College Clubs View NCAA Cage Chances

United Press International

The scramble for berths in the NCAA tournament will highlight this week end's final round of regularly scheduled play on the Pacific coast.

Santa Clara squares off against St. Mary's tonight in a West Coast Athletic conference extravaganza. The Broncs are 8-3 on the year and need the win to tie Loyola for the loop title. The Lions ended their season Tuesday with a 9-3 mark.

Should the race end in a tie, the league has declared that Loyola and Santa Clara will toss a coin to determine the home club in a playoff game.

California faces tough Stanford twice this week end with only the Bears' prestige at stake.

UCLA faces Southern California twice this week end and Oregon meets Oregon State twice.

By TIM MORIARTY
United Press International

Utah stood only one victory away from the Skyline conference championship and a berth in the NCAA basketball tournament today while North Carolina and Wake Forest headed toward a climactic clash in the Atlantic Coast conference tournament.

The fifth-ranked Utes clinched a tie for the Skyline crown by turning back Wyoming, 68-61, Thursday night at Salt Lake City. They can wrap up the conference title and its accompanying bid to the NCAA jamboree by beating Colorado in their regular season finale Saturday night.

Utah State, which conceded the conference title to Utah when it accepted a bid to the National Invitation tournament this week, remained one game back of the Redskins with one game to play by outclassing New Mexico, 103-72.

Decides Representative

North Carolina and Wake Forest tied for first place at the end of the regular Atlantic Coast conference season with 12-2 records but that was just practice. Now the conference is conducting a post-season tournament.

The co-leaders got off to flying starts in Thursday's opening round — top seeded North Carolina routing Virginia, 84-63, and second-seeded Wake Forest eliminating Clemson, 74-59.

In tonight's semifinals, the Tarheels tackle Duke, an 82-69 victor over South Carolina in the first round, while Wake Forest meets North Carolina State, which opened the tournament by turning back Maryland, 74-58.

The Oklahoma Sooners kept their flickering hopes alive in the Big Eight conference by nipping Colorado, 63-61.

Princeton (9-3) can clinch at least a tie for first place in the Ivy league tonight by beating Columbia on the Tigers' home court. Cornell (8-4) is at Penn and defending champion Dartmouth (8-4) visits Yale.

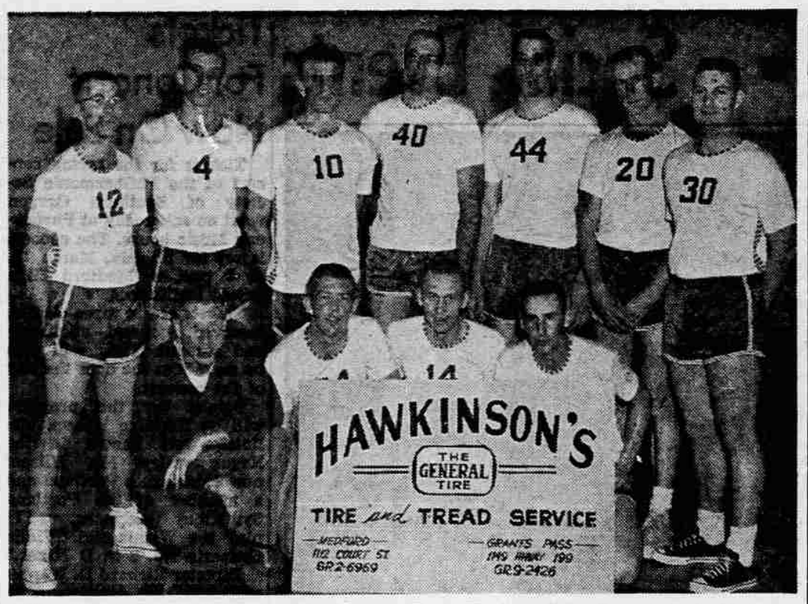
In the Yankee conference, Connnecticut (7-2) will back into the championship and an automatic berth in the NCAA tournament if Massachusetts defeats Maine (5-2).

Bahama Choice In Ring Tussle

New York —(UPI)— Yama Bahama, a former fishing guide from Bimini Island in the Bahamas, is a 7-5 favorite to "hook" Victor Zalazar of Argentina tonight in a scheduled 10-round middleweight fight at Madison Square Garden.

