

Fossil Tips Prospect for B Hoop Consolations Laurels; Cougars Defeat at Huntington

Bend - Wheeler County's hard flying Falcons broke from a third quarter deadlock here yesterday afternoon to tip the Prospect high Cougars 56 to 52 in the consolation final and claim fourth place in the Oregon Class B high school basketball tournament.

The Falcons from the town of Fossil, a running team, and their District 5 adversaries were knotted 46-all going into the final period. Wheeler fought on top 53 to 48 with about 2½ minutes left to play then slowed the pace and hung on. Prospect pulled up 54 to 52 with 50 seconds left. But, Jim Slinkard swished a clincher goal for Wheeler.

Prospect's Cougars, behind through the entire first half, gave it the old high school try and, utilizing a pressing defense blazed into strong contention in the third period, taking the lead twice. However, with Craig Gardner limping on an ailing ankle, Prospect couldn't maintain the power to hold command.

Fast Pace Attack

Fossil employed a fast pace attack, warm shooting spurred by Bill Potter and a margin on the boards to garner its fourth spot trophy. Better defying at the free line gave the Wheeler County club the game. The Falcons put in 12 of their 16 gift attempts. Prospect made only six of 15. Although Fossil had the warmer field gunning, 423 to 383, the Cougars had the edge in goals 23 to 22.

Three straight missed free shots hurt Prospect in the early moment of the final panel. In the meantime, Jim Slinkard put Wheeler ahead

for keeps with a couple of gifters. A rebound shot by Potter then made it 50 to 46. Stan Payne hit from the corner for Prospect but Dave Ostrander countered from the field and Slinkard put in another free point for 53 to 48.

Craig Gardner sank a basket from the corner with two minutes to go. Slinkard swished his fourth point of the quarter from the free stripe. A Bob Fitch jumper then was the last score for Prospect, making it 54 to 52.

After Slinkard added his goal for 56 to 52 with a half-minute to play, Dick Wood had a free shot chance for the Cougars. He missed but a Falcon was in the lane too soon. Wood got another chance but the ball again failed to go through the hoop and time ran out.

Ahead By Nine

Tom Gilliam, Dave Prindle and Potter scored successive goals as the tilt's second quarter got underway. That gave Fossil a nine point bulge, its biggest, at 18 to 9. The quarter had ended 12 to 9.

Hobbled Craig Gardner then began hitting from the corners for the Cougars. He hit four buckets at this stage for Prospect. His brother, Terry, got one goal and Chuck Poole connected. As they were added to the Cougar total Prindle and Potter goalied for Fossil and Gilliam got a free heave but the Wheeler County gap had been reduced to 23 to 21.

Potter gave his club a 27 to 21 spread and the Falcons headed again at 29 to 23. Prospect, nevertheless reduced the

difference to three points, 31 to 28, at halftime.

Payne Gets Points

Turning to the pressing game as the second half began, the Prospect club got on the move. Payne fired in three buckets and Terry Gardner one while Potter was goaling twice for Fossil. And, Prospect went on top 36 to 35.

Harvey Blank put the Falcons back in front 37 to 36. Terry Gardner tied the fray at the free stripe. Then Gilliam gave Wheeler 39 to 37 lead. Fitch tied the tangle for the Cougars but Gilliam hit again for 41 to 39 Fossil. Fitch sank a driver for Prospect and Terry Gardner goalied for 43 to 41 with the upper Rogue team leading. Gilliam connected for the third time from the right of the key to knot the match.

Terry Gardner brought the Cougars the upper hand again and Craig's gift made it 46 to 43. Slinkard got a free toss for Wheeler County and Potter a rebound for 46-all.

Potter had 22 points in the game. For Prospect Craig and Terry Gardner and Bob Fitch each had 13 points. Terry was the rebound leader of the game with 12 retrieves. Potter and Slinkard had 11 each for the Falcons.

COUGARS WIN FRIDAY

Bend - Prospect high's Cougars cut off the steam of the Huntington Locomotives in the fourth quarter here Friday afternoon and romped away from the District 6 aggregation 70 to 47 in the consolation round of the Oregon Class B prep basketball tournament.

The Cougars, who were spurred by the 27-point scoring of Bob Fitch, moved into the Saturday consolation finals for fourth place against Wheeler County of Fossil. Wheeler bounced Perrydale 76 to 51 also Friday afternoon.

Prospect shot at a blazing 500 clip from the field and kept the Locomotives off balance with a tough man-to-man defense. The District 5 champ from the upper Rogue area fought ahead at 16 to 14 in the second panel and never relinquished the front position after that.

Strong Bid Halted

Cougar players, who had trailed 10 to 14 just after the second canto began, were on top 32 to 23 at halftime. They ramblled to an 18 point gap of 44 to 26. Third quarter spread was 47 to 31.

Huntington bid strong at the start of the fourth session with an eight-point surge which hacked the Prospect difference down to eight markers at 47 to 39. But it was just about all Prospect after that.

