds and Tommy Lee, winner of the 1959 Kentucky Derby, was nominated to make his winter debut in the seven furlong race.

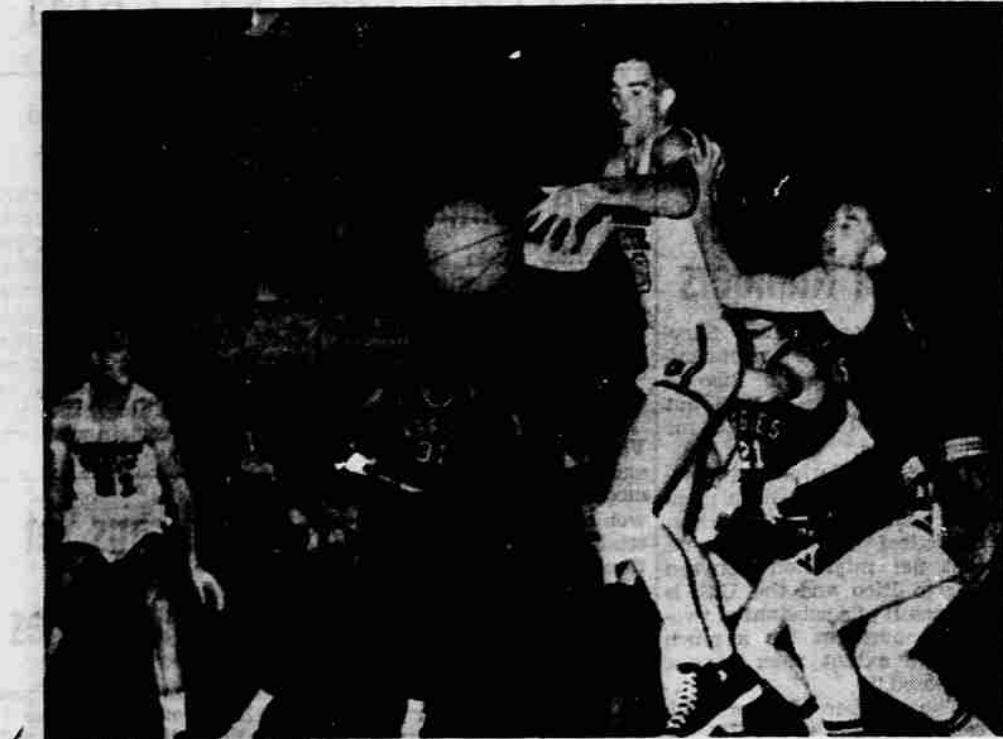
Casey Tibbs Gets Bronc Title

Dallas, Tex. (UPI) — Casey Tibbs, 30, one of the personality kids of the ride-for-money cowboy clan, had his sixth national saddle bronc title safely tucked away today.

The Fort Pierre, N.D., veteran of 15 years on the rodeo trail clinched that honor Sunday in the second day of action in the national finals rodeo being staged here as a highlight to Cotton Bowl Week.

Tibbs put himself out of reach of his closest rival, Winston Bruce of Calgary, Alberta.

Tibbs, twice winner of the world's champion cowboy title, has won \$17,354 to Bruce's \$14,119.



BIG REACH — Oregon State's Jay Carty (No. 21) OSC, and Bill Price and Darrell Bushmair (No. 21) of New Mexico State look on. OSC won the game 54-50. —(UPI Telephoto)

Oregon, OSC, WSC, Idaho Turn in First Round Wins

Corvallis (UPI) — It could be an all-Oregon finale when the championship game is played in the Far West Classic Tuesday night.

Whatever happens, though, a Northwest team will be crowned champion of the tourney.

Oregon, Oregon State, Washington State and Idaho all turned in first round wins Saturday.

Oregon State was a 54-50 winner over New Mexico State; Oregon blasted Denver's Pioneers 66-49; Washington State took the measure of Hawaii 71-45 and Idaho avenged an early season loss at the hands of Portland by beating the Pilots, 63-45.

Action tonight in the championship brackets sees Oregon State testing Idaho in the first game and Oregon meeting the tough Washington State Cougars.

In consolation play this afternoon Portland met New Mexico State and in the second game Denver played Hawaii.