The bout will be televised and broadcast nationally by NBC starting at 7 p.m. (P.S.T.)

Portland — (UPI) — Herbert B. Cooper has been reappointed to the Commission of Public Docks by Mayor Terry Schrunk.



TIRE TEAM IN TOURNEY — Hawkinson Tire and Tread Service team of Medford, Southern Oregon Independent Basketball league and district champions, clashes tonight in the opening round of the Oregon AAU tournament at Hermiston. It was to meet Hermiston in a 9 p.m. game in the single elimination meet. From left, standing, are player-manager Keith Johnson, Dave Hughes, Gene Parent, Dale Newton, Dave D'Olivo, Ken Vannice and Vern Steward. In front row, left to right, are Coach Tom Van Etten, Jim McAbee, Bill Hollingsworth and Dale Bates. Other games in the tourney tonight are Clatskanie versus Redmond, Condon versus Corvallis and Portland versus Eugene. Finals are on Sunday night.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

SPORTS

6 A-2 Cage Banner Sought in Tourney

Roseburg — Phoenix and Glendale of the Rogue league and Glide and Myrtle Creek of the Umpqua Valley circuit take their District 6 A-2 basketball hopes to the court here tonight.

The clubs vie in a tourney for the title with the final on Saturday night. Winner will get a state tournament trip.

Myrtle Creek and Glendale clash at 7:30 o'clock tonight. Phoenix and Glide are 9 p.m. rivals. Glide and Myrtle Creek are favored in the contests on the strength of season records. Myrtle Creek is the defending champion.

Lineups Given

Glendale took the Rogue title and Phoenix was a co-runner-up. Glide and MC knotted for the Umpqua banner. Phoenix beat Henley (non-league team) in a playoff for a district tourney spot. The Pirates of Phoenix tied in the Rogue standings with Eagle Point but licked that team twice in the loop.

Mike Consbruck, Gerald Sloper, Tom Atchison, Jim Floyd and Mike Reese are possible Phoenix starters tonight. For Glide they may be Dave Cellers, Ken Halaas, Les Bogner, Bill Franks and Gene Wagner. Myrtle Creek may open with Rod Trask. Jerry Kinney, Fred Earwood, Bob Tiffin and Doug Watson. For Glendale it may be George Humphreys, Jack Berline, Bill Thompson, Glen Blevins and Jim Allen.

Poll Honors Cal Coach

New York —(UPI)— Pete Newell, defense-minded coach of California's NCAA champions, today was named college basketball's "Coach of the Year" in a nationwide poll conducted by United Press International.

The 44-year-old coach, who has announced that he will quit the profession because of tense nerves, received 89 votes from the total of 303 sportswriters and broadcasters participating in the balloting. Newell is scheduled to become athletic director of California on July 1.

BASKETBALL

THURSDAY COLLEGE GAMES
United Press International
New York U. 74, St. John's 67
Connecticut 93, Colgate 67
Manhattan 97, St. Peter's (N.J.) 91

Atlantic Tourney
(1st Round)
No. Carolina 84, Virginia 63
No. Carolina St. 74, Maryland 58
Wake Forest 76, Clemson 59
Duke 82, South Carolina 69
Eastern Ky. St. 81, Louisville 63
Evansville 91, Arkansas St. 74
Wabash 76, Buffalo 65
Texas Tech 73, Rice 72
Texas A&M 67, Baylor 63
Texas Christian 81, Texas 73
Oklahoma 63, Colorado 61
Utah 68, Wyoming 61
Colorado St. 70, Montana 55
Denver 88, Brigham Young 68

FINANCIER DIES

Montreal — (UPI) — Prominent Canadian financier James A. Eccles, 72, president and chairman of Imperial Industries of Canada, died Thursday.

✦ BOWLING ✦

ELKS LEAGUE

Sandings:	W.	L.
Sea Dogs	25	11
Lively Five	24	12
Sports	22	14
Miss Fitts	22	14
Gypos	21	15
Reddys	18	18
Adairs	17	19
Go Boys	15	21
Cubs	14	22
Channel Cats	14	22
Alley Gators	13	23
Cementers	11	25

Results:
Sea Dogs 2 (C. Ouellette 520) 2282; Reddys 2 (F. Van Pelt 508) 2285.
Lively Five 2 (S. Morgan 520) 2329; Cementers 2 (V. McCall 490) 2385.
Adairs 2 (L. Coats 524) 2319; Alley Gators 2 (K. Phipps 530) 2432.
Miss Fitts 1 (H. Sullivan 560) 2579; Sorts 3 (A. Bauman 591) 2667.
Channel Cats 2(D. Lubbers 504) 2269; Go Boys 2 (B. Forbes 532) 2432.
Gypos 1 (B. Reynolds 512) 2380; Cubs 3 (G. Barr 524) 2390.