Cliff Chapman followed Fitch in scoring for the Cougars with 12 points. Craig Gardner, the Prospect scoring leader for the season, suffered a turned ankle in a collision with a teammate in the pregame warm-up. Playing with his ankle taped up, the hobbled Gardner managed just eight counters, but he did head the Cougars in rebounds with eight.

Jim Armstrong of the Locomotives paced his club with 19 points and 12 rebounds.

Fast Break Goes

Prospect, somewhat baffled by a Huntington one-three-one zone defense, started slow. The Cougars began to solve the Locomotive strategy in the second quarter. In the late part of that period, the Engines switched to defense and kept up that defense the rest of the way. The Cougars were able to score strong against this man-to-man with Fitch and Chapman tabulating well on the fast break and contributing to the 50 per cent shooting.

Huntington apparently was caught unprepared for the Prospect man-for-man. Carl Mason of the Locomotives, who had put in 25 points the day before against Lone, was held to just one field bucket Friday by the efforts of Prospect's Terry Gardner and Stan Payne.

Cougar Duane Payne's Cougars opened the fourth quarter with Craig and Terry Gardner resting on the bench. Don Armstrong's tip in and Jim Armstrong's two buckets and two gifters for the Engines cut the spread to the 47 to 39 count.

Potter Gives Lead

Then, Fitch put in two free tosses and Chapman one. To these Fitch added a field goal for 52 to 39. Jim Armstrong got a basket for Huntington but Fitch put in a jumper and Chapman went the length of the floor to score for 56 to 41. There was no Huntington bid after that. After a 60 to 47 gap, Prospect closed out with five straight field scores.

Huntington led 12 to 10 at the end of the first stanza. Dick Cummings gave the

Ducks Nip Beavers On Warren's Goal

Eugene - UP - A close-in field goal by Charlie Warren with three seconds remaining gave Oregon's Ducks a 54-52 basketball win over Oregon State Friday night.

Warren, a 6-foot-4 junior forward with a smooth touch and uncanny timing, took a rebound of a missed shot by Leon Hayes and came back up for the game-winning two pointer.

The shot whiped out a three-point play by the Beavers' Bill Wold that brought the score to 52-52 with 33 seconds to play.

The victory was the third win in three starts for Oregon over Oregon State this season.

Kept Chances Alive

The win kept the Ducks' chances alive for one of the two at-large berths in the forthcoming Western regional NCAA basketball playoffs.

The Beavers and Ducks, now both 14-11 for the year, close out their regular schedules tonight at Corvallis.

Warren and Glenn Moore paced the Oregon triumph. Warren had 19 points and Moore turned in 17 points.

Oregon State's Jay Carty also scored 19.

Oregon led 32-25 at halftime.

The Ducks, outshot 357 to 305 from the floor, out rebounded the Oregon Staters

Oregon State			
FG	FT	Reb.	Pt.
11-22	14-20	24	44
Warren	7-11	8	19
Carty	6-11	11	19
Anderson	0-1	1	0
Wold	4-7	2	10
Ross	1-1	1	2
Pauly	1-4	7	2
Flynn	2-3	3	6
Johnson	2-2	1	5
Woodland	2-1	2	5
Baker	0-0	0	0
Totals			
15	22-30	52	52

Oregon			
FG	FT	Reb.	Pt.
13-23	18-25	35	44
Warren	7-11	8	19
Simmons	2-5	7	6
Moore	5-7	17	17
Strickland	1-4	4	4
Hayes	2-0	0	0
Jones	0-2	3	0
Mack	1-1	1	2
Totals			
18	25-33	54	54

Faculty Leads HC Hoop Race

Happy Camp - The Forest Service retained second place in the Happy Camp Recreation league last week with a 73-46 win over Seiad. The foresters now have a 6-2 record and trail the league leading Faculty with a 7-0 mark.

Joe Ragsdale paced the foresters against Seiad by pouring in 21 points. Bill Calola had 19 for Seiad.

The Community church pulled into third place by virtue of a 69-21 win over the Firemen. Dave Harnden tallied 19 for the church club. Newt Harnden had 18 for the winners.

Prospect Aces All-Tourney Selections

Bend - UP - Lone placed two players on the Oregon high school class B all-tournament first team announced Saturday night.

John Swanson and Francis Rea made the first squad for Lone. Other first teamers were Al McDaniel of Lowell, Bob Fitch of Prospect and Gary Browlee of Portland Christian.

The team was picked by sportswriters.

The second team was made up of Tim Blanchard, Portland Christian; Rich Calbo, Powers; Terry Brainbridge, Lowell; Terry Gardner, Prospect; and Bill Potter and Jim Slinkard, Fossil.

basketball tournament with victories Friday night.

Lowell, the tallest team in the eight-school tournament, rolled past previously-undefeated Portland Christian 66-50 and once-beaten Lone scored its 22nd straight win by beating Powers 67-54 in semi-final action.

