

Black Tornado Tunes Up For KF Tiff On Saturday

Medford high basketballers have stressed their ball handling and patterns in drills for their lone skirmish of the week in the Southern Oregon conference.

The undefeated league leaders will take on Klamath Falls on Saturday night. Game time will be 8:15 p.m. at Hedrick gym here. Klamath, the loop titlist for the past three years, is second in current standings. Its only loss in three loop games was to Medford.

Black Tornado mentor Frank Roelandt reported flashy guard Ken Durkee on the ailing list. He's been doctoring for a sore throat and chest congestion and was not out for workouts Tuesday and Wednesday, although he was in school yesterday.

The Tornado, which worked on fundamentals Tuesday and had a long scrimmage yesterday, drilled with Jerry Shults at a guard position and Bob Quinney at forward. A good hard practice was anticipated for today.

Roelandt stated that the Medford hoopmen "have had good workouts" this week.

While the Medford varsity draws a bye on Friday, the Tornado junior varsity and Tornado teams will play their Grants Pass counterparts in the Climate city. On Saturday night the Medford jayvees play the 6:30 p.m. preliminary with Klamath's JV at Hedrick. Wildcat clubs of the two schools will meet at 6:30 p.m. at the senior high court.

Klamath Falls varsity will vie at Grants Pass on Friday evening.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS

Hawkinson's, Jewelers Take Tussles in SOIBL

Hawkinson Tire Tread kept its unmarred status in the Southern Oregon Independent Basketball league by defeating Medford National Guard, 82 to 34, in the first game of a double-header on the McLaughlin Junior high court last night. Andy's Jewelers dropped Butte Falls in the second game by 73 to 60.

The Jewelers took lone hold on third place in the standings and the Guard and Butte Falls are in a percentage tie for fourth.

In the first game Hawkinson was never headed. Jumping ahead on a foul shot, the Treaders tallied nine points before the Guard found scoring range. In the first 10 minutes Hawkinson led most of the way by nine points but just before that stage the Guard cut the lead to seven points at 11 to 18.

In the last 10 minutes of the half the Treaders added 19 points to their score while allowing the Guard to pick up only six, making the midway score 37 to 17.

Treaders were responsible for 17 tallies in the third 10-minute span, while the Guard could make only 10.

Seven points were put in by the Guards in the final stretch of play while the Treaders produced their biggest scoring of the game as they dropped in 28 points.

Crater Opposes Ashland, Grants Pass This Week

Central Point — Crater high's Comets, ambitious to stay in contention in the Southern Oregon conference, are preparing to meet two league opponents this week.

Both conflicts are away from home. The Comets travel to Ashland on Friday and to Grants Pass on Saturday evening. It will be the first meeting of the campaign for Ashland and Crater, the smaller schools of the circuit.

However, the Comets will seek a repeat decision over the GP Cavemen.

Coach Lloyd Hoffine indicated that Crater practices this week have been on a general nature with effort being made to sharpen the various phases of the game.

Edward's Foot Ails

The mentor reported that there is still a question as to whether Dennis Edwards, 6-3, the tallest Crater performer, would be able to start. He seems to be over his knee trouble but is bothered by a foot ailment which resulted from favoring the knee.

Loyal Higinbotham's shoulder trouble, reported to be a slight separation is said to be responding to treatment. He, Dave Sharp, Earl Cooper and Chuck Turner are possible starters Friday evening with the fifth man expected to be chosen from among Gary Johnson, Tom White and Edwards.

Ashland Coach Earl Iba is expected to go with the usual combination of Phil Tucker, Dave Jackson, Bob Hardy, Harley Dickerson and Jerry Hauck. The Grizzlies are seeking their first victory in four league games.

Grants Pass will entertain the Comets after meeting Klamath on Friday. Only Rex Benner, with 35 points, was able to score effectively against the Comets in the earlier meeting but the Cavemen have shown better balance since that time.

Dupas Awarded Bout Decision Basilio Likely To Be Cleared

Mobile, Ala. — (UPI) — Ralph Dupas is looking for "bigger game" among the welterweights while Kenny Lane is "goin' back to the little fella" among the lightweights.

This sums up the future plans of the two fighters after Dupas, 144½, scored a unanimous decision over Lane, 141, in Wednesday night's televised 10-round bout at the Fort Whiting Arena.

"I want Luis Rodriguez next," said Dupas, referring to the top-ranking welterweight contender from Cuba, "and then champion Don Jordan."

New York — (UPI) — Popular Carmen Basilio, former welterweight and middleweight champion, doubtlessly will be cleared of any blame when the New York State Athletic commission gives its decision on the Gabe Genovese \$70,000 pay-off case.

During Wednesday's hearing before the commission, its members appeared favorably impressed by the ex-champion's straightforward testimony.

Carmen said he had been entirely ignorant of the money his co-managers, Johnny DeJohn and Joe Negro, paid to Genovese of Syracuse, N.Y., during the past five years — before Genovese was sentenced to two years in prison on July 1 as an undercover manager and matchmaker.

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Cas Says He'll Stay At Oregon

Eugene, Ore. — (UPI) — Len Casanova, prominently mentioned as a possible successor to Pete Elliott as head football coach at the University of California, said Wednesday night he would remain at Oregon.

"I am very happy at Oregon and am going to stay," Casanova said.

Casanova had talked to California officials both in New York and in Berkeley in the past 10 days. He said he made his decision to stay at Oregon after discussion with members of his family.

"Cal is a great school and I honestly believe if I had been at any other school than Oregon I would have been tempted to jump at the offer given me by the Bear officials," he said.