ROGUE RAMBLERS

Standings:	W.	L.
Lucky Strikes	11	5
Bankerettes	11	5
The Gang	9	7
Rolling Three	9	7
S.N.C.	8	8
Bobby Pins	8	8
Three Squares	7	9
The Pinheads	7	9
Three Cheers	6	10
Merry Misses	4	12

Results:
The gang 4 (K. Byrne 437) 1623; Lucky Strikes 0 (M. Langley 417) 1445.
S.N.C. 0 (S. Vorbeck 348) 1436; Pinheads 4 (K. Smith 533) 1704.
Three Squares 0 (M. Doty 371) 1427; Rolling Three 4 (G. Johnson 361) 1536.
Merry Misses 0 (B. Cowden 363) 1156; Bobby Pins 4 (J. Wehren 410) 1194.
Bankerettes 4 (K. Hein 369) 1456; Three Cheers 0 (M. Jensen 369) 1418.

EVERGREEN LEAGUE

Standings:	W.	L.
Kogap Lumber Industries	13	3
R. O. Stephenson Lbr. Co.	11	5
Medford Corporation	10	6
Medford Steel Co.	10	6
M & M Motors	9	7
Medford Blowpipe Co.	9	7
Barco Supply Co.	8	8
Patterson's Plumbing	8	8
Team Nine	6	10
First Christian Church	6	10
Seven Up Bottling Co.	4	12
Big Y Market	2	14

Results:
Blowpipe 3 (Art Ekerson 554) 2752; 7 Up 1 (Duane Lisac 446) 2587.
Team Nine 0 (Leon Croucher 495) 2722; Medco 4 (George Smith 553) 2850.
Med Steel 2 (Harvey Sorenson 471) 2791; Barco 2 (John Archer 519) 2724.
Stephenson 3 (Clyde Ramsey 519) 2787; Church 1 (Roy Henry 510) 2698.
M & M 2 (Willie Barnum 576) 2814; Patterson 2 (Seth Waters 480) 2827.
Big Y 0 (Floyd Hayner 513) 2688; Kogap 4 (Roger Weiss 553) 2926.

EMPIRE LEAGUE

Standings:	W.	L.
Big Y Cleaners	19	9
Safeway	18	10
Western Thrift	16½	11½
Nu-Way Cleaners	15	13
Century Sporting Goods	15	13
The Clock	14	14
Mill Cafe	14	14
Ekerson's	13	15
Winnies	12	16
Viking	11½	16½
Food Basket	10½	17½
Broaster House	9½	18½

Results:
Safeway 3 (Betty Boyer 447) 1312; Winnie's 1 (Jackie Wilson 483) 1298.
Century 1 (Georgia Coggins 472) 1280; Nu-Way 3 (Melba Jerden 453) 1300.
Viking 2½ (Georgia Boardman 452) 1275; Food Basket 1½ (Peggy Melsted 480) 1275.
Big Y Cleaners 3 (Lee Neeley 479) 1356; Mill Cafe 1 (Pat Braack 470) 1341.
Broaster House 1 (Betty Bittle 388) 1184; The Clock 3 (Mary Offenbacher 478) 1339.
Ekerson 0 (Virginia Lusk 456) 1285; Western Thrift 4 (Evelyn Read 530) 1375.
High games—Evelyn Read 205, Jackie Wilson 207, Pat Braack 198, Mary Offenbacker 192, Polly Smith 190.