In consolation play, Prospect defeated Huntington 70-47 and Fossil unended Perrydale 76-51.

John Swanson poured in a tournament high of 33 points to lead Lone to its victory. From Low Post

Swanson scored most of his points from the low post to run his two-game tourney total to 52 points. Frank Rea added 13 for Cardinals.

In the Lowell victory, Al McDaniel was the offensive star. McDaniel scored 21 points, all in the crucial first three periods.

The triumph was the 23rd in 25 starts this season for the Red Devils.

Bill Potter and Jim Slinkard combined to lead Fossil past Perrydale. Potter had 22 and Slinkard scored 20.

MAIN TOURNEY FINAL

Newberg - UP - George Fox College of Newberg and Northwest Christian college of Eugene advanced to the finals of the George Fox Invitational basketball tourney here Friday night by posting victories. George Fox came from behind in the second half to dump Concordia 68-52 and Northwest Christian toppled Multnomah School of the Bible 77-64.

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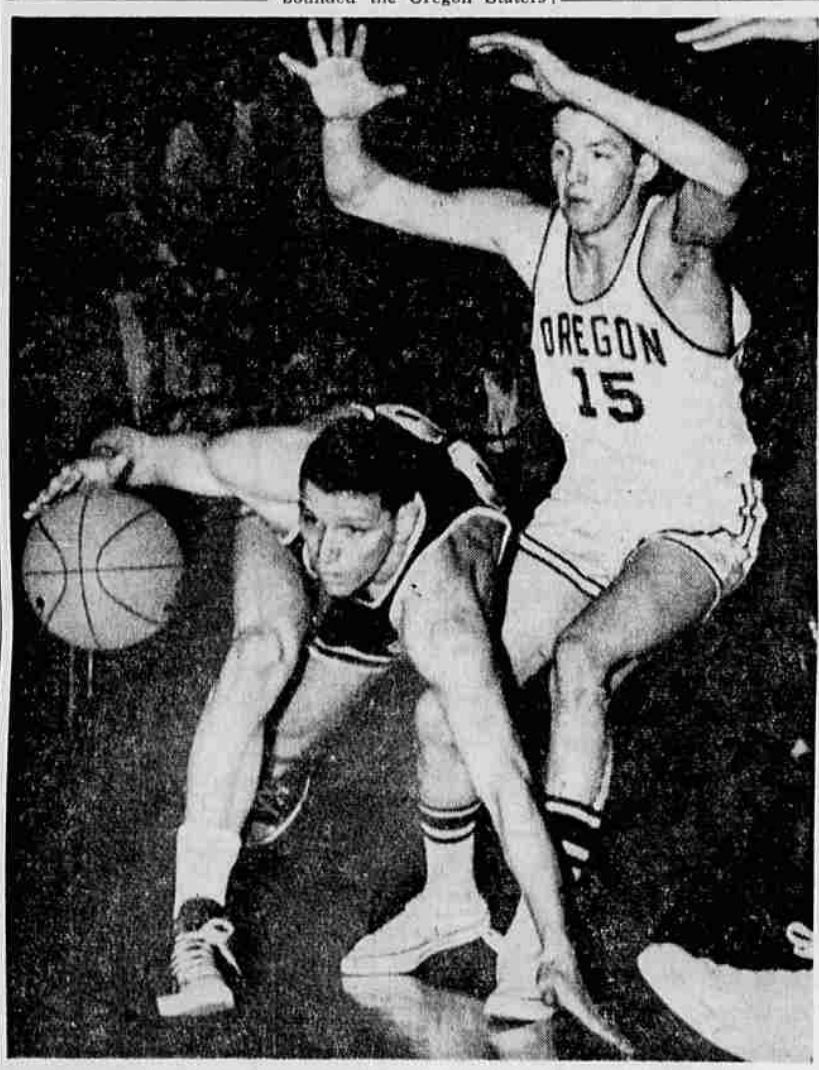
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NEAR TUMBLE FOR BEAVER—Bill Wold, Leon Hayes (15) in first half of game Friday night at Eugene. U of O won 54-52. (UPI Telephoto)

Linfield Will Face Grambling

Kansas City, UP - Linfield will meet Grambling of Louisiana in its first game in the NAIA national basketball tournament here next week.

The Wildcats, who gained the tourney by beating Eastern Oregon Tuesday night for the NAIA district 2 title, will meet Grambling Monday at 10 a.m. PST in the 16-team meet's second game.

Linfield, which captured the Northwest Conference championship this year, has an 18-10 record. Grambling is 27-4.

WIN FENCING TOURNEY

Warsaw, Poland - UP - George Worth of New York scored three victories in helping the United States team defeat Russia, 9-7, Friday night in the opening round of the Warsaw international saber fencing tournament.

ANGELS SIGN CATCHER

Los Angeles - UP - Jack Biatt, an 18-year-old catcher sought by six other major league teams, signed a contract yesterday with the Los Angeles Angels. He will report next week to Dallas-Fort Worth of the American association.

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