Casanova led Oregon into the 1958 Rose Bowl game against Ohio State after the 1957 season. Last year the Webfoos finished with an 8-2 mark.

The gray-haired mentor formerly coached at Santa Clara and has many friends in the Bay Area.

California is looking for a successor for Elliott, who resigned to go to Illinois.

Tourney Starts At Yorba Linda

Yorba Linda, Calif. — (UPI) — Career golfers who chase the little white ball for fun and money, moved today to the Yorba Linda Country club and took their first shots at a total of \$25,000 in prize money.

The second major event on the 1960 pro golf tour, the contest attracted most of the nation's top golfers who took part in the rain-swept Los Angeles Open the past week end.

BASKETBALL

- WEDNESDAY COLLEGE GAMES**
- United Press International
- Army 80, Massachusetts 70
 - Hofstra 67, Manhattan 57
 - Villanova 81, Temple 69
 - Princeton 62, Pennsylvania 59
 - West Virginia 102, Virginia 81
 - Columbia 82, Rutgers 79
 - Brown 94, Yale 89 (double ot)
 - Colgate 71, Cornell 69
 - Syracuse 91, LaSalle 84 (double ot)
 - Holy Cross 77, Rhode Island 65
 - Navy 85, American U. 60
 - Wake Forest 74, South Carolina 33
 - North Carolina 62, N. Car. St. 51
 - Georgetown (D.C.) 69, Maryland 51
 - Georgia Tech 80, Georgia 64
 - Miami (Fla.) 78, Jacksonville U. 70
 - Ky. Wesleyan 85, Evansville 89
 - Dartmouth 75, Duquesne 69
 - Cincinnati 79, St. Louis 57
 - Ohio U. 87, Marshall 77
 - Bradley 84, Drake 58
 - Bowling Green 86, Toledo 82 (ot)
 - Oklahoma City U. 97, West Tex. St. 84
 - Idaho State 94, Seattle 58

Syracuse Wrecker Of LaSalle

By FRED DOWN

United Press International

And now there are two Cincinnati and Villanova. They stand alone as the nation's only major unbeaten college basketball teams after Syracuse's 91-84 double overtime upset Wednesday night ended LaSalle's nine-game winning streak. Texas A&M, which started the week as a fourth major unbeaten, was whipped Tuesday night by Southern Methodist.

But Cincinnati and Villanova — both of which have tough schedules this week — kept rolling with relative ease.

Cincinnati, the nation's top-ranked team, led by only five points at halftime but roared to its 13th straight victory with a 79-57 conquest of 10th-ranked St. Louis. Oscar Robertson was held to 27 points, far below his 38.2 per game average, but poured in 19 during the second half when the Bearcats solved St. Louis' sticky slow-down game.

Villanova stretched its winning streak to 10 games as John Driscoll and George Raveling controlled both backboards against the smaller Temple Owls in an 81-69 victory.

Gill Suffered Heart Attack

Seattle — (UPI) — An attending physician at Providence Hospital here confirmed today that Amory T. (Slat) Gill, Oregon State College basketball coach, suffered a heart attack after the OSC-Washington game here Monday.

Gill was taken to the hospital when he complained about not feeling well Monday night, but up until Wednesday afternoon doctors described his illness as a "possible heart attack."

The physician, who asked not to be identified, said cardiographs and blood tests of the last two days confirmed the heart attack.

However, he added that Gill was in fair condition and that there have been no complications of any sort.

Medford High Gridders Feted

The 52-lettermen of the Medford High school 1959 state A-1 champion football squad, the managers and coaches were treated to a dinner Monday night at the Chuck Wagon.

Certificate of merit cards from the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce were presented to the lettermen by Otto Frohnmayer, past president of the chamber.

Players who gained first and second team berths and honorable mention in the Mail Tribune's All-Southern Oregon conference grid selections were also presented billfold cards from the newspaper. Letters were awarded.

HOCKEY

WEDNESDAY RESULTS

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Chicago 5, Detroit 2

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Rochester 5, Buffalo 3
Cleveland 4, Hershey 1

Rogue Loop Scraps Set For Friday

Glendale, which established itself as favorite by winning a holiday tournament, makes its 1960 debut in Rogue league basketball on Friday.

The Pirates oppose Illinois Valley at Cave Junction. On Saturday Glendale will entertain Rogue River. Other week end tangles in the loop take Eagle Point to Rogue River on Friday and Illinois Valley to Phoenix on Saturday.

Illinois Valley - Glendale contention matches the finalists in the December Rogue League classic at Phoenix. Glendale won that brush by 13 points. IV's Cougars, co-champs last year with Eagle Point, nevertheless, must be considered serious contenders in the light of other performances.

The Cougars and Phoenix won their loop start scuffles last week end while Eagle Point and Rogue River suffered setbacks to their title hopes.

A non-league mix on Saturday will bring Yreka, Calif., to Eagle Point. Yreka won from the Eagles last Saturday.

Prospect, St. Mary's Friday Foes

Battle for sole leadership in the Jackson County B league will be the issue of one prep basketball game on Friday evening.

St. Mary's of Medford will play at Prospect in this particular contest. Butte Falls travels to Talent for the other affair.

Prospect and St. Mary's each won opening loop scrapes last Friday while Butte Falls and Talent were on the losing end in the four team circuit.

Championship over the regular schedule of three games against each league foe will not guarantee a berth in the District 5B playoff with the Klamath county winner.

The sub-district honors will be determined by a Feb. 18 and 19 tourney. However, if the regular league victor does not win the tourney, it will meet the tourney winner in an added game for the playoff spot.

St. Mary's won both the league and tournament last season.

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