OSC Game Close

Only one game Saturday was close and that was the first game of the tournament between OSC and New Mexico State.

The Beavers had a 15-point lead at 38-23 with 14 minutes left only to see New Mexico narrow it to four with three minutes left. The Aggies cut OSC's margin to 50-46 but that was as close as they could get.

Oregon started off fast against Denver and had a 21-5 lead in the first nine minutes. Oregon upped its 39-23 halftime lead to 52-29 in the second half.

Tornado Opposes Roseburg Tuesday

Medford High school hoopers, "trying to improve ourselves," prepped this morning for a non-league fracas in which it will try to make up for a last week defeat.

Medford encounters Roseburg at 8:15 p.m. on the Hedrick court here Tuesday in the last warmup tangle before embarking on its Southern Oregon conference season. The evening basketball fare will be a tripleheader. Fans may see sophomore teams of the two schools vie at 5:15 p.m. and the junior varsities clash about 6:30 p.m.

Roseburg won the varsity game at Roseburg 72 to 68 last Tuesday and the Medford JV and soph teams topped their Indian adversaries.

One of the Black Tornado efforts in varsity contention will be to stop Jim Jarvis of the Indians.

the Indians. He swished in 30 points for Roseburg against Medford in last week's game.

Jarvis Standout

Jarvis is recognized as one of the top prep players in Oregon. Medford mentor Frank Roelandt described him as a "real good" cager with "a wonderful touch and basketball control." It's as if he has six fingers instead of five, according to Roelandt. The Black Tornado skipper remarked that "people are missing a bet" if they don't take the opportunity to see the stellar Indian guard in action.

As for his own contingent, Roelandt reported, "We are going over some stuff and trying to get back in the groove."

Concerning the previous tangle with Roseburg, the tutor declared that Medford "played good enough ball usually to win" but came up against the Indians on one of the nights they were hot. He predicted a "terrific" game here tomorrow night.

Medford against the Indians was the victim of a cold first half. The Tornado put in only four of 18 field shots in the second quarter. Pear City players came back strong in the second half but could not quite catch Roseburg. While Jarvis did great for the Indians that night, his guard teammate Lynn Baxter also did real well.

Man, Wife Clean Up In Tourney

A man and wife tennis team from Eureka, Calif., teamed up last week end in the Southern Oregon college gym to sweep men's and women's singles matches and the mixed doubles during the Rogue Valley Tennis club's indoor tournament.

Ellis Williamson, Eureka, beat Earl Brooks, Klamath Falls, 6-2, 6-4 in the finals Sunday afternoon. His wife, Valerie Williamson won the women's singles finals Sunday by defeating Jan Auxier, Medford, 6-1 and 6-1. In mixed doubles the Williamsons defeated Jan and Don Auxier, both of Medford, 6-2 and 6-1.

In the men's doubles George Hunt and Mike Moore, both of Eureka, defeated Williamson and Brooks 6-4 and 6-4.

Gains Semi-Finals

Williamson gained the semi-finals by beating Dick Joy, Medford, 6-2 and 6-3. Brooks beat Mike Moore 6-3, 4-6 and 6-2.

In the quarter final singles rounds, Williamson beat Alex Peterson, Ashland, 6-4 and 6-2. Dick Joy beat George Hunt 3-6, 6-2 and 6-3. Brooks beat Don Auxier 6-4 and 6-4. Moore beat Jerry Joy, son of Dick Joy, 8-6 and 6-4.

The mixed doubles finals were the only mixed doubles played. Williamson and Brooks gained the men's doubles finals by defeating Auxier and Peterson 8-6 and 6-3. To gain the finals, Hunt and Moore defeated Dick and Jerry Joy 6-2, 1-6 and 6-1.

The Williamsons were rated by spectators and tournament players as outstanding competitors. Williamson and his wife had no trouble with their opposition. He took his games on a strong serve backed up by a powerful and steady ground game. Mrs. Williamson was rated as a good all-around women's player. Hunt is tennis coach and high school teacher in Eureka. Mrs. Williamson was an outstanding player in England where Williamson met her two years ago.

There's a matter of prestige at stake in Medford's game with the Midcoast league team. Crater of the SO conference split with the Indians earlier this month while Grants Pass lost by one point to Roseburg and either tied the Indians or nipped them by a tally in the other ruckus. Crater's Comets won by 11 points and lost by three.