MORNING GLORY LEAGUE

Standings:	W.	L.
Alley Cats	16	4
Snap Dragons	15½	4½
Missing Links	11	9
Doozies	11	9
Short Pins	10	10
Cream Puffs	9½	10½
Eight Balls	9	11
Kool Kats	9	11
Pea Pods	6	14
Two Hits & A Miss	3	17

Results:
Alley Cats (Vicki Mekvold 388) 1559; Snap Dragons (Georgia Boardman 495) 1612.
Missing Links (Agnes Lindstrom 425) 1542; Doozies (Given Edwards 353) 1439.
Short Pins (Virgia Kistner 420) 1569; Cream Puffs (Darlene Tope 434) 1538.
Eight Balls (Rosie Short 448) 1576; Kool Kats (Marlene Lawless 393) 1413.
Pea Pods (Doris Dillon 407) 1502. Two Hits & A Miss (Vi Corby 390) 1518.
High score—Georgia Boardman 199, Rosie Short 175.

VICTORY LEAGUE

Standings:	W.	L.
Medford Motors	30	14
U. S. Bank	28½	15½
Van Lee's	27	17
Bateman's Insurance	26	18
Hillyer Oil	26	18
J. C. Federal	24	20
Chuck's Market	24	20
Hunter's Tavern	22	22
Viking Sewing Center	22	22
Ping's Gardens	21	23
Faber's Market	17	27
Pioneer Cafe	14	30
Hal's Flying "A"	13½	30½
Quality Market	13	31

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE

Standings:	W.	L.
Quality Market	33	11
Cubby's Drive In	29½	14½
E. H. Mann Co.	28	16
Kim's Restaurant	27	17
FAM Bearings	27	17
Mail Tribune	24½	19½
Andy's Jewelers	24	20
Alexander & Brown Ins.	23	21
Bates Candy Co.	22½	21½
Patterson's Bakery	21	23
Ham & Egg'r Cafe	18	26
Davis Transfer & Storage	17	27
Morning Fresh Bread	17	27
Medford Paint Store	16	28
Rogue Valley Drilling	15	29
Richfield Oil Co.	9½	34½

Results:
Bates Candy 2 (Dick Weber 535) 2547; Medford Paint 2 (Willard Thompson 536) 2493.
Patterson 1 (Paul Dorff 557) 2563; H & E Cafe 3 (Jim Hennebeck 552) 2663.
Quality 3 (Bill Blunt 585) 2731; Tribune 1 (Bob Monsey 545) 2565.
Andy's 3 (Joe Pruitt 624) 2740; Davis 1 (Gale Culy 566) 2544.
FAM 4 (Bill Newland 574) 2654; Rickfield 0 (A D Van Loo 544) 2571.
Kim's 3 (Jim Knapp 584) 2633; Mann Co. 1 (Bud Fisher 559) 2435.
Cubby's 3 (Bill Howell 655, Art Brooks 642) 2875; Rogue 1 (Lloyd Knapp 575) 2697.
M F Bread 3 (Doc Wilson 535) 2453; A & B Ins. 1 (Vern Allen 506) 2399.

Woods, Water, Wildlife

By Hank DeVoss

Spring has almost sprung and the winter steelhead season is something of the past and of the future. The weary warriors who have been missing for the past three months are now busily trying to catch up on all the chores that have been neglected while chasing old ironhead. Trout season isn't too far off and some of the jobs ought to be done or the better half might cancel all future shore leave.

OTTER TRICKS

A report from a smart steelhead fisherman, one who went down to Mule creek where the Rogue winter fish were, tells of having some marvelous fishing ruined by a band of five otter that moved into the area. These otter proceeded to catch fish by the dozen and then killed them by taking one bite from the belly before throwing them back. After seeing over two dozen fish slaughtered in this fashion, the fishermen left the scene, wondering over the injustice of shorter seasons and smaller bag limits for humans while these fish killers are protected and allowed to multiply.

ANIMAL DELINQUENTS

The JDs of the animal world are very similar to their human counterparts. According to the experts, otter are quite mischievious when they get together and they pull shenanigans which could be compared to the human adults clucking their tongues. adults cluckin gtheir tongues. The reported antics are typical of what otter consider clean fun and befitting of good fellowship.

WHAT TO DO?

Otter are protected in national forest boundaries. The protection of beaver was the original reason for the closing of the trapping season, and this was to provide seed stock for the planting of beaver in other parts of the state. Since beaver would take bait set for otter, the otter was included in the trapping closure. However, it is the opinion of the local biologists that the lower canyons of the Rogue and the Illinois are not beaver habitat and that otter could be trapped if they are doing damage to the fishery. Since this seems to be the case, local sportsmen should try to get the game commission to allow the trapping of otter in the lower canyons of the Illinois and Rogue rivers.