Roelandt will pick his starters from among Lowell Dean, Jerry Anderson, Booth Deakin, Ken Durkee, Jerry Shults, Dick Ragsdale and Bob Quinney. Roseburg mentor Curt Jarvis, father of Jim, likely will start his son along with Baxter, Bill Mundt and Leroy Roberts. Either Larry Hink or Ray Palm may be the fifth man.

Medford goes to Klamath Falls next Saturday to open its league season.

Eugene Rider Tops Off Rodeo

Dallas, Tex. (UPI) — Don L. Wilson, a Wyoming-bred bareback rider by way of Eugene, Sunday took top money in that division at the national finals rodeo here.

Wilson pocketed \$347 for totaling 188 points in the bareback division. That money boosted Wilson's earnings to \$694 and left him tied for the lead with Jack Bogard of Texas as top money winner.

Wilson won his specialty in Saturday's competition but was out of the money in Saturday night's competition.

TWO STARTS PLANNED

Miami, Fla. — (UPI) — Sword Dancer, Brookmeade Stable's 1959 horse of the year, will make only two starts this winter at Hialeah — an overnight prep event and the \$100,000 Widener Handicap on Feb. 20.

Baltimore, Md. (UPI) — Johnny Unitas will get better.

But the big story is that you can get the blond Baltimore Colt quarterback down but you can't keep him there.

That was the story of Baltimore's second straight triumph over the New York Giants in the National Football league championship game, 31-16. And Sunday's story may tell the tale of the league for years to come because Unitas is only 26 and coach Weeb Ewbank of the Colts says he will get better.

But New York's defensive platoon, one of the finest developed in recent years, has put Unitas to the supreme test in two consecutive games and found him composed of equal parts of talent, skill and heart.

Defensive display by such huskies as Andy Robustelli, Sam Huff, Cliff Livingston and Dick Modzelewski enabled the Giants to nibble away until they took a 9-7 lead into the final period. Baltimore fans watched in awe while their hero was buried under heaps of white-shirted Giants for losses totaling 57 yards.

Unitas' passes gave the Colts a 23-17 victory over the Giants in last year's unprecedented overtime game for the title and they finally cracked Sunday's bitter defensive struggle wide open.

Starting on his 15 late in the third period, Unitas drove the Colts 75 yards in 10 plays for the touchdown that started a 24-point Baltimore blitz. Unitas fooled the New York defense when he swung around right end to score it, but the plays that set it up were his key tosses to Raymond Berry and Lenny Moore.

As the final period began, Unitas hit Berry for a 17-yard gain on a third-and-eight situation. Then Moore, who had teamed up with Unitas to produce a touchdown on a 60-yard perfect play in the opening minutes, took a pass from Unitas on the New York 40, broke loose from Rosey Grier and ran to the New York 13.

The Giants, who whipped the Cleveland Browns twice en route to the Eastern division title, collapsed as dusk fell over the flood-lighted stadium. Baltimore fans, who behaved admirably although they have been called the most partisan in the league, went wild while the Colts poured three touchdowns and a field goal into the statistics in the last 13 minutes.

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Georgia Bulldogs Feature Balance In Attack, and Determined Defense

Editor's note: The following is one of 10 dispatches sizing up the football bowl teams.

Miami, Fla. (UPI) — Georgia's Bulldogs will feature a balanced attack, determined defense and a great deal of desire when they battle the Missouri Tigers in the Orange Bowl here New Year's Day.

These are the ingredients used by the fifth-ranked Bulldogs in their journey through a 9-1 season that carried them to their first Southeastern Conference championship in 11 years.

Georgia's fine showing came as a surprise to just about everybody—including veteran coach Wally Butts who moaned in September that he had only losses, no gains, from his 1958 squad that posted a 4-6 mark.

Butts, starting his 21st season as Bulldog coach, had reasons for his pessimism: All-Conference fullback Theron Sapp and four top tackles had graduated, line-backing ace Dave Lloyd had turned pro, and the '58 frosh had been below standard.

No Great Stars

While no stars of the magnitude of former Georgia great

Frankie Sinkwich and Charlie Trippi developed, there were standouts. All-Conference quarterback Francis Tarkenton, a junior led the SEC in passing percentage.