MORE FISH

The latest from the game commission is the news of the fish liberations for the month of March. There will be a release of 22,000 spring chinook in the Rogue below Savage Rapids dam. These fish will be 13 months old and about eight inches long.

A shipment of 150,000 kokanee is scheduled for Willow Creek reservoir. These fingerling-size salmon will augment the kokanee plant made last year.

A release of 15,000 summer steelhead will be made with the spring chinook. These fish come from the Bandon hatchery and run about seven fish to the pound and between 7 and 8 inches long.

The summer steelhead trapped at Gold Ray dam last July are almost ready to spawn. These fish have been held at the Butte Falls hatchery and the 39-degree water is the reason for the late spawning date.

THE ANGLER'S LOG

Those weary warriors who still feel the need of further pursuit of the wily steelhead ought to try the few spots still open and save those chores for warmer weather. The next rain storm should bring in some late fish, provided it's a warm rain and wet enough to raise the river.

Chetco River—The river will be open through the month of March. The last run of fish has been thinned out quite thoroughly. More fish are expected on the first warm rain.

Klamath River — Some anglers are finding some pretty good fishing with night crawlers. Fish are running from 12 inches to 10 pounds. This river will stay open almost all year.

Smith River—Is open below the 101 bridge. This stretch could produce some fish if it's caught during a rain on the raise.

Winchuck River—The water is so low it's almost barbound. A warm rain should bring in some of the latecomers. It has big fish in spite of its being a small river.

MELTING MONDAY

Those chore-bound fishermen and any others who would like a change from the idiotbox type of entertainment ought to try the meeting of the Oregon Sportman's club this coming Monday night. This meeting will begin at 8 p.m. at the Girl's Community club and the program will feature hunting and fishing movies by Ernie Ramsey. Tagging regulations for big game will be discussed and refreshments will be served.

GOOD LUCK!

New Haven, Conn.—(UPI)—Dr. Carl F. Schreiber, 73, retired chairman of Yale University's German Department and an authority on the works of Goethe, died here Wednesday.

Carol Heiss Wins Again

Vancouver, B.C.—(UPI)—Carol Heiss, the 20-year-old skating queen from Ozone Park, N.Y., reigned supreme today as ladies' figure skating champion of the world for the fifth year in a row.

Carol retained the title despite polished performances from the girls who finished second and third to her in the Olympic figure skating at Squaw Valley last month and finished in the same order here last night.

Runner up in the title with 1642.3 points to Carol's 1696.4 was Holland's Sjoukje Rosalie Dijkstra. Third was Barbara Ann Roles of Temple City, Calif., with 1609.7.

Carol skated her intricate routines with dazzling smoothness and confidence, and easily showed the 3,000 spectators how she's retained the world title since she was 15.

Immediately after her victory, Miss Heiss told a UPI reporter "I'll never join a show. The answer is definitely no. But maybe I'll be competing in the Worlds again next year."

She leaves Vancouver on Sunday, and plans to take a one day rest "Where no one will find me" before returning to New York.

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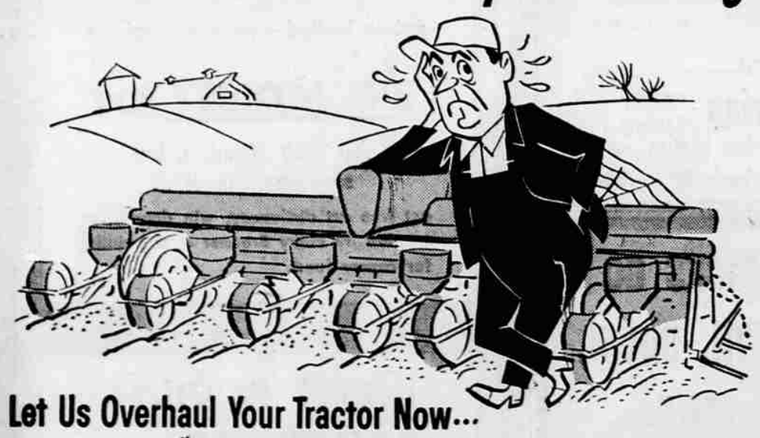

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