Junior halfback Bobby Walden became the Bulldog workhorse and still averaged 40.3 yards per kick. Sophomore fullback Bill Godfrey led the Bulldogs in rushing. And halfback Bobby Towns led the SEC in pass receiving.

Butts has taken six other Georgia teams to bowls. He makes no predictions as to how the Bulldogs will fare against Missouri, the Big Eight runnerup with a 6-4 record. But he does point out that his team has yet to reach its full potential. "They play only hard enough to win," he said.

If they reach that potential New Year's Day, Missouri could be in for a mighty rough afternoon.



SHRINE STAR PAYS A VISIT—Notre Dame's Monty Stickle visits little Jennifer, 2½, at the Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children in San Francisco. The towering Stickle, recently signed by the San Francisco 49ers, is one of the many East and West stars to visit the handicapped children. He will play for the East on Jan. 2 in the Shrine classic. All proceeds go to the hospital.

SPORTS PARADE

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Sport Writer United Press

New York (UPI) — The final edition of Fraley's Follies and the bowl game "Winners" — or how to get rid of those few pennies left over after Christmas.

Giving it to you quickly:

Rose Bowl — Washington over Wisconsin.

Sugar Bowl — Mississippi over LSU.

Cotton Bowl — Syracuse over Texas.

Orange Bowl — Georgia over Missouri.

Gator Bowl — Georgia Tech over Arkansas.

Sun Bowl — North Texas State over New Mexico State.

ROSE BOWL

Wisconsin (7-2) would seem to have an edge in weight and experience. It is a steady 6½ point favorite and has been bolstered by the return to form of quarterback Dale Hackbart. But Washington (9-1) has a powerful defense and can show a signal calling ace of its own in Bob Schloredt. The difference could be the Huskies' desire to end that long string of bowl reversals at the hands of the Big Ten and Wisconsin isn't up to the usual calibre sent west.

SUGAR BOWL

This could be the best game of the lot. Each team has won nine against one setback. Mississippi is a 6½ point favorite; its lone setback came at the hands of LSU. A great defense which gave up only 21 points doesn't figure to let it happen again. This rematch at least will prove whether Ole Miss coach Johnny Vaught is right when he calls his team "the best in the nation."

COTTON BOWL

Syracuse (10-0) goes out to prove irrevocably that it is the best in the nation. Despite three dismal bowl efforts in the past, the saline warriors have shot up from a 7½ to a 12-point favoritism. That's because Texas (9-1) led the Southwest Conference in rushing with a basic ground attack game while Syracuse had the finest rushing defense in the nation, yielding an average of only 19 yards per game.

ORANGE BOWL

Georgia (9-1) would seem to be at least the 11 point favorite it is rated against Missouri (6-4). Georgia has a big line with the benefit to boot of a good passing attack. Missouri is in on a pass, due to Oklahoma's ineligibility.

GATOR BOWL

Arkansas (8-2) is a one-half

Crater Entertains Bobcat Hoop Five

Central Point-Crater high's Comets round out their pre-league basketball campaign Tuesday night.

They battle the Myrtle Point Bobcats at 8 p.m. here. Preliminary contention will match Talent's varsity against the Crater jayvees at 6:30 p.m.

The Comets will go for their fifth straight victory. They are 4-1 so far for December play.

Myrtle Point's record isn't available here. The Bobcats reportedly got off to a good start but have dropped recent scraps with Powers and Reedsport. Still, they are figured as top A-2 contenders for 1960. Myrtle Point had a much respected crew last season and is said to have a good share of that squad back.

Comets Drill

Crater coach Lloyd Hoffine summoned his Comets to a mandatory drill today after making Thursday and Saturday practices optional last week. He indicated that today's workout would be on the light side because of the game tomorrow.

The mentor said that Gary Johnson has "looked real good" in recent workouts, an indication that Johnson may see a good bit of action against the Bobcats. Hoffine is expected to choose his starting unit from among Earl Cooper, Loyal Higginbotham, Dave Sharp, Chuck Turner, Tom White, Denny Edwards, Bill

Crater opens its Southern Oregon conference slate next Saturday against Grants Pass at Central Point.

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